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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 Mass **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.

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves.

For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

"Take my yoke", and how many of us really know what yoke is? Some of the older folks will have pretty good ideas, some of the youngers will probably think of the egg yolk. How many of us have seen it in use? Not to mention the idea that we would know how to mount the yoke on an animal and make the animal work with it. That was part of our farming experience in the world. It was wildly used in ancient times and still is in some parts of the world today. Yoke is made of wood and mounted on the animal, so that the power of the animal can be harnessed, and heavy work can be done. The yoke is best utilized when it is mounted on a pair of animals, like an ox. As slow as the work can be, it still was a great improvement in the life of the people. So why would Jesus use this image? How can this parable be relevant to us today?

It is a very powerful imagery, as it refers to our life. As disciples and stewards of God's many graces and gifts, we are charged with caring for the life we have and the world we live in. This task is being governed by commandments we obey, sacraments we celebrate and Gospels we bring to life by our study and prayer. We may say that the discipleship is not an easy task, and to be put in such responsible position in God's vineyard is too much for most of us. Not to mention our own needs and dreams. But here comes the true meaning of Jesus' powerful image of "yoke." Like in the heavy work, the yoke has helped to unite two animals and their power to accomplish the task, Jesus wants to help us in the task we are charged with doing. This week we also celebrated Independence Day. It is a day that was preceded by the heavy yoke carried by many as they saw the opportunity for a better future – our future. The yoke our ancestors carried was not always easy, but the goal was and still is noble. Perhaps not all the decisions made were perfect by human standards, but the goal was always that of greatness.

As disciples of Christ, we become the sacrament (the visible sign of the invisible reality) to the world. In our task as God's stewards of his manifold gifts, we reflect God's reality to the world and each other. In a special way, I would like to commend and to thank all those who help with many ministries in the life of the Church, especially during the summertime, when many of us want to just relax. Thank you, all Christ's Disciples, who serve as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Sacristans, Hospitality and in the Office. Our last few months have challenged us in many ways to be considerate to each other, to be responsible for each other and to help each other. Thank you, to all who put into action their many talents and skills, without you and the Grace of God the task of pulling the yoke would be very difficult and discouraging. With you and Jesus, the journey of faith is a grace filled moment of joy as together we further to work and mission of the Catholic Church in Western South Dakota through our communion of love where God is at the center.

In Christ, Fr. Andrzej

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Are you looking for a way to experience God? Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul invite you to share their ministry of experiencing God through serving people in poverty. We see Christ in our friends in need. Please contact the president of the OLBH Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference at 605-389-6739.



LOST & FOUND REMINDER

Are you missing a coat? A shoe? Did your child misplace a toy or stuffed animal? Please check the lost and found area on top of the children's bookshelf just inside the gathering space for missing items. Unclaimed items will be donated in a few weeks. Thank you for helping keep our spaces neat and tidy!

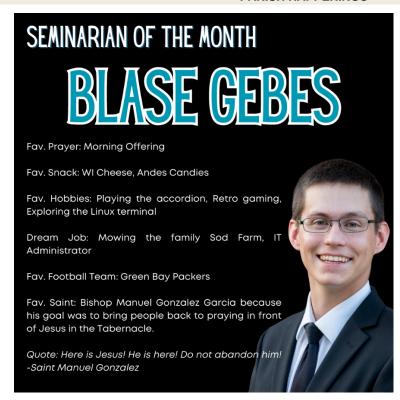


Movie Night



Join us for the 'Sound of Music' at 6:30 PM. We will have popcorn and drinks. Bring a cozy blanket or travel chair if

you would like.



Please remember, Fr. Andrzej and the priests of the Diocese of Rapid City will never ask you for money orders, gift cards, or wire transfers. If you are concerned Fr. Andrzej needs financial help. Please contact the office and double check. 605-787-5168.

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

*The Rosary is prayed Tues.-Fri. at 7:30 am prior to Mass.

Monday, July 10

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

Tuesday, July 11

Saint Benedict, Abbott

8 AM Mass for the friends and benefactors of the Immaculate Heart Hermitage

Wednesday, July 12

8 AM Mass for All Souls in Purgatory

8:30-7:30 PM Adoration

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

5:30-6:30 PM Confessions

Thursday, July 13

Saint Henry

8 AM Mass for Dave Trautman

9 AM 'Just' Men's Bible Study

Friday, July 14

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

8 AM Mass for the Weber Family

Saturday, July 15

Saint Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

5 PM Mass for the community of Our Lady of the Black Hills and for our sister parishes of Kenel, McLaughlin, and Bullhead

Sunday, July 16

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8 AM Mass for the repose of Norbert Liebig **11 AM Mass** for vocations to the priesthood in the Diocese of Rapid City

WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

7/15 5 PM MASS with Fr. Dan Juelfs

Altar Servers: Gabriel Gehlsen

Kyah and Keeana Pesek

Lectors: Steve Colgan (1st)

Sue Colgan (2nd)

Hospitality: Alan and Marie Rundell Sacristan: Joe and Linda Schacher

Eucharistic Minister - Body: Duane Riedlinger

7/16 8 AM MASS with Fr. Dan Juelfs

Altar Servers: Brianne Katzenstein

Hannah and Leslie Katzenstein

Lectors: Christine Pulaski (1st)

Brenda Flottmeyer (2nd)

Hospitality: Lisa Katzenstein

Sacristan: Barb and Gary Erickson

Eucharistic Minister – Body: Jeremy Thompson

7/16 11 AM MASS with Fr. Dan Juelfs

Altar Servers: Kaleb Arellano (lead)

James Wynn

Lectors: Kim Wynn (1st)

Angie Oberle (2nd)

Hospitality: Jane Fortsch and Cathleen Denekamp

Sacristan: Stacy Tate

Eucharistic Minister - Body: Dennis Fischer

STEWARDSHIP

"All good giving and	every perfect	gift is from	above" (Jas 1:17)
July 1-2, 2023			
	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	-	54
Sunday Collection	3,263	11,800	14,983
Building Fund	44	80	124
Mass Intentions	-	-	30
Priest Retirement	2	-	2
PV Food Pantry			
Votive			
Total Contribution	3,364	11,880	15,193.43

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 JULY

Pope's Intention: For a Eucharistic Life. We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and with all their brothers and sisters.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

The weekly readings are on the USCCB.org website.

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15; Mt 9:32-38 Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt

10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt

10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mt 10:16-23 Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33 Sunday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23

NECROLOGY

July 16

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:

July 10	Anthony Lechler (2001)
	Ray W. Hume (2006)
July 12	Rev. Aloysius Keel, S.J. (1936)
	Rev. Michael J. Brogan (1957)
	Edmund L. Fye (1984)
	Faith Eleanor Albrecht (2007)
	Barbara J. Varilek (2014)
July 13	Rev. Thomas A. Coleman (1957)
	Jeremiah Stephen Noviek (1990)
July 14	Emily Allen (2019)

Daniel Joseph Smith (2014)

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, Vickie Crowley, Cap and Arlene Holzer, Linda Schacher, Joyce Kinney, Tony Corbine, George, Curns, Joe Tim Antonsen, Carol Michaelson (mother of Linda Schacher), Joyce DePaulo, John Mizenko Sr., Charlene Mizenko, John Mizenko Jr., 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), Barb Coyle, Crescencia Yanez (aunt of Brenda Mizenko). Lisa Yantes (DeWayne & Helen's daughter), Iris Overholt, Greta (granddaughter of Dcn John and Joni), Joe Vetch, Lori Moore, Lenny Tellefson, Mary-Elizabeth Crane (sister of Sheila Keeler). Antonsen, Deb Bickford, Sheila Keeler, Karen and Dennis Lau, Zoe, Kathleen Leutenegger, Willard Olson, Isaiah (grandson of Carol Hernandez Arellano), Ted Schurman, Ruthann Koch, Wes Mendenhall, Pam Freeman, Lynn Gerving, Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek, Elizabeth Ravellette, Rayola Anderson, Patty Creek, Stacy Hunt, Steve Ramsdell, Bishop Peter Muhich

FOR THE DECEASED We pray for the repose of Norbert Liebig and Barry Hoffman, Lorraine Thompson (mother of Phillip)

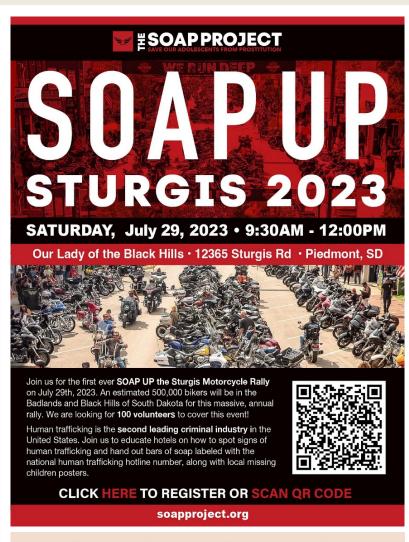


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Sioux Spiritual Center Help Needed

We need help putting together Gazebo kits, working on Mary gardens, yard work, clearing deadfalls and just praying for those that are out doing the work. Days would look like 0800 breakfast with work till noon, lunch, start again at 1 and finish at 3 with the Devine Mercy Chaplet. Also, the Sioux Spiritual Center is working on its first Hermitage giving the SSC the ability to have 30-day silent retreats and still be able to use the SSC for other functions. If you are a plumber or electrician, your skills would be appreciated. Financial sponsors for specific needs could be arranged, such as funding the HVAC, or kitchen items etc. If this interests you, please contact Bob at 605-389-6934 with SSC the first entry on texts.

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July 2023

Our Lady of the Black Hills

Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

Room for God

"Make room therefore for Christ, and refuse entrance to all others. When you have Christ, you are rich and have need of (nothing) else."

Thomas À Kempis

Give love

One way to give thanks to God for all the gifts He
Has bestowed on you is to work for the poor and vulnerable. Sharing your gifts with those less fortunate is how God intends you to use what He gives you. "Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more" (Luke 12:48).

Say, "Amen!"

The proper form when receiving Communion is to reply "Amen" when the Eucharistic minister raises the Host or Chalice and pronounces it, "The Body (or Blood) of Christ." By responding this way, you openly state your belief in the presence of Christ in the Eucharistic bread and wine, as well as in His Body, the Church.

Respond to the gift of the Holy Spirit

God loves us so much, He gives us what He values most – His only Son (John 3:16) and His Holy Spirit in Baptism (Romans 5:5) so we can have access to God's divine life and love.

The Holy Spirit's presence with the entire Church throughout

throughout the centuries is as a comfort, consolation, leader and guide. To accept this gift, we can ...

Listen for Him:
Spending time with
Scripture can help tune our
hearts to hear the "still small
voice" (1 Kings 19:12) of the Holy
Spirit. The better we are attuned to
God's voice, the more likely we'll hear
Him amidst the noise of the world.

Consult Him: Jesus promised to send

the Holy Spirit, the Counselor, to lead His disciples to truth (John 14:6). He helps us to see, evaluate, and choose like Christ. Call on the Holy Spirit

when you're facing a difficult situation or decision.

Take refuge in Him:
Every day, entrust
yourself to the Holy
Spirit and dedicate
your day to His service.
Let Him guide your
actions.

Actualize Confirmation graces: Upon our Confirmation, the Holy Spirit fortified and empowered our souls with His seven Gifts:

Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and Fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:2). When we rely on the Holy Spirit, we can overcome temptations to fear, distrust, and selfishness with His powerful gifts.

Why Do Catholics (

Why do Catholics fold their hands when they pray?

The custom of folding our hands comes from ninth century Europe where folded hands symbolized obedience by those subordinate to the lord or king. This gesture was also used by priests to show respect to bishops. The faithful adopted it to signify obedience to

God's will.

In some cultures today, such as India and other parts of Asia, clasped hands are also a sign of reverence. In fact,

Mother Teresa was often photographed greeting people with this gesture.

Use the Bible well

There's a saying, "Bibles that are falling apart usually belong to people who aren't." The Church wants us to read the Bible daily because it contains everything we need to know to live a full, Christian life. Try these ideas to use your Bible well.

Choose the right version. We hear the New American Bible during Mass but any of the approved Catholic translations will do. Most important is having a modern edition that you can understand. If you need advice, ask your pastor or priest.

Use the aids. The Bible contains customs and terms that are foreign to us. Read the introductions and footnotes for helpful explanations.

Focus on passages. The Bible will make more sense if you read the sections that are grouped together rather than sentence by sentence.

> Mark it up. Underline passages and make notes in the margins as you read to make your book more useful.

Read aloud. The Bible began as an oral tradition. Hearing the passages may help them become clearer than just reading them.

Read slowly. Let the words sink in.

Place yourself in the scene. What would you do? How would you react?

Put it to use. What you read in the Bible will help you find strength to meet the challenges of life. Don't just read it. Live it.

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Matthew 13:44-52, The only thing worth everything

Jesus used the parables in this Gospel passage to emphasize the life-changing value of the Kingdom. In the first parable, a man discovers - seemingly by accident - a treasure buried in a field. Recognizing its value, he sells everything he

has to buy the field. In the second story, a merchant finds a valuable pearl after diligent searching. He also sells everything to possess the precious pearl.

that being part of God's Kingdom accepting His love for us and loving others as He loves – is the only way

to live that will completely fulfill our hearts. God's unconditional love is worth everything we have. If we

> accept His invitation (He forces no one), our lives may change as our hearts change. Finally, Jesus compared the separation

to the sifting that happens when a large catch of fish is brought ashore. When we put our whole life in service pieces fall into place around that love, and anything contrary to it falls away.

between the evil and righteous By these parables, Jesus taught to God's love, then the individual

Feasts & Celebrations

July 16 – Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (1251). The Blessed Mother appeared to St. Simon Stock in England, carrying the brown scapular, a sign of her favor of the Carmelite Order, and promised whoever wore the scapular until death would avoid the fires of hell.

July 23 - St. Bridget of Sweden (1373). Born in Uppland, Sweden to nobility, she was a wife, mother, reformer, and mystic. She is known for founding the Order of the Most Holy Savior, which was approved in 1370.

July 25 – St. James the Apostle (1st

Century). When Jesus called St. James and his brother, St. John, to become apostles, they promptly left their father in a fishing boat. He was one of the three apostles to witness Jesus' Transfiguration.

July 29 - Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus (1st Century). These holy siblings often hosted Jesus at their house in Bethany. Although Martha was corrected for being anxious about many things, Jesus rewarded her tremendous faith by raising Lazarus from the dead.

Is there a special prayer I can pray for healing of a serious A illness?

Jesus knew that sickness can bring misery and isolation, and He dedicated

much of his ministry to healing every kind of illness - physical or spiritual. He wanted us to see in His healing ministry

God's saving power and concern for His children.

The Church continues Jesus' concern for the sick in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. It is administered by a priest to a baptized person who may be in danger of death because of illness or old age, through prayer and the anointing of the body with special oil. The effects of the sacrament include a special grace of healing and comfort, and the forgiving of the person's sins.

Anyone baptized Catholic, regardless of age, can receive the sacrament if his or her health is seriously impaired. It can also be administered before surgery and can be received more than once if the original illness gets worse or if another serious sickness is diagnosed. Please see your pastor or parish priest to receive this important Sacrament.

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