

MASS INTENTIONS ~ Oct. 26 – Nov. 1

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

MONDAY	7:30 am – Gordon Milam + 5:30 pm – no Mass due to Hedrick Funeral
TUESDAY	7:30 am – Sheryl Ann Allen +
WEDNESDAY	7:30 am – Michael Meyer +
THURSDAY	7:30 am – Mary Fitzpatrick +
FRIDAY	7:30 am – Vince Allard + All Saints Day
SATURDAY	5:30 pm – Donald (o) & Jeanette (+) Culhane
SUNDAY	9 am – Durwood Bouzek + 5:30 pm – Maurine DeJager +

MASS INTENTIONS: *Other than at St. Therese*

Wednesday, October 28	Special Intention By Fr. Zandri – Good Samaritan Center- New Underwood – 9:30 am
Sunday, October 25	Elizabeth King 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	Rom 8:12-17	Ps 68:2,4,6-7b,20-21	Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday	Rom 8:18-25	Ps 126:1b-6	Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday	Eph 2:19-22	Ps 19:2-5	Lk 6:12-16
Thursday	Rom 8:31b-39	Ps 109:21-22,26-27,30-31	Lk 13:31-35
Friday	Rom 9:1-5	Ps 147:12-15,19-20	Lk 14:1-6
Saturday	Rom 11:1-2a,11-12,25-29	Ps 94:12-13a,14-15,17-18	Lk 14:7-11
Sunday	Rv 7:2-4,9-14	Ps 24:1bc-4b,5-6	1 Jn 3:1-3 Mt 5:1-12a

Faithful Citizenship "Religion [cannot] be relegated to the inner sanctum of personal life, without influence on societal and national life."
-Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*, 183. "In insisting that our liberties as Americans be respected, Pope Benedict XVI said that this work belongs to "an engaged, articulate and well-formed Catholic laity endowed with a strong critical sense vis-à-vis the dominant culture." Therefore, catechesis on religious liberty is not the work of priests alone. If religious liberty is not properly understood, all people suffer and are deprived of the essential contribution to the common good, be it in education, health care, feeding the hungry, civil rights, and social services that individuals make every day, both here at home and overseas." www.usccb.org (From www.rapidcitydiocese.org/family-life-ministries-social-justice/social)

Liturgical Ministry Schedule – Oct. 31 & Nov. 1

SAT. 5:30 pm EM: Diane Wilkinson, Marcia Zacher (S) Deacon Rausch, Jeff Cook, Ivan & Darlene Davignon, Mary Ann Ries **Lector:** Julie Shauger, Scott Sime **Ushers:** Mike & Betty Quasney, Tim & Paula Shull
Gift Bearers: Becky Huber, Diane Wilkinson, Kay Olson **Altar Servers:** Abby Wagner, Arin Wagner, Allison Schuch, Ben Schuch

SUN. 9 am ALL MINISTRIES BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

SUN. 5:30 pm E.M.: Beth Sand (S) Elaine Kocher, Nancy Hartman
Lector: Tony Berendse, Nancy Palmer **Ushers:** Chuck Bossen, Joyce Lorenzen, Greg Rausch, Will Winch **Gift Bearers:** Tim & Molly Rausch Family
Altar Servers: Isabella Ashley, Olivia Ashley, Max Bossen, Patrick Bossen

Please remember to find a substitute if needed.

If you have changes for future schedules,
please call Gayle Martin at 718-4631.

www.saintheresechurch.org

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

Rest In Peace

Gerri Holmgren

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

WELCOME

----- to the Faith Community

New Parishioners:

John & Kate GORDON

Ryan & Dawn PILKER, AND Talliah, Paige & Regan

Through the Waters of Baptism:

Allie WHITMAN, daughter of Rodie & Katie
Jackson LANGDEAU, son of Jeremy & Katie

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== *The "Z" Gram* ==

--- Notes From Father Bill ---

Since Father Z was away at Retreat, the staff is writing his Z Gram! So, sssshhhh! **Father Bill turns 70 on November 10th.** We are going to celebrate with a POLKA MASS and parish 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 dish or two to share and come celebrate Father Bill turning 70!!! ☺ It was also decided at our staff meeting while Father was at Retreat that every staff member will get a raise and an additional vacation day. Hey, it's in writing!! ☺ ☺



THANK YOU!!! TO EVERYONE THAT HELPED WITH THE ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY! OCTOBER 24th at 6:30 pm What a fantastic time!!

Bulletin Prayer List:

Tim Ange, Don Anton, Wendlin Baumgartner, Shirley Black, Brittany, Kellee Callender, Eleanor Clarich, Darwin Coats, Jr., Dorothy Coats, Alice Cole, Barb Collins, Irene Cox, Ed Davis, Todd Ennen, Cathy Falcone, Judy Fisher, Haven Garrett, 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.

Altar Society Funeral Chairpersons ~ OCTOBER

Chairperson: Renee Coldwell Co-Chairperson: Deanna Johnson

Rest In Peace

Aaron Sumner

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

**Thank you to all involved in the Funeral Meal Ministry!
What a blessing you are!**



"The Altar Society funeral chairpersons are currently in need of **LARGE CLEAN plastic containers w/lids.** (Examples of large containers are 45 oz. butter tubs and muffin containers from Safeway or FTC.) So, before you throw it in your recycle bin...please think about us...and drop it off at the church. We'll put it to good use! Thank you!"

"As one of a few funeral chairpersons, I can't say thank you enough to all of you who either volunteer to bring food or work at the funerals. We've got the best cooks (women & men) in the country and some truly hard-working, dedicated people who really want to make sure these families are taken care of. If you'd like to help or haven't received a call for a while, don't be shy...give the fantastic office staff a call and they'll notify us. PS...we're always looking for a few more funeral chairpersons...could this be your calling? ☺ Deanna Johnson"

A WEEKLY FUNNY...from Father Bill

Overheard in the office, "No I didn't go to the gym today, but.... the pizza delivery guy's name was Jim, so same thing." And "This low-fat diet is really working. The fat's hanging lower every day!"



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.

Today's Psalm says, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy." Good stewards demonstrate by their living and giving that they understand God as the Source of all they are and have.

GENERAL FUND: Contributions last week

Envelopes	\$ 4484.00
Plate Collection	\$ 1666.42
Children's Collection	\$ 75.79
Adult Education Books	\$ 5.00
Religious Education Registration	\$ 130.00
Votive Candle Income	\$ 38.00
TOTAL	\$ 6399.21
Amount needed per week:	\$ 6805.00

CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Building Improvements	\$ 30.00
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"THANK YOU" FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

Seminarian Fund	\$ 287.00
Priest Retirement Aid Association	\$ 95.63
World Mission Sunday	\$ 10.00
World Youth Day	\$ 130.00

COLLECTIONS FOR OCTOBER / NOVEMBER:

Oct. 25: General Fund **Nov. 1:** All Saints / General Fund
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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Grades PreK - 7th: SUNDAYS- 10:15 - 11:30 am

Oct. 25, Nov. 1 Class
 Nov. 8 NO Class – Veterans' Day

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

SUNDAYS: 6:30 – 8:30 pm:

October 25 Class
 October 30 – 31 MANDATORY NET Retreat
 Nov. 1 Please note: NO Class

& *NEW* & EXCITING!!! Grades 6-12

Youth Connection: WEDNESDAYS- 6 – 7:30 pm

October 28 Halloween Party
 October 30 & 31 NET TEAM Overnight Retreat
 Nov. 4 FAMILY POTLUCK – Everyone welcome!
 Presentation and honoring our veterans! Please come!

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!



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!



- 1 Glass chess set
- 2 Gorgeous Silverware set – 10 setting? from Cecilia Smith & Anna Hager +
- 3 Gold-Edge Collector Book: A Bridge Too Far From Father Bill's collection
- 4 Immaculate Heart of Mary Rosary in glass case
- 5 Author- signed 1st Edition: The Witches of Eastwick by John Updike From Father Bill's collection
- 6 Author- signed 1st Edition: Depths of Glory by Irving Stone. From Father Bill's collection
- 7 Wooden RISK board game
- 8 TD Dreams in Motion by Terrell Davis
- 9 2 Denver Bronco Books: Mile High Miracles & John Elway: Armed & Dangerous
- 10 Dish Set- Awesome! 4 place setting from Cecilia Smith & Anna Hager +
- 11 Crystal Goblets from Cecilia Smith & Anna Hager +
- 12 Big Book of John Elway & Life-size Poster
- 13 Denver Broncos Book Collection & Life-size Poster
- 14 Snowman & Reindeer
- 15 Winter Tales Snow Babies Jack Frost: A Sleighride Through The Stars
- 16 Handmade Wooden Jewelry Box Gorgeous! Made by Jim Zeller
- 17 Winter Tales Snow Babies Jack Frost: A Touch of Winter Magic
- 18 Our Lady of Guadalupe Crystal Light
- 19 Santa Throw Blanket
- 20 Large Iris Framed Picture Beautiful!
- 21 Copper LAST SUPPER picture
- 22 Sketch of Mary Beautiful!
- 23 Gorgeous Sony Clock includes Key
- 24 John Wayne Picture
- 25 China Doll in a basket
- 26 Snowman Throw Blanket
- 27 Shell & Rock Grotto set of 3
- 28 Wooden Lighthouse & picture frame
- 29 Framed cross-stitch "Let meet at my house"
- 30 Fisher Price Dollhouse -So cute!
- 31 4 pc. Storage bowl set HIGHEST BID: \$0
- 32 Beautiful Floral Arrange in brass holder HIGHEST BID: \$0
- 33 1000 pc. Puzzle: The Invitation HIGHEST BID: \$0
- 34 HP Photo Smart 7200 printer HIGHEST BID: \$0

WORLD YOUTH DAY BAKE SALE Fundraiser

Saturday, Oct. 24th &
Sunday, Oct. 25th

AFTER ALL MASSES

"THANK YOU TO ALL WHO MADE THE YUMMY TREATS!!!! You're amazing! And THANK YOU for purchasing the yummy treats too!! I am very grateful for the support! -- Evan Sand



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

MONDAY 8 am to 5:30 pm

Even if we speak without opening the lips, even if we whisper without our unspoken words, God always hears.

NO Adoration on Oct. 26th due to Hedrick Funeral

~ 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.

Annual CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

After Masses: NOVEMBER 7 & 8

We need your help to fill the tables with your Thanksgiving & Christmas & gift item, handmade crafts and homemade "goodies" for the BAKE SALE!!

Please bring your priced items & un-priced "goodies" to the church at 9 am Saturday, Nov.7th.

ANOTHER WEEKLY FUNNY...from Father Bill

Police Officer: You were going very fast.
Me: I was trying to keep up with traffic.
Police Officer: There isn't any traffic.
Me: Yes I know. That's how far behind I am.

ARE YOU READY FOR THE GOBLINS AND GHOSTS THAT WILL BE COMING TO YOUR DOOR THIS HALLOWEEN? SATISFY THEM WITH TREATS THAT YOU BOUGHT WITH YOUR 'WE CARE GIFT CARDS'! AVAILABLE FOR VARIOUS STORES INCLUDING WALMART/SAM'S CLUB, SAFEWAY, AND FAMILY THRIFT CENTER/PRAIRIE MARKET. IT'S A GREAT WAY TO KEEP THOSE LITTLE MONSTERS HAPPY WHILE HELPING THE NEEDY. STOP BY OUR TABLE AFTER MASS OR GET THEM IN THE PARISH OFFICE. DON'T BE CAUGHT WITH AN EMPTY BOWL.



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 KC Charity fund



You'd better not shout, you'd better not cry, you'd better not pout, I'm telling you WHY... 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

As I was driving home this week and worrying about all the stuff going on in my life, my family's lives, my friends' lives, and what's happening in Washington, Moscow, Ukraine, the Middle East, Hillary, Jeb, Trump, Fox News, and how America is so troubled, I saw a yard sign that said:

NEED HELP?
CALL JESUS
1-800-555-3787

Out of curiosity and desperation, I did.
A Mexican man showed up with a lawnmower.



JOIN THE 2015 PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE TODAY!

ALL ARE WELCOME!

The Holy Rosary & Potluck

New Underwood Community Center

October 31st at Noon

For more information, contact Rosalie Stangle at 605-993-3137.

In addition to our Youth Connection, we have YDISCIPLE at our parish.....WHAT DOES A YDISCIPLE GROUP LOOK LIKE?

- 2 Adult Mentors, same gender as the teens, and not a parent of a teen in the group
- 5-8 teens of the same gender
- Teenagers should be as close in age as possible and preferably friends from the same school
- Meet 2-4 times a month for approximately 90 minutes (Parents welcome everyone, provide snacks, and socialize for 15-20 minutes before allowing the group to have privacy for their meeting in the home or other meeting place.)

YDisciple advocates for building small groups who already know each other. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BEING A MENTOR OR INVOLVED WITH A GROUP, NEW GROUPS ARE STARTING NOW! Contact Rita in the Youth Office.

LOOKS WHAT'S HAPPENING FOR THE YOUTH!!!!
JUST LIVE IT YOUTH CHOIR Wednesdays at 5 pm!

Please call Rita at 342-1556 for more info!

October 28th Youth Connection Halloween Party 6th through 12th Grade
October 30-31st NET (National Evangelization Team) Retreat (lock in) 8th through 12th grade

ARE YOU CONFIRMED? HAVE YOU JOINED YDISCIPLE YET?
YDISCIPLE GROUPS MEETING AND FORMING NEW GROUPS,
NEW LEADERS ON BOARD!!!!

Coming this winter.....Movies, Hockey Games, Swim Parties, game nights, Skiing and tubing! GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR CHURCH!!!!

I'm not fat. My stomach is 3D. ☺

Prayerfully consider joining our Homebound Ministry Team.

Take Communion to the homebound parishioners, typically on Friday morning, but can be done anytime! If you would like more information on how YOU can join this ministry, please contact the office AND . . . **We'll be happy to share additional ways to reach out to our Homebound. . . perhaps with a weekly phone call . . . or a helpful housecleaning once a month.**

What does Bishop Robert Gruss think of **Pope Francis' visit to the U.S.**? See page 2 of the October *West River Catholic*.

Cursillo

Do you desire a closer relationship with God? Come and join us for a *Cursillo* weekend this fall. *Cursillo* is a short course in Christianity. The women's weekend is November 12-15 at Terra Sancta, with Father John Lule. The men's weekend is November 19-22 at Storm Mountain with Father Janusz Korban. For more information or an application, please contact Jerry Kocher at 605-716-9321 or email jeriko@rushmore.com

You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.
Let us pray for an increase to the vocation of priesthood, pray for the priests who serve us. (Hebrews 5:1-6)
PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

Interested in Becoming a Permanent Deacon?

You are invited to learn about this important ministry in the Catholic Church, Monday, November 9, 2015, Catholic Chancery, 606 Cathedral Dr., Rapid City (directly behind the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 520 Cathedral Dr) To be held 6:30- 8:30 p.m. Men ages 35-60 and their wives are welcome. Please call the formation director, Fr. Peter Etzel, no later than November 4 if you plan to attend. Contact information: 605-985-5906 or email ssc@gwct.net. *If possible, please bring a brief letter of support from your pastor*

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 srmarywegher@yahoo.com. (blackhillsbenedictine.com will list future dates)

IHM Seminary Visit November 13-16, 2015, the Office of Vocations will host a live-in weekend for young men who are juniors/seniors and college age students who are interested in knowing more about seminary life. Weekend includes tour of campus, discussions, meals and prayer with seminarians, plus attendance at classes and time for recreation. No charge. Ends Monday evening, November 16. Deadline to register October 31. Call Office of Vocations 605-716-5214 or email mmccormick@diorc.org.

Nun Run 2015 November 6-9, the Office of Vocations will host a live-in weekend for young women at least 16 years of age who are interested in knowing more about religious life. We will travel to Lincoln, NE, to visit two different communities of sisters: School Sisters of Christ the King and the Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln. No charge. Ends Monday evening, November 9. Deadline to register is October 23. Call the Office of Vocations 605-716-5214 or email mmccormick@diorc.org.

Retreat Opportunity!

Sacred Heart Monastery is offering a Discernment Retreat "Exploring Religious Life" on November 20-22. For Catholic Women ages 20-50. For more information call Sr. Clarice at 605-668-6092 or go to <http://yanktonbenedictines.org/vocation-events/>.

Here, believe. There understand.

Please note... due to shipping costs, the company is unable to take toner cartridges, only ink cartridges.

So.. SAVE YOUR EMPTY INK CARTRIDGES!

Just place your empties in the box in Parish Center.

****Must be original cartridges – not generic. Please see the list on the box for acceptable ink cartridges.****

Thank you for supporting St. Therese YOUTH!

U.S. Papal Visit For Pope Francis' homilies, speeches and photos go to <http://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/papal-visit-2015-speeches-homilies>

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, kcordes@diorc.org

WHY NOT YOU CAMPAIGN Foster Care & Adoption Tuesday, Nov. 17th. 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 Serves, Children's Home Society, Bethany Christian Services



**Mother Butler Center
Annual Bazaar**
231 Knollwood Dr. Rapid City, S.D.
(Across from the Carmike 10 Movie Theater)
Sun. Nov 1 - 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Arts • Crafts • Bingo • Children's Games • Baked Goods
• Food Concession • Silent Auction • And More!
Raffle Prizes
\$1000.00 • \$500.00 • \$250.00
Numerous other prizes!
Tickets can be purchased from the Parish Office or at the Bazaar.
EVERYONE INVITED
Proceeds benefit the Mother Butler Center which provides an educational and gathering center for the local community.
For more information please call the office manager at (605) 343-2165

There is still time to sign up for the Pilgrimage with Bishop Robert Gruss to Lourdes, Spain & Fatima and an optional Rome Extension ~ Feb. 5-15, 2016

The 11-day pilgrimage includes round-trip airfare from Rapid City, daily Mass in significant Catholic shrines and churches, professional Catholic tour escorts /guides and daily sightseeing that includes the sites of Lourdes and Fatima, touring the Marian apparition of Zaragoza, St. Teresa's city of Avila, Madrid, and much more — price \$3,299. February 15-19, 2016, there is an optional 5-day extension to Rome that includes a Papal Audience with Pope Francis, the major Basilica's of Christian Rome, ancient Rome sites, and the Vatican \$1699

BREAST CANCER SURVIVORS' LUNCHEON

Join American Cancer Society volunteers & Friends Against Breast Cancer Support Group on **Saturday Oct. 31st 11am – 2pm @ Blessed Sacrament Parish Center, 4500 Jackson Blvd., Rapid City.** Enjoy a complimentary salad and dessert buffet luncheon, visit with other survivors and enjoy a relaxing piano program. There will be wig specialists, mammogram information and information about the local support group. There will also be an opportunity to make a donation for local breast cancer patients in need. **PLEASE - RSVP to Janece @ 605-343-5547**

Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty

O God our Creator, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ. Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society. 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, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome—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.

Visit Ireland Join Fr. Marcin Garbacz on a pilgrimage to experience the faith of the Irish, June 2-13, 2016. Price based on two people per room, \$3,895.00 from Rapid City. For more information contact Select International: Susan Prendergast 800-842-4842 or susan@select-intl.com Rita Dupres 605-381-4988 or Ritadupres@msn.com

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.



Capital Campaign Director Sought Do you want to make a difference? Nestled in the Northern Black Hills, consider living and working in beautiful, Spearfish, SD. The BHSU Newman Center sponsored by St. Joseph's Parish is looking for a Capital Campaign and Development Director. Ideal candidates will have a min 3 years experience in fund raising, sales & marketing. Candidates need to have excellent communication and organizational skills, be able to contact donors and solicit funds. Preferred candidates are expected to be involved in the Spearfish community and be available for some evening and weekend events. Bachelor's Degree or equivalent experience required. Please email resume with references to diane@stjosephspearfish.com. Applications accepted until October 31, 2015

Experience the Sacred through Song, Silence & Scripture

Join us the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. for Taizé in Holy Cross Chapel at Terra Sancta. The Taizé community has developed a prayer service and music that includes people and traditions worldwide; songs are sung in many languages, and include chants and icons from the Roman Catholic, Protestant and Eastern Orthodox tradition. The music emphasizes simple phrases, usually lines from Psalms or other pieces of Scripture, repeated and sometimes also sung in canon. Taizé services are ecumenical services based on this model and music. Taizé is held October through May on the second Wednesday with one exception this year — Ash Wednesday is the second Wednesday of February, so Taizé will be on February 17, 2016.

Looking for more than just a job?

During his visit to the U.S., Pope Francis spoke about not holding back the little miracles of life – to show our love as signs of Jesus' own living and active presence in our world. Being a part of the team at Terra Sancta Retreat Center provides an opportunity to do just that ... We live our ministry of hospitality and generosity through our work at the retreat center. Applications accepted on a continuous basis as business continues to grow. Additional Event Staff are needed for both Hospitality Services and for Catering Services. Find out more on-line at <http://terrasancta.org/employment/> or call us at 605-716-0925.

Prayer for Peace ~ Every Thursday from Noon to 1 pm (noon hour) you are invited to come to the Cathedral in Rapid City to pray for peace.

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

9th Annual Christmas Jail Program One of the traditional events presented each year by the HFNL Ministry is the Christmas Program for the inmates of Pennington County Jail. This will be our 9th annual program. Imagine a Christmas holiday during which you were separated from your family and friends? Now imagine your separation from your loved ones being a result of your incarceration in Pennington County Jail. While it is difficult for most of us to think of ourselves in jail during the Christmas holiday, this is a fact for nearly 500 prisoners currently serving sentences in our community. During our Christmas program, we sing carols and distribute between 500-600 bags of holiday candies and Holy cards to the inmates we entertain. Because our regular weekly jail groups average about 30 men and women (approximately 6 percent of the jail population of 500 people), the Christmas Program gives us a wonderful opportunity to reach out to many more people in several different cell blocks. This year's Christmas Program will take place on Sunday December 20. We are seeking volunteers to help with this program, so if you like to sing or you can play the guitar or other musical instrument, our ministry would welcome your participation in this uplifting event. In order to enter the jail, volunteers have to submit to a routine background check. HFNL will assist you in this. We are also asking for donations of puzzles (especially those with a Christian theme) and paperback books (themes: action, Westerns, historical). Donation boxes are available at the parishes. To volunteer for the Christmas program, or to learn more about our ministry please contact **Bill Gradoville (341-2721)**. You are also welcome to attend our monthly HFNL meetings every 3rd Monday of the month at Catholic Social Services at 6:30 pm.

Divine Mercy Prayers

Would you like to host a traveling Divine Mercy Image in your home for up to 27 days to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet/Novena? With the image will be a Divine Mercy Chaplet/Novena, a rosary for the prayer, and some information on the promises Jesus gave St. Faustina for those who pray the Chaplet/Novena. Please call Georgine at 605-441-8140.



What national office has Chancellor Margaret Simonson been elected to? See page 3 of the October *West River Catholic*.

ANNUAL TURKEY SUPPER at Atonement Lutheran Church

November 7th. Bazaar and Bake Sale from 9 am to 3 pm.

Lefse will be sold at the Bazaar. Silent Basket Auction ~ 9 am to 7 pm.

Supper from 4 to 7 pm.

Cost is \$9 for adults, \$5 for children (6-12), 5 & under FREE.

We are requesting a canned good to support Woyatan (Native American Ministry). Special music provided during the meal.

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:

October 27 – Pinnacle Night at St Therese – 7 to 9pm

November 6 – Potluck & Social (Games for those interested) at 6:30 at St Therese.

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



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 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.

Christmas Decoration Recycling! Do you have some gently-used Christmas decorations that need a new home? If so, Church Response would love to have them for our Christmas Decoration Recycling project. Many of our clients have very few, if any, holiday decorations, and we would like to pass along your donated items to these families to make their Christmas a bit more festive! If we receive enough decorations we would also like to sell them to the general public every December at reasonable prices and donate the money to Church Response. Cleaning out your Christmas storage boxes will result in a cheerier holiday for many Rapid City families and also provide additional income to Church Response — everybody wins! Please bring your donations to your church, or the Church Response office at 30 Main St. Call (342-5360) for more information.



Jr Cavs , 2015-2016 Season, Basketball

Registrations Rapid City Catholic School System/St. Thomas More and St. Elizabeth Seton honorably invite our Catholic Diocese Family to Jr Cavs Basketball registrations. Boys and Girls Grades K-6 fees — returning players \$35, new players \$50. Registrations close on October 31. **(Note new registration deadline).** Jr Cavs is an athletic program that develops personal and athletic excellence in the Catholic tradition for students grades K-6. It is developed and directed through our local Catholic School System, RCCSS. The basketball season is in action from January 4, 2016-February 29, 2016. The program is conducted in the gym of St. Elizabeth Seton (SES). Teams typically have 1 practice and 1 scheduled game per week. Registrants receive a full STM/SES uniform. Other sport programs Jr Cavs have under development, and will be announcing shortly, may include: volleyball, soccer, football, baseball, cross country, and a Spring St. Patrick 5K Gold run. Questions? Registration forms? Contact: Ms. Tonia Maher 1st Grade Teacher/Jr Cavs Director, RCCSS, St. Elizabeth Seton Elementary, tmaher@rccss.org 605-716-5213.

"Visio Divina — Praying with Your Eyes" At Benedictine Peace Center A prayer experience with the illuminations of the Saint John's Bible October 31st from 9:15 a.m. to noon at Sacred Heart Monastery, Yankton, for men and women. Learn more about looking at life through prayerful eyes, Contact Sr. Mary Jo Polak, OSB, at: <http://yanktonbenedictines.org/center-events>, email benedictinepeacectr@mtmc.edu, or call 605-668-6292. Please register by October 26. Consider extending your retreat by arranging to come Friday evening, or to stay through Sunday morning.

How can an invitation to Mass change someone's life? Read **Kamren Horton's story** on page 8 of the October *West River Catholic*.



To the friends and family of Gary & Carolyn Gross

WE can't begin to adequately express our gratitude for your generosity, kindness, prayers, and support. Illness is a burden, but you have lightened the load. You have helped us even more than you could know. We want to especially thank Hart Ranch and the benefit committee, Jerry Bussler, Scott Sturlaugson, Craig Hatch, Nancy Rohrer, Brett Grosz and Dustin Lecy, as well as all who made our day!

Sincerely,
Gary & Carolyn

Just THOUGHTS... FROM THE FILE

Two traveling angels stopped to spend the night in the home of a wealthy family. The family was rude and refused to let the angels stay in the mansion's guest room. Instead the angels were given a small space in the cold basement. As they made their bed on the hard floor, the older angel saw a hole in the wall and repaired it. When the younger angel asked why, the older angel replied, "Things aren't always what they seem." The next night the pair came to rest at the house of a very poor, but very hospitable farmer and his wife. After sharing what little food they had the couple let the angels sleep in their bed where they could have a good night's rest. When the sun came up the next morning the angels found the farmer and his wife in tears. Their only cow, whose milk had been their sole income, lay dead in the field. The younger angel was infuriated and said to the older angel, "How could you have let this happen? The first man had everything, yet you helped him." She accused, "The second family had little but was willing to share everything, and you let the cow die." "Things aren't always what they seem," the older angel replied. "When we stayed in the basement of the mansion, I noticed there was gold stored in that hole in the wall. Since the owner was so obsessed with greed and unwilling to share his good fortune, I sealed the wall so he wouldn't find it. Then last night as we slept in the farmers bed, the angel of death came for his wife. I gave him the cow instead. Things aren't always what they seem." **Sometimes that is exactly what happens when things don't turn out the way they should. If you have faith, you just need to trust that every outcome is always to your advantage. You just might not know it until some time later.**

The FLAME

Adoration, Praise & Worship, Inspiring Catholic Stories
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5 AT 7 PM

You are invited to The Flame at Terra Sancta! This monthly event begins at 7 pm with Adoration — Holy Hour with Praise and Worship — followed by fellowship and inspiring Catholic stories told for live podcast recording. Visit The Flame site: www.TheFlameRC.com

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM PUBLIC PROTEST

Every 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.

March for Life Pilgrimage in 2016- Join the Diocese of Rapid City and Pro-Life Groups from across the nation for an exciting Pilgrimage to Washington, DC on January 20th through 23rd 2016! In addition to the traditional *March for Life* events at the US Capital Building and the steps of the Supreme Court, we'll also enjoy many other activities! Package includes; round-trip airfare from Rapid City, 3 nights hotel, 3 breakfasts, 3 dinners, motor coach transportation, & entry fees per itinerary. Cost starts at \$995 per person for quad occupancy. Contact Canterbury Pilgrimages at 1-800-653-0017 or visit www.canterburypilgrimages.com for more information or to register.