

MASS INTENTIONS ~ May 8-14

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

MONDAY 7:30 am – Marcella Thomas
TUESDAY 7:30 am – Ed Davis +
WEDNESDAY 9:30 am Mass at Good Samaritan Center
THURSDAY 7:30 am - Jacob Eastmo +
FRIDAY 7:30 am – Smith & Biggs Family
5th Sunday of Easter
5:30 pm – Esther M Quinn +
9:00 am – Parishioners
5:30 pm – Jim Winegar +

MASS INTENTIONS: *Other than at St. Therese*

Wednesday, May 10 For Life
By Fr. Kerry Prendiville – Good Samaritan Center, New Underwood – 9:30 am

FAMILY ROSARY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 7PM

PLEASE COME! EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Our Daily Scriptures

Monday Acts 11:1-18 Pss 42:2-3;43:3-4 Jn 10:11-18
Tuesday AActs 11:19-26 Ps 87:1-7 Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday Acts 12:24-13:5a Ps 67:2-3,5-6,8 Jn 12:44-50
Thursday Acts 13:13-25 Ps 89:2-3,21-22,25,27 Jn 13:16-20
Friday Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2:6-11 Jn 14:1-6
Saturday Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 14:7-14
Sunday Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2,4-5,18-19 1 Pt 2:4-9 Jn 14:1-12

Faithful Citizenship

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: "Let the whole house of Israel know for certain that God has made both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." <http://www.usccb.org/>

The Diocesan Social Justice Commission requests prayers for all unborn babies in danger of abortion. A sample prayer entitled Spiritual Adoption Prayer is as follows: "Jesus, Mary and Joseph, with love for you I ask your intercession to protect the life of unborn children. May they all come to birth healthy and be a source of joy to their parents. For those in danger because of abortion, I adopt them as my own and pray for them and their mothers."

(From www.rapidcitydiocese.org/family-life-ministries-socialjustice)

Liturgical Ministry Schedule – May 13 & 14

SAT. 5:30 pm E.M.: John Mowry, Ellen McGuigan (S) Bishop Robert Gruss, Fr. Kerry Prendiville, Fr. Arnold Kari, Fr. Bill Zandri, Deacon Chuck Rausch, Ralph & Rita Dupres, Diane Wilkinson **Lectors:** Jim Blackwell, Joann Solano **Ushers:** Del Solano, Will Winch, Marv Czerwonka **Gift Bearers:** William & Marcy Morrison **Altar Servers:** Lucy Rausch, Riley Gay

SUN. 9 am Holly Bossen, Julie Heintz (S) Diane Ange, Diane Dahl, Kelly Heintz, Ray & Mary Wagner **Lectors:** Brenda Willis **Ushers:** Tom & Melanie Parson, Bob Heidgerken, Randy Rapp **Gift Bearers:** Tom & Melanie Parson **Altar Servers:** Hayden Czerwonka, Sidney Schurger, Connor Vernon

SUN. 5:30 pm E.M.: Elaine Kocher (S) Nancy Palmer, Beth Paris **Lectors:** Deanna Johnson **Ushers:** Bob Ormesher, Greg Rausch, Will Winch, Jim Treloar **Gift Bearers:** Jerry & Elaine Kocher **Altar Servers:** Cooper Sand, Tyler Matt

Please remember to find a substitute if needed.

**If you have changes for future schedules,
call the office at 342-1556.**

Parish website:

www.saintheresechurch.org

WELCOME

----- to the Faith Community

New Parishioners:

Ryan & Kristin SAMPSON, and Bodey & Charlie

Thank you to those who signed up for Adoration time!
Jesus is here, come share a part of your day with Him.....

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

MONDAYS: 8 am to 4:45 pm

Benediction & Evening Prayer at 4:45 pm



ATTENTION SENIORS!!

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Let your Parish Family celebrate with you!

GRADUATION MASS

Sunday, May 21st at 9 am!

*Please contact the office and let us know EVEN IF YOU
CAN'T ATTEND!! A reception will follow in the Parish Hall*

Spring Cleaning? The Shawl Ministry would love to have a new fresh supply of yarn. Our supply is out!! So, check your closets, your drawers, or even purchase NEW yarn at Sale Prices. ☺ Thank you for your help in continuing the Shawl Ministry.



Altar Society Funeral Chairpersons ~ MAY

Chairperson: Angie Zacher Co-chair: Lynn Loomer

Bulletin Prayer List:

Margo Aerts, Tim Ange, Wendlin Baumgartner, James Birch, Shirley Black, Kathy Borkovec, Barbara Boyd, Lorraine Brooks, Britney Weber Brouillette, Rose Brunson, Kellee Callender, Janice Carlborn, Nick Cederberg, Chad, Dorothy Coats, Barb Collins, Irene Cox, Katherine Craig, Scott Crawford, Tom Crawford, Ginny DeJager, Bob Doran, Brian Engle, Todd Ennen, Ron Eucher, Cathy Falcone, Judy Fisher, Elvina Follum, Haven Garrett, Tim Garrett, Gary Gross, Joe Gruenwald, Laurie Gustaf, Tom Haney, Harold Hansen, Sue Hayden, Heather, Jaime Hopfauf, Rosemary Huggins, Angie Jangula, John, Jeff Jonas, Joshua, Chris Keuhler, Arlene Kingsley, Corky Leach, Melanie Lewis, Lorraine, Gayle Martin, Brad Maskovich, Susan McFadden, Bob Mercer, Steve Miller, Donna Moreland, Aggie Mousel, Ann Weber O'Connell, Millie Oreshoski, Pat Osburn, Margaret Paris, Donald Pазie, Travis Peterson, Helen Quasney, Ted & Judy Rapp, John Radziwon, Claude & Bennie Saldanha, Carla Sandifer, Janelle Scherr, Allen Schwahn, Lillian Schwahn, Shirley, Steve & Britney, Leo Stulc, Greg Suto, Wilma Theis, Tim, Eileen Walters, Janet Werner, Larry Wetsch, Rose Wickenheiser, Carolyn Wise, De Etta Young

A LITTLE LAUGH ...

Had a fight with my shoe laces this morning.

It ended up in a tie. ☺

Had lunch with a chess player yesterday.

It took him 30 minutes to pass the salt. ☺

WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE!!

Congratulations to the young people that received their First Communion on May 6th!



Preston Baumgartner - Kesley Benda
 Chloe Christopherson - Dominick Davis
 Ryan Gay - Maria Gonzalez Diaz
 Rocklon Kinsella - Aya Kuroiwa
 Nikolena Lang - Alexis Larson
 Jace Larson - Alyssa Lichtenberger
 Emilia Lichtenberger
 Harry Lichtenberger - Sage Lichtenberger

Aurora Prudich - Thomas Rausch - Addisyn Richey
 Abbigayle Ringo - Desi Rodriguez - Zain Rodriguez
 Jude Sand - Gage Shangreaux - Mercedes Shangreaux
 Brooklynn Skinner - Matthew Stagner - Jada Tomek
 Huck Totten - Astrid Carol Diaz Valente - Jillian Vernon
 Jet Vifquain - Camden Walker - Allie Whitman

Jesus says, "I came that they may have life, and have it to the full."
 Good stewards are grateful for the gift of life and joyfully share their abundance with others.

GENERAL FUND: Contributions this week

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| Envelopes | \$ 6120.46 |
| Plate Collection | \$ 1106.00 |
| Children's Collection | \$ 73.39 |
| Facility Use Donation | \$ 100.00 |
| Rent from House | \$ 650.00 |
| Easter | \$ 15.00 |
| Votive Candle Income | \$ 58.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 8122.85 |
| Amount needed per week: | \$ 6805.00 |

CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

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| Building Improvements | \$ 3.00 |
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"THANK YOU" FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

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| Seminarian Fund | \$ 50.00 |
| Priest Retirement Aid | \$ 85.00 |
| CRS – Rice Bowls | \$ 48.25 |
| Catholic Home Missions | \$ 30.00 |
| Catholic Communications | \$.83 |
| Holy Land-Good Friday | \$ 10.00 |

COLLECTIONS FOR MAY:

May 7: General Fund

May 14: Catholic Communication Campaign / General Fund

May 21: General Fund **May 28:** General Fund

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

Pray for an increase in vocations to priesthood, the diaconate, and religious life. Invite someone you know to consider it. (John 10:1-10)

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

ANOTHER LITTLE LAUGH...

A new pastor was visiting in the homes of his parishioners. At one house it seemed obvious that someone was at home, but no answer came to his repeated knocks at the door. Therefore, he took out a business card and wrote 'Revelation 3:20' on the back of it and stuck it in the door. When the offering was processed the following Sunday, he found that his card had been returned. Added to it was this cryptic message, 'Genesis 3:10..' Reaching for his Bible to check out the citation, he broke up in gales of laughter. Revelation 3:20 begins 'Behold, I stand at the door and knock.' Genesis 3:10 reads, 'I heard your voice in the garden and I was afraid for I was naked.' 'A cheerful heart is good medicine' (Prov. 17:22)

Construction Update:

The contractors have made good progress after Easter and have finished all the utility work and preparing the site for the parking lot addition. They hope to lay the asphalt by the end of this week and then the whole lot will be seal coated and striped. By city code we will have planting of trees and shrubs to do as soon as we are able to have access for planting. **If you would like to adopt a tree or some of the shrubs, call the parish office for Connie, 342-1556.**

== Fr. Kerry's Korner ==

Spring is here. It is really here! We have been able to celebrate Solemn First Communion this weekend with our children and be inspired by their devotion. Each of us should take time to reflect back to our first communion, something I occasionally do, in order to give God thanks for the gift of himself.

How many times in our life have we received the Body and Blood of our Lord? Do we still remember to fast at least one hour before we receive Him or to give thanks to God after every communion? When receiving we are supposed to give reverence to the host and the cup with a short bow, then step aside with the host or after receiving from the cup and make the sign of the cross. If you receive on the tongue be sure to tip your head back slightly and open enough to receive the host on your tongue. You do not need to move toward the host or bite down until after the host is on your tongue. The best response to, "The Body/Blood of Christ," is "Amen" or "I believe."

Being deliberate and intentional about coming to Mass every week is a powerful sign to our children and each other, that Jesus truly is present in the Eucharist.

Next week we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with our 7th and 8th grade students. Our celebration is a time to ask for a renewal of the Spiritual gifts in our own lives and ask God to reveal to us how we have been living in the power of the spirit. Wisdom, Knowledge, Counsel, Understanding, Courage, Piety, and Fear of the Lord are indispensable for witnessing to our faith. With these gifts we can say with St. Paul, "I can do all things in Him who strengthens me."

It's time to start thinking about the Love, INC. CLOTHE-A-KID program.

We will need volunteer time for sign-ups in June, shopping twice in August and monetary donations! Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Parish Center. Questions? Call Diane Dahl at 381-6389.

CEREAL, MAC N CHEESE, & SOAP

ARE NEEDED AT CHURCH RESPONSE Please place your items in box at either entrance! THANK YOU !!

MOMMY'S CLOSET Items needed soon:

DIAPERS: size 3-5, **SUMMER CLOTHES** up to size 6, **SOCKS & UNDERWEAR** up to size 6. We greatly appreciate all your contributions. Please place all items in the cradles at either entrance.

NEWBORN Baby Items 0-3 months . . new DIAPERS new and/or very gently used Outfits, rattles, onesies, receiving blankets, etc. collected & donated to BIRTHRIGHT.

Make your mother happy while helping the needy by purchasing 'We Care' gift cards & Scrip cards before buying her Mother's Day present. They are available from many of our local area stores and can be spent just like cash on a wide assortment of items including comfy clothes, pretty flowers and the makings for a yummy meal.

Available in variety of amounts from WalMart/Sam's Club, Fresh Start, Safeway, Family Thrift Center/Prairie Market \$10 Gift Cards for: Dairy Queen, Arby's, Burger King, Noodles & Co., Taco Bell & Wendy's. \$25 Gift Cards for: Bath & Body Works, Bed Bath & Beyond, Buffalo Wild Wings, Chili's/On The Border, Great Clips, Holiday, JC Penney, Kohl's, Menards, Pizza Ranch, Target, Texas Roadhouse & Red Lobster/Olive Garden/ Longhorn Steakhouse. and can order from a bunch of other local places! **Come see us after mass or in the office.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Grades PreK - 6th: SUNDAYS- 10:15 - 11:30 am

May 6 First Communion at 5:30 pm Mass

May 7 LAST CLASS ~ No 2nd Grade

CONFIRMATION: SUNDAYS: 4 to 5:30 pm ~ 7th Grade

6:30 - 8:30 pm ~ 8th grade +

May 7 Rehearsal for Confirmation

May 13 Confirmation at 5:30 pm Mass (students here by 4 pm)

Father Kari's NEW CD 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 and get your toes a tappin!



**Next Knights of Columbus Meeting
Monday, May 8th ~ 7 pm**

If you are interested in becoming a Knight, call Grand Knight Bill Schneider at 391-7413 or any KC!



WIFE APPRECIATION DINNER

As a way to say "THANK YOU", the St. Therese K of C #8025 will have an Appreciation Dinner for the wives, Saturday, May 20th at the Moose Club, 841 E. St. Patrick St. Rapid City.

Social ~ 6 pm Dinner ~ 7 pm

Meal is a roast beef & chicken buffet. Cash bar available. Business attire is suggested. \$17 per KC at the door by cash or check only (The council will pay for the wives / widows / priests-deacon.) **RSVP to Ed Mills @ 209-4745 or e-mail jawjam47@msn.com by Saturday, May 13th.**

**Schedule of events of World Apostolate of Fatima
Opening Celebrations of Fatima: 100 years
~ May 13th at St. Therese**



1 pm ~ Invocation from Fr. Kerry

1:30 pm ~ Adoration

2:30 pm ~ Open forum Speaker

3 pm ~ Rosary with Fatima prayers

3:30 pm ~ Blessing of Fatima religious

objects -Open enrollment to the Brown

Scapular along with education materials

4 pm ~ Benediction

Confession available until 5 PM

Call Stephe Jacquot 605-939-8644 for more details

The Story of Fatima began in the spring of 1916, when Lucia dos Santos, age nine, and her cousins Francisco Marto, age eight, and Jacinta Marto, age six, were guarding their sheep outside their small village of Fatima, in central Portugal. As they were eating their lunch and praying the Rosary, a bright light flashed and the image of a young man appeared, saying: "Do not be afraid! I am the Angel of Peace. Pray with me." The children did as they were told and the angel explained that "the hearts of Jesus and Mary are attentive to the voice of your supplications." The angel appeared to them two more times, in the summer and in the autumn, each time asking them to make a sacrifice for the sins of the world and the conversion of sinners. On Sunday, May 13, 1917, the three children were in the fields with their sheep when they saw a flash of lightening and the image of "a lady all dressed in white. She was more brilliant than the sun and radiated a light more clear and intense than a crystal glass filled with sparkling water when rays of the burning sun shine through it." Our Lady told the children to pray the Rosary every day to achieve peace in the world and promised to visit again the next month. Mary returned each month for the next five months, referring to herself as the Immaculate Heart. In her final visit, on October 13, Mary identified herself as the Lady of the Rosary and appeared with St. Joseph and the child Jesus, again asking that the Rosary be recited daily for peace in the world.

Fatima 100th Anniversary Please join in a Rosary Rally on **Saturday, May 13, at noon** on the corner of 5th St. and Cathedral Dr. in the parking lot. We will be praying in reparation for the offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and for the conversion of the United States. *There will be thousands of these rallies being held this day throughout our nation. This is the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions at Fatima so please consider joining me for this one hour of prayer on this very important day. If you have any questions please call Melinda at 255-4459.*



Anyone have any firewood they'd like to donate to the Rectory? Call Father Kerry or the parish office if you have any. THANK YOU!!

ONE MORE LITTLE LAUGH...

An elderly woman walked to the sanctuary door where a deacon, serving as usher, greeted her. "Where would you like to sit?" the deacon asked. "The front row, please," the woman answered. "You really don't want to do that," the deacon replied. "The pastor is pretty boring." The woman's eyes narrowed. "Do you know who I am?" she asked. "No," he said. "I'm the pastor's mother!" she replied furiously. "Do you know who I am?" he asked. "NO," she said. "Good!" he answered, and ducked out the door.

Boy Scouts Troop 7 meets Mondays at 7 pm @ St. Therese
-New Members Welcome! Boys ages 11 - 17
Call Rick Edelen at 415-5764 for more information.

~ 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 Karen Thorp at 342-1556, ext. 15 or ffkaren@rushmore.com.

Totus Tuus Camps for Girls & Boys

A summer camp where we spend a few days reflecting on God's call to each of us. Religious Sisters from around the country will join the girls and priests and seminarians will join the boys to pray with us, teach us about our faith and about religious life. We will enjoy hiking, campfires, kayaking, swimming, games and much more!

Girls Camp, completed grades 6-8: **June 13-16** at Terra Sancta

Girls Leadership, completed grades 9-12 and older: **June 12-16**

Boys Camp, completed grades 6-8: **July 25-28** at Terra Sancta

Boys Leadership, completed grades 9-12 and older: **July 24-28.**

Registration forms available online at www.Gods-call.org or at your parish. Contact the Office of Vocations for more information, 716-5214 ext. 233 or shanson@dioc.org Deadline for registration is May 25; there is a **\$20 discount for registering by May 15.**

3rd Annual KC GOLF TOURNAMENT is Sunday, July 9th at Fountain Springs Golf Course

Money raised will go to The Sergeant Colton Derr Foundation. This foundation is set up to help Vets with PTSD. Please visit their website, sergeantderrfoundation.org. We are looking for golfers, hole sponsors, and door prizes. If you can help or need more information, please contact our Chairman, Will Winch at 920-222-5937.

5th Annual Bishop's Fishing Tournament for Seminarians ~ Friday, June 9th

Join Bishop Robert Gruss, priests, seminarians, and others for the 5th Annual Bishop's Fishing Tournament and Parish Team Fishing Challenge benefitting seminarians in western South Dakota. **No boat — no worries — Participants may fish from the shore.** Registration will be from 7-11 a.m. on Friday, June 9. An egg bake breakfast and box lunches will be provided courtesy of Diane London and the Ft. Pierre Perkins Restaurant and Bakery. Following the day of fishing, Bishop Gruss will celebrate evening Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church in Ft. Pierre. A fish fry dinner will be served at the parish hall after Mass followed by an awards presentation. Parishes or individuals may donate items for a Silent Auction, which will be held the day of the tournament. For further information contact the Western South Dakota Catholic Foundation (605) 343-3541 for a brochure or sign up online at www.wsdcf.org. Come and support our seminarians! Raffle tickets are available \$20 each or 3 for \$50 - \$1,000 cash prize. Need not be present to win.

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:

Saturday, May 13 - Moon Walk - Southern Black Hills 5:30pm

Friday, May 19 - Dine Out- Sickies - 5:30pm

Thursday, June 1 - McKenzie River Pizza 5:30pm

Thursday, June 8 - Fatima Traveling Statue - OLPH night vigil

Thursday, June 15 - Main Street Square - Dirty Word Band - 5:30pm

Sunday, July 9 - BHVA Silver City Hike- Pie & Ice Cream Social -7am

Sunday, July 16 - Golden Phoenix - Sunday Buffet - 12noon

Saturday, August 5 - Moon Walk - Central Hills - 5:30pm

Thursday, August 17 - Dine Out - Alpine Inn - Hill City - 5pm

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.



How has Catholic Radio affected your life?

Let the Lord show you the gifts He has in store for you when you support one of the most effective evangelization tools available

today! Coming May 10th, 11th & 12th, you will have the chance to become an integral part of the driving force that keeps Real Presence Radio alive and growing in your listening area. We will be here live to answer your call on 89.9/94.7 FM (Rapid City). Thank you for your prayers and support. Call 1-877-795-0122 or send your gifts to PO Box 13703, Grand Forks, ND 58208.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Trainings

Extremely effective Montessori style catechesis for preschool-5th grades. Wonderful methods for every parent to learn for their families. Level 1 is preschool and kindergarten. The kids experience their faith and take it to heart. To be held at St. Joseph's Center in Timber Lake. Level 1, Part 1: May 22-26

Level 1, Part 2: May 29-June 2 (Note new dates)

For information or to register, please contact: Sarah Schweitzer 605-850-3627 or sarahschweitzer81@gmail.com

You can preach a better sermon with your life than with your lips.

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

Regular meeting on Monday, May 8th at
6:30 pm at St. Therese

Dinner will be served followed by the general meeting. Please join us to hear about the SD State CDA Convention held this weekend in Yankton. CDA members and interested ladies are urged to attend.



Birthright's annual fund raiser will be MOTHER'S DAY, MAY 14, as we acknowledge all mothers, and hold them in high esteem! We will be offering carnations, after each Mass, in exchange for a free will offering.

Thank you all for your continued support for God's unborn babies. We welcome anyone to become a volunteer with us to call Cathy Lawatch, director at 347-6190 or Kay Loos, assistant director at 484-6222. Thanks much! ~Cathy Lawatsch

Holy Spirit Novena

Bishop Robert Gruss is asking people in the Diocese of Rapid City to pray a novena for the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Please begin Friday, May 26, nine days before the Solemnity of Pentecost, Sunday, June 4. The Holy Spirit is the unseen moving force of God in the world — unseen but not unheard. It was the Holy Spirit who inspired the prophets of the Old Testament to lead the people to God. It was the Holy Spirit who inspired the evangelists to write the Gospels and Epistles. It is today the Holy Spirit who guides the faithful: "and I will send the Holy Spirit to inspire you." Beginning Tuesday, May 16, a copy of the novena can be downloaded at <http://rapidcitydiocese.org/holy-spirit-novena/>. The prayers come from The Congregation of the Holy Ghost, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.



Would you like to sponsor, or donate in memory, a tree or shrub for the new parking lot? Please call the office today or see the poster in the Parish Center! THANK YOU!



Diocese of Rapid City Job Openings at St. Thomas More/St. Elizabeth Seton

Custodial Positions – Full and Part time

Looking for individuals with an excellent work ethic. Custodial experience preferred. Drug Free workplace. Background check required.

2017/18 Teaching Positions available at St. Thomas More/St. Elizabeth Seton

- High School English – Full time ~ High School Spanish – Full time
- Middle School Religion – Full time ~ Middle School Technology – Full time
- Middle School Grammar – Part time ~ Elementary Teacher – Full time
- Preschool Teacher's Aid – Full time ~ Campus Minister – Full time & 4/5 time
- Custodial Positions – Full and Part Time
- STM Kitchen – Full time ~ SES Kitchen- Part time
- Substitute Teachers needed – Certified and Non Certified

Contact Molly Rausch – mrausch@rccss.org – 605-348-1477

Position Opening

Director of Sioux Spiritual Center Retreat Facility

FUNCTION: Provides Catholic leadership for all areas of operation of the Sioux Spiritual Retreat Center. Establishes an environment that respects and supports Native cultures and spirituality. QUALIFICATIONS: Practicing Catholic; prefer college degree with training and/or experience in church and retreat center ministry. Must have excellent organizational, communication, and leadership skills. General knowledge of operating and managing a small business, practical use of technology, strong knowledge and experience of working with Native Americans preferred. Successful candidate must live at the Sioux Spiritual Center, Howes, SD. Complete job description is available on the diocesan website at: <http://rapidcitydiocese.org/director-ssc/>. APPLICATION PROCESS: Interested individuals should send a resumé and letter by 3-mail or postal mail listing three professional references along with a completed application form that can be downloaded from the diocesan website at: <http://rapidcitydiocese.org/director-ssc/>

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

Hope For New Life (HFNL) Ministry

Ministry Testimony of Teresa Mellegard From time to time, we like to share with you the motivations of our ministry members for joining Hope For New Life. Teresa Mellegard, who is a parishioner of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Cathedral, joined us in 2016. Teresa explains her reasons for joining as follows: "It has been a year since I started with the Hope For New Life Program. This ministry is one of the most fulfilling and rewarding experiences in my life. As part of my 2016 Lenten Journey, I decided to join a new ministry. I chose Hope for New Life based on its mission to serve those whose poor life choices resulted in their incarceration. I wasn't sure if HFNL would be the program for me; but I liked the idea of giving hope to those in despair. We all falter and everyone can relate to the need to hear the Good News of God's love and mercy. "Like most newcomers to HFNL, I began attending the weekly jail groups as an observer. At first, I didn't know what to expect, nor if I'd be able to handle my strong feelings of pain, anger and grief related to the reasons for the inmates' incarceration. By God's grace, however, compassion took over and my jail visits have never been intimidating. I want the inmates to know God's unending love and mercy. Hopefully the "hope for new life" we share will help them get through their time of incarceration and guide them once they are released. "The men and women I have met through my jail visits are from all walks of life and I learn so much from them. I now find myself eager for my assigned nights at the jail and can't help but wonder: Who might I meet? What might I learn? What inspired message might I be able to share which will teach and help others? We are all sinners with our own personal imprisonments that hinder us from doing God's will. My being a part of this ministry has opened my heart and mind to serve God in a purposeful manner."

To learn more about HFNL, please contact **Bill Gradoville (341-2721)**. You are also welcome to attend our monthly HFNL business meetings every 3rd Monday of the month at Catholic Social Services at 6:30 pm.

Mind Your Health

Healthy Communities Need Healthy Minds, 6th annual Mental Health Awareness Day, Thursday, May 18, at Main St. Square, Rapid City, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Catholic Social Services is one of 18 event sponsors. The event features free food, entertainment, speakers, inflatables for kids and a movie, "Inside Out," at dusk.

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

For info. or to register for the following ministries, call Amy at FLM, 716-5214 x236 or ajulian@diorc.org

Heart to Heart: A Weekend Retreat for the Engaged

July 21-23, Sept. 22-24. Please register on-line at www.WestRiverHeart2Heart.com.

NFP ~ Natural Family Planning

June 17—Blessed Sacrament, Rapid City

PRAYER TO END FEDERAL MANDATE AGAINST CATHOLIC CHURCH TEACHING

Father Tim Hoag started this ministry with approval from Bishop Gruss in summer of 2013 and a group of parishioners from the Rapid City area gather each Friday at the corner of 9th and Main streets (by the Abraham Lincoln statue) and pray for the end of our federal government mandate of the Affordable Care Act forcing Catholic institutions to fund abortifacients, contraception drugs, etc. We join in praying the Holy Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy starting at 4 P.M. and end at 5 P.M. We gather there regardless of the weather rain, snow, hail, cold summer heat, etc. Normally we have one of our Catholic priests lead us in these prayers and on any 5th Friday of a month Bishop Gruss, depending on his schedule, leads us in prayer. Please consider in joining us in this endeavor. Remember that when two or more are gathered in Jesus name he is among them (us). Any questions may be sent to Ernie Garcia 605-391-3407.

Relics of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina to tour the United States of America

Relics of the renowned 20th century mystic and healer, Saint Pio of Pietrelcina — better known as Padre Pio — will be touring several archdioceses and dioceses in the United States of America, between May 6 and May 21, and from September 16 to October 1, 2017. The closest places to view the relics are: •May 10-11, at Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in the Archdiocese of Denver, Colorado. •May 13, at Cathedral of the Risen Christ in the Diocese of Lincoln, Nebraska. *For more information related to each public veneration, please, contact the cathedral that is listed.*

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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.



A letter from the Bishop....

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, is the patronal church of our nation, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. This great Marian shrine exists today because of the generosity of American Catholics and clergy, the prayers of the faithful and the hard work of the artisans and laborers who began building it nearly 100 years ago.

In preparation for the centennial celebration of our National Shrine, the Bishops of the United States have approved a special collection to help with the cost of completing the mosaic ornamentation of the Trinity Dome – the crowning jewel of the Basilica. The Trinity Dome is the central and largest dome of the National Shrine. The mosaic that will adorn the dome will depict the Most Holy Trinity, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and a procession of saints, including St. Kateri Tekakwitha, all of whom have an association with the United States and the National Shrine.

The national collection for the Trinity Dome is an opportunity for all of us to leave a lasting legacy by honoring our heritage as American Catholics and entrusting ourselves and our families to the Mother of God.

Through your participation in this project you become part of the fabric of Mary's Shrine and help bring to completion your church: the Basilica of The National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

Please pray for the success of this project and prayerfully consider a donation to help with this important project for our National Church. May God bless you abundantly!

Sincerely in the love of Christ,

Most Rev. Robert D. Gruss
Bishop of Rapid City

Collection dates: **May 13-14, 2017**

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The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception is the largest Roman Catholic church in the U.S. and North America, and is one of the ten largest churches in the world. The Basilica is a place of worship, pilgrimage, evangelization and reconciliation. Designated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops as a National Sanctuary of Prayer and Pilgrimage, the Basilica is the nation's preeminent Marian shrine, dedicated to the patroness of the United States—the Blessed Virgin Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception. It is oftentimes affectionately referred to as America's Catholic Church. Visit www.trinitydome.org for more information.

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