

MASS INTENTIONS ~ October 9 - 15

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

MONDAY thru FRIDAY NO MASS at St. Therese
Due to Priest Retreat – See schedule below for Mass there

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY 5:30 pm – Parishioners
SUNDAY 9:00 am – Gordon Milam +
SUNDAY 5:30 pm – David DeJager +

MASS INTENTIONS: Other than at St. Therese

Monday, October 9 Wendy & Donna Baumgartner +
Holy Cross Chapel at Terra Sancta - By Fr. Kerry Prendiville – 11:15 am
Tuesday, October 10 Don Wieseler
Holy Cross Chapel at Terra Sancta - By Fr. Kerry Prendiville – 11:15 am
Wednesday, October 11 For Life
Holy Cross Chapel at Terra Sancta - By Fr. Kerry Prendiville – 11:15 am

FAMILY ROSARY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 7PM

PLEASE COME! EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Our Daily Scriptures

Monday Jon 1:1-2:2,11 (Ps) Jon 2:2-5,8 Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday Jon 3:1-10 Ps 1390:1-4,7-8 Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday Jon 4:1-11 Ps 86:3-6,9-10 Lk 11:1-4
Thursday Mal 3:13-20b Ps 1:1-4,6 Lk 11:5-13
Friday Jl 1:13-15;2:1-2 Ps 9:2-3,6,8-9,16 Lk 11:15-26
Saturday Jl 4:12-21 Ps 97:1-2,5-6,11-12 Lk 11:27-28
Sunday Is 25:6-10a Ps 23:1-6 Phil 4:12-14,19-20 Mt 22:1-14

Faithful Citizenship Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance'; They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him... Jesus said to them, 'Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes?..'

www.usccb.org/bible/readings/100817.cfm

Liturgical Ministry Schedule – Oct. 14 & 15

SAT. 5:30 pm E.M.: Jeff Cook, John Mowry (S) Martha Cook, Pat Guertman, Bob & Kay Olson, Dcn Chuck Rausch **Lectors:** Kevin & Kris Hittle **Ushers:** Fred & Paula Welsch **Gift Bearers:** Fred & Paula Welsch **Altar Servers:** Justice Moore, NEEDED

SUN. 9 am E.M.: Ginny DeJager, Julie Heintz (S), Rachel Edelen, Dcn Chuck Rausch, Ralph & Rita Dupres, Paul Schneider **Lectors:** Emily Brodeur, Brenda Wills **Ushers:** Rick Edelen, Seth Edelen, Max Edelen, Al Thome **Gift Bearers:** William & Marcy Morrison Family **Altar Servers:** Spencer Morrison, John Auriemma, Hayden Czerwonka

SUN. 5:30 pm E.M.: Beth Paris (S) Jan Winegar, Dcn Chuck Rausch **Lectors:** Evan Sand **Ushers:** Bill & Jan Winegar **Gift Bearers:** Bill & Jan Winegar **Altar Servers:** Cooper Sand, Brock Williamson

Please remember to find a substitute if needed.
If you have changes for future schedules,
call the office at 342-1556.

If you would like to be an Altar Server, Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Gift Bearer or Sacristan, call the office today!!

SEEKING EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & SACRISTANS at ALL Masses but especially on Sunday evenings.

Call Lynn Loomer at 381-7662.

WELCOME

----- to the Faith Community

New Parishioners:

Nick PETERSON
Peggy & Jon HAWKS, and Ryan
Bart HUGHES, and Haley



1st one of the season! Come on down!!

KC BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 8th

8 am until all served following 9 am Mass

Check out our Pancake Breakfast!!

We are trying out a few NEW things. This time around we'll have something NEW and some surprises! But don't worry . . . we'll still have pancakes!

Parish website:

www.saintheresechurch.org

Find the weekly bulletin here, plus LOTS MORE!

FUNERAL LUNCHEON CHAIRPERSON NEEDED!

Only one month a year! Chairperson calls volunteers to bring food for the luncheon and is there to set up the day of the funeral and coordinate helpers. Please give prayerful consideration to this opportunity to serve in this ministry. Please call Renee Coldwell at 721-0808.

Rest In Peace

Jerald "Jerry" Vifquain

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

Altar Society Funeral Chairpersons ~ OCTOBER
Chairperson: Renee Coldwell Co-chair: Deanna Johnson



FALL FESTIVAL WRAP UP

Sunday, October 15th at 10:15 am ~ Room 103

*Come share your thoughts about this year's Fall Festival and offer ideas for next year's Festival!
Should be short! Hope to see you there!*



Attention PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS!
Reminder that the Parish Council meeting has been MOVED to OCTOBER 16th instead of October 30th. See you then!!

Please add FR. ARNIE KARI & JAMES COATS to your prayers.

Bulletin Prayer List:

Margo Aerts, Tim Ange, Bill Backhaus, James Birch, Shirley Black, Kathy Borkovec, Barbara Boyd, Britney Weber Brouillette, Rose Brunson, Kellee Callender, Janice Carlboom, Nick Cederberg, Chad, Jeanette Christensen, Darwin Coats, Jr., Dorothy Coats, James Coats, Mike Cole, Barb Collins, Irene Cox, Katherine Craig, Tom Crawford, Debra, Ginny DeJager, Bob Doran, Brian Duffy, Todd Ennen, Ron Eucher, Cathy Falcone, Judy Fisher, Elvina Follum, Vev Fuller, Haven Garrett, Tim Garrett, Joe Gruenwald, Laurie Gustaf, Tom Haney, Harold Hansen, Margaret Hansen, Linda Harrington, Sue Hayden, Heather, Jaime Hopfauf, Rosemary Huggins, Angie Jangula, Jeff Jonas, Kaitylyn, Fr. Arnie Kari, Chris Keuhler, Virginia Kessler, Arlene Kingsley, Rita Kutil, Corky Leach, Gary Lewis, Lynn Loomer, Lorraine, Gayle Martin, Brad Maskovich, Susan McFadden, Bob Mercer, Steve Miller, Donna Moreland, Aggie Mousel, Ann Weber O'Connell, Millie Oreshoski, Pat Osburn, Donald Pazie, Travis Peterson, Helen Quasney, Ted & Judy Rapp, John Radziwon, Russ Rearick, Joel Rivera, Gala Rose, Bennie Saldanha, Carla Sandifer, Janelle Scherr, Allen Schwahn, Lillian Schwahn, Shirley, Steve & Britney, Floyd Sperlich, Leo Stulc, Greg Suto, Wilma Theis, Riley Thomas, Rob Tidball, Tim, Terry Usera, Patty Van Horn, Jean Wallman, Eileen Walters, Marjorie Walton, Janet Werner, Larry Wetsch, Diane Wilkinson, De Etta Young

Thank you for the continued prayers for JOHN, JOSHUA, LORRAINE BROOKS +& WILLEY

NATIONAL PRIEST DAY is October 29th!
We are celebrating with an OPEN HOUSE from 2-4:30 pm at the St. Therese RECTORY!

Come see where the priests live and let them know how much they are appreciated!!

A LITTLE LAUGH ...

A rancher asked his veterinarian for some free advice. "I have a horse that walks normally sometimes, and sometimes he limps. What shall I do?" The Vet replied, "The next time he walks normally, sell him."



PARISH PINNACLE 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.

Rest In Peace

Lorraine Brooks

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



ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY
OCTOBER 28th at 6:30 pm

Everyone is encouraged to wear your costumes to 5:30 pm Mass!

SEEKING donations of

individually wrapped candy and TREATS!

Please bring candy to office or place in the box at either entrance and bring treats & baked goodies to the church on October 27th & 28th.



In the Gospel today, the owner of the vineyard sent messengers to collect his share of the harvest from the tenant farmers; but there was not a single good steward on the property! God is the owner, we are the tenants. What sort of stewards are we?

GENERAL FUND: Contributions this week

Envelopes	\$ 5763.43
Plate Collection	\$ 1078.10
Children's Collection	\$ 32.00
Rent from In Residence Priest	\$ 650.00
Assumption	\$ 5.00
Religious Education Registration	\$ 200.00
Votive Candle Income	\$ 90.75
TOTAL	\$ 7819.28
Amount needed per week:	\$ 6805.00

CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Building Improvements	\$ 189.00
Fall Festival Raffle Tickets	\$ 20.00

"THANK YOU" FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

Seminarian Fund	\$ 45.29
Priest Retirement Aid Association	\$ 212.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$ 20.00
Hurricane Relief	\$ 300.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 25.00

COLLECTIONS FOR OCTOBER:

Oct. 8: World Mission Sunday / General Fund **Oct. 15:** General Fund
Oct. 22: General Fund **Oct. 29:** General Fund
OCT: Priest Retirement Aid Assoc., Building Improvements, Seminarian Fund

Jesus is here... share a part of your day with Him
NO HOLY HOUR
 October 13
 Due to Priest Retreat
ADORATION
FRIDAYS: 8 AM to 9 AM
 Benediction & Morning Prayer at 9 AM

You're invited to come and celebrate

Dale

Schumacher's 75th Birthday!!!

OPEN HOUSE
Sat., October 14th
 ~ 1 to 4 pm



St. Therese Parish Hall

Hosted by his family.

Dale requests no presents, just your presence!!!

~ 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.



Next Knights of Columbus Meeting

Monday, October 9th ~ 7 pm

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

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

MEETING on Monday, October 9th at 6:30 pm. Any lady, 18 years and older, interested in learning more about the "daughters," who they are and what they do, is invited to come to this meeting. Come for dinner at 6:30 and stay for the meeting which generally last about an hour.

More information: 431-0851 or 342-1651. See you all there!

THESE CARDS WORK JUST LIKE CASH, MAKE GREAT GIFTS AND THE CHURCH BENEFITS!!

We have **WE CARE** cards on hand for WALMART/SAMS CLUB for \$10, \$50, \$100; FRESH START for \$50, \$100; SAFEWAY for \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100; FAMILY THRIFT CENTER for \$25, \$50, \$100.

We have **SCRIP** cards on hand for \$10 from Walmart/Sams, Target, Arby's, Burger King, Dairy Queen, Noodles & Co., and Wendy's.

We have **SCRIP** cards on hand for \$25 from AMC Theaters, Domino's, Texas Roadhouse, Target, Red Lobster/Olive Garden/Longhorn Steakhouse, Pizza Ranch, Menards, Kohl's, Holiday, Great Clips, Bed Bath & Beyond and Bath & Body Works.

PLUS, you can order from MANY, MANY retailers one week & pick up the next. Just ask to see list! Still need help Selling WeCare & Scrip cards after the 2nd, 4th, & 5th Saturday night Mass!

Just call, text or leave a message at 430-0459. You can even e-mail me at ylw_flowers65@hotmail.com. ~ Melanie Karp

Rest In Peace

Ann Keller

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

Attention Medical Professionals—You are invited to attend the **CMA WHITE MASS** On the Occasion of the Feast of St. Luke, the Physician, on **Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2017 at the Holy Cross Chapel, Terra Sancta Retreat Center at 5:30 pm.** Mass will be celebrated by Most Rev. Robert D. Gruss and will include the Dedication of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Guild of the CMA and a Blessing of Physicians and Medical Professionals. Reception Following will include Heavy Hors d'oeuvres and feature Guest Speaker, Bill Peterson, Executive Director of Friends of San Lucas, the stateside arm that supports the work of the Mission in San Lucas Toliman Guatemala, founded over 50 years ago by Fr. Greg Shaffer. Your \$30 payment will support this event, and the mission of the CMA. For More Information or to Register Visit www.shjcmaguild.com/whitemass or contact Amy Julian at 605-716-5214 or ajulian@diorc.org. Please RSVP by October 12.

Disaster Relief Many thanks to all of our parishioners for their support of those affected by Hurricanes Irma and Harvey. With the additional tragedies caused by Hurricane Maria and the earthquakes in Mexico, continued prayers of support are needed. In order to provide our people a way to respond to others in these situations, the Diocese of Rapid City will continue to accept donations to help rebuild lives and Catholic churches in affected areas. Donations may be made directly at <https://catholiccharitiesusa.org/> for disaster relief in the USA or at <https://www.crs.org/> for disaster relief throughout the rest of the world. *Parishioners may also contribute through their local parish by marking their checks to indicate their intended designation, example — "Hurricane Maria," or "Mexico Earthquake," etc. Your generous response to these victims is very much appreciated!*

SOUPS, CRACKERS, JELLO & LAUNDRY SOAP

ARE NEEDED AT CHURCH RESPONSE

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

MOMMY'S CLOSET Items needed soon:
FALL CLOTHING up to size 6, **SOCKS & UNDERWEAR** up to size 6

And DIAPERS: size 3-5

We *greatly* appreciate all your contributions.

Please place all items in the cradles at either entrance.

ANOTHER LITTLE LAUGH...

Ole saved his money for a lifetime and decided to take a vacation on a western ranch in Montana. The following conversation took place: OLE: Look at dat bunch of cows. COWBOY: Not BUNCH.. HERD. OLE: Heard WHAT? COWBOY: Herd of cows. OLE: Sure, I heard of cows. COWBOY: No, a cow herd. OLE: Why shoud I care vhat a cow heard. I got no secrets from da cow. ☺

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Grades PreK - 5th: SUNDAYS- 10:15 - 11:30 am

Oct. 8 NO CLASS – Native American Day

Oct. 15, 22, 29, Nov. 5, 12, 19 Class

CONFIRMATION: SUNDAYS: 4 to 6:30 pm ~ 7th Grade
(Includes Mass)

Oct. 8 MS/HS Youth Rally

Oct. 15, 22, 29, Nov. 5, 12, 19 Class

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

WEDNESDAYS- 6 – 7:30 pm (Grades 6-12)

6 pm Dinner ~ Group starts at 6:30 pm

Oct. 8 (Sun) MS/HS Youth Rally

Oct. 11 (Slipper Night), 18 (Hawaiian Shirt) Life Night

Oct. 25 TEAM Planning/Retreat

MARY'S CIRCLE
Wed., October 18th at 1:30 pm

In the Parish Hall!

Discussing the Christmas Bazaar!

Questions? Call DARLYS at 348-4269!

*EVERYONE
WELCOME!!*

Dismiss all anxiety from your minds. Let us present our needs to God in the form of prayer and petitions full of gratitude. Let us pray for an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life. (Phil 4:6-9)

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

Get FORMED in the Catholic Faith!

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E-Books, Lighthouse Catholic Media audio presentations & more!!



**A Special Event on
FORMED:**

Starting October 9th, watch *The Bible and the Sacraments* on Formed!

Each week, two new episodes of this powerful and enriching series from the St. Paul Center will be released for a limited time only. Presented by popular speaker and author Matthew Leonard, the deep mysteries and truths of the sacraments come alive in a whole new way through exploring where the sacraments come from, what they mean, and why they are so important and foundational to our Catholic faith.

Go to: FORMED.ORG

Our Parish Code: 2ad1be

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• The top three of several goals established by the RCCSS Board of Directors for the 2017-18 school year are:
1) maintaining a strong Catholic identity,
2) making Catholic education affordable for all who desire to enroll, and 3) increasing employee salaries and benefits.

- The school year began with 896 students enrolled.
- STM Middle School student Lily Hilt won 2nd Place in Modern Woodmen's National Speech Contest in July 2017.

(Website: <http://rccss.org>)

33 Days to Morning Glory at St. Therese!

Want to learn about our Blessed Mother Mary and her role in our Christian lives? Want to transform your life, but don't have time? The quickest way on your journey to holiness is through a relationship with Our Blessed Mother. Join us **November 2nd at 6 pm**, as we begin a 33 day preparation for Marian Consecration. We will meet every week thru Dec. 7th. On Dec 8, the feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass, Father Kerry Prendiville will consecrate us to Jesus through Mary. **Please pre-register and order your book by Oct. 14th.** Contact Paula Shull 716-5077 or timandpaulashull@gmail.com

Light Weigh One King is coming to Cathedral. Light Weigh One King is a 12 week Bible Study-DVD program designed to help members grow in relationship with Jesus Christ and increased health through weight-loss and healthy eating. The program is recommended by parish nurses and doctors for weight-loss success. There are no weigh-ins. Let our Lord and King help you break free from anything keeping you chained! **A One King orientation will be held on October 18 in the Cathedral's lower sacristy at 8:30 am. Hope to see you there!**

If the Holy Spirit is calling you to serve, what better way than St. Vincent dePaul Society?

We help the poor and needy in Rapid City. It is a very fulfilling ministry to help our brothers and sisters as Jesus did. Please call Nancy Gwaltney at 605-431-7863 to find out more!

PREGNANT AND NEED HELP? If you are pregnant and need help or know someone who might be, we would love to help you! Please visit Birthright at 2002 5th St in the little red house on the corner of 5th and St. Francis. We offer free and confidential pregnancy tests, community resource referrals, maternity clothing and new born layettes. We are open Mon, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 12-4 PM and Tuesdays 4-6 PM. You can reach us at (605)353-1732 or 1-800-550-4900. We also gratefully accept new or nearly new baby clothing size 0 - 12 months and maternity clothing in all sizes. If you are interested in volunteering with us, please call Cathy at 347-6190.

All are invited for a COMMUNITY FOOT CARE CLINIC each month at St. Therese

Interim Healthcare will be providing a community foot care clinic. **\$10 per person: feet soak, toenails cut and lotion applied. October 20th at 9 am til done with those present.** Please call 348-5885 to sign up or ask questions.

IHM Seminary Visit – November 10-13

Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary Visit. Young men ages 16-25 are invited to travel with the Office of Vocations to Winona, MN to visit the Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary. This is an opportunity to experience seminary life and explore the possibility that God might be calling you to discern priesthood at the seminary. *For more information or to register, please visit: www.gods-call.org/events or call the Office of Vocations at: 605-716-5214 ext. 233*

Nun Run October 19-22. The Office of Vocations sponsors a trip each year to a religious community for young women ages 16 and older. This year we will be traveling to Denver, CO, to spend the weekend with the religious sisters of the Community of the Beatitudes. This weekend offers the opportunity to experience daily life in a religious community & to learn how to hear God's voice and explore what he might be calling you to. There is no cost for this weekend, but registration required. For more information or to register, please visit www.gods-call.org/events or call the Vocations office at 605-716-5214 ext. 233. *Deadline to register is October 12.*

ONE MORE LITTLE LAUGH...

A denominational headquarters office hired a new secretary. After a late arrival every day for a week, the boss said to her one morning, "You're thirty minutes late again. Do you know what time we start work in this office?" The secretary replied, "No, sir. They're always working when I get here."

The Children's Memorial Garden is a place where families



can celebrate and remember their children who have returned to God. Currently, under construction on the Terra Sancta Campus in Rapid City, we are seeking

sponsorships to help us make this dream a reality. Please visit our website to make a donation in any amount. If you'd like to remember a child who has returned to God, please visit our website <http://tsCMG.org>.

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:

October 26 - Thursday - Dine Out/Happy Hour - Chili's - 5:00pm

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.

Historic Diocesan Event - Black Elk Sainthood Cause

Saturday, October 21, Bishop Robert Gruss will open the cause for sainthood on behalf of Lakota catechist, Nicholas Black Elk. The Mass will be held at 4 p.m. at Holy Rosary Church, 100 Mission Dr., Pine Ridge, SD on the Red Cloud Indian School Campus. Dinner to follow. Everyone is welcome to this diocesan event. Read the October 17 *West River Catholic* for more information on the life of Black Elk and on the process of sainthood.

--- Happenings at St. Martin's ---

Prayerful Painting, Saturday, October 21st. We will prayerfully illustrate PEACE on this retreat day! St. Martin Monastery, 1851 City Spring Road, Rapid City. \$20 includes lunch. To pre-register please call Sr. Therese Marie at 605-343-8011.

Meals on Wheels Program is in CRITICAL need of VOLUNTEER DRIVERS!

Meals on Wheels is experiencing an increase in requests for meals to benefit homebound seniors in Rapid City. We are urgently looking for volunteers that can deliver meals to seniors that might otherwise go hungry. Drive once a week... or every other week... or buddy system (take turns with a buddy). *Meal routes leave the kitchen between 10:30-11 am.*

Most routes take approx. 1 hour to deliver.

For more information, contact Cheree Pederson at 605-394-6002 or cheree@mealsprogram.com.

Our Lady of Fatima You are invited to St. John the Evangelist Church, Fort Pierre, on Friday, Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. CT and Saturday, Oct. 14 from 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m. CT for prayers with the traveling statue of Our Lady of Fatima in honor of the 100th anniversary of Mary's appearance in Portugal.

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

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

"Heal Your Grief" bereavement support group will begin a 6-week session at Blessed Sacrament Church on Monday, Oct. 9, from 6-8 p.m. We're here to help anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one and to promote healing. For Information or to pre-register, contact Janece Rieman, 343-5547, or George Wallace, 721-3811.

Heart to Heart: A Weekend Retreat for the Engaged January 12-14, February 16-18

NFP ~ Natural Family Planning

November 18- Cathedral OLPH, Rapid City

NFP Teachers and Witnesses Needed!

Are you a passionate NFP user, who would love to share this healthy, natural, effective and morally acceptable family planning method with those around you? If so, give Family Life Ministries a call!

We would love to share your passion! Contact Amy Julian at 605-716-5214 or ajulian@diorc.org

CASA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Training soon!

Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Volunteers speak up for children ages 0-18 in cases of Abuse & Neglect. Our goal is to provide a "voice in court" for every child who needs one. Currently 250 children are waiting for a CASA Volunteer

NEW CASA VOLUNTEER TRAINING begins October 14th.

For more info., contact 394-2203. www.casaofrapidcity.org

Diocese of Rapid City 2017 Women's Retreat: Joyfully, Boldly, Lovingly

October 27-29 ~ Terra Sancta Retreat Center

In our Diocesan Pastoral Priority Plan, we are called to attract and form intentional disciples who joyfully, boldly and lovingly proclaim and live the mission of Jesus Christ, leading to eternal life. As women, we have particular gifts and callings by which we can live out that mission. We see that gift in the haste with which our Blessed Mother visited her cousin Elizabeth after receiving the gift of the Annunciation. The joy of our feminine genius will be explored through meditations on Sacred Scripture, with reflections on Sacred Art.

This year our retreat will be facilitated by Amy Julian, Director of Family Life ministries for the Diocese of Rapid City. After coming into the Church in 2001, Amy continued involvement in RCIA & RCIC for over a dozen years, where she was blessed to participate in the journey of many others coming into the Church. Through Rachel's Vineyard Retreats, she has witnessed the joy of those coming back to Christ after the trauma of abortion. A Veritatus Splendor Masters graduate, she is in the process of obtaining the Level III Catechist Certification for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Both programs have filled her with a joy which she is anxious to share.

Accommodations for the retreat are:

Monastic Room-\$ 155 * Family Style Room: Single Occupancy-\$235/Double Occupancy-\$170 * No Lodging, Meals only \$100 Register on line at www.terrasancta.org or for information on the retreat contact Amy Julian at 605-716-5214 or ajulian@diorc.org

2018 March for Life—Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage

What: Join youth from around the Diocese of Rapid City as we journey to Washington, DC, to witness to the sacredness of human life

When: Jan 17-21, 2018

Who: High School Students, Chaperones, and College-Age Students

Cost: \$450 includes bus transportation, hotel stay for two nights, some meals, snacks, youth rallies and a winter hat

How: Please ask your youth minister or parish office for registration forms or visit www.rapidcitydiocese.org/vya/

Registration Deadline: Monday, December 11, 2017

More Info: Contact Linda Batman at lbatman@diorc.org or Craig Dyke at cdyke@diorc.org

The Sioux Spiritual Center is offering special recovery retreats for those Native Americans looking to deepen their faith through inner healing from alcohol/drug abuse experiences. Call Charlie Rooks at 605-985-5906 for more information.

West River Out of Towners Recovery Retreat – October 20 - 22

2016 Rapid City Right to Life Essay Contests Topic: How do we respect human life?

Divisions are as follows:

Grades 7-8, 9-10, 11-12

Prizes awarded for each division:

1st \$75, 2nd \$50, 3rd \$25 in each grade division

All students from grade 7-12 are invited to participate! See the youth bulletin board for more details or contact Diane Ange at 721-3065 for more information.

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 ChurchResponse office at 30 Main St. Call (342-5360) for more information. Thank you!



Share your gift of intercessory prayer & join the PRAYER MINISTRY FOR THE DYING

We pray 3 Divine Mercy chaplets for those near the end of life.

Volunteers are contacted by text or email and asked to pray from home or church. Contact Patrick to join or request prayers. 569-1012

patdanflan@protonmail.com

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

Wrestling Coach ~ Middle & High School

Contact Craig Nowotny at 343-8484 or cnowotny@rccss.org

Custodial – Full-time M-F 2 – 10:30 pm

Child Care – Part Time M-F 3:30 – 5 pm

Substitute Teachers – certified and non-certified

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

Taizè Experience the sacred through song, silence and Scripture at Holy Cross Chapel (Terra Sancta) The 2nd Wednesday** of each month (Nov.8, Dec. 13, Jan. 10, February 21**, March 14, Apr. 11, and May 9). The prayer service is from 7 to 8 pm. For more information on Taize – <http://www.taize.fr/en>

Centering Prayer Join us each Wednesday at Terra Sancta Retreat Center from 5:15-6:15 p.m. while we take an hour away to enter into the Gospel reading for the upcoming Sunday through Centering Prayer. Please use the South Patio entrance. Centering Prayer is a contemplative form of prayer and the group uses Lectio Divina to more fully experience the Gospel. If you're not familiar with Centering Prayer, know that the group facilitator will walk you through the process.

Hope For New Life (HFNL) Ministry Advocating

Against Despair To be isolated and cut off from family and loved ones is surely the most difficult and trying condition anyone can face. Feelings of isolation and despair are very real to the inmates of Pennington County Jail. Consider this recent prayer from a male inmate during our Wednesday group: *Dear Heavenly Father, I pray for my wife and I pray for my kids... that [we] will be together again. Lord, please help me with my troubles and my sorrows. I shed tears for [my family] every day. Fix my life. Teach me your ways, Father. Amen.* But it is precisely in such a seemingly hopeless situation that Our Lord can reach out through His Holy Spirit, providing salvation, love and hope to those who would otherwise despair. Jesus assures us of the gift of the Holy Spirit, the Advocate and Spirit of Truth: "He lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you....Because I live, you also will live...you are in me and I am in you (John 14: 17-20)." HFNL was established 11 years ago for the express purpose of bringing Our Lord's Good News to our imprisoned brothers and sisters. During each of our weekly jail visits, our message to the men and women is always one of Hope: The Lord will guide us in our deepest struggles, forgive our sins, hear our prayers, and shoulder the burdens we cannot bear. 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. **Please consider volunteering for our 11th annual Christmas Caroling Program at the jail on Wednesday 20 December. More information to follow.**

Human Trafficking According to Covenant House, "each year in the U.S. as many as 2 million youth experience a period of homelessness, and every year more than 5,000 of these young people lose their lives to the streets." **MAKE A DIFFERENCE** by learning about, and advocating for, youth in your area. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** www.sistersagainstrafficking.org