

THE CHURCH OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
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 HOT SPRINGS, S.D. WWW.STANTHONYHOTSPRINGS.ORG

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GIVE ELECTRONICALLY! WWW.STANTHONYHOTSPRINGS.ORG/GIVE
 Create a profile with an e-mail address and a password, set-up a way to give, and begin giving electronically (e.g., e-tithing). So far, we have **27 registered families** and are **processing \$1,152.91/wk over 24 weeks so far in FY22**. Interested? Contact Joan at the parish church office.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT: through December 12, 2021

General Collection	\$ 3,565.66	Major Capital Fund	\$ 245.50
- via e-giving	\$ 2,636.98	Major Mercy Fund	\$ 215.50
Adopt-A-Seminarist	\$ 243.50	Votive candles	\$ 16.00
Special Collections:		HDO: IC/BVM	\$ 290.50
CCHDevelopment	\$ 205.50	HDO: Christmas	\$ 20.00
RFReligious	\$ 376.00	Flowers (Christmas)	\$ 40.00
		HD: Mary, HMG	\$ 20.00
General Fund Income, Actual (to date)		: \$ 81,934.69	
General Fund Income, Budgeted (to date)		: \$ 91,339.29	
Difference of YTD Actual against Budgeted (+/-)		: - \$ 9,404.60	
<i>Note: Avg. \$3,875/week needed for FY22 budgeted income.</i>			
Major Capital Fund [MCF] (to date)	\$ 3,688.25		
Major Mercy Fund [MMF] (to date)	\$ 52,073.51		

Did you know... that the Parish collects Lynn's Dakotamart (LD) grocery receipts? For every \$10,000 in receipts collected, the Parish receives \$100, deposited into the "Major Capital Fund" (MCF). Please place any LD receipts in the box located on the table near the bulletin board in the entryway of the church building.

The "Major Mercy Fund" (MMF) was recently established to facilitate exercising the Church's Works of Mercy in a "major" way. Recently, the Parish was a recipient of a final distribution from the Hagenson Trust, as Mary & Leo Hagenson named St. Anthony of Padua as a beneficiary. Thanks to their generosity, the Parish can live the Works of Mercy in a similar generosity as they did!

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS: Mary Breyer, Ray Ecoffey †, Merna Ganshert †, Diane Gross, Marv Jensen, Abigail Rowan, and all residents of Pine Hills RC, Seven Sisters LC, the SVH, and the VA campus in HS.

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

"Remember the Rosary" ~ WWW.REMEMBERTHEROSARY.COM
"Rosary Evangelization Apostolate" ~ WWW.ROSARYEA.ORG

Thank You! for refraining from parking on the street opposite the church building's main entrance on University Ave.

Health & Care Facilities in Hot Springs continue to have Visitation Policies that restrict visitation to their residents due to proactive protocols... please be attentive to these policies before visiting any facilities. Thank you! ~ **Note:** This applies to the **FRHS hospital**, the **Seven Sisters LC**, the **Pine Hills RC**, the **SVH**, and the **VA campus**. **In need of a visit?** Contact the parish church office or Dn. Pearson.

Options for Mass via TV and/or online is available at WWW.STANTHONYHOTSPRINGS.ORG via the "Mass via TV/online" menu item.

Monthly Devotion (Dec.): Immaculate Conception

"Live-Streamed" Masses
WWW.STANTHONYHOTSPRINGS.ORG; on right side

~ Liturgical Minister Schedule ~
WWW.STANTHONYHOTSPRINGS.ORG
[/LITURGICAL-MINISTER-SCHEDULE](#)

WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS
ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA, HOT SPRINGS

Fourth Week of Advent (Fr. Gerlach in Custer)

12/20 Mon. 7:00A Most Holy Rosary and
 LHs: Morning Prayer [MP]

12/21 Tues. 3- 5P Eucharistic Adoration
concluding with
 LHs: Evening Prayer [EP]
 and Eucharistic Benediction

12/22 Wed. 7:00A Most Holy Rosary and
 LHs: MP
 5:30P R.C.I.A. Inquiry Session

12/23 Thurs. 7:00A LHs: Office of Readings & MP
Holiday: Christmas
(Parish Church Office closed both Thursday and Friday)

12/24 Fri. 7:00A Mass ("live-streamed" only)
 8:00A Holy Communion outside Mass

Christmas Time

Holy Day of Obligation (HDO):

Nativity of Lord (Christmas)

12/25 Sat. 10:30A * HDO Mass (Day)
 (Int.: *Pro Populo* ["for the People" of the Parishes])

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

12/26 Sun. 10:30A Sun. Mass
 (Int.: Poor Souls †)

*Note: * indicates that incense will be burned.*

Rosary Cenacle on Monday mornings, 10A in the church building. **All are welcome to come and pray!**

Parish Library: Meaning for Life ~ The real meaning of Christmas can extend into the whole year. Keep a good book from our parish library by your side every day.

CATECHETICAL CORNER: Two “In-A-Year” Series (and more!): Tidbits from the Catechism at WWW.FLOCKNOTE.COM/CATECHISM; Tidbits about each Pope at WWW.FLOCKNOTE.COM/POPES. These tidbits are sent only on weekdays. And... it’s never too late to start!
Prayer + Study + Formation = a recipe for a *Lively Faith!*

STEWARDSHIP SPOT: The Gospel today tells of the Virgin Mary, pregnant herself, hurrying off to help her cousin Elizabeth. The model of good stewardship, she who had given herself to bear the Savior gave her time and love to others as well.

FEEDING S.D. is distributing food/produce in Hot Springs at the Butler Park parking lot once a month on Wednesdays in the early afternoon. Contact Feeding S.D. (605/348-2689) for more information. Scheduled distributions: **Dec. 29**; 2022: Jan. 19, Feb. 16, and March 16. Please contact Kay Birkholt (605/891-5030) if you have any ?s.

Special Collection (Retirement Fund for Religious [RFR]): Religious give thanks ~ A sister writes, “Our prayers belong most of all to the generous benefactors whose donations have made this financial assistance possible.” Thank you for supporting last week’s RFR collection. Visit WWW.RETIREDRELIGIOUS.ORG to learn more.

HOLIDAYS & HOLY DAYS: Nativity of Lord (Christmas): **Fri., Dec. 24, 5P**, at SJA (Edgemont) and **Sat., Dec. 25, 10:30A**, at SAP (HS); **Mary, Holy Mother of God: Sat., Jan. 1, 2022, 8A**, at SAP (HS); **no Mass @ SJA (Edgemont)**. Visit WWW.STANTHONYHOTSPRINGS.ORG for more locations and dates/times of Holy Day Masses.

**A SAFE ENVIRONMENT
FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE (C&YP)**

The Catholic Diocese of Rapid City is firmly committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for our children and young people. To report allegations of sexual abuse by church personnel, please contact the **Victim Assistance Coordinator, Barbara Scherr**. To ensure her independence in outreach to victims, she can be contacted at 605/209-3418 (mobile). The phone has caller ID and messaging features. All info will be treated confidentially. Alleged victims are advised of their right to report alleged abuse to civil authorities. The diocesan sexual misconduct policy and the code of conduct are posted at WWW.RAPIDCITYDIOCESE.ORG. In accordance with diocesan policy, all allegations of sexual misconduct involving children or young people and priests, deacons, lay employees, or volunteers serving the Diocese will be investigated. The Charter for the Protection of C&YP is posted at WWW.USCCB.ORG.

Pro-Life Quotes: “In this context the temptation grows to have recourse to euthanasia, that is, to take control of death and bring it before its time, ‘gently’ ending one’s own life or the life of others. In reality, what might seem logical and humane, when looked at more closely is seen to be senseless and inhumane. Here we are faced with one of the more alarming symptoms of the ‘culture of death’.”

– *Pope John Paul II,
Evangelium Vitae (The Gospel of Life)*

~ Resolution for New Year ~

Jesus was born into a harsh world, where Herod was doing the unthinkable: killing babies. // Is there any doubt that our world today needs Jesus to come and dwell among us? // As a new year begins, let us resolve to be a more effective and dedicated instrument of Jesus. Let us do more to promote love and peace. Let us do more to help moms turn the unplanned into a loving plan that embraces innocent life. // Let’s do more to change our culture of death. – PLAs

Pro-Life Articles (WWW.PRO-LIFEARTICLES.ORG)

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**WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS
St. JAMES, EDGEMONT**

Christmas Time

**Holy Day of Obligation (HDO):
Nativity of Lord (Christmas)**
12/24 Fri. 5:00P * HDO Mass (*Vigil*)
(Int.: TBD)

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

12/26 Sun. 4:15P Penance/Reconciliation (30min)
5:00P Sun. Mass
(Int.: Kenna & Joel
Thomsen)

*Note: * indicates that incense will be burned.*

In the charity of your prayers: Jeanne Schoepf † and Kenna & Joel Thomsen (newly-wedded).

EDGEMONT FOOD BANK: Donate non-perishable food items by bringing them to the church building (main entrance doors). TY!

FROM THE OFFICES OF THE BISHOP

DRC VOCATIONS PRAYER: Heavenly Father, we beg you for an increase in religious vocations and holy marriages in the Diocese of Rapid City. Look upon us with favor and choose from our homes those who are needed for your work. Send your Spirit to strengthen us and give us open hearts and minds ready to say “Yes” when you call. Help our parishes and families encourage vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life. We commend our prayers to our Patroness, Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

An Act of SPIRITUAL COMMUNION: My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now 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.

AN ACT OF CONTRITION (outside the confessional): O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because I dread the loss of Heaven and the pains of hell, but most of all because they [have] offend[ed] Thee, my God, Who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Thy grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen.

AN ACT OF CONTRITION (during a confession): My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us!

~ WWW.CSSRAPIDCITY.COM ~

~ SNBLACKHILLS.FORMED.ORG ~

~ WWW.REALPRESENCERADIO.COM ~

Family Life Ministries: “Surviving Divorce” – Helping You Find Peace, Power, and Passion After Your Divorce: 12-week course. Sessions held at St. Thérèse the Little Flower, Rapid City, Mondays, 6-8p. For more info, contact Linda Drake (605/343-3541). A registration fee: \$30. // Contact Amy Julian (605/343-3541; FAMILYLIFE@DIORC.ORG) or visit WWW.RAPIDCITYDIOCESE.ORG/FLM for info on this ministry.

Courage is an international apostolate which ministers to persons with same-sex attraction (SSA) who desire to live chaste lives following the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. **EnCourage** is a ministry within Courage dedicated to the spiritual needs of parents, siblings, children, and other relatives and friends of persons who experience SSA. Members in both groups support one another through discussion, prayer, and fellowship. For info on Courage please contact COURAGE@DIORC.ORG; for info on EnCourage, please contact ENCOURAGE@DIORC.ORG or call or 605/787-3837 for either ministry.