

St. James Parish, Chamberlain
St. Margaret Parish, Kimball
St. Anthony Parish, Pukwana

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MASS SCHEDULE:

St. Margaret:

• Saturdays 5:00 PM (Jan/Mar/May/Jul/Sept/Nov) • Sundays 8:00 AM

St. James:

• Saturdays 5:00 PM (Feb/Apr/Jun/Aug/Oct/Dec) • Sundays 10:30 AM

St. Anthony:

• Sundays 5:00 PM - September 1 thru May 31

• Sundays 7:00 PM - June 1 thru August 31

Confessions: • Saturday 4:00 – 4:45 PM or by appointment

• Sundays (SM) 7:10 - 7:45 AM

For scheduling Baptism or Weddings: • Please call 778-6420

• (SM) - St. Margaret, Kimball • (PV) - Prairie View Assisted Living, Kimball
• (SJ) - St. James, Chamberlain • (SA) - St. Anthony Church Pukwana
(for schedule of Mass)

Mass Schedule for January 22 - 28, 2018

Mon. Jan. 22: (SJ) 8:00 AM Mass +Mike Healy
(Regency) 10:00 AM Mass Communion Service
(SM) 7:30 PM +KCs & +Squires

Tues. Jan. 23: NO Scheduled Mass

Wed. Jan. 24: (PV) 9:00 AM Mass +Clara Clark

Thurs. Jan. 25: (SJ) 8:00 AM Mass +Lousie Burns

Fri. Jan. 26: (SM) 9:00 AM Mass +Darlene Wingert

Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time - January 28, 2018

Sat. Jan. 27: (SM) Confessions 4:00 – 4:45 PM
(SM) 5:00 PM Mass +Mark, +Daniel, &
+Charles Uckert

Sun. Jan. 21: (SM) 8:00 AM Mass +Lezlie Blasius
(SJ) 10:30 AM Mass +Dr. Lambert Holland
(SA) 5:00 PM Mass Members of the Parishes

St. Margaret Church Collection • Jan. 13 & 14, 2018

Envelopes: \$ 4,369.00

Loose: \$ 167.50

Children's: \$ 7.25



St. James Church Collection • Jan. 14, 2018

Envelopes: \$ 2,097.00

Loose: \$ 94.00



Chamberlain Knights of Columbus – Brunch

Sunday, January 21st after Mass

at the Parish Community Center

Serving: Pancakes, Sausage, Fresh Fruit, Coffee
& Lemonade. **EVERYONE WELCOME!**

Knights of Columbus “Free Throw Contest” -

Sunday, January 28th at 12:30 PM at the National Guard Armory in Chamberlain. Registration starts at 12:00 noon for boys & girls ages 9 -14. Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place winners in each age group. Each person shoots 15 free throws. The Free Throw Contest is held in conjunction with & at the same time as the “Jaycees Hot Shot Competition”.



To place a name on the prayer list, please call the parish offices' -778-6420 or 734-6122 ext. 3. Names will remain on our list for ONE MONTH. Please contact the office to request continued prayers. Thank You.

Please pray for the following people and all who need our prayers: Rollin Smith, Andy Steckelberg, Frances Jetty, Fr. Pius Mardian, Joyce E. Nedved, Msgr. Ed Burian, Emma Bohon, Russ Engler, Scoti Reis, Becky Rybak, Jan DeSloover, Lisa Pazour, David Leheska, Aubrey Koch, Edward Swietochowski, Bennett Namanny, Marlene Kerner, & Kamil Swietochowski, Tessa Pazour, Dick Donovan, Donna Knopick, Patti Nedved, Vincent Assmus, Julie Gregg, & Phillip Konechne.

To place someone on St. James Prayer chain please call Peggy Hanzlik at 234-4137 or hanzlikp@midstatesd.net

Please pray for our military personnel: Josh Burnett, Philip Lenz, Philip Soulek, Emily Soulek, Andrew Chmela, Aaron Toupal, Will Race & Anthony Hanzlik.



The Secret of the Rosary by St. Louis De Montfort

A Bishop's Devotion: (Continued) . . . These changes were most remarkable because this Bishop had been striving to reform his diocese for some time but with hardly any results. To better impress devotion of the Rosary, the Bishop wore a beautiful rosary at his side and always showed it to the congregation when he preached. He used to say: “My dear brethren in Jesus Christ, I am a Doctor of The-ology and a Doctor of Canon as well as Civil law, but I say to you, as your Bishop, that I take more pride in wearing Our Lady's Rosary than in any of my regalia or acad-emic robes.”

Our Parishes *extends our deepest sympathy* to the family and friends of **Clara Clark** who went home to the Lord. May God bless you with peace and comfort in this time of great sorrow.



St. James Religious Ed News:

*** Wed., Jan. 24 – Parent hall monitors are the Todd Priebe & Rick Santiago families.

*****2nd grade parents:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held Saturday, Jan. 27th. Your family books should be returned by then. Your child may bring them to class or drop them off at Sally's office.

*****Mark your Calendars:** 1st & 2nd year Confirmation classes will be hosting the Super Brunch of Caring on Sunday, Feb. 4th following the 10:30 Mass

St. Margaret's and St. James 7th through 12th grade CRE students are invited to St. Peter's Church in White Lake on Wednesday, February 7th at 7:00 PM to list to Fr. Shaun Haggerty, Religious Vocations Director from the Sioux Falls Chancery, the presentation will only last 45 to 60 minutes. For more information please contact Chantelle Kirsch 605-680-1658 or skirsch@midstatesd.net

CDA EDUCATION CONTEST: Students in Grades 4-12 have received information on the 2018 CDA National Education Contest. All entries are due by Wed. Feb. 14th. All students and CDA members are encouraged to participate. This is a great way for you to demonstrate your God given talents. Themes are: “THE LORD HAS DONE GREAT THINGS FOR US, WE ARE FILLED WITH JOY.” Ps 126 or “FINDING JOY IN MY LIFE.” All entries must be accompanied by a 2018 Entry Form properly signed. Prizes are awarded at the local, state and national level. Questions? Contact Delores Overweg - phone 778-6554.



THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
January 21, 2018
**“The kingdom of God is at hand;
 repent, and believe in the Gospel”**
(Today’s Gospel)

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, members of St. James and St. Margaret parishes,

The Gospel selection from St. Mark presents us again with the beginning of Jesus’ public ministry. Jesus began his ministry with the universal call to repentance. The theme of repentance is one of the main themes of today’s readings. Jonah, a reluctant Jewish prophet, was sent to preach repentance to the Ninevites, the sworn enemies of Israel. As a patriot he would rather prefer to see the city of Nineveh destroyed than to see its people being converted, but God’s plan was to save them. These people were important to him and worth calling to repentance. God’s call to repentance is based on his love and respect for us. It is an affirmation of our importance to him. Unless we are gripped by this feeling of being worthwhile objects of God’s love, we have missed the point of the Gospel’s call to repentance.

After the call to repentance, the Gospel tells us about the call of first apostles. What was striking about the apostles’ response to the call of Jesus was their realization that something better was offer to them. They sensed that Jesus was inviting them to a higher way of life and they saw themselves, not as they were, but as they could be. To such an invitation there could be one response: to repent and believe in the Gospel.

Repentance is not easy as it appears. There is more to it than saying extra prayers, doing little fasting and being sorry for past sins. The Gospel gives us a picture of what is involved in the process. Leaving our “nets” and disentangling ourselves from worldly pursuits in order to follow Jesus is not a onetime decision. It is a constant battle and the challenge of a lifetime. We have to constantly look at our sinfulness, re-asses our behavior in the light of the Gospel and, if need be, make fresh start. We need to repent and change our ways no less than the people of Nineveh.

The selection from the Prophet Jonah invites us to look at our own closed minds, hardened attitudes and bigotry. It shatters our illusions we may have about being a tolerant people. The thorns and briars of hatred and prejudices are deeply ingrained in our being, and can only be rooted out by repentance, and change of heart. Deep down we know that we are not yet the people God is calling us to be. The conversion of the people of Nineveh holds out hope for all of us. If the pagans could place their faith in the preaching of a reluctant prophet and change their lives, can we be less generous to Christ who died to save us.

The Good News we take home today is that God’s loving mercy is available to all who repent.

“Authentic knowledge of the God of mercy, the God of tender love, is a constant and inexhaustible source of conversion, not only as a momentary interior act but also as a permanent attitude, as a state of mind. Those who come to know God in this way, who “see” him in this way, can live only in a state of being continually converted to him.” (Saint John Paul II)

Mark your Calendar: St. Margaret’s **“Winter Fest”** will be held on Saturday, January 27th following the 5 PM Mass. The Polka Czechs will sing at Mass. Serving pork loin sandwiches, salads & desserts, **Free Will Offering**. Fun and games for everyone! **All Welcome!**

St. Margaret’s parents please remind your 5 – 12 grade children about their important role in volunteering to help with the Winterfest celebration with various jobs in the dining area, fish pond, craft room & daycare. Signup sheets will be available from your CRE teacher on Wednesday.

Attention all Catholic Daughter members of St. Margaret’s parish: If you would like to donate a cake/cupcakes for the **“cakewalk”** held during the **“Winter Fest”** at St. Margaret’s please bring your items to the church before 4:30 PM on Saturday, January 27th. Any questions please contact Breanna Skluzak or Kayla Konechne.



Each year the Catholic Daughters of the Americas collect donations to help financially support shelters and organizations that assist the victims of domestic violence. Did you know that 1 in 5 children are exposed to intimate partner violence each year, and 90% of these children are eyewitnesses to this violence? **On February 3rd and 4th there will be a second collection taken to help support domestic abuse shelters in our area for our State Life Saver Project.** Please take a lifesaver as gratitude for helping support the victims in our local abuse shelters. Please pray for all victims of abuse that they may find protection and feel God’s love. Pray also for the abusers that they may realize the value of life and have a change of heart so as to stop their violence. ***Thank you for helping us to become a LIFESAVER to those in need of our help.***

Empty Bowls – a fund raiser for St. James Food Pantry.



Sponsored by St. Joseph’s Indian School and St. James CCD will be held on Wednesday, January 31 from 5:30 to 7:00 PM in the Community Center. Cost: \$3.00 at the door for a delicious bowl of soup donated by the area’s finest cooks or pay \$ 10.00 at the door for the delicious soup and a ceramic bowl created by St. Joe’s students or local artist Cheryl Paulson.



The Family of Evelyn Emerson is requesting a card shower to honor her on her **90th Birthday** on Tuesday, January 23rd. Cards may be sent to the following address:
 1508 North Highway Apt. 317 Jackson, MN. 56143