



Who is the Patron Saint of Purity?

LITURGY & PRAYER

Sunday Liturgy:

Saturday 5 PM

Sunday 8 & 11 AM

Daily Liturgy:

Tuesday-Friday 8 AM

*The Rosary is prayed at 7:30 AM prior to Daily Mass

**First Friday Devotion following Mass on first Fridays

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesday 8:30-7:30 PM

Reconciliation:

Wednesday 5:30-6:30 PM

Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM

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It is none other than Saint Maria Goretti whose feast day is July 6th. She is also the patron saint of young people, chastity, victims of rape, and forgiveness. Maria Goretti was born October 16, 1890 in Corinaldo, Italy. She was the third of seven children in a poor farming family. Her father, Luigi, instilled in her a deep love for God and the Catholic church. Luigi tragically died from malaria when Maria was 9 years old. Despite the hardship, Maria's faith remained strong. She took on the household duties, caring for her younger siblings while her mother, Assunta, and brother worked in the fields. Maria impressed everyone with her radiant purity. She was naturally pious, kind, and helpful. She grew in grace, beauty and maturity, and her cheerful obedience and piety were noticed by those around her.

On July 5, 1902, a neighboring farm hand, Alessandro Serenelli, tried to rape Maria. On several prior occasions, Alessandro had harassed Maria with impure advances, all of which she vehemently rejected. This time he locked her in a room and tried to force himself upon her. She fought against him, shouting, "No! It is a sin! God does not want it!" and warning him that this was the path towards hell. When Maria declared that she would rather die than submit to this sin, Alessandro angrily grabbed her and stabbed her 14 times with a knife. Maria was found bleeding to death and rushed to the hospital. As she lay dying, she forgave Alessandro for the crime he committed against her, saying, "Yes, for the love of Jesus I forgive him."

Alessandro was sentenced to 30 years in prison. He remained unrepentant until one night, eight years into his prison term, Maria appeared to him, dressed in white, gathering lilies in a garden. She smiled, turned towards Alessandro, and offered him the flowers. From that moment on Alessandro converted and found peace. He repented his crime and changed his life. When he was released, he begged forgiveness from Maria's mother which she granted. Alessandro then lived out the rest of his life in a Capuchin monastery.

Pope John Paul II said on her feast day in 2003, What does this fragile but Christianly mature girl say to today's young people, through her life and above all through her heroic death? Maria Goretti, provides us with a witness of what it means to be "pure of heart" and to "forgive." Maria reminds us that true happiness demands courage and a spirit of sacrifice, refusing every compromise with evil and having the disposition to remain, even to death, faithful to God and his commandments. How timely this message is. Today, pleasure, selfishness and direct immoral actions are often exalted in the name of the false ideals of liberty and happiness. It is essential to reaffirm clearly that purity of heart and body go together, because chastity is the custodian of authentic love." Purity of heart, as with every virtue, requires a daily discipline of the will and a constant interior discipline. Above all, it calls for assiduous recourse to God in prayer.

St. Maria Goretti, pray for us!

Deacon Phillip

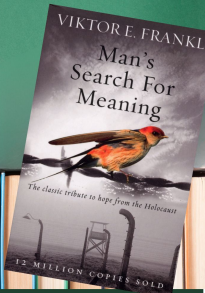
Installation of the Relics of
Jacinta & Francisco Marto,
The Children of Fatima
and Blessing of the
Our Lady of Fatima Statue

The Fatima Chapel at
Our Lady of the Black Hills
All Masses, July 12th & 13th



Bishop Bullock's Book Club - July Selection:

'MAN'S SEARCH FOR MEANING'
BY VIKTOR E. FRANKL



OLBH summer book club will meet to listen to Bishop Bullock's podcast on 'Man's Search for Meaning' and to discuss the book. All are welcome!

THURSDAY, JULY 31 AT 6 PM IN ST. JOSEPH'S HALL, OLBH

MOVIE NIGHT

MONDAY, JULY 21
5:30 PM in St. Joseph's Hall

Featured Movie title:
Of Mice and Men
(1939 version)

This movie was chosen to complement Bishop Bullock's Book Club selection.

A Story & A Saint

with Seminarian Blase

10 AM Wednesdays in June & July

All are welcome!
*Parents can Adore during story time.
**No story time during VBS week, 6/18.

OLBH PARISH POOL PARTY

FRIDAY, JULY 11
6:30-8:30 PM
JIMMY HILTON POOL
940 Sheridan Lake Road
[across from Storybook Island]

July - OLBH Special Events:

July's Book: 'Man's Search for Meaning' by Viktor Frankl
(Bishop Bullock's Book Club)

Wednesdays at 10am through July:
Kids' Storytime / Parents' Adoration time, OLBH upstairs

Wed Jul 9 at 9-11a: Salute to Seniors Brunch, OLBH main hall
(63+ welcome & friends welcome too! - **Please RSVP**)

Fri Jul 11 at 6:30-8:30pm: Parish Pool Party, Jimmy Hilton Pool at Sioux Park

Sat Jul 12: 8am Mass, 9a-3p Parish Retreat with lunch, OLBH upstairs in St. Joseph Hall - **Please RSVP**

Mon Jul 21 at 5:30pm: Monday Movie 'Of Mice and Men', OLBH upstairs in St. Joseph Hall

Wed Jul 23 at 9-11a: Rosary and Bicycles, OLBH playground and parking lot (byo bikes)

Fri-Sun, Jul 24-27: Steubenville Trip, Colorado

Thu Jul 31 at 6pm: Book discussion with Bishop Bullock's podcast for 'Man's Search for Meaning' by Viktor Frankl, OLBH upstairs in St. Joseph's Hall

Parish Retreat

led by Deacon Greg Sass

Teach Us to Pray: Six Ways To Pray from Six Great Saints

Saturday, July 12 from 9a-3:30p
following 8am Mass

Please register at www.olbh.org/olbh-retreat

Next weekend, 7/12-13, we will install the Relics of the Children of Fatima as well as bless the Our Lady of Fatima statue, please plan to attend Mass and celebrate this wonderful gift for our parish to share.

Rosary and Bikes!

Wed., July 23 at 9-11am

at the OLBH playground & parking lot

WEEKLY SCHEDULE Pss II

*The Rosary is prayed at 7:30 AM prior to daily Mass.

Monday, July 7

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study
7 PM Women's Cursillo in the Library

Tuesday, July 8

8 AM Mass for the wellbeing of Walt Wilson

Wednesday, July 9

St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
8 AM Mass for the repose of Steven Van Asma
8:30-7:30 PM Adoration
9-11 AM Salute to Seniors
10 AM A Story and A Saint Storytime with Seminarian Blase in St. Joseph's Hall
5:30-6:30 PM Confessions

Thursday, July 10

8 AM Mass for an end to abortion
7 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting

Friday, July 11

SAINT BENEDICT, ABBOT
8 AM Mass for the repose of Scott Marich

6:30-8:30 PM OLBH POOL PARTY
AT JIMMY HILTON POOL, ALL ARE INVITED!

Saturday, July 12

BVM on Saturday
7 AM Men's Cursillo
8 AM Mass for the OLBH Parish Retreat
9-3:30 PM OLBH Parish Retreat, Pray with the Saints
3:30 PM Confessions
4 PM Steubenville Meeting
5 PM Mass for Diocesan Masses for Life

Sunday, July 13

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8 AM Mass for the communities of Our Lady of the Black Hills and our sister parishes at Kenel, McLaughlin, and Bullhead
11 AM Mass for the wellbeing of Dave Trautman

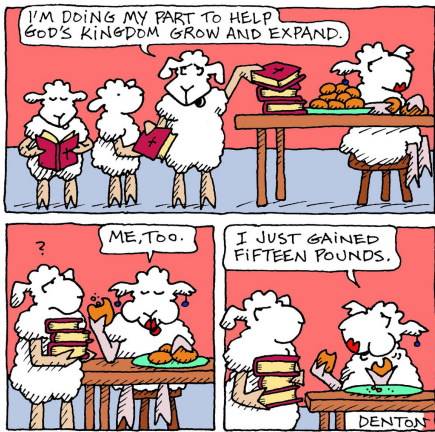
*Birthday Blessing Weekend at all Masses

WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

7/12 5 PM Mass with Fr. Andrzej
Altar Servers: Blase Gebes (lead) Emerson and Eloise
Lectors: Teresa Thompson (1st) Dave Allardyce (2nd)
Hospitality: Ken and Pam Freeman
Sacristan: Joe and Linda Schacher
Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Phillip Thompson

7/13 8 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej
Altar Servers: Tom Collings (lead) Reese S. and Thomas Jr.
Lectors: Marty Quinn (1st) Lynelle Sazama (2nd)
Hospitality: Gary and Sandy Langfeldt
Sacristan: Gary and Barb Erickson
Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Phillip Thompson

7/13 11 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej
Altar Servers: Blase Gebes (lead) Leo
Lectors: NOT FILLED (1st) Emmett Edwards (2nd)
Hospitality: Amber and Kris Warne
Sacristan: Jan Evans
Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Phillip Thompson



"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few."

Sheepish Question:

With all I've been given, am I spreading the Good News, or just spreading myself?

"All good giving and every perfect gift is from above." Jas 1:17

June 28-29, 2025

	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	-	54
Sunday Collection	3,654	6,237	9,890
Building Fund	42	20	62
Mass Intentions	-	-	50
St. Vincent de Paul	-	-	250
Priest Retirement	-	-	20
Total Contributions	3,749	6,257	10,325.81

Did you know that OLBH is a Stewardship Parish? We ask that you give us your time, talents, and treasure to support our wonderful parish. In return we will utilize your gifts and talents to provide the resources, facilities, and events to aid you in your journey of faith. Please prayerfully consider automatic contributions at olbh.org/donate.



PRAYER MINISTRIES

- PRAYER CHAIN** To add an intention to the private OLBH prayer chain, text Shanesa Rhodes at 605-786-4240 or email shanesarhodes@gmail.com.
- MASS INTENTIONS** To request a Mass Intention please fill out the envelope on the back counter of the Narthex or call the office at 605-787-5168.
- PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY** To obtain a prayer blanket, contact the office at 605-787-5168.
- COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND** If you or a family member are sick and would like Communion from a priest or lay extraordinary minister of the Eucharist, please call the office at 605-787-5168.
- ANOIDTING OF THE SICK** If you or a family member has been diagnosed with an illness, are preparing for surgery, or in the case of serious illness, call the office to request the sacrament at 605-787-5168.

Intentions of the Holy Father for July
Pope’s Intention: For formation in discernment. Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

NECROLOGY	
To remember in prayer for the repose of their souls those whose deaths are recorded in the parish; and for the clergy that have served the Diocese of Rapid City. We pray for:	
July 7	Rev. Francis J. Berning (1992)
July 10	Anthony Lechler (2001) Ray W. Hume (2006)
July 12	Rev. Aloloysius Keel, S.J. (1936) Rev. Micahel J. Brogan (1957) Edmund L. Fye (1984) Faith Eleanor Albrecht (2007)
July 13	Rev. Thomas A. Coleman (1957) Jeremiah Stephen Noviek (1990) John Martin Mizenko (2023)

VERTATIS SPLENDOR INSTITUTE
We are now taking applications for the new Veritatis Splendor Institute academic year, beginning September 5-6, 2025. VSI is a year-long certification program for catechists, parents, ministers, and anyone who would would like to know more about the Catholic faith and grow in their relationship with the Lord. It is also a gifted opportunity to gather and learn within a close faith community. Registration closes August 15th. Find out more at <https://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/vsi/>

A Safe Environment for Children and Young People
The Catholic Diocese of Rapid City is firmly committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for our children and young people. To report allegations of sexual abuse by church personnel, contact Victim Assistance Coordinator Irene Lee. To ensure confidentiality in our outreach to victims, she can be contacted privately at 1-605-209-3418 (cell). Alleged victims are advised of their right to report alleged abuse to civil authorities. In accordance with diocesan policy, all allegations of sexual misconduct involving children, young people, and vulnerable adults by priests, deacons, lay employees, or volunteers serving the Diocese of Rapid City will be investigated.
The diocesan sexual misconduct policy and the code of conduct are posted on the diocesan website at www.rapidcitydiocese.org.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR OUR ILL & HOMEBOUND Call 605-787-5168 to add a name to the prayer list. These individuals are in special need of your prayers. We pray for Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek, Thomas Eimers (father of Kim Harming),Lynn Gerving, Jean Schacher, Edwin & Omel Weaver, Joyce Kinney, Cap & Arlene Holzer, Linda Schacher, John Mizenko, Joyce de Paulo, Charlene Mizenko, Crescencia Yanez, Mary-Elizabeth Crane (sister of Sheila), Sheila Keeler, Kathleen Leutenegger, Kathleen Espinosa, David Trautman Sr., John Gerving, Don Konechne, Karen Bestgen, Sheila Higgins, Mary Ann Pulaski, David Gingras, Carol Waliser, Tony Corbine, Dave Hudson, Judy Schumacher, Anita Meier, Doug Meyers, Patricia Cariveau, Deb Curl, Kristi Roemich (daughter in law of Judy and Cliff) , Rebecca Boylan (daughter of Coleen Short), Adam Hohm, baby Tommy, Theresa Neiger, Kodi Carlin, Jerry Rhodes, Lenny Telefson

FOR THE CURRENTLY DEPLOYED
Mike Scharn

FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED
We pray for the repose of the souls of the recently deceased. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Dale Grothe

SCRIPTURE READINGS
The weekly readings are on the USCCB.org website.
Monday: Genesis 28:10-22a; Psalm 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab; Matthew 9:18-26
Tuesday: Genesis 32:23-33; Psalm 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15; Matthew 9:32-38
Wednesday: Genesis 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Psalm 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Matthew 10:1-7
Thursday: Genesis 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Psalm 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Matthew 10:7-15
Friday: Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30; Psalm 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Matthew 10:16-23
Saturday: Genesis 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7; Matthew 10:24-33
Sunday: Deuteronomy 30:10-14; Psalm 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37; Colossians 1:15-20; Luke 10:25-37

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March 6th
**THE SHAWSHANK
REDEMPTION (R)**

April 10th
A MAN ESCAPED (NR)

May 8th
LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL (PG-13)

June 5th
**THE TRIP TO
BOUNTIFUL (PG)**

August 21st
A HIDDEN LIFE (PG-13)

September 4th
CITY LIGHTS (G)

October 16th
**THE OTHER SIDE
OF HOPE (NR)**

November 6th
**HARLAN
COUNTY, USA (PG)**

December 4th
SAFETY LAST (NR)

"Hold fast to *hope*, a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul."
Heb. 6:18-19

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Bishop Bullock's

BOOK CLUB

Join Bishop Bullock as we read through some of his favorite books. Whether you're a bookworm or just starting your reading adventure, all are welcome! Join a group at your parish or read all by yourself! Each month, the bishop will share an introduction to the book and a verbal reading guide with insights from a variety of guests!

MONTHLY STARTING THIS LEIT

Books can be purchased at the Mustard Seed or your favorite bookseller.

Monthly list of books and resources can be found on our website.
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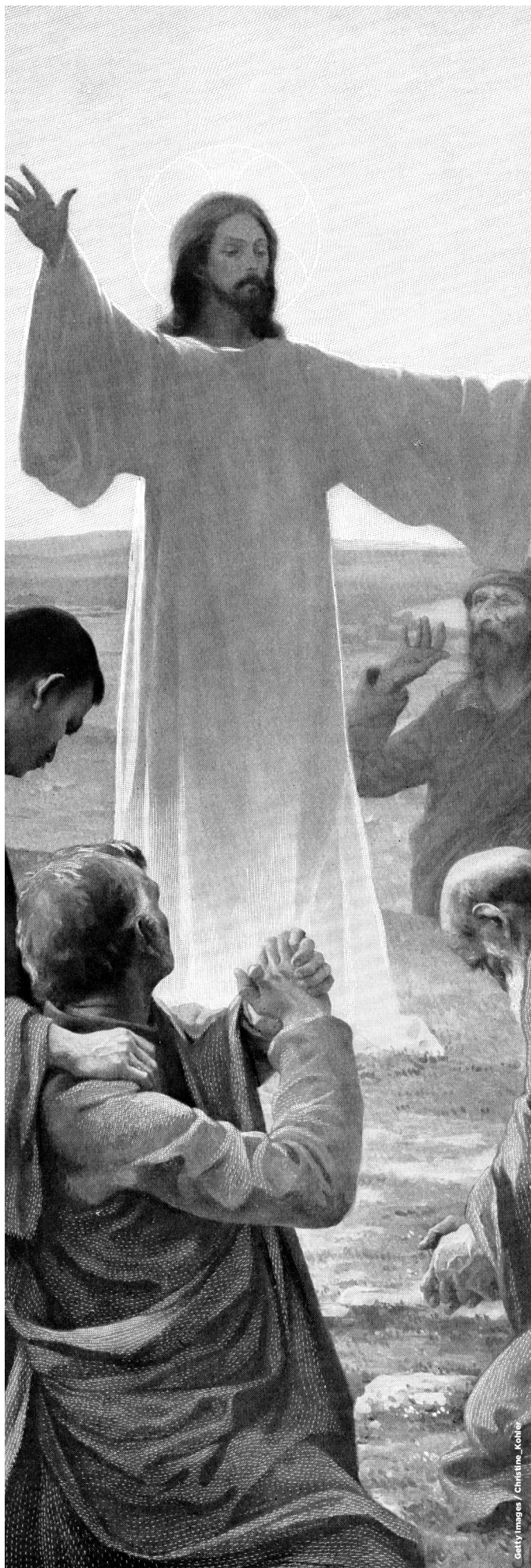
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Fr. Max Vetch



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Questions? Contact Fr. Andrzej here at OLBH or the Rapid City Catholic School System at 605-343-8484. Visit <https://rccss.org/district-information/registration/> to learn more. It's never too late to take a tour and find out more!



July 6, 2025

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 66:10-14c | Gal 6:14-18 | Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Our calling as disciples of Christ is to evangelize. To be honest, it's something many of us aren't entirely comfortable with. Anyone who has ever felt ill-equipped to share the faith with family or friends should be reassured by today's Gospel. Jesus' early followers probably felt unprepared to share the news that the kingdom of God was at hand – and they received their marching orders from Jesus himself! When Jesus sent the seventy-two out to proclaim his coming, he knew they would feel insecure. He sent them without money, sandals, or even a sack for travel, and told them they would be lambs among wolves. How nervous they must have been given that ominous warning! Still, they believed they would have what they needed. Sure enough, their work was successful. They rejoiced because they could cast out demons in his name – something they never imagined was possible. They turned hearts to Christ because they trusted and obeyed him.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

When it comes to sharing our faith with the people God puts in our lives, we're asked to do the same as the seventy-two: Obey Jesus' command to go out and proclaim his kingdom and trust we will have what we need. It isn't necessary to rehearse our testimony. We don't need to memorize the Scriptures or cite chapter and verse. An advanced degree in theology isn't required. What is needed? Ears for listening and the patience to act. Listen closely for the person who says they're afraid or alone, confused or hurting. Listen with compassion to the person who feels abandoned by God. Listen with an open heart to the person who shares doubts or disappointments. Wait for an opening in the conversation to remind him or her that God loves them through every struggle. And share your faith through the power of prayer.

PRAY

This week, find that someone in your life who may be hurting for whatever reason. Tell them you will pray *for* them and offer to pray *with* them. Prayer and compassion are our marching orders, and we can follow them by trusting Jesus is right there with us when we need him.

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