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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.

"The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want"

Psalm 23

Dear Friends,

This weekend the Church invites us to focus and reflect on the gift of vocation. Our vocation comes to us in many forms and is inspired by many expected and unexpected moments. We are encouraged to choose our vocation by our family, sometimes by our interests and sometimes, because we want to serve God who is the Good Shepherd. We decide to enter into a sacramental marriage, to pursue a particular work, live a single life or perhaps to live our baptismal grace as priests or religious. Whatever the vocation in our life is, we find it a bit hard to figure it out. Because it involves our very life, we want to make sure we make the best decision as we listen to the voice of God.

Once we have an idea, we become stewards of our vocation. Jesus calls us as his disciples to a new way of life – the Christian way of life – of which stewardship is a part. But Jesus does not call us as nameless people in a faceless crowd. He calls us individually, by name. Each of us - clergy, religious, layperson, married, single, adult, child – has a personal vocation. God intends each of us to play a unique role in carrying out the divine plan. The challenge then, is to understand our role – our vocation – and to respond generously to this call from God. Christian vocation entails the practice of stewardship.

In addition, Christ calls each of us to be stewards of our personal vocations, which we receive from God. Stewards of God's gifts are not passive beneficiaries. We cooperate with God in our own redemption and in the redemption of others. So how do we know our vocation? It is a part of our Catholic way of life, to prepare our hearts to receive the wisdom and grace of God, through which we continue to discover our vocation. The way we are called to live out our vocation – in changing circumstances and various settings – will develop and grow. As active stewards of God's grace in our life, we will be called to new tasks in the Lord's vineyard.

This year God has called me to live out my vocation in a new way. At first, I was saddened, but then we entered the journey of Lent and of the Holy Week. I was reminded that God has done so much for me and that he did this because he loves and cares. Early in the year I was diagnosed with CLL (chronic lymphocytic leukemia). Doctor says that it is a slow-moving version, and treatments are available. This of course changes a lot in my life, and I am learning how to make sense of the new reality. I realize this is not what you were looking for as part of the bulletin cover, but I need to let you know, sorry about that. I have been thinking of offering this for something good. As I journey through my vocation with the Risen Lord, I want to offer this my new way of life for Vocations to the Priesthood in our diocese and for the graces needed for the Beatification and Canonization of Servant of God Nicholas Black Elk. You and I know that God can do great things, and if He needs me, I am here. I pray He will give me the Grace of many years of service to Him and You, and a heart that will accept His will and the mission He sets before me to live out my vocation.

Since it is May, and we are invited to journey with Mary, we are encouraged to pray the Rosary as a way of praying for vocations. The Rosary has five decades. Therefore, pray the first decade that you may grow in holiness in your vocation, pray the second decade for all those called to marriage and single life, pray the third decade for those called to permanent deaconate, pray the fourth decade for all those called to religious life, pray the fifth decade for all those called to the priesthood. At any time of the day, pray that you are open to God's call in your life. Be not discouraged when you do not hear the voice of God right away, He will show it to you when you are ready for the answer. Thank you all for every prayer you say for me, for new vocations and for Servant of God Nicholas Black Elk. May God, in His generosity answer every prayer, you place before Him and at the foot of His cross.

Alleluia. Fr. Andrzej

PRAYER

FINDING INTIMACY WITH GOD

- · Monday nights at 7-8:30pm at OLBH, Piedmont
- Six-week program: April 17, 24, (not May 1) May 8, 15, 22, & 29
- Sign-up in the Narthex or by calling the office at 605-787-5168

Lectio: Prayer: Finding Intimacy with God captures the secret to opening our hearts and minds to Scripture as the means to hear from God and then respond in conversation, basking in his presence and resolving to live in and through his love. Engaging and accessible, it includes:

- The Lectio Divina approach of Reading, Reflecting, Responding, and Contemplating
- Penetrating questions and insights for the six video sessions
- Additional resources for a fuller understanding and application
- Daily reflections to deepen the meaning of prayer in your life

Congratulations to our Confirmation Students!

Please pray for our Confirmation students: Meaghan Allen, Tylee Bestgen, Allie Blake, Emmett Edwards, Peyton Foster, Emerson Harwood, Brianne Katzenstein, Cash Litzen, Dakota Lyon, Temperance Pesek, Gabriel Potthoff, Savanna Serfling, Layton Starmer, Reegan Turnquist, Davin Waliser, Frederick Weishaar, Gage West, and Grace Wilson.



Mother's Day Weekend

Catholic Daughters will be selling boxed Truffles from Mostly Chocolate for \$10 per box. Come prepared to buy some for the ladies in your life from the best chocolate in the Black Hills. Thank you for supporting CDA and our efforts to support local charities.

The Rosary is prayed prior to daily Mass, Tuesday-Friday at 7:30 AM. Birthright is having a Baby Jesus Shower We uphold that any pregnant girl or woman has the right to whatever help she may need to carry her child to term and to foster respect for human life at all development. Needs: stages of Baby (newborn-6months), preemie diapers, blankets, new and gently used maternity wear. Place the items you would like to donate in the gold box in the Narthex. about Birthright learn visit To more https://birthright.org/rapidcity/ call or 605-348-1732.

Having Difficult Conversations Workshop

with **Jim Kinyon**Executive Director of Catholic Social
Services

Wednesday, May 24 at 6:30pm OLBH, Piedmont





Theology on Tap - Mary Night Our Lady of Guadalupe

- Monday, May 1 @ 7pm
- The OLBH Rectory, 8242 Stagestop Rd
- Snacks provided BYOB
- · Open to all young adults (21-39ish)

Graduation Mass

Calling all graduates! Please join us for Mass in your regalia on Sunday, May 7, at 11 AM Mass. Fr. Andrzej



will bless the graduates and there will be a small reception. Please RSVP to 605-787-5168.



Weekly Schedule

Monday, May 1

Saint Joseph the Worker

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

7 PM Theology on Tap

Tuesday, May 2

Saint Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

8 AM Mass for the repose of Harold Arnold

6 PM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Wednesday, May 3

SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES

8 AM Mass for the repose of Blondie Wagner

Coffee & Desserts

8:30-7:30 PM Adoration

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

5:30-6:30 PM Confessions

Thursday, May 4

8 AM Mass for the repose of Don Evans

9 AM 'Just' Men's Bible Study

9 AM Sunday Scripture Study

7 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting

Friday, May 5

8 AM Mass for the repose of Eugene Frank

Williamson

First Friday Devotion

8:30 AM Mass at Saint Elizabeth Seton School

for

Saturday, May 6

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

5 PM Mass for Diocesan Masses for Life

Sunday, May 7

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8 AM Mass for Aaron and Steph Hohm **11 AM Mass** for the community of Our Lady of the Black Hills and for our sister parishes of Kenel, McLaughlin, and Bullhead

> Please help us welcome Mary Marich, coordinator of PreK-6 Faith Formation!

The Rosary is prayed prior to daily Mass, Tuesday-Friday at 7:30 AM.

WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

5/6 5 PM MASS with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Marty Reeve (lead)

Todd Curtis

Jayce Blaha

NOT FILLED (1st)

Tony Berendse (2nd)

Hospitality: Connie and James Johns

Sacristan: Jan Evans

Lectors:

Eucharistic Minister - Body: Jean Hohm

5/7 8 AM MASS with Fr. Andrzei

Altar Servers: Westin Edwards (lead)

Emmett and Leo Edwards

Lectors: Jeremy Thompson (1st)

Diane Clarke (2nd)

Hospitality: Gary and Sandy Langfeldt

Sacristan: Mike and Barb Coyle

Eucharistic Minister - Body: Brenda Flottmeyer

5/7 11 AM MASS with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: David Waliser (lead)

James Wynn

Lectors: Angie Oberle (1st)

Kim Wynn (2nd)

Hospitality: Cathy Long and Jane Fortsch

Sacristan: Richard Long

Eucharistic Minister – Body: Lorinda Collings

STEWARDSHIP

April 22-23, 2023				
	Automatic	Basket	Total	
Adopt a Seminarian	54	-	54	
Sunday Collection	2,813	4,356	7,169	
Building Fund	44	23	67	
Bulletin Ad	-	-		
Priest Retirement	2			
Food Pantry			100	
Votive			29	
Total Contribution	2,914	4,379	7,418.94	

Did you know that OLBH is a Stewardship Parish?

We ask that you give us your time, your talents, and your treasure to support our wonderful parish. Please prayerfully consider automatic contributions via electronic withdrawal at www.olbh.org/donate.

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.

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR APRIL

Pope's Intention: For a culture of peace and non-violence. We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

The weekly readings are on the USCCB.org website. Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 10:22-30 Wednesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Jn 14:6-14

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27; Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab; Jn 14:1-6 Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 14:7-14 Sunday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

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:

May 1	Rev. William A. Sullivan (1951)
May 3	Rev. Andrew Gerard Morvay (2008)
	Bette Shreve (1998)
	Timothy Robert Sheely (2014)
May 4	Martin L. "Marty" Jolley (2011)
May 5	Rev. Vincent I. Frech, O.S.B. (1940)
May 6	Rev. Joseph Ford, S.C.J. (1984)
	Terry Lee Whalin (1954)
	Vernon C. Hirchert (1998)

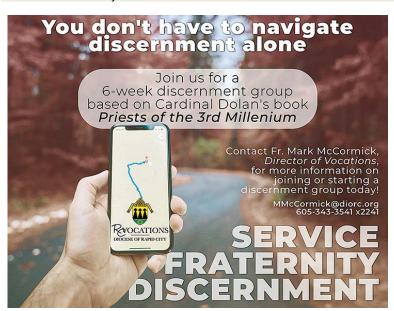
PRAYER REQUESTS FOR OUR ILL AND HOMEBOUND

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, Vickie Crowley, Cap Holzer, Linda Schacher, Joyce Kinney, Tony Corbine, George. Curns, Joe Tim Dean Antonsen, Cathy Luedtke, Jim O'Dea of Holly Phillips). (father Michaelson (mother of Linda Schacher), Joyce DePaulo, John Mizenko Sr., Charlene Mizenko, John Mizenko Jr., Norbert Liebig, The Nally Family, Jean Scheope, Jasper Wermers (grandson of Doug and Peggy), Tim Keller (son-inlaw of the Holzers), Craig Lindemann (uncle of Maggie Whiteside), Kevin and Julie Spors, Barb Coyle, Crescencia Yanez (aunt of Brenda Mizenko), Lisa Yantes (DeWayne & Helen's daughter), Iris Overholt, Erica Anderson, Greta (granddaughter of Dcn John and Joni), Joe Vetch, Lori Moore, Lenny Tellefson, Mary-Elizabeth Crane (sister of Sheila Keeler), Mary Antonsen, Deb Bickford, Sheila Keeler, Karen and Dennis Lau, Wurtz. Zoe. Kathleen Marv Leutenegger, Willard Olson, Tracy Rudnick, Isaiah Hernandez (grandson of Carol Arellano), Barry Hoffman, Ted Schurman. Ruthann Koch. Susan Silbernagel, Pam Freeman

FOR THE DECEASED We pray for the repose of Donna Duppong (sister of Bernie Gerving), Mary Lane (sister of Rick Edelen)

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!



Catholic Daughters of America, St. Rita Court, will meet at St. Therese Parish on Monday, May 8th. A Rosary will be said at 5:30 PM and the meeting will being at 6 PM. A meal will be served and all are welcome.

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From the Western SD Catholic Foundation: WSDCF to Host Two Fishing Events Benefitting Our Seminarians

Please save the dates: Saturday June 17 and 24 as the Western South Dakota Catholic Foundation will host fishing tournaments in Rapid City and Lemmon to benefit our Vocations Program Office in support of Seminarians. The first event will be a children's tournament at Canyon Lake Park on June 17, 2023; from Noon -3 followed by an afternoon Mass 5:30 PM and fish fry 6:30 PM in concert with the Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus. The following Saturday, June 24, 2023 we will welcome the adults to participate in a great day of fishing at the Shadehill Reservoir followed by Mass and a Fish Fry at the Summerville Store in concert with St. Mary's Parish in Lemmon. For details contact Paul or Cheryl the WSDCF at (605) 721-6843.

KW Players present <u>The Tidings Brought to Mary</u>

The KW Players Catholic Youth Theatre Troupe will present its spring production, *The Tidings Brought to Mary*, on Friday, May 19, at 7:00pm, and Sunday, May 21, at 4:00pm, in the Blessed Sacrament parish theatre room at 4500 Jackson Blvd. in Rapid City. This is a spiritual mystery play about the saving power of sacrificial love in a medieval French farming family. The KW Players were founded in the spirit of Pope St. John Paul II's Rhapsodic Theatre, which was formed to preserve artistic culture and oppose Nazi oppression in 1940s Poland. This performance is suitable for ages 8 yrs. and up and admission is free. Seating is limited and a nursery will be provided.



M A V 13 2023 | 0.00AM TO 12.00 NOO

ALL ARE WELCOME, THERE WILL BE FOOD! PLEASE RSVP TO RITA AT (605) 381-4988 OR BRAD BLAUVELT AT (605) 390-0683



Spearfish Job Opening for Parish Administrator

St. Joseph Church in Spearfish is seeking a parish administrator. The Parish Administrator is the primary person responsible for the management of all financial activities, administrative functions, human resources, church office personnel, parish facilities, directing the annual campaign for the parish (including the Newman Center and Preschool) and all related processes and systems for the parish. The role is intended as support to the work of the pastor and the other parish ministries. The Parish Administrator will help create the environment for excellent functioning of all dimensions of parish ministry. Full job description can be viewed at www.stjosephspearfish.com. Cover letter and resume can be submitted to kachbach@diorc.org.



Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 | 1 Pt 2:20b-25 | Jn 10:1-10



There is much we could ponder in today's Scriptures, but the verses that stood out for me are these: "If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God. For to this you have been called." I have a hard enough time keeping my inner child under wraps when I suffer due to my own sinfulness or incompetence, and Peter is telling me to be patient when I suffer for doing what is good? Well, yes - "because Christ also suffered for [us], leaving an example that [we] should follow in his footsteps." And the clarity of this truth hits me smack in the face. Doing what is good means we are loving another, in some way; we are doing good, for good. We are engaging in self-sacrifice, and some form of suffering is inherent to that. But here's the thing: it's an oddly joyful kind of suffering because it produces good fruit and directs our thoughts and vision to the one who is present among us as "the shepherd and guardian of [our] souls." Let us pray for the ability to see each moment of suffering for doing good as "a grace before God."

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

At this point in the Easter season, we might think, "Why can't we focus more on the joy of Jesus' resurrection and less on the suffering that preceded it?" Well, we certainly can ... but we would lose a great part of the Paschal Mystery. We don't embrace the cross for the sake of suffering in itself. We come to the crucifixion to pass through it. We are an Easter people living in a Good Friday world. There's no avoiding suffering in our lives, but the Good News of Jesus Christ is that he has redeemed that suffering. He has given us victory over death and is – quite literally – the way to eternal life. In the Gospel Jesus says, "Whoever enters through me will be saved ... I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." He is our shepherd and we know his voice. During this Eastertide we have an extraordinary opportunity to attend to that voice in a particular way, and to think about how we might be hearing it in a new way this year.

ACT Is there a charity you have been meaning to call to volunteer your time? Is there a neighbor who might be able to use a helping hand? Is there a friend or family member who has fallen out of favor and you just know it's the right thing to do to get in touch? Act this week. Sacrifice just a bit for the sake of good.



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