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Saturday, 5 PM

Sunday, 8 & 11 AM

Daily Liturgy:

Monday-Friday, 8 AM

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesday, 8:30-7:30 PM

Reconciliation:

Wednesday, 5:30-6:30 PM

Saturday, 3:30-4:30 PM

First Fridays, 8:30-9:30 AM

First Friday Devotion:

Following Daily Mass on
First Fridays

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**“Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” They replied,
“Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others
Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who
do you say that I am?” Simon Peter said in reply, “You are the
Christ, the Son of the living God.”**

(Mt 16:13-16)

Who do **they** say that I am? – It is an important question but not the most important; it’s only a preliminary question. The real question is “Who do **you** say that I am?” the first question is easily answered – one has only to be **a reporter, one who relates the story of others**. But the second question is a searching one and only a disciple – the one who lives in the story - can come anywhere within range of an answer.

Who do you say that I am? We respond to this question every time when we recite the Creed at Mass giving the Church’s answer – you are the Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God true God, begotten, not made...

However, the problem here is this – **the mere repetition of a right answer is not the answer**. You probably found that out in primary school when you realized that the right answer given at the end of the arithmetic book was useless unless we reached it by valid steps ourselves. So we’ve got the right answer, but do we try to get it on our own, do we try really experiencing it. Do we just repeat the Creed without really professing it? Do we recite this set of intellectual conclusions, without really recommitting and renewing our faith and ourselves? Another story is - Do we say; “You are the Lord” and then we leave this place and go back to work, home, and our business we act as if “He wasn’t the Lord?”

Who do you say that I am? What does your life say that I am? What do your relationships to others say that I am? A year ago, we have been celebrating the Year of the Eucharist, growing in deeper understanding of the Mass. In only few months later we were forced to ask ourselves if there will be Mass at all, to the point where we had to cancel public celebration of even Easter. We have been growing since more and more into keeping Jesus and faith in our hearts. Many of us since been growing deeper into our relationship with Jesus, discovering our faith in new ways, and enjoying the newfound ways of understanding and inviting God into our lives. The message of this weekend continues that challenge. The answers may not be easy and sometimes maybe even be embarrassing, because we are sinners. But if we were not, if we believed that we can be saints and holy, what would our answer be?

Pray then, receive sacraments, practice virtues and you will encounter the Lord and you will not repeat after the Church with your lips only, but you will profess with the Church with your heart and deeds that Christ is the Lord.

In Christ, Fr. Andrzej

Note: Thank you so very much for your support to our parish and the Rapid City Diocese. Thank you all who are ready and willing to continue different ministries in our parish, we need many hearts to make our parish a place of prayer and a place where we can encounter Jesus and and give him our answer to the question of who he is in our lives.

Tourists:

At Our Lady of the Black Hills Catholic Parish, we welcome tourists but wish to remain respectful of our neighbors. Thus we ask those passing through the area as guests who wish to join us at Mass please call ahead to reserve a space at 605-787-5168. Walk ins may be accommodated if space allows. All are required to wear masks. We will provide masks for those who do not have them. This aids us in maintaining the limited attendance numbers outlined by the CDC and the Diocese of Rapid City.

Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study is on Tuesday evenings at 7 PM. We meet on the patio or in the basement to aid in maintaining social distance. We cover the upcoming weekend's readings, join in prayer, discuss the historical and cultural context of each reading. Please contact Katie at 787-5168 with questions.

Faith Formation Registration

We are currently looking at the CDC guidelines and area trends regarding COVID 19. Please keep in mind flexibility will be of the utmost importance. We have a TENTATIVE start date of **September 20**. *REGISTRATION IS OPEN* go to <https://www.olbh.org/child---youth-faith-formation-information---registration>. We look forward to growing in faith with you.

Mark Your Calendars

Parish Feast Day is **September 12**. We will celebrate our parish following the 5 PM Mass with outdoor activities and fun. Plan to attend and fellowship at a safe social distance.

Adult Faith Formation

Sundays, beginning **September 20**, from 9:15-10:45 AM. The first 7 week sessions are entitled "The Sacraments" by Bishop Robert Barron. The series will aid you in understanding the signs and channels of grace in the Sacraments. You will discover the secret behind their persistence through the ages: The presence and power of the Savior himself. Please let me know if you are interested in attending by joni.osnes@olbh.org.

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The Chosen

The Chosen follows the life of Christ in choosing his Apostles. You can watch for free by searching for "The Chosen" in your Apple or Android app store or through your streaming device such as Roku. You can also find it on YouTube. This series roots Jesus in the Old Testament as the Messiah foretold in the Jewish Scriptures. We hope you enjoy season one of the planned eight season show. *The Chosen* is the largest crowd funded TV show ever. Learn more at

<https://media.ascensionpress.com/2020/04/27/the-chosen-a-bing-worthy-tv-drama-of-the-life-of-jesus/>.

CONFIRMATION

There will be a Confirmation PARENT ONLY meeting on **September 16** from 6:15-7:30 PM.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Please attend a PARENT ONLY Meeting on **September 17** from 6:30-8:30 PM.

Thank you for your donation.

Please prayerfully consider automatic contributions via electronic withdrawal, check service, or at www.olbh.org/donate. Please prayerfully consider including the Western South Dakota Catholic Foundation and Our Lady of the Black Hills in your estate planning.

"All good giving and every perfect gift is from above" (Jas 1:17)

August 15-16, 2020			
	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	-	54
Sunday Collection	1,871	4,186	6,057
Rectory	19	-	19
Bottles of Hope	-	-	-
Building Fund	-	-	-
Assumption of Mary	1,415		1,415
Held for Others		1,625	1,625
Total Contribution	3,359	5,811	9,169.94

Weekly Schedule

Monday, August 24

SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE

No Mass

Tuesday, August 25

Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest

8 AM No Mass

1:30 PM Mass at SES School for Catholic Extension

Wednesday, August 26

8 AM Mass for Bob Weaver

8:30-7 PM Adoration

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

5:30-6:30 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday, August 27

Saint Monica

8 AM Mass for Clarence Jacobs

9 AM 'Just Men' Bible Study

Friday, August 28

Saint Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

8:30 AM at SES School for Catholic Extension

Saturday, August 29

The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

3:30-4:30 PM Reconciliation

5 PM Mass – Link on Facebook and OLBH.org for the repose of Joshua Weisz

Sunday, August 30

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8 AM Mass for the OLBH Parish community and for our sister parishes

11 AM Mass for the repose of Kim Koan

Altar Flowers

Please bring in flowers for the Altar. Drop the flowers off in the Narthex by Friday morning Mass each week. This will aid us in saving funds spent on Altar flowers.

Intentions of the Holy Father for August

Pope's Intention: The Maritime World. We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

Prayers for our Deployed Military

Jeremy Reeve

Prayers for the Recently Deceased

Allan Wallenstein

Mrs. Bartos

Albert Lenerville

Henry Maicki

Eileen Weber (mother of Deacon Walt Wilson)

Prayer Chain Requests

To request an intention for the prayer chain, please contact Sue Colgan at 431-0310 or at ssacolgan@gmail.com.

Eucharistic Adoration

For information on Adoration or to sign up to Adore or to fill in as a substitute, please contact Dave Allardyce at 791-2303.

Prayers for Life and Health Concerns

Names will be left for three months; please call to request prayers for someone.

- **Edwin Weaver** (father of Bob Weaver) • **Dean Antonsen**
- **Blanche Rieth** • **Bernard Wiehl** • **Jean Schacher**
- **Dennis Schumacher** • **Ryan Wilson** • **Joe Schacher**
- **Tom Ryan** (father of Lorinda Collings) • **Lowell Amiotte**
- **Randy Oberle** • **Joan Wrobel** (aunt of Rachael Held)
- **Les Bedne** (mother of Marie Langfeldt) • **Doug Wermers**
- **Norita Rice** (aunt of Brenda Flottmeyer) • **Vickie Crowley**
- **Adam Hohm** • **Lisa Katzenstein** • **Lenny Tellefson**
- **Robert Forest** (father of Cathy Long) • **Jen Ehlers Hruska**
- **Wayne Gamroth** • **Jean Schubauer**
- **Peggy Laurenz** (niece of Cap and Arlene Holzer)
- **Cliff Roemich** • **Christy Marie** (sister of Linda Schacher)
- **Marek Kopec** • **Lori Moore** • **Iris Overholt**
- **Alicia Castor** (niece of Kathleen and Lowell Amiotte)
- **Nila Serfling** (mother of Jason) • **Moneik Stephens**
- **Jerry Rhodes** (father of Wade) • **Samantha Cox**
- **Carol Michaelson** (mother of Linda Schacher) • **Brett Whealy**
- **Mike Knecht** • **Colin Patterson** (Antje Grey's son-in-law)
- **Mike and Marilyn Rohde** (parents of Rhonda Gehlsen)

† Necrology †

To remember in prayer for the repose of their souls, those whose deaths are recorded in the parish; and the bishops, priests, and deacons that served the Diocese of Rapid City.

August 24	Msgr. John Francis O'Hara, V.F. (1966) Deacon Ronald E. Gravel (1997) Benedieta R. "Tita" Tudtud (2009)
August 25	Rev. Cecil R. Folkins (1972) Mary Jo Spencer (2005)
August 29	Msgr. William J. O'Connell (2015) Grace V. Aronson (1985)
August 30	Msgr. Michael P. Thompson (1970)

Safe Environment

The Catholic Diocese of Rapid City is firmly committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for our children. To report allegations of sexual abuse by church personnel, contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator. 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 of Rapid City will be investigated. **Victim Assistance Coordinator - Barbara Scherr 605.209.3418**

Safe Faith Environment

Safe Faith Environment Training is **mandatory for all paid staff and adult volunteers** please contact Katie, Safe Faith Environment Coordinator, at 787.5168 for details.

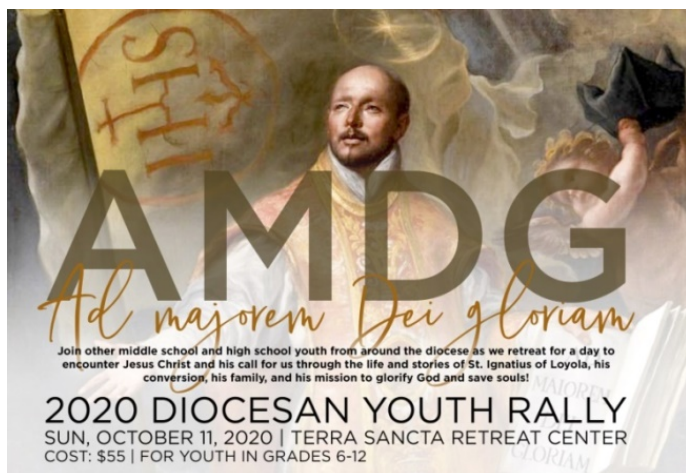


Daily Readings

Monday: RV 21:9B-14; PS 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; JN 1:45-51
Tuesday: 2 THES 2:1-3A, 14-17; PS 96:10, 11-12, 13; MT 23:23-26
Wednesday: 2 THES 3:6-10, 16-18; PS 128:1-2, 4-5; MT 22:27-32
Thursday: 1 COR 1:1-9; PS 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; MT 24:42-51
Friday: 1 COR 1:17-25; PS 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; MT 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 COR 1:26-31; PS 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21; MK 6:17-29
Sunday: JER 20:7-9; PS 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; ROM 12:1-2; MT 16:21-27

The weekly readings can be found anytime online on the USCCB website or by clicking: [Weekly Readings](#)

COMMUNITY & DIOCESAN NEWS



September 25-26 at Terra Sancta Retreat Center. Join us for a weekend retreat as we dive into special topics on the The Art of Forming Young Disciples. Presentations include understanding the foundational aspects of Youth Ministry by going beyond programming to an intentional ministry to young people that draws them into intimacy with Jesus Christ and His Church., equips them to know, love, and defend the faith, and sends them on a mission to reach out to their friends, classmates, and all those they meet. Register now at <https://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/coreretreat20/>.

Catholic Home Educators

Are you a Catholic Homeschooler this year? Black Hills Catholic Home Educators is a local organization that offers encouragement and support to Catholic homeschoolers in the Black Hills area of South Dakota. You are welcome to join our Facebook page: Black Hills Catholic Home Educators. If you have questions or would like to be added to the BHCHE email list, you may email us at BlackHillsCHE@gmail.com



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RCIA Classes (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

For anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Church and her beliefs.

Adult inquiry (RCIA classes) are for adults who have not been baptized, made their First Communion, not been Confirmed or are not Catholic and may be interested in learning what the Church teaches.

Sessions are informal and focus on the teachings and experience of the Church. You are welcome to bring your own unique story to a friendly setting.

Visit <https://www.olbh.org/becoming-catholic> for more information or contact Brad Blauvelt at 605-390-0683.

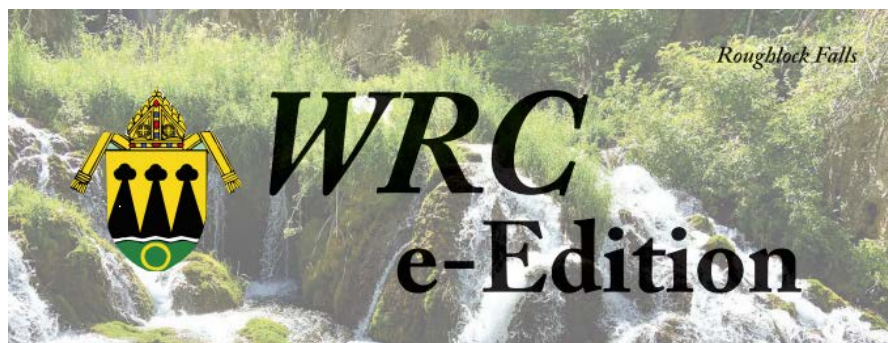
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Sioux Spiritual Center Retreats

To find out more about Sioux Spiritual Center upcoming retreats, contact Carole Brown at 605-985-5906 or email ssc@diorc.org: Canku Wakan - September 24-27, Catholic Daughters Ignatian retreat, October 9-11 (all Catholic Daughters welcome); Recovery Retreat (native style), October 15-17; and Inner Healing Prayer retreat with Dr. Clare Ten Eyck, October 23-26.



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