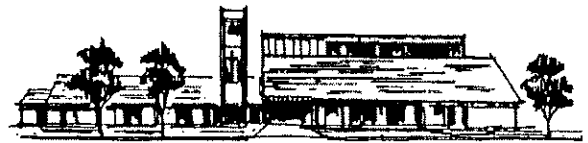


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WORSHIP

Weekday Masses

Tues 5:30 pm
Wed., & Thurs 9 am
Friday 9:00 AM
At Bethany Meadows

Lord's Day Masses

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00, 10:30AM &
7:00 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday
8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Offices closed on Sat. & Sun.
Offices are closed in observance
of major national holidays

Moving? Please notify the parish
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FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

22 November 2009

Daniel 7:13-14; Revelation 1:5-8; John 18:33b-37

Every time we pray the Lord's Prayer we ask "thy kingdom come." Now that we are celebrating the feast of Christ the King, we hear him say in the Gospel to Pilate, "My kingdom does not belong to this world...my kingdom is not here" (John 18:36). So what kind of kingdom are we praying for when we ask that it come? No political party, economic system, or national government embodies the kingdom we pray for. The news we hear day after day—on the state of the economy, on unemployment figures, on housing foreclosures, on bankruptcies—makes it clear that the worldly realm is a different kingdom. With Thanksgiving coming, there are many people who will be grateful for what they have and others who will find solace in the kindness of others. On Thanksgiving and next weekend we will be collecting food/canned goods for the Brandon Food Pantry. If you know of anyone who is in need of Thanksgiving help please fill out a card and slip it in the box provided.

Last Monday the US Department of Agriculture released a report that showed that 49 million Americans lived in households that lacked consistent access to adequate food, the highest since the government began tracking what it calls "food insecurity" 14 years ago. The same day, the Holy Father addressed the Food and Agriculture Organization's world summit on food security. In his speech Benedict said, "Hunger is the most cruel and concrete sign of poverty. Opulence and waste are no longer acceptable when the tragedy of hunger is assuming ever greater proportions."

Kingdoms usually have great treasure. Many monarchs have a crown, most likely encrusted with jewels. Commonly, these riches signify the power of the ruler and the strength of the kingdom. Jesus says to Pilate his kingdom is not here. None of the usual standards apply to his realm.

Jesus' answer to Pilate's third inquiry about his kingship is that he came into the world to testify to the truth. This truth is the foundation of his kingdom..." Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." It establishes the relationship. His kingdom is a challenge to both the Jewish people's messianic expectations as well as the powers of this world. So what kind of kingdom does Christ rule? Perhaps he reigns most effectively in those who give of themselves for people in need. Christ's kingdom may be found in the hearts of those who are, as the pope said on Monday, "inspired by love that goes beyond justice."

There will be NO RCIA meeting this Thursday, Thanksgiving. But please come and join us for the RCIA classes on any other Thursday Evening at 7 PM in Multi Purpose Room A. Anyone interested in learning about the Catholic religion is invited to come and participate in this class of Inquiry. This is open to Catholics who seek to develop a better understanding of their own faith. Come Join us!

FAMILY traditions root the human imagination in deep human values. Gathering, eating, remembering, playing, praying...all of these pull the family together in ways that mark time and meaning. It brings us pause to appreciate at every new stage of our lives what God has given to us. This thanksgiving come and join with your parish family at 9 am Eucharist—giving thanks to God!

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:00 – 4:45 PM or other time by appointment.

Baptism: A pre-Baptismal class is required for first-time parents. The class is held the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM and parents must make reservations. Class is best done prior to your child's birth.

Marriage: Diocesan policy requires six (6) months preparation for all couples planning marriage. A wedding date can NOT be set until this preparation is underway. Prior marriage by either party usually requires an annulment taking an additional year. Contact Fr. Wagner well in advance of a desired wedding date.

Seeking Emmanuel Within:

This is a half day advent retreat for the men and women of Risen Savior Church. This retreat will be held in the education wing in multi purpose room A from 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM on Saturday, December 12. The cost is \$10.00 per person. **Registration is required by December 5**, so that we may know how many to plan for.

Advent is a sacred time to open our hearts to EMMANUEL (God-with-in). Through Scripture, reflection and prayer we will explore how we might best use these immediate days before Christmas to come to know and welcome EMMANUEL in our lives. Bring journals, relax and close with a Pot Luck. Treat yourself to this pre-Christmas gift. This retreat will be presented by Sister Kathleen Courtney, a Benedictine from Sacred Heart Monastery. R.S.V.P. to Carla Gross at #582-6902.



The Week Ahead

Monday, November 23 - Rosary 6:30 PM

Tuesday, November 24 - Mass 5:30 PM

Wednesday, November 25 - Mass 9:00 AM / **NO** Religious Education Grades 7-12

Thursday, November 26 - THANKSGIVING Mass 9:00 AM/ **NO** RCIA THIS WEEK

Friday, November 27 - **NO MASS THIS MORNING**

Saturday, November 28 - Confessions 4:15 PM / Mass 5:00 PM

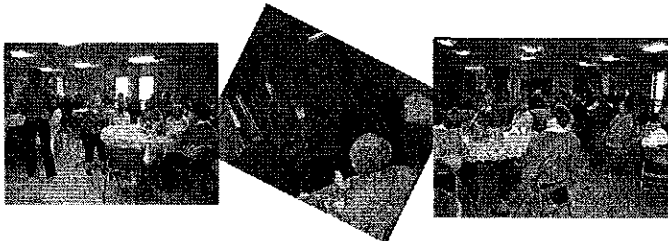
Sunday, November 29 - Mass 8:00, 10:30 AM & 7:00 PM/ Cookie bake in Church Hall from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Monday, November 30 - Rosary 6:30 PM / Cookie Bake in Church Hall from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

If anyone knows of a family that could use food assistance for Thanksgiving please call Kathy in the Parish Office at 582-6902.

Did you know: You can offer a Mass for those who have died, for the ill, for those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries, for the safety of travelers, a good harvest, etc? The suggested diocesan honorarium for a Mass is \$10.00.

Thank you to our Young at Heart Committee for another great Luncheon on Tuesday, November 17th!



The Annual Cookie Parade and Craft Fair at Risen Savior on Saturday, December 5th from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.



Please plan to attend this fundraising event at Risen Savior on December 5. We will need lots of cookies to sell the day of our event. Cookies can be dropped off anytime of the day or evening on December 4 or before 8:00 AM the day of the event. We are still in need of workers for this event; check out the sign up sheets that are in the church foyer.

Do you have a talent to share that could be used as a prize for our raffle?

We are looking for donations for big prizes and little prizes to make big themed baskets. Think outside the box and be creative. If you have ideas or questions call or email Laurie Lambertz, 582-7148, lauriel@alliancecom.net.

Other Raffle prizes include a 42" Hitachi LCD Flat Screen T.V., a 32" Vizio LCD Flat Screen T.V., and a Samsung Blu Ray Full HD Theatre System with Ipod dock! Tickets are available for \$10.00 per chance, \$25.00 for three and \$50.00 for six. Chances will be for sale after each Mass.

Thank you for your support!


O, Give Thanks...



Prayer Shawl Ministry

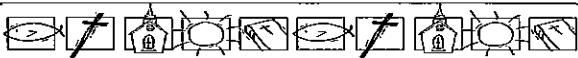
The Prayer Shawl Ministry Group will meet every first and third Wednesday of the month at 1:30 PM in the RE gathering area. All are welcome.

Yarn Needed: If you have yarn in excess and would like to do something special with it we welcome you to donate it to our Prayer Shawl Ministry. ☺

A Benefit for Gene Dickey is being planned to help him defray the costs of his medical bills. Gene had his first kidney transplant five years ago and a few years later his body rejected the kidney. Gene was fortunate to receive another kidney on September 18, 2009. His medical bills have begun to add up and the family would like to host a dinner and auction on February 20th, 2010. An organizing meeting will be held at the VFW in Brandon on November 23rd at 7:30 PM. Donations items for the auction would be greatly appreciated. Donations may be sent to: 200 N. Foss Ave., Sioux Falls, SD 57110 or by calling Stacey at 201-2745.

No Room at the Inn: Saturday, December 5th from 6:00 - 8:00 PM and Sunday, December 6th from 1:00 - 4:00 PM at Trail Ridge, 3408 W. Ralph Rogers Rd., Sioux Falls. No Room at the Inn is a display of unique nativity scenes from around the world, a silent auction, entertainment and refreshments. This is a family centered event and proceeds from the event will help the homeless and the hungry in our area.

November is National Adoption Month: Please take time to thank the many Foster and Adoptive families in our Parish and Community. *Foster and Adoptive Parents Make a World of Difference.* For more information: www.FosterOurFuture.sd.gov or contact Minnehaha County 605-334-3431 or write 700 Governors Drive, Pierre, SD 57501



Religious Ed News

Family Formation Teachers:
Please pick up your December packet located in the cubbies by the sanctuary.

9th Grade Confirmation Orientation

On Sunday, December 13 @ 3:00 pm, we will be having a parent/candidate orientation for 9th grade students wishing to be confirmed in the spring of 2011. We will be starting these sessions in January. Please make every effort to attend this meeting.

Give a word of thanks to:

Our **WONDERFUL** volunteers who take the time to teach the youth of our parish!
We are so thankful for all you do!

Confirmation Retreat & NET Team
We are looking for donations of food or money to help decrease the costs of food for the NET team throughout the weekend of Dec 5-8. We are also going to need some kitchen help on Dec. 6 from 3:30-5:30 pm for the retreat dinner. **Contact Amber ASAP if you are able to help in any way!**

The retreat is on Sunday, December 6th from 12:30-6:30 pm followed by 7:00 pm Mass.

What's Happening at Risen Savior Preschool Our theme this week was "Octopus in the Ocean." ♦**Circle Time:** Letter O things children shared were: ostrich, orange, Optimus Prime (Transformer character), octopus, Olivia & demonstrating opposites. ♦**Faith Study: Stories of God's Love (3-4s)** I help take care of the world. God told people to take care of all that He made. (4-5s)/All: We show our love for God by taking care of His creation. All groups went on a "Taking Care of God's Creation Walk," playing an "I Spy" game to help Miss Val collect trash on the Church grounds. ♦**Music and Movement: (3-4s)** We practiced the finger play, One, Two Three, Four Five, I Caught a Fish Alive! (4-5s) Students sang Ocean songs, like this one (to The Wheels on the Bus): *The Sharks in the Ocean go chomp, chomp, chomp! Chomp, chomp, chomp! Chomp, chomp, chomp! The Sharks in the Ocean go chomp, chomp, chomp! All through the day. Repeat using: fish- swim; lobsters- pinch; octopus- wiggle; whale-squirt; clam- open and shut; crabs- click; and jellyfish- bloop!* ♦**Fine Motor/Learning/Art Activities: (3-4s)** Read the story, Not in the House, Newton! by Judith Heide Gilland, chanting along as the mother repeated the old familiar rule each time Newton's crayon creations came to life. An ocean adventure book, Dory's Story, introduced us to lots of types of fish. We played "Who Caught a Fish in the Big Blue Sea?" ("Who Stole the Cookies from the Cookie Jar?") and other "fishy" Ocean games! Students made ocean murals using foamy heart and moon shapes to create fish. We had fun using the new Water Table with Ocean creatures! (4-5s) Children glued Oatmeal and O's (fruit loops) to "Oo." They listened to Life in a Coral Reef, by Wendy Pfeffer, and Sail Away Little Boat, by Janet Buell. Ocean scenes made with tortillas, blue food colored cream cheese spread, seaweed-shredded cheese, and squeezey cheese for the sun were a delicious snack. Students will wrap up "O" on Monday, making octopuses and painting ocean murals using bubble wrap. **Coming Attractions: WE ARE THANKFUL! (No Letter this week.) REMINDER: NO SCHOOL ON 11/25 TO 27. HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**



Holiday Babysitting

On Sat., Dec. 5 from 2:00-6:00 pm, you can shop without the kids! Drop 'em off with us and we will babysit while you get your Christmas shopping finished.

*MUST PRE-REGISTER! Contact Amber.

Open to all ages. Free will donation will be collected.

All proceeds will benefit the Mission Trip Team.



Get the Youth Scoop

Have a happy and blessed Thanksgiving!

Keep in your prayers those who are at the Search retreat in Sioux Falls this weekend!



Donate to Feed My Starving Children

S.T.A.T. (Students Taking Action Together) is sponsoring a trip in order to volunteer with Feed My Starving Children at a site near Minneapolis.

"Feed My Starving Children is a non-profit Christian organization committed to feeding God's starving children hungry in body and spirit. The approach is simple: children and adults hand-pack meals formulated specially for starving children, and we ship the meals to more than 50 countries around the world." — www.fmssc.org

S.T.A.T. will bring two buses of students to Minneapolis but we are asking for donations in order to pay for the food that we pack.

We will be collecting donations next weekend, November 29 after the 8:00 and 10:30 am Masses. Thanks!



Our next youth group is Wednesday, December 2 from 7:30-8:30 pm. We will be making fleece tie blankets for the Children's Home Society in Sioux Falls. If you are able and willing to donate any amount of fleece or food for this youth group, please contact Amber ASAP.



Ministry Schedule for November 28 - 29
1st Sunday of Advent

Mass Times	Saturday, November 28 5:00pm	Sunday, November 29 8:00am	Sunday, November 29 10:30am	Sunday, November 29 7:00pm
Greeters	Ryan Dulaney Amy Dulaney	Brad Gullickson Colleen Gullickson	Richard Albertson Shannon Albertson	Tim Ridgway Mary Ridgway
Ushers	Ray Konz Joe Konz	Russell Kielman Dan Meyer	Donald Branson Jeff Tabbert	Paul Sickler Please Volunteer
Eucharistic Ministers	**Stacy Fiegen Gary Schweitzer Doug Waller	**Jane Mutschelknaus David Mutschelknaus Patty Washnok	**Joyce Tabbert Cathy Niklason Doug Niklason Monica Huber Galynn Huber	**Gary Pekas Sue Pekas
Lectors	Bob Wright	Jim Fjerestad	Debra Spinar	Mary Zanter
Acolytes	Elizabeth Waller Jesse Wooten	Taylor Welsh Lydia Eichelberg	Spencer Grage Mindy Moe	Kinsey Leonard Andrew Doppenberg
Homebound		Edie Sadler		

Piano
Cantor

Kelly
Val

Kelly

Kelly
Adult Choir

Kelly
Melissa

Masses for the Week of November 23-29

Weekday		Lord's Day	
Monday 6:30pm	Rosary		
Tuesday 5:30pm	Pat Lambertz (d)	Saturday 5:00 pm	Intention of Barb Forrester
Wednesday 9:00 am	Ivo & Frances Loosbrock(d)	Sunday 8:00 am	Sara Osantowski (d)
Thursday 9:00 am	Ray Forrester(d)	Sunday 10:30 am	For the People of Risen Savior
Friday 9:00 am	NO MASS (@Bethany Meadows)	Sunday 7:00 pm	John Sieler (d)

Stewardship Report

Weekly financial report of Risen Savior Parish
Needed each week to meet regular expenses - \$6,600.00
INCOME – November 15, 2009

Envelopes.....	\$3783.25
Auto-Contributions.....	\$875.00
Plate.....	\$324.82
Other.....	\$4.44
Total for this week's income.....	\$4,987.51

Catholic Family Sharing Appeal

Thanks to all who have given to this year's CFSA. We are so thankful for your generosity and commitment to the diocesan church. November is the month all pledges are due. For those of you who have not responded please send in your gift soon. Risen Savior's goal is \$57,000.00. Thus far \$49,954.00 has been committed. Our goal 100% participation. *Thank you for your support.*

"Give and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap." --Luke 6:38



Automatic Withdrawals for Contributions: If you would like to have your church contributions automatically deducted from your account each month, please call the Parish Office at 582.6902.