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**LITURGY & PARYER****Sunday Liturgy:**

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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**“The Lord called to Samuel, who answered, ‘Here I am.’  
 He ran to Eli and said, ‘Here I am. You called me.’”**

(1 Samuel 3:4-5)

Last Sunday we celebrated the beautiful Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This week as we celebrate the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time, the Church calls us through the words of scripture to ask ourselves how we follow the spirit of our Baptism. Once we are baptized, the grace of the Lord Jesus is being poured into us, but do we see that happen? Perhaps not right away as we need to learn and develop tools that will help us hear the voice of the Lord. The young Samuel was dedicated to the Lord by his mother Hannah. As a young boy he served in the Temple under the watchful eye of Eli. When the Lord called to Samuel neither Samuel nor Eli answered the Lord right away. But as we read in the First Reading, the Lord did not give up on either one of them, He kept calling Samuel. Samuel, as an obedient servant thinking that his master Eli was calling him, kept responding only to be dismissed by Eli. Only after the third time Eli was awakened by Samuel did he realize that “it is the Lord who is calling him.” Eli instructed Samuel what to say the next time he heard the call: “Speak Lord, for your servant is listening.”

There are two important issues here. The first one is that the Lord has a purpose for every one of us and He is ready to reveal it to us, but not according to our standards. That is where our patience is tested, sometimes to the very edge. A second issue is that we can discover our vocation and purpose only in cooperation with others and through the wisdom of others. That is the time where our love for others is tested as well as our willingness to “die to ourselves.” Both issues are very serious and very challenging, but not impossible. God speaks to us in many ways and does not give up. The challenge is for us. One of today’s greatest obstacles to hearing the voice of God is noise pollution. Many times, I have invited you through the tradition of the Church to practice Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. It is a great place to free ourselves from the world outside and be attentive to the voice of God.

When you come to the Chapel, give yourself a few minutes to calm down, let all the thoughts in your mind run before you begin listening to the Lord. You can make a visit to the Chapel when it is convenient for you. Our Blessed Sacrament Chapel is open from approximately 8:30 am until about 2:20 pm Monday-Friday. We also have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday: 8:30 am – 7:30 pm. Our Baptism calls us to live our lives according to the gift and grace God gives us in this sacrament, but how do we do it? To find the answer, let us be brave enough to look for wisdom from good people, to associate ourselves with faithful and holy friends. But before we try to lead others closer to God, let us not forget about our time with God. Let us not forget to talk to Jesus about those we wish to bring to him. Remember, communication is the key, and if you do not know what is happening, see to it that you ask around and pray about it.

In Christ,

Fr. Andrzej

## Knights of Columbus Exemplification

A Knights of Columbus exemplification will be held Sunday, January 24 at 12:15pm at Blessed Sacrament Church in Rapid City, SD immediately following the 11am Mass. Any new members or First Degree Members can move up to Third Degree at this Exemplification. Candidates are asked to please arrive by 12pm. This ceremony is open to friends, family and to the public.

**Sunday, January 17, 24, and 31, 2021 at 4:00 pm**

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](http://www.soulcore.com) for more information. Follow us 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](mailto:j.scherr@hotmail.com) for additional information.

## Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids



The Knights of Columbus have over twenty coats to give to children in need. If you know of a child in need

of a coat and would like to provide them one, please call Grand Knight Aaron Denekamp at 391-3701.

## Breakfast Burrito



What are we to do with guilt? Should it be ignored, or does it present an opportunity we don't want to miss? Discover the merciful way that God seeks us out when we have sinned and calls us back to himself. Examine the sacrament of reconciliation from both the priest and the penitent. A five week Lenten small group study is coming. Call the office to learn more or to sign up at 787-5168.

## First Communion

Kids Classes:

Sunday group: January 24<sup>th</sup> during normal class time.

Wednesday group: January 27<sup>th</sup> during normal class time.

There will be a PARENT MEETING on February 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.



Wednesday, **January 20** at 6:30 pm in the Church. A parish member who has spent over two decades working for the U.S.

Department of Justice, will present information on the history of Indian Country Jurisdiction with special emphasis on South Dakota and the legal implications of the 'LANDBACK' campaign. All are welcome.

## Breakfast Burrito Fundraiser

The Knights of Columbus are selling breakfast burritos. Signups will be this weekend following Mass and pick up will be following the 8 & 11 AM Masses on Sunday, January 24. Contact Aaron at 391-3701 to order.

## Thank you for your donation.

Please prayerfully consider automatic contributions via electronic withdrawal, check service, or at [www.olbh.org/donate](http://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)			
January 9-10, 2021			
	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	280	334
Sunday Collection	1,871	2,696	4,567
Rectory	19	-	19
Bottles of Hope	-	-	-
Building Fund	-	20	20
St. Vincent de Paul	25		25
Held for Others		35	35
<b>Total Contribution</b>	1,969	3,031	5,000.26



## † 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.

<b>January 18</b>	Thomas Cotello (1897) Thomas Daniel Harrington (1972)
<b>January 21</b>	Rev. John Novak (1957)
<b>January 22</b>	Henry J. "Duke" Maicki III (2008)
<b>January 23</b>	Rev. John J. O' Reilly (1951)

## 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.

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

Mass Times	Saturday, 1/23 5 PM	Sunday 1/24 8 AM	Sunday 1/24 11 AM
<b>Presider</b>	Fr. Andrzej	Fr. Andrzej Wrosteck	Fr. Andrzej
<b>Lector</b>	Bernadette Usera – 1 <sup>st</sup> John Usera – 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Brenda Flottmeyer – 1 <sup>st</sup> Christine Pulaski – 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sheila Keeler – 1 <sup>st</sup> LaChel McCollar – 2 <sup>nd</sup>
<b>Altar Server(s)</b>	Luke Schacher – Lead Alexa Scherr	Caleb Weishaar – Lead Freddy Weishaar	NOT FILLED – Lead Michael Aguon
<b>Sacristan</b>	Joe and Linda Schacher	Mike and Barb Coyle	Stacy Tate

## Daily Readings

**Monday:** Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 2:18-22  
**Tuesday:** Heb 6:10-20; PS 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c; Mk 2:23-28  
**Wednesday:** Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; PS 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 3:1-6  
**Thursday:** Heb 7:25—8:6; PS 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Mk 3:7-12  
**Friday:** Heb 8:6-13; PS 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mk 3:13-19  
**Saturday:** Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; PS 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 3:20-21  
**Sunday:** John 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

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

## Bereavement Support Group

An eight-week support group for those coping with the loss of a loved one. To be held at 7 p.m., Monday, January 25, Blessed Sacrament Church, 4500 Jackson Blvd., Rapid City. For further information contact Dee Pickerts — 343-2038, Janece Rieman — 343-5547 or George Wallace — 721-3811.

## Director of Music and Director of Liturgy

St. Joseph, Spearfish, has an opening for the Director of Liturgy and Music. This individual will oversee the parish liturgies including sacred music in parish worship and liturgy. The position can be filled by applying for a full-time position and administering both jobs together of music and liturgy, or the position can split into two part-time jobs for two individuals. A job description can be found on the St. Joseph Parish Web site. To apply send cover letter and resume to [mwooster@diorc.org](mailto:mwooster@diorc.org).

## Inspiration can come at any time, come, be inspired by the youth of our Diocese!

St. Elizabeth Seton is seeking kind and hardworking women and men to join Angel, Heather, Becky and Marshaelle as they feed the hungry students in PreK - 5th grade. Warm and inviting co-workers, Faith filled working environment, Alternate days, or shortened schedules available, COVID protocols and protections in place. **Call for info: Molly Rausch 348-1477**

## Catholic School President

Trinity Catholic Schools in Dickinson, ND, is seeking a new President. The President is responsible for collaboratively guiding the school in financial stability, operational vitality, and mission effectiveness through direct oversight of school business and advancement operations. To apply, please send a letter of interest and a current resume, including three professional references to [Tina.Johnson@k12.nd.us](mailto:Tina.Johnson@k12.nd.us). Visit [www.trinitycatholicschools.com](http://www.trinitycatholicschools.com) for details.



**Refuel 2021 January 22-23, 2021:****LOST & FOUND:**

***“What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and go after the one which is lost, until he finds it?” - Luke 15:4***

It's been a most unusual year, but we are still making plans to hold our annual diocesan conference for all who serve the mission of the Church – catechists, evangelists, youth ministers, volunteers, and more: As we continue to navigate the work of evangelization during a pandemic, many of us are asking questions about how to reach out, how to connect with and bring back those families that we haven't seen in months due to COVID-19, how to bring the Good News to the people in our communities. At Refuel 2021, we will talk about these hard questions and discuss ideas, opportunities, and resources, to help us with the new challenges of the New Evangelization, as we seek out the lost.

This year, we have a modified schedule, all conferences will be held in Holy Cross Chapel, and meals can be purchased optionally, to better accommodate social distancing. Registration will be limited to meet spacing requirements in the chapel, and participants are asked to wear a mask in the common areas of the retreat center, although masks can be removed once seated in the chapel.

This year we are also offering the option to join us online via video if you prefer — just be sure to check that box on your registration form. We will send you a link to view the conference and prayer times live online.

Register online at: <http://terrasancta.org/refuel>

Registration fee: \$30 (lodging and optional meals available for an additional charge)

Registration deadline is January 12.

In-person space is limited — please register early to reserve your spot!

**Black Hills Area Roe v. Wade Memorial Service**

Sunday, **January 17** from 2-3 pm at Open Bible Church at 2225 E. St. Patrick Street. Doors open for refreshments and vendor browsing at 1 with program at 2 pm. Keynote Speaker—Kristi Fiegen—SD Public Utilities Commissioner, Master of ceremonies—Dale Bartscher, Special music by Kim Plender and Dan Brusseau, Pro-Life Essay contest winners “Why am I Pro-Life”

**Catholic Daughters Education Contest**

Calling All students from grades 4-12. The Catholic Daughters National Education Contest entries are due February 1, 2021. This year's themes are: “Let all you do be done with love,” 1Cor. 16:14 or “Show love to one another.” You may enter only one theme for each category. The categories are:

Division 1 (grades 4-5) Art, Computer Art, Essay, Poetry. Division 2 (grades 6-8) Art, Computer Art, Essay, Poetry, Music, Photography. Division 3 (grades 9-12) Art, Computer Art, Essay, Poetry, Music, Photography Division 4 Adult CDA members. Art, Poetry, Photography for a complete description of the rules and official contest entry form, see below, or contact: Pat McDowell by phone 605-787-0638 or email [patmcdowell44@gmail.com](mailto:patmcdowell44@gmail.com).

The one first place winner for each category in each division will be forwarded to the State Contest Chairperson and winning entries at the state level will be forwarded to the National Education Chairperson. National prizes for each division are: First: \$100.00. Second: \$50.00. Third: \$25.00.

**BEFRIENDER TRAINING**

January 30, 2020 Terra Sancta Retreat Center or by Zoom from 8:00 AM through 4:00 PM, closing with Sunday Mass of Anticipation said by Bishop Peter Muhich. There will be a 4 Weeks of Follow Up, choice of Saturday Mornings or Tuesday Evenings

Volunteers in the following ministries are encouraged to attend: Homebound Ministers, Lay Ministry & Deacon Couples, St. Vincent de Paul members, RCIA and Faith Formation ministries, where listening to people's stories would come into play, Any Parish employee or volunteer who might interact with someone in need. To Register: <https://tsrc.wufoo.com/forms/befriender-ministry-training/>.

**Community Wide Prayer Rally**

March 25, 2021 at Open Bible Church, 2225 E. Saint Patrick Street, Rapid City, SD 57703. All Catholics are encouraged to participate in this evening opportunity to pray for the Gospel to reach all people of the community. All are welcome to join as we gather worshipping with live music and praying for the Black Hills Community, local churches, and specific needs for the upcoming Black Hills Paha Sapa in September 2021.

**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.**

