



BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

'Continuing the Work of Jesus...'

MARCH 17, 2019 | SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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WEEKEND

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 5:30pm

SUNDAY: 7:00am | 9:00am | 11:00am
1:30pm (in Spanish)

RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY: 11:00am-Noon

SATURDAY: 3:30-4:30pm
or by appointment

THE GLORY IN SIGHT: SCOTT HAHN REFLECTS ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

In today's Gospel, we go up to the mountain with Peter, John, and James. There we see Jesus "transfigured," speaking with Moses and Elijah about His "exodus."

The Greek word "exodus" means "departure." But the word is chosen deliberately here to stir our remembrance of the Israelites' flight from Egypt.

By His death and resurrection, Jesus will lead a new Exodus—liberating not only Israel but every race and people; not from bondage to Pharaoh, but from slavery to sin and death. He will lead all mankind, not to the territory promised to Abraham in today's First Reading, but to the heavenly commonwealth that Paul describes in today's Epistle.

Moses, the giver of God's law, and the great prophet Elijah, were the only Old Testament figures to hear the voice and see the glory of God atop a mountain (see Exodus 24:15-18; 1 Kings 19:8-18).

Today's scene closely resembles God's revelation to Moses, who also brought along three companions and whose face also shone brilliantly (see Exodus 24:1; 34:29). But when the divine cloud departs in today's Gospel, Moses and Elijah are gone. Only Jesus remains. He has revealed the glory of the Trinity—the voice of the Father, the glorified Son, and the Spirit in the shining cloud.

Jesus fulfills all that Moses and the prophets had come to teach and show us about God (see Luke 24:27). He is the "chosen One" promised by Isaiah (see Isaiah 42:1; Luke 23:35), the "prophet like me" that Moses had promised (see Deuteronomy 18:15; Acts 3:22-23; 7:37). Far and above that, He is the Son of God (see Psalm 2:7; Luke 3:21-23).

"Listen to Him," the Voice tells us from the cloud. If, like Abraham, we put our faith in His words, one day we too will be delivered into "the land of the living" that we sing of in today's Psalm. We will share in His resurrection, as Paul promises, our lowly bodies glorified like His.



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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENSIONS

† INDICATES DECEASED

MONDAY, MARCH 18

7:00am † Brian & Nicki Dunn

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

7:00am † Ron Glowcheski

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

7:00am Helen Mueller

10:00 am Meadow Brook Manor NH - **CANCELLED**

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

7:00am † Joe Munro

12:10pm **MASS CANCELLED**

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

7:00am † End to Abortion

12:10pm **MASS CANCELLED**

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

5:30pm - Parishioners

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

7:00am † Dick Deschamp

9:00am † Elaine Whalen

11:00am † Susan Oswald

Because mass intentions are spiritual, there is no requirement to say them aloud. The Mass intention is the intention of the priest saying the Mass. He has the intention whether he verbally announces it or not.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL SCOREBOARD

WEEKLY BUDGETED EXPENSES: \$20,304.98

WEEKEND: MARCH 2-3, 2019

COLLECTION (ENVELOPES & PLATE): \$17,973.95

DIFFERENCE: \$(-2,331.03)

TO THE PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN: Relax! God gave your children the wiggles. He welcomes them in his house. If you must leave with your child during Mass, please come back! We want both of you as part of our Church-family. Encourage your child to sing, pray, and join the spoken responses.

TO OUR PARISHIONERS: Remember, the way we welcome children in Church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, to Christ and to one another. The presence of children is a gift to the Church, and they are a reminder that our Parish is growing.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

MONDAY: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38

TUESDAY: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

WEDNESDAY: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28

THURSDAY: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31

FRIDAY: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

SATURDAY: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

NEXT SUNDAY: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

PARISH SCHEDULE

MONDAY, MARCH 18

Mothers' Bible Study—8:45am (107)
 Mercy Night—4-7pm (Church)
 Light Weigh—6:45pm (29)

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

Women's Bible Study—9am (107)
 St. Joseph's Whist Group—1pm (Gathering Area)
 Acts Bible Study—6pm (Theater)
 'Joyful Sounds' Rehearsal—5:30pm (Church)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

BSC Prayer Group—7:30am (107)
 Religious Education—3:45pm
 Wednesday Family Dinner—4:30pm (Hall)
 Confirmation—5:45pm
 Religious Education—5:45pm
 Confirmation Prayer—6:30pm (Church)

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

Eucharistic Adoration—7:30am-8pm (Chapel)
 BSC Quilters' Group—8am (6)
 St. Ignatius Prayer Group—12:40pm (107)
 Gospel of Matthew Bible Study—6pm (Youth Room)
 RCIA—6:30pm (Theater)
 'Chorus Angelorum' Rehearsal—7pm (Church/107)

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

Reconciliation—11am (Church)
 Stations of the Cross—5:30pm (Church)
 Soup Supper—6pm (Parish Hall)

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

Reconciliation—3:30pm (Church)
 Pro-Life Bake Sale—before and after Mass (Hall)

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

Rosary—6:30am (Chapel)
 Rosary—8:30am (Chapel)
 Pro-Life Bake Sale—before and after all Masses (Hall)
 Children's Liturgy—during 9am Mass
 Rosary—10:30am (Chapel)
 Children's Liturgy—during 11am Mass
 LifeTeen & TOB Meal—5:30pm
 LifeTeen & TOB—6pm

Learn to be content.

PRAYERS, PASTORAL NEEDS

OUR ILL AND HOMEBOUND: Colette Ganje, Wilma Kurylas, J J Knudtson, Jason Knapp, Mattie Sieler, Christine Leichtnam, Al Lammers and all our homebound, assisted living, chronically ill and nursing home residents.

(Names will remain on this list for four weeks. Call the office to request prayers.)

OUR DEPLOYED MILITARY LISTED BELOW AND ALL OUR MILITARY:

Daniel Tribby, Brian Ireland, Ray Wermers, Josh Taylor, Lisa Weisdeck-Chabot, Casey Johnston.

(Names will remain on this list for one year.)

PRAYERS: If you have need of prayer, please call Rose in the office. If you would like a free prayer shawl, please contact Margaret Smith at 343.2571.

PRAYER MINISTRY FOR THE DYING: To request prayers call 605.569.1012, or visit SpiritualHospice.com.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: If you would like to receive Communion while confined to your home, please contact Richard Alley at 381.6929.

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20 WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

17 BAPTISM RECEPTION

Jacob and Josie Davis invite you to join them Sunday, March 17, at 12:10 pm for the baptism reception of their son, Judah in the Parish Hall.

18 MERCY NIGHT

Confession will be from 4-7pm. *'God is a Father who forgives. His Mercy is Greater than our sin.'*
- Mother Teresa

19 ST. JOSEPH'S WHIST GROUP

Come join us for a game of Whist! Every third Tuesday, September-May. Win prizes! Dessert served.

20 WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

Join us for this free-will donation meal. All are welcome! Last

Wednesday's meal was cancelled due to weather. This week we'll be having Pork Loin Roast, Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans, and Pie 'n ice cream. Hosted by Cursillo.

21 DEADWOOD TRIP

Let us welcome Spring by going to The Lodge at Deadwood on March 21st. The bus leaves Blessed Sacrament at 9am. Call Bev Krier 605.999.9488 or Elaine Dunn 605.484.2078.

22 STATIONS OF THE CROSS SOUP SUPPER

After Stations of the Cross, stay for a soup supper in the Parish Hall at 6pm. This week we'll be having two homemade creations from Chef, Dcn. Greg Palmer.

23-24 ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF LIFE PRO-LIFE BAKE SALE

This bake sale, Sponsored By The Blessed Sacrament Pro-Life Committee Saturday, March 23rd & Sunday, March 24th, before and after all Masses at Blessed Sacrament Church. We welcome donations of all baked goods on Saturday, March 23rd between 9am-3pm. If you can help with pie making, pricing or selling please call, Joyce 605.348.3114, Mary 605.343.7370 or Sue 605.721.7712.

24 LIFETEEN AND THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

Strengthen your child's relationship with Jesus Christ.

ACTIVE CATHOLIC FORMS

Active Catholic Forms from Rapid City Catholic Schools are due by April 1. Either Fr. Tim or Fr. Adam will be available after weekend Masses for two more weekends to sign these forms. Those weekends are: March 16-17, and March 23-24.

Please plan to bring your form with you to Mass one of those weekends and look for whichever priest did NOT preside to be at the information desk in the Gathering Area! Thank you!

REGINA PALMER BENEFIT DINNER

Blessed Sacrament's Deacon Greg and Denise Palmer's daughter-in-law, Regina Palmer, has a rare blood disorder called Severe Aplastic Anemia. Her oncologist has advised the only successful treatment option at this time is a bone marrow transplant. Friends of the family will also be hosting a benefit meal and dessert silent auction in the Blessed Sacrament Church Hall on April 10th, 4:30-6:30pm.

DONATE A DESSERT: Desserts are needed for the dessert silent auction. If you'd like to help, bring your donation to the Parish Hall by April 2, 12pm. Please label your donation with your name, the name of the dessert, and its approximate value. For more information, please contact Deb Ross at 605.381.7677 or djross@rap.midco.net.

CATHEDRAL PRAYER FOR PARISHES

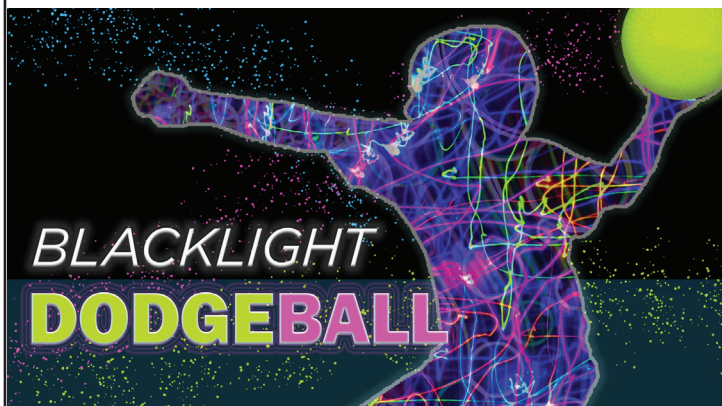
Beginning Friday, March 1, each parish in our diocese will be prayed for during Adoration at Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Rapid City. Blessed Sacrament Parish will be in their prayers the 20th of each month. In 2014, Cathedral began Daily Adoration. They wish to extend the blessings of Adoration to each Parish in the diocese by praying for them.

JOB OPENING AT BLESSED SACRAMENT DIRECTOR OF EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS

The Director of Evangelization and Catechesis (DEC) will assist the Pastor in the care, guidance and growth of the parish community. The primary mission of the DEC to bring others to Christ by evangelizing, teaching, forming, and guiding the faithful in their faith journey. The primary focus will be on encountering the joy of Jesus and equipping disciples. The primary goal of the DEC is to provide effective leadership, planning and execution of evangelization and formation resulting in the formation of intentional disciples among families, youth and the greater ministerial geographic region. The DEC will work with the pastor, associate pastor, and parish administrator, as well as oversee parish directors of religious education and formation, and other parish leaders to unify and support the fulfillment of the mission. Download the full job description at blessedsacramentchurch.org



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BLACKLIGHT DODGEBALL

XLT NIGHT

LIFETEEN AND THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

March 17

5:30-7pm

Blessed Sacrament Church

Event will include dinner, Stations of the Cross, and blacklight dodgeball!

Wear a White shirt!

Mercy Night

Monday, March 18

4-7PM

Stations of the Cross Services

March 8—April 12

Fridays at 5:30pm

Soup Supper in Parish Hall at 6pm

PASTOR'S COLUMN

I was good friends with Fr. Peter Kovarik who, as you may remember, was tragically killed in a plane crash a few years ago. Fr. Pete was a big gardener. I'm not talking here simply about vegetables. He would create elaborate gardens in his yard in whatever parish he was assigned. I once asked him how he decided where each type of plant or flower should go. He replied that when you look at your own yard, people often make the mistake of thinking of it as one big space but if you're going to turn it into a garden you need to see it as a bunch of small spaces. Then one can design each space individually. The architecture of a Catholic church is like this. We often make the mistake of thinking about a church building as one big space. When more accurately the church is a group of smaller spaces organized theologically as a whole, each with their own liturgical purpose.

"The sanctuary is the space where the altar stands, where the word of God is proclaimed, and where the priest, the deacon, and the other ministers exercise their offices."¹ The principal furnishings in the sanctuary are the altar, the ambo, and the celebrant's chair. Among these, the altar is the central focus. It is here that the Eucharist, the ritual sacrificial meal that recalls and makes present Christ's life, death, and resurrection and which proclaims the death of the Lord until he comes, is celebrated."² Wherever Christ becomes present all of heaven becomes present with Him. Whenever we celebrate the sacrifice of the Mass, that place becomes the throne room of the King of Kings, the "Wonder-Counselor, God-hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace whose kingdom is vast and forever peaceful".³ In the celebration of the Eucharist, heaven is opened for us, and like Peter, James and John in the vision of the

Transfiguration, we see Christ present to us. Thus, we are given a glimpse of what God has prepared for us when he comes again. The purpose of the sanctuary is to worship Christ present in the word and in the word made flesh as he becomes present—body, blood, soul and divinity.

Liturgical art in the sanctuary should facilitate and clarify this focus. "Throughout the ages, Catholic churches have been enriched with images of many kinds, recalling sacred history, supporting devotional practice, and providing a foretaste of heavenly realities. Each is important and useful in the life of a Christian, yet each is distinct, and proper usage clarifies their theological and liturgical foundations.

"Historical images recall the history of Christianity and keep alive the memory of the saints and biblical events."⁴ Historical images, for example the stations of the cross, belong in the nave (where the pews are), or in another place excluding the sanctuary.

"Devotional images are used for personal devotion outside of the liturgy. The humanity of a saint is typically emphasized in devotional art, and figures are typically shown with their poses and glances directed toward the devotee. Here the Christian finds a place for individual piety, a strong engagement of the emotions, and a wider range of expressive possibilities. Devotional images properly belong in a distinct area suitable for private prayer and should not be confused with liturgical art.

"Liturgical images reveal the [Eucharistic] liturgy itself, particularly in its heavenly cosmic dimensions. Intensely theocentric, liturgical images reveal the glory of the heavenly realm and show the heavenly beings filled with divine

1 General Instruction of the Roman Missal, N. 295

2 Built of Living Stones: Art, Architecture and Worship, United States conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington DC, 2000, Chpt 2

3 Isaiah 9:5 NAB

4 D.R. McNamara, Catholic Church Architecture and the Spirit of the Liturgy, Hildebrand books, Chicago, Illinois 2009, P. 156

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life for all is radiant, orderly, and restored. This sort of image is most proper in the sanctuary of the church, though it might flow out to the nave, and belongs to the liturgy itself because it provides signs and symbols of heavenly realities.”¹

If you recall, on the west side of our sanctuary, there used to be a statue of St. Joseph and a statue of St. Teresa of the Little Flower. In front of each of these statues was a small set of vigil lights. This encouraged parishioners to enter the sanctuary and light a candle asking for the intercession of one of these saints. The devotion of lighting candles and asking for the intercession of a particular saint in front of an image or statue of the same is a pious practice that has always been encouraged in sacred tradition. I think such devotional practices are important and should be maintained but not in the sanctuary. It is more appropriate for them to be located in a place more suitable for private prayer. As a result, I have relocated them to the adoration chapel.

As I'm sure you have also noticed, in the place where the statues of St. Teresa and St. Joseph once stood now stand images of Jesus and Mary. Where they once stood is a large Divine Mercy image. To discourage private devotional practices in the sanctuary I have placed the vigil candles in front of the Divine Mercy image, which is properly located just outside of the sanctuary. This also makes it possible for those who sit in the section of pews on the north side of the church to see a heavenly image of Jesus as well as those who sit in the section of pews on the west side of the church. In addition, all the people in the church were able to see the crucifix except for those who sat in the last four rows of pews in the center pie shaped section. For these worshipers the image of the cross was blocked by the beautiful image of the liturgical year sewn into the large quilt which hung above the center section. This piece of art is currently being cleaned. When it is returned, one side of

it will return to the nave and be placed in the gable of the wall behind the north section of pews. Its duplicate side will be placed on the west side of the church hall. In this way we are still able to appreciate this beautiful depiction of the liturgical year and all are also able to see the image of Jesus crucified.

Lastly, I moved the image of the Divine Mercy from the adoration chapel to the main church because I want to encourage this devotion among you. In these difficult times in the Church where scandalous headlines seem more common than not, I think that it is of utmost importance to place our focus confidently on Jesus' mercy and love. This is His Church and He promised that “the gates of hell shall never prevail against it.”² The Catholic Church is being purified and prepared. It is imperative that we look to the Divine Mercy and say, “Jesus, I trust in You.”

Respectfully Submitted,
Fr. Tim Hoag

¹ Ibid

² Mathew 16:18. NAB

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSION



EXCERPTS FROM A CATHOLIC FRAMEWORK FOR ECONOMIC LIFE

As followers of Jesus Christ and participants in a powerful economy, Catholics in the United States are called to work for greater economic justice in

the face of persistent poverty, growing income-gaps, and increasing discussion of economic issues in the United States and around the world. We urge Catholics to use the following ethical framework for economic life as principles for reflection, criteria for judgment and directions for action. These principles are drawn directly from Catholic teaching on economic life. (Continued from last week)

5. All people have a right to life and to secure the basic necessities of life (e.g., food, clothing, shelter, education, health care, safe environment, economic security.)
6. All people have the right to economic initiative, to productive work, to just wages and benefits, to decent working conditions as well as to organize and join unions or other associations.
7. All people, to the extent they are able, have a corresponding duty to work, a responsibility to provide the needs of their families and an obligation to contribute to the broader society.

www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/economic-justice-economy/index.cfm

RCCSS HIGHLIGHTS

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

Congratulations to STM 7th grader Owen Ponto selected as one of the top two 2019 youth volunteers in SD by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, a nationwide program honoring young people for outstanding acts of volunteerism. Owen will receive \$1,000, an engraved silver medallion, and an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C. for initiating an annual hill-climbing event in Rapid City that has raised \$17,000 thus far to help find a cure for Parkinson's disease, which afflicts two of his grandparents. He said: "I want people with Parkinson's to know that there are people in the world who are trying hard to help find a cure for their terrible disease."

DIVINE MERCY

MIRACLE OF DIVINE MERCY RESTORES SOUL

Many feel that their sins are unforgivable but, Jesus said to St. Faustina, "Write, speak of My Mercy. Tell souls where they are to look for solace; that is, in the Tribunal of Mercy (the sacrament of Reconciliation). There the greatest miracles take place and are incessantly repeated. . . The miracle of Divine Mercy restores that soul in full." (Diary of St. Faustina 1448) "Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy." (Diary 1602) "Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day (Divine Mercy Sunday) will be granted complete remission of sins and punishment." (Diary 300) Every sin imaginable could be forgiven by Him! (divinemercysunday.com) "This miracle of mercy has radically changed humanity's destiny." (Pope John Paul II's Homily, Divine Mercy Sunday, 2001) Take advantage of the many opportunities for Reconciliation during this Lenten season.

EDUCATIONAL VIDEOS

To learn more about the following subjects view videos from the South Dakota Catholic Conference:

Bishop Robert D. Gruss - Catholic Social Teaching
youtu.be/OjeNMuNExSM

Bishop Robert D. Gruss - Dignity of Life
youtu.be/EZhu1F33JeE

Bishop Robert D. Gruss - Religious Freedom
youtu.be/ibryQoCM4_c

Bishop Paul J. Swain - Family
youtu.be/jiuwiCzlpRM

Bishop Paul J. Swain - SDCC
youtu.be/twvH4NBuMc0

NATIONAL PASTORAL MUSICIANS SPRING MEETING

On Saturday, April 6, from 10am-3pm, the NPM meeting will be at St. Michael Church, Hermosa. Topics to be covered include maximizing functionality of electronic keyboards, seasonal planning for the liturgical year, and tips on forming/leading a funeral choir. Contact Pat McDowell to register: 605.787.0638, or patmcdowell44@gmail.com.

MOTHER'S RETREAT

Saturday, March 23 from 8am-4pm, OLPH Cathedral. Join Black Hills Catholic Home Educators for our annual Lenten retreat this year featuring Sr. Ann Marie Walsh, SOLT. All moms welcome. Contact Theresa Witte 605.343.8121 for more information. Please register on-line at BlackHillsCHE.com.

PASTORAL MINISTRY DAYS

is coming April 7-9, 2019!

ONE SPIRIT

Priests and Laity Working Together to Form
the Mystical Body of Christ

1 Corinthians 12:12-13

With Keynote Speaker

Rev. Charles Lachowitzer

We are looking forward to a great conference this year, focusing on priests and laity working together to form the Mystical Body of Christ – building up the Kingdom of God and working for the mission of the Church together. Our speaker is Rev. Charles Lachowitzer, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia for the Archdiocese of St. Paul & Minneapolis.

The conference officially begins on Monday morning, April 8, and ends the afternoon of the 9th, but we'll have a Holy Hour and hospitality on Sunday evening, April 7, for anyone who can join us, along with an opportunity for early check-in. The cost is \$80, but if you register before March 15, you can get an early bird rate of \$65.

Online registration and information can be found here: www.PMD2019.com

You can also register by calling the Terra Sancta Retreat Center at 605.716.0925, and they can register you over the phone.

If you have questions, or would like more information, feel free to contact Dionne Eastmo (deastmo@diorc.org) or myself (ssafford@diorc.org) at 605.716.5214.

CURSILLO WEEKENDS

Men's & Women's 3-day Cursillo Weekends — Women's Weekend May 2-5, Storm Mountain Center, Rockerville; Men's Weekend May 16-19, Storm Mountain Center, Rockerville. Application fee \$25. A free-will offering is taken at the end of the weekends.

APPLICATIONS:

natl-cursillo.org/rapidcity.

FOR QUESTIONS CONTACT:

Richard Rangel 605-391-4187

richard.rangel@rushmore.com

or David Elkjer 605.209.6782

delkjer@vastbb.net.

Cursillo, Spanish for short course, is a world-wide personal enrichment program that concentrates on Christian piety, study and action.

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Production of
A New Version of Gilbert & Sullivan's



The Pirates of Penzance

AS PRESENTED ON BROADWAY BY
NEW YORK SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL
Produced by JONATHAN WATSON
Musical Adaptation by William Elliott Choreography by Glacinda Casade

April 4 - Opening Night, 7pm
April 5 - 7pm
April 6 - Final Performance, 7pm
Seton Gym Stage at Terra Sancta
Doors open at 6:30pm.
Purchase tickets online at rccss.org.

LECTIO DIVINA AT TERRA SANCTA

Join us for an hour of quiet reflection on the Sunday Gospel reading each Wednesday at 5:15pm in Hebron at Terra Sancta Retreat Center. Please use the south entrance for easy access to the meeting area.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Ed Hubbeling Family of Rapid City is offering a \$1000.00 college scholarship. This scholarship is given in memory of their parents, Janet and Ed Hubbeling and is awarded to a graduating senior girl who is a practicing Catholic and will be a freshman in any 4 year college in the fall of 2019. Because of Janet's active involvement and love for the Catholic Daughters, she requested Ct. St. Rita. #916 of the Rapid City area, to be the administrators of this scholarship. For an application, email duduchan3@gmail.com. Include your name and home address. You may also contact: CDA Scholarship Committee, 4731 Patricia Street, Rapid City, SD 57703. COMPLETED SUBMISSIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MAY 1, 2019.

LEARNING & GROWING

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS CONFERENCE

Sponsored by: Social Justice Commission of the
Diocese of Rapid City

Newman Centers of South Dakota School of Mines
and Technology and Black Hills State University

**Saturday March 23, 2019
at Classroom Building of SDSMT**

9am - 4pm

Speakers include: Becky Rasmussen,
Executive Director of Call to Freedom;

Kelly Patterson, Human Trafficking Survivor and
Author of *From Trafficked to Treasured*

Tess Franzen, Director of Freedom's Journey; Brent
Gromer, SSA, DCI, ICAC;

Kevin Koliner, US Attorney General Office;
Jim Kinyon, Executive Director of Catholic Social
Services Rapid City

Early Bird Registration \$39.00 Extended to March 18!

Registration after March 18 \$49.00

Student Registration \$29.00

To Register visit HumanTraffickingSD.com

Becky Rasmussen will also be speaking to the
community:

- St. Thomas More Middle School, Rapid City,
Thursday Night 3/21 6-7pm
- BHSU Newman Center, Spearfish,
Friday Night 3/22 6-7pm

A free will offering will be taken at both events.

SIOUX SPIRITUAL CENTER & ST. ISAAC JOGUES CHURCH TO HOST NATIONAL SPEAKER

Richard May, a catechist and past speaker at the National Tekakwitha Conference, will speak twice in the Diocese of Rapid City. On Saturday, April 6, he will be speaking from 10 am-noon on Nicholas Black Elk, Servant of God, at the Sioux Spiritual Center, Howes. The price of lunch is \$10, or \$35 for a family of four or more. Please register on the website siouxspiritualcenter.org, or RSVP to Carole Brown at 605.985.5906. At 6:30 pm that day, he will speak at St. Isaac Jogues Church, Rapid City, on the Florida Martyrs.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Registration is now open for Level 1, Part 2 training for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd! Download the registration form today at blessedsacramentchurch.org/religious-education or stop by the Parish office for a copy.

FAITH OF THE IRISH PILGRIMAGE

REGISTRATION DEADLINE APPROACHING

Reminder that the registration deadline for the pilgrimage to Ireland with Fr. Adam Hofer is March 20, 2019. Sign up now to visit the Marian shrine of Our Lady of Knock, to journey to Croagh Patrick in the footsteps of St. Patrick, and experience the faith of Irish in many more faith-filled sites! Dates: July 9 – 20, 2019. Cost: \$4395 includes airfare, lodging, meals, etc. Brochures and registrations available in the Blessed Sacrament office or online at selectinternationaltours.com.



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THE ANNUNCIATION FEAST DAY, MARCH 25TH, IS ALSO THE DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD

The Feast of Mary's Annunciation was officially proclaimed as "The Day of the Unborn Child" in Argentina in 1999 and acknowledged by St. John Paul II. This Day is now celebrated in many countries around the world to promote the human dignity of the unborn child. The Day also honors the Annunciation feast, when the Angel Gabriel appeared to the Virgin Mary, announcing that she was chosen by God to be the Mother of Our Lord. She accepted God's plan by her "yes" to life and Jesus was conceived within her by the Holy Spirit. God thus became part of the human family in the person of Jesus and affirmed the sacredness of all human life.

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"Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

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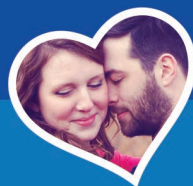
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