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Monday-Friday, 8 AM
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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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"The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want"

Psalm 23

Dear Friends,

This weekend the Church invites to focus and reflect on the gift of vocation. Our vocation comes to us in many forms and is inspired by many expected and unexpected moments. We are encouraged to choose our vocation by our family, sometimes by our interests and sometimes, because we want to serve God. We decide to enter into a sacramental marriage, to pursue a particular work, live a single life or perhaps to live our baptismal grace as priests or religious. Whatever the vocation in our life is, we find it a bit hard to figure it out. Because it involves our very life, we want to make sure we make the best decision.

Once we have an idea, we become stewards of our vocation. Jesus calls us as his disciples to a new way of life — the Christian way of life — of which stewardship is a part. But Jesus does not call us as nameless people in a faceless crowd. He calls individually, by name. Each of us - clergy, religious, layperson, married, single, adult, child — has a personal vocation. God intends each of us to play a unique role in carrying out the divine plan. The challenge then, is to understand our role — our vocation — and to respond generously to this call from God.

Christian vocation entails the practice of stewardship. In addition, Christ calls each of us to be stewards of our personal vocations, which we receive from God. Stewards of God's gifts are not passive beneficiaries. We cooperate with God in our own redemption and in the redemption of others. So how do we know our vocation? It is a part of our Catholic way of life, to prepare our hearts to receive the wisdom and grace of God, through which we continue to discover our vocation. Quite often, our vocation will change and we will be called to new task. As active stewards of God's grace in our life, we will be called to new tasks in the Lord's vineyard.

The bulletin insert last weekend gave us some ideas of how to pray for our vocation. Since it is May, and we are invited to journey with Mary, we are encouraged to use Rosary as a way of praying for vocations. The Rosary has five decades. Therefore, pray the first decade that you may grow in holiness in your vocation, pray the second decade for all those called to marriage, pray the third decade for those called to permanent deaconate, pray the fourth decade for all those called to religious life, pray the fifth decade for all those called to the priesthood. At any time of the day, pray that you are open to God's call in your life. Be not discouraged when you do not hear the voice of God right away, He will show it to you when you are ready for the answer. Thank you all for every prayer you say for me and for new vocations. May God, in His generosity answer every prayer, you place before him and at the foot of His cross.

Alleluia.

Fr. Andrzej



Real Presence Radio Incredible Parishes Challenge

Our Lady of the Black Hills is participating in Real Presence Radio's Incredible Parish Challenge! This is a great opportunity to highlight the incredible things happening in our parish and possibly win \$1,000, sponsored by Knights of Columbus Insurance, Beebe Agency.

Here's what we need to do:

- Mark these dates and times on your calendar:
 - May 12-14: 7:00 AM-7:00 PM CT
 - May 15: 7:00 AM-5:00 PM CT
- During that time, call Real Presence Radio at 877-795-0122 to donate
- Ask to add your pledge towards our parish total
- What can our parish win?
 - First Prize \$1,000 cash generously donated by the Beebe Agency
 - Second Prize \$1,000 public awareness campaign
 - o Third Prize \$500 public awareness campaign

Real Presence Radio will announce the top 3 incredible parishes that have compiled the most pledge dollars during the final hour of the Live Drive (6:00-7:00 PM CT, Friday, May 15)!





Our mission continues because of you! Please support Real Presence Radio!

Dear friends and benefactors of Our Lady of the Black Hills Parish,

It is very difficult for me to write this note but it is also my responsibility. The Church relies solely on the generosity of the people. Every year we try to be careful and diligent about our budget. We are prepared for short term instability but ultimately we need to look into the future. Mass may be cancelled and this may give an idea that we do not need the donations - but we do. Like in every home, we need to secure the basic necessities, pay bills and to look after the well-being of our staff. I am asking you to keep OLBH Parish in your heart. If at all possible, please continue your financial support. These dark times will pass and we want to be ready to serve you to the best of our abilities. We cannot do this without your generous financial support. You can send in your contribution, drop it off at the office, when you visit the church or simply go into https://www.olbh.org/donate to make an electronic deposit. I am grateful for your gift, pray that we can emerge stronger as a Parish Family. THANK YOU TO THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE DONATED ONLINE.

May God Bless and protect you all. Blessed Mother and St. Joseph, Pray for us.



Fr. Andrzej

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 e	every perfect	gift is from	above" (Jas 1:17)	
April 25-26, 2020				
	Automatic	Basket	Total	
Adopt a Seminarian	54	•	54	
Sunday Collection	1,946	4,284	6,230	
Rectory	19	-	19	
Bottles of Hope	-	1	1	
Building Fund	-	-	-	
Catechist Appreciation	-		-	
Held for Others		550	550	
Total Contribution	2,019	4,834	6,853.08	

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Financial Help for those Affected by the Pandemic

Catholic Social Services, in collaboration with the Diocese of Rapid City announces the establishment of a <u>COVID-19</u> <u>response fund</u> for western South Dakota families. Visit <u>https://www.cssrapidcity.com/relief/</u> for details. PLEASE SHARE THIS WITH ANYONE YOU KNOW, NEED NOT BE CATHOLIC TO APPLY. Please spread the word to your neighbors, friends, and families.

CSS will allocate the funds, prioritizing applications from households anywhere in western South Dakota that meet one or more of the following conditions:

- 1. A household member who has a positive test for COVID-19, which has adversely impacted the family's income.
- 2. Temporarily lost employment due to the COVID-19 pandemic which has adversely impacted the family's income.
- 3. Health care providers in the family whose employment has resulted in financial hardships for the family.
- 4. Lost income due to a lack of childcare.
- 5. Members with pre-existing medical conditions that has caused them to self-quarantine, resulting in financial hardship for the family.



The Post Communion Prayer - The Communion Rite ends with the Post Communion Prayer. This prayer is preceded by silence and perhaps also a song of thanksgiving. A Post Communion prayer is prayed by all of us through the priest who seeks to ask the Father to make active the fruits of this communion.

First Communion and Confirmation

Due to the COVID19 restrictions, the previously scheduled dates for the sacraments First Communion and Confirmation have been cancelled. The dates will be rescheduled once the Diocese of Rapid City reinstates regular weekend Mass times. For more information please contact Rhonda in the office at 787-5168.

Public Masses

Public Masses will begin to resume the weekend of May 16-17, 2020. More information regarding how OLBH will handle the hygiene, communications, and social distancing will come at a later date. We will be contacting each household by phone in the coming week. Please respond to our calls so we can efficiently and effectively create a plan that is safe for all.

Weekly Schedule

Monday, May 4

No Mass

Tuesday, May 5

No Mass

Wednesday, May 6

No Mass

8:30-7 PM Adoration

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

5:30 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday, May 7

No Mass

Friday, May 8

No Mass

Saturday, May 9

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

5:30 PM Mass - Link on Facebook and OLBH.org

Sunday, May 10

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:30-6 PM Adoration

8:30-11:30 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation

Due to the COVID-19 Virus there are no public Masses. Fr. Andrzej offers Mass privately each day for the following intentions. Please pray for these intentions at home each day:

May 4 for Kathleen Leutenegger

May 5 for the repose of Eugene Frank Williamson

May 6 for the Friends and Benefactors of the Immaculate Heart Hermitage

May 7 for Fr. Marcin Garbacz

May 8 for Brittany Holzer

May 9 for the community of Our Lady of the Black Hills and our sister parishes with special emphasis on Mothers May 10 for the Catholic Heritage Society

Intentions of the Holy Father for May

Pope's Intention: For Deacons, That deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

Prayers for our Deployed Military

Jeremy Reeve

Josh Kornmann (grandson of Larry and Margaret Taylor)

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 - ONGOING

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 r if you would like to request prayers for someone.

- Edwin Weaver (father of Bob Weaver) Dean Antonsen
 - Blanche Rieth Jobie Berger Bernard Wiehl
 - Dennis Schumacher Bette Stebbins Ryan Wilson
- Tom Ryan (father of Lorinda Collings) Lowell Amiotte
- Mike Knecht (son of Larry and grandson of Rose Knecht)
- Jean Schacher Randy Oberle Ivy Held Scott More
- Les Bedne (mother of Marie Landgfeldt) Doug Wermers
- Norita Rice (aunt of Brenda Flottmeyer) Wes Mendenhall
- Tony Corbine (son-in-law of Patty Cariveau) Brenda Velasco
 - Robert Forest (father of Cathy Long) Jen Ehlers Hruska
- Mike Rhode (father of Rhonda Gehlsen) Wayne Gamroth
 - Rita Berg (sister of Phyllis Sour) Jean Schubauer
 Peggy Laurenz (niece of Cap and Arlene Holzer)
 - Cheryl Pederson (sister of Debra Jensen)
 - Christy Marie (sister of Linda Schacher)
 - Alicia Castor (niece of Kathleen and Lowell Amiotte)
 - Nila Serfling (mother of Jason) Moneik Stephens

† 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 have served the Diocese of Rapid City.

May 4	Martin L. "Marty" Jolley (2011)
May 5	Rev. Vincent I. French, O.S.B. (1940)

Terry Lee Whalin (1954)

May 6 Rev. Joseph Ford, S.C.J. (1984)

Vernon C. Hirchert (1998)

May 9 Rev. Daiel P. Daley (1959)

Rev. Patrick H. McCormick (1975)

Mary M. Foley (1990) Lynda Lackey (2001)

May 10 Rev. John L. Cohane (1961)

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: ACTS 11:1-18; PS 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; JN 10:11-18 **Tuesday:** ACTS 11:19-26; PS 87:1B-3, 4-5, 6-7; JN 10:22-30

Wednesday: ACTS 12:24—13:5A; PS 67:2-3, 5, 6 AND 8; JN 12:44-50 **Thursday:** ACTS 13:13-25; PS 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 AND 27; JN 13:16-20

Friday: ACTS 13:26-33; PS 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11AB; JN 14:1-6 **Saturday:** ACTS 13:44-52; PS 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4; JN 14:7-14 **Sunday:** ACTS 6:1-7; PS 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 PT 2:4-9; JN 14:1-12

The weekly readings can be found anytime online on the USCCB website or by clicking: Weekly Readings



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A Prayer for the Sick from St. Augustine

Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or weep tonight, and give Your angels charge over those who sleep.

Tend Your sick ones, O Lord Christ. Rest your weary ones. Bless your dying ones. Soothe your suffering ones. Pity Your afflicted ones.

Shield Your joyous ones, and for all Your love's sake. Amen.

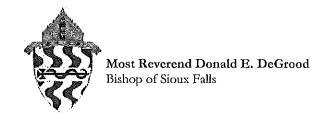
Deadline Change for Catholic Senior Girl Scholarship Submissions

May 10, 2020, is the submissions deadline for the Hubbeling Family Scholarship given in memory of Janet and Edwin Hubbeling. A \$1000 scholarship will be awarded to a graduating Catholic Senior Girl who will be attending a four-year college in the fall of 2020. For Information and application: Send name and street address to CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS, duduchan3@gmail.com.

Prayer Requests

Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is ongoing at the Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration. They are taking prayer requests at http://ssfpa.org/prayer/. Prayer requests can also be sent to Sister Mary Catherine of the Immaculate Heart Hermitage here in Piedmont at smcjacobsocarm@gmail.com.





JOINT STATEMENT: THE SPIRITUAL LEADERS OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESES OF SIOUX FALLS AND RAPID CITY

Plan for resuming public Masses once social distancing and hygiene practices are in place

April 29, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our decision on March 17, 2020 to suspend public Masses was made after much prayer, consultation, and after having reviewed the recommendations of public health authorities. This decision was focused on preventing the spread of the COVID-19 virus especially for the most vulnerable. We know this extraordinary measure has been difficult for all the faithful. We are grateful for the acts of charity and expressed understanding that we have witnessed in our midst during this time.

This makes us all the more pleased to bring you good spiritual news in this Easter season. Today, we write to share that we have initiated a process that will lead to Masses being prayed publicly in the Dioceses of Sioux Falls and Rapid City. What is most important for you to know at this time is that the decision on when parishioners may resume their participation in Holy Mass in their parish church and their reception of Holy Communion will be made by your pastor, in consultation with guidelines that we will be providing them at the diocesan level.

Determining the date when public Masses will begin in each parish will include developing a plan for implementation, setting up procedures for maintaining social distancing and proper hygiene and communicating all of this to parishioners. Public Masses will not begin before May 15.

Several important points we ask you to keep in mind:

- The faithful will remain dispensed from the obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sunday until further notice. This measure is in place so that you can prudently discern your own attendance. If you feel unsafe, you should feel no guilt or shame in staying home. Similarly, you should feel a freedom to permit others who are comfortable attending to do so.
- We ask for your understanding: anyone who enters our churches or chapels are expected to follow the social distancing and personal hygiene practices so that we all respect the physical, psychological, and spiritual well-being of others who are also in attendance.
- We ask for your patience: communities have been affected differently by COVID-19 and each parish is unique. There is no uniform sanctuary size or parish demographic. Priests also vary in their physical health. For reasons like these, each diocese will create separate guidance for

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parishes. Public Masses are very likely to resume at varying times over the coming weeks and with variations in the measures put in place to uphold social distancing practices. Please await instruction from your pastor.

• We ask for your flexibility: these guidelines will remain subject to change. Changes will be based on the course of the pandemic and hospitalization rates. We will remain in contact with medical professionals and civic authorities so that we become aware of changing trends that may merit our reinstating restrictions on the public celebration of Holy Mass.

We urge all Catholics to pray for the sick and dying, for those caring for them, for the unemployed, and indeed for all, that the Lord may bring healing, courage, and the joy born of his love, and to especially invoke the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church and St. Joseph, Protector of the Church.

Most Reverend Donald E. DeGrood Bishop Diocese of Sioux Falls Very Reverend Michel Mulloy Diocesan Administrator Diocese of Rapid City

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