



St. James Church
299 Red Oak Dr. Aitkin

Welcome to the Parishes of St. James and Holy Family Catholic Churches And Our Lady of Fatima Chapel



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Mass Schedule

Weekday:

Tues-Fri.....8:30 am St. James

Weekend:

Saturday.....5:00 pm.....St. James

Sunday.....8:00 am.....Holy Family

.....10:00 am.....St. James

Confessions

Sat: 10:00–10:45 am St. James

4:00- 4:45 pm St. James

Sun: 7:15-7:45 am Holy Family
(or by appointment)

Pray the Rosary

SJ–Sat. 4:25 pm/Sun. 9:25 am/

Tues-Fri-8:05 am

HF–Sundays 8:30 am

Online opportunities

St. James: www.aitkincatholic.org

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Holy Family & Our Lady of Fatima
Chapel

www.mcgregorcatholicchurch.org

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

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Elementary Open

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FIRST



“Thus, the last will be
first, and the first
will be last.”

MATTHEW 20:16

A Message from Father David

The unfortunate news that Fr. Mike Mulloy, from the Rapid City, SD Diocese resigned from becoming Bishop for the Diocese of Duluth is upsetting on many fronts. What has become common in these types of cases is that there is a lack of clear information, we have the knowledge of allegations but (in the end) we don't know much. Privacy plays a part in that and I think we all get that, but to live in the fog of - did they really do something or didn't they - the 50/50 proposition that most of these cases of alleged sexual abuse leave us with is tormenting.

If the allegation is credible and he did something he should step down and maybe even leave active ministry but if he didn't do anything, why should he be punished for a lie. I don't know what the truth is and I don't assume that I ever will, but I know that these things need to be sorted out even further by the Church Universal and the Bishops' Conferences in countries throughout the world.

And so the process for getting a new Bishop returns to square one. The last process only took 6 months (which was highly unusual), this time the normal procedure should take 9 months to 2 years (max). Names of potential bishop candidates are collected by the Archbishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis (Hebda), he submits them to the Apostolic Nuncio (in Washington D.C.) and the Papal Nuncio for the United States puts 2 or 3 names in front of Pope Francis who chooses one. There are background checks and people are interviewed (under the seal) in regard to the character, virtue and holiness of the man. Which begs the question how did Fr. Mulloy get through the background check?

The answer to that question is simple. I'm assuming that this allegation appeared recently (meaning after he was named Bishop-elect). The recent allegation comes from a reported incident from 1980. The truth of the allegation will in all likelihood never be known. And that seems to be the trend for now. In the last 19 years (if my memory serves me correctly) I have known 7 priests from the Diocese who have taken leave and most all of them are clouded in mystery in some way, even years later. Some priests take leave for health reasons, which is not viewed the same as leaves triggered by addiction or sexual misconduct (for obvious reasons).

Now we are back to all that we can do "posture" of prayer before the Lord, begging Him to mediate the grace of the Father and the Spirit - God's merciful love. These are trying times and we have to hang on to the hope of future justice and peace. Try to be as positive as you can, cling to the thought that Christ is the Victor even in a world of chaos and fear. He **is** the Victor especially in a world of chaos and fear. Pray for our next Bishop. I hope he falls into the role of Shepherd as easily as the Good Shepherd. I pray he is courageous and will speak the truth. I want to see in him a father, having lost my dad in 2016 and Bishop Sirba in 2019. Pray for and beg from Jesus what you want to see in our next Bishop.

More to come...

God bless and have a good week everyone! Fr. David

Fr. David's Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, September 20

7:15—7:45 am	Confessions (HF)
8:00 am	Mass (HF)
10:00 am	Mass (SJ)

Tuesday, September 22

8:00 am	Angelus (SJ)
8:05 am	Rosary (SJ)
8:30 am	Mass (SJ)

Wednesday, September 23

8:00 am	Angelus (SJ)
8:05 am	Rosary (SJ)
8:30 am	Mass (SJ)

Thursday, September 24

8:00 am	Angelus (SJ)
8:05 am	Rosary (SJ)
8:30 am	Mass (SJ)
9:00 am	Exposition of Blessed Sacrament (SJ)

Friday, September 25

8:00 am	Angelus (SJ)
8:05 am	Rosary (SJ)
8:30 am	Mass (SJ)

Saturday, September 26

10:00 - 10:45 am	Confession (SJ)
2:30 pm	Janzen/Quade Wedding (SJ)
4:00 - 4:45 pm	Confession (SJ)
5:00 pm	Mass (SJ)

Sunday, September 27

7:15-7:45 am	Confessions (HF)
8:00 am	Mass (HF)
10:00 am	Mass (SJ)

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"WEAPON"
FOR THESE
TIMES.

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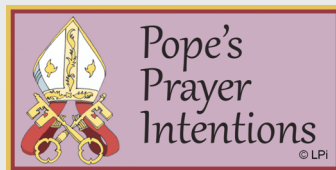
This study will be offered in person or virtually, if needed. Contact Deacon Mike Eisenbraun 218-851-8119 or m.eisenbraun@yahoo.com for more information and to register.



Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. As a parish we raised funds to help strengthen the Church at home and ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections



There will be an informational meeting for TMIY, Tuesday September 22nd at 6:30 am at St. James. All men of the parishes are welcome to attend.
God Bless,
Deacon Mike Eisenbraun



Universal Prayer Intention
Respect for the Planet's Resources
We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

September 20, 2020

Sun: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 [18a]/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a
Mon: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13
Tues: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 [35]/Lk 8:19-21
Wed: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 [105]/Lk 9:1-6
Thurs: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc [1]/Lk 9:7-9
Fri: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 [1]/Lk 9:18-22
Sat: Eccl 11:9-12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 [1]/Lk 9:43b-45
Next Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32
Next Sunday Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Stewardship Report



Through
September 6, 2020
(Fiscal Year: July 1, 2020-
June 30, 2021)
St. James •

Attendance	(no 10:30 count) 156
Weekly Goal	\$5,020
Received 9/6/2020	\$5,499
Fiscal Year to date goal	\$50,202
Fiscal Year to date received	\$48,020
UCA 2020 Assessment	\$58,429.33
UCA 2020 Received/Pledged	\$35,956.50

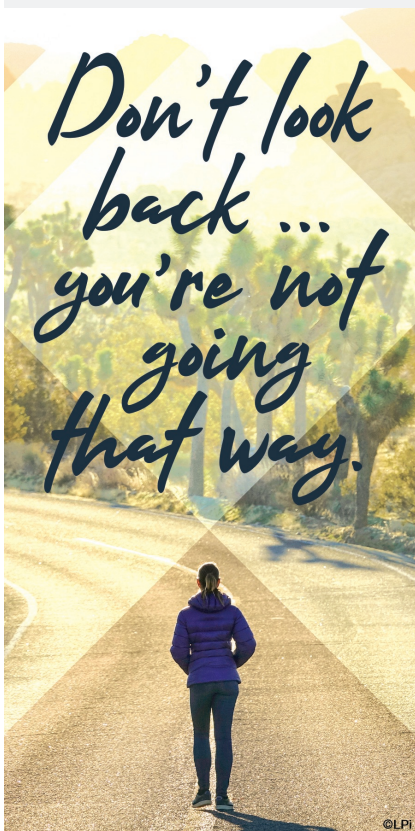
Holy Family •

Attendance	92
Weekly Goal	\$1,410
Received 9/6/2020	\$2,057
Fiscal Year to date goal	\$14,096
Fiscal Year to date received	\$14,577
UCA 2020 Assessment	\$13,999.20
UCA 2020 Received/Pledged	\$7,536.00

Our Lady of Fatima•

Attendance 8/30/2020	20
Weekly Goal	\$127
Received 8/30/2020	\$144
Fiscal Year to date goal	\$1,267
Fiscal Year to date received	\$1,255
UCA 2020 Assessment	\$1,585.21
UCA 2020 Received/Pledged	\$1,149.62

Thank you for your contributions!





Booya Cancelled

We are sorry to report that due to health concerns because of COVID 19 the Booya this year will not be held. The annual Booya will be held next year and we hope to see you there.

Try Amazon Smile: Raise funds for St. James.

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REMEMBER
in your prayers

Greg Cummings,
Gary Ferdelman,
Scott Cummings,
and their

bereaved family and friends. May their souls and the souls of all the faithfully departed rest in peace.

St. James Food Shelf

Sept 26/27 Pancake mix and syrup
Oct 3/4 Spaghetti sauce, pasta, ramen noodles
Oct 10/11 Food Share Weekend

Money is always welcome. Thanks for all you do to help those in need.

Rosary for Respect for Life & Children

On Thursday mornings from 7:30-7:50 a.m. a Rosary is prayed for the sanctity of life and youth of our community. Everyone is welcome to join in prayer before the start of our busy days.

Holy Family

2 S Maddy Street, McGregor



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Laurie Tarnowski and her bereaved family and friends. May her soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed rest in peace.

Adoration / Holy Hour / Benediction

Anyone is welcome to visit the Lord in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursdays between 9:30 am and 6 pm with benediction beginning at 5:50 pm. There is still a need for individuals to sign up for an hour or be on a substitute list. If interested please call or text Andrea at 763-360-2058.

PRAYER REQUESTS



There is an updated September Prayer Request list available in the Narthex. Please feel free to take one and pray for those in need of our prayers. Included with this list is a beautiful "healing" prayer. If you have anyone you would like added to the prayer list or, if there is someone that could be taken off, please contact Shirley Scollard 218-839-0754.



Our Lady of Fatima

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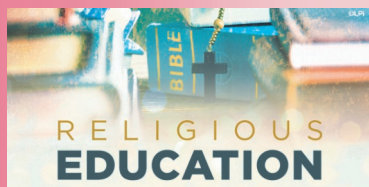
OLOF Chapel Mass Schedule

The Rosary will be prayed half hour before Mass times. Please note this schedule is subject to change due to Fr. Solors availability.

Sunday, Sept. 27, 2020 at 10 am
Sunday, Oct. 4, 2020 at 10 am
Sunday, Oct. 11, 2020 at 10 am



Religious Education



Little Gobblers Religious Education will be held this year with modified in-person classes. A letter will be sent to all K-6 families soon with more details. Classes will be held on Wednesday

evenings, just as last year. We will have only two classes. Grades K-3 will meet in the Social Hall with parents/families and grades 4-6 will meet at the same time, but in the large classroom without parents.

We will be using the same Family Formation Curriculum as we did last year. Home packets will be available for families to use each week. Families have the choice to attend in-person or view a recording of the classroom lesson and complete with their children at home. Parents will have online videos/resources to use for each month's topic that will replace the parent education meetings that were held last year.

It is important that we know from you how you would like to participate and if in-person or at-home work better for your family. It will help Marie and me to plan any changes we have about class size and if adjustments need to be made. We will be making any necessary adjustments to our meeting plan, if needed.

Registration forms can be found on the website, or will be included with the letter. This is a quick overview, but we are excited to offer an opportunity for you and your children to learn in-person this year and at home. Our first day of class is planned for September 30th at 5:15. See you then!
Jen and Marie



Tuesday, September 22

8:30 am Pat Cummings (SJ)

Wednesday, September 23

8:30 am Deacon Vern Anderson (SJ)

Thursday, September 24

8:30 am Greg Lee
Mass of the Living (SJ)

Friday, September 25

8:30 am Harold Joerger (SJ)

Saturday, September 26

5:00 pm Joan Diedrich (SJ)

Sunday, September 27

8:00 am For the Parishioners (HF)
10:00 am Ronald Miller (OL)
10:00 am Betty Lou Mingus (SJ)

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This Week

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Tuesday, September 22

6:30 am

That Man is You (SJ)

Thursday, September 24

7:30 am

Rosary (SJ)

9:00 am to 8:00 pm

Adoration (SJ)

9:30 am to 5:50 pm

Adoration (HF)

5:50pm

Benediction (HF)

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Saturday, Sept 26 at 5:00 pm (SJ)

Sacristan/Server..... Terry Stein
Lector..... Carol Wiherski
EOMs Jan Burt, Dave Thompson (MOB)
Ushers Pam & Pete Landgren, two volunteers

Sunday, Sept 27 at 8:00 am (HF)

..... Please see the green binder in narthex.

Sunday, Sept 27 at 10:00 am (OL)

..... Volunteers needed.

Sunday, Sept 27 at 10:00 am (SJ)

Sacristan Carroll Janzen
Server Jeremy Justen
Lector..... Dan Stifter
EOMs Bernie Novak, Judy Walsh (MOB)
Ushers Don Lent, Tom Lundberg, Kirk Peysar, Mark Ritter

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