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Saturday, 5 PM
Sunday, 8 & 11 AM

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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

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"Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love."

John 15:9-10

Throughout our life, we have many ways and reasons to celebrate and to remember important dates and moments in our life. Sometimes I get to look at some of the old photographs, that remind me of the times past. I feel a bit sad and worried about some of the new gadgets that help us to capture thousands of moments, but at the same time they become obsolete and can easily be lost for the future. They all are different and observed in different ways. They all however have one common link; they are part of our traditions.

Traditions are events that help us put our lives in the perspective of our history, cultural identity, and personal lives. We remember these dates to help us learn and grow in our life. But aside from our regular traditions, there are also our spiritual traditions which are part of our journey. The Church Tradition is a way that we live out our faith as we make the words of Jesus come alive.

The Gospel passage today reminds us that God in His wisdom provides us with the Holy Spirit to teach and instruct us in our understanding of Him. Could God tell us all that we should know of Him? Yes, certainly. But would we be able to comprehend and understand all that we should? That is a different question. The world is definitely not the same as the one in which Jesus was physically present.

The apostles of Christ today are not the same as the apostles were two thousand years ago and yet we see faith alive and prospering. How can this be? Jesus says "Do not let your hearts be troubled" as he assures us that the Father will provide us with the Spirit to understand. The Tradition of the Catholic Church calls us constantly to reevaluate who we are today as we use the experiences of the past. More to it, our Tradition constantly reminds us that what we do today, as different as it can sometimes be from the experiences of previous generations, needs to reflect our unity with generations past.

The Gospel we read today must reflect the Gospel Jesus preached to His Disciples. The power of achievement is in self-discipline and determination to follow one's hopes and dreams. It is in consistency that we make progress and keep our dignity strong. God desires us to be in full union with Him one day and thus we will find constant support to achieve this promise. It is in the Holy Spirit's guidance that we look at the Gospel and see in it not only what was written by the Gospel writer, but also what the message of God is for us today.

The Church in Her wisdom makes every effort to ensure that today's teachings are consistent with the teachings of every generation and that they reflect the Spirit of Christ among us. Catholic Tradition may sometimes be view as "archaic", but it is in that Tradition that we find consistency and self-discipline. As Intentional Disciples, are we ready and willing to continue the Tradition, are we ready and willing to live the Mission of Christ?

With Mary - Mother of God, Fr. Andrzej



Sundays at 4:00 pm (May 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. Contact Jenny at j.scherr@hotmail.com.

Please pray for our 2021 Graduates:

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

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.

Pray for our Confirmation Students

Jeren Andrzejewski, Kate Bestgen, Gabriel Gehlsen, Lucy Hamer, Chloe Hanson, Hannah Hood, Hannah Johnson, Evan Juelfs, Makenna LaBeau, Cole Litzen, Jade Mueller, Martin Reeve, Reese Sazama, Holden Siemonsma, Joslyn Thompson, and Riley Weishaar. Please pray that the gifts of the Holy Spirit draw them to a deeper relationship with Christ that continues to grow throughout their lives.



Draw Closer to Jesus and Mary by the Gift of the Rosary

Dionne Eastmo will be speaking on

Wednesday May 19th from 6:30-7:30 pm. The rosary is a fruitful way to meditate on the important moments in the lives of Jesus and Mary, the basic events that established Christianity. Its roots are found deep in the practices of the first Christians and has grown and unfolded as the Church herself has grown. But its purpose and the truths it teaches have always stayed the same. When you pray the rosary well, you learn more about Jesus and His mother, and you hold the Gospel and our beautiful Catholic faith in your hands.

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!

Our Lady of the Black Hills

STEWARDSHIP FAIR

After all Masses May 22 & 23, 2021

God is calling us all to become intentional disciples of Jesus.

Find out how you can use the talents God has given you to help Our Lady of the Black Hills.

STOP BY EACH BOOTH AND PLAY
JEOPARDY
Chance to win great prize packages!

Wedding Anniversaries

Beginning in May, we will be recognizing marriage anniversaries with a card. Please ensure we have your wedding date so we can celebrate the dedication to living your vocation. If you have had a change in marital status since you first registered with the parish, please let us know so that we can update your information and support you in your vocation.

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)			
May 1-2, 2021			
	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	100	154
Sunday Collection	2,940	5,075	8,015
Rector's	9	125	134
Bottles of Hope	-	-	-
Building Fund	-	180	180
Bottle of Hope			30
		-	
Total Contribution	3,004	5,480	8,513.63

Weekly Schedule

Monday, May 10

Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

NO MASS

6 PM Discipleship Meeting

Tuesday, May 11

8 AM Mass for Deacon Walt and Judy Wilson

1:30 PM Mass for LeAnn Hanks

Wednesday, May 12

Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; Saint Pancras, Martyr

8 AM Mass for the Terra Sancta Retreat Center Staff

8:30-7:30 PM Adoration

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

5:30-6:30 PM Confessions

Thursday, May 13

Our Lady of Fatima

8 AM Mass for Steph Hohm

9 AM Just Men Bible Study and Witness

9 AM Women's Bible Study

5:45 PM Leadership Night

6:45 PM Pastoral Council

Friday, May 14

SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

8:30 AM Mass at St. Elizabeth Seton School for the repose of Jim Wranek

Saturday, May 15

Saint Isidore

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

5 PM Mass – Graduation Mass, Live stream link on Facebook and OLBH.org for Tegann Hohm

Sunday, May 16

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8 AM Mass for the community of Our Lady of the Black Hills and for our sister parishes special emphasis on the Graduating Class of 2021

11 AM Mass for the repose of Katherine Martel
4 PM SoulCore

Intentions of the Holy Father for May:

Pope's Intention: The world of finance. Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

Prayers for our Deployed Military

Jeremy Reeve and Josh Kornmann

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**
- **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)
- **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**
- **Jasper Wermers** (grandson of Peg and Doug)

† 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.

May 10	Rev. John L. Cohane (1961)
May 12	Rev. John Frei (1951)) Medric A. Ricard (1976)
May 13	Rev. Richard McCaslin, S.J. (2014)
May 14	James "Jim" Allen Wranek (2014)
May 15	Mary L. (Bies) Burnette (1987)
May 16	Rev. Henry J. Klein (1947)

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, 5/15 5 PM	Sunday 5/16 8 AM	Sunday 5/16 11 AM
Presider	Fr. Andrzej	Fr. Andrzej	Fr. Andrzej
Altar Server	Todd Curtis - Lead Dominic Hoiten	Westin Edwards - Lead Leo Edwards Emmett Edwards	Joslyn Thompson - Lead Robert Thompson
Eucharistic Minister - Body	Loretta Wiehl	Brenda Flottmeyer	Lorinda Collings
Lector	Kimberly Darata - 1st Reader Duane Riedlinger - 2nd Reader	Brenda Mizenko - 1st Reader Christine Pulaski - 2nd Reader	Cathleen Denekamp - 1st Reader Sheila Keeler - 2nd Reader
Sacristan	Phillip Thompson	Jeff Mizenko	Stacy Tate

Daily Readings

Monday:	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Jn 14:6-14
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
Friday:	Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12; Jn 15:12-17
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday:	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17

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

COMMUNITY & DIOCESAN NEWS

Job Opening for Director of Music and Liturgy

Blessed Sacrament Parish in Rapid City is hiring a full-time Director of Music and Liturgy. Qualifications include a faithful Catholic who demonstrates a love and zeal for the Church's mission; has a capacity and desire to lead others in the worship of God and a desire to form intentional disciples after the heart of Jesus Christ; can identify and cultivate the gifts and talents of parishioners for service in developing and fostering the beauty of the liturgical life of Blessed Sacrament Church; demonstrates a high level of organizational skills, team building abilities, and an openness to learn and utilize new computer software; computer skills including experience with Adobe Suite (preferred), and/or Office 365 Suite; and has a BS in music, liturgical studies, or similar experience. Contact Ruth Zagala, Parish Business Manager, at 605-342-3336 or ruth@blessedsacramentchurch.org for a job description.

Sioux Spiritual Center Calendar

For information contact Carole Brown at ssc@diorc.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

Rachel's Corner

"As a man, I was all dry inside, I knew what I had done but I didn't feel much of anything as I didn't truly understand what I had done to my child as well as to my family. Now I am filled with love for my daughter. I feel like I have been renewed inside, strengthened and empowered by God, through God and for God" -Testimonial

Abortion hurts men and women alike. Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and allow Him to remove the pain and denial you have carried in your mind and heart and replace it with His merciful peace. Our next Retreat will be in person on October 1-3. For more information, contact the national office at 877-467-3463 or www.rachelsvineyard.org. Contact Carol Kling for local retreat information at 605-374-5639 or ckling@sdplains.com



OFFICE OF BISHOP

DIOCESE OF RAPID CITY

2021 Diocesan Appeal

LET YOUR LOVE FLOW!

May 4, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On behalf of our entire diocese, I thank you for your generous response to the 2021 Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Rapid City and for your help with the added in-pew appeal last weekend.

Perhaps you took some time to pray for the Appeal, and maybe you increased your annual pledge, or participated for the first time – all of these contributions are an outpouring of the love of God that flows through you in abundance.

Through your participation in the Annual Appeal, you are supporting the various diocesan ministries which provide support to all of our parishes in western South Dakota. I am deeply grateful.

With prayerful best wishes and kind regards, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Peter M. Muhich
Bishop of Rapid City

May 9, 2021

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 | 1 Jn 4:7-10 | Jn 15:9-17

Love
ONE
ANOTHER

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

I have 20/15 vision. I can see things in the distance as well as close up. But that doesn't mean I can see everything perfectly. Because of a difference in how each eye focuses, I can't find those hidden images in "magic eye" posters, and forget trying to watch a 3D movie! Seeing all things perfectly is not something many of us could claim, including Peter. And yet, with God's help, he understands a vision God gave to him: "In truth," Peter says, "I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation, whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." Through God's mercy and Jesus' redemptive cross, the kingdom of God has been prepared for all peoples. God's saving power has been revealed. With faith, and the help of the Holy Spirit in living out the commandments, we can fix our eyes on Christ – the revelation of God's love who came into the world that we might have life through him.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

So much information comes to us every day, in all forms of media, there are now even shortcuts to the shortcuts for grasping the content. My personal favorite is the abbreviation, "TL; DR" which means, "too long, didn't read." Some might claim that we are dumbing down our culture with this type of shorthand notation, or we could argue that clear, concise, and straightforward is simply best. And that is what Jesus gives us today in his one commandment: "Love one another as I love you." He offers commentary for the commandment and gives reasons for why he is telling it to us, but the crux of it cannot be missed: *love one another*. It is a commandment both simple, yet complex; easy, yet at times exponentially difficult to live. So Jesus provides the key to fulfilling it by saying, "remain in *my* love" [emphasis mine]. Faithfulness to a sacramental life and participation in communal living give us the grace to remain in that love – which in turn transforms and enables us to share that love with others.

PRAY To honor the celebration of Mother's Day, pray the Rosary today for the intentions of our mothers, for those who have been motherly influences to us, and for those who long to be mothers.





DIOCESE OF RAPID CITY

OFFICE OF BISHOP

May 4, 2021

Dear Father:

Your voice could help save millions of lives.

The Hyde Amendment has protected Americans from funding abortion for 45 years. It's credited with saving the lives of over **2.4 million children** to date. Now, powerful members of Congress want to take away this law that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century. Without it, *billions* of taxpayer dollars could go to abortion.

That means abortions would be *cheaper, easier, and funded* with our taxpayer dollars.

As Pope Francis has said, "The future of humanity ... is fundamentally in the hands of peoples and in their ability to organize."

It is **critically important** for Catholics to send a *strong* message before Congress moves forward to impose taxpayer-funded abortion. Because of the *incredibly high stakes* Congress needs to hear from a *massive* number of people.

I invite the people of your parish to join our diocesan response to this nationwide effort by the USCCB, set for the **first week of June**.

The primary goal is for *millions of Catholics* to sign the petition on NoTaxpayerAbortion.com.

The USCCB has created **easy, ready-to-use tools** that can be found at respectlife.org/no-taxpayer-abortion. These include a sample announcement, graphics, flyer, and infographic. More tools continue to be added as they become available, so be sure to check back.

Additionally, the USCCB is hosting a webinar **Wednesday, May 12 at 2:00 PM (EDT)** that will give more information on the push for tax dollars to pay for abortion and what Catholics can do to stop it. Anyone interested can register at respectlife.org/no-taxpayer-abortion.

Thank you for your efforts on behalf of the unborn.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Peter M. Muhich
Bishop of Rapid City

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