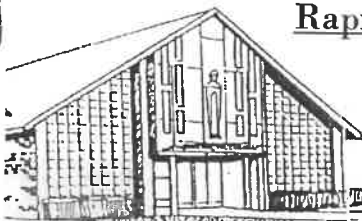


Church of Saint Therese

The Little Flower



532 Adams Street
Rapid City, SD 57701

(605) 342-1556

sttherese@diorc.org
sainttheresechurch.org

Pastor: Rev. Kerry Prendiville

Deacons: Rev. Mr. Charles Rausch

Our parish, dedicated as St. John the Evangelist on November 27, 1941, is presently known as Saint Therese the Little Flower. We have and will continue to proclaim and celebrate the gospel message by building community and serving in the name of Jesus Christ. We celebrate our gifts: a strong loyal parish community and our Catholic bond of faith dedicated to service and love of the Church.

Our Stewardship Mission is to love God first and commit ourselves to be the heart, hands and feet of Christ in our community.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Friday:

8:00 am – Noon & 1:00 – 3:00 pm
(We're PROBABLY there earlier/later or through lunch hour, so call daily for additional hours!)

YOUR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

**PASTOR ~ Father Kerry Prendiville,
605-591-9991**

CHAIRPERSON ~ Rita Dupres	381-4988
VICE CHAIRPERSON ~ Patty Brunner	393-2577
Council Secretary ~ Fred Solano	381-7783
Buildings & Grounds ~ Jim Quintus	593-1207
Faith Formation ~ Holly Bossen	209-3268
Stewardship ~ Chris VanCleave	716-5526
Elected ~ Ralph Dupres	381-6027

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES

Altar Society ~ Doris Ann Werlinger	348-6311
Knights of Columbus ~ Jim Blackwell	923-2955

Your Parish Council meets on the LAST Tuesday of each month at 7 pm. You are WELCOME to attend or contact any member. If you have new business, contact a council member prior to meeting.

WEEKEND Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:30 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
5:30 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 – 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 - 8:30 am

Or by appointment!

Daily Mass Schedule:

April 15 - 19

Monday 7:30 am

Tuesday 7:30 am

**Wednesday 9:30 am Mass at
Good Samaritan New Underwood**

Holy Thursday 7 pm

Good Friday NO MASS

YOUR PARISH STAFF

PASTOR ~ Father Kerry Prendiville, 342-1556 ext. 11	DEACONS – Rev. Mr. Charles Rausch
OFFICE STAFF: ~ Connie Heeren, ext. 10	Trish Peterson, ext. 14
YOUTH FORMATION COORDINATOR– Bobby Myers, ext. 12	
JANITORIAL & MAINTENANCE CUSTODIAN ~ Marty Tobacco	FACILITY JANITOR ~ Elaine Duncan

PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Homebound Ministry: Ron Miller, Jerry Kanta, Kathy Grebner, Joan Feller, Rick Edelen	1st Communion & Confirmation: Bobby Myers
Liturgy/Music: Sue Englin, Jeanne Schneider & Joleen Click	BAPTISM: Call the office: Deacon Chuck Rausch
RCIA: Ralph & Rita Dupres, Deacon Chuck Rausch	Knights of Columbus: Grand Knight, Tom Baumgartner
Altar Society President: Doris Ann Werlinger	

Palm Sunday
April 13 & 14, 2019

Week of April 14th

Sunday, April 14

10:15 am Adult Education class w/Rita
10:15 am Religious Education classes
10:15 am Confirmation Class
7 pm FAMILY ROSARY – All welcome!

Monday, April 15

7 pm Boy Scouts
7 pm Triduum Choir Practice

Tuesday, April 16

6:30 pm RCIA
6:30 pm CARD NIGHT

Wednesday, April 17

9:30 am Mass at Good Samaritan Center
6 pm LAST Life Teen / Edge

HOLY THURSDAY, April 18

No 7:30 am Mass

7 pm Mass

NO Bible Study

GOOD FRIDAY, April 19

NO Mass or Adoration

3 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7 pm Veneration of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY, April 20

NO 5:30 pm Mass

8:30 pm Easter Vigil

followed by RCIA Reception

EASTER SUNDAY, April 21

9 am & 5:30 pm Mass



Two donkeys were walking in Jerusalem, when one donkey said to the other, "Just yesterday I was here carrying Jesus and the people were singing and shouting and throwing down their clothes for me to walk on, and today they don't even recognize me". The other donkey replied, "that's how it is my friend.....Without JESUS you are nothing

MASS INTENTIONS ~ April 8 - 14

Intentions indicated by "+" are deceased; no notations are for living

MONDAY 7:30 am Agnes Mousel +
 TUESDAY 7:30 am Don Wieseler
 WEDNESDAY 9:30 am Mass New Underwood Good Samaritan
 HOLY THURSDAY 7 pm Marlys Johnson +
 GOOD FRIDAY No Mass

Easter

SATURDAY 8:30 pm Parishioners
 SUNDAY 9:00 am Jim Zeller +
 SUNDAY 5:30 pm Mike Smith

MASS INTENTIONS: Other than at St. Therese

Tuesday, April 16 Fred Fisher +
By Fr. Bill Zandri - Somerset
 Friday, April 19 Anne R Vandenberg +
By Fr. Bill Zandri - Somerset
 Sunday, April 21 William O. Campbell +
By Fr. Bill Zandri - Somerset

FAMILY ROSARY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 7PM

PLEASE COME! EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Our Daily Scriptures

Monday Is 42:1-7 Ps 27:1-3,13-14 Jn 12:1-11
 Tuesday Is 49:1-6 Ps 71:1-4a,5-6ab,15,17 Jn 13:21-33,36-38
 Wednesday Is 50:4-9a Ps 69:8-10,21-22,31,33-34 Mt 26:14-25
 Thursday Ex 12:1-8,11-14 Ps 116:12-13,15-18 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15
 Friday Is 52:13-53:12 Ps 31:2,6,12-17,25 Heb 4:14-16;5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42
 Saturday 3 of 7: Gn 1:1-2:2 Ps 104:1-10,12-24 Ex 14:15-15:1 Lk 24:1-12
 Sunday Acts 10:34a,37-43 Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 Col 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9

Faithful Citizenship Excerpts from A Good Friday Appeal to End the Death Penalty, 1999 On this Good Friday, a day when we recall our Savior's own execution, we appeal to all people of goodwill, and especially Catholics, to work to end the death penalty. Respect for all human life and opposition to the violence in our society are at the root of our long-standing position against the death penalty. We see the death penalty as perpetuating a cycle of violence and promoting a sense of vengeance in our culture. As we said in Confronting a Culture of Violence: "We cannot teach that killing is wrong by killing."

<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/death-penalty-capital-punishment/good-friday-appeal.cfm>

Liturgical Ministry Schedule - April 18 & 19

HOLY THUR. 7 pm E.M.: Ginny DeJager, Joann Solano (S) Ralph & Rita Dupres, Del Solano, Ellen McGuigan, Lori Rohde **Lectors:** Jim Blackwell, Tom Baumgartner **Ushers:** Joe Martin, Dik **Altar Servers:** NEEDED

GOOD FRI. 7 pm E.M.: Ginny DeJager, Joann Solano (S) Ralph & Rita Dupres, Del Solano, Lori Rohde, Mark Vedder **Lectors:** Jim Blackwell, Tom Baumgartner **Ushers:** Dik Dahlquist, Joe Martin **Altar Servers:** NEEDED

Liturgical Ministry Schedule - April 20 & 21

SAT. 8:30 pm E.M.: Ginny DeJager, Kay Olson (S) Ivan & Darlene Davignon, Ellen McGuigan, Liz Myscofski, Joe Zacher, Marcia Zacher **Lectors:** Michael McNamara, Tim Renelt **Ushers:** Dick Cuka, Mike & Betty Quasney, Jim Treloar **Gift Bearers:** Schuch Family **Altar Servers:** Emily Myscofski, Johanna Auriemma

SUN. 9 am ALL MINISTRIES BY 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

SUN. 5:30 pm E.M.: Beth Paris (S) Elaine Kocher, Greg Rausch **Lector:** Deanna Johnson **Ushers:** David & Chris VanCleave, Bill & Jan Winegar **Gift Bearers:** Don & Dottie Borowski **Altar Servers:** Jude Sand, Cooper Sand, Kayden Schutz

Please remember to find a substitute if you will be gone. PLEASE call GAYLE MARTIN at 718-4631 if you have any changes.

Altar Society Funeral Chairpersons ~ APRIL

Chairperson: Paula Welsch Co-chair: OPEN

WELCOME

to the Faith Community

New Parishioner

Nayanna HAYWOOD

Through The Waters of Baptism.

Jameson CARTER, son of Alan & Kayla

Please add BEN LANG to your prayers.

Bulletin Prayer List:

Mandy Aarkfeld, David Ange, Diane Ange, Rick & Kathy Borkovec, Dewayne Borszich, Joyce Braun, Britney Weber Brouillette, Jim Cole, Mike Cole, Irene Cox, Bonnie Elwood, Ruth Geiger, Tom Haney, Harold Hansen, Margaret Hansen, Kelly Heintz, Bill Hershley, Debbie Himrich, Ben Lang, Ron Langseth, Norene Lantz, Erin Maddox, Kevin Maher, Mary Maher, Rosie Mansfield, Dwyla Martin, Brad Maskovich, Susan McFadden, Jack Myers, Leah Nixon, Terry Nold, Nancy Palmer, Bruce C. Peterson, Susie Powers, Helen Quasney, Jim Quinn, Ted Rapp, Russ Rearick, Elizabeth Richards, Blakelynn Sharkey, Janice Simons, Bruce Wiesner, Will Winch, Carolyn Wise, Angie Zacher

Huge THANK YOU to PARISH COUNCIL for hosting the SOUP SUPPER on April 12th!

In the Gospel story of the first Palm Sunday we hear that the owners of the ass had only to be told, "The Master has need of it," to give the animal gladly. Do I give as readily to the Lord's work?

GENERAL & OTHER FUNDS: Contributions this week

Envelopes	\$ 5439.00
Plate Collection	\$ 1638.00
Children's Collection	\$ 25.22
Easter	\$ 5.00
Flowers & Environment	\$ 18.00
Adult Education Books	\$ 329.00
Facility Use Donation	\$ 10.00
Building Improvements	\$ 210.00
Electronic Tithing	\$ 875.00
Families in Need-egiving	\$ 5.00
Priest Retirement Aid Association	\$ 202.00
Rent from Rental House	\$ 2200.00
Seminarian Fund	\$ 337.00
Votive Candle Income	\$ 42.00
TOTAL	\$11335.22

WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED: \$9418.00

"THANK YOU" FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

Catholic Relief Services (CRS)	\$ 1559.80
Holy Land	\$ 5.05

COLLECTIONS FOR APRIL:

Apr. 14: General Fund **Apr. 19:** Holy Land **Apr. 21:** Easter / General Fund
Apr. 28: Catholic Home Missions / General Fund
APR: Priest Retirement Aid Assoc., Building Improvements, Seminarian Fund

A LITTLE LAUGH ...

I was going to go running today...



...but it looks like it might rain,
so I better sit this one out.

Hurray! It's a SILENT AUCTION!

*All proceeds go towards sending our
young people to the amazing
Steubenville St. Paul Retreat in July 2019!*

Auction ends Sunday, May 5th at 7 pm!

*Check out & Bid on the awesome items
in the Parish Center! Happy bidding!!*



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 18th

No 7:30 am Mass

7 pm Mass

7 pm Mass in New Underwood



Good Friday, April 19th ~ No Mass

3 pm Stations of the Cross

7 pm Veneration of the Cross

7 pm Veneration in New Underwood



Holy Saturday, April 20th ~ No 5:30 pm Mass

3-5 pm Reconciliation

8:30 pm EASTER VIGIL

followed by RCIA Reception



Easter Sunday, April 21st

Alleluia! He is Risen!

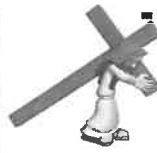
9 am Easter Mass

11 am Mass in New Underwood

5:30 pm Easter Mass



**NO THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY on
April 18th due to Holy Thursday Mass**



**THANK YOU to all involved
with LIVE STATIONS on April 12th
Especially our YOUTH! It was fantastic!!!**

**WE CARE CARDS WORK JUST LIKE CASH, MAKE
GREAT GIFTS AND HELPS THOSE IN NEED AT THE
SAME TIME!!!! We have WE CARE cards on hand for
WALMART/SAMS CLUB, SAFEWAY & FAMILY FARE!
We still have: \$10 cards from Target. \$25 cards from Kohls,
Dominos Pizza, Holiday, Michaels, & Red Lobster!
Come see us after mass or in the office.**

Altar Society Meeting

Sunday, May 5th

at 10:15am in Room 103!

Hope to see NEW, and many of the Familiar Faces. We'll
be discussing graduation mass and other things. ☺

**If you haven't tried e-giving yet, you
should!!! It's easy & SECURE!**

**If you're still not sure, but want to try it, just stop into the office
or call the office at 342-1556.**

Online – Make a donation on our website:

www.sainttheresechurch.org

Text to Donate – to our Number: 605-250-1952

Simply text an amount (no dollar sign needed) to the number above
and follow the prompts to complete your donation! See the text code
word listing at both entrances but "Donation" is default.

Give+ App Search "GivePlus Church" in your phone App store,
download- find St. Therese Church by 57701.

Rest In Peace

Alma Gruenig

They go no further than God - and God is very near.

**Thank you to the Knights of
Columbus for sponsoring the
Lori Joyce Benefit in March. The
Knights helped raise over
\$10,000 for Lori's recovery. Special thanks to the
Keyzers for heading the dinner crew.**

"Father Kerry Prendiville, Thank you so much for your
prayers and support for our fund raiser. We are truly
blessed and humbled by all our friends who turned out for
this event. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

~ Lori & Stewart Joyce"



**Seeking Stewardship Committee
Chairperson! To start in June 2019.**

Long-time volunteer, Chris VanCleave's position is opening. If interested, please see Father Kerry or any Parish Council member!

**Let there be light! Or brighter
light...THANK YOU** to all that
helped with the LED lighting project!
The project is complete!



**ATTENTION SENIORS!!
CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

Let your Parish Family celebrate with you!

GRADUATION MASS

Sunday, May 19th at 9 am!

A reception will follow in the Parish Hall
**SENIORS! Please contact the office and let us know EVEN
IF YOU CAN'T ATTEND!!**



Rest In Peace

Victor Toscana

They go no further than God - and God is very near.

~ PRAYER CHAIN ~

This is not the list in the bulletin.

If you would like prayers or would like to be a link in the prayer chain, please contact the office at 342-1556 or sttherese@diorc.org

**Let's get together and talk about life stuff
Calling all females between 14-18**

Last Wednesday of the month from 6 to 7:30 pm, gather to pray and share our fears, goals, and dream. Dinner provided! Questions? Please call Rita at 381-4988. (Invite friends too!)

ANOTHER LITTLE LAUGH...

Ole is so cheap that after his airplane landed safely, he grumbled, "Vell, der gose five dollars down da drain for dat flight insurance!" and.... Ole called the airlines information desk and inquired, "How long does it take ta fly from Minneapolis to Fargo?" "Just a minute," said the busy clerk. "Vell," said Ole, "if it has to go dat fast, I tink I'll just take da bus."

PARISH PINOCHLE NIGHTS hosted by the KC's



**Tuesdays from 6:30 to 9 pm
EVERYONE WELCOME!!**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Grades PreK - 5th: SUNDAYS- 10:15 - 11:30 am

April 14 CLASS
April 21 NO CLASS - Happy Easter!
April 28 CLASS
May 4 - 1st Communion Retreat @ 9 am 1st Communion @ 5:30 pm Mass
May 5 Last CLASS - NO 2nd Grade

CONFIRMATION: SUNDAYS: 9 - 11:30 am ~ 7th Grade +

Apr. 14 CLASS
April 21 NO CLASS - Happy Easter!
April 28 Confirmation @ 5:30 pm Mass

Life Teen (High School) & Edge (Middle School):

WEDNESDAYS- 6 - 7:45 pm 6 pm Dinner ~ Group starts at 6:30 pm

Apr. 17 LAST LIFE NIGHT: Life Teen/Edge

**The new VETERAN'S Outreach Center IS IN
IMMEDIATE NEED OF TRIAL-SIZE SHAMPOOS,
CONDITIONERS & BODY WASHES (especially 3-in-ones)!**
We will be collecting these items for March & April.

Please place your items in the basket in the Parish Center.
THANK YOU! The Veteran's Outreach Center is located at 111
New York St. Rapid City, SD 57701 ~ 605.341.8336

SEEKING ITEMS FOR Addiction Recovery Centers:

Pens/Pencils, Crossword puzzles, word puzzles, word search, Sudoku, and regular puzzles. Place in the box in the Parish Center by the offices.

**CHURCH RESPONSE is in need of:
CANNED FRUIT, JELLO & PUDDING
CUPS, CEREAL & BODY SOAP!**

Please place your items in box at either entrance! **THANK YOU !!**

**MOMMY'S CLOSET continues to seek donations
for: children's clothing** to sz. 6, **socks and underwear**

to sz 6, **diapers** especially sz 5 & up & **baby wipes**

We greatly appreciate all your contributions.

Please place all items in the cradles at either entrance.

NEWBORN BABY ITEMS 0-12 months new and/or very gently used Outfits, rattles, onesies, receiving blankets, etc. & MATERNITY CLOTHING in all sizes are collected donated to BIRTHRIGHT. Also, if you are interested in volunteering with Birthright, call Cathy at 347-6190.

The Hope Center is in need of travel size personal hygiene items, laundry soap, Kleenex, disinfecting wipes and cleaning supplies!

615 Kansas City St., Rapid City or the Parish Center

Blest are they who come in the name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother, or sister? (Luke 19:28-40) PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

Save the Date! South Dakota Right to Life Annual

Convention *Defending Human Life from Conception to Natural Death* ~Mueller Center, Hot Springs ~ September 21st
Featured Speakers include: Dr. Joseph Bottum—Author & Essayist; Alan Shlemon—Author and Speaker for Stand to Reason; Cheryl Sulleger—Author & Sr. Vice President, Operation Rescue Hosted by: Hot Springs Area Right to Life hotspringsareartl@gmail.com www.hsartl.org

Spiritual Hospice Ministry: to request prayers for the dying, call (605) 209-0667 or visit SpiritualHospice.com

All are invited for a COMMUNITY FOOT CARE CLINIC each month at St. Therese

Interim Healthcare will be providing a community foot care clinic. **\$10 per person: feet soak, toenails cut and lotion applied.** April 19th at 9 am til done with those present. Please call 348-5885 to sign up or ask questions.



Birthright Pregnancy Support

Pregnant? We can help! Birthright is a free and confidential pregnancy

support service. We offer pregnancy tests, practical help, and emotional support. Donations of baby items, i.e. clothing, diapers, and bottles are always welcome! Looking for a volunteer opportunity? For more information, please call Jean at 605-209-2964 or Alice at 605-545-4501 or visit birthright.org.

Diocese of Rapid City Job Openings at St. Thomas More/St. Elizabeth Seton

Contact Molly Rausch – mrausch@rccss.org – 605-348-1477

Rapid City Catholic School System Open Positions

2019-20 School Year:

Elementary Classroom Teacher

Middle School English Teacher

Middle School Enrichment Teacher (part time)

High School English Teacher

High School Spanish Teacher

High School French Teacher

High School Computer Teacher (part time)

Preschool Teaching Assistant

Kitchen Staff

Diocese of Rapid City Vacancy Announcement

Part-time position of Housekeeper for the Diocese of Rapid City. To clean the Chancery offices, Monday - Friday, approx. two hours each evening. Experience in cleaning with knowledge of cleaning products. Attention to detail and safety. Interested individuals should request an application form by contacting Mark Hazel, Director of Diocesan Facilities at 343-3541 ext. 2219 or mhazel@diorc.org. The position is open until filled.

St. Martin's Monetary has an opening for a part-time CNA position. Please contact Sister Mary at 605-343-8011 for information.

Livestream Mass Schedule

with Bishop Robert Gruss for Palm Sunday-Easter

Go to rapidcitydiocese.org.

Palm Sunday: April 14, 8 am ~ Holy Thursday: April 18, 7 pm

Good Friday: April 19, 7 pm ~ Easter Vigil: April 20, 8:30 p.m.

Viewing does not meet the obligation of attending Palm Sunday & Easter. This service is offered for those who are homebound and unable to attend Mass.



AN EVENING IN PARIS

MAYEST AUCTION AND DINNER
SATURDAY, MAY 4th, 2019 AT 5PM
RUSHMORE PLAZA CIVIC CENTER
LACROIX HALL

SAVE THE DATE

LIVE & SILENT AUCTION FUNDRAISER
TO BENEFIT THE RAPID CITY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

DOORS OPEN 5PM
DINNER - 6PM
LIVE AUCTION - 7PM

RSVP - www.rccss.org
RESERVED SEATING FOR TABLES OF 8 OR MORE
ONLY

CORPORATE SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE
CONTACT rsatter@rccss.org

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TUITION FOR A YEAR RAFFLE -
ALL REGISTERED BIDDERS WILL BE
ENTERED IN A DRAWING FOR ONE
STUDENT FOR ONE YEAR TUITION FREE!
MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN, DRAWING
WILL BE HELD AT THE END OF THE LIVE
AUCTION.

Courage & Encourage

Courage is an international apostolate which ministers to persons with same-sex attraction who desire to live chaste lives following the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. EnCourage is a ministry within Courage dedicated to the spiritual needs of parents, siblings, children and other relatives and friends of persons who experience same-sex attraction. Members in both groups support one another through discussion prayer and fellowship. For information on Courage please contact courage@diorc.org or 605-646-3363. For information on EnCourage, please contact encourage@diorc.org or 605-519-8688.

Way of the Cross at Terra Sancta

Join us for Stations of the Cross each Wednesday at 3 p.m. during Lent (thru April 17) in the Cenacle (small chapel) at Terra Sancta Retreat Center. We typically pray The Women's Way of the Cross by Sr. Marie Schwan. All are welcome. Please use the west entrance for easy access to the Cenacle.

Lectio Divina at Terra Sancta

Join us for an hour of quiet reflection on the Sunday Gospel reading each Wednesday at 5:15 p.m. in Hebron at Terra Sancta Retreat Center. Please use the south entrance for easy access to the meeting area.

Cursillo Weekends

Men's & Women's 3-day Cursillo Weekends

Women's Weekend May 2-5, Storm Mountain. Center, Rockerville;

Men's Weekend May 16-19, Storm Mountain Center; Rockerville.

Application fee \$25. A free-will offering is taken at the end of the weekends.

Applications: <http://www.natl-cursillo.org/rapidcity>. For questions contact: Richard Rangel 605-391-4187 richard.rangel@rushmore.com or David Elkjer 605-209-6782 delkjer@vastbb.net. Cursillo, Spanish for short course, is a world-wide personal enrichment program that concentrates on Christian piety, study and action. See the website for more information.

Catholics Returning Home Have you been away from the church for a while? Have you ever thought about returning? Do you know someone who wants to return to the Church? If so, there is a special ministry for people who have been away from the Church. The six-session "Catholics Returning Home" series will run on Mondays and Wednesday, beginning on Monday, April 22 from 7 - 8:30 pm at St. Therese. For more information contact info@returningcatholics.net or 605-939-0579, or visit ReturningCatholics.net. There is no charge and pre-registration is not required.

AND ONE MORE LAUGH...

Ole and Sven were taking a vacation in Sven's new camper. As usual, they'd become lost and were wandering around a strange town trying to find the highway. Sven was just starting town to find the highway. Sven was just starting down a grade to go under a bridge when he slams on the brakes. Ole: Vat da heck you do dat for Sven? Sven: Dat sign dere says, 'Low Bridge. No vehicles Over Twelve Feet High.' Dis here camper is t'irteen feet. Ole: Cripes Sven, dere ain't no cops around. Yust hit de gas pedal and go for it!"

April Child Abuse Prevention Month

Join us at Mass for Healing and Reparation with Celebrant Bishop Robert Gruss. To be held at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Rapid City, Thursday, April 25 at 5:30 p.m.

Pregnancy Center 5K Join the fun at the Black Hills Pregnancy Center 5K-Walk-Run, Jog for Life, **Saturday, May 11**, beginning at 9 a.m. at Old Storybook Island Shelter. Register by May 4 for your free T-Shirt. The event is a fundraiser for Black Hills Pregnancy Center. Visit www.BHPCPartners.org to register or sponsor a walker/team. Honor your mother for giving you life by donating to the Black Hills Pregnancy Center Walk for Life. Put on your walking shoes and join the BHPC Walk for Life 2019.

Telehealth Counseling Available Catholic Social Services has launched telehealth counseling across western SD. A caring and professional therapist is only a smart phone, tablet, or laptop away through confidential video counseling technology. Please call us at 348-6086 for more info. or to schedule an appointment.

Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreats offer a beautiful opportunity for healing to any woman or man who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion. The retreat is a chance to get away from the daily pressures of work and family, to focus on a painful time in life, and to begin healing through a supportive and non-judgmental process. The next Rachel's Vineyard retreat in the Rapid City area will be in late April. For confidential information about the upcoming retreat please contact Carol Kling at 605-374-5639 or ckling@sdplains.com.



Novena of Divine Mercy

In preparation for the Feast of The Divine Mercy, Jesus asked St. Faustina to make a novena prayer from Good Friday to the following Saturday. Join us in praying the Divine Mercy Novena at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, at Cathedral, or in your home at 3 pm starting on Good Friday through Easter Saturday (April 19-27).

Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration at Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, April 28 ~ 2:40 p.m. Eucharistic Exposition and veneration of the Divine Mercy Image; 3:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Benediction, blessing of items, veneration of the relic of St. Faustina. **Please bring any items that you want to be blessed.** Reconciliation will be available during Eucharistic Adoration. The Catholic Church has been celebrating this feast since St. Pope John Paul II declared it official on April 30 in the Jubilee year 2000. (www.divinemercurysunday.com).

You're invited!

**Mother-Daughter Brunch
"Celebrating Women"**

*Sponsored by: Catholic Daughters
Court St. Rita*

Who: Mothers, daughters, any women who'd like to join us, bring a female relative or friend

When: May 5th, 2019

Where: Terra Sancta Retreat Center

What: 9 am Mass, 10:30 Brunch with entertainment & door prizes

Why: Semi Formal Day Out for Ladies, Celebrate Upcoming Mother's Day

Cost: Adults \$12, 6-12 yrs \$6, 5 yrs & Under Free

Must Register by May 1st at:

www.terrasancta.org/CDABrunch.

If no computer access, call Rene Brand at 787-3044 to assist with registration



Human Trafficking We cannot sit back while millions of women, girls, men and boys around the world are having their lives destroyed and their potentials extinguished by criminals seeking a quick profit. Learn about human trafficking. **US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. VISIT: sistersagainstrafficking.org**

Ireland! Only 4 spots left! Faith of the Irish with Fr. Adam Hofer July 9-20, 2019, 12 glorious days, Deposits and Registrations due March 27. Room for 8 more, sign up today! \$4,395. includes air, hotel, ground transportation, most meals, deluxe motor coach, entrance fees per the itinerary, daily mass at very holy places! Call Rita to reserve your spot, 605-381-4988.

Ignatian Retreat If you desire to mature in your spiritual life, it is essential to develop a strong prayer life and to learn the skills to discern God's will. The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius present an excellent opportunity to do so. There will be a silent, directed 8-day Ignatian Retreat at the Sioux Spiritual Center near Plainview, SD, from May 17-26. If you are interested in making this retreat, please visit our website at www.siouxspiritualcenter.org, or call 605-985-5906.

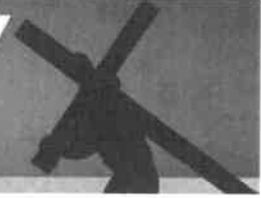


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GOOD FRIDAY

A collection to support
Christians in the Holy Land



April 12, 2019

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

During Holy Week, the Gospel readings come alive as we gather to celebrate the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. The readings remind us of our special connection to the land where this great story unfolded.

Since the time of St. Paul, who urged his missionary churches not to forget the needs of the Church in Jerusalem, Christians worldwide have accepted the responsibility to support the land where Jesus walked. It has never been easy to be a Christian in the Holy Land, and they are facing unique hardships during these challenging times in the Middle East. News reports detail the wars, unrest and instability in the news – circumstances which are particularly hard on these Christians, whose ancestors were among those who first believed and lived the Christian faith.

Pope Francis has asked the Church to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians continue to live, work and pray in the Holy Land. The Collection is a way for us to express our solidarity with Christians in the Holy Land. A donation is a way to make a real difference in their lives, as well as to help preserve churches and the many sacred shrines.

Last year's Collection supported twenty-nine parishes, four orphanages, three academic institutions. It kept schools open for over 10,000 pre-K through 12th-grade students. It supported 120 men preparing to be priests or brothers, helped rehabilitate 80 homes for Christian families, provided senior care facilities in Bethlehem and Nazareth, created 1,500 jobs in the Holy Land for Christians and preserved fifty-four shrines connected with the life of Jesus and the prophets.

Our Diocese will support Christians in the Holy Land by participating in the ***Good Friday Collection on April 19***, as requested by Pope Francis. Like Simon of Cyrene, you can help carry the cross under very difficult circumstances in the Holy Land. Thank you for supporting this collection and for your prayers for our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. Please be generous!

May God bless you abundantly and may the love that the Lord poured out for each of us on the cross fill our hearts with mercy and compassion for all of His children as we reflect on His Passion this Good Friday.

Sincerely in the love of Christ,

+ *Robert D. Gruss*

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