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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

#### **CLERGY**

#### Pastor:

Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek

#### Deacons:

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

#### **STAFF**

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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.

# "I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me."

(John 14:6)

As we approach the summer days and as we look forward to the vacation time, we realize that another busy season is behind us. Perhaps we are wondering what we have done and what we need to do. We reach each other in variety of ways – thank you for every moment of your kindness. People volunteer for many reasons, but the most common one is the good of others. This good of others is also at the heart of our Christian faith, faith that has its beginning in the gift of God's sacrifice for us – God's Love for His people. Pope Benedict XVI describes it very well in his Encyclical Letter "Deus Caritas Est." We read in it that "God has made himself visible: in Jesus we are able to see the Father (cf. Jn 14:9).

Indeed, God is visible in several ways. In the love-story recounted by the Bible, he comes towards us and he seeks to win our hearts, all the way to the Last Supper, to the piercing of his heart on the Cross, to his appearances after the Resurrection and to the great deeds by which through the activity of the Apostles he guided the nascent Church along its path. Nor has the Lord been absent from subsequent Church history: he encounters us ever anew, in the men and women who reflect his presence, in his word, in the sacraments, and especially in the Eucharist. In the Church's Liturgy, in her prayer, in the living community of believers, we experience the love of God, we perceive his presence, and we thus learn to recognize that presence in our daily lives.

He has loved us first and he continues to do so; we too, then, can respond with love. God does not demand of us a feeling, which we ourselves are incapable of producing. He loves us, he makes us see and experience his love, and since he has "loved us first", love can also blossom as a response within us." (Deus Caritas Est # 17) Reading "Deus Caritas Est" one can learn even more. So often we use the word "love" where many of us have lost its meaning. We use the word "love" to describe our feeling for one another (love between husband and wife) but at the same time we use it to describe our approach to the material things (I love this car; I love your haircut) as well as to describe some temporary state of our life (I love to take a nap). Maybe that is why it is difficult to grasp the full meaning of Christian love when we talk about the meaning of "love" in context of sacrifice, a sacrifice that has its beginning in God.

The Christian meaning of love is more than a word; it is a lifestyle that recognizes its value in the context of God's grace and sacrifice. Therefore, it is not us who are in charge, but it is us who are invited to respond to God's example of service and sacrifice for others. "This proper way of serving others also leads to humility. The one who serves does not consider himself superior to the one served, however miserable his situation at the moment may be. Christ took the lowest place in the world —the Cross—and by this radical humility he redeemed us and constantly comes to our aid.

Those who are in a position to help others will realize that in doing so they themselves receive help; being able to help others is no merit or achievement of their own. This duty is a grace. The more we do for others, the more we understand and can appropriate the words of Christ: "We are useless servants" (Lk 17:10). We recognize that we are not acting on the basis of any superiority or greater personal efficiency, but because the Lord has graciously enabled us to do so. There are times when the burden of need and our own limitations might tempt us to become discouraged. But precisely then we are helped by the knowledge that, in the end, we are only instruments in the Lord's hands." (Deus Caritas Est #35) To all volunteers, who sacrifice in any way for the good of others, I say Thank You. May God who gave you the ability to volunteer and the grace to carry it through our cooperation, may you always be in His loving Heart.

Fr. Andrzej



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

# Aquam in Vinum Amicus (Ava) Water into Wine with Friends

Fr. Andrzej, Deacon John and Joni Osnes, Phillip and Teresa Thompson invite you to a

## Wine & Cheese party

Saturday, May 20 | 6:15 – 7:30 p.m.

Free child care provided

#### Birthright is having a Baby Jesus Shower

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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 Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary.

June 4-8 | Entering Grades 7-12 7:30-9:30 PM

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

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

# 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! ☺

# Having Difficult Conversations Workshop

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

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



#### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

#### Monday, May 8

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

#### Tuesday, May 9

8 AM Mass for the repose of Brittany Holzer

#### Wednesday, May 10

Saint John of Avila, Priest, Doctor of the Church; Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest

8 AM Mass for Steph Hohm 8:30-7:30 PM Adoration

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

5:30-6:30 PM Confessions

#### Thursday, May 11

8 AM Mass for All Souls in Purgatory

9 AM 'Just' Men's Bible Study

9 AM Sunday Scripture Study

6 PM Pastoral Council Meeting

#### Friday, May 12

Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; Saint Pancras, Martyr

**8 AM Mass** for Mothers, that they may love like Mary

**8:30 AM Mass at Saint Elizabeth Seton School** for Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek

#### Saturday, May 13

9-12 Noon Food Pantry Open

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

5 PM Mass for Diocesan Masses for Life

#### Sunday, May 14

#### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mother's Day

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

11 AM Mass for the repose of Jim Wranek



#### WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

5/13 5 PM MASS with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Luke Schacher (lead)

Gabe Gehlsen

Lectors: Jean Hohm (1st)

Deacon Walt Wilson (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Hospitality: Steve and Sue Colgan Sacristan: Joe and Linda Schacher

Eucharistic Minister - NOT FILLED

#### 5/14 8 AM MASS with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Victoria Carlin (lead)

Alexandria Carlin

Lectors: Joyce Williamson (1st)

Lori Caouette (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Hospitality: Gary and Sandy Langfeldt

Sacristan: NOT FILLED

Eucharistic Minister - NOT FILLED

#### 5/14 11 AM MASS with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Sydney Bremer (lead)

Alexa and Leighton Scherr

Lectors: LaChel McCollar (1st)

Cathleen Denekamp (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Hospitality: LuElla and Jim Grieve

Sacristan: Mary, Brad, and Matthew Blauvelt

Eucharistic Minister - NOT FILLED

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

April 229-30, 2023			
	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	-	54
Sunday Collection	3,263	6,444	9,707
Building Fund	44	65	109
Bulletin Ad	-	-	
Priest Retirement	2		2
Steubenville			563
Votive			49
Total Contribution	3,364	6,509	10,485.17

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 <a href="https://www.olbh.org/donate">www.olbh.org/donate</a>.

#### 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 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11 Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12; Jn 15:12-17 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-

18; Jn 14:15-21

#### **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 9	Rev. Daniel P. Dley (1959)
	Rev. Patrick H. McCormick (1975)
	Mary M. Foley (1990)
	Lynda Lackey (2001)
May 10	Rev. John L. Cohane (1961)
May 12	Rev. John Frei (1951)
	Mederic A. Ricard (1976)
May 13	Rev. Richard McCaslin, S.J. (2014)
May 14	James "Jim" Allen Wranek (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. Mariorie Lee. Jeff Feist. Vickie Crowley, Cap Holzer, Linda Schacher, Joyce Kinney, Tony Corbine, George. Tim Curns, Joe 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, Marv Zoe. Kathleen Leutenegger, Willard Olson, Tracy Rudnick, Isaiah Hernandez (grandson of Carol Arellano), Barry Hoffman, Ted Schurman. Ruthann Koch. 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

#### **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 us CDA.

#### **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: <a href="mailto:jdaniel@diorc.org">jdaniel@diorc.org</a> 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, Mercidarian 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 for 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 for ages 8 and up. Free admission. Seating is limited. A nursery is provided.

### Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7 | 1 Pt 2:4-9 | Jn 14:1-12

#### GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Recently, I went through a period of spiritual dryness, and I questioned my ability to make faith the central tenet of my life. Although I had always loved reading Scripture, I felt I needed reassurance that God was truly present with me. So I did what many people do: I asked God for a sign that he was real. Nothing happened. The sky didn't open; doves and rays of light didn't magically appear announcing God's presence. Although I didn't receive what I envisioned as a "heavenly sign," I looked down at the Bible in my hands and realized that God's word, handed down through the millennia, had been my companion all this time and was indeed the "sign" I was looking for. Which is why Jesus' question to Philip in today's Gospel struck a chord with me: "Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me?" If Jesus asked me this same question, I want to be able to answer, "Yes, Lord, I know you through your sacred word, through partaking of the Eucharist and through the strength and guidance of the Holy Spirit who is with me each and every day."

#### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

What does "knowing Jesus" mean for me in my everyday life? It means hearing his words and acting on them: "I am the way and the truth and the life ... If you know me, then you will also know my Father." In following Christ, we know that Jesus is in the Father and the Father is in him. Jesus Christ is God! And as we heard in the second reading from Peter, we are not Christians on a lonely road; we are living stones that form a spiritual house. We are "called out of darkness into his wonderful light," as he describes it. Therefore, let us not be afraid to lean on our fellow Christians when we need support. And then, of course, we turn to Jesus, the cornerstone, the bedrock of our faith, and rejoice in his love for us.

ACTION Faith is rarely a straight path – sometimes there are sharp curves, steep hills, or roadblocks. If you feel lost or could use someone to talk to about faith, reach out to your parish and ask about contacting a spiritual director. Come, Holy Spirit, and fill me with your grace.



# Summer @ OLBH 2023

# **Pentecost Party**

Saturday, May 27, following the 5 PM Mass - RSVP to Angela at 605-7875168 \*We invite in a special way those who have joined the Catholic Church

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# **OLBH Eucharistic Procession**

Sunday, June 11, following the 11 AM Mass - we will process from OLBH to the Leisure Lane park in Summerset. We encourage all ages to participate and will have flower petals for children to throw. We will follow the procession with a picnic in the park. Call the office to see how you can help.

# **Salute to Seniors**

Saturday, June 24, 9-Noon, we invite those eligible for the 'senior discount' to breakfast, fellowship, and prayer to celebrate the autumn of their lives. RSVP to Angela at 605-787-5168.

# Save the Dates and register today!

Watch the bulletin for parish hikes, movie nights, and more fun!





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