

# Church of Saint Therese

## The Little Flower



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Rapid City, SD 57701

(605) 342-1556

sttherese@diorc.org  
sainttheresechurch.org

**Pastor: Rev. Kerry Prendiville**

Deacons: Rev. Mr. Charles Rausch

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

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

### OFFICE HOURS:

**Monday – Friday:**

**8:00 am – Noon & 1:00 – 3:00 pm**

*(We're PROBABLY there earlier/later or through lunch hour, so call daily for additional hours!)*

### YOUR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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

CHAIRPERSON ~ 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

**Saturday 3 to 4 pm; 5:30 pm**

**Sunday 6:30 pm**

*Or by appointment!*

### Daily Mass Schedule:

**Monday 7:30 am**

**Tuesday 7:30 am**

**Wednesday 9:30 am Mass in  
New Underwood**

**Thursday 7:30 am**

**Friday 7:30 am**

*Followed by Adoration/Morning Prayer*

**MASK REQUIRED Mass ~ Noon**

### YOUR PARISH STAFF

PASTOR ~ Father Kerry Prendiville, 342-1556 ext. 11 DEACONS – Rev. Mr. Charles Rausch, ext. 15

OFFICE STAFF: ~ Connie Heeren, ext. 10 ~ Karen Thorp, ext. 14

YOUTH FORMATION COORDINATOR – Bobby Myers, ext. 12

JANITORIAL & MAINTENANCE CUSTODIAN ~ Chuck Rausch, ext. 15 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: Deacon Chuck Rausch BAPTISM: Call the office: Deacon Chuck Rausch

Altar Society President: Doris Ann Werlinger Knights of Columbus: Grand Knight, DJ DeJager

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 16 & 17, 2021

### Week of January 17

**Sunday, January 17**

9 am Mass (also streamed on Facebook Pg.)

No Religious Education classes – MLK Jr.

7 pm FAMILY ROSARY – All welcome!

**Monday, January 18**

Martin Luther King Jr. Day-office closed

7:30 am Mass

6:30 pm RCIA

7 pm Boy Scouts meeting

**Wednesday, January 19**

9:30 am Mass in New Underwood

6 pm Confirmation class & Life Night

**Thursday, January 21**

6:30 pm BIBLE STUDY

**Friday, January 22**

7:30 am Mass

7:30 to 8:30 am Holy Hour of ADORATION

*followed by Benediction & Morning Prayers*

**12 Noon MASK REQUIRED MASS**



*St. Michael, the Archangel,  
defend us in battle. Be our  
protection against the  
wickedness and snares of the  
devil. May God rebuke him we  
humbly pray, and do thou, O  
Prince of the Heavenly Host, by  
the power of God, cast into hell  
Satan and all the other evil  
spirits who prowl through the  
world seeking the ruin of souls.  
Amen.*

### DOWN THE ROAD

**Tuesday, January 26**

6:30 pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting

**Welcome to St. Therese!**

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

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

**MASS INTENTIONS ~ January 18 - 24**

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

MONDAY 7:30 am  
 TUESDAY 7:30 am Angela Jangula +  
 WEDNESDAY Mass in New Underwood  
 THURSDAY 7:30 am  
 FRIDAY 7:30 am Special Intentions  
 Noon Gary Gross +  
**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 SATURDAY 4:30 pm Parishioners  
 SUNDAY 9 am Jean Shaey +  
 5:30 pm Eden Pozorski +

**MASS INTENTIONS: Other than at St. Therese**

Friday, January 22 Betty Halverson +  
 By Fr. Bill Zandri

**FAMILY ROSARY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 7PM**

**YOU CAN EVEN DO THIS IN YOUR HOMES!!**



**Our Daily Scriptures**

Monday Heb 5:1-10 Ps 110:1-4 Mk 2:18-22  
 Tuesday Heb 6:10-20 Ps 111:1-2,4-5,9,10c Mk 2:23-28  
 Wednesday Heb 7:1-3,15-17 Ps 110:1-4 Mk 3:1-6  
 Thursday Heb 7:25-8:6 Ps 40:7-10,17 Mk 3:7-12  
 Friday Heb 8:6-13 Ps 85:8,10,11-14 Mk 3:13-19  
 Saturday Heb 9:2-3,11-14 Ps 47:2-3,6-9 Mk 3:20-21  
 Sunday Jon 3:1-5,10 Ps 25:4-9 1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20

**Parish website:**

**[www.sainttheresechurch.org](http://www.sainttheresechurch.org)**

You'll find the weekly bulletin, the button for e-giving, the liturgical schedule, registration forms & so much more!

**ALSO FIND US (ST. THERESE CHURCH) ON FACEBOOK!!!!**

**(AND "follow" us & LIKE US!) ☺**

<https://www.facebook.com/TheLittleFlowerRapidCity/>

**Liturgical Ministry Schedule – January 23 & 24**

**SAT. 4:30 pm E.M.:** Diane Ange (S) Greg Wittenberg **Lector:** Julie Shauger **Ushers:** NEEDED **Altar Server:** Mercedes Solano

**SUN. 9 am E.M.:** Ginny DeJager (S) Ray Wagner **Lector:** Judee Popken **Ushers:** DJ DeJager, Al Solano, Clint Jolley **Altar Server:** Spencer Morrison, Luther Morrison

**SUN. 5:30 pm E.M.:** Jan Winegar (S), Deacon Rausch **Lector:** Deanna Johnson **Ushers:** NEEDED **Altar Servers:** Camden Walker

**Remember, if you cannot serve, please find a substitute. Call Gayle Martin at 718-4631.**

*Speak Lord, your servant is listening. Listening to the Lord requires silence. Make time each day to be quiet, so that you can hear God's call. (1 Samuel 3:3-10)*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!**

*In today's first reading, we hear Samuel respond eagerly, "Here I am!" each time the Lord calls him. May we, too, be listening for the call of God in our lives and be ready to say like the Psalmist, "Here am I Lord; I come to do your will."*

**GENERAL & OTHER FUNDS: Contributions this week**

Envelopes	\$ 3686.00
Plate Collections	\$ 842.00
Christmas	\$ 2.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 2.00
Facility Use Donation	\$ 10.00
Building Improvements	\$ 198.00
Priest Retirement Fund	\$ 85.00
Seminarian Fund	\$ 70.00
<b>Electronic Tithing</b>	<b>\$ 2345.00</b>
<b>Catholic Schools-egiving</b>	<b>\$ 3.00</b>
<b>Priest Retirement Fund-egiving</b>	<b>\$ 91.00</b>
<b>Building Fund – egiving</b>	<b>\$ 19.00</b>
<b>Religious Ed. Reg.-egiving</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>
<b>Seminarian Fund-egiving</b>	<b>\$ 89.00</b>
<b>Families in Need-egiving</b>	<b>\$ 35.00</b>
<b>Votive Candle Income</b>	<b>\$ 53.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7550.00</b>

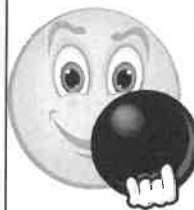
**WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED: \$9,222**

**"THANK YOU" FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO:**

<b>Campaign for Human Dev.-egiving</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>
<b>Church in Latin America</b>	<b>\$ 2.00</b>

**COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY:**

**Jan. 17:** General Fund **Jan. 24:** Church in Latin America / General Fund  
**Jan. 31:** General Fund  
**JAN.:** Priest Retirement Aid Assoc., Building Improvements, Seminarian Fund



"Thank you so much to all of the St. Therese parish members who supported the Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids



bowling tournament by bowling at the tournament or contributing money. We exceeded our goal and raised over \$4200 to purchase brand new winter coats for the children at the Black Hills Children's Home Society. Thank you to all fellow Knights for all your support and work that made the tournament a success." - *John Schlim*

**& A great big THANK YOU to John (& Joyce) Schlim for the great job they did heading up the annual Bowling tournament for COATS FOR KIDS!**

Please add DONNA GORMAN to your prayers.

**Bulletin Prayer List:**

Mark Biggs, Becky C., Sue Eagleton, Tom Farrar, Patty Fritzie, Tim Garrett, Ruth Geiger, Donna Gorman, Karla Grosz, Tom Haney, Harold Hansen, Margaret Hansen, Isa Izaguirre, Kenny & Suzie, Zita Kwartek, Don & Norene Lantz, Rayne LeBeau, Dwyla Martin, Lori Mehlberg, Pat Osburn, Albert Oyler, Nancy Palmer, Helen Quasney, Rachel Rose, Veoma Renelt, Beverly Salvatore, Virginia, Margie Winegar

## **A LITTLE LAUGH ...**

Connie was watching TV when her husband walks into the room. She says, "This chef on TV just said, 'Where there's fat, there's flavor.'

I know he was talking about food, but I still took it as a compliment."



**Praying the Rosary for America. Please join us! As human efforts fail to solve American's key problems, we turn to God, through His Holy Mother, asking His urgent help.**

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE**

### **Grades PreK - 5<sup>th</sup>: SUNDAYS- 10:15 - 11:30 am**

Jan. 17 NO Class – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7 CLASS

### **CONFIRMATION: ~ 7<sup>th</sup> Grade +: WEDNESDAYS: 6 – 8:30 pm**

Jan. 20 CLASS  
Jan. 27 Core Team ONLY

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

#### **WEDNESDAYS- 6 – 8 pm** (Grades 6-12)

Jan. 20 Life Night  
Jan. 27 Core Team ONLY

## **Order Form for New & Renewed Magnificats**

### **MAGNIFICAT**

is an abbreviated version of the *Liturgy of the Hours*; it includes the Order of Mass and the readings for the Masses for the month. There are also daily meditations and short excerpts on saints. It is a very good resource for prayer and devotion.

If you wish to subscribe, please complete the order form below and return it with a check for **\$27.75 made payable to St. Therese** in an envelope marked: **Magnificat by noon on February 22, 2021!**

The minimum subscriptions needed for the \$27.75 rate is 100. Yes, ALL the parishes here in Rapid City join together to make this resource available for us. Know that the NEW subscription will begin with the May 2021 issue and end with the April 2022 issue. **NOTE: Magnificats are picked up & signed for, just outside the Parish Offices; they will not be mailed to your home.**

#### **MAGNIFICAT ORDER FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please print clearly)

Daytime Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of subscriptions: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount of check: \_\_\_\_\_

**SO...drop your orders by the parish office, mail them to us, or even drop it in the weekend collection. But... ALL ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED WITH PAYMENT IN THE PARISH OFFICE BY Noon on February 22<sup>nd</sup>!**

## **== Fr. Kerry's Korner ==**

Dear Friends,

We finished the Christmas season last week with the Baptism of the Lord. For me it was a beautiful season. I just returned from a visit to my family in North Dakota, and they promised to visit me in the Spring. I am also grateful to the many gifts that you sent me over the holidays, food, treats, Fruit, gift cards and monetary gifts I pool together for vacation or getting a something fun. Why I still do not have a radio control car is a mystery!

Thank you too for the kind words you expressed in your cards and family letters.

I have been praying for a peaceful and graceful transition of power since the national elections. I think I have been joined by many who, having witnessed the attack on the Capitol, would like hostility and aggression to be replaced with understanding and dialogue in our public and private discourse. Left and Right live in the same neighborhoods, states, and country. We should act as though we live together and give each other the respect for our differences that allow for dialogue. I heard a parent tell a distraught child recently, "let's use our words."

Fair use of language will keep us from polarizing every event. Perhaps we might rethink the new label for angry out of control mobs- domestic terrorists. Let us ratchet it down and speak to one another. Christ will be with us in our endeavors if we do not shoo Him away.

Peace and Prayers,

*~ Fr. Kerry Prendiville*

## **~ 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](mailto:sttherese@diorc.org)

## **Easy way to help those in need!**

### **YOU ARE HELPING THOSE IN NEED BY PURCHASING WE CARE GIFT CARDS!**

**Simply purchase your gift cards for Wal-mart/Sam's Club, Safeway & Family Fare**

**BEFORE you go shopping there!**

**Stop by the office during the week.**

***Each one you purchase brings back money for those in need at Church Response AND for use right here at St. Therese***

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

### **Spiritual Hospice Ministry:**

to request prayers for the dying, call (605) 569-1012  
or visit [SpiritualHospice.com](http://SpiritualHospice.com)

### **Married Sweethearts**

\* Holy Hour \* Mass & Renewal of Vows

\* Catered Sweethearts Dinner to Go

Join Bishop Peter Muhich in a Valentine Celebration,  
commemorating National Marriage Week on February 13.  
Treat yourself to a spiritual renewal in a Couple's Holy Hour,  
renew your vows with Bishop Peter, and indulge in a catered  
gourmet meal to-go prepared by the Chef at Terra Sancta for  
\$60 per couple. A family dinner option with chicken strips is also  
available for your children at home. For the ultimate getaway,  
lodging is available upon request.

Holy Hour—4:30 PM Mass—5:30 PM

Dinner available 6:30 PM

Register online at: <http://terrasancta.org/sweetheart>

**Men's Retreat** The Annual Men's Retreat will be Friday  
through Sunday, February 19-21 at Terra Sancta Retreat  
Center. The retreat will be directed by Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ, one  
of the Jesuit priests in Mission on the Rosebud Indian Reservation. Fr.  
Boddicker received his Master of Divinity in Theology from the Jesuit  
School of Theology of Santa Clara University in 2017 and was  
ordained shortly thereafter. His unswerving fidelity to the Magisterium  
and deep love for souls make him a tremendous asset to the Society of  
Jesus, and to the Diocese of Rapid City. Fr. Boddicker also has an  
active following on Facebook and YouTube, where he posts weekly  
Mass, as well as theology discussions while ironing church linens!

Due to Covid restrictions, the following options are available to  
participate in the retreat:

**Commuter Rate, No lodging, Meals only—\$115** To attend the  
retreat in the prayerful atmosphere of Terra Sancta, while commuting  
from home

**Lodging Available on a limited basis for an additional \$75 per  
night** – let us know if you plan to share your lodging room with another  
retreatant.

Register online at [www.terrasancta.org/FLMmen](http://www.terrasancta.org/FLMmen) or for  
information on the retreat contact Amy Julian or Linda Drake at  
605-343-5214 or [ajulian@diorc.org](mailto:ajulian@diorc.org) or [ldrake@diorc.org](mailto:ldrake@diorc.org)

### **ANOTHER LITTLE FUNNY ...**

Determined this time, Connie finally goes to a  
weight-loss website. Then what pops up?

"Do you accept cookies?"

She mutters, "Don't mind if I do" while grabbing a chocolate  
chip one AND a monster one. 😊

**Opportunities To Serve:** The Cornerstone  
Rescue Mission has several paid Full-Time  
Positions available at the Thrift Store, Women &  
Children's Home and the Mission at 30 Main St.  
Please call Jill at 718-8712 for questions or to  
request an application.

**Birthright is now open Mon., Wed. & Fri. ~ 12 to 4 pm!**

Free pregnancy tests & layettes.

**BIRTHRIGHT IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS! Please call 343.1732**

### **2021 National Education Contest**

**1<sup>st</sup> place: \$100 ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> place: \$50 ~ 3<sup>rd</sup> place: \$25**

**For all students in grades 4-12 (& adult CDA members)**

Hosted by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Div. 1: Grades 4-5: Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art

Div. 2: Grades 6-8: Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music, Photography

Div. 3: Grades 9-12: Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music, Photography

Div. 4: Adult CDA members: Poetry, Art, Photography

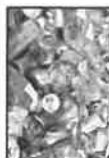
**See the bulletin board for details, deadlines and entry form.**

### **AND ONE MORE FUNNY ...**

Hey, do they allow loud laughing in Hawaii,  
or just a low ha? 😊

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### **Collecting crushed aluminum cans for Greenhouse in the Snow project**

Which will teach life skills to the less fortunate  
Bring them to the church and place them in the  
bin at the west entrance. **THANK YOU!**

### *Inspiration*

*Come, be inspired by the youth of our Diocese!*

St. Elizabeth Seton is looking for kind and hardworking women and men to join Angel, Heather, Becky and  
Marshaelle in feeding the hungry students in PreK - 5th grade.

- Warm and inviting co-workers
- Faith filled working environment
- Alternate days or shortened schedules available
- COVID protocols and protections in place

Call for info: Molly Rausch 348-1477

### **A prayer for Spiritual Communion** *My Jesus, I believe that*

*You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all  
things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this  
moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my  
heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself  
wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

**Local TV Mass *KNBN (NBC)***  
**SATURDAYS ~ 4:30 pm & SUNDAYS ~ 7 am**  
**Or on their website [newscenter1.tv](http://newscenter1.tv)**

### **Seeking Director of Music and Director of Liturgy**

At St. Joseph's in Spearfish. Will oversee the parish liturgies including sacred music in parish worship and liturgy. The position can be filled by applying for a full-time position and administering both jobs together of music and liturgy, or the position can split into two part-time jobs for two individuals. A job description can be found on the St. Joseph Parish Web site: [stjosephspearfish.com](http://stjosephspearfish.com). To apply send cover letter and resume to [mwoster@diorc.org](mailto:mwoster@diorc.org). Applications may also be mailed to: St. Joseph Church, Attn: Msgr. Michael Woster, 844 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Spearfish, SD 57783

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EXEMPLIFICATION**

**Sunday, January 24 at 12:15 pm at Blessed Sacrament Church, 4500 Jackson Blvd., Rapid City, immediately following the 11 am Mass.** Any new members or First Degree Members can move up to Third Degree at this Exemplification. Candidates are asked to please arrive by 12pm. This ceremony is open to friends, family and to the public.

**Human Trafficking** Lent begins next month with fish fries across the country. The U.S. imports 80-90% of its seafood. Tens of thousands of people are exploited at every level in seafood harvesting and production. Learn more about the *Labeling Campaign of CATHOLIC COALITION*. U.S. Catholic Sisters against Human Trafficking is a 501 © (3) organization ([sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org)), 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131.

### **Rachel's Vineyard Clinical Training**

**Save the Date:** Family Life Ministries is collaborating with Catholic Social Services to host a virtual professional training series "Rachel's Vineyard: Healing the Trauma Wounds of Abortion." The Zoom training will be presented by Dr. Theresa Burke, the founder of Rachel's Vineyard. Dr. Burke has lectured and trained professionals internationally on the subject of post-abortion trauma and healing. **The training will be offered by Zoom, with the first Session February 22, 2021, and additional sessions offered every 4 months for the next 2 years.** Open to anyone, the training will have components geared for medical and mental health professionals, clergy and lay people, including Rachel's Vineyard Team members. CEU certification is in the process of being secured. For more information, contact Amy Julian at [ajulian@diorc.org](mailto:ajulian@diorc.org), or 605-343-3541.

**Terra Sancta Catering to Go . . .**  
**check out our new Winter Menu!!**  
<http://terrasancta.org/togo>



### **Rachel's Corner**

"Without that load on my back, without that great weight on me, I know that the love of God has touched my soul and my heart. I feel lighter and my thoughts don't punish me and my hope is to one day meet my children and to know they will be there waiting beside Jesus."  
-Testimonial

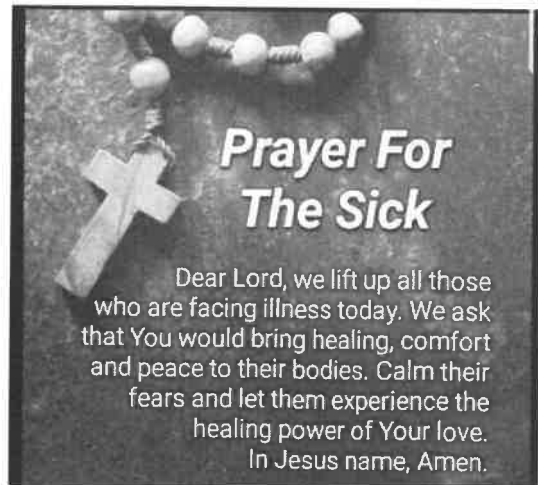
### **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat**

**Are you, or is someone you know, suffering from the choice of abortion?** A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Healing After Abortion will be offer on a **Zoom platform on April 23-25, 2021.** Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer you a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. For confidential information, call Carol Kling at 605-374-5638 or email [ckling@sdplains.com](mailto:ckling@sdplains.com). For more information about Rachel's Vineyard, visit [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)

### **Active Listening Ministry Training**

Active Listening is a skill which can enhance your ministry, your job and even your personal relationships. Based on the principles of **BeFriender Ministry**, this training will assist participants to grow in their compassionate listening skills, as well as help them to feel more confident in fulfilling new or existing ministry roles.

Free Training, open to all! January 30, 2021 - Terra Sancta Retreat Center or by Zoom, 8:00 AM through 4:30 PM, Followed by Sunday Mass of Anticipation celebrated by Bishop Peter Muhich *Optional 4 Weeks of Follow Up, choice of Saturday Mornings or Tuesday Evenings* To Register: <https://terrasancta.org/listen>



### **Prayer For The Sick**

Dear Lord, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love.  
In Jesus name, Amen.

### **Surviving Divorce—Helping You Find Peace, Power, and Passion After Your Divorce (online by Zoom)**

Separated or Divorced? Join us in a ministry that will bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. Surviving Divorce covers topics including shock and grief, anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, and annulment and remarriage. This program is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. It will help them find answers to their questions, restore their hope, and begin authentic healing. Non-denominational, 12 week Zoom sessions Mondays, 6-8 pm as soon as we have enough participants. \$30 registration fee covers all materials. Scholarship help is available for those in financial need. **Register online at [www.terrasancta.org/survivingdivorce](http://www.terrasancta.org/survivingdivorce) or for information, contact Amy Julian or Linda Drake at 605-343-3541 or [ajulian@diorc.org](mailto:ajulian@diorc.org) or [ldrake@diorc.org](mailto:ldrake@diorc.org)**



OFFICE OF BISHOP

## DIOCESE OF RAPID CITY



January 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This past year, we learned the importance of maintaining connections. More than ever before we needed to hear from each other.

The Diocese of Rapid City has faced income shortfalls from the pandemic right alongside parishioners. To that end, all department budgets were reduced. For the *West River Catholic* it meant moving from 12 issues per year to six. These cutbacks never diminished the staff's efforts to keep Catholics informed about church news — joys, hopes and sorrows. Hopefully, you especially enjoyed the July ordination special.

While printed and mailed newspapers are only prepared six times per year, the staff has tried to keep the news flowing in church bulletins, on the Diocese of Rapid City website, on Facebook and Instagram. Also, they have worked on podcasts and Mass broadcasts.

Since the beginning in 1973, the *West River Catholic* has been sent to every registered household in the diocese and we will continue to do so. However, to assist with production costs, each year a voluntary subscription drive is held. The suggested donation is \$27, but all gifts are welcome. For your convenience, if you wish to mail a donation, an envelope is included in the January 2021 edition. If you wish to make your donation online, please go to: [www.rapidcitydiocese.org](http://www.rapidcitydiocese.org). Click "Make a Gift" at the top of the page — select the "West River Catholic Newspaper — Voluntary Subscription" and it will take you to the donation page.

Please join me in supporting this valuable line of communication so we can stay in touch in tough times and in happy ones.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Rev. Peter M. Muhich  
Bishop of Rapid City



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