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Sunday Liturgy:

Saturday, 5 PM

Sunday, 8 & 11 AM

Daily Liturgy:

Tuesday-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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Our Lady of the Black Hills exists
to proclaim the joy of the Gospel
to all creation and to transform
lives with the Father's mercy.

**“For today in the city of David a savior has been
born for you who is Christ and Lord” – Luke 2:11**



**May the Blessings of Christmas be with you,
May the Christ Child light your way,
May God's holy angels guide you,
And keep you safe each day.**

**May his love surround you this Christmas season
and always.**

**And may the New Year bring an abundance of
blessings to you and your family.**

**Mary, Mother of God, pray for us. St. Joseph,
pray for us. St. Michael the Archangel, pray for
US.**

Thank you for praying with us.

The staff of Our Lady of the Black Hills

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Catechism of the Catholic Church



Get to Know the Catechism of the Catholic Church

Join us for an 8 session-series beginning Monday January 10th, from 6pm-7:30pm. Join us for all 8 or as you are able.

Meeting in St. Joseph's Hall at OLBH

What is a catechism and how do you use it? What information is in the Catechism? Join us for an 8-session series beginning Monday **January 10th**, from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.

OLBH Retreat Opportunities Dates TBD Solo or Couple Retreats at Sioux Spiritual Center

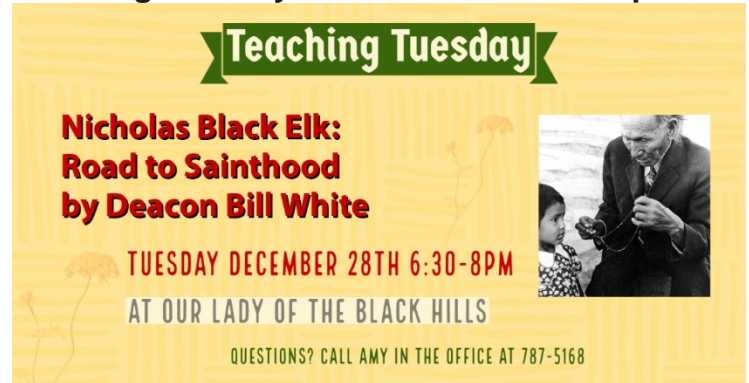
There is an opportunity for members of OLBH to have a weekend retreat in a serene environment to connect with Jesus and our faith. The Sioux Spiritual Center located near Howes SD is a wonderful retreat home, where Carol Brown guides guests in the Ignatian Spiritual exercises. If this interests you, singles, couples, or portion of couples, please contact me, Bob Weaver at 605-389-6934.

Men Needed - Working Retreat – Dates TBD

There are opportunities for two different retreats based on interest. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding either retreat. If this interests you, please contact me, Bob Weaver at 605-389-6934.

A retreat at OLBH would be a Saturday starting with prayer and working our way through different projects that need some elbow grease. At the Sioux Spiritual Center, it could be a Friday/Saturday, or come out Friday evening and work Saturday. Both locations would be looking at finishing with the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 PM. If you are concerned whether you can help due to age or ability, your expertise in oversight of different projects is valuable, you may also consider spending time praying for the men working in front of the Blessed Sacrament during the retreat.

Teaching Tuesday December 28th 6:30-8pm



Teaching Tuesday

Nicholas Black Elk: Road to Sainthood by Deacon Bill White

TUESDAY DECEMBER 28TH 6:30-8PM

AT OUR LADY OF THE BLACK HILLS

QUESTIONS? CALL AMY IN THE OFFICE AT 787-5168

At Prayer with Mary

A small group study on scripture, Catholic teaching, Marian prayer, and the rosary. Enhance your appreciation of Mary's place in today's world. Seven sessions led by Pamela Weaver on the life and mystery of Mary will take place on Sundays from 9:30-10:45 AM in St. Joseph's Hall beginning **January 9th**. Register by calling Amy in the office at 787-5168 or just show up.



MEET AT

THEOLOGY ON TAP

MONDAY JANUARY 3RD

7:15-9:15PM

THE PRODIGAL SON: RADICAL MERCY AND THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION BY JOSIAH HANSON

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AN INVITATION TO YOUNG ADULTS IN THEIR 20S AND 30S TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THEIR CATHOLIC FAITH IN A RELAXED ATMOSPHERE

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SNACKS PROVIDED!

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"All good giving and every perfect gift is from above" (Jas 1:17)			
December 18-19, 2021			
	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	-	54
Sunday Collection	2,599	5,046	7,645
Rectory	31	-	31
Bottles of Hope	-	-	-
Immaculate Conception	-	100	421
Bulletin Ad		315	400
Food Pantry			0
Total Contribution	2,684	5,461	8,551.00

Weekly Schedule

Monday, December 27

SAINT JOHN, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

No Mass

Tuesday, December 28

THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

8 AM Mass for Gail Wingert

6 PM Teaching Tuesday – Nicholas Black Elk

Wednesday, December 29

FIFTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD; Saint Thomas

Becket, Bishop, Martyr

8 AM Mass for Olivia Lyle

8:30-7:30 PM Adoration

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

5:30-6:30 PM Confessions

No Faith Formation

Thursday, December 30

SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

8 AM Mass for Dan Lyle

9 AM "Just Men" Bible Study

9 AM Women's Bible Study

Friday, December 31

SEVENTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD; Saint Sylvester I, Pope

6 PM Mary, the Mother of God Mass for Helen Busch

Saturday, January 1

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD, The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord

8 AM Mary, the Mother of God Mass for Grace Weaver

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

5 PM Mass for the repose of Ilene Weber

Sunday, January 2

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

8 AM Mass for Diocesan Masses for Life

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

Intentions of the Holy Father for December:

Pope's Intention: Catechists. Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God; may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Prayers for the Recently Deceased

Janice Kusters

Morris Brosnan

Linda Weishaar

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 Allardye at 791-2303.

Prayers for Life and Health Concerns

These individuals are in special need of your prayers. To have someone placed on the prayer list, contact Katie in the office.

- **Edwin and Omel Weaver** (parents of Bob Weaver)
- **Blanche Rieth • Jean Schacher • Bernard Wiehl**
- **Sid and Mary Ann Pulaski • Maynard Traversie**
- **Lowell Amiotte • Randy Oberle • Tracy Rudnick**
 - **Joan Wrobel** (aunt of Rachael Held)
 - **Vickie Crowley • Marjorie Lee**
- **Cap Holzer • Doug Wermers • George Bradstream**
 - **Marek Kopec • Brett Whealy • Jennifer Kinney**
 - **Robert Forest** (father of Cathy Long)
- **Tony Corbine • Wayne Gamroth • Rachael Held**
 - **Tim Curns • Rayola Anderson • Dave Noble**
 - **Dean Antonsen • Moneik Stephens**
 - **Christy Marie** (sister of Linda Schacher)
- **Alicia Castor** (niece of Kathleen and Lowell Amiotte) • **Billy Hudson • Les Weishaar • Troye Rhodes** (great nephew of Wade)
 - **John Mangan** (brother-in-law of Diane Gittings)
 - **Jim & Vonnie O'Dea** (parents of Holly Phillips)
 - **Carol Michaelson** (mother of Linda Schacher)
 - **Joyce DePaulo • Katie Niederwerder**
 - **John Mizenko Sr.** (father of Jeff) • **Norbert Liebig**
 - **Ruth O'Neil** (mother of Lisa Katzenstein)
 - **Jasper Wermers** (grandson of Peggy and Doug)
 - **Tim Keller** (son-in-law of Cap and Arlene Holzer)
 - **Craig Lindemann** (Uncle of Maggie Whiteside)
 - **The Nalley Family • Jean Scheope**
 - **Derek Dowdy** (grandson of the Gittings)
 - **Hudson Henry** (great grandson/nephew of the Collings and Danks)

† 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.

December 28	Msgr. James R. Creahen (1948)
December 29	Rev. Ralph R. Muldoon (1978)
December 30	Rev. Cornelius F. Meade (1980)
December 31	Msgr. James F. Sampon (1936)
	Robert Leo Roseland (2004)
January 1	Mrs. Herman Benoit (1943)
January 2	Msgr. James W. Weithman (1973)
	Burnette Pelletier (1998)
	Marjory Konechne (2017)
	Ronald L. Baker Jr. (2019)

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 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!

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

Mass Times	Friday, 12/31 6 PM	Saturday 1/1 8 AM	Saturday 1/1 5 PM	Sunday 1/2 8 AM	Sunday 1/2 11 AM
Presider	Fr. Andrzej	Fr. Andrzej	Fr. Andrzej	Fr. Andrzej	Fr. Andrzej
Altar Server	NOT FILLED - Lead Haley Gruba	Christian Weaver - Lead	Todd Curtis - Lead Stella Curtis	Westin Edwards - Lead Emmett Edwards Leo Edwards	Sydney Bremer - Lead Alex Daniel Acebo
Eucharistic Minister - Body	Marty Quinn	NOT FILLED	Diane Clarke	Lorinda Collings	Dennis Fischer
Hospitality	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	James Johns Connie Johns	Melissa Hood Gary & Sandy Langfeldt	Aaron Denekamp Cathleen Denekamp
Lector	Brenda Flottmeyer - 1st Reader Brenda Mizenko - 2nd Reader	Jean Hohm - 1st Reader Joshua Weaver - 2nd Reader	Dave Allardyce - 1st Reader Duane Riedlinger - 2nd Reader	Cathy Long - 1st Reader Christine Pulaski - 2nd Reader	Laura Varilek - 1st Reader Laura Kelso - 2nd Reader
Sacristan	Brad Blauvelt Matthew Blauvelt Mary Blauvelt	Bob Weaver	NOT FILLED	Richard Long	Mary Blauvelt Matthew Blauvelt Brad Blauvelt

Daily Readings

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a and 2-8
Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40
Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18
Saturday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

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

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DEVOTED: A GOING DEEPER RETREAT

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December 26, 2021

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Feast of the Holy Family

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 | Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 | Lk 2:41-52

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

Some of my fondest childhood memories are of my dad leading my three sisters and me in song as we made the hour-long drive to visit my grandparents every other weekend. Granted, our silly car songs don't qualify as "singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs," as Paul advised the Colossians, but I do think they reveal that my dad took to heart Paul's advice about family and faith. Paul writes that in putting on holiness, kindness, gentleness, and forgiving one another, we "put on love, that is, the bond of perfection." Whatever we do, in word or deed, we ought to do in the name of the Lord Jesus. Fathers, mothers, and children are to love one another, seeking and choosing the good for one another, and helping each other along life's journey – on long car trips as well as in a lifetime of situations. On this feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, we honor their perfect holiness and love, and pray that God may continue to perfect us in holiness and love within our own families, that we may bear good fruit for the Kingdom.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Three Days? Mary and Joseph couldn't find Jesus for three days! Any parent who has had a child missing for a few seconds understands the anxiety Mary and Joseph experienced in three long days of searching for Jesus. In the end, though, all is well – they find him, and the peace of Christ casts out their fears. It is a remarkable scene: Jesus' parents are *astonished* to see him teaching in the temple, and Jesus is curious as to why they were looking for him – did they not know where he would be? This event marks a sort of milestone in their lives together, as Jesus has hinted at his future public ministry, and his parents have experienced that first bit of soul-piercing that Mary will later fully undergo. For each of them, love is what directed their actions. Joseph and Mary put aside everything to search for their son; Jesus put aside everything to serve his Father; and they joined together in humble obedience to God's will for them. The Holy Family models a way of living for us to imitate, and to witness to others in that imitation.

SERVE/STUDY Perhaps you have some down time in this coming week between Christmas and New Year's. As a family, choose an activity that allows you to think outside yourselves and serve others. Or make a plan to read the Scripture for each day of the upcoming week; everyone can choose a favorite verse to memorize each day. You may be surprised how often these verses enter your mind throughout the week.



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