

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 \$1,151.19/wk over 25 weeks so far in FY22**. Interested? Contact Joan at the parish church office.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT: through December 19, 2021

General Collection	\$ 7,302.33	Major Capital Fund	\$ 101.05
- via e-giving	\$ 1,109.93	Major Mercy Fund	\$ 28.70
Adopt-A-Seminarian	\$ 48.35	Votive candles	\$ 12.00
Special Collections:			
RFReligious	\$ 13.00		
General Fund Income, Actual (to date)		:	\$ 89,249.02
General Fund Income, Budgeted (to date)		:	\$ 95,214.29
Difference of YtD Actual against Budgeted (+/-)		:	-\$ 5,965.27
<i>Note: Avg. \$3,875/week needed for FY22 budgeted income.</i>			
Major Capital Fund [MCF] (to date)		\$	3,789.30
Major Mercy Fund [MMF] (to date)		\$	52,102.21

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

Octave of Christmas (Fr. Gerlach in Hot Springs)

- 12/27 Mon.** 7:00A Mass (Int.: Doris Turnbough †)
 5:00P Penance/Reconciliation (1hr)
- 12/28 Tues.** 3- 5P Eucharistic Adoration (w/P/R)
 5:30P Mass (Int.: Poor Souls †)
- 12/29 Wed.** 7:30A Penance/Reconciliation (1hr)
 5:30P Mass (Int.: Human Life)
- 12/30 Thurs.** 7:00A Mass (Int.: Human Life)
Holiday: New Year's
(Parish Church Office closed both Thursday and Friday)
- 12/31 Fri.** 7:00A Mass ("live-streamed" only)

20 22 Happy New Year!

Holy Day (HD): Mary, Holy Mother of God
1/ 1 Sat. 8:00A * HD Mass ("live-streamed")
 (Int.: Pro Populo ["for the People" of the Parishes])

Epiphany of Lord
1/ 2 Sun. 10:30A * Sun. Mass
 (Int.: Pro Populo ["for the People" of the Parishes])
followed by Parish Potluck

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

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

Thanks to Terry Slattery and crew for decorating the entryway and the sanctuary area once again this year.

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

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!

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

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS: Mary Breyer †, Ray Ecoffey †, Merna Ganshert †, Diane Gross, Marv Jensen, Laura Mounce, 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

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

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.

Monthly Devotion (Dec.): Immaculate Conception
Monthly Devotion (Jan.): Holy Name of Jesus

~ **Liturgical Minister Schedule** ~
WWW.STANTHONYHOTSPRINGS.ORG
LITURGICAL-MINISTER-SCHEDULE

~ WWW.CSSRAPIDCITY.COM ~
 ~ SNBLACKHILLS.FORMED.ORG ~
 ~ WWW.REALPRESENCERADIO.COM ~

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/POPE. 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: **Nativity of Lord (Christmas) ~ REJOICE!** The word became flesh and dwells among us! Oh, come, let us adore Him! // **Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph** ~ The first reading today provides a challenging blueprint for the good stewardship of our family relationships. How do I measure up?

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.

HOLIDAYS & HOLY DAYS: **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.

**~ Christmas Time ~
(Dec. 25 – Jan. 9)**

The Octave (eight days) of the **Nativity of the Lord** [Christmas] (Dec. 25 – Jan. 1) ~ the **Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph** (this Liturgical Year [LY]: Sun., Dec. 26, 2021) ~ **Mary, the Holy Mother of God** (Jan. 1), also commemorating the conferral of the **Most Holy Name of Jesus** ~ the **Epiphany of the Lord** (this LY: Sun., Jan. 2, 2022) ~ the **Baptism of the Lord** (this LY: Sun., Jan. 9, 2022).

After the annual celebration of the Paschal Mystery, the Church has no more ancient custom than celebrating the memorial of the Nativity of the Lord and of his first manifestations, and this takes place in Christmas Time.
– *Universal Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar*, n. 32

Pro-Life Quotes: “I believe that life is a sacred gift of God and should be treated as such.”
– Charlie Stenholm, U.S. Representative

~ Women Who Have Had Abortions Speak Out ~

The most powerful and convincing advocates for the pro-life movement are the courageous women who have had an abortion, yet are willing to speak out. // ... // The pro-life side of the debate packed the hearing room with women. They consisted of mothers who have had abortions and have personal experience of the subsequent problems. These brave women who testified spoke of being “treated like cattle” at the Planned Parenthood abortion center. They talked about the lack of choices and information and how staff at the abortion business “sold” the abortion to them. // They talked about spiritual and mental health issues they faced following their abortion, referred to the miscarriages and problems in subsequent pregnancies, spoke of the breast cancer they battled, and of the regret and guilt they had to overcome. // The legislators and the abortion advocates had little response. How can you respond to someone’s tragic personal story? When women who know firsthand how abortion hurt them share their side of the story (which too often is the forgotten part of the debate) it is virtually impossible to refute. // ... // We need to show our love and appreciation to all our mothers. We should also be particularly thankful to the mothers who have had abortions and who have found healing and are now speaking out on behalf of the pro-life movement. As these brave women increasingly lead the battle, we are increasingly likely to win the abortion war!
– *Pro-Life Articles*

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

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**WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS
St. James, Edgemont**

Octave of Christmas (Fr. Gerlach in Edgemont this Thurs.)

12/30 Thurs. 5:30P Mass (Int.: TBD)

20 22 Happy New Year!

Holy Day (HD): Mary, Holy Mother of God

1/ 1 Sat. 8:00A * HD Mass (“live-streamed”)
(@ SAP, Hot Springs)

Epiphany of Lord

1/ 2 Sun. 4:15P Penance/Reconciliation (30min)
5:00P * Sun. Mass (Int.: TBD)

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In the charity of your prayers: Kenna & Joel Thomsen (newlyweds).

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.

Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us!

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.

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.

Rapid City Catholic School System (RCCSS): Working at a Catholic school is enriching and rewarding ~ Help us shape the future at RCCSS! Now hiring: (+) Custodial Staff ~ Mon.-Wed., 3-8P and (+) Substitute Teachers. Contact: Molly Rausch ~ 605/348-1477 or MR AUSCH@RCCSS.ORG.

Tue Jan 11	Returning Catholic Ministry: Catholics Returning Home is a six-week series for persons who are considering returning to the Catholic Church. The next series will begin Tues., Jan. 11, 2022, 6:30-8P at St. Thérèse, RC. Please contact Bob Wentz at INFO@RETURNINGCATHOLICS.NET , call 605/939-0579, or visit WWW.RETURNINGCATHOLICS.NET for more info.
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Fr-Sa Jan 21-22	The Beatitudes: Standards for Stormy Seas: Please join us at Terra Sancta Retreat Center for a mini-retreat with Bp. Steven Biegler of Cheyenne on Jan. 21-22, 2022. The retreat will include three conferences on the Beatitudes; each conference will cover three different Beatitudes. First, we will reflect on the Beatitudes as a description of Jesus' spirituality, that is, how they express his relationship with the Father, his attitude toward and treatment of others, and his paschal perspective of the cross and resurrection. Intertwined with that reflection, retreatants will be invited to embrace the spirituality of the Beatitudes as the foundation of discipleship and apply them to their own lives. With these reflections, we will consider how the Beatitudes provide us with standards for stormy seas. By living the Beatitudes, we can navigate the trials of life and keep a paschal perspective that the Lord is with us in our suffering and leading us to unsurpassable eternal joy, which is what the word "beatitude" means. Retreatants will be offered Scripture passages for silent, individual prayer. Register online at WWW.TERRASANCTA.ORG/BEATITUDES .
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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.