

Blessed Sacrament Church
Rapid City, SD
'Continuing the Work of Jesus...'



September 16, 2018
Twenty-Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

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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

Please note: it is a custom in our parish to pray three Hail Mary's after Mass for the next person who dies in our parish.

Following the Messiah: Scott Hahn Reflects on the
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, we reach a pivotal moment in our walk with the Lord. After weeks of listening to His words and witnessing His deeds, along with the disciples we're asked to decide who Jesus truly is.

Peter answers for them, and for us, too, when he declares: "You are the Messiah." Many expected the Messiah to be a miracle worker who would vanquish Israel's enemies and restore the kingdom of David (see [John 6:15](#)).

Jesus today reveals a different portrait. He calls himself the Son of Man, evoking the royal figure Daniel saw in his heavenly visions (see [Daniel 7:13-14](#)). But Jesus' kingship is not to be of this world (see [John 18:36](#)). And the path to His throne, as He reveals, is by way of suffering and death.

Jesus identifies the Messiah with the suffering servant that Isaiah foretells in today's First Reading. The words of Isaiah's servant are Jesus' words—as He gives himself to be shamed and beaten, trusting that God will be His help. We hear our Lord's voice again in today's Psalm, as He gives thanks that God has freed Him from the cords of death.

As Jesus tells us today, to believe that He is the Messiah is to follow His way of self-denial—losing our lives to save them, in order to rise with Him to new life. Our faith, we hear again in today's Epistle, must express itself in works of love (see [Galatians 5:6](#)).

Notice that Jesus questions the apostles today "along the way." They are on the way to Jerusalem, where the Lord will lay down His life. We, too, are on a journey with the Lord.

We must take up our cross, giving to others and enduring all our trials for His sake and the sake of the Gospel.

Our lives must be an offering of thanksgiving for the new life He has given us, until that day when we reach our destination, and walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

Parish Staff

Parish Administrator

—Michael Johnson

Director of Liturgy & Music

—Lisa Wattenhofer

Accountant

—Ruth Zagala

K-5th Religious Education Director and

Safe Environment Coordinator

—Mary Farrell

Receptionist, Ministry Schedule, Bulletin

—Rose Hockhausen

Pastor's Assistant, Masses, Building Schedule

—Pauline Staufacker

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—Ashley Vick

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—James Schaefer

Custodial Staff

—Jay Glanzer

—Joe Kopriva

Community Life

—Margaret Erz

Rectory Housekeeper/Cook

—Vonnie Jonson

Scripture Readings for the Coming Week

Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33 Ps 40:7-10, 17
Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a Ps 100:1-5
Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 Ps 33:2-5, 12,
22 Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11 Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17,
28 Lk 7:36-50

Friday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:33-37, 42-49 Ps 56:10-14
Lk 8:4-15

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Wis 2:12, 17-20 Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 Jas 3:16—4:3
Mk 9:30-37

Daily readings can also be found at: www.usccb.org



Volunteers are needed!

Do you like donuts? Can you help? "Sunday Donuts" needs individuals or families to setup for and cleanup after "Sunday Donuts" for the three morning Masses. Please call the office (342.3336) for more information.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

† indicates deceased

Monday (9/17)

7:00am Repose & Welfare Schad
& Wescott families

Tuesday (9/18)

7:00am † Francis Wilson

Wednesday (9/19)

7:00am † Dorothy Kies

10:00am † (Meadowbrook Manor Nrsg. Home)
Witold & Teresa Lewandowski

Thursday (9/20)

7:00am † Don Malon

12:10pm † Roy & Julia Wolf; Loretta Tracy

Friday (9/21)

7:00am 'Joyful Sounds' Choir

12:10pm † Paul Reinke

Saturday (9/22)

5:30pm † Irene Sobek

Sunday (9/23)

7:00am Parishioners

9:00am (signed for hearing impaired)

† Mark & Delores Storms

11:00am † Loraine & Jerry Roskowiak

1:30pm † (Spanish Mass)

Souls in Purgatory

THREE WORD SEEKERS BIBLE STUDIES

Three different Bible studies began the week of September 10th — all will be held 6-7:30pm. Mondays, you are invited to join either the Bible Timeline of Salvation History (in the Theater) or the Revelation Bible Study (in the Youth Room). Thursdays, you are invited to The Gospel of Matthew Bible Study (in the Youth Room). Sign up by contacting Rose in the office or just come to class. Please call Deacon Larry at 786.2583, if you have questions.



Children's Liturgy of the Word will begin on September 16 and will be available at the 9am and 11am Masses on Sundays. This is suggested for children ages 3-5 years old. No class will be held on holiday weekends. Each week at least one adult should go with the group to help the leader.

Traveling?

Check out masstimes.org

Parish Schedule

Monday, September 17

Mothers' Bible Study—8:30am (101)
Eucharistic Adoration—6pm (Chapel)
Revelation Bible Study—6pm (Youth Room)
Timeline Bible Study—6pm (Theater)

Tuesday, September 18

Women's Bible Study—9am (101)
St. Joseph's Whist Group—1pm (Gathering Area)
'Joyful Sounds' Rehearsal—5:30pm (Church)

Wednesday, September 19

BSC Prayer Group—7:30am (101)
Religious Education—3:45pm
Wednesday Night Dinner—4:30-6pm (Hall)
Confirmation—5:45pm
Religious Education—5:45pm

Thursday, September 20

BSC Quilters Group—8am (101)
St. Ignatius Prayer Group—12:40pm (101)
Gospel of Matthew Bible Study—6pm (Youth Room)
RCIA Inquiry Night—6:30pm (Theater/101)
'Chorus Angelorum' Rehearsal—7pm (Church)

Friday, September 21

Reconciliation—11am-12noon (Church)

Saturday, September 22

Reconciliation—3:30pm (Church)
NPM Silent Auction Fundraiser—after Mass

Sunday, September 23

NPM Silent Auction Fundraiser—after Masses
Rosary—6:30am (Chapel)
Children's Liturgy—during 9am Mass
Rosary—10:30am (Chapel)
Children's Liturgy—during 11am Mass
Theology of the Body—5:30-7pm

Weekly Financial Scoreboard

Weekly budgeted expenses:	\$20,304.98
Weekend: September 8-9, 2018	
Collection (envelopes & plate):	\$18,851.76
Difference:	\$(-1,453.22)



Deadwood Trip

Join us Thursday, September 20! It is our day to go to The Lodge, enjoy a day of fun, good food and friends. If you need more information, call me, Annette Ellison, at 348.9069.

Prayers, Pastoral Needs & Pastoral Council

Our deceased: We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of George Maher.

Our ill and homebound: Alan Kelts, Lucille Jelliffe, Keith Vick, Tim Callahan, Joseph Elkjer, Faye Adler, 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, Gregg Holland, Thia (Martin) Monteith, Zach Remily, Adam Max, Casey Johnston. (Names of **deployed** will remain on this list for **one year**.)

Prayer Chain: If you have need of prayer or would like to be included in the e-mail prayer chain, please call Rose in the office. If you would like a prayer shawl (there is no cost), please contact Joan Oertell at 721.0502 or 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 the office at 342.3336.

Meals during Recovery: If you, or someone you know, has recently been released from the hospital and is in need of meals on a short term basis, please contact Rose in the office at 342.3336. If you would like to help prepare and deliver meals, please contact Ruby Matejick at 342.6871.

Pastoral Council: Gogie Enstad (390.4869); Cyndi Fisher (716.2262); Leonard Hansen (858.0539); Jane Kading (341.1852); Steve Rennell (391.4538); Randi Roerick (431.9622); Jon Schaack (343.4882); Howard Steiner (593.1698); Kelly Thomas (716.0915); Teresa Vining (209.3790). Michael Johnson 342.3336). For more information at [@blessedsacramentchurch.org/pastoral-council](http://blessedsacramentchurch.org/pastoral-council)

Come and honor St. Padre Pio!

Musicians Invited!

The Cathedral wishes to invite all area musicians to join in a special Diocesan Choir for the closing Mass following the 24-hour veneration period of St. Padre Pio's Relics on September 29 at 5:30pm. All interested musicians should contact Amber Larsen, Cathedral Director of Music Ministries, at 605.342.0507 or amber@cathedralolph.org for rehearsal dates and other details.

8th Grade Theology of the Body

Does your 8th grader have questions about identity? Love? Chastity? The world is a challenging place for teens and it has become increasingly difficult to help teens discover the truth about their bodies, their sexuality and their unique call to love. **You: Life, Love, and the Theology of the Body** cuts through the noise with an authentic view of the human person. Join other 8th graders as they discover how to live in authentic freedom, love and happiness, on Sunday evenings, 5:30–7pm. Registration forms are available online or outside the Youth Office. Classes begin September 16.

Surviving Divorce

Helping You Find Peace, Power, and Passion After Your Divorce

Separated or Divorced? Join us in a ministry that will bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. **“Surviving Divorce”** covers topics including shock and grief, anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, and annulment and remarriage. This program is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. It will help them find answers to their questions, restore their hope, and begin authentic healing. This eight-week support group is open to Christian men and women of all denominations. Participants can register online. A \$30 registration fee covers all materials. Scholarship help is available for those in financial need. For more information, contact Amy Julian at 716.5214 or ajulian@diorc.org. Fall Session begins Thursday, September 27, 6:30pm, St. Therese the Little Flower.

Returning Catholic Ministries

Have you been away from the church for awhile? Have you ever thought about returning? Do you know someone who wants to return to the Church? If so, there several ministries in our area for people who have been away from the Church. There is no charge and pre-registration is appreciated but is not required.

—The six-week **“Catholics Returning Home”** series begins Monday, September 24, 7pm, at Cathedral of our Lady of Perpetual Help. For more information, contact info@returningcatholics.net or 605.939.0579 or visit ReturningCatholics.net.

—**“Catholics Come Home”** is a three-week series beginning Thursday, September 20, 6:30pm, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 844 N 5th Street, Spearfish. For more information, contact Diane at [di-ane@stjosephspearfish.com](mailto:diane@stjosephspearfish.com) or 605.642.2306.

The Summit 2018:

Come. Be Inspired. Be Renewed:

Feel like you are being pulled in a hundred different directions? A day away to put it all in perspective may be just what you need. Please join us for Summit 2018 to be held on September 22, 10am-8pm, at Terra Sancta Retreat Center and bring your family. We have prepared an inspirational day for people of all ages. The cost is \$25 for individuals and \$50 for couples/families. For more information or to register, please visit: www.The2018Summit.com. In order to ensure we have an adequate number of catechists to provide a safe and enjoyable time for the children, the deadline to register if you have youth coming is **TODAY**. Come. Be Inspired. Be Renewed.



ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- *Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- *Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- *Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information, please contact Sandra Wade (605.484.0910) or David Elkjer (605.209.6782).

Volunteers needed for St. Pio Relics

On Friday-Saturday, September 28- 29, the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help is hosting the relics of St. Pio commonly called Padre Pio. (See page 1 of the August *West River Catholic*.) The cathedral staff **urgently** needs volunteers to help in the areas of hospitality and the sale of small religious items like holy cards and rosaries. To assist with these items, contact Mary at 342.0507 or by email Mary@cathedralolph.org. Musicians interested in assisting with music for the events can contact Amber at 342.0507 or amber@cathedralolph.org.

National Pastoral Musicians

Fall Meeting and Awards Luncheon

NPM will meet Saturday, October 6, at Blessed Sacrament Church, Rapid City. Registration opens at 9:30am and Closing Prayer is at 3:15pm The speaker will be Tom Porter from Bismarck, ND. He is a Professor of Music and the Chair of the Music Department at the University of Mary. There will be a silent auction — to donate items, contact carmantimmerman@gmail.com. To bid, go to Facebook. Type in "RC Chapter NPM Fundraiser." Click on "See All." When you find an item that you would like to bid on, click on Comment, type in your name, email or postal address, phone number, and amount that you wish to bid. Click "Return" on your computer. Submit applications for 25, 40, and 50 year Music Ministry Awards to Pat McDowell patmcdowell44@gmail.com by October 2. Nominations for the St. Cecilia Award for Clergy and/or Laity are to be received by Pat McDowell no later than September 24. **Silent auction items will be on display and available to bid on here at Blessed Sacrament after the September 22-23 Masses.**

"Heal Your Grief" Bereavement Support Group

When a loved one dies, we are wounded. Just as a wound does, we need to heal from within, to express our thoughts and feelings. A support group is a safe place where you can talk, cry, and share your anger, guilt and fears with those who care and understand. "Heal Your Grief" is an eight-week non-denominational support group open to all Christian adults who have lost a loved one due to death. For more information, contact Janece Rieman at 605.343.5547 or George Wallace at 605.721.3811. Sponsored by Family Life Ministries. For more questions, call Amy Julian 605.716.5214 ext 236 or email ajulian@diorc.org. Fall Session begins Monday, September 24, 6pm, at Blessed Sacrament Church.

RCIC – Children Who Want to Become Catholic

Is your child older than the second grade and wants to be Catholic, but hasn't received any Sacraments, or is baptized in another faith? If you would like more information on the RCIC process, please call Mary in the office. Classes will begin in October. Forms are available in the office.

St. Pio relics schedule at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Friday, September 28

5:30pm — Votive Mass of St. Padre Pio with Reception of Relics with Bishop Robert Gruss

6:30-10pm — Reconciliation

6:30pm — Veneration of Relics continues through Saturday at 5:30pm, Main Church

6:30pm — Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Our Lady's Chapel

Saturday, September 29

8am — Mass for the Feast of the Archangels, Our Lady's Chapel

8:30am — Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Our Lady's Chapel

9am — 4:30pm — Reconciliation

Noon — Sung Rosary, Main Church

3:00pm — Sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Main Church

5:30pm — Sunday Vigil Mass with Bishop Robert Gruss

Thank you!

Many thanks to Rose Medauer and Debbi Roberts for their years of dedicated service to Blessed Sacrament. Rose's attention to the special details involved in funeral lunches and her ministry to the bereaved has been invaluable. No one will forget the beautiful receptions Rose coordinated for our parish events either. Debbi's ministry to the homebound and nursing home residents has touched the lives of so many of our parishioners unable to attend Mass. May God bless you for your years of generosity.

Social Justice Commission

Catholics Care. Catholics Vote. Register to vote.

In their statement on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the U.S. Catholic bishops remind Catholics, "We are called to bring together our principles and our political choices, our values and our votes, to help build a better world" (no. 14). In South Dakota, the voter registration deadline for forms to be received is 15 days before an election. Among other places, you can pick up a mail-in voter registration form at Driver's license stations when you are renewing or applying for a driver's license on the driver's license application or go online at <https://sdsos.gov/elections-voting/voting/register-to-vote/default.aspx>

A New Spiritual Springtime

In 1965, one of the principal documents of the Second Vatican Council, the dogmatic constitution *Dei verbum* ("Word of God") emphasized the use of *Lectio Divina*. On the 40th anniversary of *Dei verbum* in 2005, Pope Benedict XVI reaffirmed its importance and stated: "I would like, in particular, to recall and recommend the ancient tradition of *Lectio Divina*: the diligent reading of Sacred Scripture accompanied by prayer brings about that intimate dialogue in which the person reading hears God who is speaking, and in praying, responds to him with trusting openness of heart [cf. *Dei verbum*, n. 25]. If it is effectively promoted, this practice will bring to the Church – I am convinced of it – a new spiritual springtime." We invite you to join us each Wednesday at Terra Sancta Retreat Center, 5:15-6:15pm, as we use the Sunday Gospel reading for an hour of *Lectio Divina*. Please use the South Patio entrance; the group meets in Hebron. Sandi Ohlen will lead the group in prayer each week from October 10, 2018 through May 8, 2019. Questions? Contact Terra Sancta Retreat Center at stay@terrasancta.org or call 605. 716.0925.

*NFP, Good for your Body,
Great for your Soul*



Did you know that NFP provides an all-natural morally acceptable way to plan your family or to monitor the health of your fertility, and can also aid in strengthening marriages? You are invited to come hear about the theology behind the use of NFP, a witness couple discussing the effect of NFP on their marriage, and the basics of one of the many sound, scientific methods of NFP currently available today. The NFP Seminars are required for all couples planning to marry in the Diocese of Rapid City, however they are open to anyone who is interested in learning more about Natural Family Planning.

The next Natural Family Planning Seminars will be offered on:

September 22—Blessed Sacrament, Rapid City

October 13—St. Joseph, Spearfish

November 10—Our Lady of the Black Hills

Please note that the NFP requirement for marriage preparation is met with this seminar.

Couples need to sign up for both the NFP Seminar and The Heart to Heart Weekend.

To register online go to www.rapidcitydiocese.org/marriage-prep/. For more information contact Amy or Linda at 605.716.5214, or email ajulian@diorc.org.



**St. Therese the
Little Flower
September 23 —
10:15am-2pm**

**Roast beef dinner with salad & pie bar
Gift Basket Silent Auction—Country
Store—Bake Sale—Gift Boutique—Youth
Room Social—BINGO!**

Young Adult Fall Retreat

October 19-21 at the Sioux Spiritual Center. Open to all young adults between the ages of 18 and 35. "Jumpstart: Discerning Your Mission in Life" \$120 (includes retreat materials, meals and lodging). Registration: <http://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/yva/>

Diocesan Youth Rally

When? October 7th (9-4pm)

Where? Terra Sancta Retreat Center, Rapid City

Who may attend? All youth in Grades 6-12 along with their chaperones are welcome to attend.

Who is speaking this year? Chris Padgett!

Cost? \$45 (includes youth rally, lunch and a t-shirt)

Connected Catholics' Calendar

September 29, 8am — Volksmarch, Flume Trail, Hill City. If you need more information or have any questions, please contact Brenda Wills at 718.0954.

Fundraisers for the Poor

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Chapter for Spearfish, Belle Fourche, Rapid, Sturgis and Lead/Deadwood is hosting two events to raise money to assist with home visits, housing assistance, education, mentoring, clothing, utilities, and other needs. The Third Annual St. Vincent de Paul Charity Golf Invitational will be held at Elkhorn Ridge Golf Course, Spearfish, Saturday, September 29, 8:30am. For information or registration contact Mary.day@k12.sd.us. The 11th Annual Friends of the Poor Walk/Run will be held the same day beginning at 1pm at Elkhorn Ridge Golf Course. To participate or pledge, go to www.fopwalk.org. All proceeds will directly help people in the Northern Black Hills.