

MASS INTENTIONS ~ Aug. 21 - 27

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

MONDAY 7:30 am – DJ DeJager
TUESDAY 7:30 am – No Intention
WEDNESDAY 9:30 am Mass at Good Samaritan Center
THURSDAY 7:30 am – Gary Gross +
FRIDAY 7:30 am – No Intention

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 pm – Fe Hayden +
9:00 am – Wendy & Donna Baumgartner +
5:30 pm – Parishioners

MASS INTENTIONS: *Other than at St. Therese*

Wednesday, August 23 Rev. Msgr. James J. Mulligan +
By Fr. Kerry Prendiville – Good Samaritan Center, New Underwood – 9:30 am

FAMILY ROSARY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 7PM

PLEASE COME! EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Our Daily Scriptures

Monday Jgs 2:11-19 Ps 106:34-37,39-40,43ab,44 Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday Jgs 6:11-24a Ps 85:9,11-14 Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday Jgs 9:6-15 Ps 21:2-7 Mt 20:1-16
Thursday Rv 21:9b-14 Ps 145:10-13,17-18 Jn 1:45-51
Friday Ru 1:11,3-6,14b-16,22 Ps 146:5-10 Mt 22:34-40
Saturday Ru 2:1-3,8-11,4:13-17 Ps 128:1-5 Mt 23:1-12
Sunday Is 22:19-23 Ps 138:1-3,6,8 Rom 11:33-36 Mt 16:13-20

Faithful Citizenship Reading 1 IS 56:1, 6-7

The foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, ministering to him, loving the name of the LORD, and becoming his servants—all who keep the sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant, them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. <http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>

Liturgical Ministry Schedule – Aug. 26 & 27

SAT. 5:30 pm E.M.: Martha Cook, John Mowry (S) Ivan & Darlene Davignon, Pat Guertman, Jeff Cook, Bob Olson **Lectors:** Louella Vifquain
Ushers: Fred & Paula Welsch **Gift Bearers:** Jim & Roxie Quintus
Altar Servers: Justice Moore, Adriana Young

SUN. 9 am E.M.: Diane Dahl, Ginny DeJager (S) Diane Ange, Ralph & Rita Dupres, Jean French, Mark Vedder **Lectors:** Judee Popken, Tom Baumgartner **Ushers:** Kent French, Jacob French, Tom & Melanie Parson
Gift Bearers: Jason & Donna Gorman Family **Altar Servers:** Christopher Gorman, Thomas Gorman, Mikey Gorman

SUN. 5:30 pm E.M.: Beth Paris (S) Jan Winegar, Dcn. Chuck Rausch
Lectors: Deanna Johnson **Ushers:** Bill Winegar **Gift Bearers:** William & Marcy Morrison Family **Altar Servers:** Tyler Matt, NEEDED

Please remember to find a substitute if needed.

**If you have changes for future schedules,
call the office at 342-1556.**

SEEKING EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & SACRISTANS at ALL Masses but especially on Sunday evenings.

Call Lynn Loomer at 381-7662.

Parish website:

www.sainttheresechurch.org

Find the weekly bulletin here, plus LOTS MORE!

WELCOME

----- to the Faith Community

New Parishioners:

Yoyo & Isa IZAGUIRRE

ANNUAL

FALL FESTIVAL

September 24th!!

~ 10:15 am to 2 pm ~

How can you help?

- ✓ **SEEKING COMMITTEE CHAIRPEOPLE!**
- ✓ DELICIOUS MEAL!! – requires cooks, servers, salad servers, pie servers, dish washers, clean-up help, etc. etc. ALSO... we ask each St. Therese family to bring a LARGE salad and pie for dinner.
- ✓ RAFFLE TICKETS!! – sell (or buy) them!
- ✓ GAME ROOM!! – help provide the youth with a fun-tastic room!
- ✓ AUCTION BASKETS!! – put together a basket (doesn't need to be in a basket)! It's always so neat to see so many creative and fabulous baskets each year! Oh, and BID!!
- ✓ GIFT BOUTIQUE!! – bring your hand made or "Boutique" items
- ✓ COUNTRY STORE!! – we need your home-grown or home-made GOODIES for the store! Yumm!

The FALL FESTIVAL is our big event that requires **everyone** to help, in their own little way, to do their part. Thank you to ALL the groups and committees and organizations and families and friends and kids who take one (or more) slots!! **SIGN UP ON THE SHEETS on the BULLETIN BOARD in Parish Center! THANK YOU!! We look forward to another successful year!**

Call Doris Ann at 484-1888 with questions.

FALL Festival Meeting

August 27th at 10:15 am in Room 103

And then the very last time to gather, to make sure ALL is 'good to go' will be Sept 17th at 10:15 in room 103

Bulletin Prayer List:

Margo Aerts, Tim Ange, Bill Backhaus, James Birch, Shirley Black, Kathy Borkovec, Barbara Boyd, Lorraine Brooks, Britney Weber Brouillette, Rose Brunson, Kellee Callender, Janice Carlbon, Nick Cederberg, Chad, Jeanette Christensen, Dorothy Coats, Mike Cole, Barb Collins, Irene Cox, Katherine Craig, Scott Crawford, Tom Crawford, Darlene Davignon, Debra, Ginny DeJager, Bob Doran, Brian Duffy, Todd Ennen, Ron Eucher, Cathy Falcone, Judy Fisher, Elvina Follum, Vev Fuller, Haven Garrett, Tim Garrett, Joe Gruenwald, Laurie Gustaf, Tom Haney, Harold Hansen, Sue Hayden, Heather, Jaime Hopfauf, Rosemary Huggins, Angie Jangula, John, Jeff Jonas, Joshua, Chris Keuhler, Arlene Kingsley, Rita Kutil, Corky Leach, Gary Lewis, Lynn Loomer, Lorraine, Tom Lowry, Gayle Martin, Brad Maskovich, Susan McFadden, Bob Mercer, Steve Miller, Donna Moreland, Aggie Mousel, Ann Weber O'Connell, Millie Oreshoski, Pat Osburn, Donald Pазie, Travis Peterson, Helen Quasney, Ted & Judy Rapp, John Radziwon, Russ Rearick, Joel Rivera, Gala Rose, Claude & Bennie Saldanha, Carla Sandifer, Janelle Scherr, Allen Schwahn, Lillian Schwahn, Shirley, Steve & Britney, Leo Stulc, Greg Suto, Wilma Theis, Riley Thomas, Rob Tidball, Tim, Terry Usera, Patty Van Horn, Jean Wallman, Eileen Walters, Marjorie Walton, Janet Werner, Larry Wetsch, Willey, De Etta Young

Thank you for the continued prayers for Brian Engle + & Margaret Paris +

Altar Society Funeral Chairpersons ~ AUGUST

Chairperson: Ginny Chandler Co-chair: Margaret Feist

A LITTLE LAUGH ...

CONNIE: "Hey Father, did you know that girls are smarter than boys?"

FATHER: "No, I didn't know that."

CONNIE: "There you go." ☺

CANNED MEAT & TUNA, MAC'nCHEESE, FRUIT SNACKS, JELLO & BODY SOAP ARE NEEDED AT CHURCH RESPONSE

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

MOMMY'S CLOSET Items needed soon:

SOCKS & UNDERWEAR up to size 6

DIAPERS: size 3-5, and **CLOTHING** up to size 6,

We greatly appreciate all your contributions.

Please place all items in the cradles at either entrance.

NEWBORN Baby Items 0-3 months . . DIAPERS, new and/or very gently used Outfits, rattles, onesies, receiving blankets, etc. collected & donated to BIRTHRIGHT.

In today's second reading, St. Paul tells the Romans, "God's gifts and his call are irrevocable." To what is God calling me today? What gifts are mine to share?

GENERAL FUND: Contributions this week

Envelopes	\$ 4740.16
Plate Collection	\$ 1221.26
Children's Collection	\$ 68.69
Assumption	\$ 35.00
Calvin Neiss Memorial	\$ 50.00
Copier Maintenance – KC's	\$ 50.00
Votive Candle Income	\$ 86.00
TOTAL	\$ 6251.11

Amount needed per week: \$ 6805.00

CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Building Improvements	\$ 245.00
Parking Lot Trees – KC's	\$ 923.00

"THANK YOU" FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

Seminarian Fund	\$ 135.00
Priest Retirement Aid	\$ 135.00

COLLECTIONS FOR AUGUST:

Aug. 20: General Fund **Aug. 27:** General Fund

AUG: Priest Retirement Aid Assoc., Building Improvements, Seminarian Fund

Fr. Kerry's Prayer to the Holy Spirit When he Begins to Pray:

Lord I am here. (*honestly state how you are feeling right now*) I give this time to you alone. Come to me now with your Holy Spirit. Help me to pray. I desire you only now. Help me set aside every other task and concern so that I may dwell in your presence here and now. Let me desire you and receive you in the silence of my heart. Come Lord Jesus. Come.

Religious Education REGISTRATION forms & SCHEDULES are available NOW by the Parish Offices or print them off at www.sainttheresechurch.org! REGISTER TODAY!

THANK YOU to all who donated money, donated time, shopped , & SAID PRAYERS FOR THE Love, INC. CLOTHE-A-KID program!!!

It was another successful year and we couldn't have done it without you!!

Special thanks to the St. Therese Clothe-A-Kid Coordinator, Diane Dahl, for all your work for this amazing program!!!

Do you, or someone you know have a desire to join the Catholic Church? Are you an adult that was baptized in the Catholic church but never received the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for those who are considering joining the Catholic Church. The RCIA process begins with an inquiry period of a few months where people can learn the basics of the Catholic faith. There is no commitment to join the Church during this period – it's rather an opportunity to ask questions and learn the truth about the Catholic faith.

INFORMATIONAL MEETING IS AUGUST 29TH AT 7 PM

For more information or to sign up for RCIA, please contact the office at 342-1556.

HELP NEEDED! Selling WeCare & Scrip cards after the 2nd, 4th, & 5th Saturday night Mass!

Just call, text or leave a message at 430-0459.

You can even e-mail me at ylw_flowers65@hotmail.com.

I'll be happy to get you started. ~ Melanie Karp

What ARE food & scrip certificates/gift cards?

They are gift certificates/cards you use when you purchase groceries & other items from the participating stores. They are used the same as cash.

Where do I purchase them? After weekend mass in the Parish Center or you can purchase them in the office during the week.

Why should I use them? A percentage of each food gift card goes to Church Response and St. Therese and all the percentage from the Scrip Cards comes to St. Therese to help the needy. ~It's easy!!!

~It doesn't cost you anything!! ~They make a great gift!

How can I help? ~Purchase grocery & scrip gift cards

~Help sell them after mass

Available in a variety of denominations for Wal-Mart/Sam's Club, Safeway, Family Thrift Center/Prairie Market & MANY area stores like Texas Roadhouse, Target, BathandBody Works, Wendy's, Arbys, & many more!!

Father Kari's NEW CD in the office!!

"Father Kari's Old Time Classics"

1 for \$15; 2 for \$25!

Please make check payable to: Fr. Arnold Kari

Get em while we got em and get your toes a tappin!



Boy Scouts Troop 7 meets Mondays at 7 pm @ St. Therese

-New Members Welcome! Boys ages 11 - 17

Call Rick Edelen at 415-5764 for more information.

ANOTHER LITTLE LAUGH...

A man goes to the lawyer, "What is your fee?" Lawyer: "\$1,000 for 3 questions." Man: "Wow! So much? Isn't that a bit expensive?" Lawyer: "Yes, what is your third question?"

Insurance clerk: "Where were you born, Sir?"

Man: "In the United States." Insurance Clerk: "OK, and which part?" Man: "My entire body."



WELCOME BOBBY MYERS, the new Youth Formation Coordinator!
And THANK YOU RITA DUPRES

for all you have done (& will continue to do ☺) for St. Therese youth!

The St. Therese Religious Education programs will begin September 10th, but we are seeking volunteers!

Volunteer openings for the *New* high-school program: LifeTeen, *New* middle-school program: Edge, and Confirmation! **WE NEED YOU!!!** Please call Bobby Myers at 342-1556, ext. 12 TODAY!



Attention all volunteers!
Safe Environment Training at 11:15 am on August 27th!

While this is mandatory training for the diocese, you only have to take this class once every 5 years! PLEASE Join us!!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

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

August 27 REGISTRATION at 10 am
Teacher Meeting at 10:15 am
Safe Environment Training at 11:15 am
Sept. 10 FIRST CLASS
Sept. 17 Class
Sept. 24 NO CLASS – FALL FESTIVAL (sign up to help!)

CONFIRMATION: SUNDAYS: 4 to 6:30 pm ~ 7th Grade (Includes Mass)

Sept. 10 FIRST CLASS
Sept. 17 Class
Sept. 24 NO CLASS – FALL FESTIVAL (sign up to help!)

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

WEDNESDAYS- 6 – 7:30 pm (Grades 6-12)

6 pm Dinner ~ Group starts at 6:30 pm

September 13 Team Training
Sept. 20 Life Night
Sept. 27 Team Planning/Retreat

Jesus is here! Come part of your day with Him

EUCHARIST ADORATION

NO ADORATION
Monday, August 21
Due to funeral

MONDAY
Benediction & Evening Prayer 6 pm

ATTENTION!! PLEASE NOTE! Starting September 8th, Adoration will be on FRIDAYS with a Holy Hour from 8 to 9 am. Benediction at 9 am.

~ 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 Karen Thorp at 342-1556, ext. 15 or ffkaren@rushmore.com.

My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. As a church, let us pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. (Isaiah 56:6-7)

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

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RELIGIOUS FREEDOM PUBLIC PROTEST

Every Friday from 4-5 by the statue of Abraham Lincoln on the corner of 9th and Main to pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

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-week "Catholics Returning Home" series begins on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of the Black Hills, 12365 Sturgis Rd, Piedmont. The class will take place in St. Joseph Hall. For more information contact Deacon Greg Sass at gsass@diorc.org or 605-939-0579, or visit ReturningCatholics.net. There is no charge and pre-registration is appreciated, but is not required.

Religious Education REGISTRATION forms are available NOW by the Parish Offices or online! REGISTER TODAY!

Anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church...there is a R.C.I.A. Informational meeting on August 29th at 7 pm in Room 103. Call the office if interested.

ONE MORE LITTLE LAUGH...

What do you call a country where everyone drives a red car?
A red carnation.
 Why did the golfer bring two pairs of pants to the game?
In case he got a hole in one.
 What did the stamp say to the envelope?
"You stick with me and I will take you places!"
 Where do you find chili beans?
At the North Pole.

"Powerful Prayer Experience" – Healing Retreat

"It was the most powerful prayer experience I have ever had!" exclaimed a participant of one of Fr. Richard McAlear's healing retreats in Rapid City. People who attend his retreats with a healing Mass often speak about the love of Christ, which has permeated to their very core and has healed deep wounds that were affecting them more than they realized. Come to the "Jesus, Healer of My Body and Soul" Healing Retreat at Blessed Sacrament Church in Rapid City on September 15-17. The retreat is free. Come experience the love of Christ. More information is available at www.blessedsacramentchurch.org or call Jean at 605-399-9522. More information about Fr. McAlear's ministry can be found at www.frmac.org. Bring your loved ones and tell others about it.

2017 Fall Quarter Classes

Life INC is a great place for people from all walks of life to find support, knowledge and encouragement. Students receive a free evening meal for students' families, tuition, child care, and activities plus incentives for completing weekly assignments. **Learn more & register at www.loveinonline.com or call Love INC at 718-5683.**

Apply NOW! New quarter will be starting soon.

Pick up a flyer on bulletin boards at each entrance for class descriptions, list of locations and start dates.

- ~ Financial Freedom ~ Bridges to Freedom ~ Common Sense Parenting for Toddler/Preschoolers ~ Anger: Our Master or Our Servant (\$15 for book)
- ~ Facing Fear Finding Faith (\$15 for book) ~ Insight Group ~ Common Sense Parenting ~ Better Choices Better Health w/Diabetes ~ Nutrition on a Budget ~ Strengthening Families ~ Better Choices Better Health
- ~ Think Differently Part 1 ~ Jobs Class ~ Wills & Estate Planning

West River Catholic—August Issue

What was learned at the National Tekakwitha Conference?
See pages 1 & 3.
 Why is the Liturgy Commission releasing a Mass questionnaire? *See page 5.*
 Who has joined the Diocesan Staff?
See pages 14 & 18

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Check out the Lighthouse Display in the Parish Center for excellent CD's, books and other items! We're sure you'll see something you'll enjoy!!

Celebration of Marriage Are you celebrating

your 25th, 40th, 50th or more Anniversary in 2017? If so, you should be receiving an invitation to the Diocesan Celebration of Marriage on **Sunday, September 17** at Terra Sancta. The Celebration of Marriage includes mass with the Bishop and a light luncheon. If you are celebrating one of these anniversaries this year, and have not received an invitation, please contact Amy with Family Life Ministries at 605-716-5214, ext 236 or ajulian@diorc.org. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Diocesan Youth Rally—
 Encounter: "What Are You Looking For?"**

What: The 2017 Diocesan Youth Rally is a full-day event of fun, food and faith featuring
 Keynote speakers Bob Rice, Sean Forrest, and Mass celebrated by Bishop Robert Gruss.
When: Sunday, Oct. 8 from 9a.m.-5 p.m.
Where: Terra Sancta Retreat Center, Rapid City
Who: Students in grades 6-12
Cost \$35—Youth; \$25—Chaperones
How: Please ask your youth minister or parish office for registration forms or visit www.rapidcitydiocese.org/yya//Registration
Deadline: Monday, Sept. 25
More Info: Contact Linda Batman at ibatman@diorc.org or Craig Dyke at cdyke@diorc.org

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY IS SEPTEMBER 17TH!

This year's theme: "Living as Missionary Disciples." Please pray for all catechists, teachers, and students, especially on this day. Resources are available from the Office of Faith Formation. St. John Bosco, patron of catechists, pray for us! St. Thomas Aquinas, patron saint of students, pray for us!
Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of evangelists, catechists, and all who teach the Faith. We ask you to pour out your grace upon them as they prepare to follow your call of service. We ask you also to bless all students. Open their hearts to your Word that they may be transformed by your grace. Bless all parents, the primary educators of their children, and all families, who are called to be a sign of your love to the world. Help them to follow after the example of the Holy Family in living according to your plan. May the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph intercede for families, parents, and catechists, now and always, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Position open for a Life INC Children's Coordinator

Love INC, a Christian ministry working with over 60 area churches, is looking for a part-time Life INC Children's Ministry Coordinator that will recruit, train and oversee volunteers. Life INC Children's Ministry works with children ages 0 – 14 at three Rapid City campuses that meet on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings. For more information, see <http://bit.ly/2wayZiF>

St. Thomas More Middle School is hiring a Wrestling Coach! The position will include STM High School Varsity assistant coaching. Please contact Craig Nowotny, cnowotny@rccss.org or Nick Durham, ndurham@rccss.org 343-8484

St. Elizabeth Seton Child Care is hiring!

The perfect job for any high school student, our After School Child Care is offered Monday-Friday, 3 to 5:30 pm with some flexibility. We are looking for individuals who like working with children ages preschool – 5th grade. Contact Jana Thies at jthies@rccss.org or 716-5213.

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

2017/18 Teaching Positions available at
St. Thomas More/St. Elizabeth Seton

Custodial – Full-time

Child Care – Part Time

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

Blessed Sacrament seeks Parish Administrator

Blessed Sacrament, has an opening for a parish administrator who is to be a faith-filled team leader inspiring our church to know and love Jesus and one another. In collaboration with the pastor, the parish administrator leads the parish office and staff, helping with the administrative needs of Faith Formation, Liturgies, Finance and Facilities. The parish administrator directs these efforts within a framework of shared ministry and Catholic values consistent with the mission and purpose of Blessed Sacrament Parish and the Diocese of Rapid City, allowing the pastor maximum freedom to provide pastoral care to the parish community. A full job description with qualifications is posted on website blessedsacramentchurch.org. Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest and a resume. The position will remain open until the right candidate fills it.

FULL-TIME COUNSELOR

Catholic Social Services has an immediate opening for a full-time Outpatient Counselor. Master's Degree is also required; S. D. license is preferred. Travel is required. Salary DOE & benefit package. Send resume to Catholic Social Services, 529 Kansas City St., Rapid City, SD 57701 or to css@cssrapidcity.com. Open until filled.

SUMMIT 2017 Learning to Drop the Net!

Casting Nets, a lay apostolate dedicated to the New Evangelization will be the keynote speakers at the Stewardship Summit Conference to be held at Terra Sancta, Friday and Saturday, September 29 and 30. Casting Nets will bring a great deal of inspiration and information in presentations that are humorous and entertaining. Speakers Tony Brandt and Chris Stewart have a combined 34 years of experience in almost every level and form of ministry, from youth to college and from RCIA to adult formation. In addition, there will be other workshops; meals and childcare will be provided. To learn more and to register, visit: terrasancta.org/Summit2017 or call the Stewardship Office at 716-5214 ext. 233. Early-bird registration through September 15.

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

For info. or to register for the following ministries, call Amy at FLM, 716-5214 x236 or ajulian@diorc.org

Heart to Heart: A Weekend Retreat for the Engaged is a weekend getaway for engaged couples to deepen their relationship with each other and with God by exploring the Catholic Church's vision of marriage. **The last weekend retreat for 2017 will be held at Terra Sancta Retreat Center September 22-24.** Please register on-line at www.terrasancta.org. For more information, contact Amy at Family Life Ministries, 716-5214 x 236 or ajulian@diorc.org. *Please note: Because this retreat is such a powerful preparation for the sacrament of marriage, attendance at a "Heart to Heart" Weekend Retreat is a requirement for couples doing marriage preparation in the Diocese of Rapid City.*

NFP ~ Natural Family Planning

August 25 – St. Mary, Lemmon

September 16 – St. Therese Church, Rapid City;

November 18- Cathedral OLPH, Rapid City

The NFP Seminars are required for all couples planning to marry in the Diocese of Rapid City, however they are open to anyone who is interested in learning more about Natural Family Planning. NFP provides an all-natural morally acceptable way to plan your family or to monitor the health of your fertility, and can also aid in strengthening marriages. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear about the theology behind the use of NFP, a witness couple discussing the effect of NFP on their marriage, and the basics of one of the many sound, scientific methods of NFP currently available today.

Please note that the NFP requirement for marriage preparation is met with this seminar. There is no NFP presentation at the Heart to Heart Engaged Couples Retreat Weekend. Couples need to sign up for both the NFP Seminar and The Heart to Heart Weekend.

Courage and EnCourage

Two new support groups are forming in the Diocese of Rapid City — Courage ministry for those with same-sex attractions who want to participate more in the Catholic Church and EnCourage ministry for their friends and family. The chaplains can be reached by phone. To protect anonymity, a contact number for the chaplains is given here. Callers can leave a message, and a chaplain will contact the caller and give them ministry and meeting information as well as assistance in discerning if the ministry will be helpful to them. Call Courage at 605-646-3363 or EnCourage at 605-519-8688. To learn more about this ministry go to <http://couragerc.org> or email office@couragerc.org.

Go to the first page and see how YOU can help with the Annual FALL FESTIVAL!!! Thank you!!

Annual Night of Prayer and Renewal for Spiritual Mothers

In 2007, the Congregation for the Clergy invited women to consider making a commitment of prayer and sacrifice for the sanctification of priests. In our diocese many women have made a yearly commitment to pray for a particular priest, seminarian or discerner through our Spiritual Motherhood program. This includes a commitment to prayer and offerings for the priests of our diocese, who greatly need our prayers and spiritual support. If you would be interested in learning more about this commitment, please consider joining us for: **An Annual Night of Prayer and Renewal for Spiritual Mothers** being held on Wednesday, September 6, from 5:30-9 p.m. at Terra Sancta Retreat Center in Rapid City. The evening includes dinner, time for prayer and presentations by Fr. Brian Christensen and Shawna Hanson. For more information or to register, please call the Office of Vocations at 605-716-5214 ext. 233. Deadline to register is August 27.

Catholic Medical Association

The Sacred Heart of Jesus Guild of the Catholic Medical Association has been officially chartered by the National CMA for the Rapid City Diocese. All medical professionals, clinical and administrative, are invited to be a part of this exciting physician led organization which seeks to inform and inspire its members, in steadfast fidelity to the teachings of the Catholic Church, to uphold the principles of the Catholic faith in the science and practice of medicine.

This year, the Annual Education Conference of the CMA will be in Denver, Colorado from September 7-9. The focus of the conference will be *"Medicine at the Service of Marriage and Family: Transforming the Culture with Love and Truth."* Both the topic and location are incredibly timely for us as a new Guild. Some of the greatest challenges to medical professionals desiring to uphold the principles of the Catholic faith stem from society's misunderstanding of the family, and this convention offers a number of seminars ranging from NaPro Technology, to Bioethics in Family Decision Making, Gender Dysphoria in Children, Hospice Palliative Medicine and even Medical Marijuana. Incredibly fascinating topics, completely consistent with the Catholic faith, and many which offer CMEs.

For More information, see www.cathmed.org, contact Amy Julian at 605-716-5214 ext 236 or ajulian@dioc.org, or contact George Ceremuga, president of the Sacred Heart Guild at lamedeerdoc@yahoo.com.

St. Therese Prayer

St. Therese, the Little Flower, please pick me a rose from the heavenly garden and send it to me with a message of love. Ask God to grant me the favors I ask, I thee implore, and tell Him I will love Him each day more and more.



Sioux Spiritual Center Open House

Saturday, August 26

1 p.m. Prayer Service

Open House to follow until 5 p.m.

Desserts and Beverages to be served.

Bid farewell to Fr. Peter Etzel, SJ, & Fr. Ron Seminara, SJ

Say hello to the new SSC Director, Charlie Rooks

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FNE Parent Info Night - Tues Aug 29 - 7pm - OLPH Hall

Parents come learn more about the Federation of North American Explorers (FNE) a Catholic youth movement. We are members of the International Union of Guides and Scouts of Europe. FNE offers 4 unique program levels for both boys and girls ages 6-24. Learn more at: www.RCFNE.com or contact Jacques Daniel @ [605-430-1647](tel:605-430-1647) or jdaniel@kolbemedia.com

NPM St. Cecilia Luncheon

Saturday, Oct. 7— at St. Therese Church, Rapid City, from 9:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m.

Please send \$15 to Pat McDowell, 4833 Pierre St., Rapid City, SD 57702, no later than Monday, Oct. 2.

Program agenda will include a concert by a variety of choirs, Name That Hymn, and an inspirational presentation by Fr. Kerry Prendiville. Awards and certificates of service will be presented as well. Call Jackie Schnittgrund for further info 390-7748.

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We pray 3 Divine Mercy chaplets for those near the end of life.

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