

Church of Saint Therese

The Little Flower

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Rapid City, SD 57701

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sainttheresechurch.org

Pastor: Rev. Kerry Prendiville

Deacons: Charles Rausch & Don Moore

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 ~ Patty Brunner 393-2577
VICE CHAIRPERSON ~ Ralph Dupres 381-6027
Council Secretary ~ Fred Solano 381-7783
Buildings & Grounds ~ Chad Carroll 341-4532
Faith Formation ~ Holly Bossen 209-3268
Council Member ~ Irene Lee 431-0358

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 4:30 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
5:30 pm

RECONCILIATION Schedule

Saturday 3 to 4 pm
5:30 pm
Sunday 6:30 pm
Or by appointment!

YOUR PARISH STAFF

PASTOR ~ Father Kerry Prendiville, 342-1556 ext. 4 DEACONS – Rev. Mr. Charles Rausch, ext. 3
OFFICE STAFF: ~ Connie Heeren, ext. 1 ~ Karen Thorp, ext. 2
YOUTH FORMATION COORDINATOR– Bobby Myers, ext. 4
JANITORIAL & MAINTENANCE CUSTODIAN ~ Chuck Rausch, ext. 3 FACILITY JANITOR ~ Elaine Duncan

PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

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

2nd Sunday of Advent
December 4 & 5, 2021

A PRAYER FOR ADVENT

O Lord our God, make us watchful and cheerful as we await the coming of your Son, Christ our Lord, that when he comes and knocks, he will find us not sleeping in sins but awake and rejoicing in his praises; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, December 5

9 am Mass (also streamed on Facebook Pg.)
10:15 am Religious Education classes
7 pm FAMILY ROSARY – All welcome!

Monday, December 6

7:30 am Mass
6 to 7:30 pm RCIA
7 pm Christmas Eve 4 pm Choir practice
7 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, December 7

NO 7:30 am Mass
3 to 6 pm KC BLOOD DRIVE
6:30 pm Increase & Abound Advent
Journey begins

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 7

7 pm

Wednesday, December 8

7 am & 7 pm

5pm in New Underwood

Wednesday, December 8

1:15 pm Mass at Good Samaritan - N.U.
6:30 pm Confirmation class & Life Night
then Immaculate Conception Mass

Thursday, December 9

4-7pm MERCY NIGHT-Blessed Sacrament
6:30 pm PINOCHLE NIGHT

Friday, December 10

7:30 am Mass
8 am Holy Hour Adoration followed by
Benediction & Morning Prayer

Please note: If you would like to reschedule your Mass, please contact the office at 342-1556 during the week.

MASS INTENTIONS ~ December 6 - 12

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

MONDAY	7:30 am	Jeanne Schoept + The Immaculate Conception
TUESDAY	No 7:30 am Mass	7 pm Virginia Barres +
WEDNESDAY	7 am	Parishioners 7 pm Helen Quasney +
THURSDAY	7:30 am	Verne Robertson
FRIDAY	7:30 am	Louis "Louie" Mansfield + 2nd Sunday of Advent
SATURDAY	4:30 pm	Parishioners
SUNDAY	9 am	Eugene & Ann Keller + 5:30 pm Steve Miller +

**Everyone is invited to the
FAMILY ROSARY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 7PM**
YOU CAN EVEN DO THIS IN YOUR HOMES!!



Our Daily Scriptures

Monday	Is 35:1-10	Ps 85:9ab,10-14	Lk 5:17-26	
Tuesday	Is 40:1-11	Ps 96:1-3,10ac,11-13	Mt 18:12-14	
Wednesday	Gn 3:9-15,20	Ps 98:1-4	Eph 1:3-6,11-12	Lk 1:26-38
Thursday	Is 41:13-20	Ps 145:1,9-13b	Mt 11:11-15	
Friday	Is 48:17-19	Ps 1:1-4,6	Mt 11:16-19	
Saturday	Sir 48:1-4,9-11	Ps 80:2-3,15-16,18-19	Mt 17:9a,10-13	
Sunday	Zep 3:14-18a (Ps)	Is 12:2-6	Phil 4:4-7	Lk 3:10-18

Parish website:

www.sainttheresechurch.org

You will find the weekly bulletin, Liturgical schedule, upcoming events, the "button" to e-giving and so much more!

ALSO FIND US (ST. THERESE CHURCH) ON FACEBOOK!!!
<https://www.facebook.com/TheLittleFlowerRapidCity/>

Liturgical Ministry Schedule – December 11 & 12

SAT. 4:30 pm **E.M.:** Mary Ann Wheeler (S) Ellen McGuigan, Deacon
Lector: Jeff Cook
Ushers: Dick Cuka, Mike & Sarah Crook, Mac Coldwell
Altar Server: Mercedes Solano

SUN. 9 am **E.M.:** Ralph & Rita Dupres (S) Bob Heidgerken
Lector: Joann Solano, Chris Wehrle
Ushers: Jason Gorman, Chris Gorman, Clint Jolley, Gayle Martin
Altar Server: Teegan Grosz

SUN. 5:30 pm **E.M.:** Julie Heintz (S), Amanda Williamson, Stephanie Gay
Lector: Anthony Flores, Deanna Johnson
Ushers: Larry Cole, Bob Ormesher, Curtis & Trish Peterson
Altar Servers: Ryan Gay, Riley Gay

PLEASE PICK UP THE NEW SCHEDULE (Dec.-Feb.) AT EITHER ENTRANCE! Remember, if you cannot serve, please find a substitute. **PLEASE CALL Gayle Martin at 718-4631 regarding the schedule.**

Good stewards believe that God, who has begun this good work in them, will carry it through to completion. In words and deeds, they can sing with the Psalmist, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!"

GENERAL & OTHER FUNDS: Contributions this week

Envelopes	\$ 3152.00
Plate Collections	\$ 1816.74
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 5.00
All Saints Day	\$ 5.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 5.00
Holy Christmas	\$ 5.00
Building Improvement Fund	\$ 140.00
Seminarian Fund	\$ 156.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 310.00
Priest Retirement Fund	\$ 90.00
Electronic Tithing	\$ 1210.00
Building Fund-egiving	\$ 111.00
Families in Need-egiving	\$ 121.00
Priest Retirement Fund-egiving	\$ 122.00
Religious Education Reg.-egiving	\$ 90.00
Seminarian Fund-egiving	\$ 121.00
Votive Candle Income	\$ 119.00
TOTAL	\$7,578.74

WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED: \$10,480


**"THANK YOU" FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO:
Campaign for Human Dev.-giving \$ 15.00**

Dec. 5: General Fund **Dec. 8:** Immaculate Conception

Dec. 12: Retirement for Religious / General Fund

Dec. 19: General Fund **Dec. 25:** Holy Christmas **Dec. 26:** General Fund

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

Thank You.
Thank You.
 "On behalf of my entire family, we want to thank you for your presence and gift of friendship and the love that you have shown to myself and my entire family throughout these many years. Thank you for celebrating with me and for the gifts & cards, but most of all for being my friend. Love you to the moon and back!"

~ Nancy Palmer

Please add RHONDA MOORE & LES ROSE to your prayers.

Bulletin Prayer List:

April, Mark Biggs, Eileen Cadarr, Pat Calvetti, End to Covid-19, Bruce Davidson, Guy Davidson, Lois Fisher, Duane Fitzgerald, Fred, Patty Fritzie, Ruth Geiger, Gordy Grenz, Dorothy Griffee, Tom Haney, Harold Hansen, Peggy Haywood, J.A.N., Karen, Kylie, Ellen Horan, James, Don & Norene Lantz, Rayne LeBeau, Leslie, Linda, Dwyla Martin, Fr. Mark McCormick, Lori Mehlberg, Rhonda Moore, Jake Orban, Pat Osburn, Nancy Palmer, Those that are grieving, Marcia Potts, Les Rose, Rachel Rose, Bruce Schwartz, Garry Smith, Special Intentions, Tom, Jack Tomac, Fred Welsch, Joe Zerr

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.

== Fr. Kerry's Korner ==

Dear Friends and Parishioners,

In the Gospel for the first Sunday of Advent, Jesus says: 'Rise up and lift up your heads, for your deliverance is near at hand.' In a recent Advent message our Holy Father Francis warned people not to become "sleepy Christians," who let their hearts become lazy and "their spiritual life soften into mediocrity."

The beginning of Advent is a good time to ask ourselves what is weighing down our hearts and burdening our spirits. What are the mediocrities that paralyze me, what are the vices that crush me to the ground and prevent me from raising my head?

We should also ask ourselves if we are attentive or indifferent to the burdens of our brothers and sisters. Pope Francis says "These questions are good for us, because they help guard the heart from acedia, also called sloth. Acedia is that laziness that falls, slips into sadness, which takes away the enjoyment of life and the desire to act. This negative spirit nails the soul down in numbness, robbing its joy."

For some this may mean a gentle adjustment in routine, a greater emphasis on prayer. But there have been times when the words of Isaiah the prophet below reminded me more of bulldozers and earth movers. We human beings tend to know what we need to do, but we are also pretty good at putting it off. The angels of Advent are either whispering or blowing horns. Let us hear the voice of the Lord.

*"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths.*

*Every valley shall be filled, and every
mountain and hill shall be made low.
The winding roads shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."*

~ Fr. Kerry Prendiville



NEXT WEEKEND!

Once again, we will
be having the
CHRISTMAS



BAZAAR & BAKE SALE

**Saturday, December 11th at 5:30 pm
& Sunday, December 12th at 8 am**

(along with the KC Breakfast)

"Attention ALL KINDS OF BAKERS & CRAFTERS... PLEASE bring your donations of delicious goodies and handmade Christmas crafts & make other spirits bright! THANK YOU! All proceeds will go to Families in Need Fund"

- Darlene, Marcia & Sarah

A LITTLE LAUGH ...

Connie exclaimed, "I've found the perfect weight-loss system. I converted to the metric system and lost half my weight in just seconds!"

Time to warm up your voices! Let's make a Glorious Sound!!



All voices and musicians are asked to join the **4 pm Christmas Eve Mass Choir!** Rehearsals will be **7 pm on Mondays!** *Let's get as many voices, 2nd grade +, involved this year to sing praises. And remember, we need moms and dads and grandmas and grandpas - ALL OF US - to join in the choir this year!*



Immaculate Conception Mass Schedule

~ a Holy Day of Obligation

Tuesday, December 7th

7 pm

Wednesday, December 8th

7 am & 7 pm

*Wednesday, December 8th at 5 pm at
St. John's in New Underwood*

Join us for a 3-week Advent Journey

Advent: Increase & Abound

Tuesdays: December 7, 14 & 21 at 6 pm

Parish Hall downstairs

The merciful gift of God's Son, the true meaning of the season is explained by Dr. Gray, Lived in the Living Word of Christ, discussed with tradition and Church teaching.

For more info., call Ralph Dupres at 381-6027.

KC Breakfasts Are Back!

Join us on December 12th for

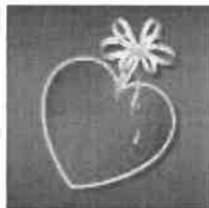
food and fellowship. Serving from 8 am until all served following 9 am Mass; Pancakes, Biscuits & Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage. "Eat In" or "To Go" options available. Cost? Free will donation with proceeds going to Feeding South Dakota. We hope to see you there.



*Have faith, dear child, and take comfort in
God's abounding Mercy and Love.*

The Giving Tree

The Giving Tree this year will include **MORE** parishioners and those in need in the community!



Take a gift tag off the tree in the Parish Center and return your wrapped gift to the church by December 13th.

Don't forget to include a note on your gift tag.

Another way to give...The winter is expected to be very cold with lots of snow. **WE ARE HAVING A COMMUNITY COLD-WEATHER ITEM DRIVE!!** Please bring your **NEW SOCKS**, blankets/sleeping bags, gloves, scarves, coats, hats, etc. to the Parish Center. Place them in the big boxes under the tree. **Rapid Ride bus passes and gas cards are NEEDED TOO!** Please put them in collection or bring to office.

And... we always accept gift cards to any place, in any amount, to distribute to our parishioners in need at Christmas AND down the road.

Through the month of December BABY JESUS SHOWER

For Birthright New or slightly used baby clothing 0-12 mo. Most need of disposable diapers in size preemie, newborn, 1 & 2. Our layettes are packed full in white mesh pop-up hampers with diapers, wipes, receiving blankets, a quilt, towel & washcloth, socks, booties, onesies, sleepers, 2-3 outfits & a rattle or other baby toy. *We do not accept any baby furniture.* Please place your Shower Gift in the box at both entrances!



**St. Therese Parish will again help support
The Salvation Army ANGEL TREE.**

**Take a Gift Tag . . . go shopping . . . say a prayer . . .
And then return your unwrapped gift for Salvation
Army by Sunday, December 12th.**

**Thank you so very much for sharing your gifts
and blessings! Our parish is so awesome!**

*Philippians 4:19 And my God will supply every need of yours
according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.*

Rest In Peace Michael Frank

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



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**

Want to Keep Christ in Christmas this year?

FEED THE HUNGRY

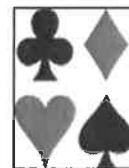
Council 8025 will be collecting nonperishable food items in the box located in the Parish Center for **St. Vincent de Paul**. Please help us reach our goal of 1,000 pounds.

PARISH PINOCHLE NIGHTS

hosted by the KC's

Thursdays from 6 to 9 pm

ALL WELCOME!!



~ 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

The Lord is kind and merciful.

ANOTHER LITTLE LAUGH ...

At the hospital the relatives gathered in the waiting room, where their family member lay gravely ill. Finally, the doctor came in looking tired and somber. "I'm afraid I'm the bearer of bad news," he said as he surveyed the worried faces. "The only hope left for your loved one at this time is a brain transplant. It's an experimental procedure, very risky but it is the only hope. Insurance will cover the procedure, but you will have to pay for the brain yourselves..." The family members sat silent as they absorbed the news. After a great length of time, someone asked, "Well, how much does a brain cost?" The doctor quickly responded, "\$5,000 for a male brain, and \$200 for a female brain." The moment turned awkward. Men in the room tried not to smile, avoiding eye contact with the women, but some actually smirked. A man unable to control his curiosity, blurted out the question everyone wanted to ask, "Why is the male brain so much more?" The doctor smiled at the childish innocence and explained to the entire group, "It's just standard pricing procedure. We have to mark down the price of the female brains, because they've actually been used."

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

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

Dec 5, 12 CLASS
Dec. 19 Happy Birthday Jesus Party!
Dec. 26, Jan. 2 NO CLASS - Christmas

CONFIRMATION: ~ 7th Grade +: WEDNESDAYS: 6 – 8:30 pm

Dec. 8, 15 CLASS (8th is Immaculate Conception Mass, too)
Dec. 22, 29 NO CLASS - Christmas

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

WEDNESDAYS- 6 – 8 pm (Grades 6-12)

Dec. 1, 8, 15 LifeNight (8th is Immaculate Conception Mass, too)
Dec. 22, 29 NO CLASS - Christmas



Be a Knight Before Christmas!

- Live Your Catholic Faith--
- Protect Your Family--
- Inspire Others--

Free online membership has been extended to June 30, 2022. Just go to www.kofc.org/joinus and enter the online code MCGIVNEY2020 and your dues will be free through 2022! Don't miss your chance for the experience of a lifetime.

AND ONE MORE FUNNY ...

I've never had a splinter in my whole life...
Touch on wood.

I just bought a blindfold.
Can't see myself wearing it though.

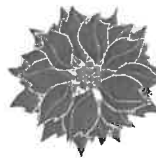
NEW Google NEST in the Rectory Up For

Trade: Anyone handy with electrical installation? I will trade a new Google Nest thermostat for installation of another wall programable thermostat in the rectory. FCFS. Contact Father Kerry.

St. Therese Church is seeking a Janitorial & Maintenance Custodian:

The Church of St. Therese the Little Flower, Rapid City SD is looking for a full time (up to 30 hours) Janitorial & Maintenance Custodian. Duties include janitorial work and maintenance of all equipment & facilities, including the buildings and grounds. The successful applicant will be handy with a variety of maintenance issues and be able to safely lift and move fifty pounds. They should be detail oriented, a self-starter, and able to budget time. Experience preferred. Salary and benefits DOE. Please send resume to Fr. Kerry Prendiville, 532 Adams St, RC, SD, 57701 or kprendiville@diorc.org. Position will be open until filled.

Watch the St. Therese 9 am
Sunday Mass on the Facebook Page
<https://www.facebook.com/TheLittleFlowerRapidCity/>.



"Thank you!" to the many families that donated to the Christmas Flower & Environment Fund.

Your generous gift helps to make our worship space beautiful . . . and inviting.

Let us remember, in a special way, donations made in loving honor/memory of: Rupert Sime, Eulola Sime, Leonard Kuehn, Anna Kuehn, Warner Zellner, Robert Zellner, Rudy & Othilia Deuwenhoegger, Edward Hellman, Gabe Bachmeier, Robert Dietzman, Michelle Kirkpatrick – sister of Kathy Jedlicka, Bob Keighron, Barbara & Chuck Lien, Angelina & Edward Weltick, Robert & Gertrude Keighron, Chick Mekailek & Gary Colbert, Don & Mary Harsma, Tony & Esther Quinn, Jim Quinn, Mary Kay Coughlin, Kathy & Rick Borkovec, Carol Pooley, Don & Mary Fitzpatrick, Terry Vik, Mom & Dad – Darlene & Myron McLain, Deceased Members of the Mowry family, Doris Moore, Roy Hapeman, Martin & Mary Hapeman, Jay Hapeman, Arthur & Darline Van Driel, William & Irene Cuka, Carol & Matthew Wallace, Nancy Woodson, Jean Van Driel, Richard Cooper Sr., Cynthia Cooper, M/M Henry Huber, Paul Huber, Nan Naumann

KG BLOOD DRIVE Tuesday, December 7th 3 to 6 pm



There is a nation-wide shortage due to the virus.
WALK-INS WELCOME or go to bloodhero.com and enter sponsor code: **therese**

*John the Baptizer made ready the way of the Lord.
Who will make ready the way today?*

(Luke 3:1-6)

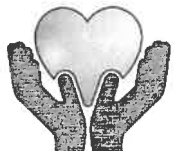
PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

**THESE MAKE MUCH APPRECIATED GIFTS & HELP
THOSE IN NEED AT THE SAME TIME!**

**Be sure to get your gift cards for Sams/Wal-mart,
Safeway & Family Fare BEFORE shopping there!**

**THESE ARE ACTUAL GIFT CARDS FOR EACH
INDIVIDUAL STORE! Each one you purchase
brings back money for those in need at Church
Response AND right here at St. Therese.**

**Stop by the "We Care" Table in the
Parish Center after the 4:30 pm Saturday or
9 am Sunday Mass or in the parish office during the week.**



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.



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Friday, December 24th

4 pm

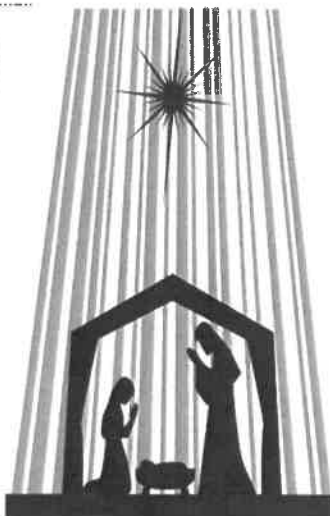
(Bring the Christ Child from your Nativity to be blessed!)

And 10 pm

Saturday, December 25th

9 am

11 am in New Underwood



Diving into the beauty of the Faith has never been easier: at home, on the go, or from any internet connected device.

Discover thousands of books, audio talks, movies, documentaries and studies...there is something for every member of the family to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church.

Go to: FORMED.ORG

*Enter our parish zip code: 57701 and choose St. Therese
Enter your name and email. (Then click on the link in your email)
THAT'S IT!! IT'S FREE!! Check it out!!*

Last Chance! Only 4 left!

Father Kari's CD's 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 & get your toes a tappin!



**Calling all 9-14 Boys and Girls!
Knights of Columbus Council 8025
Free Throw Competition!!**

**January 9th at 12:30-3:00pm at
St. Thomas High School**

Bring Tennis shoes and be ready to shoot and make as many free throws as possible. Participation is FREE and you get 15 shots with 5 practice shots. Prizes will be awarded!! *Winners will participate in district competition immediately following Council Competition. See Bobby with Any Questions!! Also seeking Volunteer 15-18 year old Boys and Girls To Help with Judging and Scoring!!*



**LET'S PUTZ OUT HUNGER IN
OUR COMMUNITY**

Help the Knights of Columbus Bishop Lawler 1075
4th Degree Assembly, "putz" out hunger by attending a

**Special Care and Share Food Drive program at
Putz n Glo Black Light Mini Golf
Monday, December 20th between 6 and 9 pm.**

Only \$5 per person plus a can or non-perishable food item (normally \$10). This is a great way to assist those in our community who suffer from food insecurity. Let's show our neighbors what a great community we live in and help feed them during this holiday season of giving. *Putz n Glo is located at 23694 Strato Rim Dr., Rapid City, SD*



St. Therese Knights of Columbus 7th Annual

BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Meadowood Lanes ~ January 8th

Registration starts at 1 pm (Pre-registration encouraged)

1:30 pm start ~ \$20 per person/\$80 entry for 4 person team

CASH PRIZES/DOOR PRIZES/ STRIKE POT & MORE!

Proceeds to "Coats for Kids" **Put a team together and come join the fun!!! Questions or to sign up, call John at 393-2081 or email jschlim1@gmail.com .**



ADVENT RECONCILIATION

MERCY NIGHT: Thursday, December 9

4 to 7 pm ~ Blessed Sacrament

Monday, December 13 ~ 6 pm

~ Our Lady of the BH

~ ST. THERESE ~

6:30 pm ~ THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16

Wednesday, December 22 ~ 6 to 8 pm ~ St. Isaac Jogues

**& EVERY SATURDAY FROM 3 to 4 PM & 5:30 pm AND
SUNDAY at 6:30 pm AT ST. THERESE**



MMMM! ...

**Fresh-baked &/or Frozen
CARAMEL ROLLS**

Yes! Fill out this order form and send in with payment NOW, then pick up your fresh-baked, or frozen Rolls on December 18 & 19! It's that easy!!

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

SIX (\$6)

TWELVE (\$12)

EIGHTEEN (\$18)

TWENTY FOUR (\$24)

(CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY)

FROZEN?

(Need to rise for 12 hours from frozen before baking)

FRESH-BAKED?

Pick up after which Mass? Dec. 18 or 19 (circle one)

after 4:30 Sat.

after 9 am Sun.

after 5:30 pm Sun. Mass

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING ST. THERESE YOUTH

Diocesan Masses for Life

A Mass is said each day at different parishes for pro-life concerns. Please help financially support the Mass stipends paid to each participating church. The Blessed Sacrament Pro-Life Committee has sponsored this program since 2003.

To help, please send your donation to Blessed Sacrament Pro-Life Committee, % Mary Mitchell, 113 S. Berry Pine Rd., Rapid City, SD 57702. God bless you!

Christmas Taizé Join us for a different kind of prayer on Sunday, December 19 at 5pm in Holy Cross Chapel at Terra Sancta Retreat Center. All are welcome to this beautiful experience of song, scripture readings and silence. During our Christmas Taizé, all are invited to light a candle for a special intention as part of the prayer service. We hope you can join us at 2101 City Springs Rd in Rapid City. Questions? Contact us at 605-716-0925.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS Court St. Rita #916 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Advent Celebration on Monday, December 13th at 5:30 pm at St. Therese Church. All Catholic Daughters are invited to attend. You are asked to bring a potluck dish. (Meat will be furnished, turkey or ham), a can of food for the food bank, \$5.00 for a charity and a gift to exchange (value no more than \$10.00). Games, fellowship and a short meeting will be featured. For more information or to get a ride, please call 605-431-0851. Please come and enjoy this glorious season with your sister Catholic Daughters.

Simbang Gabi or night Mass is a series of nine novena Masses. It is Filipino Advent tradition, a spiritual preparation for the coming of Our Savior, Jesus Christ. Masses are held at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 520 Cathedral Dr., Rapid City. Mass times are Dec. 15 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 16-23 at 5:30 p.m. Dec. 17 the celebrant will be Fr. Jason Marco, a Filipino priest from the Diocese of Cheyenne. *Following the Dec. 17 Mass, a traditional Filipino meal will be served.* For questions, please call 605-430-7392 Or 605-545-0540.

Night of Prayer for Life, December 7th at Blessed Sacrament. The evening begins with the 5:30 PM Mass for the Immaculate Conception Solemnity followed by Eucharistic Adoration, including the sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the rosary. Closing Benediction at 8 PM. *Because of the many challenges to life this year and the Texas and Mississippi cases being heard by the Supreme Court, prayer is essential. Please join us!*

Help!! Meals on Wheels Program is in **CRITICAL** need of VOLUNTEER DRIVERS!

Meals on Wheels is experiencing an increase in requests for meals to benefit homebound seniors in Rapid City. We are urgently looking for volunteers that can deliver meals to seniors that might otherwise go hungry. Drive once a week... or every other week... or buddy system (take turns with a buddy). *Meal routes leave the kitchen between 10:30-11 am. Most routes take approximately 1 hour to deliver.*

For more information, contact Cheree Pederson at 605-545-1410 or cheree@mealsprogram.com.

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