



I can do all things in him who strengthens me.

Over the last four weeks, the second readings for Sunday Mass have come from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians. Paul wrote to this Christian community while imprisoned in Rome to thank them for their financial support and to encourage their unity and faith. The letter is only four chapters long, yet it offers so much for living out the Christian life. I encourage you to read it and meditate upon Paul's message and how it continues to impact our lives.

Paul opens the letter with a prayer that the Philippians' love may overflow with knowledge and full insight, helping them determine what is best. In other words, to choose the good, we first need to recognize it and then stay focused on it. Paul knows what is good, and he has dedicated his life to preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all who will listen. Even though he is a prisoner, he continues to focus on ministering to and encouraging the faithful, with little thought for himself. He writes without fear, knowing that his true home is with Christ and that nothing on earth can separate him from the one he loves and follows.

Over the last six weeks, a few of my fellow deacons and I have been meeting to discuss Jacques Philippe's book, "Interior Freedom," chapter by chapter. It is a wonderful little book that I highly recommend. As we moved through the final chapter this past Monday, I was moved by the following excerpts:

"Human beings are more than the sum of the good they can accomplish. They are children of God, whether they can do good or cannot yet manage to do anything. Our Father in heaven does not love us because of the good we do. He loves us for ourselves, because he has adopted us as his children forever." "This does not mean it doesn't matter whether we behave well or badly. We should do good and avoid evil as far as we can, because sin hurts God, harms us, and harms other people,"

"The world seeks freedom in the accumulation of possessions and power. It forgets that the only people who are truly free are those who have nothing left to lose. Despoiled of everything, detached from everything, they are "free from all men" and all things. It can truly be said that their death is already behind them, because all their "treasures" are now in God and in him alone. The people who are supremely free desire nothing and are afraid of nothing. All the good that matters to them is already guaranteed them by God. They have nothing to lose and nothing to defend."

Paul achieved this interior freedom, and he encourages us to continue working toward this goal by letting go of all our earthly attachments. He says to us, "Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your heart and minds in Christ Jesus." And like Paul, you too can do all things in Him who strengthens you. God Bless.

-Dcn. Phillip Thompson

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Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) - October 10-11, 2026

WELCOME TO OLBH!

Mass

Saturday 5 PM
Sunday 8 & 11 AM
Tues.-Fri. 8 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 8:30-7:30 PM

Reconciliation

Wednesday 5:30-6:30 PM
Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM

First Friday Devotion

Follows 8 AM Mass

First Saturday Devotion

7:30 AM Reconciliation
8 AM Mass
8:30-9:30 AM Adoration

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New or Visiting? ——— ♥ ———

We look forward to meeting you. To register in the parish, we invite you to stop by the office or visit olbh.org. Please pick up a welcome packet from the counter on the back wall of the gathering space. Join us again and visit often!

ALL SAINTS DAY TRUNK OR TREAT!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST
following 11 AM Mass

We need treaters & TRUNKERS!

Please decorate a TRUNK.
Pass out candy/treats to the kids of the
parish.
Sign up to host a trunk or come the day of!

**SAINT COSTUMES
PREFERRED**



OLBH FALL FESTIVAL

The Country Store CRAFTERS & BAKERS

All handmade or "boutique" gifts appreciated including Christmas items. Craft items like holiday decor, afghans, crochet/knitted items, sewn textiles, paintings, dollsies, and other treasures.
Home-grown or home-made goodies including jams, garden produce, breads, cookies, bars, candies, pies, cakes, and other treats!

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Our Lady of the Black Hills Fall Festival
November 7th & 8th following all Masses

Our Lady of the Black Hills Fall Festival

SILENT AUCTION



Support the parish with donations of gift baskets,
gift certificates, service, artwork, and more are due by 11/5.

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Contact Cheryl with questions or for donation ideas, 605-830-4457.

OLBH Fall Festival November 7th & 8th

Turkey Dinner & Carnival Games

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH, 11-1:30 PM, FREE WILL DONATION

Silent Auction

BIDDING OPEN FROM 6 PM SATURDAY-1:30 PM SUNDAY

Country Store

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OPEN FOLLOWING ALL MASSES

November 7th & 8th following all Masses. All proceeds benefit OLBH.

To donate crafts or auction items, call 605-787-5168.

Sign ups for dinner and carnival game help coming soon!

No Daily Mass Tues-Fri 10/13-10/16.

Fr. Andrzej and the diocesan priests will be on retreat.

Saint Cecilia Award

**Fr. Andrzej and Brenda
Czmowski received the 2026
Saint Cecilia Award**

The Saint Cecilia Award is given to honor exceptional contributions to liturgy, sacred music, and parish worship. Each year the Rapid City area National Pastoral Musicians select one recipient from the clergy and one from the laity.

Fr. Andrzej was nominated because of his beautiful singing voice and his magnanimous support of NPM in hosting Fr. Rick Manalo. He also received the award in 2021.

Brenda was nominated for the award having served as an accompanist at OLBH since 1999. She is a faithful gift to music ministry at Our Lady of the Black Hills.

Please congratulate them both and thank them for their generous stewardship of our parish.



YOUNG ADULT BOARD GAME NIGHT!

Come for an evening of board games, card games, and snacks! You're welcome to bring your favorite games to share.

★ **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23 AT 6:30 PM** ★
OUR LADY OF THE BLACK HILLS, PIEDMONT



**October is the month of the
Rosary**

**A Rosary will be prayed
before each Mass in October.
We will honor our Mother, Mary,
with Marian hymns.**

**Be a Resource for Others!
Speaker Series at OLBH**

*& Breakfast by the
Catholic Daughters!*



**Guest Speaker: Sydney Berra of the
OLBH Conference of St. Vincent de Paul**

SUNDAY, 10/18, at 9:15am
in the Parish Hall (downstairs)

Sydney will give a short 20 minute presentation about helping our friends and neighbors in need.

WE NEED YOU

To host **Coffee & Rolls** following 8 AM Mass. The sign up sheet is outside of the Parish Hall Kitchen, call the office for details, 605-787-5168.

WINE & CHEESE *Night*

TASTE, ENJOY, AND FELLOWSHIP

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

FOLLOWING 5 PM MASS | CHILDCARE PROVIDED



WEEKLY SCHEDULE Pss IV

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

Monday, 10/12

**Office closed*

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

7 PM Women's Cursillo in the Library

Tuesday, 10/13

NO MASS

Wednesday, 10/14

Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

NO MASS

8:30-7:30 PM Adoration

5:30-6:30 PM Confession

Thursday, 10/15

SAINT THERESA OF JESUS, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

NO MASS

9 AM "Just" Men Bible Study & Witness

9 AM Women's Bible Study

Friday, 10/16

Saint Hedwig, Religious; Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

NO 8 AM MASS

8:30 AM Mass at Saint Elizabeth Seton School for the repose of Liane Rausch

Saturday, 10/17

SAINT IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, BISHOP AND MARTYR

7 AM Men's Cursillo

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

5 PM Mass for the communities of Our Lady of the Black Hills and our sister parishes - Kenel, Bullhead, and McLaughlin

Wine & Cheese, childcare provided

Sunday, 10/18

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8 AM Mass for the wellbeing of Ryan and Elizabeth Tate

9 AM Be a Resource for Others Speaker Series - St. Vincent de Paul with Breakfast by the Catholic Daughters

11 AM Mass for the wellbeing of Dawson Rhodes

**No Daily Mass Tues-Fri 10/13-10/16.
Fr. Andrzej and the diocesan priests will be on retreat.**



UPCOMING MINISTRY SCHEDULE

10/17 5 PM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Todd Curtis (lead) Stella and Julia

Lector: Teresa Thompson (1st) Dave Allardyce (2nd)

Hospitality: Allan and Marie Rundell

Sacristan: Jenny Curtis

Eucharistic Minister Body: Dcn Phiillip Thompson

10/18 8 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Keeana P. (lead) Kyah and Farrah

Lector: Brenda Flottmeyer (1st) Jeremy Thompson (2nd)

Hospitality: Justin and Kodi Carlin

Sacristan: Ermma and Bruce Lehman

Eucharistic Minister Body: Dcn Phillip Thompson

10/18 11 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Sean Bestgen (lead) Oliver and Otto

Lectors: Laura Varilek (1st) Cathleen Denekamp (2nd)

Hospitality: Debbie and Paul Roberts

Sacristan: The Blauvelt Family

Eucharistic Minister Body: Dcn Phillip Thompson

Pope's Intention for October: For mental health ministry. Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illness.

October 3-4, 2026

	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	30	84
Sunday Collection	3,654	6,114	9,768
Building Fund	42	150	192
Mass Intentions	-		115
Fall Festival			500
Total Contributions	3,749	6,294	10,658.50

Please prayerfully consider automatic donations at olbh.org/donate.

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 faith journey.



PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE ILL & HOMEBOUND

call to add a name. These individuals are in special need of our prayers. We pray for Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek, Thomas Eimers (father of Kim Harming), Lynn Gerving, Omel Weaver, Arlene Holzer, Linda Schacher, Joyce de Paulo, Charlene Mizenko, Ann Langlois, Adrienne Ghio, John Mizenko, Crescenia Yanez, Mary-Elizabeth Crane (sister of Sheila Keeler), John Gerving, Mary Ann Pulaski, Coleen Short, Ryan Wilson, Mary Antonsen, Joyce Kinney, Gary Sexton, Kathleen Espinosa, Mel Flottmeyer, Derrick Siemieniak, Grant Albrecht, Nicole Devlin, Carol Waliser, Ryan Lenyk, Jerry Werdel, Cathy Long, Karen Lau, Janet Murphy, Alma Gamroth, Noah Harrison, Sue Stokes

FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for the repose of the recently deceased. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Liam Cox, Quincy Kjerstad

OLBH NECROLOGY

To remember in prayer for the repose of their souls, those whose deaths are recorded in this parish; and for the clergy that have served in the Diocese of Rapid City, we pray for:

Oct 13: Msgr. William J. Connaughton (1954); Gladys M. Doyle (2009); Charles K. Desmond (2015)

Oct 14: Rev. Peter Rosen (1906); Rev. Hubert R. H. McDonald, S.J. (1967); Rev. Bernard E. Shanely (1988); Deacon Ken Hill (2013)

Oct 16: Rev. Alysius Menne, S.J. (1920); Rev. Bernard Strassmaier, O.S.B. (1940); Rev. Joseph F. O'Connell (1955); William Renn, S.J. (1982)

Oct 17: Rev. James Gleeson, C.S.C. (1907); Elda M. Carlson (2016)

Oct 18: Deacon Reno J. Richards, Sr. (1997); James Michael Thompson (1972); Patrick I. Neely (1990); Harry A. Herchert (2021)

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 Karen Hendricks. To ensure confidentiality in our outreach to victims, she can be contacted privately at 1-605-499-8459 (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 MINISTRIES



PRAYER CHAIN To add an intention to the private OLBH prayer chain, text Shanesa Rhodes at 605-786-4240.



MASS INTENTIONS To request a Mass Intention 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.



HOMEBOUND COMMUNION 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.



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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Find the weekly readings and more at USCCB.org.

Sun: Is 25:6-10a; s 23:1-3a-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14

Mon: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32

Tues: Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48; Lk 11:37-41

Wed: Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:42-26

Thur: Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1-6; Lk 11:47-54

Fri: Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7

Sat: Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab-7; Lk 12:8-12

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5:30 PM Mass
6-6:45 PM Social
6:45-8:30 PM Dinner & Program

RSVP at <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/stcarlonightevent/event/anichtwithstcarlo/>

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Special Collection: World Mission Sunday

This year on October 18, Catholics around the world unite in celebration of World Mission Sunday — a day of prayer, reflection, and financial support for the Church's missionary work in 1,124 mission territories. These are regions where the Church is still young, growing, and often facing poverty, conflict, or persecution. World Mission Sunday is not just the occasion of another second collection. It is the one Sunday when the entire Catholic Church — every parish, in every country — comes together to pray for and support the missionary efforts of the Church through The Society for the Propagation of the Faith, one of the four Pontifical Mission Societies.

Trinity Family Services and Adoption

Trinity Family Services and Adoption (a program of Catholic Social Services) recently celebrated the joy of a new adoption. Trinity is seeking additional families who may feel called to welcome a child through adoption. Whether you're ready to begin the journey or curious to learn more contact Tristan Marchant at Trinity — visit www.cssrapidcity.com/what-we-offer/trinity or call (605) 348-6086.

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World Youth Day 2027

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OCTOBER 24
DEACON JOHN OSNES

25TH

ANNIVERSARY

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OCTOBER 10, 24 AND 31, 2026

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
DOWNSTAIRS CLASS ROOM
FOLLOWING 8:30 AM MORNING MASS

- THE HOPE TO WHICH WE ARE CALLED
- MEET LUISA PICCARRETA-SERVANT OF GOD
- THE BOOK OF HEAVEN
- THE THREE FIATS: CREATION, REDEMPTION AND SANCTIFICATION
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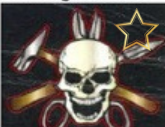
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