

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: 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

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES

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

Your Parish Council meets on the LAST Monday 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. Monthly meeting minutes e-filed on website: sainttheresechurch.org

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:

January 14 - 18

Monday 7:30 am

Tuesday 7:30 am

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

Thursday 7:30 am

Friday 7:30 am

YOUR PARISH STAFF

PASTOR ~ Father Kerry Prendiville, 342-1556 ext. 11 DEACONS – Rev. Mr. Charles Rausch
OFFICE STAFF ~ Karen Thorp, ext. 15 ~ Connie Heeren, ext. 10
ACCOUNTING ~ Diocese of Rapid City YOUTH FORMATION COORDINATOR– Bobby Myers, ext. 12
JANITORIAL & MAINTENANCE CUSTODIAN ~ Marly Tobacco FACILITY JANITOR ~ Elaine Duncan

PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

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

The Baptism of the Lord
January 12 & 13, 2019

Week of January 13th

Sunday, January 13

8 am til all served following 9 am Mass
KC BREAKFAST! Come on down!

10:15 am Religious Education classes

10:15 am Confirmation class

6:30 pm KC Christmas party

7 pm FAMILY ROSARY – All welcome!

Monday, January 14

6:30 pm Light Weigh

6:30 pm Catholic Daughters

7 pm Boy Scouts

7 pm Knights of Columbus meeting

Tuesday, January 15

6:30 pm RCIA

6:30 pm* CARD NIGHT - *Note time change

Wednesday, January 16

9:30 am Mass at Good Samaritan Center

12:30 pm Mary's Circle Lunch @ Perkins

6 pm Edge & Life Teen

6 pm Hearts of Fire class begins

Friday, January 18

7:30 am Mass

8 to 9 am Holy Hour of Adoration

followed by Benediction & Morning Prayer

9 am FOOT CLINIC

ST. THERESE NIGHT AT RUSH GAME!

Saturday, January 19

6:30 pm Spaghetti Dinner & BINGO

Saturday & Sunday, January 19 & 20

after all Masses "Living the Mission"

Reception downstairs – Everyone welcome and encouraged to attend.

DOWN THE ROAD

Sunday, January 20

10:15 am Altar Society meeting – Room 103

Welcome to St. Therese!

We are truly happy you joined us in the Celebration of the Mass!

If you would like information about the parish, or to register, please call the office at 342-1556.

"The Eucharist is Jesus, present in all simplicity and love, inviting us to come into His presence to stay awhile."

From Come Stay Awhile by Fr. Richard McAlear, OMI

MASS INTENTIONS ~ January 14 - 20

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

MONDAY	7:30 am	Mike Smith
TUESDAY	7:30 am	Marlys Johnson +
WEDNESDAY	9:30 am	Mass New Underwood Good Samaritan
THURSDAY	7:30 am	Don Wieseler
FRIDAY	7:30 am	Marlys Johnson +
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time		
SATURDAY	5:30 pm	Kristi Grohs +
SUNDAY	9:00 am	Ted & Jerod Schulz +
SUNDAY	5:30 pm	Parishioners

FAMILY ROSARY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 7PM

PLEASE COME! EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Our Daily Scriptures

Monday	Heb 1:1-6	Ps 97:1,2b,6,7c,9	Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday	Heb 2:5-12	Ps 8:2a,5-9	Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday	Heb 2:14-18	Ps 105:1-4,6-9	Mk 1:29-39
Thursday	Heb 3:7-14	Ps 95:6-11	Mk 1:40-45
Friday	Heb 4:1-5,11	Ps 78:3,4bc,6c-8	Mk 2:1-12
Saturday	Heb 4:12-16	Ps 19:8-10,15	Mk 2:13-17
Sunday	Is 62:1-5	Ps 96:1-3,7-10	1 Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11

Faithful Citizenship During the month of January, we will focus on the 9 Days of Life, from January 14-22, in acknowledgement of the anniversary of the 1973 decisions of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton made abortion in America legal at all stages of pregnancy.

From 9DaysForLife.com - Day 1

Intercession: May a culture of life grow ever stronger in our communities.

Reflection: God has carefully, lovingly created every person—in His own image and likeness—to be in a loving relationship with Himself. From each tiny child knit within a mother's womb, to every person approaching death, all are loved perfectly and completely by God. "It is therefore a service of love," Pope Saint John Paul II explains, "which we are all committed to ensure to our neighbor, that his or her life may be always defended and promoted, especially when it is weak or threatened [emphasis added]" (Evangelium vitae, 77). In a world in which the most vulnerable are so often overlooked and disregarded, Christ calls us to embrace and uphold the unconditional dignity of every human life. In doing so, we help to build "a new culture of life, the fruit of the culture of truth and of love" (EV, 77). **One Step Further:** Watching the news and reading

headlines, we may often feel helpless in the face of a heartbreaking lack of respect for human life. When our efforts to make a difference feel small, it's important to remember that changing the culture is a process of conversion that begins in our own hearts. It includes a willingness to be instructed and a desire to be close to Jesus—the source of joy and love. For prayers for the

rest of the novena www.9DaysForLife.com

Liturgical Ministry Schedule – January 19 & 20

SAT. 5:30 pm E.M.: Bob & Kay Olson (S) Martha Cook, Doug Meiron, Tim & Joan Renelt, Joe Zacher **Lectors:** Kevin & Kris Hittle **Ushers:** Dan Shank, Todd Tellinghusen, Jim Treloar, Dick Cuka **Gift Bearers:** Jim & Roxie Quintus **Altar Servers:** Allison Schuch, Ben Schuch

SUN. 9 am pm E.M.: Ralph & Rita Dupres (S) Dcn. Chuck Rausch, Paul Schneider, Mark Vedder, Ray & Mary Wagner **Lectors:** Jerry Kanta, Judee Popken **Ushers:** Dean Hade, Bill Schneider, Al Thome, Brenda Wills **Gift Bearers:** Tom & Melanie Parson **Altar Servers:** Hayden Czerwonka, Zach Heizelman, Nathan Kanta

SUN. 5:30 pm E.M.: Elaine Kocher (S) Jan Winegar, Amanda Williamson **Lector:** Tony Berendse **Ushers:** Bob Or,mesher, Greg Rausch, Will Winch, 1 NEEDED **Gift Bearers:** David & Chris VanCleave **Altar Servers:** Jude Sand, Cooper Sand, Thomas Rausch

Remember to find a substitute if you will be gone

PLEASE call GAYLE MARTIN at 718-4631.

WELCOME

to the Faith Community

New Parishioners:

Kayla McCASKELL

"Ask and you shall receive."

Once again, St. Therese parishioners responded to a family by providing food, support and service for the large funeral for Traven Bies. Thank you to EVERYONE for coming forward during their time of need. As the Body of Christ, we multiplied the fishes to feed the multitude! We give great thanks to each & every one of you!!



Altar Society Funeral Chairpersons ~ JANUARY

Chairperson: Angie Zacher/Joyce Schlim

Co-chair: Jan Winegar

Jesus, whom God called "my beloved Son," is also the "servant" of whom Isaiah speaks in the first reading. We who are baptized in Christ must follow His example and use our time and resources in the service of God and neighbor.

GENERAL & OTHER FUNDS: Contributions this week

Envelopes	\$ 5186.31
Plate Collection	\$ 1264.28
Children's Collection	\$ 28.20
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 97.00
Building Improvements	\$ 1104.00
Text to Give	\$ 45.00
Text to Give – Christmas	\$ 100.00
Electronic Tithing	\$ 625.00
Families in Need-egiving	\$ 9.00
Priest Retirement Aid Association	\$ 428.40
Seminarian Fund	\$ 17.00
Votive Candle Income	\$ 23.50
TOTAL	\$ 8927.69

WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED: \$9418.00

"THANK YOU" FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO:
Campaign for Human Development – egiving \$3.00

COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY:

Jan. 13: General Fund Jan. 20: General Fund

Jan. 27: Church in Latin America / General Fund

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

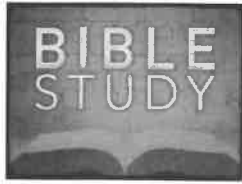
Bulletin Prayer List:

Mandy Aarkfeld, Rick & Kathy Borkovec, Dewayne Borszich, Joyce Braun, Britney Weber Brouillette, Gloria Cain, Lois Cersosimo, Mike Cole, Irene Cox, Bonnie Elwood, Ruth Geiger, Tom Haney, Harold Hansen, Margaret Hansen, Kelly Heintz, Judy Herrick, Bill Hershley, Norene Lantz, Erin Maddox, Kevin Maher, Mary Maher, Brad Maskovich, Susan McFadden, Jack Myers, Leah Nixon, Susie Powers, Helen Quasney, Jim Quinn, John Radziwon, Ted Rapp, Russ Rearick, Elizabeth Richards, Joel Rivera, Bennie Saldanha, Blakelynn Sharkey, Janice Simons, Lucy Weisgram, Karla Winland, Carolyn Wise, Angie Zacher

Rest In Peace

Eileen Walters

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



Yes! Bible Study starting at St. Therese! THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

WHEN: Thursday evenings starting January 17th
TIME: 6:30 p.m.

WHAT TO BRING: A Bible, if you have one, and the desire for a better understanding of upcoming Sunday Mass Readings.

WHERE: Parish Hall downstairs in the St Therese Parish Center
For more information contact the Church Office at 342-1556 or Melanie Karp at 430-0459 and leave a message or text.

We hope to see you there.

Next Knights of Columbus Meeting

Monday, January 14th ~ 7 pm

If you are interested in becoming a Knight,
call Grand Knight Tom Baumgartner at 348-9528 or any KC!

MARY'S CIRCLE LUNCH

Wednesday, January 16th @ 12:30 pm

at Perkins on LaCrosse St.

"Come one, come all!"

Please RSVP to Darlys at 348-4269.

*EVERYONE
WELCOME!!*

St. Therese YOUTH FUNDRAISER @ Texas Roadhouse

Hey – heading Out-To-Eat? Why not go to the Texas Roadhouse Tuesday, January 22nd . . . and tell them you are there to support our teens heading to Ireland in July!! Enjoy the evening and support our youth – all at the same time. ☺

A LITTLE LAUGH ...

"I try to find the good in every situation. Wait. That was a typo. I meant 'food'. I try to find the food in every situation." – an email sent by Connie.

SPAGHETTI DINNER & B-I-N-G-O

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus

SATURDAY, January 19 at 6:30 pm

Free-will offering for dinner

Cards 3 for \$1 per game

Proceeds to KC Charity



PARISH PINOCHLE NIGHTS *hosted by the KC's*

♣ ♦ Every Tuesday from 6:30 to 9 pm

♥ ♠ *EVERYONE WELCOME!! Bring a friend (if you want) and come enjoy the evening.*

Rest In Peace

Sherry Blackwell

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

Hey All! It's St. Therese FUN Night at the Rapid City Rush!

Friday, January 18th!

per ticket! (St. Therese

cover the rest!) Be sure

WITH PAYMENT to Bobby Myers in the Tour Office or at 342-1556, ext. 12 NOW!

Still a few tickets left! Only \$10! Call TODAY!



ANOTHER LITTLE LAUGH...

Connie to Karen, "I really need to get in shape. If I were murdered right now, my chalk outline would be a circle."

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.

Items needed ASAP at the HOPE CENTER: deodorant, razors, travel size lotion and conditioner, laundry soap, Kleenex, disinfecting wipes and cleaning supplies such as Pine-Sol or toilet bowl cleaner!

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

MOMMY'S CLOSET Items needed soon:
CHILDREN'S CLOTHING to sz. 6, SOCKS & 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.

BEANS, TOMATO SAUCE, CANNED TOMATOES, CANNED MEAT, FEMININE PRODUCTS & SOAP

ARE NEEDED AT CHURCH RESPONSE

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

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

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

Jan. 13 CLASS
 Jan. 20 NO CLASS – MLK, Jr. Day
 Jan. 27, Feb. 3, 10 CLASS

**CONFIRMATION: SUNDAYS: 9 – 11:30 am ~ 7th Grade +
 (Includes Mass)**

Jan. 13 CLASS
 Jan. 20 NO CLASS – MLK, Jr. Day
 Jan. 27 9 am - 1 pm Mini-Retreat WITH SPONSORS (Mass & lunch)

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

WEDNESDAYS- 6 – 7:45 pm (Grades 6-12)

6 pm Dinner ~ Group starts at 6:30 pm

Jan. 16, 23 Life Night: Life Teen & Edge
 Jan. 30 Core Team Only

The new VETERAN'S Outreach Center is a safe place for veterans and their families to connect with resources they need for housing, employment, healthcare and other basic life necessities. The center is equipped with free laundry, shower facilities, message and mail center, telephone, as well as a computer resource center and community day room. They offer free coffee and snacks, laundry soap and hygiene items. We are collecting: New socks & underwear, razors, shaving cream, bar soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, laundry detergent pods, dryer sheets, female personal products, (*Trial sizes work great!*) towels, wash clothes, coffee, creamers, Equal, Individually wrapped snacks.
BRING TO THE BOX IN THE PARISH CENTER! THANK YOU!

We would like to thank all those who have helped sell and purchase the "We Care and Scrip" gift cards this past year. By doing so, you have assisted St. Therese Church in raising \$3867.10 to help the needy in our community.

(This amount is the difference between 1-1-18 and 1-1-19 prior to funds being disbursed from the account.) **It may have taken only a little of your time and effort, but it made quite an impact in benefitting such a worthy cause. Again...thank you and keep up the good work! Stats from 2018:**

MONTH	Amount Sold	Amount saved in purchases
JANUARY	\$7425 + \$940 Scrip	\$228.14
FEBRUARY	\$3975 + \$575 Scrip	\$151.92
MARCH	\$4725 + \$655 Scrip	\$ 74.15
APRIL	\$5225 + \$940 Scrip	\$115.63
MAY	\$3900 + \$940 Scrip	\$132.87
JUNE	\$5625 + \$465 Scrip	\$ 94.68
JULY	\$4255 + \$515 Scrip	\$185.30
AUGUST	\$4150 + \$425 Scrip	\$104.92
SEPTEMBER	\$4525 + \$410 Scrip	\$ 59.03
OCTOBER	\$3970 + \$210 Scrip	\$134.20
NOVEMBER	\$3895 + \$420 Scrip	\$140.39
DECEMBER	\$7135 + \$2845 Scrip	\$192.59
TOTALS:	\$58,805 + \$9340 Scrip	\$1547.35*
	(\$76,375 in 2017)	(\$1,655.78 in 2017)

+ This amount does not include the percentage which Church Response also receives from the sale of these gift cards. **The amount we receive from Scrip depends on many factors which include the percentage we get from the type of card purchased (ie. Department stores 3-4% vs. restaurants 8-11%) as well as the postage we pay per order vs. free shipping deals when available.

Oh goodness... **THANK YOU**

KAREN THORP

for almost 16 years of
service to St. Therese Parish

in the office. We wish you the
 best of luck in your new "adventures" & spending
 time with family! You will be greatly missed!



"Thank You!" to all the NEW Gals, and to all the Familiar Faces, that stopped by last week to hear what the Altar Society has on its plate for the coming year. February is Mission Meal (and making fudge) and March will find us hosting the Lenten Soup Supper. Always nice to meet and help NEW ladies of the church get involved. So – mark your calendars: **Altar Society Meeting Sunday, January 20 at 10:15am.** Hope to see NEW, and many of the Familiar Faces. All Invited!

Did YOU get your cards yet??!!! The 'We Care' & Scrip gift cards spend just like cash at many stores & benefit the church at no extra cost to you! If you're going to spend the money anyway, why not help a good cause while you're at it? ON HAND from MANY BUSINESSES plus we can order a variety of amounts from a bunch of other local places! Come see us after mass or in the office.

We now accept credit/debit cards!!

Easy & SECURE! If you can't come into the office, you can use it these other ways:

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.

Are you a single, separated or divorced Catholic?

CONNECTED CATHOLICS OF SD A group that provides a social and spiritual group of single, widowed, separated, and divorced Catholic men and women ages 35 & up a network of activities that offer companionship for singles.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, January 24 - 5pm - Happy Hour - Ruby Tuesday's
 Sunday, February 10 - 11:30am - Brunch at Elks Club
 Friday, March 1 - Dinner - 5:30 pm - Chili's

Thursday, April 4 - Dinner - 5pm - Fiesta Tequila
 If you need additional information or would like to be put on our email list please contact Brenda at 718-0954 or Larry at 355-9087.

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.** **January 18th at 9 am** til done with those present. Please call 348-5885 to sign up or ask questions.

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.

ONE MORE LITTLE LAUGH...



9GAG.COM/DA1V30R20SS

Returning Catholics Six-week program for those who have been away from the church and are thinking about returning. **Mondays at Blessed Sacrament Church, Rapid City, at 7 pm.** No charge.

Call Margaret Jackson at 605-939-0579 or email: infor@returningcatholics.net or visit ReturningCatholics.net.

Permanent Diaconate – Is God Calling You?

Could God be calling you to serve Him and the Church as a Permanent Deacon? Come and explore the possibility of the Permanent Diaconate by attending a presentation on the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Rapid City. Husbands and wives are encouraged to attend.

Saturday, February 2, 2019 at Terra Sancta Retreat Center
11:45 AM Mass (Holy Cross Chapel), 12:30 PM Luncheon, 1:30 PM Presentation *As counts for lunch and space is required, please contact Deacon Greg Sass to make your reservation to attend.*

Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at Our Lady of the Black Hills, Piedmont ~ 6:30 PM Presentation *No reservation required.*

Additional presentations will be scheduled at other locations. Watch the West River Catholic and your bulletin for additional dates and locations. For more information, contact Deacon Greg Sass, gsass@diorc.org, (605) 791-7282 or visit <https://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/permanent-diaconate/diaconate-formation/>.

Diocesan Podcasts Panel discussions led by Bishop Robert Gruss on the Diocesan Core Values set in "Through Him, With Him, and In Him" will be featured in the new year. Go to www.rapidcitydiocese.org and click on the podcast icon, or use the podcast app on your phone. **Stewardship**, Jan. 23; **Solidarity**, Feb. 13; **Mercy**, Feb. 27; **Charity**, Mar. 13; **Family**, Mar. 27

Suicide Prevention Training

Wednesday, January 16 at 6:30 p.m. at Our Lady of the Black Hills in Piedmont. Jim Kinyon of Catholic Social Services will offer a training on suicide prevention through the QPR Suicide Prevention training method. No registration necessary. Contact Joni in the office at 787-5168.



Join Catholics nationwide in the annual pro-life novena, **9 Days for Life**, Monday, January 14 – Tuesday, January 22. Pray for respect of all human life with daily intentions and brief reflections. Download a free mobile app, or sign up to receive the novena through daily emails or text message. (A printable version is also available online.) Sign up at www.9daysforlife.com!

REFUEL 2019 For all who serve the Church – join us January 25-26 at Terra Sancta Retreat Center for Refuel 2019: Source & Summit: Encountering Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. We have a dynamic speaker lined up — Fr. Scott Traynor, author of "The Parish as a School of Prayer" and priest of the Diocese of Sioux Falls. He will inspire and help us to grow in our love and encounter with our Lord in the Eucharist. We'll begin with Mass & dinner at 5:30 p.m. on Friday evening, and end at 4 p.m. on Saturday. Cost is \$70. This fee includes the conference, dinner Friday, and lunch on Saturday. If you would like to stay at Terra Sancta overnight, there are lodging options available at a reduced rate as well. The optional breakfast on Saturday is also available for an additional small fee. Register online at: www.Refuel19.com

You are invited to see the FREE performance of St. Thomas More One Act Play
"That Was No Lady, That Was a Private Eye" by Dennis Snee
Monday, January 21 at 7pm, St. Thomas More Middle School Gym, 424 Fairmont Blvd.

Phyllis Harlowe, *Private Eye* is on the case as she protects her terrified client from homicidal preppy and former Olympian Darlene Bourgeois. Complicating matters is her lounge singer boyfriend, Johnny LaLounge who wants her to quit this crummy racket and marry him. Only one thing is certain; her lipstick is bulletproof.
Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French Inc.
If you are unable to attend, please pray for us as we perform this production at the One Act Region Competition on Wednesday, January 23 at Hill City High School.

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

St. Thomas More and St. Elizabeth Seton are looking for motivated, educated substitute teachers at all grade levels. Teaching certificate not required. Call Molly 348-1477.

Cathedral OLPH hiring Director of Evangelization and Catechesis Job function is to coordinate parish efforts of evangelization and catechesis and oversee parish faith formation programs. Position is full time. Degree and/or experience in catechetical formation are desirable. Organizational and motivational skills are required. Competitive salary and benefits package available. Contact Beth Strain for more information, 342-0507, beth@cathedralolph.org.

**Vacancy Announcement Diocese of Rapid City
Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry**

Function: To form and inspire parish youth & young adult leaders, as well as youth & young adults to know & love Jesus and one another, to grow in the Catholic Faith & to evangelize, & provide training, support & resources in the diocese for youth and young adult ministry.

Qualifications : Practicing Catholic, with a personal relationship with Jesus, a love for the Catholic Faith, a Catholic Worldview, and a passion for sharing the Faith with others; Bachelor's degree, preferably in theology, catechetics, or related field with a sound Catholic theology. Prior experience in parish youth ministry preferred. Complete job description is available on the diocesan website

at: <http://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/chancellor/employment/>

Application Process: Interested individuals should send a resume and letter by e-mail or postal mail listing three professional references along with a completed application form that can be downloaded from the diocesan website at: www.rapidcitydiocese.org/chancellor/employment/

The Diocese of Rapid City offers a competitive salary and benefits package. Office of the Chancellor, Diocese of Rapid City, 606 Cathedral Dr., Rapid City, SD 57701 or msimonson@diorc.org

Job Opening — Receptionist/Secretary at Cathedral

Requirements are to greet all visitors and phone calls with an atmosphere of hospitality and charity and to assist the Administrative Secretary and Parish Administrator with tasks as assigned. Position is full time. Experience is desirable. Organizational and motivational skills a must. Competitive salary and benefits package available. Contact Beth Strain at the Rectory office at 605-342-0507 for an application and full job description. Resumes can be e-mailed to beth@cathedralolph.org or mailed to 520 Cathedral Drive, Rapid City, SD 57701.

Life INC Assistant Director Opening Join an amazing team of 50+ church volunteers in administering and growing an adult education and mentoring program that helps people in the areas of finances, parenting, employment, faith and life skills. This position supports hundreds of adults and children meeting weekly at three Rapid City Life INC sites. Responsibilities for this fulltime position would include Life INC Children's Ministry, Office Administration, Communication and Coordination, working with the Life INC Director and Student Support Services. Visit www.loveinonline.com/careers for more information.

Married Sweethearts Mass & Dinner-Dance

Mark your calendars! Married Sweethearts Mass & Dinner-Dance, Saturday, February 16, 2019 Join us for this year's event, "I am my Beloved's and my Beloved is Mine". Mass and renewal of vows will be celebrated by Fr. Mark McCormick at Terra Sancta, Rapid City at 5:30 p.m. The dinner-dance will follow, also at Terra Sancta with music provided by A Family Affair. Registration fee of \$65 per couple includes the dinner and dance and is required to be received by February 5th. Please consider sponsoring a couple who would like to attend but cannot afford the fee. For more information or to register, visit www.terrasancta.org/marriedsweethearts2019 or contact Amy or Linda at Family Life Ministries, 605-716-5214 or lbattman@diorc.org.

---- Happenings at St. Martin's ----

PRAYERFUL PAINTING RETREAT DAY ~ January 19th ~ 9:15 am to 2:30 pm. You need not be an artist for God to speak to you creatively. We will express gratitude and hope with mandalas. St. Martin Monastery, 1851 City Springs Road, Rapid City. \$20 includes lunch. To pre-register and for information, please call Sr. Therese Marie at (605) 343-8011.



Rachel's Corner

"Because I kept silent, my bones wasted away; I groaned all day long.... my strength withered as in dry summer heat. Then I declared my sin to you; my guilt I did not hide. I said, "I confess my transgression to the LORD," and you took away the guilt of my sin." -Psalm 32:3-5

Have you been aching inside for a very long time with the pain your abortion decision caused? Does it feel like it has penetrated every fiber of your being and every relationship in your life? Our Lord is inviting you to tell Him the story and allow Him to remove the guilt you are carrying that weighs you down. Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat. The next retreat in the Rapid City area is April 26-28, 2019. For more information, contact the national office at 877-467-3463 or www.rachelsvineyard.org. Or contact Carol Kling for local retreat information at 605-374-5639 or ckling@sdplains.com

Cancelled

~ The February 22-24, **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** Weekend originally planned in Rapid City will not be held.
~ The February 16-18, **TEC Retreat** originally planned at Terra Sancta will not be held.

Young Women's Discipleship Retreat, "I have called you each by name..." Friday-Sunday, January 25-27

at Terra Sancta Retreat Center. Interested in finding out more about where God is calling you? The retreat includes prayer and discussion about discerning your individual call, whatever that may be. A great opportunity to spend time and ask questions of the Josephine Sisters and learn more about your vocation. Open to young women 16 years and older. Starts Friday at 6 pm and concludes on Sunday after lunch. \$50 per person, lodging and meals are included. Please register at <https://terrasancta.org/events/> or contact the Office of Vocations at 605-716 5214 ext 233, moszwaldowska@diorc.org

This is National Vocation Awareness Week. Celebrate our common vocation of Baptism. Pray for those who are discerning a call to live their baptismal commitment as brothers, sisters, priests, or deacons. (Luke 3:15-16,21-22)

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are living in distracting times. We are bombarded with the shrill voices of commercialism and sensationalized news, reported with a skeptical, secular bias. There is a clear need for balance – to fill in the part of the story that is often neglected by the world's media.

There is another source of information. The *West River Catholic* is a vital part of the evangelization effort of our diocese. It allows me to reach out to each family in the diocese once a month and update them on what is going on beyond their parish doors.

All year round, the diocesan newspaper staff works to share our good news in western South Dakota – celebrations of faith in our parishes and together as a diocese, ministry gatherings and events that offer hope to all of us. Each month the paper includes news and snapshots submitted by local churches and Catholic organizations, stories and photos by the newspaper staff, columns by me and our diocesan staff members, as well as syndicated Catholic columnists.

The *West River Catholic* staff also facilitate the diocesan online presence, including postings on the diocesan website, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. They are producing our new podcast series, online at www.rapidcitydiocese.org/podcast. Articles from the *West River Catholic* narrate the history of local Catholics in the diocesan archives.

Through the diocesan newspaper, parishioners can follow the progress of the Diocesan Priority Plan as laid out in my 2016 pastoral letter, *Through Him, With Him and In Him*. In the coming months, a particular goal of the priority plan — Funding the Mission — will be highlighted. As the capital campaign progresses, the *West River Catholic* will keep you informed on the progress of *Living the Mission — A Legacy of Faith, A Legacy of Giving*.

Many of the faithful in western South Dakota are immensely generous and for that I am truly thankful. The next *West River Catholic*, which will be mailed on January 15, 2019, will include an envelope for your voluntary contribution to aid in sustaining this important ministry. As always, we will provide the newspaper to all of our parish households regardless of contributions, but we do rely on voluntary subscriptions to help with the costs of this ministry. The suggested donation is \$27, but all gifts are welcome.

Thank you for your generous support of this important outreach in our diocese.

Sincerely in the love of Christ,

+ *Robert D. Gruss*

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