



Pilgrimage

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Tuesday-Friday 8 AM
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8:30-7:30 PM
Reconciliation: Wednesday
5:30-6:30 PM & Saturday
3:30-4:30 PM

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When you hear the word pilgrimage its easy to think of a journey to the Holy Land, Rome or a participating in month's long trek across Spain along the Camino de Santiago.

A pilgrimage is a journey to a sacred place undertaken as an act of religious devotion. Its purpose may be simply to venerate a certain saint, to ask a spiritual favor, to beg for a physical cure, to perform an act of penance, or express heartfelt thanks. From the eighth century the practice began of imposing pilgrimage in place of public penance. As a result, during the Middle Ages pilgrimages were organized on a grand scale and became the object of special Church legislation.

On September 23rd Teresa and I had the opportunity to walk a small part of a St. Olaf's way which is the northernmost pilgrims' way in the world. It is an ancient pilgrim path that leads to the Nidaros Cathedral in Trondheim, Norway which is the burial place of St. Olaf, the patron saint of Norway, the Faroe Islands, carvers, and difficult marriages. While neither popular nor considered especially holy during his lifetime, Olaf Haraldsson was soon revered after death owing to reports of miracles occurring at his tomb. He was greatly respected as a champion of Norwegian independence, and his shrine became the foundation of the Cathedral of Trondheim.

A pilgrimage is "the simultaneous movement of the feet and the soul"—a journey made both externally and internally. The pilgrim travels to a location of spiritual significance, stepping outside of themselves in order to encounter God in places where he has revealed himself. The value of a pilgrimage is not in the distance traveled but in the disposition of our own hearts and the zeal with which we seek God. Many of us have dreams of making a pilgrimage to the Holy Land or walking the Camino de Santiago, but those pilgrimages often take more resources and time than we have available. The good news is that you don't have to travel out of the country to make a meaningful pilgrimage. There are plenty of beautiful holy sites right here in the United States. The following is a list of a few that are close to us but there are many more across our nation.

Shrine of the Grotto of Redemption, West Bend, IA
National Shrine of St. Odilia, Onamia, MN
Our Lady of Peace Shrine, Pine Bluffs, WY

Mother Cabrini Shrine, Golden, CO
Holy Family Shrine, Gretna, NE
House of Mary Shrine, Yankton, SD

I invite you to consider making a pilgrimage to any of these sites or consider participating in one of the 4 National Eucharistic Pilgrimages this next year that will converge on July 16, 2024, in Indianapolis for the 10th National Eucharistic Congress. Visit: www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org for more information

St. Olaf, Rex Perpetuus Norvegiae (Eternal King of Norway), Pray for us.

-Deacon Phillip Thompson

Memorial for the Unborn

The Memorial for the Unborn is located off the back patio of the Narthex and on the path to the right. Bricks can be purchased to memorialize loved ones. The focus is on the unborn, but memorials for children who've passed prior to making their First Holy Communion are welcome. Please pick up an order form for a brick from the back counter of the gathering space. Order forms can be turned into the office or to the Knights of Columbus.

Fall Festival & Turkey Dinner



The Country Store

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Following all Masses November 4-5

Contact Gloria to donate items to the Country Store 605-791-2303.

FALL FESTIVAL & TURKEY DINNER

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Our Lady of the Black Hills - 12365 Sturgis Road

TURKEY DINNER & CARNIVAL GAMES

11-1:30 PM

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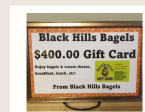
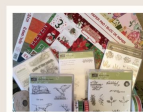
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Fall Festival & Turkey Dinner

SILENT auction



Saturday, 11/4, 6-7 PM

Sunday, 11/5, 9-1 PM

Item donations are due 10/21.

Contact Sheila at thequeenbeep@hotmail.com to donate to the silent auction.

Holy Ringers & Singers



We need 3rd-8th graders

Call the office to sign up

Practice Wednesday nights from 5:45-6:15 PM
Sign up by October 10th.

No Faith Formation for grades PreK-12 on Sunday, October 8, nor Wednesday October 11. The office will be closed on Monday, October 9.

The Bible

The Bible wasn't just translated for us, but translated for all. The Word of God is for everyone.

Our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level II students studied the Bible in Chinese, Hebrew, Spanish, Hawaiian, and English!



WEEKLY SCHEDULE Pss III

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

Monday, October 9

Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest

*Office Closed

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

6:30 PM RCIA in St. Joseph's Hall

Tuesday, October 10

8 AM Mass for Walt and Judy Wilson

6 PM Cor ad Cor

Wednesday, October 11

Saint John XXIII, Pope

8 AM Mass for Luke VonBank and Family

8:30-7:30 PM Adoration

12 Noon Piedmont Valley Food Pantry Open

No Faith Formation

5:30-6:30 PM Confessions

No Faith Formation

Thursday, October 12

8 AM Mass for the repose of Nell McNulty

9 AM 'Just' Men Bible Study & Witness

9 AM Women's Scripture Study

6 PM Pastoral Council Meeting

Friday, October 13

8 AM Mass for Tyler Trautman

Saturday, October 14

Saint Callistus I, Pope, Martyr; BVM on Saturday

9-12 Noon Piedmont Valley Food Pantry Open

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

5 PM Mass for Terry Nelson and Family

Sunday, October 15

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME 8 AM Mass for Diocesan Masses for Life

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

9:30-10:45 AM Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation in Bethlehem Cave

11 AM Mass for the Community of Our Lady of the Black Hills and the parishes of McLaughlin, Bullhead, and Kenel

WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

10/14 5 PM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Meaghan Allen (lead)

Kyah and Keeana Pesek

Lectors: Steve Colgan (1st)

Sue Colgan (2nd)

Hospitality: Cathy Long

Sacristan: Richard Long

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Phillip Thompson

10/15 8 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Marty Reeve (lead)

Reese Sazama and Paige Phillips

Lectors: Lynelle Sazama (1st)

Christine Pulaski (2nd)

Hospitality: Barb and Mike Coyle

Sacristan: Barb and Gary Erickson

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Phillip Thompson

10/15 11 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Westin Edwards (Lead)

Emmett and Talia Edwards

Lectors: Craig Kelso (1st)

Laura Kelso (2nd)

Hospitality: Aaron and Cathleen Denekamp

Sacristan: Stacy Tate

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Phillip Thompson

STEWARDSHIP

"All good giving and every perfect gift is from above" (Jas 1:17)			
September 30-October 1, 2023			
	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	325	379
Sunday Collection	3,263	6,165	9,318
Building Fund	44	100	144
Mass Intentions	-	-	155
Priest Retirement	2	10	12
BH Pregnancy Center			196
Votive			14
Total Contribution	3,364	6,600	10,218.25

Did you know that OLBH is a Stewardship Parish? We ask that you give us your time, talents, and treasure to support our wonderful parish. In return we will utilize your gifts and talents to provide the resources, facilities, and events to aid you in your journey of faith.

Please prayerfully consider automatic contributions via electronic withdrawal at www.olbh.org/donate.

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 OCTOBER

Pope’s Intention: For the Synod. We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

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:

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| October 9 | Rev. Brian Fawcett (2011)
Lawrence F. Panck (1962) |
| October 10 | Rev. Harold A. Fuller, S.J. (1955)
Rev. James D. Shannon (1962)
Marlyce M. Erhart (2003)
William J. Backhaus (2017)
Joseph Earl Maxwell (2020) |
| October 11 | Rev. Donald E. Murray (1975) |
| October 13 | Msgr. William J. Connaughton (1954)
Gladys M. Doyle (2009)
Charles Kevin Desmond (2015) |
| October 14 | Rev. Peter Rosen (1906)
Rev. Godfrey J. Nau (1953)
Rev. Hubert R.H. McDonald, S.J. (1967)
Rev. Bernard E. Shanley (1988)
Deacon Ken Hill (2013) |

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

The Catholic Diocese of Rapid City is committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for our young people. To report allegations of sexual abuse by church personnel, contact the Victim Assistance coordinator, **Barbara Scherr**. To ensure confidentiality in her outreach to victims, she can be contacted privately by phone at **1-605-209-3418** (cell). Her has caller ID and messaging features. All information will be treated confidentially. Alleged victims are advised of their right to report alleged abuse to civil authorities. *In accordance with diocesan policy, all allegations of sexual misconduct involving children or young people by priests, deacons, lay employees, or volunteers in the Diocese of Rapid City will be investigated.*

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, 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 Wyrstek, Elizabeth Ravellette, Rayola Anderson, Patty Creek, Steve Ramsdell, Irene Katzenstein, Bishop Peter Muhich, Scotty Hudson, Diane Clarke, Gary Sexton, Bryan Champagne, Nancy Gamage

FOR THE DECEASED We pray for the repose of the soul of Morris Kosters

SCRIPTURE READINGS

The weekly readings are on the USCCB.org website.
Monday: Jon 1:1–2:1-2, 11; Jonah 2:3, 4, 5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14

RACHEL'S CORNER

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GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES —Married in 1973?

The West River Catholic would like to run your photo, a wedding or current photo, in the November issue. Please send a photo, wedding date, and current parish in by email or mail to: WRC Attn: Becky Berreth 225 Main St., Suite 100, Rapid City, SD 57701 or bberreth@dioc.org. Deadline, Friday, Oct. 20.

FAMILY, BECOME WHO YOU ARE!

VSI Enrichment Certification OCT 14

Join a variety of speakers as we delve deep into the ways that the Catholic family is called to image Christ in the world. We will explore Pope St. John Paul II's Apostolic Exhortation on the Family in the Modern World and the variety of ways that the family can be supported in fulfilling their particular mission. All are invited, especially parents who are wanting to know how to best live out the call to become more fully what they already are!

Saturday, October 14 | 8am-5pm | Terra Sancta Retreat Center | Register at: www.rapidcitydiocese.org/ff

BLESSED SACRAMENT FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Sunday, November 12, to be held at Blessed Sacrament Church, 4500 Jackson Blvd., Rapid City. Ham Dinner, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Family advance ticket \$45 or \$60 at door; Adult advance ticket \$15 or \$20 at door; Children ages 5-10 tickets \$10. Country store hours 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Church phone 605-342-3336.

Taizé – a different kind of prayer!

Join us on the third Sunday each month (October-March) from 5-6 p.m. for Taizé! The service includes meditative songs, silence, and scripture. An icon/image is the focal point of the service, and many candles are lit to provide a warm inviting space to meet the Lord. This is an ecumenical prayer service modeled after the Taizé community in France. Find out more at: https://www.taize.fr/en_rubrique43.html

NEFARIOUS
MOVIE SCREENING WITH BISHOP PETER

On November 4, 2023, we will host a special event with Bishop Peter, which will begin with an initial catechesis on Angels and Demons. Following the catechesis, we will share dinner and then watch the movie *Nefarious* on the big screen. Following the movie, Bishop will lead a discussion and Q&A with event participants.

Nov 4 | 3:30pm - 8:30pm | Terra Sancta Retreat Center | \$15/person

3:30pm - Registration and Check-in
3:45pm - Bishop Peter's Teaching
5:30pm - Dinner
6:15pm - Movie Screening
8:00pm - Discussion and Q&A with Bishop Peter

Early bird price of \$10 each if you register before Oct. 21. To get early bird pricing, use **EARLYBIRD** as a discount code on the payment page.

www.rapidcitydiocese.org/nefarious

SOUTH DAKOTA'S EXTREME ABORTION AMENDMENT

Frequently Asked Questions: What existing laws would be overridden by the amendment?

Most of the significant pro-life laws South Dakota has passed over the course of nearly five decades would be overturned or severely limited, including South Dakota's 2005 law that prohibits abortion except in cases when a mother's life is endangered by a pregnancy. The proposed amendment would also throw out or seriously weaken existing laws that prohibit:

- Sex-selection abortions (i.e., aborting a child for the sole reason of having an undesired sex).
- Aborting a child based on a Down syndrome diagnosis.
- Partial-birth abortions (where a child is partially delivered, and then killed).
- Aborting a preborn child who is capable of feeling pain.

Stay tuned for further information about the abortion amendment.

DECLINE TO SIGN SOUTH DAKOTA'S RADICAL ABORTION PETITION.



Learn more by visiting the South Dakota Catholic Conference: sdcatholicconference.org/abortion-amendment/



Knights of Columbus

BREAKFAST

3rd Sunday of each month

Following 8 AM Mass

OCTOBER 15

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10/29 @ NOON

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October 9, 2022

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14-17 | 2 Tm 2:8-13 | Lk 17:11-19

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

Back in 2018, a Christmastime video about gratitude went viral. A young Dad wakes up covered in wrapping paper to discover his similarly adorned wife and kids. He runs through the house, “unwrapping” the electricity, running water, his shoes ... and a car! Today’s Gospel reminded me of this, and of all the times the Lord has provided: whether it is something ordinary like food in the fridge or something extraordinary like the birth of our sons. But how often do I acknowledge that all these gifts come from God? I am guessing all 10 of the lepers in today’s Gospel felt much gratitude and joy after they were healed. But only one, a foreigner no less, returned to Jesus to give thanks to God. Likewise, today’s readings remind us to return to God with gratitude for all the blessings in our lives – both extraordinary and ordinary.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Hearing the account in Kings today, I picture Naaman plunging into the Jordan – not just once but seven times! What if he’d stopped after one, or two, or four? We hear in the Gospel of 10 other lepers, all of whom raised their voices shouting “Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!” In both cases, those seeking healing showed faith in God, persevering against all odds. This perseverance also is evident in the second reading, where Saint Paul bears great suffering for the sake of the Gospel and the salvation of others. These readings challenge us to persevere in our faith – through prayer and our witness to others we encounter. God will not always answer our prayers the way we want or expect – at least not the first time. We need to jump back in like Naaman, trusting that God will give us what we need.

PRAY We quickly turn to God when things go wrong. Next time something good happens, turn to God with the same urgency and say a prayer of thanks.



of the ten Lepers.

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