



Persistence

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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This Sunday, the Lord is teaching us about persistence and how it relates to our faith life. Persistence is defined as firm or obstinate continuance in a course of action in spite of difficulty or opposition. Jesus told us how narrow the gate and constricted the road is that leads to life and those who find it are few. The Christian life, therefore, is something that has to be constantly implemented. It takes effort, integrity, and perseverance to follow Jesus each and every day. In baptism, we were claimed by God as his adopted sons and daughters. What happened to us in baptism cannot be made to “unhappen,” however often we stumble and fall. So, with the grace of God we are called in this life to form ourselves into that which we have already been made through our baptism.

This is no easy task because life is full of distractions and temptations that can draw us away from Jesus and off the narrow path. If we were to go it alone, we honestly would have no chance. Luckily, we are never alone. God knows that we have an inclination or tendency toward sin that we call concupiscence. Even though we are sinful God loves us, and is enormously patient and merciful because he truly wants us to get it right. He therefore provides us with enormous amount of help to aid us in our journey through this life. All we have to do is recognize his helping hand, grasp it and let him pull us up and out of whatever quicksand we have wandered into.

Our first reading gives us good example of what we can do if we allow God and others to help us. In the story, Moses raised his staff and Joshua would start winning the battle against Amalek but when Moses grew tired and had to rest his arms, Amalek would start to win. Moses tried but couldn't do it alone, so God sent help. Aaron and Hur kept Moses hands raised up, so Joshua could win the battle. Whatever we do in service to the Lord whether its pray, study, or take action, it is sweeter, easier, and more rewarding if we allow others to help us.

Our Lady of the Black Hills offer many opportunities for us to be persistent in our faith through prayer, Mass, the Sacraments, faith formation, and outreach to our local community. I implore you to take some time, the most precious thing you will ever have, and consider offering it in service to the Lord. Whatever path of prayer, study, or action you decide to take know that personal spiritual growth, knowledge of God and your neighbors will be the fruit of these endeavours.

These are all very good things that will help to build up the Kingdom of God. I encourage you to take the leap. Sign up for a prayer or study group, join Catholic Daughters, the Knights of Columbus, or St. Vincent De Paul. Consider teaching the faith. Don't worry if you don't think you know enough because no one knows it all and teaching is the best way to learn. I wish I could list all we that we offer but know if you have an interest there are others who share your same passion. We offer so much and all we need to make it even better is you. So let us be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient in our love of Him and our neighbors.

God bless, Deacon Phillip

HALLOWEEN TRUNK OR TREAT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26
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!

PRIZES FOR SAINT COSTUMES AND TRUNK THEMES!



OUR LADY OF THE BLACK HILLS - PIEDMONT

FALL FESTIVAL & TURKEY DINNER

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND

TURKEY DINNER & CARNIVAL GAMES
11-1:30 PM

\$5/CHILD \$10/ADULT \$35/FAMILY FOR DINNER
SUGGESTED DONATION, DINNER IS A FREE WILL OFFERING

Country Store & Silent Auction
open following all Masses 11/1-2





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EARLY BIRD BIBLE STUDY

Mondays
OLBH Library
7:30-8:30 AM

ADULT BIBLE STUDY with Shawna Hanson

Wednesdays
St. Joseph's Hall
4:30-5:45 PM



"JUST MEN" BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays
St. Francis
9-10:30 AM

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Book of Revelation
Thursdays
St. Joseph's Hall Kitchen
9-10:30 AM

Fall Festival & Turkey Dinner

SILENT auction



OUR LADY OF THE BLACK HILLS

Saturday, 11/1, 6-7 PM
Sunday, 11/2, 9-1 PM

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING AN ACUTION ITEM.
If you have new items or a basket you would like to donate please contact Cheryl at (605) 830-1457.

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Calling all CRAFTERS & BAKERS

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Following all Masses November 1-2
Contact Shanesa Rhodes at 605-786-4240
Our Lady of the Black Hills - Piedmont

Join us for the next Wisdom Wednesday speaker event!



The Rosary:

Where it's from, Why it's prayed, and How to pray it

"The Rosary is a sweet chain linking us to heaven. It is the prayer of the simple and the great alike... It is Our Lady's school, where her children learn the secrets of the Gospel through her eyes and heart" (St. Bernadette Soubirous)

WED OCT 26 at 6:15pm

(during faith formation)

Presented by The Catholic Daughters - Circle of Love

WEEKLY SCHEDULE Pss I

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

Monday, October 20

St. Paul of the Cross

7:30 AM Early Bird Bible Study

7 PM Women's Cursillo in the Library

Tuesday, October 21

8 AM Mass for the repose of Judy Wilson

6 PM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Wednesday, October 22

St. John Paul II, Pope

8 AM Mass for a special intention

8:30-7:30 PM Adoration

4:30-5:45 PM Faith Formation

5:30-6:30 PM Confessions

6:15-7:30 PM Faith Formation

Thursday, October 23

Saint John of Capistrano, Priest

8 AM Mass for the repose of Joe George

9 AM "Just Men" Bible study

9 AM Women's Study of the Book of Revelation

6 PM Finance Council Meeting

Friday, October 24

Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

8 AM Mass for Brian's Cause

Saturday, October 25

7 AM Men's Cursillo

3:30-4:30 PM Confessions

5 PM Mass for the community of OLBH and our sister parishes of Kenel, McLaughlin, and Bullhead

Sunday, October 26

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8 AM Mass for the wellbeing of Bruce and Ermma Lehman

9:30-10:45 AM Faith Formation

11 AM Mass for the repose of Capp Holzer

12 NOON TRUNK OR TREAT Decorate a trunk and pass out treats!

WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

10/18 5 PM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Ethan Heisinger (lead) Jonathon and Luke

Lectors: Todd Curtis (1st) Benjamin Funk (2nd)

Hospitality: Tracy and Kim Cook

Sacristan: Todd and Jenny Curtis

Eucharistic Minister: Samantha Hough

10/19 8 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Freddy Weishaar (lead) Eli Harming

Lectors: Lori Caouette (1st) Joshua Weaver (2nd)

Hospitality: Bernadette and John Usera

Sacristan: Jeremy Thompson

Eucharistic Minister: Jeremy Thompson

10/19 11 AM Mass with Fr. Andrzej

Altar Servers: Cole Litzen (lead) Leo and Talia Lectors:

Cathleen Denekamp (1st) Emmett Edwards (2nd)

Hospitality: Debbie and Paul Roberts

Sacristan: Kelli Siemieniak

Eucharistic Minister: Lee Ann Den Otter

**October is the month of the Rosary. The Rosary will be prayed 30 minutes prior to all weekend Masses to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

PARISH MEAL

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH | 5:30-6:30 PM

November 5th



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To cook and serve a meal, call Angela in the office.

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

October 11-12, 2025

	Automatic	Basket	Total
Adopt a Seminarian	54	485	539
Sunday Collection	3,654	5,406	9,060
Building Fund	42	-	42
Priest Retirement	-		25
Mass Intention			120
Parish Meal			49
Total Contributions	3,749	5,891	9,834.31

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.
- 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 October
Pope's Intention: For collaboration between different religious traditions. Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

- The weekly readings are on the USCCB.org website.
- Monday: Romans 4:20-25; Luke 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Luke 12:13-21
- Tuesday: Romans 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Psalm 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Luke 12:35-38
- Wednesday: Romans 6:12-18; Psalm 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Luke 12:39-48
- Thursday: Romans 6:19-23; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Luke 12:49-53
- Friday: Romans 7:18-25a; Psalm 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94; Luke 12:54-59
- Saturday: Romans 8:1-11; Psalm 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Luke 13:1-9
- Sunday: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18; Psalm 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14

OLBH 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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| October 20 | Rev. Robert Demeyer, S.J. (1982), Georgia L. Witt (1993) |
| October 21 | Rev. John Edgeworth (1929) |
| October 23 | Rev. Paul J. Kinney (1942) |
| October 24 | Rev. Charles Goergen (1917); Rev. George Stroh, S.J. (1975); William Honerkamp (2017) |
| October 25 | Benno Frank Roller (2008); Gertrude A. Besse (2013) |
| October 26 | Rev. Arthur Bellknap (1921); Rev. James D. Shannon (1962); Rev. David Orians (2009) |

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR OUR ILL & HOMEBOUND call 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, Arlene Holzer, Linda Schacher, Joyce de Paulo, Charlene Mizenko, Adrienne Ghio, John Mizenko, Crescenia Yanez, Mary-Elizabeth Crane (sister of Sheila Keeler), Sheila Keeler, Kathleen Leutenegger, David Trautman Sr., John Gerving, Karen Bestgen, Mary Ann Pulaski, Tony Corbine, Jud Schumacher, Patricia Cariveau, Deb Curl, Coleen Short, Rebecca Boylan, Kodi Carlin, Angie Oberle, Rick Siewert (father of Jess Bernhagen), Ryan Wilson, Patty Tapp, Mary Antonsen, Klare Schroeder, Richard, Joyce Kinney, Gary Sexton, Kathleen Espinosa, Deacon John Osnes

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.
Kasmer 'Capp' Holzer

October 31-
November 2,
2025

St. Paul Seminary
Come and See Weekend



Experience Life in the Seminary

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Register by October 24!



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Frank Birkholt
Todd Curtis
Eugene Iron Shell Jr.
John Talcott
Steve Van Mullem

NOVEMBER | 1 | 5:30 PM

Holy Cross Chapel
Terra Sancta Retreat Center

Reception will be held immediately following.



**IMMACULATE HEART OF
MARY SEMINARY
COME AND SEE WEEKEND**

November 14 - 17, 2025

PLACES

- Visit Cathedral of St. Joseph
- Visit Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Participate in community fun and recreation

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**ESTATE PLANNING &
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St. Joseph Church, Spearfish

November 10th

5:30pm - 8pm (Dinner Included)

St. Francis of Assisi, Sturgis

November 15th

10am - 2pm (Lunch Included)

RSVP BY CALLING WSDCF: 605-721-6843



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**BEGINS OCTOBER 16TH
6:30-8:00PM**

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MINISTRY PAGE



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Going Deeper Youth Retreat – Nov 7-9

We invite high school youth to join us at Placerville Camp and Retreat Center for a weekend retreat. The retreat will be led by the Sisters of the Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary and Air Force Lieutenant Colonel James Diroff. James – a combat aviator and U-2 pilot. This weekend will be a weekend of growth and encounter with Jesus Christ, our Lord. <https://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/goingdeeper25/>

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