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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

CLERGY

Pastor:

Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek

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Deacon. Walt Wilson, Retired Deacon. John Osnes Deacon Greg Sass

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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.

If you love me

Jn 14:15a

Happy Mother's Day to all mothers. Today provides an opportunity for us to return our mother's love to her. To recognize all she has done for us, to acknowledge our gratitude for her. When we love someone, like our mother, we tend to do what they ask of us, because it is asked in love. This aligns with what we hear in today's gospel reading from John, where Jesus says, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments."

Often when we hear the word "commandments", we tend to think of the Ten Commandments found in the Old Testament. But Jesus gives a new commandment, that we hear in John 13:34, "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." But loving one another, often can be very difficult to do. How do I love the person that just cut me off in traffic? How do I love the neighbor or coworker who says things we disagree with, are hurtful, or simply hateful? How do I love the person who caused me or a member of my family harm? I don't know about you, but generally, I struggle greatly to love these types of people. In fact, I often fail when I attempt to do it on my own.

Fortunately, Jesus and His Father loves me. As Jesus says in the gospel reading, "I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always". In the past, I don't think I every truly prayed, or even acknowledged, the Holy Spirit. But after attending a retreat on the Holy Spirit, I began to at least acknowledge the Holy Spirit. And eventually the Holy Spirit became part of my regular prayer life. Every day when I open scripture to pray with it, my prayer starts with acknowledging God, praising God, blessing God, and thanking God for everything He has given or done for me. And then, I ask God the Father, to send the Holy Spirit to be with me, to help me understand what He is trying to reveal to me, in the scripture I am about to pray with. And in the end, usually in Jesus' voice, I hear what He wants to reveal to me. This is exactly what Jesus says will happen at the end of the gospel. "And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

May God bless all mothers, living and deceased, this Mother's Day. And may God abundantly bless each of you with the gift of the Advocate, so you can keep Jesus' commandments.

Deacon Greg

Serviam

Happy Mother's Day!

PRAYER

FINDING INTIMACY WITH GOD

with Dr. Tim Gray - Augustine Institute

- Monday nights at 7-8:30pm at OLBH, Piedmont
- Sign-up by calling the office at 605-787-5168 or just show up! [⊕]

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 stages of development. Needs: Baby clothes (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**. To learn more about

visit https://birthright.org/

rapidcity/ or call 605-348-1732.

Help Us Clean Up

Help needed around the outside of OLBH, if you are interested in giving back to OLBH and looking for a way you can do so, this is your chance. We need help with cleaning up the property and taking care of some dead limbs on the trees surrounding OLBH, to be part of making OLBH more beautiful. Please contact bob at 605-389-6934 or text with first entry OLBH. Thank you and have a blessed Spring.



If you ever joined the Catholic Church, than this invite is for you and yours!

Come celebrate Pentecost – meet, mingle, and munch!

Saturday, May 27 6pm (after the 5pm Mass) OLBH Parish Hall

RSVP to Angela by Tuesday, May 23 (605) 787-5168 or angela.hart@OLBH.org



Duc in Altum ("Put out into the deep" – Luke 5:4) is a **fun and energetic** parish-based summer catechetical program, for both grade school age children and middle school and high school youth. Learn about Revelation and Salvation History and praying the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary

June 4-8 | Entering Grades 7-12 7-9 PM

June 5-8 | Entering Grades 1-6 | 9-2:30 PM

Register at olbh.org/duc-in-altum.

Eucharistic____ Procession

Corpus Christi Sunday, June 11, at Noon

We will process from OLBH to the Leisure Lane Park in Summerset.

All ages are encouraged to process. Call the office to see how you can help.



Having Difficult Conversations Workshop

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

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





INTERCESSORY PRAYER TO NICHOLAS BLACK ELK
Say this prayer for the wellbeing & healing of
Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek

Heavenly Father, Great Spirit! Behold Us who stand before you singing our song of thanksgiving for Servant of God Nicholas Black Elk. Faithfully he walked the Sacred Red Road and generously witnessed the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ to the Native American people. We humbly ask you to hear the prayers we plead through his intercession.

Dear Servant of God Nicholas Black Elk hear our petition in favor of your devoted servant Father Andrzej Wyrostek who lies ill and entreats your intercession on his behalf. Carry to our Heavenly Father the prayer of his parishioners for the healing of his body and spirit.

Amen

What is a Mass Intention?

Each time a priest celebrates Mass he offers the celebration of the Eucharist for a specific person or intention. By doing so he employs special graces from God upon that intention.

This is like how we intercede for others through personal prayer. As 'the source and summit of Christian life," Mass has a power that our personal prayer does not.

Mass for particular intentions is an ancient practice. "Inscriptions discovered on tombs in Roman catacombs of the second century [provide] evidence [for] this practice: for example, the epitaph on the tomb of Abercius (d.180), Bishop of Hieropolis in Phrygia, begs prayers for the repose of his soul." This tradition was also seen in St. Augustine's Confessions (c.397), where Monica asks Augustine, "One thing only I ask you, that you remember me at the Altar of the Lord."

Canon Law confirms this practice, "In accordance with he approved practice of the Church, any priest celebrating or concelebrating is permitted to receive an offering to apply the Mass for a specific intention" (Can.945 1).

- excerpt from aletia.org; written by Philip Kosloski

To request a Mass intention please contact Katie in the office at 605-787-5168. We also have cards for you to send those you have requested a Mass for. The suggested stipend for a Mass intention paid to the priest is \$10.

A prayer for Mothers

Dear mother, intercede for all of our mothers. Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love so that they could join with you in giving their own "Fiat." May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love - the very heart of the vocation of motherhood. Amen.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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

Monday, May 15

Saint Isidore

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

Tuesday, May 16

8 AM Mass for Tegann Hohm 6 PM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Wednesday, May 17

8 AM Mass for Vocations8:30-7:30 PM Adoration9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open5:30-6:30 PM Confessions

Thursday, May 18

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8 AM Mass for the Benefactors and Friends of the Immaculate Heart Hermitage 9 AM 'Just' Men's Bible Study

Friday, May 19

8 AM Mass for Sheila Keeler8:30 AM Mass at Saint Elizabeth Seton School for Bob and Phyllis Bisbano

Saturday, May 20

Saint Bernadine of Siena, Priest

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

Wine and Cheese Mixer

Sunday, May 21

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8 AM Mass for Grace Weaver

11 AM Mass for the repose of Luke VonBank



WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

5/20 5 PM MASS with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Todd Curtis (lead)

Stella Curtis and Eloise Harwood

Lectors: Bernadette Usera (1st)

John Usera (2nd)

Hospitality: Alan and Marie Rundell

Sacristan: Phillip Thompson

Eucharistic Minister - Body: Deacon Greg Sass

5/21 8 AM MASS with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Caleb Weishaar (lead)

Reese Sazama

Lectors: Lynelle Sazama (1st)

Christine Pulaski (2nd)

Hospitality: Gary and Sandy Langfeldt Sacristan: Barb and Gary Erickson

Eucharistic Minister - Body: Deacon Greg Sass

5/21 11 AM MASS with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Mya Lyon (lead)

Dakota Lyon and Alex Daniel Acebo

Lectors: Joni Osnes (1st)

Angie Oberle (2nd)

Hospitality: Jane Fortsch and Cathy Long Sacristan: Ermma an dBruce Lehman Eucharistic Minister – Body: Deacon Greg Sass

STEWARDSHIP

May 6-7, 2023				
·	Automatic	Basket	Total	
Adopt a Seminarian	54	-	54	
Sunday Collection	3,263	4,676	7,939	
Building Fund	44	50	94	
Bulletin Ad	-	-		
Priest Retirement	2		2	
Steubenville			321	
Votive			14	
Total Contribution	3,364	4,726	8,425.03	

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 MAY

Pope's Intention: For church movements and groups. We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, pacing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

The weekly readings are on the USCCB.org website. Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 16:16-20 Friday: Acts 18:9-18; PS 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; Jn 16:23b-28 Sunday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

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 16	Rev. Rev. Henry J. Klein (1947) James H. Hoag (2021)
May 17	Rev. Thomas J.F. McNaboe (1921)
ay	Msgr. Bernard A. Drew (1973)
	Rev. Hugh Farrington, O.S.B. (1978)
May 18	Pearl Ricard (1971)
	Bernard P. Callanan (1977)
	Joseph G. Weidner (1996)
May 19	Rev. Dennis J. Casey (1932)
May 20	Michael Leonard Kirkham (2016)
May 21	Rev. Stephen McNamara, S.J. (1962)
-	Tara Janelle Larson (1995)

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. Mariorie 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 Leutenegger, Willard Olson, Tracy Rudnick, Isaiah Hernandez (grandson of Carol Arellano), Barry Hoffman, Ted Ruthann Koch. Schurman. Wes Mendenhall, Susan Silbernagel, Heidi Hamer, Pam Freeman, Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek

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

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!

Totus Tuus Summer Camps!



Totus Tuus Summer Camps are an opportunity to enjoy the Black Hills, spend time with other Catholic youth, and build relationships with consecrated sisters, seminarians, and priests! High school students come a day early and learn more about being Catholic leaders. The time at camp includes games, times of prayer, talks, testimonies, rock climbing, swimming, and more! We'll explore how God prepared the world for the arrival of His Son and His perfect sacrifice for our salvation and dig into the events that foreshadowed the profound gift of the Eucharist, the Mystery of Faith. Have any questions? Don't hesitate to contact us at: jdaniel@diorc.org or 605-343-3541.

GIRL'S CAMP - JUNE 2023

Girl's Leadership Camp: June 26 - 30

(for girls entering grades 10th – 2023 graduates)

Girl's Camp: June 25 – 30

(for girls entering grades 7th-9th in the fall) **Communities coming this summer:** Little Nuns of Jesus and Mary, Ann Arbor Dominicans, Mercedarian Sisters, Servadoras, and our own Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary!

BOY'S CAMP - JULY 2023

Boy's Leadership Camp: July 10-14

(for boys entering grades 10th – 2023 graduates)

Boy's Camp: July 11-14

(for boys entering grades 7th-9th in the fall)

Register now at rapidcitydiocese.org/t2/.

WSDCF to Host Fishing Events Benefitting Seminarians

Saturday June 17 and 24 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 by the Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus. The following Saturday, June 24, 2023, we will welcome adults to participate in a day of fishing at the Shadehill Reservoir followed by Mass and a Fish Fry at the Summerville Store and 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 production on Friday, May 19, at 7:00pm, and Sunday, May 21, at 4:00pm, in the Blessed Sacrament parish theatre room. 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, 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.

Sioux Spiritual Center Help Needed

Would you like to take a working weekend retreat to the Sioux Spiritual Center near Howes SD? From 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 something like 0800 breakfast with work till noon, lunch, start again at 1 and finish at 3 with the Devine Mercy Chaplet. The rest is for you to enjoy the presence of the Lord in the beauty around you, the chapel, or in front of the Tabernacle. If this interests you, please contact Bob at 605-389-6934 with SSC the first entry on texts.

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. Those gifted with the ability to construct would be great, but the energy and drive, we can work on the rest. If you are a plumber or electrician, your skills would be so greatly appreciated. Financial sponsors for specific needs could be arranged, such as funding the HVAC, or kitchen items etc. If able to and the Spirit is moving you, please contact bob at 605-389-6934.



Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 | 1 Pt 3:15-18 | Jn 14:15-21



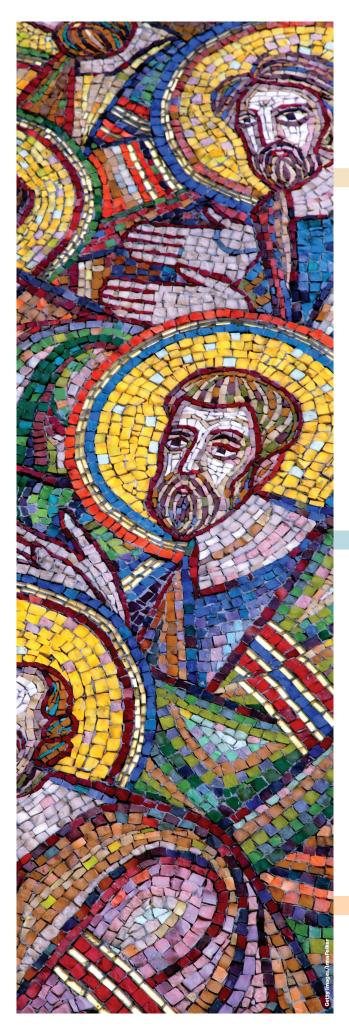
I know a few people whose method of book buying is to read the last few pages of a book first. They want to know if buying, or reading, the book is going to be worth it. As an avid bibliophile I find this to be something I could never do, but I understand their impulse. After all, it makes sense to want to have some kind of assurance that the journey one is taking - whether physical, spiritual, or literary - has a decent "payoff," as it were. In today's Gospel, Jesus promises his disciples that when he leaves he will provide "another Advocate" for them. We see this truth in action in the first reading, as with the laying on of hands by the apostles, those who had been baptized in Jesus' name "received the Holy Spirit." Christ's life, death, and resurrection not only conquered death and brought us new life, it made way for the Holy Spirit who has come to dwell among and within us. The Lord has not left us alone. So while we may have a sense of what the seguel to our journey is, we trust the author of our story to help us write the ending of this one.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The love of God and the gift of faith from the Holy Spirit brought the earliest disciples, and us, to the journey – to our own story of a life of discipleship. And while the Bible is indeed "a book," it is also a compilation of books, letters, and events, and more, that give words to a living history of salvation that began before time and is outside of time and eternal. The Good News cannot be contained in pages – it must be lived, shared, and loved. And yes, it is good to know how it ends, but even that pales in relation to the joy and worthiness of the reading and living of the Word. That is for us to experience, and to share! As much gratification as there is in sharing our favorite new bestseller, we need to double and revamp our efforts when it comes to the Gospel. Give it away freely, to everyone, and shout out the ending. Jesus Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! And the Holy Spirit sets us free to love him and one another.

STUDY In order to truly live the Word and spread it to others as Jesus commanded, we must be familiar with the Scriptures. The *Word on Fire Bible,* featuring the Gospels only, is well-designed and includes commentary from Bishop Robert Barron as well as Church Fathers and recent saints and Catholic authors.







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