

"Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." (Mt 16:13-16)

#### **LITURGY & PRAYER**

## **Sunday Liturgy:**

Saturday 5 PM Sunday 8 & 11 AM

# **Daily Liturgy:**

Tuesday-Friday 8 AM
\*The Rosary is prayed at 7:30 AM
prior to Daily Mass
\*\*First Friday Devotion
following Mass on first Fridays

#### **Eucharistic Adoration:**

Wednesday 8:30-7:30 PM **Reconciliation:** Wednesday 5:30-6:30 PM Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM

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Who do **they** say that I am? – It is an important question but not the most important, it's only a preliminary question. The real question is "Who do **you** say that I am?" The first question is easily answered – one has only to be **a reporter**, **one who relates the story of others**. But the second question is a searching one and only a disciple – the one who lives and is part of the story - can come anywhere within range of an answer.

Who do you say that I am? We respond to this question every time when we recite the Creed at Mass giving the Church's answer – you are the Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God true God, begotten, not made...

However, the problem here is this – the mere repetition of a right answer is not the answer. You probably found that out in primary school when you realized that the right answer given at the end of the arithmetic book was useless unless we reached it by valid steps ourselves. So, we've got the right answer, but do we try to get it on our own, do we try really experiencing it. Do we just repeat the Creed without really professing it? Do we recite this set of intellectual conclusions, without really re-committing and renewing our faith and ourselves? Another story is - Do we say, "You are the Lord" and then we leave this place and go back to work, home, our business and we act as if "He wasn't the Lord?

Who do you say that I am? What does your life say that I am? What do your relationships with others say that I am? A year ago, we begun celebrating the Year of the Eucharist Renewal, growing in deeper understanding of the Mass. We have been growing since more and more into keeping Jesus and faith in our hearts. Many of us since been growing deeper into our relationship with Jesus, discovering our faith in new ways, and enjoying the newfound ways of understanding and inviting God into our lives. The message of this weekend continues that challenge. The answers may not be easy and sometimes maybe even be embarrassing, because we are sinners. But if we were not, if we believed that we can be saints and holy, what would our answer be?

Pray then, receive sacraments, practice virtues and you will encounter the Lord and you will not repeat after the Church with your lips only, but you will profess with the Church with your heart and deeds that Christ is the Lord.

In Christ, Fr. Andrzej

Note: Thank you so very much for your support to our parish and the Rapid City Diocese. Thank you all who are ready and willing to continue different ministries in our parish. We need many hearts to make our parish a place of prayer, and a place where we can encounter Jesus and to give Him our answer to His question: who he is in our lives. Again, thank you for all of your prayers and support for me and Bishop Peter.





The **Newman Appeal** ends August 31. Please prayerfully consider a donation which positively impacts our evangelization effort to target area Catholic college students! Every dollar counts! At the BHSU and Rapid City Catholic Newman Centers, we are able to offer Sacraments including Adoration and Mass; spiritual direction with Fr. Mark McCormick, our beloved chaplain; retreats; SEEK 2024; and weekly Bible Studies and fellowship opportunities. Our team of FOCUS Missionaries help foster the Faith, serving our Newman Centers by working to transform our communities through Christ's model of face-to-face evangelization. Thank you for your support.



Are you curious about the Catholic faith? Would you like to learn more? Classes meet Mondays beginning September 25th from 6:30-8 PM.

Registration is open, visit olbh.org/becoming-catholic or call 605-787-5168.



# Cyber Safety Presented by Hollie Strand, Forensic Examiner

Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Pennington County Sheriff's Office

Wednesday, August 30 @ 6:30 PM at Our Lady of the Black Hills, Piedmont

This 60-90 minute presentation teaches attendees to respond to safely navigate the net and guide their children in internet safty, best practices, and safeguards.

Navigating the Net: Digital Footprints Social Media What to share What to keep private



Cyber Crimes: Cyber Stalking Sextortion Child Pornography Child exploitation Sexting Online Threats



# WEEKLY SCHEDULE PSS I

\*The Rosary is prayed at 7:30 AM prior to daily Mass.

# Monday, August 28

Saint Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study 11 AM Feeding SD Food Box Distribution

#### Tuesday, August 29

The Passion of Saint John the Baptist 8 AM Mass for the Smrecek Family

### Wednesday, August 30

8 AM Mass for Luke VonBank and Family

8:30-7:30 PM Adoration

9-12 Noon Piedmont Valley Food Pantry Open

5:30-6:30 PM Confessions

6:30-7:30 PM Wisdom Wednesday Holly Strand Internet Safety Presentation

#### Thursday. August 31

**8 AM Mass** for Nick Van Asma and Family 9 AM 'Just' Men Bible Study & Witness

#### Friday, September 1

8 AM Mass for Joe George

**First Friday Devotion** 

**8:30 AM Mass** at St. Elizabeth Seton School for the repose of John Mizenko

# Saturday. September 2

**BVM on Saturday** 

9-12 Noon Piedmont Valley Food Pantry Open

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

5 PM Mass for Diocesan Masses for Life

#### Sunday, September 3

TWENTIY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**8 AM Mass** for Tom and Betsy Van Asma **11 AM Mass** for the Community of Our Lady of the Black Hills and the parishes of McLaughlin, Bullhead, and Kenel

#### **WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

8/26 5 PM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Marty Reeve (lead)

Gabriel Gehlsen

Lectors: Bernadette Usera (1st)

Dave Allardyce (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Hospitality: Sue and Steve Ćolgan Sacristan: Joe and Linda Schacher Eucharistic Minister: John Usera

### 8/27 8 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Hanna Katzenstein (lead)

Brianne and Leslie Katzenstein

Lectors: Joyce Williamson (1st)

Marty Quinn (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Hospitality: Lisa Katzenstein and Cathy Long

Sacristan: Barb and Gary Erickson Eucharistic Minister: Brenda Flottmeyer

### 8/20 11 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Sydney Bremer (Lead)
Cole and Cash Litzen

Lectors: Laura Kelso (1st)
Craig Kelso (2nd)

Hospitality: Jane Fortsch and NOT FILLED

Sacristan: Stacy Tate

Eucharistic Minister: Dennis Fischer

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

"All good giving and every perfect gift is from above" (Jas 1:17) August 19-20, 2023 Automatic Basket Total Adopt a Seminarian 15 69 Sunday Collection 3,263 3,370 6,528 **Building Fund** 134 Mass Intentions 10 Priest Retirement 2 92 43 Assumption of Mary 663 **Total Contribution** 3,364 3,565 7,540.15

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# PRAYER MINISTRIES

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

**MASS INTENTIONS** To request a Mass Intention please fill out the envelope on the back counter of the Narthex or call 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 a family member are sick and 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, call the office to request the sacrament at 605-787-5168.

#### INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR AUGUST

Pope's Intention: For World Youth Day. We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

#### **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:

August 21 Sharon Anne Lon g (2016) August 22 Rev. Patrick Colovin (1887)

> Rev. Patrick O'Connor (1996) Mrs. William A. Sloan (1957) Chad Alan Kusser (2020) Jean Marie Schubauer (2020)

August 24 Msgr. John Francis O'Hara, V.F. (1966)

Deacon Ronald E. Gravel (1997) Benedieta R. "Tita" Tudtud (2009)

August 25 Rev. Cecil R. Folkins (1972)

Mary Jo Spencer (2005)

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

The weekly readings are on the USCCB.org website.

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Mt 23:13-22 authorities.

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mk 6:17-29

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32 Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17; Mt 24:42-51 Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12; Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

# PRAYER REQUESTS FOR OUR ILL & 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), Blanche Rieth, Jean Schacher, Bernard Wiehl, Sid & Mary Ann Pulaski, Cap & Arlene Holzer, Linda Schacher, Tony Corbine, Joe George, Tim Curns, Dean & Mary Antonsen, Carol Michaelson (mother of Linda Schacher, Joyce de Paulo, Charlene Mizenko, John Mizenko Jr., The Nally Family, Jean Scheope, Tim Keller (son in law of the Holzers, Crescencia Yanez, Iris Overholt, Joe Vetch, Lori Moore, Lenny Tellefson, Mary-Elizabeth Crane (sister of Sheila, Sheila Keeler, Deb Bickford, Karen & Dennis Lau, Zoe, Kathleen Leutenegger, Willard Olson, Ted Schurman, Ruthann Koch, Lyn Gerving, Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek, Elizabeth Ravellette, Ravola Anderson, Patty Creek, Steve Ramsdell, Irene Katzenstein, Bishop Peter Muhich, Scotty Hudson, Diane Clarke, Gary Sexton

# **FOR THE DECEASED** We pray for Pat Bartholow

The Catholic Diocese of Rapid is committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for our children and young people. To report allegations of sexual abuse by church personnel, contact the Victim Assistance coordinator. To Barbara Scherr. ensure confidentiality in her outreach to victims, she can be contacted privately at 1-605-209-3418 All information will be (cell). confidentially. treated Alleged victims are advised of their right to report alleged abuse to

In accordance with diocesan policy, all allegations of sexual misconduct involving children or young people by priests, deacons, lay employees, or volunteers Mt 13:54-58Diocese of Rapid City will be investigated.

#### Rachel's Corner

"Words cannot express the load lifted and the burdens gone! I feel closer to God and I feel his desire for me to be complete!"

Testimony after a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™. If you are hurting from an abortion, Come on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™ and become whole again. The next retreat in the Rapid City Diocese is Oct. 6-8. For more information, contact the national office at 877-467-3463 or www.rachelsvineyard.org. Contact Carol Kling for information about local retreats a 605-374-5639 or ckling@sdplains.com



## Celebrate Priesthood Sunday!

Sunday, September 24, Priesthood Sunday is a day set aside to honor priesthood in order to raise awareness to vocations to priesthood. This is a time, like Father's Day. that we can make our priests, our Spiritual Fathers, feel special and appreciated. Let your pastor know how much you appreciate his time and energy in his ministry with your parish with a card, a phone call, or a meal at your house or a gift card to a restaurant! Don't forget about retired priests and past priests of your parish. This nationwide event is coordinated and sponsored by the USA Council of Serra International and the Serra International Foundation. For more ideas on how to celebrate Priesthood Sunday in your parish, please visit Serra the Club's website: serraus.org/priesthood-Sunday/

#### **Hawaiian Wildfire Donations**

In response to reports of devastating wildfires on the island of Maui, the Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation is accepting donations to help with disaster relief. This is an opportunity to show our solidarity as Catholics and lend a hand to those who have lost so much. Tax deductible contributions can be made at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/MauiCatholic">https://tinyurl.com/MauiCatholic</a>. According to Honolulu Bishop Larry Silva, "Every donation, no matter the amount, will play a crucial role in helping to rebuild lives and restore hope." He asks for our prayers for the fire victims and their families.



# **Come and See – Catholic Youth Outdoor Explorer Movement – Sept 12**

You're invited to learn more about this outdoor Catholic vouth movement: Federation of North American Explorers (FNE)! FNE is open to boys and girls ages 6-24. We meet on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8pm at Cathedral OLPH. Our FNE group offers a faith-based traditional character formation program designed for boys or girls to enjoy the outdoors by creating and playing their own Exploring Adventures! Bring your child on September 12th at 6:30pm to the Cathedral Hall and learn more about this exciting outdoor Contact vouth movement! **Jacques** visit www.RCFNE.com for at jdaniel@diorc.org or

# FEEDING SD FOOD DISTRIBUTION

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Upcoming Monday, August 28
Dates: Monday, September 11

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The Piedmont Valley Food Pantry is open to all on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9-12 Noon.

Want to deepen your prayer life? Grow in conversation with the Lord?

# COR AD COR may be for you.

The Cor ad Cor Spirituality Year 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 title, "Cor ad Cor," is a shortened version of "Cor ad Cor Loquitur," a Latin phrase meaning "Heart speaks to Heart," which comes from a letter written by St. Francis de Sales to one of his spiritual directees. Later, St. John Henry Newman took it as his motto. The Cor ad Cor Spirituality Year is named because this retreat is about listening to the Lord from his heart to ours.

Cor ad Cor 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 30 weeks. In the Oremus program, Fr. Mark Toups teaches the basics of prayer and spiritual life and gives direction for prayer and journaling. Small groups gather each week to learn and to talk about the life of prayer and what the Lord is doing in them. As Cor ad Cor continues with the Spiritual Exercises according to the 19th annotation, group members follow the direction for daily prayer given by St. Ignatius and come to the group to continue to discuss the spiritual life and to learn more about the Rules of Discernment of St. Ignatius.

#### **Class options for Men:**

Piedmont: Our Lady of the Black Hills on Sundays from 4-5:30 PM with Fr. Andrzej and Larry W.

Rapid City: OLPH Cathedral on Tuesdays from 7:30-9 PM with Tyler W. and Lyman M. Cathedral OLPH on Thursdays from 5:45-7:15 AM with Fr. Christensen and Dan F. Blessed Sacrament on Thursdays from 6-7:30 AM with Jay Wickham

#### **Class options for Women:**

Piedmont: Our Lady of the Black Hills on Sundays from 4-5:30 with Joyce Williamson and Dionne E.

Our Lady of the Black Hills on Tuesdays from 6-7:30 PM with Jean Hohm and Jane F.

Our Lady of the Black Hills on Tuesdays from 6-7:30 PM with Mary T. and Stacy Tate

Zoom: Mondays 7-8:30 PM with Margaret Jackson

Rapid City: Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays from 10:30-12 Noon with Donna Larson and Debbie J. Chancery on Tuesday from 12-1:30 PM with Sr. Sara and Tammi W. Cathedral OLPH on Tuesday 4:15-5:45 PM with Angela Weber

Cathedral OLPH Tuesday 7-8:30 PM Gail Wingert

PLEASE CONSIDER THIS WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO DEEPEN YOUR PRAYER LIFE.

Register now at <a href="https://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/coradcor/">https://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/coradcor/</a>

Scroll to the bottom of the page to register.

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