MASS INTENTIONS ~ Dec. 2 - 8

Intentions indicated by	"+" are deceased; no notations are for living	
MONDAY	7:30 am Special Intention	
	5:30 pm – Marge Wagner +	
TUESDAY	7:30 am Marguerite Livesay	
WEDNESDAY	7:30 am Tony Quinn +	
THURSDAY	9:00 am – Special Intention	
FRIDAY	7:30 am – Hazel Smith +	
2nd Sunday of Advent		
SATURDAY	5:30 pm – Jerod Schulz +	
SUNDAY	9:00 am – Terry Vik +	
	5:30 pm – Kevin Casey +	
MASS INTENTIONS: Other than at St. Therese		
Nednesday Decembe	r 4 Kevin Casev +	

Wednesday, December 4 By Fr. Zandri – at Good Samaritan – 9:30 am Thursday, December 5 Sunday, December 8 By Fr. Zandri – Golden Living Black Hills – 9:30 am Sheryl Allen + By Fr. Zandri – at St. John's in New Underwood – 11 am

Our Daily Scriptures

 Monday
 Is 4:2-6
 Ps 122:1-9
 Mt 8:5-11

 Tuesday
 Is 11:1-10
 Ps 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17
 Lk 10:21-24

 Wednesday
 Is 25:6-10a
 Ps 23:1-6
 Mt 15:29-37

 Thursday
 Is 26:1-6
 Ps 118:1,8-9,19-21,25-27a
 Mt 7:21,24-27

 Friday
 Is 29:17-24
 Ps 27:1,4,13-14
 Mt 9:27-31

 Saturday
 Is 30:19-21,23-26
 Ps 147:1-6
 Mt 9:35-10:1,5a,6-8

 Sunday
 Is 11:1-10
 Ps 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17
 Rom 15:4-9
 Mt 3:1-12

<u>Faithful Citizenship</u> "The heavens declare the glory of God and the sky proclaims its builder's craft." **Psalms 19:2** (From Diocesan Social Justice Commission www.rapidcitydiocese.org/WP/offices/social-justice-commission)

FAMILY ROSARY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 7PM

EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Liturgical Ministry Schedule – Dec. 7 & 8

<u>SAT.</u> <u>5:30 pm</u> <u>E.M.</u>: Bob & Kay Olson (S) Jim Blackwell, Ivan & Darlene Davignon, Diane Wilkinson, Marcia Zacher <u>Lector</u>: Kevin & Kris Hittle <u>Ushers</u>: Mac Coldwell, Dick Cuka, Dale & Alice Schumacher <u>Gift Bearers</u>: Fred & Paula Welsch <u>Altar Servers</u>: Juliene Moore, Justice Moore, Matthew Theis

<u>SUN.</u> <u>9 am</u> <u>E.M.</u>: Jean French, Gayle Martin (S) Donna Abrams, Diane Ange, Dewayne & Joanne Borszich, Nancy Palmer <u>Lector</u>: David Dolan, Don Fitzpatrick <u>Ushers</u>: Bill Schneider, Paul Schneider, Zach Schneider, Larry Cole <u>Gift Bearers</u>: Greg & Tricia Kirsch & Family <u>Altar Servers</u>: Seth Edelen, TJ Morrison, Abigail Popken, Vernon Connor

<u>SUN. 5:30 pm</u> <u>E.M.</u>: Beth Sand (S) Chuck Rausch, Greg Rausch <u>Lector</u>: Lori Ashley <u>Ushers</u>: Greg Suto, William Winch, Stan Fisher, Ben Schutz <u>Gift Bearer</u>: Jim & Renae Kampa Family Altar Server: Evan Sand, Jacob Rausch, Isabella Ashley

Please remember to find a substitute if needed.

THANK YOU everyone for supporting me in filling out the schedule!! The next ministry schedule is in the works for January thru March!

If you know of times you will be unavailable, please call me at 718-4631. Thank you! – Gayle Martin

p.s. Beginning in January there will only be 3 servers at each Mass.

ADULT SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

A Diocesan requirement for all adult volunteers. **Thursday, December 5th at 7 pm**

Call Randy Vette at 342-1556, ext. 12 with any questions.



KC BLOOD DRIVE



Monday, December 9th from 3 to 5 pm WALK-INS WELCOME! OR CONTACT the office or Ray Wagner

== The "Z" Gram == --- Notes From Father Bill --

December 1st makes the beginning of another Church Year and the start of the Advent Season. This Advent let us all decide to give Jesus two birthday presents. First, let us all go to confession and get ourselves right with the Lord. Second, let us try to reconcile at least one strained relationship. Let us be the one who takes the first step. Nothing makes the Lord more happy at us than our gestures of forgiveness and reconciliation with other people who we have hurt or have hurt us. Our parish, and other parishes in the area, will have Communal Penance Services throughout the season of Advent.

May all of us have a Holy, blessed Celebration of the Birthday of the Lord and a Happy New Year. May we all learn how to love and respect one another more sincerely. May we all let mercy overcome judgment.

The Giving Tree

Once again, we will have both the Parishioner Giving Tree and the Salvation Army Angel Tree. *If you, or another parishioner could use some help this Christmas, either pick*



 up a request form from Father Bill or the parish office.
 Gift tags are up! Simply take a tag and return your gift (unwrapped for Salvation Army, and either wrapped or unwrapped for Parishioner Tree by December 17th)
 Philippians 4:19 And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

Bulletin Prayer List:

Larry Amburn, Tim Ange, Don Anton, Bob Bachmeier, Jerry Bartholmay, Kellee Callender, Margaret Chronos, Tina Chronos, Eleanor Clarich, Barb Collins, Brandon Eastman, Kelli Eastman,

Martin & Angelia Espinoza family, Don Everett, Denny & unborn baby, Lena Fagen, Cathy Falcone, Margaret Feist, Joan Feller, Sheryl Feller, Dick & Diane Fraser, Vic Gaudette, Darlene Grass, Judy Hansen, Sue Hayden, Jacob Heil, Ellen Horan, Rosemary Huggins, Vera Jonas, Jerry Kaiser, Baby Kash, Dennis Keller, Fern Keller, Shirley Kenoyer, Albert Kittelson, Jerry & Elaine Kocher, Kathy Krause, Laura & unborn baby, Luke Mars,

Theresa Martin, Robert Melvin, Jr., Anita Miller, Bob Miller, David Oulman & family, Joyce Quinn, Raelynn, Dorothy Rapp,

Ted & Judy Rapp, Joel Reed, Mary Reiner, Mary Rieb, Andrea Rivera, Doyle Roseland, Jim Russell, Karla Sandifer, Linda Schooley, Art Schwahn, Leota Sidel, Mary Sigler, Donna Stulken, Jim Theis, Elizabeth Torp,

Aaron Totten, Sharon Weber, Betty Wilson, Al Winland, Bernie Zander

~ 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 Anne Pozorski at 721-1229.

THE WEEKLY FUNNY ... from Father Bill

The sergeant-major growled at the young soldier: "I didn't see you at camouflage training this morning." "Thank you very much, Sir."

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION MONDAYS: 8 am to 5:30 pm Come rest in Me. If only for a little while.

"At an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come," says today's Gospel. Good stewards know that they are accountable to God for all they have and are and strive to live in readiness for His

coming.			
GENERAL FUND: Contribution	ons	last week	
Envelopes		5124.98	
Plate Collection		1372.35	
Children's Collection		68.70	
Ed Theis Memorial		150.00	
Bertha Engle Memorial		125.00	
Religious Education Program		50.00	
Facility Use Donations	\$	190.00	
Votive Candle Income	\$	43.01	
TOTAL	\$	7124.04	
Amount needed per week:		6805.00	
CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND			
Building Improvements		\$ 65.00	
<u>"THANK YOU" FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO:</u>			
Seminarian Fund		\$ 115.00	
Priest Retirement Aid Assoc.		\$ 55.00	
Families In Need Fund		\$ 48.00	
COLLECTIONS FOR DECEMBER:			

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 Dec. 1:
 Christmas Flowers / Priest Retirement Aid Assoc. / General Fund

 Dec. 8:
 Immaculate Conception / Retirement Fund for Religious / Building

 Improvements / General Fund
 Dec. 15:

 Dec. 22:
 General Fund

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Christmas is a time for giving and sharing and what better way to do that than purchasing 'We Care Gift Cards'! You can help the needy AND get your holiday shopping done at the same time!!! They're available from many area stores including Walmart/Sam's Club, Safeway, Family Thrift Center/Prairie Market, and Don's Valley Market and they're good for all kinds of things like clothes, toys, music and even gasoline. Come by our table after mass or visit the ladies in the parish office. You'll be glad you did!

RELIGOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

<u> Grades PreK - 5ª: SUNDAYS- 10:15 - 11:30 am</u>		
Dec. 1	NO Class – Thanksgiving	
Dec. 8	Class	
Dec. 15	"Happy Birthday Jesus" Party	
Dec. 22, 29	NO Class – Christmas	
Youth Connection: Grades 6 - 9: WEDNESDAYS- 6 – 7:30 pm		
	<u>Meal provided</u>	
Dec. 4, 11, 18	Class	
Dec. 25, Jan. 1	NO Class- Christmas	
<u>CONFIRMATION: Grades 10-11: SUNDAYS- 6:30 – 8 pm</u>		
Dec. 1	NO Class – Thanksgiving	
Dec. 8, 15	Class	
Dec. 22, 29	NO Class - Christmas	
<u>BACK TO BASICS w/Father Bill: WEDNESDAYS – 7 - 8 pm</u>		
	Come one, or all Wednesdays	



We need your help to fill the tables with your Christmas & gift items and handmade crafts and homemade "goodies" for the BAKE SALE!! Please bring your <u>priced items & un-priced</u> <u>"goodies"</u> to the church at 2 pm Friday, Dec. 2nd. Call Darlys Zeller at 348-4269 with any questions.



ANOTHER WEEKLY FUNNY...*from Father Bill* "Honey," says a husband to his wife, "I invited a friend home for supper." "What? Are you crazy? The house is a mess. I haven't been shopping, all the dishes are dirty, and I don't feel like cooking a fancy meal!!" "I know all that." "Then why did you invite a friend for supper?"

We still have space!! Call Today!! The Holly Trolley is coming!!! Saturday, December 7th!

"Because the poor fool's thinking about getting married."

This is a great opportunity to invite friends for a day of fellowship (shopping), food (shopping), and frivolity (with a little shopping) as we tour the Northern Hills! Board the bus at 8 am & return at 5 pm! Tickets are \$30 and includes the bus, lunch, snacks, prizes & a whole lot of fun!! For tickets or more information, contact Kim Dolan at 381-2801 or Sandi Jolley at 348-6840.

DAILY ADORATION FOR ADVENT

Our Lady's Chapel at the Cathedral OLPH 7:30 am – 9:30 pm beginning Dec. 2 Call Randy Vette at 342-1556, ext. 12 for more info.

MOMMY'S CLOSET Items in need are:

(No mittens) but Winter coats & jackets, <u>Baby & toddler Blankets, and 3-5T clothing</u> We greatly appreciate all your contributions. Thank you for your kindness to mothers and their little ones! Please place all items in the cradles at either entrance.

Altar Society Funeral Chairpersons ~ DECEMBER Chairperson: Team Co-Chairs: Diane Ange

CANNED MEAT, CANNED OR BOXED POTATOES, CANNED FRUIT & BAR SOAP ARE NEEDED AT CHURCH RESPONSE Please place your items in box at either entrance! THANK YOU !!

PARISH CARD NIGHT SOCIAL



hosted by the KC's

Every Tuesday from 7 to 9 pm EVERYONE WELCOME!! Bring a friend (if you want) and come enjoy the evening. (Don't know how? We'll show ya!)

Questions? Call Ray Wagner at 343-7601.

Come Help Us Prepare His Place.... We will decorate outside and set up trees on the inside of the church on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10^{TH} at 9 am! Everyone welcome!





PLEASE JOIN US!! Questions? Contact Sue Englin at 343-8455 after 6 pm ALL AGE VOICES INVITED AND ENCOURAGED!!

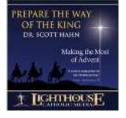
"HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS" PARTY is December 15th!

This is the annual party for our elementary Religious Ed classes to purchase gifts for their family at the "Santa Store" & enjoy a day to celebrate just for them! Festivities begin at 10 am!

Seeking donations of sticker gift tags, ice cream and donations for the Santa Store! You may drop these at the office anytime! ALSO seeking volunteers to help with the party. Sign up on the sheet in the Parish Center. Thank you!!

Prepare the Way of the King

Dr. Scott Hahn - one of the most eminent Catholic theologians in our country today- reveals what scholars now know about the shepherds, the mysterious Magi, and King Herod. Your Advent journey will take on new meaning as you prepare your heart for the birth of our Lord. This illuminating



presentation is sure to help you grow in appreciation of the greatest gift ever given to mankind - Jesus Christ. *Find this CD, and many others and books in the entrance of the Church. Just place your donation in the box provided.*

Holy Elders December 5 at Blessed Sacrament Church after the 12:10 PM Mass in the Parish Hall.

Please bring a dish to share for the potluck lunch. We will play Bingo so bring a wrapped prize also. Bring a friend! Also, bring one or more Christmas gifts for the residents (20 men and 50 women) of the Meadowbrook Manor Nursing Home. Suggested gifts are: handkerchiefs, socks, lotion, talcum powder, long necklaces, bracelets, hairbrushes, combs, stuffed animals, big fat ink pens, and paper. The nursing home does not want perfume, anything glass or door hangers.

ADVENT RETREAT The Southern Hills Parishes of Hot Springs, Custer and Edgemont will be having an Advent Retreat the evening of Friday, December 6 and all day Saturday, December 7. The theme of the retreat is "Longing for Light in the Darkness" and Fr. Kerry Prendiville will be the presenter.

BIBLE STUDY with Ben Eicher *Note new night

Bible Study using the TV Series "Joan of Arcadia" as a basis for discussion. Ben was the show's religion consultant. Each week a different episode of the series will be watched and then the Bible references and theology will be discussed. <u>MONDAY nights at 7pm in Room 104</u>

Vatican Survey for the Extraordinary Synod on

the Family 2014 The Synod of Bishops will meet in 2014 to reflect on Pastoral Challenges to the Family in the Context of Evangelization. A worldwide survey has been initiated to allow the particular Churches to participate actively in the preparation for the Extraordinary Synod. Bishop Gruss invites us to participate in the survey & our responses will be included as he compiles a report to submit to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Please respond all or part of the survey by December 14, 2013. The survey can be found at <u>www.rapidcitydiocese.org</u>. If you are unable to complete the survey online, printed copies are at each entrance. Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

So it is, dear brothers and sisters, that God's voice is not recognized in noise and bustle...Join us during the noise and bustle of the Advent season for a silent retreat at Terra Sancta Retreat Center December 12-15, 2013. Directed by Fr Michel Mulloy and Susan Safford, this retreat is for men and women. There will be conferences on the theme of the Annunciation, and opportunities for spiritual direction. Mary teaches us to listen to the voice of God who speaks in silence; to welcome his Grace that sets us free from sin and from all selfishness in order thereby to taste true joy. More information available on-line at <u>http://terrasancta.org/silentretreats/</u>. Register on-line or call 605-716-0925. Please note this is the retreat formerly listed as women only. It has been changed to accommodate all adults.



WEDNESDAYS: 9-11 AM Babysitting Provided Cathedral Hall Handicapped Accessible

Come discuss the 2 Samuel and 1 Kings 1-11 on Wednesday, December 4. Watch a Jeff Cavin's "Bible Timeline" video and find out how King David and Solomon's temple fit into salvation history. Join us in Cathedral's lower sacristy (in the basement hall by the kitchen). Call Carol 716-4479

Taize Christmas Prayer Service

Sunday, Dec. 15th at 4 pm in the Holy Cross Chapel at Terra Sancta Retreat Center, 2101 City Springs Rd

Taize worship includes silence, song, and prayer. Bring your family and friends for a time of Christmas meditation and reflection. Call 341-1078 for more information or visit http://terrasancta.org

ONE MORE FUNNY ... from Father Bill

Jake and Harry are in a ditch digging away. Meanwhile, Ralph is up under the shade of a tree sipping on a cool drink. Jake asks Harry, "Why are we down here digging in the hot Sun while Ralph is being cool up there?" Harry says, "I don't know, I'll go ask him". Harry goes up and asks Ralph, "Why are you up here in the shade drinking a cool drink and Jake and I are in the ditch digging in the hot sun?" Ralph says, "'Cuz I've got smarts". "What's that? asks Harry. Ralph puts his hand in front of the tree and says, "Hit my hand as hard as you can". Harry swings his fist at Ralph's hand, Ralph moves his hand and Harry hits the tree bark, hurting his hand. Ralph, says "I knew to pull my hand away, that's called having smarts". Harry goes back in the ditch and Jake asks, "What did he say?" Ralph says, "Its cause he has smarts." "What's that? asks Jake. Harry puts his hand in front of his face and says. "Hit my hand!"