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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 Fridays, 8:30-9:30 AM First Friday Devotion: Following Daily Mass on First Fridays

### CLERGY

Pastor: Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek Deacons: Deacon. Walt Wilson, Retired Deacon. John Osnes Deacon Greg Sass

### STAFF

Katie Harwood, Parish Administrative Assistant & SEC Angela Hart, Coordinator of Adult Faith Formation & Evangelization Lorraine Rieth-Ptacek, Director of Liturgy & Music Todd Phillipe, Maintenance Lorinda Collings, Bookkeeper

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.

# "You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord." (Eph 5:8)

Today's Gospel story parallels in many ways last Sunday's story of the Samaritan woman at the well. Last Sunday, we might have asked, "Who was thirstier, Jesus worn out by the hard journey to Galilee or the woman seeking everything but living water?" Today in a similar way—with great detail that cannot be skipped over despite its excessive length—St. John the Evangelist carefully reconstructs the story of a man born blind. And we are led to a similar question, "Who was blinder, the man without physical sight or the Pharisees without spiritual insight?"

In both stories, the true thirst of the Samaritan woman is gradually satisfied and the true sight of the blind man is progressively restored as both of them begin to recognize the presence of Christ, the Lord, in a man named Jesus. When he is healed, the man born blind begins by seeing only a man named Jesus (Jn 9:11). As he is challenged by his neighbors—interrogated by the Pharisees—even abandoned by his parents—his sight progressively improves. He gradually comes to see that Jesus is a prophet (9:17), a man from God (9:33), the Son of Man (9:35)—and when Jesus seeks him out a second time, he finally acknowledges and confesses Jesus as the Lord whom he worships (9:38).

The story of the man born blind illustrates to us that even with sight, we may not see—or we may choose to not see. It can be easier and safer to live in the darkness—rather than witness to the light of Christ present in our lives. When we receive the light of Christ through the waters of baptism, we are immediately challenged with these words: "This light is entrusted to you to be kept burning brightly, so that, enlightened by Christ, you may walk always as a child of the light and, persevering in the faith, may run to meet the Lord when he comes with all the Saints in the heavenly court" (*Rite of Baptism*).

Such a rich blessing can be confusing. It is always easier to live at a lower level—perpetually thirsty or blurry eyed—than we could. That's why our annual Lenten sacrifices are so critical to slaking our thirst and refocusing our vision. Whether they be giving up material comforts—or giving up some of our time for more prayer and scripture reading—or giving up some of our wealth in almsgiving—a scarcity of things can indeed focus the mind and the heart mightily.

In a few weeks at the Easter Vigil, a minister will intone "The Light of Christ" three times as a summary of the Easter message. The hope is that we will choose to let Christ be our light and to live out the power of Jesus' resurrection. The hope is that we will see things more clearly and "live as children of light," having "no part in the fruitless works of darkness" (Eph 5:8,11). May we see differently from others because we choose to see our world and the kingdom beyond through the eyes of faith. "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead—and Christ will give you light" (Eph 5:14).

Keep the Faith!

Deacon John

# Fridays in Lent

5-5:45 PM Confessions 6 PM Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM Knights of Columbus Fish Fry



# **St. KATHARINE DREXEL TRAVELING MONSTRANCE** IS VISITING OLBH

The St. Katharine Drexel Monstrance was given to the St. Francis Mission by St. Katharine Drexel. If is traveling to every parish in the Diocese of Rapid City as part of the Eucharistic Revival.

# Save the $\mathcal{D}$ ates

Sunday, 3/26, Holy Hour between Masses

Daily Mass, 3/28-3/31, Adoration for 1/2 hour each day following Mass

Tuesday, 3/28, Adoration during the Lenten Penance Liturgy [6-7:30 PM]

Wednesday, 3/29, Adoration from 8:30-7:30 PM

# Save the Dates

**Mass of Confirmation** with Bishop Muhich will be Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, at 7 PM. OLBH has 18 confirmands this year.

**Mass of First Holy Eucharist**, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 11 AM. OLBH has 16 students receiving their First Holy Communion.

All are welcome at these Masses, but please be mindful of space for the students and their families.

Please take a card from the table in the Narthex with a First Communicants name and pray for them from now until their First Communion.



# **Piedmont Valley Food Pantry**

Needs: Canned fruit, baking Items, snack items for kids, small jars of peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, Chef Boyardee type canned meals, canned meat.



The 15th annual RCCSS Packing Hope Event is on the for April 4th! Packing Hope is to answer Christ's call to bring hope to the poor and vulnerable. Feed Just One is the name of a non-profit organization in LeMars, IA to distribute nutritious food to hungry children in the USA, Honduras, and around the world. The money is used to purchase meal ingredients from Feed Just One and then work as Jesus' hands and feet to carefully funnel the ingredients into individual packages that we weigh, seal, box, and ship to children in need on behalf of the Rapid City community thanks in large part to generous donations from the Our Lady of the Black Hills. We hope we can count on your help again this year. The Sophomore class will speak and collect donations the weekend of **March 25-26**Thank you for prayerful consideration of this cause.

# Weekly Schedule

### Monday, March 20

# ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

# Tuesday, March 21

8 AM Mass for Walt Wilson 6 PM St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting

# Wednesday, March 22

8 AM Mass for the repose of Lawrence Walz8:30-7:30 PM Adoration\*9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

5:30-6:30 PM Confessions 6:15-7:30 PM Faith Formation

# Thursday, March 23

**8 AM Mass** for the repose of Genevieve Walz 9 AM 'Just' Men's Bible Study

# Friday, March 24

8 AM Mass at OLBH for respect and love of the Eucharist

# 8:30 AM Mass at St. Elizabeth Seton School for the repose of Ruth O'Neil

8:30 AM Sunday Scripture Lenten Study

# 5 PM Confessions

6 PM Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

# Saturday, March 25

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

### 9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open 3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

3:30-4:30 PW Confessions

**5 PM Mass** for the repose of Carolien Wentz and Jimmy Richardson

# Sunday, March 26

# **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

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

# 9-10 AM ADORATION WITH THE ST. KATHARINE DREXEL MONSTRANCE

# 9:30-10:45 AM Faith Formation

**11 AM Mass** for the repose of Luke VonBank

\*YDisciple students will attend Adoration from 7 PM - Benediction. Benediction may be slightly later than usual.\*

# WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

# 3/25 SATURDAY 5 PM MASS with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Phillip Thompson	ו (lead)	
Jayce Blaha		
Lectors: David Allardyce	(1 <sup>st</sup> )	
Teresa Thompso	on (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	
Hospitality: Ken and Pam Fr	eeman	
Sacristan: Joe and Linda S	chacher	
Eucharistic Minister – Deacon Greg Sass		

# 3/26 SUNDAY 8 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers:	Freddy Weishaar (lead)
	Kaleb Arellano
Lectors:	Brenda Flottmeyer (1 <sup>st</sup> )
	Christine Pulaski (2 <sup>nd</sup> )
Hospitality:	Gary and Sandy Langfeldt
Sacristan:	Barb and Gary Erickson
Eucharistic Mir	nister – Body: Deacon Greg Sass

# 3/26 SUNDAY 11 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers:	Mya Lyon(lead)
	Alex Daniel Acebo
Lectors:	NOT FILLED (1 <sup>st</sup> )
	Jan Evans (2 <sup>nd</sup> )
Hospitality:	Richard and Cathy Long
Sacristan:	Ermma and Bruce Lehman
Eucharistic Mir	nister – Deacon Greg Sass

# STEWARDSHIP

March 11-12, 2023				
	Automatic	Basket	Total	
Adopt a Seminarian	54	320	374	
Sunday Collection	2,813	4,878	7,691	
Building Fund	44	25	69	
PV Food Pantry	-	-	150	
Priest Retirement	2		2	
Easter Flowers			25	
Steubenville			589	
<b>Total Contribution</b>	2,914	5,223	8,900.54	

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 MARCH

Pope's Intention: For victims of abuse. We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

The weekly readings are on the USCCB.org website. Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Jn 5:31-47 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30 Saturday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk

1:26-38

Sunday: : Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rom 8:8-11; Lk 1:1-45

### 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:

March 20	Jeannie C. Murphy (1992)
	Delores "Peggy" Volin (2019)
March 21	Terence Kirkland (1986)
March 24	Joseph E. Creek (2015)
	Edwin G. Miller (2018)
March 26	Marlene Carol Maxwell (2020)

### 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 Carol 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 and Helen's (DeWayne daughter), Iris Overholt, Erica Anderson, Greta (granddaughter of Dcn John and Joni), Joe Vetch, Lori Moore, Lenny Tellefson, Mary-Elizabeth Crane (sister Sheila Keeler), of Marv Antonsen, Deb Bickford, Sheila Keeler, Karen and Dennis Lau, Mary Wurtz, Zoe, Kathleen Leutenegger, Willard Olson, Tracy Rudnick, Carol Arellano, Donna Duppong (sister of Bernie Hoffman, Gerving), Barry Ted Schurman, Ruthann Koch, Wes Mendenhall

FOR THE DECEASED We pray for the repose of Brett Schmidt, Ruth O'Neil (mother of Lisa Katzenstein)

# 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! Build with the mercy of the Father.

**COMMUNITY & DIOCESAN NEWS** 

# You don't have to navigate discernment alone

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# 4th Sunday in Lent – March 19th The Image of Divine Mercy



Jesus told St. Faustina to have an image painted of Him as the Divine Mercy. In this picture two rays emanate from His heart and written on the bottom are the words "Jesus, I trust in you." "The two rays denote Blood and

Water. These two rays issued forth from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized Heart was opened by a lance on the Cross." (Diary, 299) "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I also promise victory over its enemies already here on earth and especially at the hour of death. I Myself will defend it as My own glory." (Diary, 48) Let us venerate the Divine Mercy image in our church; let us bring the Divine Mercy Image to our homes and venerate it there, as well. Free Divine Mercy Images are available at the entrances to the Church.

March 24-26, 2023 | Terra Sancta Retreat Center We invite you to join us for a weekend retreat dedicated to the theme of: "Spiritual Battle and Discernment of Spirits." This is a relevant theme for our own growth in our spiritual life, as we learn to discern God's voice among the other competing "voices" that tend to confuse and distract us. This is an opportunity for prayer, silence, formation, and reflection. It will be a weekend of encountering Christ and the graces He desires to give. The retreat will be directed by the Servants of the Pierced

Hearts of Jesus & Mary and members of the Pastoral Ministry Team; with Fr. Mark McCormick. The retreat will begin at 5:30pm on Friday, March 24 and conclude after lunch on Sunday, March 26.



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# VOCATIONS

Every parish needs a priest to witness to Christ, lead their community, provide the sacraments, a priestly presence, and spiritual guidance. Deacons are ordained ministers and important servants of the Church. It takes years of formation to become a priest or deacon, and a significant investment of time and resources on this journey. Even after retirement, they continue to serve and baptize our children, provide sacraments, and comfort our sick.



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