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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

CLERGY

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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.

"In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge" (Psalm 90)

As we are preparing to celebrate the Feast of our parish, The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we are invited to reflect on our birth into new life. It is the life of Grace we live in as we remember our Baptism. In Confirmation we pray for courage and the Holy Spirit, in Eucharist, we receive the necessary nourishment. Our faith offers us so much, that sometimes it might be overwhelming, but Jesus reminds us of the importance of the 10 Commandments, as our moral guidance. The Church celebrates with us the 7 Sacraments and the saints provide us with practical approach to the above. The Gospel today, tells us that if we find ourselves frightened, overwhelmed, even lost, that we need to remember where we have come from and who is at the foundation of our faith and Church. After all, Jesus died for His beloved Bride, the Church. He died for me and you, so be not afraid, celebrate and remember that our local Family is part of Divine Plan of Salvation.

History of Our Lady of the Black Hills Year Description. 1904 is the earliest written record of Catholic services held in Piedmont Valley at the schoolhouse in French District. 1916 Construction of St. Mary's Catholic Church begin in the fall. Captain C. V. Gardner donated five lots on the southwest corner of Park and Second Streets in Piedmont for the church building and rectory. P. T. Casserly, a farmer from Elkton S.D. donated an entire year's income of \$500 towards the building of the church – in memory of his wife, who had died in childbirth. Volunteers help in the construction. Father Fitzgerald celebrated the first Mass. 1959 Under the direction of Father Dominic Lavan, a Benedictine monk, the little white church, and rectory were completely remodeled with volunteer help. 1979 A new church, Our Lady of the Black Hills, was built on land located halfway between Piedmont and Black Hawk, part of which was a gift from Richard and Heloisa Burns in memory of Richard's mother. The \$300,000 church, rectory and social center complex was built with a savings of \$140,000 due to the work of dedicated volunteers. The first Mass was celebrated by Fr. Nebilo on October 10. 1983 New classrooms were added by excavating the area under the former rectory (St. Joseph's Hall). Parishioners donated all the labor and materials – at a total savings of \$16,000. By 1985 Our Lady of the Black Hills parish was completely out of debt. In 1996 OLBH started expansion on the existing building, adding more classrooms, office space and enlarging the church area. Under the direction of Fr. Peter Kovarik, volunteer laborers again saved the church several hundred thousand dollars in building costs. The first Mass was celebrated in the new church on the weekend before Christmas of 1996. In 2005, the interior of the church was updated. A new altar, ambo and baptismal font were made from Crazy Horse granite and brass. The former cry room at the front of the church was converted into a Blessed Sacrament chapel. A new cross for over the altar was painted by Terry Nelson. A new confessional and statue rooms were built. The former confessional/storage area was torn down and converted into a choir area. With the passing of time, we are looking into proper upkeep of the Church, with hope of the good future.

With hope, we look now to the next chapter of our parish. Please, consider making a regular or one time donation towards the Building Savings. Envelopes are in the pews, or there is an option for an online donation. Our Lady of the Black Hills, Pray for us. Fr. Andrzej

Theology on Tap

Join adults in their 20s and 30s seeking to grown in faith on Monday, September 12th, from 7:30-9:30 PM at the OLBH Rectory. Robert and Nikki Dyczek will discuss the Cursillo movement. Bring a drink, snacks are provided.





Listen to Fr. Traynor discuss why we need a revival, what to expect, and how we can take part. Watch at https://youtu.be/RapR3xiB9HY

RCIA - Becoming Catholic

Classes begin September 25th. Classes meet on Sundays from 9:30-10:45 AM. SPONSORS ARE NEEDED. Please contact Brad Blauvelt with questions at 605-390-0683. Visit

https://www.olbh.org/becoming-catholic to learn more.





"Heal Your Grief" Bereavement Support

When a loved one dies, we are wounded. Just as a wound does, we need to heal from within, to express our thoughts and feelings. A support group is a safe place where you can talk, cry, and share your anger, guilt, and fears with those who understand. Rooted in Catholic teaching, Heal Your Grief is an eight-week support group open to all Christian adults who have lost a loved one due to death. For more information contact George Wallace at 605-721-3811 or Dee Pickarts at 605-343-2038. Sponsored by Family Life Ministries. For more questions call Amy Julian 605-343-3541 or visit www.rapidcitydiocese.org/FLM.

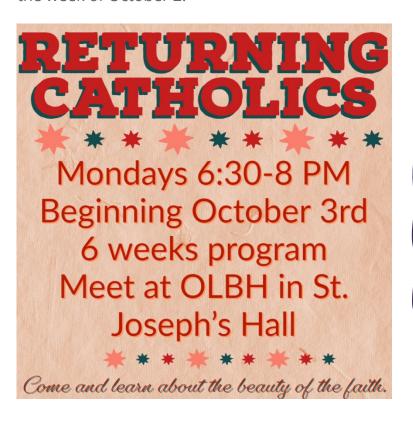


CORacCOR

A SMALL GROUP RETREAT BASED ON THE SPIRITUAL EXCERCISES OF ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

Visit https://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/coradcor/. OLBH will host a Cor ad Cor group this fall.

The Cor ad Cor retreat is a weekly small group gathering of all men or all women to learn more about the spiritual life, to grow in relationship and conversation with the Lord, and to share faith and the work of the Lord with others. The retreat begins with the Oremus program from Ascension Press (8 weeks) and then moves into the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola according to the 19th annotation (additional 22 weeks). Small groups of about six people meet weekly with a trained leader for these 30 weeks. Small groups gather each week to learn and talk about the life of prayer and what the Lord is doing in them. Registration is now open, and each small group only contains eight retreatants. Register soon as groups fill up quickly! Groups begin to meet at various days, times, and locations starting the week of October 2.



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think you would also carry the pain and regret of that loss? We don't think it will affect us and it does. Forgiveness, healing, and hope are awaiting you on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™. Join us Sept. 30 – Oct 2. For more information, contact the national office at 877-467-3463 or www.rachelsvineyard.org. Contact Carol Kling for information about local retreats at 605-374-5639 or ckling@sdplains.com.

FAITH FORMATION STARTS SOON

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 6:15-7:30 PM SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 9:30-10:45 AM

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, September 25th between the 8 AM and 11 AM Masses.

Weekly Schedule

Monday, September 5

Office Closed

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

Tuesday, September 6

8 AM Mass for all of the souls in Purgatory 6:30-7:30 PM First Communion Parent Meeting

Wednesday, September 7

8 AM Mass for the wellbeing of Andrew Crane

8:30 Coffee and Desserts

8:30-7:30 PM Adoration

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

5:30-6:30 PM Confession

Thursday, September 8

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8 AM Mass for Bob Weaver

9 AM 'Just' Men's Bible Study

6 PM Pastoral Council Meeting

Friday, September 9

Saint Peter Claver, Priest

8 AM Mass for repose of Tom Barnick

Saturday, September 10

BVM on Saturday

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

3 PM Rosary and Pie

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

5 PM Mass for Diocesan Masses for Life

6 PM Parish Feast Day Potluck and Fun

Sunday, September 11

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

9 AM Eucharistic Procession

11 AM Mass for Sister Regina Familiae

WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

9/10 SATURDAY 5 PM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Gabriel Gehlsen

Emerson Harwood and Keeana Pesek

Lectors: Kimberly Cook (1st)

John Usera (2nd)

Hospitality: Steve and Sue Colgan Sacristan: Joe and Linda Schacher Eucharistic Minister – Body: Bernie Usera

9/11 SUNDAY 8 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Todd Curtis (lead)

Stella Curtis

Lectors: Jeremy Thompson (1st)

Cathy Long (2nd)

Hospitality: Mike and Barb Coyle

Sacristan: Richard Long

Eucharistic Minister – Body: Gary Erickson

9/11 SUNDAY 11 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Zak Juelfs (lead)

Anya and Evan Juelfs

Lectors: Craig Kelso (1st)

Laura Kelso (2nd)

Hospitality: Ned Keeler and NOT FILLED

Sacristan: Stacy Tate

Eucharistic Minister – Body: Dennis Fischer

STEWARDSHIP

August 27-28, 2022			
	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	-	54
Sunday Collection	2,759	3,382	6,141
Rectory	42	-	-
St. Vincent de Paul	-	-	
Building Fund	-	50	92
Priest Retirement		-	2
Total Contribution	2,855	3,432	6,289.21

Did you know that OLBH is a Stewardship Parish? That means we do not charge you for things like classes, events, etc. We ask that you give us your time, your talents, and your treasure to support our wonderful parish. 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.

PRAYER MINISTRIES

PRAYER CHAIN To add an intention to our OLBH prayer chain text Shanesa Rhodes at 605-786-4240 or email her at shanesarhodes@gmail.com.

MASS INTENTIONS To request a Mass Intention please fill out the envelope on the back counter of the Narthex or call Katie in the office at 605-787-5168.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY To obtain a prayer shawl, contact the office at 605-787-5168.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND If you or family member are sick at home or in the hospital and you would like communion from a priest or lay extraordinary minister of the Eucharist, please call the office at 605-787-5168.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK If you or a family member has been diagnosed with an illness, are preparing for surgery, or in the case of serious illness, please call the office to request the sacrament at 605-787-5168.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

The weekly readings are on the USCCB.org website.

Monday: 1 COR 5:1-8; PS 5:5-6, 7, 12; LK 6:6-11

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b;

Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 COR 7:25-31; PS 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17; LK 6:20-26

Thursday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 13:6ab, 6c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Friday: 1 COR 9:16-19, 22B-27; PS 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12; LK 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; LK

6:43-49

Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR SEPTEMBER Pope's Intention: For the abolition of the death penalty. We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

PRAYER REQUESTS

FOR OUR ILL AND HOMEBOUND Call 605-787-5168 to add a name to the prayer list. These individuals are in special need of your prayers. We pray for Edwin and Omel Weaver (parents of Bob Weaver), Blanche Rieth, Jean Schacher, Bernard Wiehl, Sid and Mary Ann Pulaski, Marjorie Lee, Jeff Feist, Randy Oberle, Vickie Crowley, Cap Holzer, Linda Schacher, Gloria Allardyce, Brett Whealy, Jennifer Kinney, Joyce Kinney, Robert Forest (father of Cathy Long), Tony Corbine, Joe George, Tim Curns, Dean Antonsen, Billy Hudson, Christy Marie (sister of Linda Schacher), Cathy Luedtke, Karen and Frank Weyrich (sister and brother-in-law of Marcia Senn), Alicia Castor (niece of Kathy Amiotte), Troye Rhodes (great nephew of Wade), Jim and Vonnie O'Dea (parents of Holly Phillips), Amanda Christensen, Carol Michaelson (mother of Linda Schacher), Joyce DePaulo, John Mizenko Sr., Norbert Liebig, The Nally Family, Jean Scheope, Ruth O'Neil, Jasper Wermers (grandson of Doug and Peggy), Tim Keller (son-in-law of the Holzers), Craig Lindemann (uncle of Maggie Whiteside), Yvonne Runyan, Kevin and Julie Spors, Barb Coyle, Crescencia Yanez (aunt of Brenda Mizenko), Lisa Yantes (DeWayne and Helen's daughter), Iris Overholt, Erica Anderson, Greta and Jacqui Thiesse (granddaughter and daughter of Dcn John and Joni).

FOR THE DECEASED We pray for Randy Oberle. **FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY** We pray for Chris Hunt and Quentin Johnson.

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 in the Diocese of Rapid City. We pray for:

September 5 Rev. James J. Butler (1970)

Heather May Reindl (1986)

September 7 Rev. James Sweeney (1952) September 9 Deacon Tom Lane (2016)

September 10 Nettie T. Peed (19997)

Pauline Guffey (2020)

September 11 Rev. John W. Hanton (1936)

Eugene "Gene" Kraft (2009)

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!



St. Martin Monastery is currently looking for a part-time nursing assistant. Our nurse assistants provide loving, around-the-clock care for the Sisters in the health care unit, including personal care, bathing, transfer assistance, serving meals, doing laundry and light cleaning. Experience is preferred, but we will provide training and certification if needed. We offer competitive pay and the opportunity to work in a peaceful, pleasant environment. For more information or to fill out an application, please contact Shawna or Karen at 605-343-8011.

Accountant Job

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51st Annual SD Right to Life Convention

Friday, September 30 — Saturday, October 1, at the First Assembly of God Church, 4905 Mt. Rushmore Rd., Rapid City. Friday, doors open at 6 p.m. for registrations, refreshments, and exhibits; 7 p.m. Keynote speaker and legislative candidates. Saturday, doors open at 8 a.m., at 9 a.m. speakers begin. Speakers include Karen Cross National RTL Committee: Angela Copenhaver, WeTeachThink; Andy Griffith, Pro Life Man; and Alex Schadenberg, Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. Breakout sessions for Middle and High School Students. Registration fee Adults \$30 by Sept. 12, \$40 beginning Sept. 13. College Students \$10. Middle/High School Students Free. Register at www.sdRightToLife.org.



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September 4, 2022 | Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 9:13-18b | Phmn 9-10, 12-17 | Lk 14:25-33

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

Today's happened to be: "Bring to mind a close relationship that He reminds us today that being a disciple requires that we go all can be challenging, and think about what it can teach you." Like loves us, shepherds us, forgives us ... but he also challenges us! in, prepared to place our relationship with Jesus above all else. with our prayers, priorities, and actions. We can also follow the Often, before writing these reflections, I take a minute to pray. erated prompt carried a grain of truth. Our thoughts may turn to our spouse, a prickly co-worker, or a moody teen. However, ple Watch, which conveniently provides a meditation prompt. those paper messages in fortune cookies, even this auto-gen-Easier said than done. But we can start, one minute at a time, example of saints such as Paul, imprisoned for preaching the given today's readings, it struck me that this description can I decided to add a minute of mindfulness using my new Apalso fit our relationship with Jesus. Yes, we know that Jesus Gospel, and the saints among us who teach us by example.

STUDY Take time to read about the lives of a few saints. What habits did they create to lead holy lives? What vices did they give up for Christ's sake to truly become his disciple?

thing other than ourselves.

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

time or money on nonessentials or reading an inspirational book - can help I bet we all know people we would consider saints, or at least well on their cal that we had not considered, such as managing their time in such a way way of our relationship with Jesus, perhaps we can challenge ourselves to if the opportunity presents itself, and ask, in so many words, "what's your secret?" It may be praying first thing in the morning, or something practithe life of someone who needs them. If other priorities have gotten in the erous neighbor, that person who has not let suffering and loss shake their face value and laid down their lives for him. Learning how to be a disciple who threw off the cloak of privilege to live for Christ; Mother Teresa, who that allows them to volunteer regularly or to be a continuous presence in way: A compassionate friend, a priest or lay minister at our parish, a genthroughout our lives. But perhaps we can also learn from a "living saint," develop new habits. Even an incremental change - such as spending less faith. Then there are the saints we Catholics celebrate each day: Francis, of Christ from studying the lives of the saints can be an ongoing pursuit Paul, the one-time persecutor who built up the early Church and whose letters continue to inspire Christians. Each of them took Jesus' words at us reignite our faith and free up our time to focus on someone or someserved others day in and day out even as she faced a spiritual drought;

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