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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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“Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.”

(Ps 80:4)

Jubilant from John

This Sunday's Psalm response seems contrary to our understanding of free will: “Lord, *make us* turn to you” (Ps 80:4). However, the response is actually begging God to change our hearts—because as much as we desire to do the right and avoid the wrong, temptation too often draws us willingly away from the eternal light of God's face. We need help—we need a little push. The Church, guided by the Holy Spirit, knows our hearts, and provides just such a nudge to change our hearts and turn us toward the Light: *the precepts of the Church*.

The five precepts of the Church are “meant to guarantee the faithful the very necessary minimum in the spirit of prayer and moral effort, in the growth in love of God and neighbor” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church* 2041). Although God wants our whole self, not just the minimum, these *minimum* requirements must be met to be a practicing Catholic. Though minimal, the “obligatory character of these positive laws” (*CCC* 2041) may be just the nudge you and I need to *make us* turn—and return—to God that we might be saved.

In brief, the five precepts are: (1) “You shall attend Mass on Sundays and on holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor” (*CCC* 2042); (2) “You shall confess your sins at least once a year” (*CCC* 2042); (3) “You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season” (*CCC* 2042); (4) “You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church” (*CCC* 2043); and (5) “You shall help provide for the needs of the Church” (*CCC* 2043).

As we enter the season of Advent, the second precept regarding the sacrament of Reconciliation should have a particular emphasis as we watch and wait for the Light of Salvation to dawn in the darkness of our sinful lives. As Jesus alluded to in this Sunday's Gospel, “watching and waiting” is not an idle activity—not a time to fall asleep and rest until “the lord of the house” arrives. Advent is a time to give our spiritual houses a good cleaning “so that you are not lacking any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Cor 1:7).

For this reason, the local Church offers special opportunities—communal penance services—to practice the second precept during the season of Advent. **The OLBH penance service is scheduled for Friday, December 11, at 6:00-7:30PM.** If this day and time does not fit your schedule, watch the bulletin for the days and times of penance services at other area parishes. Regardless of where and when, the communal penance services offer you and I the convenient help and the little push to turn and return to the Lord so that we may be prepared for his arrival.

A member of our Stewardship Council, Pam Freeman, captured so beautifully this nudge toward the face of Christ in the confessional: “Over the years, I've seen and accepted the priest I'm confessing to as the receptor for Jesus and have had some powerful experiences with a couple priests where I've really felt God's presence—and the feeling of forgiveness was overwhelming. I do not really view it as confessing, but as saying what I've done out loud which makes what I've done, said, or thought more real... Confession closes the gap between Christ and myself. It brings an awareness of how I offend God without even realizing it.” Well said, well done, amen!

Keep the Faith!

Deacon John

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Do you consider yourself a naturally compassionate and giving person? Come and share your gifts with people in need by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. In the coming weeks more will be shared about the spirituality and works of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at Mass. If you are interested contact Vicki at 431-0128.

HEALING MEALS

Healing meals need a co-chairperson to serve along with Pauline Stoffel. This ministry arranges for meals for the sick and persons who would benefit from receiving temporary meals. These meals are prepared by parishioners willing to share in this ministry. Please call the church office at 787-5168 if you can help.

Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study will now meet on Thursdays at 9 AM in the Parish Hall (basement). We will no longer be meeting Tuesday evenings. Thank you!

Giving Tree



The giving tree is now up with tags. Please take a tag and consider this a part of your Christmas giving. All gifts should be returned to the church **no later than December 7** unwrapped with tags attached. All gifts stay in the

Piedmont, Black Hawk, and Summerset area. If you know of families in need, contact Judy at 716-4647.

Online Advent Retreat – The Winter of the Spirit

In these days of COVID-19 darkness, how can the hope of Advent speak to us? Bring your feelings and your hopes to an online Advent Retreat given by the staff of the Benedictine Peace Center of Sacred Heart Monastery, Yankton, SD. This retreat, The Winter of the Spirit, will be held on Zoom from 9:30 to 11:30 AM on Saturday, **December 5**. There will be an opportunity for sharing, two short presentations, and time for prayer and reflection. Please register by noon on Dec. 4 by sending your email address to the benedictinepeacectr@yanktonbenedictines.org. For more information on the retreat and mailing an appropriate donation, call 605-668-6292 or go to the webpage <https://yanktonbenedictines.org/advent-retreat/>.

Sunday, November 29 at 7:00pm in the Church Basement.



Join SoulCore Leader Jenny, to nourish body, mind & soul with SoulCore - a prayer experience that combines the prayers of the rosary with core strengthening, stretching and functional movement. No fitness level or experience required. All are welcome! Visit www.soulcore.com for more information. Follow us locally on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/soulcore605>. There is no cost but a suggested donation of \$10, for those who are able. Dress in comfortable clothing or sportswear and bring a fitness mat if you have one. Contact **Jenny Scherr** at j.scherr@hotmail.com for additional information.



The First Sunday of Advent

Begin your Advent journey by blessing your Advent wreath. Light the first purple candle and sing "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel."

Advent Wreath Blessing: *Lord our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ: he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples, he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, he is the Savior of every nation. Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Christmas Masses

Please register for your Mass time by calling the office at 787-5168. Mass times are Christmas Eve at 4 & 8 PM and Christmas Day at 8 & 11 AM.

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)			
November 21-22, 2020			
	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	-	54
Sunday Collection	1,871	13,384	15,255
Rector's	19	-	19
Sound System	-	-	296
Building Fund	-	-	-
St. Vincent de Paul		1,000	1,000
Held for Others		1,596	1,596
Total Contribution	1,944	15,980	18,220.27

Weekly Schedule

Monday, November 30

SAINT ANDREW, APOSTLE

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

NO MASS

Tuesday, December 1

8 AM Mass for Sylvester Jacobs

6:15 PM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Wednesday, December 2

8 AM Mass for the repose of Jean Schubauer

8:30-7:30 PM Adoration

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

5:30-6:30 PM Reconciliation

6:15-7:30 PM Faith Formation Group A

Thursday, December 3

Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

8 AM Mass for the repose of Bertha Lee Witte

7 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting

Friday, December 4

Saint John Damascene, Priest

8:30 AM Mass at St. Elizabeth Seton for Fr. Michael Mulloy

Saturday, December 5

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

3:30-4:30 PM Reconciliation

5 PM Mass – Link on Facebook and OLBH.org for Catholic Extension

Sunday, December 6

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8 AM Mass for Diocesan Masses for Life

9:30-10:45 AM Faith Formation Group B

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

Intentions of the Holy Father for November:

Pope's Intention: Artificial Intelligence. That the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

Prayers for our Deployed Military

Jeremy Reeve, Josh Kornmann, and Joshua Philbrick

Prayers for the Recently Deceased

Pauline L. Kammerer Guffey

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 • Paula Owen
- Dennis Schumacher • Ryan Wilson • Lowell Amiotte
- Randy Oberle • Joan Wrobel (aunt of Rachael Held)
- Les Bedne (mother of Marie Langfeldt) • Doug Wermers
- John Mizenko (brother of Jeff) • Vickie Crowley
- Adam Hohm • Lisa Katzenstein • Lenny Tellefson
- Robert Forest (father of Cathy Long) • Jen Ehlers Hruska
- Wayne Gamroth • Mike Knecht • Linda Weishaar
- Peggy Laurenz (niece of Cap and Arlene Holzer) • Marjorie Lee
- Cliff Roemich • Christy Marie (sister of Linda Schacher)
- Marek Kopec • Lori Moore • Iris Overholt • Jennifer Kinney
- Alicia Castor (niece of Kathleen and Lowell Amiotte)
- Moneik Stephens • Jean Roth (mother of Peg Wermers)
- Cory Kirby (brother in law of Shanesa Rhodes) • Linda Schacher
- Carol Michaelson (mother of Linda Schacher) • Brett Whealy
- Colin Patterson (Antje Grey's son-in-law) • Rayola Anderson
- Mike and Marilyn Rohde (parents of Rhonda Gehlsen)
- Katie Niederwerder • Priscilla Noble
- John Mizenko Sr. (Father of Jeff)

† 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.

November 30	Darlene Ziegenbein (2016)
December 1	Msgr. Robert F. Dube (1958)
December 2	Rev. Robert Ready, O.S.B. (1975) Trista Marie Meyer (2012) Shyanne Amy Lenz (2012)
December 3	Deacon LeRoy DeCory (2017)
December 5	James Skaags (1973)
December 6	Rev. James Michalski, S.J. (2014) Milton H. Gray (2000) Ember Erin Smith (2004) Alice Donley (2010) James Darwin Weisbeck (2010)

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.

Mass Times	Saturday, 12/5 at 5 PM	Sunday 12/6 at 8 AM	Sunday 12/6 at 11 AM
Presider	Fr. Andrzej Wyrstek	Fr. Andrzej Wyrstek	Fr. Andrzej Wyrstek
Lector	Steve Colgan – 1 st Lector Bridgette Fode – 2 nd Lector	Brenda Flottmeyer – 1 st Lector Jay Hammerquist – 2 nd Lector	Sheila Keeler – 1 st Lector Brad Blauvelt – 2 nd Lector
Altar Server(s)	Luke Schacher - Lead	Caleb Weishaar – Lead Freddy Weishaar	Andrew Denekamp – Lead Cole Litzen
Sacristan	Joe and Linda Schacher	Mike and Barb Coyle	Stacy Tate

COMMUNITY & DIOCESAN NEWS

Daily Readings

Monday: ROM 10:9-18; PS 19:8, 9, 10, 11; MT 4:18-22
Tuesday: IS 11:1-10; PS 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; LK 10:21-24
Wednesday: IS 25:6-10A; PS 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6; MT 15:29-37
Thursday: IS 26:1-6; PS 118:1 AND 8-9, 19-21, 25-27A; MT 7:21, 24-27
Friday: IS 29:17-24; PS 27:1, 4, 13-14; MT 9:27-31
Saturday: IS 30:19-21, 23-26; PS 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; MT 9:35-10:1, 5A, 6-8
Sunday: IS 40:1-5, 9-11; PS 85:9-10-11-12, 13-14; 2 PT 3:8-14; MK 1:1-8

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



Did you miss our November 12th fundraising banquet with Dr. Ray? Were you there, but he left you eager for more or wishing your friends could have joined

you? Real Presence Radio invites you to a virtual fundraising banquet on **Thursday, December 10th at 6:00 PM MT**. Featuring completely different content than the in-person banquet, this special encore is guaranteed to entertain! If you are interested in virtually attending as a guest or hosting a watch party from your home, you can register online at RealPresenceRadio.com, or call 877-795-0122. Sponsorship packages are also available at the \$250, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, or higher levels. Registration, sponsorship, and additional information can be found at realpresenceradio.com/banquet, by calling 877-795-0122 or emailing Jessica@RealPresenceRadio.com.

Catholic Extension Talent Search: Seeking Talented Artists from our Diocese. Catholic Extension's digital and print communications have featured contributions from talented artists from many dioceses this year. They hope to continue this trend in the year ahead. They have asked for information about local talented artists, performers, or musicians, which can be shared by [clicking here](#).

All ideas and leads you can provide are welcome. They are particularly interested in finding young people or talented individuals from disadvantaged communities, who use their God-given gifts to inspire and evangelize.

Surviving Divorce by Zoom—Helping You Find Peace, Power, and Passion After Your Divorce

Separated or Divorced? Surviving Divorce covers topics including shock and grief, anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, and annulment and remarriage. It will help you find answers to questions, restore hope, and begin authentic healing. Zoom sessions will be Mondays, 6-8 PM for twelve-weeks, open to Christian men and women of all denominations. A \$30 fee covers materials; scholarship help available. The Fall/Winter Session enrollments are being accepted. **As soon as enough people sign up the group can begin.** Participants can register online at www.terrasancta.org/survivingdivorce.



Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve, 4 & 8 PM

Christmas Day, 8 & 11 AM

100 spots are available at each Mass.

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