

Heavenly Father, Great Spirit! Behold us who stand before you singing our song of thanksgiving for Servant of God Nicholas Black Elk. Faithfully he walked the Sacred Red Road and generously witnessed the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ to the Native American people. We humbly ask you to hear the prayers we plead through his intercession.

Dear Servant of God

Nicholas Black Elk, hear our petition in favor of your devoted servants Father Andrzej Wyrostek and Bishop Peter Muhich who are seriously ill and entreat your intercession on their behalf. Carry to our Heavenly Father the prayer of the faithful for the healing of their bodies and spirit. Amen.

Servant of God Nicholas Black Elk (1867-1950)

is an example of discipleship for our times, though he lived the faith in a completely different context. Black Elk was born into the Oglala Lakota people and grew up hunting buffalo on the Northern Plains. He fought at the battles of Little Bighorn and Wounded Knee. As a young man, he was an important medicine man, using the power of song to heal the sick. In 1904, Black Elk entered the Catholic Church and embraced a different way of healing. Utilizing his abilities to memorize Scripture and speak persuasively, he became a missionary disciple. He served as a catechist, which in his community functioned much like a permanent deacon does today. Black Elk went on missions to neighboring reservations and spoke to Catholic groups throughout the country, bringing more than 400 people into the church, including 113 that called him their godfather. Like many saintly people, Black Elk suffered greatly. He experienced the deaths of two wives and some of his children, endured debilitating illness, severe injury and partial blindness. (Damian Costello catholicphilly.com April 2019)



5th Annual Mass for Servant of God Nicholas Black Elk
 Thursday 17 August
 Manderson SD
 8:30am MT graveside prayer
 9:30am Mass at
 St Agnes Church
 meal following

NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
 Revival**



Beyond the joy and peace we receive from the Eucharist, mission awaits us; the world awaits what we have received... Be sure of this; God fed you that you would be His body in the community.

... Jesus is in you and continues his mission through you. You can do it; Jesus chose you; just remember to say "yes" when you witness the epiclesis in Mass, yes to the Eucharist, and yes to being transformed as the Mystical Body of Christ.

- Jeff Cavins, Heart of the Revival blog
 (www.eucharisticrevival.org)

Ft. Pierre St. John Draper St. Anthony

30 July 2023 17th Sunday Ordinary Time

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Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 7:30-8:30pm

Sat 7/29	5:30pm	+ Helen Stewart
Sun 7/30	8:00am 10:00am	Draper For parishioners FtPierre Jerry&Patty Lihs 8/1 wed anniv.
Mon 7/31	No mass	
Tue 8/1	No mass	
Wed 8/2	No mass	
Thu 8/3	7:00am	Huck family
Fri 8/4	7:00am	welfare Brenda Warborg
Sat 8/5	7:45am	Gift of rain

And we know that in all things
 God works for the good
 of those who love him,
 who have been called
 according to his purpose.
Romans 8:28

Knights of Columbus meet Wednesday 6:30pm in church basement.

Priest / seminarian picnic is Monday this week. Priests are at Philanthropy training Tuesday.

Human From Day One fundraiser, Monday 31 July 5-8 pm at the Ft. Pierre Pizza Ranch

God bless in the covenant of marriage... Shelby Gerber & Keanan Hiller, Friday 4 August.

Parents of upcoming 6th graders for Confirmation prep: Tuesday 8 August, 7pm CT, Padre Hall

Parents of upcoming 2nd graders for Confession/Holy Communion: Wed 9 August, 7pm CT, Padre Hall

Pierre Sts Peter & Paul Church & St. Joseph School is hiring a janitor. Call 605 224 2483

Veritatis Splendor Institute (VSI) is beginning this fall. Named for Pope St. John Paul II's great encyclical, *The Splendor of Truth*, its goal is to form disciples who engage in the work of evangelization, proclaiming the Gospel to all people. VSI better equips people for ministry and sharing the Faith with others – whether that be in a parish ministry setting or whether it is ministering to your children and family. VSI offers a Basic Level Certification (one-year program), and a Master Level Certification (two-year program, after completion of Basic Certification), with courses offered once a month on Saturdays, running September through June. The deadline for registration is August 8, 2023.

Also offered will be "**Pastoral Enrichment Certifications**" on various VSI Saturdays throughout the year. These will be a one-day-only seminar, in which participants will receive formation on a particular topic for ministry. See informational brochure, schedule of dates, testimonies from past students, and application at rapidcitydiocese.org/vsi.

Nacel Open Door **arranges host families for exchange students** arriving this fall to attend Stanley County high school. Many students to choose from - Thomas of France, Rayhan Ata of Brazil, Vianca of Bolivia and Valerie of Germany. All attend Mass in their own country and will attend with their host family as well. For info contact Julienne Antes 507-304-2143.

To help **Tanya Baldwin Kayser medical care**, mail donation to POBox 864, Ft. Pierre SD 57532.

God designed marriage as an "intimate partnership of life and love" (see Gaudium et spes, no. 48). In God's design, marriage is a unique union of one man with one woman "for the whole of life" (see Canon 1055, The Code of Canon Law). Marriage is oriented to the good of the spouses and to the creation and nurture of new human life (see Gaudium et spes, no. 48). Making decisions therefore, about when and how many children to have in marriage is a sacred responsibility that God has entrusted to husband and wife. This is the foundation of what the Church calls, "Responsible Parenthood," the call to discern God's will for your marriage while respecting His design for life and love. The Catholic Church supports the methods of Natural Family Planning (NFP) because they respect God's design for married love. In fact, NFP represents the only authentic approach to family planning available to husbands and wives because these methods can be used to both attempt or avoid pregnancy. usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning

**Male and Female He Created Them
The Gift of Sexual Difference**



On Saturday 5 August after Mass, we will honor **Fr Ron Garry's 40th priestly ordination anniversary** and raise funds for Seminarian Support with Western South Dakota Catholic Foundation. We need fish to feed 70 people, and 2/3 of that has been pledged. If you can donate fish, call Tom LeFaive.



Fr.Ed Vanorny (25 years), Fr.Dan Juelfs (50) Bishop Peter Muhich, Fr. Ron Garry (40), at the May 2023 Cathedral liturgy

Imad Qumsieh is here August 5/6, selling Holy Land religious goods.



7/29 Sat: 5:30pm	Lector: Lori Roberts EM: Irma LaFaive	Servers: need	Liturgical Ministers
7/30 Sun: 10:00am	Lector: Julie Hand EM: need	Servers: Sebastian Hand & Isaac Stoesser	
8/5 Sat: 5:30pm	Lector: EM:	Servers: need	
8/6 Sun: 10:00am	Lector: need EM: need	Servers: need	

With 670 million people experiencing hunger worldwide, including more than 34 million people in America, Congress writes the 2023 Farm Bill this summer. Urge them to ensure protection and funding of key food security, including: **Food for Peace**, McGovern-Dole Food for Education, Food for Progress and Farmer-to-Farmer. These international programs keep famine at bay, improve the lives and livelihoods of chronically food-insecure communities, help school children excel in their studies and leverage the expertise of American farming volunteers to improve food security. Please also increase local and regional procurement within McGovern-Dole and enhance flexibility in Food for Peace for non-emergency activities. **The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)**, the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), and the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP). Advocacy is ongoing in support of these programs, and we invite you to include your thoughts and personal experience. Lift your voice today in support of these lifesaving programs by contacting your members of Congress. US Bishops Justice, Peace and Human Development, 3211 Fourth Street NE, Washington, DC 20017

23 March 2019 was a blessed day at St.John Church, for veneration of the incorrupt heart of St.John Vianney, who died August 4, 1859:

“What does Jesus Christ do in the Eucharist?
It is God who, as our Savior, offers himself each day for us to his Father's justice.

If you are in difficulties and sorrows, he will comfort and relieve you. If you are sick, he will either cure you or give you strength to suffer so as to merit Heaven. If the devil, the world, and the flesh are making war upon you, he will give you the weapons with which to fight, to resist, and to win victory.
If you are poor, he will enrich you with all sorts of riches for time and eternity.

Let us open the door of His sacred and adorable Heart and be wrapped about for an instant by the flames of his love, and we shall see what a God who loves us can do.”

