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Sunday, 8 & 11 AM

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Monday-Friday, 8 AM

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Wednesday, 8:30-7:30 PM

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“Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his kindness endures forever.”

Psalm 118:29

Dear Friends,

This weekend the Church invites us 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 inserts last weekend gave us some ideas of how to pray for our vocation. As a part of our Lenten journey, I have invited you to create your own mission statement, a one sentence that would describe your relationship with Christ and the Church. As May is approaching, 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 diaconate, 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
St. Joseph, Pray for Us



Sundays at 4:00 pm (May 2, 16, and 23) in the basement. Join in a prayer experience that combines praying the rosary with core strengthening, stretching and functional movement. No fitness level required. Follow us on Facebook at SoulCore605. There is a suggested donation of \$10. **Thank you for your generous donations & prayers during Lent. As a SoulCore community of prayer we raised \$305.25 for the 10 OLBH Youth attending Steubenville of the Rockies this summer.** Contact Jenny at j.scherr@hotmail.com.



7:15-9:15 PM | MONDAY, MAY 3
ENCOUNTERING POVERTY: KNOWING CHRIST
THROUGH LOVING THE POOR
BY JOHN VARGO

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Director of Pastoral Ministries & the Office of Faith Formation — develop training, support and resources for religious education and faith formation.

Chancellor/Chief of Staff —assistant to the bishop and the legal corporation of the Diocese of Rapid City.

Director of Communications and Human Resources — coordinate communications between the bishop and the news media and perform Human Resources and Benefits responsibilities.

To apply — job descriptions and a diocesan application form be found by clicking on the [employment icon at https://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/](https://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/). The Diocese of Rapid City offers a competitive salary and benefits package.

Welcome Visitors!

We hope you have enjoyed sharing in the celebration of the Mass with us. Whether you are new to the area or have lived here for years, coming to visit, or returning after a long break, you are invited to join our parish family. Please come again! We have many opportunities for all ages and stages of faith. Please pick up a welcome packet from the counter in the gathering space. If you are passing through, we hope you will call our parish your "home away from home" and visit again soon!

Please pray for our 2021 Graduates:

Cheyenne Lyon
 Emily Johnson
 Garrett Varilek
 R.J. Andrzejewski
 Allie Blaha
 Hanna Siemonsma
 Rachel Thompson
 Maddie Gamroth
 Cole Guthrie
 Emily Montileaux
 Payton Hedderman
 Carter Neilan
 Cami Mettler

Father will offer a blessing to all graduating Seniors at the 5pm mass on May 15.

If you know of an OLBH senior who is not listed, please call the office so we can add them to this list.

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)			
April 17-18, 2021			
	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	-	54
Sunday Collection	2,940	9,147	12,088
Rectory	9	-	9
Bottles of Hope	-	-	-
Building Fund	-	125	125
		-	
Total Contribution	3,004	9,272	12,275.89

Weekly Schedule

Monday, April 26

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

NO MASS

Tuesday, April 27

8 AM Mass for the repose of Betty Zolnowsky

1:30 PM Mass at St. Elizabeth Seton School
for Alma Gamroth

Wednesday, April 28

**Saint Peter Chanel, Priest, Martyr; Saint Louis
Grignon de Montfort, Priest**

8 AM Mass for Pamela Weaver

8:30-7:30 PM Adoration

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

5:30-6:30 PM Confessions

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

Thursday, April 29

**Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the
Church**

8 AM Mass for Deacon Walt and Judy Wilson

9 AM Just Men Bible Study and Witness

9 AM Women's Bible Study

Friday, April 30

Saint Pius V, Pope

8:30 AM Mass at St. Elizabeth Seton School
for Clarence Jacobs

Saturday, May 1

Saint Joseph the Worker

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

5 PM Mass Live stream link on Facebook and
OLBH.org for the community of Our Lady of the
Black Hills and for our sister parishes

Sunday, May 2

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8 AM Mass for Diocesan Masses for Life

11 AM Mass for the family of Bethany and Nate
Wilson

Intentions of the Holy Father for April:

Pope's Intention: Fundamental rights. We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

Prayers for our Deployed Military

Jeremy Reeve, Josh Kornmann, and Joshua Philbrick

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 if you would like to request prayers for someone.

- **Edwin and Omel Weaver** (parents of Bob Weaver)
- **Blanche Rieth • Bernard Wiehl • Jean Schacher**
- **Mary Ann Pulaski • Ryan Wilson • Maynard Traversie**
- **Betty Jorgensen** (sister of Helen Riedlinger)
- **Lowell Amiotte • Randy Oberle • Pam Johnson**
- **Joan Wrobel** (aunt of Rachael Held)
- **Les Bedney** (mother of Marie Langfeldt) • **Doug Wermers**
- **John Mizenko** (brother of Jeff) • **Vickie Crowley**
- **Adam Hohm • Rachael Held • Linda Weishaar**
- **Robert Forest** (father of Cathy Long) • **Jennifer Kinney**
- **Wayne Gamroth • Mike Knecht • Jenny Jurish**
- **Peggy Laurens** (niece of Cap and Arlene Holzer)
- **Kerry Yantes • Rayola Anderson • Dean Antonsen**
- **Christy Marie** (sister of Linda Schacher) • **Marek Kopec**
- **Alicia Castor** (niece of Kathleen and Lowell Amiotte)
- **Aurora Velasco** (mother of Brenda Mizenko)
- **Cory Kirby** (brother-in-law of Shanesa Rhodes)
- **Linda Schacher • Brett Whealy • Moneik Stephens**
- **Carol Michaelson** (mother of Linda Schacher)
- **Joyce DePaulo • Raymond Sass** (father of Deacon Greg)
- **Katie Niederwerder • Priscilla Noble • Tim Curns**
- **John Mizenko Sr.** (Father of Jeff) • **Larry Jerke**
- **Ruth O'Neil** (mother of Lisa Katzenstein) • **Tony Corbine**

† 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.

April 27	Rev. Thomas A. Carroll (1960) Rev. Robert A. Ehrenbold (1977) H.F. "Frenchy" DeMers (1988)
April 28	Rev. Richard Pates, S.J. (1989) Deacon George Schenk (1995)
April 29	Msgr. John F. Boyle (1924)
April 30	Rev. Anthony O'Hara (1940) Marcella Kraft (2014)
May 1	Rev. William A. Sullivan (1951)

Making the most out of your charitable contributions? WSDCF can help.

The faith we have received, the church facilities we gather in, the Faith Family we share in – Everything has been given to us by God through the sacrifices of previous generations. We have the responsibility to provide for our future generations.

The Western South Dakota Catholic Foundation (WSDCF) provides opportunities to increase your long-term financial planning goals while supporting your favorite Catholic ministries in your parish and diocese in western South Dakota.

Your local representative is Tony Berendse.

Please do not hesitate to contact him or visit www.wsdcf.org.

Ministry Schedule

To become a liturgical minister or for more information contact Katie in the office.

Mass Times	Saturday, 5/1 5 PM	Sunday 5/2 8 AM	Sunday 5/2 11 AM
Presider	Fr. Andrzej	Fr. Andrzej	Fr. Andrzej
Altar Server	Todd Curtis - Lead Stella Curtis	George Hamer - Lead Marty Reeve	Shane Curtis - Lead Michael Aguon
Eucharistic Minister - Body	Pauline Stoffel	Diane Clarke	David Higaki
Lector	Steve Colgan - 1st Reader Sue Colgan - 2nd Reader	Lynelle Sazama - 1st Reader Marty Quinn - 2nd Reader	Cathy Long - 1st Reader Cathleen Denekamp - 2nd Reader
Sacristan	Joe & Linda Schacher	Jeff Mizenko	Richard Long

COMMUNITY & DIOCESAN NEWS

Daily Readings

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
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 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

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

Belonging: Springs of Hope Virtual Mother's Day Retreat

May 7-9, 2021 — this retreat is for all who long for Motherhood. Whether you are experiencing primary or secondary infertility, miscarriage or loss, a diagnosis or unexplained, and everything in between, this retreat is for you. Join us for live and pre-recorded talks that explore Belonging: to Christ, in Marriage and in our Communities. If you are carrying the cross of infertility, you are not alone. Free registration is Open:

www.springsinthedesert.org.

Sioux Spiritual Center Calendar

For information contact Carole Brown at ssc@diorc.org or at www.siouxspiritualcenter.org.

May 21-23: Native Style Recovery Retreat

May 28-31: Ignatian Retreat for Beginners

July 23-31: 8-day Silent Ignatian Retreat with Fr. Damian O'Connell, SJ

Infertility

For all suffering with infertility, Mother's Day can be hard. Springs in the Desert is dedicated to spiritually and emotionally supporting women and couples navigating the frustration, pain, and difficulty of infertility. For encouraging resources, and a community of support, visit www.springsinthedesert.org.

April 25, 2021

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12 | 1 Jn 3:1-2 | Jn 10:11-18

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I really feel for teenagers these days. It seems that today's kids face – if not *more* challenges than I did – at least many more ways those challenges can present themselves. The usual adolescent pressures present themselves in person, as always, but also now on the many forms of social media. For young people, and all of us, living as “children of God” is certainly not for the faint of heart! As our Psalm today says, we should place our trust in God – take refuge in him – rather than in what others may think of us. Why? Because living as disciples of Jesus can fly in the face of cultural norms. After all, Jesus was the stone the builders rejected – who became the cornerstone! He and the apostles challenged the status quo and faced ridicule and rejection, and even death because of it. Still, they always did the right thing. That's hard, for sure. But Jesus, the Good Shepherd, laid down his life for us, and that requires a response. Discipleship calls us to serve others by doing the right thing so that God's kingdom will triumph over the kingdom of darkness.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

St. John told his community that “the reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.” The key to being a loving force for good in the world is humility, and looking to God, rather than how we are perceived on social media or the car we drive, for our identity and worth. Tackling our ego begins by taking stock of what we value and whose opinion (rightly or wrongly) matters to us. Once we have explored those troubled waters, we can absorb St. Teresa of Calcutta's advice: “Accept being slighted, forgotten and disliked. Be kind and gentle even under provocation.” Our slow steady witness shines light into darkness. The consistent challenge of our Christian behavior, offered without judgment, will promote God's values in our families, schools, work, and neighborhoods. Our faithful witness allows God to work. Remember, God uses the stones that are rejected to become the cornerstone.

PRAY Pray for the Holy Spirit to strengthen you to live humbly. Then ask the Spirit to open the door for you to invite others to know the joy of living according to God's ways. In the meantime, pray the *Litany of Humility*. It will help train your ego to seek God's approval only.

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