MASS INTENTIONS ~ June 30 - July 6

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

MONDAY 7:30 am -- Katherine Baker +

5:30 pm - Robert Suto +

TUESDAY 7:30 am – Sylvester Schmitt + WEDNESDAY 7:30 am – Special Intention THURSDAY 7:30 am – Special Intention FRIDAY 7:30 am – Joe Engelhardt +

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY 5:30 pm – Marge Wagner + SUNDAY 9:00 am – Leo Quinn + 5:30 pm – Parishioners

MASS INTENTIONS: Other than at St. Therese

Thursday, July 3 Father Curtis & Delores Kiddy

By Fr. Zandri – West Hills Village South – 4 pm

Sunday, July 6 Kathleen Cordry +

By Fr. Zandri – St. John's in New Underwood – 11 am

Our Daily Scriptures

Monday Am 2:6-10,13-16 Ps 50:16b-23 Mt 8:18-22 Tuesday Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12 Ps 5:4b-8 Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday Am 5:14-15,21-24 Ps 50:7-13,16b-17 Mt 8:28-34

Thursday Eph 2:19-22 Ps 117:1b-2 Jn 20:24-29

Friday Am 8:4-6,9-12 Ps 119:2,10,2030,40,131 Mt 9:9-13

Saturday Am 9:11-15 Ps 85:9ab,10-14 Mt 9:14-17

Sunday Zec 9:9-10 Ps 145:1-2,8-11,13-14 Rom 8:9,11-13 Mt 11:25-30

Faithful Citizenship "O God our Creator, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. ... We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith. Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that ... for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us, this great land will always be one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen."

Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty, USCCB, <u>www.usccb.org</u> (From Diocesan Social Justice Commission

www.rapidcitydiocese.org/WP/offices/social-justice-commission)

FAMILY ROSARY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 7PM

EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Liturgical Ministry Schedule - July 5 & 6

<u>SAT.</u> 5:30 pm <u>E.M.</u>: Bob & Kay Olson (S) Doug Meiron, Mary Ann Ries, Martha Cook, Joe Zacher, John Mowry <u>Lector</u>: Julie Shauger, Bob Case <u>Ushers</u>: Tom Baumgartner, Dan Shank, Tim & Paula Shull <u>Gift Bearers</u>: Bill & Kathy Klemann <u>Altar Servers</u>: Allison Schuch, Matthew Theis, Karen Witcraft

SUN. 9 am ALL MINISTRIES BY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

<u>SUN. 5:30 pm</u> <u>E.M.</u>: Beth Sand (S) Elaine Kocher, Lynn Loomer <u>Lector</u>: Evan Sand, Nancy Hurtig <u>Ushers</u>: Bill & Jan Winegar, David & Chris VanCleave <u>Gift Bearer:</u> Charles & Susan Ganje <u>Altar Server:</u> Jacob Rausch, Brendan Lefevre, Benjamin VanCleave

Please remember to find a substitute if needed.

www.sainttheresechurch.org

The weekly bulletin can be found there, as well as other info. about our parish.

~ 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 "Z" Gram ==

--- Notes From Father Bill --

Father Marcin will become an American citizen at 11 am on July 2 at Mount Rushmore. This process of becoming an American citizen is a very involved one. Most of us were born in this country and take citizenship for granted. But maybe we should not do that. Father Marcin was subjected to a very extensive background check before the final "paperwork" was sent to him. Being from Poland, a former communist country, made it more difficult. He had to take a test, a test that I am afraid to say, many of us would not be able to pass. How much do you know about the Declaration of Independence or the United States Constitution? This might be a good time to take the time to look, ready and study those two documents. We should never take our citizenship for granted. Maybe we should not become a citizen until we go thru the process that Father Marcin had to go thru to become one. Think about it. Freedom is not free.

On July 4 at 5:30 pm at the church, we will recite a Patriotic Rosary for our country.



Bulletin Prayer List:

Larry Amburn, Judie Amo, Tim Ange, Don Anton, Jerry Bartholmay, Wendlin Baumgartner, Sharon Baumgartner, Jeanne Carey, Margaret Chronos, Tina Chronos, Cindy, Eleanor Clarich, Shania Coats, Alice Cole, Barb Collins, Mary Kay Coughlin, Brandon Eastman, Kelli Eastman, Denise & Bert, Don Everett, Lena Fagen, Cathy Falcone, Gene Farrell, Joan Feller, Sheryl Feller, Judy Fisher, Vic Gaudette, Darlene Grass, Leo Grebner, Alma Gruenig, Jim Hanna, Judy Hansen, Sue Hayden, Jacob Heil, Charles Heweitt, Ellen Horan, Rosemary Huggins, Tim Irvine, Baby Kash, Fern Keller, Shirley Kenoyer, Jerry & Elaine Kocher, Kathy Krause, Luke Mars, Susan McFadden, Robert Melvin, Jr., Anita Miller, Steve Miller, Zane Morris, Heather Popken, Helen Quasney, Joyce Quinn, Dorothy Rapp, Ted & Judy Rapp, Joel Reed, Mary Rieb, Andrea Rivera, Doyle Roseland, Margaret Rossknecht, Jim Russell, Peggy Russell, Karla Sandifer, Claude & Eileen Sauer, Leota Sidel, Mike Smaltz, Donna Stulken, Nick Tomac, Bud & Betty Torp, Elizabeth Torp, Betty Wilson, Al Winland, Darlys Zeller

What ARE food certificates/gift cards? They are gift certificates/cards you use when you purchase groceries and other items from the participating stores. They are used the same as cash.

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

Why should I use them? ~3% of each gift card goes to Church Response to help families in Rapid City ~2% goes to help St. Therese ~It's easy!!! ~It doesn't cost you anything!! ~They make a great gift!

How can I help? ~Purchase food certificates/gift cards ~Help sell them after mass

<u>Available in a variety of denominations for Wal-Mart/Sam's Club. Safeway.</u> Don's Valley Market and Family Thrift Center/Prairie Market

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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





ANNUAL ST. THERESE RUMMAGE SALE Friday, July 11 from 7 am to 3 pm Saturday, July 12th from 7 am to Noon

You may start bringing your "treasures" on Monday, June 30th! If you have a larger item that you cannot get to the church, the KC Pick up will be Tuesday, July 8th. Call the office at 342-1556! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO SORT, PRICE AND SELL!

THE WEEKLY FUNNY... from father Bill

Two old friends were walking down the street when one turned to the other and said, "Did you know that I'm a walking economy?" His friend, confused, asked, "What do you mean by that?" "Well," the man said, "My hairline is in recession, my stomach is a victim of inflation, and the combination of these factors has put me in a deep depression."

MOMMY'S CLOSET Items in need are:

<u>Clothing: newborn to size 6, receiving blankets,</u> <u>Diapers: size 4-6</u>

We <u>greatly</u> 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.

SAVE YOUR EMPTY INK CARTRIDGES!

Just place your empties in the box in Parish Center.
Thank you for supporting St. Therese YOUTH!

Altar Society Funeral Chairpersons ~ JULY

Chairpersons: Linda Birgenheir Co-Chair: ?

Both the first reading and the Gospel today speak of hospitality and welcome. Our ministers of hospitality are a most visible example of using one's time and talents to welcome the people of God. But the Gospel assures us that all who give even just "a cup of cold water" to one of His lowliest ones will be rewarded

GENERAL FUND: Contributions last week			
Envelopes	\$	5416.60	
Plate Collection	\$	1491.44	
Children's Collection	\$	29.55	
Facility Use Donation	\$	10.00	
Duc In Altum	\$	480.00	
Votive Candle Income	\$	117.27	
TOTAL	\$	7544.86	
Amount needed per week:	\$	6805.00	

CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Building Improvements \$ 50.00

"THANK YOU" FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

Seminarian Fund	\$ 65.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 13.00
Priest Retirement Aid Association	\$ 33.00
Clothe-A-Kid	\$ 60.00

COLLECTIONS FOR JUNE / JULY:

June 29: General Fund

July 13: Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa / General Fund

July 20: General Fund

July 27: General Fund

JULY: Priest Retirement Aid Assoc., Building Improvement, Seminarian Fund



Mark your calendar!!!

PARISH PICNIC is Sunday, August 17th at

College Park! You won't want to miss it!

Watch the bulletin for details!

ANOTHER WEEKLY FUNNY...from father Bill

William went on a two-week vacation to Paris and left his cat, Whiskers—his beloved companion for more than ten years—in the care of his brother Peter. When he arrived in Paris, William called and asked how the cat was doing. "Oh, the cat? He died," Peter said bluntly. "What!" shrieked William. "How could you tell me a horrible thing like that?" "How else was I supposed to tell you?" Peter asked. "You could have broken it to me gently," William explained. "You could have said Whiskers was up on the roof but the fire department was working on getting him down. Then tomorrow you could have told me, 'He fell, but don't worry—the vet is doing his best to fix him up.' Then finally, on the third day, you could have said they did all they could but couldn't save Whiskers." Peter replied, "You're right. That does sound better." "Forget it," said William, exasperated. "Anyway, how's Mom doing?" Peter thought for a second and then answered, "She's up on the roof, but the fire department is trying to get her down."

Anyone who does not accept the cross is not worthy of Jesus. Are we willing to embrace the cross and follow after him? (Matthew 10:37-42)

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!



Please join us in praying for parish family members in the military....

Msgt Allen J Wolf, Air National Guard, A-1 Christopher Fraser, SRA. Brandon Eastman, Tsgt. Charles Henriksen, Ssgt. Ryan Emery, 2Lt. Zachery Feterl, Jake Rivers, Ssgt. Amber Emery, Pfc. Nick Weishaar, Ssgt. Jeff Weishaar, Pfc. Brian Berendse, Ryan Blindert-Willms, Tony LaCroix, Airman, Josh Sunstrom, Maj. Marvin Wade, A1C Michael Fraser, Brandon Whitney, Tom O'Grady, Bob O'Grady, Father Dave Reinhardt, Eddie Byrns, SRA Terry Irvine, CW4 Michael Reindl, Sgt. Matthew Reindl, Pfc. Jacob Korzeniewski, Spc. Rachel Korzeniewski, Sgt. Chad Moore, SPC Raquel Carlin, A1C Kyrie M. Heintz-Travis, Lt. Levi Lee, Spec Travis Aschwege, Sgt. Sean Mulloy, Pfc. James Meyer, A1C Robert Martin, 1SGT. Shawn Klosterman, Ssgt. Jeremy Martin, A1C, Major Jeremy Wagner, Navy; Capt.

If you have a family member to add to this list, call the office at 342-1556.

500 Catholics Perpetual Adoration

At the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Please take the time to go online (<u>www.cathedralolph.org</u>) and begin this wonderful journey for yourself.

Forum on Religious Liberty: Freedom to Serve: Awareness and Action

Tuesday, July 1 at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 520 Cathedral Dr., Rapid City. Mass 5:30 p.m., 6-7 p.m.; Holy Hour: *Pray for the Freedom to Serve God's People*; 7- 8:30 p.m.; forum featuring Dan Duffy, Jeff Hurd and Bishop Robert Gruss; 8:30 p.m., Reception.

ONE MORE FUNNY... from father Bill

Mother: Billy, why is your face so red? Billy: I ran down the street to stop a fight.

Mother: What a nice thing to do! Who was fighting?

Billy: Johnny and I.

Hey! Check out the back of the bulletin too!! $\rightarrow \rightarrow$

HAVE YOU LOOKED AT THE BACK PAGE?

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NEWMAN CENTER ~ Mass at the Newman Center,

located at 316 East Kansas City Street (one block west of Surbeck Center on Kansas City Street) throughout the summer at 7 PM each Sunday. Those who are enjoying the events of the summer are welcome to come. If anyone is willing to help with the ministries of serving, proclaiming, extraordinary ministers of communion, or cantor, please call the Cathedral 342-0507 and speak with Mary Daniel or Amber LaFaive or speak with Nancy at the Newman Center at 716-4130.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM PUBLIC PROTEST

<u>Every</u> Friday from 4-5 by the statue of Abraham Lincoln on the corner of 9th and Main to pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Please prayerfully consider joining us every Friday to pray for our religious freedom.

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

For info. on the following ministries, call FLM, 716-5214 x236

The next Christian Family Planning Seminar will be offered by the Natural Family Planning Ministry on Saturday, July 19, 9:00 a.m. - Noon at Blessed Sacrament in Rapid City. This seminar is a requirement for engaged couples getting married in the Diocese of Rapid City. Married couples, or anyone who wants to learn more about Natural Family Planning, are encouraged to attend. For more information or to register, call Family Life Ministries; Jill at 716-5214 x 236 or Kathy at 716-5214 x 220 [Note: there is no seminar scheduled for August. The next seminar is September 20.]

Mary's Way Pilgrimage to Medjugorje, join Father Tony Grossenburg, Lisa Wattenhofer, and Rita Dupres Sept 29 to Oct 7, 2014, \$2995.00 (air, land and taxes), optional 5 day extension to Paris/Lourdes Oct 8-12, 2014 for an additional \$995, registrations being accepted now, \$500 deposit due before July 23, 2014;

Please contact Lisa Wattenhofer, Father Tony, or Rita Dupres today to reserve your seat! (phone 605-348-9676) or ritad@select-intl.com or ritadupres@msn.com or visit our website at www.selectinternationaltours.com

St. Kateri Celebration

Saturday, July 12 at the Cathedral
We will celebrate St. Kateri Tekakwitha's feast
day (July 14) and a new Cathedral shrine to her.
Mass at noon followed by a lunch. All are invited to come and
join in this celebration. Attendees are asked to bring a dessert.

Work Weekends at Terra Sancta

We're in need of assistance for several outdoor projects at Terra Sancta. We'll have project coordinators on-site during the following times

~ 4-7 p.m., with a meal at 7 p.m., on Friday – June 27, July 11 & Aug 8 ~ 9 a.m.–Noon, with a meal at noon on Saturday – June 28, July 12 & Aug 9 Please bring appropriate work clothes, shoes and gloves – we'll be doing trail maintenance, linking the main trail to quiet sitting areas, building the labyrinth, cleaning up around the outdoor stations and more! If you haven't previously volunteered at Terra Sancta, please be sure to complete a volunteer form - available on-line at http://terrasancta.org/retreat-center/volunteers; we'll have forms available for you to complete at the retreat center, too. Questions? Please contact us at 605-719-0925 or email retreatcenter@diorc.org. Lodging at a discounted rate is available for anyone who would like to stay overnight on any of the work weekends.



"Your ways, Lord, make known to me..." As the Psalm pleads, come and get away to hear the voice of God for your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are September 12-14, 2014 in Irene, SD and October 24-26, 2014 in Rapid City, SD. Early registration

is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: sdwwme.org or contact John & Dawn Elsinger at applications@sdwwme.org or 605-362-0924.

Ultreya Potluck Picnic ~ July 13 ~ 6 pm

at Storybook Island Shelter, 2915 Canyon Lake Drive, Rapid City. Includes: games, singing, and regular *Ultreya* agenda. Please come and bring a friend, children welcome. Questions: call Lynda Jacquot-Imberi, 605-390-9379.

Need a Perfect Job?

NO NIGHTS NO WEEK-ENDS NO HOLIDAYS

This job is for the person who wants to work around child's school schedule. The Rapid City Catholic Schools has part-time openings available in the Food Service Department for the 2014-2015 school year. For more info., contact Barb Fritz at 716-5213 or leave message. Please complete a non-certified application available for downloading and printing at http://rccss.net/EmploymentOpportunities or pick up at any school office. Send or email to: Barb Fritz, RCCSS; 2101 City Springs Rd., Ste 100, Rapid City, SD 57702 bafritz@rccss.org

Ride with the Bishop Poker Run and Rally Join Bishop Robert Gruss on July 27 for a motorcycle ride



benefitting the Black Hills State University Newman Center. Begins at 8:30 a.m. with Mass followed by a Blessing of Bikes and breakfast at St. Joseph Church, Spearfish. Ride through Spearfish Canyon, over to Devils Tower, ending with a BBQ and silent auction at St. Paul Church, Belle Fourche. Poker Run only, \$25 — three hands of poker and BBQ. Full registration, \$50 — three poker hands, breakfast and BBQ, t-shirt, & swag bag. Don't ride? Cars welcome! www.stjosephspearfish.com.

Security for Our Lady's Chapel for Adoration at Cathedral OLPH

The Cathedral has installed a keypad for the Chapel door for Adoration entrance. This is a security system for those individuals that are signed up for adoration with times starting at 10 PM to 5 AM. Once this system is in place, the doors will automatically lock at 10:00 PM and unlock at 6:00 AM each day. In order for those who are scheduled to pray, each of these individuals will need a key fob and four-digit code to access the chapel. At the weekend masses on June 28/29, we will hand out the key fobs only to those individuals that have adoration during the above time frame. There will only be one key fob per family due to the cost of the fobs. These individuals have received an email about this procedure. If unable to pick up the key fobs on the weekend of June 28/29, please stop in the rectory office during the hours of 8 AM to 5 PM, Monday thru Friday. We will not start the security locking until July 7th, in order to give people time to pick up the fobs. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Beth Strain, Parish Administrator, beth@cathedralolph.org, 342-0507.

Contemplative Prayer Workshop

Save the date! Contemplative Prayer presentation by Bishop Robert Gruss, Monday, September 29, at 7 p.m., Blessed Sacrament Church, Rapid City. The Book of Sirach 35:16 inspires us: "He whose service is pleasing to the Lord will be accepted, and his prayer will reach to the clouds. The prayer of the humble pierces the clouds." Take this time to deepen your prayer life and learn this humble, quiet way to pray. Visit www.blessedsacramentchurch.org for details.

Calling all Disciples! I am planning an exciting Youth Program for next year and I need lots of help! I'm looking for good and holy volunteers who want to invest in our youth and in the future of our Church. There are plenty of ways you can give your talents: we need leaders for disciple groups, games, music, meals and hospitality, and more! Please prayerfully consider and let Christ's love for His children compel you! If you are interested in being more involved with the youth or have any questions, please contact me at 342-1556 ext. 12 or email rvette@rushmore.com. In the Peace of Christ, Randy Vette

WE NEED YOU! TO DONATE BLOOD AT THE KC BLOOD DRIVE



Monday, July 28th from 2:30 to 5 pm
WALK-INS WELCOME! OR CONTACT the office or Ray Wagner

Knights of Columbus Meeting

Monday, July14th, 2014 ~ 7 pm

Interested in becoming a Knight? See any KC!!

A friendly reminder... please be mindful of your keys & pocket "bling" while sitting in the pews. We have, and continue to get, some big gouges in the wood.

THANK YOU!



Hi there! Do we have your current address & phone number? Have you recently switched to just a cell phone? We are working to get our records as accurate as possible,

so...."THANK YOU!" to those families that recently shared address and phone number changes – helps us keep in touch. ©

(Anyone else out there in the pews wanting to share changes? We'd love to hear from ya.)

Take Me Out To The Ballgame!

St. Therese Softball ~ Whitehead Fields Canyon Lake Dr.

WOMEN play on Wednesdays

July 2 bye

<u>MEN play on Sundays</u>



An Update from the Hope For New Life (HFNL) Jail Ministry

Tom Reeve's Testimonial This month we are continuing with our ministry members' testimonials as to their reasons for joining HFNL. Tom's story: "Last fall during a Praying the Bible session, when a young woman mentioned that HFNL needed more people for jail ministry. I detected a faint knocking on the door to my soul. But I immediately dismissed it for the usual reasons: 1) It would take away from my personal time; 2) Being alone with inmates was too scary; 3) I was totally unqualified for any type of ministry; and 4) I could see no personal benefits. My rational (1-4) for not joining the ministry was miserably flawed and prayer soon reversed it. I also remembered some Bible verses: 2 Cor 12:9 My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness. Regardless of the task He calls us for, Jesus will provide. Matt 26:40whatever you did for the least of my brothers you did for me. Every person I have come into contact with in the HFNL ministry, including myself, have had the profound experience of deriving as much or more from the ministry than the inmates that we share God's time with. When you hear or feel God calling, no matter how faintly, ask the question: What time is it? Then pray and answer: It is God's time." To learn more about the HFNL ministry please contact Bill Gradoville (341-2721) or Jennifer Shama (381-1118). You are also welcome to attend our monthly HFNL meetings every 3rd Monday of the month at Catholic Social Services at 6:30 pm.

Interested in Expanding Your Family through Adoption?

Catholic Social Services is currently accepting applications for our Domestic and International adoption programs. If you are interested in expanding your family, please call 605-348-6086 to speak to an adoption specialist. They can provide you more information over the phone, by mailing you an information packet, or by scheduling an informational meeting with you.

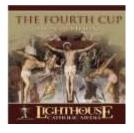
ATTENTION MEN! Prayer Group

Let's join together to pray the Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy & other prayers at 6 am on Saturdays!

ST. THERESE CHAPEL (door beyond entrance to Parish Center)

The Fourth Cup

Well-known Catholic theologian Dr. Scott Hahn explains Christ's Paschal Sacrifice on the cross as the fulfillment of the traditional fourth cup used in the celebration of the Jewish Passover meal. He draws a symbolic parallel to the Last Supper and Christ's death on Calvary. Through his scholarly insights and important biblical connections, Mass will come alive for you as never before!



You will find this CD and other titles in the case in the front of the church. Check it out! I'm sure you'll see something you'll enjoy!

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.



\odot A BONUS FUNNY...from the office \odot

Recently went to a buffet. Time was there. It was so good, time went back for (4) seconds.

[ba da dum –cymbal crash] ③

Why did the little star go behind the moon? He needed to twinkle.

Men's Al-Anon Group meets Saturday mornings at 9:30 am in the Large Meeting Room below the Cathedral Rectory. Come join us! If interested, contact Ken Moon (605) 390-2884.

RAPID CITY - CITY-WIDE YOUNG ADULT GROUP: COR JESU ~ CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS

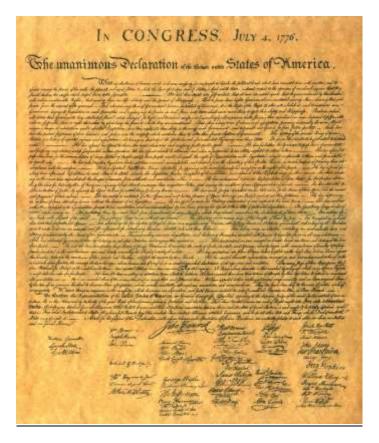
Monday Night Catechism Study at Cathedral, 7pm
Tuesday Night Scripture Study at St. Therese Parish, 7pm
Find the group on Facebook, "Cor Jesu - Rapid City Catholic Young Adults"
Call Randy Vette at 641-3303 for more info

More than just a job, it's a ministry!

Join a great team at Terra Sancta Retreat Center and help provide hospitality to our many guests. The retreat center is now hiring event staff to help with hospitality services. Job responsibilities include serving meals, room set-ups, cleaning and more. Hours each week will vary depending on retreat center needs. This is a part-time; non-benefitted position with possibility of promotion. Job description and application available on-line at http://terrasancta.org/employment. If you have questions, contact us at 605-716-0925.

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Jesus said to St. Faustina, "Say unceasingly this chaplet that I have taught you. Even the most hardened sinner, if he recites this Chaplet even once, will receive grace from my infinite Mercy. I want the whole world to know my infinite Mercy. I want to give unimaginable graces to those who trust in my Mercy." All are invited to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy & the Rosary every Sunday at 3:00 p.m. in the chapel at Cathedral.



The Declaration of Independence: A Transcription IN CONGRESS, July 4, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America,

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation. We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.--That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, --That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security.--Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world. He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good. He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them. He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only. He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant

from the depository of their public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures. He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people. He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within. He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands. He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers. He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries. He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harrass our people, and eat out their substance. He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our legislatures. He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil power. He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

For Quartering large bodies of armed troops among us: For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States: For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world: For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent: For depriving us in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury: For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies: For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments: For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever. He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us. He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people. He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of death, desolation and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty & perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation. He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands. He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions. In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people. Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our Brittish brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to

their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends. We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of this

Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we

mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.