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And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.
 Philippians 4:10

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FINANCIAL SUPPORT: through March 15, 2026

General Collection	\$ 2,100.93	Anawim Fund	\$ 255.00
- via e-giving	\$ 537.93	Major Capital Fund	\$ 63.00
Adopt-A-Seminararian	\$ 150.00	Votive Candles	\$ 0.00

Special Collections		Gathering Area	\$ 145.00
		Easter Flowers	\$ 307.00

General Fund Income, Actual (to date): \$130,849.80
General Fund Income, Budgeted (to date): \$137,085.00
Difference of YtD Actual against Budgeted (+/-): \$ 6,235.20
Note: Avg. \$3,705/week needed for FY26 budgeted income.

WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

Visit the National WWW.EUCHARISTICREVIVAL.ORG site today!

Fifth Week of Lent *Fr Igwilo in Custer*

- 3/23 Mon.** 7:00A Holy Communion Service
5:30P KC's Rosary
- 3/24 Tues.** 7:00A Mass (Int.: Duke Schneller †)
- 3/25 Wed.** 7:00A Mass (Int.: George Bland †)
- 3/26 Thurs.** 7:00A Mass (Int.: Rudy Granewaldt †)
- 3/27 Fri.** 7:00A Mass (Int.: Daryl Bernard †)
followed by Eucharistic Adoration
4:00P Penance/Reconciliation
5:30P Stations of the Cross followed by Simple Soup Supper
- 3/28 Sat.** 7:30A Mass
11:00A Penance/Reconciliation



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
 – an opportunity to pray before our Eucharistic Lord. “Lord Jesus Christ, pierce my soul with your love so that I may always long for you alone, who are the bread of angels and the fulfillment of the soul’s deepest desires. may be filled with the sweetness of your presence.”

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS:
 Dn. Pat & Fran Coy, Bob & Karen Fix, Mike Greff, JerriLee & Darwin Hoeft, John Kocer, Glenn Kostelecky, Mary Krogman, Deborah Lemonds, Lois Massa†, Jan Niccoli, Donna Pfeiffer, Lyle Reindl†, Spenser Sandven†, Rhonda Snyder, Gayle & Duke† Schneller, Bill † & Terry Wakeland, Bill & Linda Young, Madelyn Zeltinger & all residents of MH’s facilities in Custer.

Those on this list will be listed for 3 months at a time; they can be re-listed for an additional 3 months.

Come spend time with Our Lord!
 The 2nd & 4th Fridays of the month: 7am-5pm
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

- 5:30P** Sun. Vigil Mass
(Int.: Raymond and Jane Sautner†)
- 3/29 Sun. *8:00A** Sun. Mass:
(Int.: Bill Young)

* Saturday evening Mass **NO** incense will be burned.

“Heavenly Father, I’m truly sorry for the moments today where I missed the mark. I ask for your forgiveness and the strength to better follow Your call tomorrow. Amen.”

Join us on Fridays during Lent for Stations of the Cross at 5:30p followed by a simple soup supper and fellowship.



This Sunday, 1pm. last chance to play KC BINGO this season! Blackout Bingo pot \$80. Bring Family & Friends for great prizes, laughter & wonderful community spirit.

St. John’s HOMEBOUND MINISTRY
If you are homebound or in the hospital and would like to have someone, bring you the Holy Eucharist, please contact Dn. Pat Coy personally.
 Arrangements will be made.



If you or anyone you know have projects of any sort that need to get done while the temps are nice, please call Scott May 281-881-2875 or Eric Adams 952-303-2366. proceeds will go towards the parish addition or Faith Family Fun events.

Traveling and could use a prayer? Facing health challenges? Know someone in need of spiritual support? At St. John’s, our dedicated team of prayer warriors is here for you—ready to lift up your intentions in prayer, whatever they may be. No request is too small—just let us know how we can pray for you!



STEWARDSHIP SPOT: When Jesus heard about the illness of his friend, Lazarus, He responded, ‘This illness is not to end in death; rather it is for God’s glory, that through it the Son of God may be glorified.’ Every aspect of our lives - our gifts as well as our sufferings - can, if surrendered to Christ, lead to blessing for others and ourselves.



Respect Life and Life will respect You. Love Life and Love will shower Blessings on You.

JOHN 11:1-45

“I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me, even if he dies; will never die.”



MARCH IS DEDICATED TO ST. JOSEPH



THE LORD HAS PUT HIS FAITHFUL SERVANT IN CHARGE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD

Come join in the Prayer of the Rosary before Mass. Saturday @ 4:55pm & Sunday @7:25am. and with the KC’s on Mondays at 5:30p Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, pray for us!

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of March For disarmament and peace:

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.. (See also <https://popesprayer.net/>)

Please be mindful of keeping the handicap parking lot open for those in need.



When have I felt fully alive? When have I felt only half-alive? When have I felt dead? Where do I go, or what do I do, to welcome Christ’s life into mine, to heal and revive me? ~From the depths, I cry to you, O Lord. Break the chains that keep me from living the life you are calling me to live. Let your light break through any gloom. Let me feel the stirrings of hope within me. ~

Thank you to all who helped with the ham dinner. It was a big success!



Journey in Faith Together



Join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM or Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM for Adult Faith Enrichment as we continue to explore how the Holy Spirit works in our lives, specifically through the Gifts and the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. On March 22nd, we will learn about the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. On March 29th and April 1st, the topic will be the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. Both videos are part of the Wild Goose series by Fr. Dave Pivonka.

Winner of the St. John’s Sweatshirt Design Competition

We are pleased to announce that the winner of the St. John’s sweatshirt design competition has been selected from an impressive collection of creative submissions. Please join us in congratulating Ann Dvorak on her winning design.

In the coming weeks, all parishioners will have the opportunity to order either a sweatshirt or a long-sleeve T-shirt featuring the selected design. Additional details, including ordering instructions and timelines, will be shared soon. Thank you to everyone who participated and submitted entries—we truly appreciate your enthusiasm and creativity.

PALM SUNDAY

1. Palm Sunday commemorates Jesus’ entry into _____.
2. When Jesus entered Jerusalem what animal did he ride?
3. What did the crowds cry when Jesus entered Jerusalem?
4. What is the symbolic meaning of the palm branch?
5. Palm Sunday marks the beginning of _____.

FEEDING S.D. at the Custer Lutheran Fellowship parking lot, 12622 HWY 16A, Next scheduled distributions for 2026: March 10. (605/348-2689)



Storehouse donations (15lbs. for 2026) Thank you.



Trivia Answers

1. Jerusalem
2. donkey
3. Hosana
4. peace
5. Holy Week

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Holy Week Mass and Services Schedule - 2026

St Anthony of Padua ~ St John the Baptist ~ St James the Apostle



Palm Sunday - March 29th

Hot Springs *10:30am ~ Mass

Custer 5:30pm ~ Mass (Saturday evening)
*8:00am ~ Mass (Sunday (Incense burned))

Edgemont 2:00pm ~ Mass



Holy Thursday - April 2nd

Hot Springs 6:00pm ~ Mass ~ followed by Adoration in the Chapel of Repose until midnight

Custer *5:30pm ~ Mass ~ followed by Adoration in the Chapel of Repose until 11:30 pm (Incense burned)



Good Friday - April 3rd

Hot Springs 7:30am ~ Office of Readings & Morning Prayer
3:00pm ~ Stations of the Cross
4:00pm ~ Commemoration of the Lord's Passion, Veneration of the Cross, & Reception of Holy Communion

Custer 3:00pm ~ Stations of the Cross *followed by*
Commemoration of the Lord's Passion, Veneration of the Cross, & Reception of Holy Communion (NO Incense)

Edgemont 7:30am ~ Office of Readings & Morning Prayer
3:00pm ~ Stations of the Cross

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Easter Vigil - Saturday - April 4th

Hot Springs 7:30am ~ Morning Prayers
*8:30pm ~ Vigil Mass

Custer 7:30am ~ Morning Prayers
*8:30pm ~ Vigil Mass (Incense burned)

Edgemont 7:30am ~ Morning Prayers



Easter Sunday - April 5th

Hot Springs 9:00am ~ Easter Mass

Custer 8:00am ~ Easter Mass (NO Incense)

Edgemont 11:00am ~ Easter Mass

