

Turkey Supper Planned For Saturday

The First United Methodist Church annual Turkey Supper wil be held Saturday, Feb. 23, at 207 W. 11th Street, Yankton. The supper will run from 4:30-7 p.m.

The worship band "One Way Up" from Canton UMC will be playing at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Tickets will be sold at the door the day of the supper. For more information, call 665-2991 or email firstumc@iw.net.

United Church Of Christ Boys To Sing

Fifteen young men with "unchanged voices" will be singing five or six special numbers this Sunday morning, Feb. 24, at the United church of Christ (Congregational), located at 5th and Walnut.

The morning service begins at 10 a.m. and will be filled with music and a message by Dr. Rick Jensen, Interim Pastor. Immediately after the service, refreshments will be served in Pilgrim Hall for all.

You are invited and encouraged to attend this Sunday morning worship.

Pancake Supper Slated For Vermillion Sunday

VERMILLION — The Pleasant Valley Men's Pancake Supper will be held Sunday, Feb. 24, from 5-7 p.m. at the church, which is located at 45918 308th St., rural Vermillion.

The menu will include pancakes, sausage, juice, coffee & ice cream for a free will donation.

All proceeds will benefit the Luther Center of Vermillion.

'Truth Project' DVD Series Set

Focus on the Family's "The Truth Project" is a DVD-based small group study designed to equip believers with a comprehensive biblical worldview. Practically and personally, participants will be reintroduced to the truth claims of God.

This study will start Tuesday, Feb 26, at 7 p.m. (Allow an extra 30 minutes the first lesson.) The study will continue on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. at St. John's Lutherans Church, 1009 Jackson St., for 13 weeks.

Twelve one-hour lessons discuss in detail God's design for living out the Christian worldview in daily life. Most importantly, it addresses the need to marry our actions to our core beliefs. What this curriculum does is nothing short of transformational. A lively hour of discussion will follow each lesson.

Space is limited so register early. For more information or to register, contact Joy Winther at 665-3140 or jnwinther@aol.com; or Andy Gates at 665-3922 or andra.gates@gmail.com.

Spring Theology Institute Set For March 15

Yankton's Sacred Heart Monastery announces its Spring Theology Institute on Saturday, March 16, running from 9 a.m.-noon in the Monastery Chapter Room in Yankton. The Rev. Thomas Nairn, OFM, will present, "Moral Decisions at the End of Life: Bringing Comfort and Healing to the Sick, the Dying, and the Lonely."

Fr. Nairn is a Franciscan priest and is senior director of ethics for the Catholic Health Association of the United States. He holds a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago Divinity School and has taught in the U.S., Australia, Zimbabwe and Singapore. He has published many articles on health care ethics and has recently edited two volumes on Cardinal Bernardin's consistent ethic of life. He also provides ethics education for Avera leadership.

This Institute is third in the "Moral Matters" series on moral decision-making. Father Tom Nairn will focus on the moral principles surrounding health care decisions, focusing on end of life issues and their concrete application. His presentation should be of interest to all who have or will have to struggle with treatment decisions with family members, as well as medical professionals who work with terminal patients on a daily basis.

All are welcome to attend this free event. For planning purposes, register by e-mailing S. Marielle at mfrigge@mtmc.edu or calling 605-668-6000. For further information or to print out a flyer, you may find the Theology Institute page at http://www.yanktonbenefictines.org/PC_TheologyInstitute.html.



Nairn

Italians Hoping For Homegrown Pope

BY HENRY CHU

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VATICAN CITY — He's God's own man, but Italians think he should be theirs too.

Now, after a 35-year hiccup, they have a good shot at making that true again. As the derby begins to replace Pope Benedict XVI, who stunned the world last week by announcing his intention to retire at the end of the month, Italy is aiming to resume the line of homegrown pontiffs who reigned for more than 450 years until John Paul II, a Pole, came along in 1978.

Italians figure high on the list of likely successors to the German-born Benedict and, by a wide margin, form the single largest national bloc — though far from a majority — among the cardinals who will choose the next occupant of St. Peter's throne.

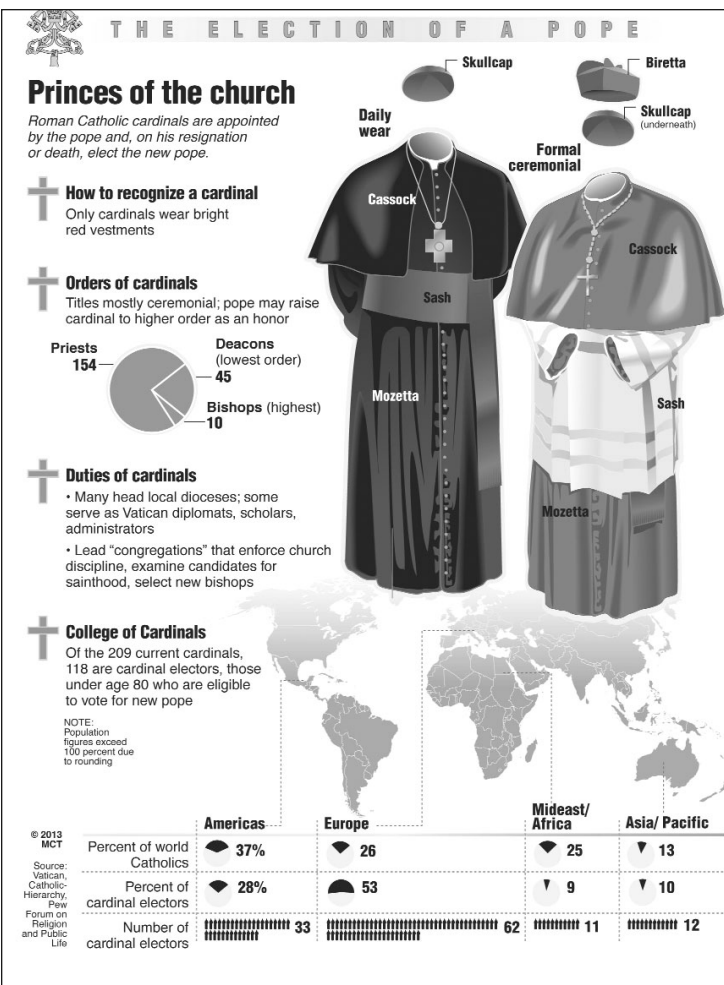
But chances of a glorious restoration are tempered by strong candidates from other regions, missteps by senior Italians in the Vatican and the reality that the center of gravity of the global church has shifted, perhaps permanently, away from Europe. Many Roman Catholics believe that in the 21st century their leadership would be better off a little less Roman and a lot more catholic.

"Personally I think it'd be cool to have a North American or African pope, even if they are conservative," said Carla Mazzone, 20, an American exchange student who lined up outside St. Peter's Basilica to attend Benedict's last public Mass on Ash Wednesday. "It would make things more global, kind of like when Obama became president."

Vatican-watchers have identified some serious contenders from outside Europe to be the 266th pontiff, including prelates from Canada, Ghana and Argentina (though the last was born to Italian parents).

Yet the still-speculative list of top papabili, or wannabe popes, shows Italy to be hugely overrepresented compared with the proportion of Italian Catholics in the worldwide church.

At least three Italians are being touted now as potential pontiffs: Foremost is 71-year-old Angelo Scola, the well-respected and fiercely intellectual arch-



bishop of Milan, who enjoys a global profile among the devout. Other possibilities are Angelo Bagnasco, the archbishop of Genoa, who can be outspoken in several languages; and Gianfranco Ravasi, head of the Pontifical Council for Culture, a skillful communicator who blogs, tweets and recently quoted singer Amy Winehouse ("Love is a losing game").

The elevation of any of those men, experts say, would signal a determination to keep the church going in the conservative direction set by John Paul and Benedict, toward orthodoxy and core values and away from bold or liberal reforms.

The Italians' prospects could be boosted by the fact that 28 of the 117 cardinals eligible to vote for the next pope hail from Italy. That's nearly a quarter of the total, and exceeds the number from Africa, Asia and Australia combined. The United States has 11.

"The match will be played ... between Italian cardinals and the others," wrote Marco Ansaldo, Vatican correspondent for the

newspaper *La Repubblica*. "A lot of the faithful expect the return of an Italian pope."

Besides the cardinals, the "princes" of the church, Italians occupy crucial positions within the Curia, the Vatican administration. The No. 2 in the hierarchy is Tarcisio Bertone, who will manage the Holy See during the interregnum; his newly appointed legal adviser, another key post, is a countryman.

Fellow Italians will also run the cardinals' group discussions before the conclave to choose the pope — sessions during which would-be candidates subtly, or not so subtly, try to impress their mitred peers — and then the all-important conclave itself, which opens in mid-March.

But wielding so much influence is a double-edged sword. Some of the Italians in senior posts have been blamed for embarrassing blunders such as insensitive remarks about clerical sex-abuse allegations and the scandal over leaked papal documents that suggest power struggles and corruption at the highest levels of the Vatican.

In November, Benedict's ap-

pointment of six new cardinals, none of them from Europe, was interpreted as a rebuke over the missteps, as well as a redressing of the imbalance of having named seven Italians as cardinals the previous February.

More important in picking a pope, experts say, is finding a firm leader not afraid to shake up an ancient and, in many ways, dysfunctional institution resistant to change.

"You need a strong man," said Roberto Regoli, a church historian at Gregorian University in Rome. "His country of origin is not significant. You need someone who's totally prepared and with the ability to govern."

Many Italians insist that one of their own would be best-placed to do that. Although the Vatican has become more international in personnel and outlook in recent years, it remains an institution steeped in Italian culture and intrigue, which can be difficult for outsiders to navigate.

Under the German Benedict, ironically, the Italian influence has become even more pronounced through his high-ranking appointments. Benedict owes his own elevation as pope in 2005 partly to an Italian — the then-vicar of Rome, who rallied support behind him, said Matthew Bunson, editor of the Catholic Almanac.

"There is very much an Italian flavor to the Curia," Bunson said. "Italian is the lingua franca of the Vatican and remains so; no official can arrive without knowing or learning very quickly Italian, to varying degrees. ... And when you move down in the ranks, it's still very Italian, the members of the bureaucracy."

But there's no guarantee that the Italian cardinals will line up behind one of their members as the next pope simply out of national solidarity, Bunson said. Factionalism in the Vatican crosses borders.

In the end, the outcome will depend on a complicated constellation of factors — geographical, theological, personal — and so remains unpredictable.

"We've had two non-Italians" in a row, Bunson said. "Historically, we could be looking at an effort to return to Italians, but I think that in a way, it always comes down to the person."

CHURCH SCHEDULES

Abundant Life

ABUNDANT LIFE MINISTRIES. Pastors Butch and Barbara Hladky, 517 Burleigh, Yankton. 665-0889. Open for prayer daily. FRI Shabbat Service 6pm Youth Service 7pm. SUN. 10am Worship.

Alliance of Renewal Churches

LIVING WATER CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP. Sun. 10am Yankton Middle School (2000 Mulberry) Weds. 7pm Prayer. David Olson, pastor. (605)260-2138.

Assembly of God

First Assembly of God, 801 W 25th. (605)665-6362 (office). SUN. 10 am: Bible teaching sermons WED. 6:30pm Midweek service and Bible study for all ages. www.yanktonassembly.com

Baptist

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH, 100 E. Douglas, Kevin Caskey, pastor, 665-0066. SUN. 9:30am Sunday School, 10:45pm Preaching Service, 4pm Preaching Service. THU. 7pm Preaching Service.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, 303 Ohio St., Wakonda. Mike Lindsay, pastor, (605)759-5020. SUNDAY Worship. 11:00a.m. evening 6:00pm WEDNESDAY Bible Study 12Noon.

HARVEST INDEPENDENT BAPTIST, 100 W. 3rd, Mission Hill. Pastor Nathan Martin, 668-0708 (ch.) 665-1481 (home). SUN. 9:30am SS. 10:30am Worship. 5:30pm Worship. WED. 7:00pm Worship.

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YANKTON BAPTIST CHURCH. SBC, 607 East 15th St., Yankton, 665-7587. SUN. 9:30am Bible study, SS; 10:45am Worship. WED. 7pm Midweek service.

Bible Church

GRACE BIBLE CHURCH, 10:30 am Sundays Call Pastor Joel Fink for more information. (605)760-4701.

Catholic

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Sacred Heart), Wyndot, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass times, Sundays 11am.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Sts. Peter & Paul), Bow Valley, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass: Saturdays 5pm

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Immaculate Conception), St. Helena, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass: Sundays 9am

MOUNT MARTY COLLEGE, Peace Chapel, MMC campus. SUN. 10am Mass with the Sisters in the Bishop Marty Chapel. Bible is welcome to attend.

SACRED HEART, 509 Capital, Yankton, Rev. Mark Lichter pastor. 665-3655 (office). SAT. 4:30pm Mass. SUN. 8am, 9:30am, 11am Mass. THUR. 12:30pm, 2:30pm and 7:30pm Confessions.

ST. AGNES PARISH: SIGEL, rural Utica. SAT. 4pm Mass, confessions 1/2 hour before Mass. Father Daniel Morris.

ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, Bloomfield, NE. Fr. Michael Schmitz SUN. Mass: 10:30am; TUE. Mass: 8am; THUR. Mass: 7pm. Confessions: THUR. 6:30-6:55pm.

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ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH. Menominee, Neb., Rev. David Fulton, pastor. SUN. 8:30am Mass.

ST. BONIFACE CHURCH, rural Freeman/Idleywilde. February WEEKEND Mass Sundays @ 10:45am.

ST. COLUMBA CHURCH, rural Irene/Mayfield. February WEEKEND Mass Time, Sundays @ 9am.

ST. GEORGE CHURCH, Scotland, SD. February WEEKEND Mass Saturdays @ 5pm.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC, Lesterville. SUN. 10:30am Mass. Father Daniel Moris.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC, Fordyce, Neb. Rev. David Fulton. SUN. 10:30am Mass.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, Constance, Neb., Fr. David Fulton, pastor. SAT. Mass: 7:30pm.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC, Wakonda, Rev. Scott Trayner, 624-2697. SUN. 8:30am Mass.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA, Crofton, Neb. Fr. Michael Schmitz. SAT. Mass: 8:00am & 5:30pm. SUN. Masses: 8:30am. WED/FRI Masses: 8:15am. Confessions: WED. 11am-11:30am, SAT. 5-5:20pm.

ST. WENCESLAUS, Tabor, (605)463-2336. Father Daniel Moris. SAT. 7pm Mass. SUN. 8:30am Mass.

THE HOUSE OF MARY SHRINE, 6-mi. W. Yankton, Hwy.52. Masses: Monday 8:30 through October. Masses Saturday 9:00 every Saturday. Rosary Sunday 4:00. Rosary 4:00. Open 7 days a week for prayer. thehouseofmaryshrine.org

Christian

KINGSWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 19th & Burleigh, 665-6317. Joseph Mason, Pastor. 9am-SS; Worship 10:15am. Wed.-7pm Kids for Christ/Adult Bible Study. www.kingswaychristianyankton.org

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Church of Christ

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 1114 West 12th, Yankton. 665-6379. SUN. 9:30am Bible study; classes for all ages. 10:30am Worship.

Church of Jesus Christ

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LATTER-DAY SAINTS, 2300 Douglas, Yankton. Michael Maxwell (402)586-2645 Family History Ctr 665-0901. SUN. 10am Sacrament meeting.

Episcopal

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 517 Douglas, Yankton. Rev. James Pearson, (605)665-2456. Sunday 9:00 Serenity; 10:15 Holy Eucharist and Sunday School. Wednesday Noon Holy Eucharist; 6:00 Soup Supper and Study.

Evangelical

Cornerstone Evangelical Church, Pastor Oliver Omanson, Stewart Elementary School; Morning Service 10 a.m. Wednesday College Bible Study 1306 Maple Street. Mike Stevens 665-8750.

EMMANUEL CHURCH We gather together for worship every Sunday at 9:30AM at the Yankton Middle School (2000 Mulberry Street). (605)665-0404 www.emmanuelyankton.com

Lutheran

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH NALC: 305 W. 25th, Yankton, 665-8848. Rev. Dani Jo Ninke, SUN: 8:30am & 10:45 Worship, 9:45 Sunday School.

FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN, 44874 303rd St., Volin SD 57072, (605)267-2277. SUN. Worship Services 9:30am. Children's Education WED. Evening (WOW) 6:30-7:30pm.

FIRST AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH, AFLC 300 S. Carpenter St., Tripp. (605)935-6941 9:30am Sunday School; SUN. 10:45 Worship firstthope@santel.net

GAYVILLE-BERGEN LUTHERAN Pastor Ralph Egbert. (605)267-4342 (church) Church: 9:00am-GLC Worship, 10:15-SS, 9:15am-BLC SS, 10:30am-BLC Worship.

OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN, rural Irene. 263-3724. SUN. 9am Worship.

Lutheran

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH, AFLC 200 South Wilson, Delmont. (605)935-6941. SUN 9am Worship. 10am Sunday school. firstthope@santel.net

Martinus Lutheran Church, Utica. Pastor Dean Schroeder Sunday Divine Service 10:30am (605)589-3195 www.MartinusLutheran.org

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN, LCMC/NALC, Menno. Pastor Theresa Jacobson Office 605-387-5241 Worship 9am, Brunch, SS 10:20am.

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN, LCMS, 12th and Elm, Springfield. Rev. Kenneth Johnson, pastor. SUN. 8am Worship. 9am SS. THUR. 7pm Adult Bible study.

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Wisconsin Synod, 201 E. 25th Street, Yankton, Pastor Christian Sultzle, (605)665-4793. Sunday 9:15 am Worship; 10:15 am Bible Study.1

South Dakota Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, MAIN STREET LIVING television program, 10a.m. (CST) on KDLT-NBC; and 11a.m. (CST) on KAUN-PAX; and 10a.m. (MST) on KKRA-PAX.

St. John Lutheran Church, Tyndall. Pastor Dean Schroeder. Sunday Divine Service: 8:30am (605)589-3195. www.stjohnsTyndallLCMS.org

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS), 1009 Jackson. David Gunderson, Pastor. SUN. 8am Worship; 9:15am Education Hour, 10:30am Worship.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, 403 Broadway, Yankton, 665-7415. Worship: Saturday-5:30, Sunday-8:15/10:45 a.m.; SS, classes, Coffee fellowship-9:30a.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Hartington/Crofton, NE, Amanda Jertson pastor; (402)254-6606. SUN. 9am Worship (Hartington), 10am SS (Hartington), 11am Worship (Crofton).

TRONDHEIM LUTHERAN CHURCH (AFLC), rural Volin. 263-3841. SUN. 9:15am; 10:30am Worship.

VANGEN LUTHERAN CHURCH, Mission Hill. 665-5426. Worship 9:30am.

Non-Denominational

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Reformed

RIVERVIEW REFORMED, 17th St. & Burleigh, Rev. Rodney Veldhuizen, pastor. 665-9204. SUN. 9:30am Worship, 10:15am SS. WED. Youth group & adult choir.

Seventh-Day

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United Church

CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Newcastle, Neb., 303 Highway 12, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SAT. 6PM Church school, 7PM Worship. Second THUR. 2PM Ladies Aid.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, 301 W. Franklin, Hartington, NE, (402) 254-6563 or 664-5310, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SUN. 8:15am Church school, 9am Worship.

PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL UCC, 103 S. Elm St., Coleridge, Neb., (402) 283-4824 or 664-5310, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SUN. 9:30am Church School, 10:30am Worship.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, (Congregational) 210 West 5th St., Yankton. (605)665-7320 Dr. Richard W. Jensen, Pastor. SUN.-10am Worship, 11am-Fellowship, 11:05am Church School.

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