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LITURGY & PRAYER

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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The Saturday Vigil Mass at 5 PM is livestreamed on the Our Lady of the Black Hills Facebook page and then posted on olbh.org.

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"Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe."

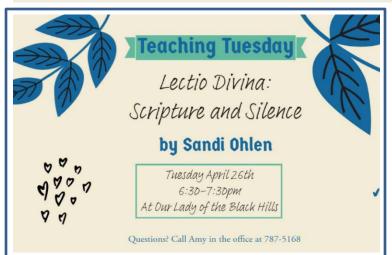
John 20:26-27

Dear Friends.

Mercy, a visible sign of God's Love is a great gift that as disciples of Christ, we are called to share with each other. It is the mercy and love we pray for when we think of our salvation, our walk with God and when we have experienced pain and hurt. It was the message of Divine Mercy that has encouraged Sister Faustina to proclaim it to the world. It was the compassion that has led Saint John Paull II to proclaim the Sunday after Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday. But mercy presumes that someone is guilty and that we need to be forgiven. And that is right. But I see in today's reading something more than just guilt, failure where mercy is a source of hope. Looking at the events of the Holy Week and the tremendous love God has showed us in the Passion of Christ, I see in the Divine Mercy great generosity. God is ready to share with us everything He is (not what he has, but who he is). As Jesus makes himself know to the Apostles, he shares with them the wisdom, peace, and time. And Jesus is not afraid to go even to the limits to encourage us to have faith in Him. Thomas is not present the first-time Jesus visits the Apostles. For him, the idea that Jesus is risen is still too much, he demands an empirical proof. And Jesus in his generosity (not just mercy), invites Thomas to come forward and to touch his wounds. The Risen Christ not only allows Thomas to see him, but he also allows him to touch his wounds and to put even his hand into his side. That is true gift of love and a sign of a generous heart of Jesus. Who of us is willing to give ourselves totally, unless we must or have an internal motive? Jesus does that because He cares and wants us to have it all. The Divine Mercy is an act of Love, and it is also an act of total generosity as we can experience Jesus in his humanity (the wounds of the cross and of our sins), and in his divinity (the gift of faith that comes to us in the resurrection). Listening to today's Gospel, let us remember that Jesus does not come to us to shame and punish us, but that He wants us to experience His generosity in a gift of Divine Mercy as a source of hope, encouragement and as an invitation to trust him beyond what makes sense to us. Edward Everett Hale wrote once:" I am only one, but still, I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something; and because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do." Mercy is a gift of generosity, from God to us and from us to those around us. Share the gift of mercy not only because you need to but also because you are generous. As generous as is Jesus in his Divine Love.

In Christ Risen, Fr. Andrzej, Alleluia!!!!

Note: I would like to thank all who have helped to make the Holy Week celebrations so special. To name all would be difficult, but I would like you to know that I am profoundly grateful for all you have done to make this time a time of prayer. May your generosity be rewarded in the Love of Christ for you.



Lectio Divina is an ancient Christian prayer practice that guides us into deeper relationship with God using Scripture. Lectio Divina means sacred reading. Time is spent in silence through this process listening to how God is speaking within our heart. To learn more and to experience the practice of Lectio Divina, join us for Teaching Tuesday on April 26th from 6:30-7:30pm. Sandi Ohlen will present in St. Joseph's Hall.

Form Your Conscience – New Paragraphs
I invite you this week to work on the Catechism of the Catholic Church paragraphs 1846-1876.
Please read, reflect, and pray with these paragraphs. We will continue toward forming the conscience next week.

-Fr. Andrzej



Terra Sancta 10th Anniversary Celebration

There will be a dedication anniversary Mass and Reception of Terra Sancta on May 10, 2022. Exposition will take place at 8:30 AM and Adoration will continue throughout the day with Benediction at 4:30 PM. Bishop Peter Muhich will celebrate Mass at 5:30 PM in Holy Cross Chapel. A reception will follow in the retreat center made possible by a generous donation from the Our Lady of the Black Hills parish. Please RSVP at https://terrasancta.org/event/anniversary-mass-reception/.

History of Divine Mercy Sunday

A sister of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), is said to have been personally visited by Jesus. According to her diary, which was listed on the Index of Forbidden Books for more than 20 years, an image was revealed to her of the risen Lord, from whose heart shone two rays, one red (representing blood) and the other "pale" (symbolizing water), with the words "Jesus, I trust in you" at the bottom. Faustina wrote in her diary that Jesus told her, "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish." When she was canonized in 2000 under the direction of fellow countryman Pope John Paul II, he proclaimed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday.

Among the practices associated with the devotion are its novena, the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy (a series of prayers organized similarly to a rosary), the Hour of Great Mercy (a time of prayer traditionally celebrated at 3 p.m.), and the plenary indulgence granted to those who receive the Eucharist and celebrate reconciliation on Divine Mercy Sunday.

The celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday is an opportunity to reflect on the theme of how God's mercy can overcome sin and, as the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments states, "a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind [sic] will experience in the years to come."

These excerpts were taken from an article that appeared in the May 2011 issue of U.S. Catholic (Vol. 76, No. 5, page 46).

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"All good giving and every perfect gift is from above" (Jas 1:17)						
April 16-17, 2022						
	Automatic	Basket	Total			
Adopt a Seminarian	54	20	74			
Sunday Collection	2,759	8,038	10,797			
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St. Vincent de Paul	-	•				
Building Fund	-	640				
Priest Retirement		250				
Holy Land			2296			
Total Contribution	2,855	8,948	13,167.02			

Weekly Schedule

Monday, April 25

SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

No Mass

Tuesday, April 26

8 AM Mass for the repose of George Melber 6:30 PM Teaching Tuesday - Lectio Divina

Wednesday, April 27

8 AM Mass for Aaron and Steph Hohm

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

Thursday, April 28

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

8 AM Mass for the repose of Les Weishaar

9 AM Men's Bible Study

9 AM Women's Bible Study

Friday, April 29

Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the Church

8:30 AM Mass at St. Elizabeth Seton School for the repose of Sister Nadine

Saturday, April 30

Saint Pius V, Pope

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

5 PM Mass for Diocesan Masses for Life and May Crowning

Sunday, May 1

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

8 AM Mass for the repose of Raymond Sass 9:30-10:45 AM Faith Formation

11 AM Mass for community of OLBH and for our Sister Parishes

Cursillo

Spanish for a "Short Course in Christianity" is a Pilgrimage of Faith. This encounter is 3 full days that immerse participants in God's Love and Joy and produces an effective support system for Christians on their journey to maintain a life of grace and be prepared to share the Good News with a hurting world. Men's Weekend - May 5 - 8, Sioux Spiritual Center, Women's Weekend - October 27-30, Terra Sancta. For information contact: Kathy Ackerman 406-939-2686 dchealthycomm@yahoo.com.

Intentions of the Holy Father for April:

Pope's Intention: For health care workers. We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

Prayer Chain Requests

To request an intention for the prayer chain, contact Shanesa at 605-786-4240 by text or leave a message or by email at shanesarhodes@gmaill.com.

Eucharistic Adoration

To sign up to Adore or to fill in as a substitute, please contact Dave Allardyce at 605-791-2303.

Prayers for the Deployed Member of our Parish Chris Hunt · Quenten Johnson

Prayers for the Deceased of our Parish Wenzel Kovarik Katie Niederwerder

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 | Marjorie Lee Lowell Amiotte | Randy Oberle | Tracy Rudnick Joan Wrobel (aunt of Rachael Held) | Ana Maria Killion Vickie Crowley | Cap Holzer | Linda Schacher Doug Wermers | George Bradstream Gloria Allardyce | Brett Whealy | Jennifer Kinney Robert Forest (father of Cathy Long) | Joyce Kinney Tony Corbine | Wayne Gamroth | Lillian Halverson Tim Curns | Dean Antonsen | Billy Hudson **Christy Marie** (sister of Linda Schacher) **Alicia Castor** (niece of Kathleen and Lowell Amiotte) Troye Rhodes (great nephew of Wade) **John Mangen** (brother-in-law of Diane Gittings) Jim & Vonnie O'Dea (parents of Holly Phillips) Carol Michaelson (mother of Linda Schacher) Joyce DePaulo | John Mizenko Sr. (father of Jeff) Norbert Liebig | The Nalley Family | Jean Scheope 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) **Derek Dowdy** (grandson of the Gittings)

Kit Soyland | Kevin & Julie Spors | Barb Coyle

Frank Wevrich (brother-in-law of Marcia Senn)

Crescencia Yanez (aunt of Brenda Mizenko)

| 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 25	Rev. Hugh Mullen (1920)		
	Marie Honerkamp (2018)		
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'Hora (1940)		
	Marcella Kraft (2014)		
May 1	Rev. William A. Sullivan (1951)		

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, welcome to 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

Mass Times	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 8 AM	Sunday 11 AM
	April 30	May 1	May 1
Presider	Fr. Andrzej	Fr. Andrzej	Fr. Andrzej
	Gabriel Gehlsen - Lead	Freddy Weishaar - Lead	Joslyn Thompson
Altar Server	Kyah Pesek	Leo Edwards	Robby Thompson
	Keeana Pesek	Dustin Hoiten	
Eucharistic Minister -	John Usera	Brenda Flottmeyer	Mary Blauvelt
Body		·	
Hospitality	Tracy Cook	Marie and Eric Langfeldt	Robert Thompson
	Kimberly Cook (sub req.)		Suzanne Thompson
	Bernadette Usera - 1st	Brad Blauvelt - 1st Reader	Sheila Keeler - 1st Reader
Lector	Reader	Christine Pulaski - 2nd	Meryl Gaeta - 2nd Reader
	DeWayne Yantes - 2nd	Reader	
	Reader		
Sacristan	Phillip Thompson	NOT FILLED	Stacy Tate

Daily Readings

Monday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20 **Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21 **Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15 **Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

The weekly readings are found anytime online on the USCCB website or by clicking: Weekly Readings

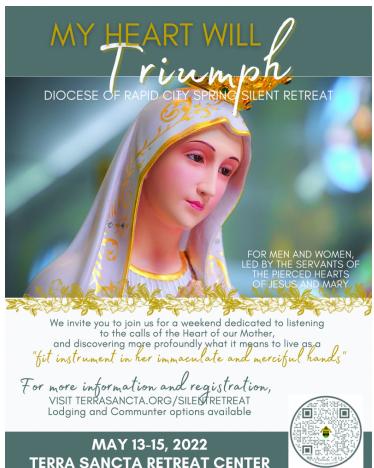


Corpus Christi Mass & Procession

SAVE THE DATE! A Diocesan Corpus Christi Mass & Procession will be held Sunday, June 19, 2022, at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Rapid City. Mass with Bishop Peter M. Muhich will begin at 3:00 pm with a Eucharistic Procession to follow to the Memorial Park Bandshell. The Knights of Columbus Councils in Rapid City and Piedmont are sponsoring a picnic after the Procession. Everyone is invited to this Diocesan Feast Day celebration as we begin the three-year National Eucharistic Revival, but we extend a special invitation to all First Communicants - please come and join us in your First Communion clothes and lay flower petals on the ground in front of our Eucharistic Lord. Bring a water bottle and a lightweight blanket to sit on for the picnic. Those who are unable to walk the whole route of the procession are invited to drive from the Cathedral to Immaculate Conception Church (922 5th St.) and join the procession for the last half-mile. For more information and to let us know you are comina, please visit: https://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/revival/

College Scholarship for Catholic Senior Girl

A \$1000 scholarship is being awarded to a practicing Catholic Senior Girl who will be a freshman in a four-year college in the fall of 2022 and resides in the Diocese of Rapid City. This scholarship is the Hubbeling Family Scholarship in memory of Janet and Edwin Hubbeling. The Rapid City Court St. Rita #916 administer this scholarship. For information and an application, email your request along with your name, address, and phone number to CDA Scholarship Committee, duduchan3@gmail.com. Please note: All applications must be returned to the address in the application by May 1, 2022.



WSDCF Fishing tournaments

The Western South Dakota Catholic Foundation will host a Fishing Tournament. Each parish is encouraged to organize a team in support of the event. The fishing challenge occurs over three weekends and proceeds benefit the seminarians serving the Rapid City Diocese. You can join any of the three sites listed or come and attend the fish fry. Register at www.wsdcf.org/events.

Ft. Pierre, Sat., 6/4, Fischer's Lilly Park 6:30 p.m. CT with Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church at 5:30 p.m. CT

Hot Springs, Angostora Lake, Sat., 5/21, 9-3 p.m.

Lemmon, Shadehill Reservoir, Sat., 6/25, 9-3 p.m.

Raffle tickets are available for \$10 each or three for \$25. There will be opportunities to win \$500, \$300 or \$200 cash prizes. Need not be present to win. **Contact your priest for raffle tickets.**

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