

St. John The Evangelist Church
12th Ordinary Sunday 21 June 2020

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Most gracious Heavenly Father, We thank you for our earthly fathers, those to whom you have entrusted the responsibility to provide loving protection of their families, guidance of their children.

We thank you, also, for our priests and bishops, whose spiritual fatherhood is so vital to the faith of your people. May our earthly fathers imitate the manly courage of Abraham, Jesse and Joseph, and all the holy fathers of the past in providing wise counsel to the children you have given to their care. And may our spiritual fathers be guided by the examples of Saints Peter and Paul, all the Apostles and their saintly successors. Give them valiant faith in the face of confusion and conflict, hope in time of trouble and sorrow, and steadfast love for you, for their families, and for all your people throughout the world.

Assist all fathers of families, all spiritual fathers, and all Christian men, that through your Grace they may steadily grow in holiness and in knowledge and understanding of your Truth.

May they generously impart this knowledge to those who rely on them. As you, our Heavenly Father, so loved the world, sending your only Son to be our Savior and Redeemer, we ask you to help all men to imitate His fatherly gentleness and mercy toward those who are weak; His humility, perfect obedience to your Will, and fearless witness to your Truth. May their lives be examples to all of heroic faithfulness to you. We ask your blessing on all those to whom you have entrusted fatherhood. May your Holy Spirit constantly inspire them with justice and mercy, wisdom and strength, fidelity and self-giving love.

May they receive your Grace abundantly in this earthly life, and may they look forward to eternal joy in your presence in the life to come. We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son and Our Lord.

Mass schedule this week

Saturday 5:30pm Sun 7:30am & 10:00am
Monday 1pm Funeral for Bill Schumacher

no evening mass Monday 22nd

Tuesday 5:30pm

Wed, Thu, Fri 7:00am

Special Wednesday 10am mass for those with weakened immune systems.

Sacrament of reconciliation Sat 4pm or by call 223 2176 for Fr. Ron

Eucharistic Adoration Sun 21 June 1pm.



Thursday 9 July, 9am CT on website rapidcitydiocese.org is the live broadcast of the bishop ordination of Peter Muhich, as the ninth bishop of Rapid

City. His motto is *Exemplum Dedi Vobis* (I have given you an example). To intercede in prayer, call Patty Lihs 295 1392 about praying the Memorare for Bp Muhich.

Please consider donating to the expenses of hosting the ordination. Mail a check to **Diocese of Rapid City, POBox 678, Rapid City SD 57709**

On Friday 19 June, Pope Francis announces that Michel Mulloy, currently Rapid City Administrator, will be the bishop of Duluth, ordained 1 October 2020. dioceseduluth.org

Our parish serves the Banquet Thursday 25 June. Come at 3pm to SouthEast Pierre Community Center to help. Contact Irma LaFaive 280-9055 if you can bake and wrap cookies/bars to serve 300 people. Leave at front pew of church by 6pm Wed 24 June.

Fair Trades coffee, chocolates, and tea available from home of Diane Smith, 114 S. Washington in Pierre, 224-1306, and available at church entry June 20/21

May the angels lead you into paradise... William Schumacher, with funeral at St John's Monday 1pm (seating limited to immediate family), and burial for all who wish to attend, at Mt. Calvary 2pm.

Welcome to God's family through the waters of baptism...

Marlow Grace Parsons, daughter of Jacob and Katie



Mary, friend and mother to all, through your Son, God has found a way to unite himself to every human being, called to be one people, sisters and brothers to each other. We ask for your help in calling on your Son, seeking forgiveness for the times when we have failed to love and respect one another; in **obtaining from your Son the grace we need to overcome the evil of racism,** and to build a just society; in following your Son, so that prejudice and animosity will no longer infect our minds or heart, but will be replaced with a love that respects the dignity of each person. Amen

Grateful for Jesus in the Eucharist, and our walking with Jesus in Corpus Christi procession Sunday



After 15 June decision, USCCB pro life leader Abp. Gomez says: "I am deeply concerned that the U.S. Supreme Court has effectively redefined the legal meaning of 'sex' in our nation's civil rights law. This is an injustice that will have implications in many areas of life. By erasing the beautiful differences and complementary relationship between man and woman, we ignore the glory of God's creation and harm the human family, the first building block of society. Our sex, whether we are male or female, is part of God's plan for creation and for our lives. As Pope Francis has taught with such sensitivity, to live in the truth with God's intended gifts in our lives requires that we receive our bodily and sexual identity with gratitude from our Creator. No one can find true happiness by pursuing a path that is contrary to God's plan. Every human person is made in the image and likeness of God and, without exception, must be treated with dignity, compassion, and respect. Protecting our neighbors from unjust discrimination does not require redefining human nature. We pray that the Church, with the help of Mary, the Mother of God, will be able to continue her mission to bring Jesus Christ to every man and woman."

As told in June *West River Catholic*, you are invited to an online vocation camp July 12-17. The focus will be on the story of Jesus in a new video series, available online with the app called **The Chosen**. Go to: totustuusdomi.com If you want more information, call Josie 280 9428. The goal is to train our boys and girls to listen to the voice of Christ, so that when He calls, they will know and heed His voice, for conscience formation and vocation calling.

