

## MASS INTENTIONS ~ Nov. 9 - 15

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

MONDAY 7:30 am – Carol Fleming +  
5:30 pm – Ruth Schieltz +  
TUESDAY 7:30 am – Fr. Bill Zandri  
WEDNESDAY 7:30 am – Travis Livesay +  
THURSDAY 7:30 am – Jerry & Therese Freese +  
FRIDAY 7:30 am – Sheryl Ann Allen +  
**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
SATURDAY 5:30 pm – Sandy (Walker) Jaafar +  
SUNDAY 9 am – Gordon Milam +  
5:30 pm – Alois & Donna Krebs +

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

Wednesday, November 11 John & Sandy Davis  
*By Fr. Zandri – Good Samaritan Center- New Underwood – 9:30 am*  
Thursday, November 12 Special Intention  
*By Fr. Zandri – West Hills Village South – 4 pm*  
Sunday, November 15 Melvin "Smokey" Lien +  
*By Fr. Zandri – St. John's in New Underwood – 11 am*

### FAMILY ROSARY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 7PM

**PLEASE COME! EVERYONE WELCOME!!**

& The Rosary is being said before weekend Masses

#### Our Daily Scriptures

Monday Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12 Ps 46:2-9 1 Cor 3:9c-11,16-17 Jn 2:13-22  
Tuesday Wis 2:23-3:9 Ps 34:2-3,16-19 Lk 17:7-10  
Wednesday Wis 6:1-11 Ps 82:3-4,6-7 Lk 17:11-19  
Thursday Wis 7:22b-8:1 Ps 119:89-91,130,135,175 Lk 17:20-26  
Friday Wis 13:1-9 Ps 19:2-5b Lk 17:26-37  
Saturday Wis 17:14-16;19:6-9 Ps 105:2-3,36-37,42-43 Lk 18:1-8  
Sunday 1 Kgs 17:10-16 Ps 146:7-10 Heb 9:24-28 Mk 12:38-44

**Faithful Citizenship** **Current Threats to Religious Liberty:** In his speech to the European Parliament in November 2014, Pope Francis asked, "In the end, what kind of dignity is there without the possibility of freely expressing one's thought or professing one's religious faith?" Pope Francis has repeatedly emphasized that it is incomprehensible and alarming that people continue to suffer discrimination, restriction of their rights and even persecution for publicly professing their faith. Undeniably, "Serious violations inflicted on this basic right [religious freedom] are causes of serious concern," and all people must work to defend "the intangible dignity of the human person against every attack." Yet, religious liberty continues to be under threat, even in the United States. [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) (From [www.rapidcitydiocese.org/family-life-ministries-social-justice/social-justice-commission](http://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/family-life-ministries-social-justice/social-justice-commission))

**We are in dire need of Ushers for Saturday and Sunday 5:30 pm Mass. Please prayerfully consider tithing an hour of your time. -- You're here in Church for Mass anyway. MANY hands are needed. Please contact Gayle Martin at 718-4631.**

### Liturgical Ministry Schedule –Nov. 14 & 15

**SAT. 5:30 pm EM:** Doug Meiron, John Mowry (S) Deacon Rausch, Jeff Cook, Ivan Davignon, Ellen McGuigan **Lector:** Kevin & Kris Hittle  
**Ushers:** Jim, Roxie & Bradley Quintus, Jim Theis  
**Gift Bearers:** Fred & Paula Welsch Family **Altar Servers:** Allison Schuch, Benjamin Schuch, Kaleb Hedman, Karen Witcraft  
**SUN. 9 am EM:** Diane Dahl, Ginny DeJager (S) Deacon Rausch, Ray & Mary Wagner, Ralph & Rita Dupres **Lector:** Jean French, John Rapp  
**Ushers:** Dan Chiolis, Al Thome, Tom & Melanie Parson  
**Gift Bearers:** Jason & Donna Gorman Family **Altar Servers:** Hayden Czerwonka, Joshua French, Mikey Gorman, Thomas Gorman  
**SUN. 5:30 pm E.M.:** Elaine Kocher (S) Deacon Rausch, Dottie Borowski  
**Lector:** Harold Hansen **Ushers:** Bill & Jan Winegar, Will Winch, Greg Rausch **Gift Bearers:** David & Chris VanCleave Family  
**Altar Servers:** Elena Tillett, Harley Tillett, Isabella Ashley, Corten Dobesh

**Please remember to find a substitute if needed. If you have changes for future schedules, please call Gayle Martin at 718-4631.**

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

## Shhh! Father Bill turns 70 on November 10<sup>th</sup>! Help him celebrate at a POLKA MASS & POTLUCK at 5:30 pm.

Father Kari will lead the music at Mass and sausage and kraut will be provided at the dinner. Please bring a hot dish, salad, side dish and / or a dessert to share and come celebrate Father Bill turning 70!!! ☺



## == The "Z" Gram ==

### --- Notes From Father Bill ---

We had a retreat last weekend under the guidance of the NET Team. The team members were not much older than the people on the retreat. The NET Team signs up for a year to travel around the country giving retreats. We had 12 members with us and several families from our parish had them overnight during the retreat. Thank YOU to all of you who were host families and to those who helped out in any way!

Our CCD program honored the veterans from our parish on November 4. We had a potluck dinner and Mr. Ken Jimmerson spoke about a book that he wrote, "Letters from Vietnam".

Many things are happening in our parishes, especially Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>. ☺

## Hey Catholic men, 18 & up!!

*YOU should join the Knights of Columbus NOW so you can be a Knight before Christmas! ☺*

### Next Knights of Columbus Meeting

**Monday, November 9th ~ 7 pm**

*YOU should be a Knight! See any KC!!*

**Everyone come on down!**

## KC BREAKFAST

**Sunday, November 8th**

8 am until all served following 9 am Mass

Cost? Free-will offering, with proceeds to T.E.C.



## Annual CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

**After Masses: NOVEMBER 7 & 8**

### Altar Society Funeral Chairpersons ~ NOVEMBER

*Chairperson: Deanna Johnson Co-Chairperson: Diane Dahl*

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS** St. Rita # 916 of the Catholic Daughters will host a joint **Memorial Mass** with the Knights of Columbus Councils in Rapid City and Piedmont areas on **Monday, November 9**, at 5:30pm at St. Therese with Father Bill Zandri as celebrant. Names of all deceased members from the past year will be recited by the individual organizations. Families of the deceased are encouraged to attend. Knights, CDA members and their families are also invited. There will be a supper for all in the lower hall, followed by the Catholic Daughter membership meeting. Please plan to come.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Tim & Paula SHULL on the validation of your marriage, Nov. 2, 2015

*Praying you live joyfully ever after with God and each other.*



Please add Vern Goetz to your prayers

### Bulletin Prayer List:

Tim Ange, Don Anton, Wendlin Baumgartner, Shirley Black, Brittany, Kellee Callender, Darwin Coats, Jr., Dorothy Coats, Alice Cole, Barb Collins, Irene Cox, Ed Davis, Todd Ennen, Cathy Falcone, Judy Fisher, Haven Garrett, Vern Goetz, Leo Grebner, Gary Gross, Laurie Gustaf, Harold & Judy Hansen, Sue Hayden, Rosemary Huggins, Stephanie Johnson, Jim Kampa, Kaylan King, Arlene Kingsley, Melanie Lewis, Josh Magbuhat, Margaret, Melani, Steve Miller, Luther Morrison, Calvin Neiss, Ann O'Connell, Ron Oney, Bonnie Palmer, Helen Quasney, Jerry Quinn, Joyce Quinn, Ted & Judy Rapp, Kathleen & Larry Riehle, John Radziwon, Cathy Robinet, Steve Rumbaugh, Carla Sandifer, Sand Family, Claude & Eileen Sauer, Dc. Beau Schumacher, Dixie Shreves, Leota Sidel, Mary Swanson, Bob Taylor, Austin Trask, Louis Vanderslice, Eileen Walters, Rose Wickenheiser, Betty Wilson, Al Winland, Carolyn Wise, Unborn Palmer Twins, Bernadette Zander, Darlys Zeller, John Zeller

Your name or the name of your loved one will remain on our bulletin prayer list FOR ONE MONTH or please inform us of extended prayers.

Thank you for the continued prayers for Eleanor Clarich +



## St. Therese WOMEN'S POTLUCK Luncheon & Altar Society Christmas Party December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 12 – 1:30 pm

Come over your lunch hour!! Please bring a dish to share and a \$5 (or less) ornament to the party for a fun ornament exchange game. Remember.... If you are a female 18 or older YOU ARE INVITED!!!!

### A WEEKLY FUNNY... from Father Bill

When Ole accidentally lost 50 cents in the outhouse, he immediately threw in his watch and billfold. He explained, "I'm not going down in dere just for 50 cents."

Two Norwegians from Minnesota went fishing in Canada and returned with only one fish. "The way I figger it, dat fish cost us \$400" said the first Norwegian. "Vell," said the other one, "At dat price it's a good ting ve didn't catch any more."

## The Christmas Pageant "A Mouse's Tale"

Still seeking volunteers! 35 kids auditioned and EVERYONE got a part! Showings will be Wednesday, December 2 at the FAMILY POTLUCK NIGHT (following dinner) and Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> after 9 am Mass! We will have caramel rolls intermission between Mass and showing at 10:20 so we can set up the church for the play. Shout out to our directors, Lori Ashley (Pageant Director) and Dave Carrol (Music director)

We REALLY need additional help for the Sat & Sun night mass times. We know there are a lot of folks in the pews at the 5:30 Mass. Say – Maybe you could help with the collection once in a while!! Call Gayle Martin 718-4631.

### PARISH PINNOCLE NIGHTS

hosted by the KC's

Every Tuesday from 7 to 9 pm

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



**Birth Right is in need of clothing donations – size newborn up to 12 months. Please call Mary 761-1668 or Jan 787-9867. "Thank you!" We truly appreciate it.**

*Both widows in today's readings gave all they had to the work of the Lord, one using all her remaining food to feed Elijah and the other offering her two copper coins to the temple treasury. Faithful stewards give all that is asked and trust the Lord to be faithful to His promises.*

### GENERAL FUND: Contributions last week

Envelopes	\$ 6063.00
Plate Collection	\$ 1501.00
Children's Collection	\$ 109.44
All Saints Day	\$ 601.00
Adult Education Book	\$ 5.00
Religious Education Program	\$ 50.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 5.00
Votive Candle Income	\$ 88.00
TOTAL	\$ 8422.44
Amount needed per week:	\$ 6805.00

### CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Building Improvements	\$ 217.45
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### "THANK YOU" FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

Seminarian Fund	\$ 86.00
Priest Retirement Aid Association	\$ 251.00

### COLLECTIONS FOR NOVEMBER:

Nov. 8: General Fund Nov. 15: General Fund Nov. 22: General Fund  
Nov. 29: Christmas Flowers / General Fund  
NOV.: Priest Retirement Aid Assoc., Building Improvements, Seminarian Fund

## RICE & PASTA RONI, CANNED POTATOES, CANNED FRUIT & DISH SOAP

ARE NEEDED AT CHURCH RESPONSE

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

## MOMMY'S CLOSET Items needed soon:

**JACKETS & SWEATERS up to size 6**

We greatly appreciate all your contributions.

Please place all items in the cradles at either entrance.

Thank you to our Knights of Columbus for an AMAZING breakfast, feeding over 60 during the NET RETREAT!

A special THANK YOU to Denise Lindsey for the beautiful confirmation mural outside the Confirmation Room!

Special THANKS to Ken Jimmerson for speaking at our Family Night Potluck on Nov. 4, our veterans who participated in the flag ceremonies, Lisa Erickson for singing, and all our veterans who have served our country. Freedom is not free!!



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS PARTY

December 13<sup>th</sup> 10:15 – 11:30 am

Needed: Volunteers!!!!, gift items for the Santa Store, cakes & cookies! Drop off items for the store in the office and contact us if you are able to volunteer or bring cakes or cookies that day! Thank you in advance for helping make this annual event so wonderful for our youth!!

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

**Grades PreK - 7<sup>th</sup>: SUNDAYS- 10:15 - 11:30 am**

Nov. 8 NO Class – Veterans' Day  
Nov. 15, 22 Class

**CONFIRMATION: Grades 8 & 9 (and 10 - 12 if needed)**

**SUNDAYS: 6:30 – 8:30 pm:**

Nov. 8 NO Class – Veterans' Day  
Nov. 15 4 to 8 pm MINI-RETREAT (Mass & Meal)

**Youth Connection: WEDNESDAYS- 6 – 7:30 pm** (Grades 6-12)

Nov. 11 NO Group – Veterans' Day  
Nov. 18 Rapid City Rush Youth Group Night  
6 pm meet at the Civic Center. Entrance fees sponsored by our amazing Altar Society!!!! Plus, if we get 25 people, we can have a photo op on the ice with the Rush Players! CALL TO SIGN UP, or let Rita know as soon as possible! There will be no dinner served at YC.

Nov. 25 NO Group – Thanksgiving

## BACK TO BASICS with Father Bill

**WEDNESDAYS at 7 pm NEW book, only \$5!**

Get in office or at class! (even if you don't come to class).  
Come one, or all Wednesdays... let's get back to basics!



**Hurry!!! Ends next Sunday!!!**

## World Youth Day 2016 SILENT AUCTION

**for World Youth Day 2016:**

**ENDS SUNDAY, November 15th @ 7 PM!!!!**

Thank you to all who have donated these fabulous items  
--couldn't do it without ya!

***Bid on the awesome items in the Parish Center!***

**LOOK AT THE SHEETS ABOVE THE GLASS CASE TO  
SEE IF YOU ARE THE HIGHEST BIDDER ON THE  
ITEMS YOU WANT!!! Happy bidding!!!**

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

**MONDAYS: 8 am to 5:30 pm**

Even if we speak with a low voice, even if we whisper without opening the lips, even if we call to him only from the depths of the heart, our unspoken word always reaches God and God always hears.  
– St. Clement of Alexandria

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

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus

**SATURDAY, November 14th at 6:30 pm**

Free-will offering for dinner – Cards .50 each or 3 for \$1 per game



The widow in today's Gospel experienced a miracle of trust. Trust the Lord; then watch for the miracle of plenty in your life.  
(Mark 12:38-44) **PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!**

## ~ 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.**

**TURKEY DAY IS COMING! TURKEY DAY IS COMING!** Get all the fixings for that special day with your 'We Care Gift Cards'! Available for Walmart/Sam's Club, Safeway, & Family Thrift Center/Prairie Market. What a great way to help the needy while giving thanks with family and friends. Visit us after mass or come into the parish office to get yours. **GOBBLE GOBBLE!**

## ANOTHER WEEKLY FUNNY...from Father Bill

They found the gene that causes shyness. They would have found it sooner, but it was hiding behind some other genes.

Mary had a little Lamb, Her father shot it dead! Now it goes to school with her between two chunks of bread.

**Attention students in 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades!**

**STEBENVILLE SIGN UPS ARE RIGHT NOW!!!**

Thirst, June 24-26, in Denver, CO! Seats are going fast, so we have to sign up today to reserve our spots!!! See Rita or the Youth Board for details. Opportunities for fund raising are available, so don't let the cost keep you from going!!



**The HOLLY TROLLEY is coming to town!!!**

Put the date on your calendar – Saturday, December 5, 2015. Cost is \$35.00. Money will be due by Saturday, November 14. Call Kim Dolan 381-2801 or Sandi Jolley 348-6840. We have an action packed trip planned again and we are heading to the northern hills this year. We hope to see you on the bus. Keep watching for more announcements.

## And ONE MORE FUNNY...from Father Bill

Little Max came into the kitchen where his mom was making dinner. His birthday was coming up and he thought this was a good time to tell his mother what he wanted. "Mom, I want a bike for my birthday." Little Max was a bit mischievous and his mom asked him if he thought he deserved a bike. Little Max, of course, thought he did. His mom, being a Christian woman, wanted Max to reflect on his behavior over the last year. "Go to your room, Max, and think about how you have behaved this year. Then write a letter to God and tell Him why you deserve a bike for your birthday." He stomped off to his room. Letter 1: "Dear God, I have been a very good boy this year and would like a red bike for my birthday. Your friend, Max" Max knew this wasn't true, so he tore it up and started again. Letter 2: "Dear God, this is your friend Max. I have been an "OK" boy this year. I still would really like a bike for my birthday. Max" Max knew he could not send this letter to God either. So, he wrote letter 3: "God, I know I haven't been a good boy this year. I am very sorry. I will be a good boy if you just send me a bike for my birthday. PLEASE!!!!" Max knew, even if it were true, this letter was not going to get him a bike. He was very upset. He told his mom he wanted to go to Church. His mom thought her plan worked, as Max looked very sad. "Be home in time for dinner." Max went to the church and up to the Altar. He looked around to see if anyone was there, bent down and picked up a statue of the Virgin Mary, slipped it under his shirt and ran home. He shut the door to his room and sat down to write his letter. Letter 4: "God, I'VE GOT YOUR MAMA. IF YOU WANT TO SEE HER AGAIN, SEND THE BIKE! Signed, You Know Who".

**WHY NOT YOU CAMPAIGN Foster Care & Adoption**

**Tuesday, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>. Dahl Art Center**

Come & learn more about foster care and adoption! All local agencies will be present. Lunch at noon. Dinner at 6 pm. (Meals provided) RSVP appreciated. Call 343-2811  
Sponsored by: Foster One South Dakota, Catholic Social Services, Lutheran Social Services, Children's Home Society, Bethany Christian Services

### **Whist Card Party with the Knights:**

2nd Saturday of each month, a Whist Card Party is hosted by the Cathedral Knights of Columbus at their hall on Minnesota Street, Everyone invited!

#### **Card Party for October - Saturday, November 14th at 7 pm**

– Round up all your Whist playing friends and neighbors and come on over for a night of friendly card playing – always enjoyable and lots of snacks to share.

### **Are you a single, separated or divorced Catholic?**

**CONNECTED CATHOLICS OF SD** A group of single, widowed, separated, and divorced Catholic men and women ages 35 and up that provides a social and spiritual network of activities that offer companionship for singles. The group offers a variety of programs and experiences that enrich its members socially, educationally, and spiritually. 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.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**November 10** - Music Bingo – 7pm – Thirsty's

**November 14** – Whist Card Party at K of C – 7pm – Knights Hall -Minnesota St

**November 26** – K of C Thanksgiving dinner – help deliver meals and then enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner together.

**December 5** Angel Bazaar – Cathedral 8am-2pm

**December 8** – Music Bingo – 7pm – Thirsty's

**December 12** – Christmas Gathering – Pizza Ranch- Southside – 6pm – bring a decoration to share at your table

**December 18** – Blessed Sacrament Church – 5pm -come help fill candy bags for the prison ministry

**GROUNDKEEPER POSITION-full-time** Rapid City Catholic School System  
300 Fairmont Blvd., Rapid City, SD 57701 (605) 343-8484

**Requirements:** High school diploma or equivalent, Experience in building and grounds operations with desire to continue career improvement

Submit a completed non-certified application (available for downloading and printing at <http://rccss.org/district-information/employment-opportunities/>), letter of interest, resume, and three reference letters to: ATTN: Dave Hollenbeck, Director of Facilities  
c/o Marcia Werner - [mwerner@rccss.org](mailto:mwerner@rccss.org) (or send to above address)

### **St. Thomas More presents the classic drama...**

#### **Twelve Angry Jurors**

Terra Sancta Stage, November 20 & 21 at 7:30 pm

Tickets: \$8 adults, \$5 students. Sales begin Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup>.

Call Shawna at 209-3036.

### **Benedictine Vocation Weekend**

November 20-22, St. Martin Monastery offers a weekend for women between the ages of 18 and 59 who are interested in finding out more about religious life. Those attending the weekend join the Benedictine community for prayer and daily activities and have time for reflection and discussion. The weekend runs from 7 p.m. on Friday through 2: p.m. on Sunday. For registration information contact: Sister Mary Wegher, St. Martin Monastery, 1851 City Springs Road, Rapid City, SD 57702-9613, 605-343-8011, or [srmmarywegher@yahoo.com](mailto:srmmarywegher@yahoo.com). ([blackhillsbenedictine.com](http://blackhillsbenedictine.com) will list future dates)

### **FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES**

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

**Christian Family Planning Seminar** will be offered by the Natural Family Planning Ministry on **Saturday, November 21, 9:00 a.m. – Noon at St. John's in Ft. Pierre.** 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, contact Kathy at 716-5214 x 220, [koordes@dioc.org](mailto:koordes@dioc.org)

### **Music Workshop**

Teresa and Brian Spiess will present a cantor and guitar workshop in Deanery 5 at Timber Lake on Saturday, Nov. 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This event should prove to be very informative and educational. Free lunch provided. Contact Sheila Schweitzer at PO Box 182, Timber Lake SD 57656; phone 848-0864; or email [sheilawdhc@yahoo.com](mailto:sheilawdhc@yahoo.com)

**Our Lady of Guadalupe** The Hispanic community will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Saturday, Dec. 12 at Blessed Sacrament Church at 11 a.m. All are invited. Bishop Robert Gruss will be the principal celebrant and priests of the diocese have been invited to concelebrate. The bilingual Mass will be followed by a reception. Desserts welcomed.

**Bilingual Choir** The United in Christ/*Unidos en Cristo* bilingual choir will sing at the Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass, Dec. 12 at Blessed Sacrament Church at 11 a.m. Terry Schroeder will direct the choir. Rehearsals will be held at the church Nov. 14 & Nov. 21 at noon; and Friday, Dec. 11 at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome to participate in this choir/*todos son bienvenidos*.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** Before the hustle and bustle of the holiday season is upon us, make your spouse your number one priority. Come and experience God's love for you through your spouse and become the gift to each other that God wants you to be. Friday-Sunday, November 20-22, Terra Sancta Retreat Center. Go to [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) to register, or call Dawn and John Elsinger at 605-362-0924.



### **Design Bishop Gruss' Christmas Card Contest**

Youth in grades K-12 living in the Diocese of Rapid City are invited to participate in a contest to design a 2015 Christmas card for Bishop Robert Gruss.

Drawings should be done on white, 8.5 x 11" paper in colored pencil, crayon, marker or paints. Please submit original artwork only, no black and white drawings. All drawings become the property of the Diocese of Rapid City and will not be returned. One entry per person — No traced designs — No computer-generated art. The artwork should focus on the religious nature of Christmas. Entries must be postmarked no later than Tuesday, Nov. 10. Entries will be judged based on originality and the ability to convey what Christmas means to Catholics. A panel of judges will be appointed in November. Entries must include first and last name, age, grade, home address, school (public, private or home school with the school's location) and parish (name and city) on the back of the drawing. Please do not fold entries. The winning entries will be featured in the *West River Catholic* Christmas edition — which comes out December 15. Mail entries to: Bishop's Christmas Card Contest, c/o Catholic Chancery, PO Box 678, Rapid City, SD 57709

The top three winners and their parents will be invited to a pizza party with Bishop Gruss. Prizes: 1st place: the art will be used on Bishop Gruss' Christmas Cards and a \$25 gift card, 2nd place: \$15 gift card, 3rd place: \$10 gift card.

**Only 2 seats left for Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrimage to Mexico with Father Brian Lane, Jan. 7 – 13. Sign up today! Contact Rita Dupres for more information at 381-4988.**

### **Annual Diocesan Appeal 2016 "Above all, let your love for one another be intense"**

"Next Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, we will all be asked to pledge support for our diocese and its many ministries. Your participation in this appeal is critical. The insert found in today's bulletin displays those ministries which are supported by your gifts. Please give generously, asking God to open our hearts to the Holy Spirit so our Annual Diocesan Appeal may help us to serve as good stewards of God's grace for our ministries in western South Dakota."

### **Diocesan Masses for Life Matching Grant**

Prayer is essential to ensuring a culture of life in South Dakota and throughout the nation! Again this year, the Diocesan Social Justice Commission will match total donations made for the Diocesan Masses for Life project, up to a total of \$250. The Masses are coordinated by the Blessed Sacrament Parish Pro-Life Committee, but are offered daily at parishes throughout the diocese. This is the ninth year the diocese has matched funds for these Masses for the protection of all life. Please send donations to: Diocesan Masses for Life, c/o Mary Mitchell, 113 Berry Pine Rd., Rapid City, SD 57702. Donations must be postmarked on or before December 31, 2015.

### **Night of Prayer for Life, December 7**

The local observance of the National Night of Prayer for Life will begin with **Mass for the Immaculate Conception feast at 7 p.m. on Monday,**

**December 7.** Mass will be followed by Eucharistic Adoration, the Rosary for Life, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Benediction. Please join Catholics across the U.S. as they pray in thanksgiving for the gift of life (from conception to resurrection), in atonement for the loss of human life from all causes, for healing from abortion and all violence, and seeking life-affirming solutions to all threats against life. Sponsored by the Blessed Sacrament Pro-Life Committee. People from all Rapid City area parishes are encouraged to attend.