

“You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek”

(Ps. 110)

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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The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of the Lord – or as it is traditionally called, Corpus Christi – was originally celebrated on the Thursday following the Trinity Sunday. Thursday was chosen because of its connection with Holy Thursday, when our Blessed Lord instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper. Some time after this Feast was established in the Church (in the Thirteenth Century), the Christian people developed customs by which they could show honor to Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament and give thanks and praise for this great gift. This is when the custom of Corpus Christi processions began. Some of you might remember this custom from years ago. Sadly, however, it has vanished from many places around the world.

In the first reading today, Moses reminds the Hebrew people of the great gift the Lord gave them as they wandered in the desert after their deliverance from Egypt: the gift of holy manna – mysterious bread which fell from heaven to feed them and sustain them as they waited to enter the land of promise.

The celebration of Corpus Christi reminds us of an infinitely greater gift from God: the gift of the true Body and Blood of his only Son to be our food and drink, nourishing our souls and bodies as we await our promised land, eternal happiness in heaven. That is why we gather today to sing praise, to rejoice and to give thanks – the word Eucharist literally means thanksgiving.

And what are we giving thanks for? We are thanking God for what is arguably the greatest mystery of our Faith – a mystery which theologians have given the name transubstantiation: that in the Eucharist, ordinary bread and wine are miraculously transformed in their very substance – their very essence – into the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. The reality of bread and wine ceases to be, while the accidents (all the non-essential qualities) remain. When you and I receive Holy Communion, we eat and drink what appear to be a little wafer of bread and a sip of wine. In reality, we are receiving the living God, Jesus Christ our Lord – his Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, whole and entire. What a tremendous gift! And what a tremendous mystery. All this seems to defy reason. It certainly goes against what our senses perceive, and it has been the cause of terrible divisions among the Christian people. So why do we Catholics persist in clinging to this troublesome and seemingly outdated doctrine? We do so for a very simple reason: We have decided to take Jesus at his word; to believe that what he says is simply and literally true. And we hear his word at every Mass when the priest repeats what Jesus said at the Last Supper – words taken from Saint Paul's first letter to the Corinthians: “This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” “This chalice is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

For the Glory of God - Fr. Andrzej

Our Lady of Fatima

On May 13, 1917, in Fatima, Portugal, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to Jacinta (7), Francisco (9), and their cousin, Lucia (10) while they were attending sheep. “A lady all in white, more brilliant than the sun... indescribably beautiful” She appeared following an angel’s annunciation from May through October 1917 and spoke to the children on the 13th of each month.



She said, “Please don’t be afraid of me, I’m not going to harm you.” Lucia asked her where she came from and she responded, “I come from Heaven.” The woman wore a white mantle edged with gold and held a rosary in her hand. The woman asked them to pray and devote themselves to the Holy Trinity and to “say the Rosary every day, to bring peace to the world and an end to the war.” In the last apparition the woman revealed her name, “I am the Lady of the Rosary.”

October, 1917, some 70,000 people went to witness the apparition. They saw the sun make three circles and move around the sky in an incredible zigzag movement in a manner which confirmed the apparitions. By 1930 the Bishop had approved of the apparitions and they have been approved by the Church as authentic.

What is the central meaning of the message of Fatima? Nothing different from what the Church has always taught: it is, as Cardinal Ratzinger, now Pope Benedict the XVI, has put it, “the exhortation to prayer as the path of “salvation for souls” and, likewise, the summons to penance and conversion.”

Parish Retreat

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



Saturday, July 12 from 9a-3:30p
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Please register at www.olbh.org/olbh-retreat



MOVIE NIGHT

MONDAY, JUNE 23
5:30 PM in St. Joseph's Hall



Featured Movie title:
The Hiding Place

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

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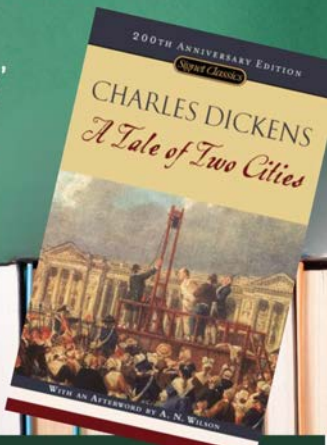
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Bishop Bullock's Book Club - June Selection:

'A TALE OF TWO CITIES'
BY CHARLES DICKENS



OLBH summer book club will meet to listen to Bishop Bullock's podcast on 'A Tale of Two Cities' and to discuss the book. All are welcome!

MONDAY, JUNE 30 AT 6 PM IN ST. JOSEPH'S HALL, OLBH

Fr. Andrzej's
25th
Ordination Anniversary
Silver Jubilee Celebration

Saturday, 6/28
Wine & Cheese following 5 PM Mass
Sunday, 6/29
Breakfast following the 8 AM Mass from 9-10:30 AM

***Send your Fr. Andrzej photos to olbheolbh.org!**

Visit: www.rapidcitydiocese.org/bookclub
for Bishop Bullock's introduction to "A Tale of Two Cities" by Charles Dickens & for more info about Bishop Bullock's Book Club!



WEEKLY SCHEDULE Pss IV

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

Monday, June 23
7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study
7 PM Women's Cursillo in the Library

Tuesday, June 24
THE NAVITIY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
8 AM Mass for the repose of Ronald Thyen

Wednesday, June 25
8 AM Mass for the repose of Steven Van Asma
8:30-7:30 PM Adoration
10 AM A Story and A Saint Storytime with
Seminarian Blase in St. Joseph's Hall
5:30-6:30 PM Confessions

Thursday, June 26
8 AM Mass for the repose of Brittany Holzer

Friday, June 27
THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS
8 AM Mass for the repose of Bernie Gerving

Saturday, June 28
The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7 AM Men's Cursillo
3:30 PM Confessions
5 PM Mass for the repose of Michael John Waits
Fr. Andrzej's 25th Ordination Anniversary Wine & Cheese Celebration

Sunday, June 29
SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES
8 AM Mass for the communities of Our Lady of the
Black Hills and our sister parishes at Kenel,
McLaughlin, and Bullhead
Fr. Andrzej's 25th Ordination Anniversary Breakfast Celebration
11 AM Mass for the repose of Thomas Laramée

WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

6/28 5 PM Mass with Fr. Andrzej
Altar Servers: Todd Curtis (lead) Stella and Julia
Lectors: Duane Riedlinger (1st) Dave Allardyce (2nd)
Hospitality: Steve and Sue Colgan
Sacristan: Jan Evans
Eucharistic Minister: Samantha Hough

6/29 8 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej
Altar Servers: Fred Weishaar (lead) Kyah and Keeana
Lectors: Lori Caouette (1st) Brenda Flottmeyer (2nd)
Hospitality: Gary and Sandy Langfeldt
Sacristan: Barbara and Gary Erickson
Eucharistic Minister: Lorinda Collings

6/29 11 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej
Altar Servers: NOT FILLED (lead) NOT FILLED
Lectors: Kim Wynn (1st) Emmett Edwards (2nd)
Hospitality: NOT FILLED
Sacristan: Nikki and Robert Dyczek
Eucharistic Minister: Bernie Keeler



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“As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes again.”

Sheepish Question:
How does knowing Jesus' sacrifice to supply my daily bread change the way I ask for it?

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

June 14-15, 2025

	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	25	79
Sunday Collection	3,654	4,630	8,284
Building Fund	42	175	217
Priest Retirement	-		300
Votives			78
Total Contributions	3,749	4,830	8,956.98

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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.

ANointing 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 June

Pope's Intention: That the world might grow in compassion. Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

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:

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| June 23 | Margery M. Wright (1977)
Wayne N. Gamroth (2022) |
| June 26 | Rev. Joseph E. Zeller (1999) |
| June 27 | Rev. Victor Perky, S.C.J. (1985)
June Edith Jolley (2022) |
| June 28 | Bernice A. Iliff (2003)
Phillip Dale Clarke (2007) |

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 Wyrstek, 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

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. Arlene Pridgen (sister of Duane Riedlinger)

SCRIPTURE READINGS

The weekly readings are on the USCCB.org website. Monday: Genesis 12:1-9; Psalm 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22; Matthew 7:1-5
Tuesday: Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalm 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80
Wednesday: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Matthew 7:15-20
Thursday: Genesis 16:1-12, 15-16; Psalm 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5; Matthew 7:21-29
Friday: Ezekiel 34:11-16; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Romans 5:5b-11; Luke 15:3-7
Saturday: Genesis 18:1-15; Luke 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55; Matthew 8:5-17
Sunday: Acts 12:1-11; Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16:13-19

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.

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February 20th
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A NEW HOPE (PG)

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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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!

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June 22, 2025

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Gen 14:18-20 | 1 Cor 11:23-26 | Lk 9:11b-17

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

Today's feast is set apart to reverence the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist. In our limited human capacity, this concept can feel abstract, and we may struggle to understand it. In these moments, I find that pondering the person of Jesus Christ in the Gospels illuminates my mind and heart. Hearing the familiar story of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes in today's Gospel, I'm particularly struck by the first line of the passage: "Jesus spoke to the crowds about the kingdom of God, and he healed those who needed to be cured." Notice that Luke doesn't say that Jesus heals *everyone*, rather, he heals those who *need* to be cured. This is not an act of favoritism, but a revelation of his perfect divine wisdom and a glimpse into the true person of Jesus Christ. In his great mercy and perfect love, Jesus knew instantly what each person needed. And this Jesus, who came to heal and cure, is the one we receive in the Eucharist today.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Today's feast is a reminder of the staggering truth that 2,000 years later, at every Eucharistic celebration in Catholic churches around the world, Christ becomes truly present. The same Jesus of the Gospels who taught the crowds, multiplied the loaves, and gave himself completely on the cross, gives himself to us *today*: body, blood, soul, and divinity. We are not unlike the crowds in today's Gospel — we have come with our hopes and needs to encounter Jesus. Today, at this table, no one goes hungry; Jesus meets our needs by giving us his unconditional love while nourishing us both physically and spiritually. We can be reassured that God is always present in our lives.

REFLECT

In a special way today, reflect on the Eucharist, the "source and summit of the Christian life." The word Eucharist comes from Greek and Latin words for "thanksgiving." Pray with a grateful heart today that Jesus, the Bread of Life, makes himself truly present to us.

"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst." (Jn 6:35)

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