

**51st Annual SD Right to Life Convention**

Friday, September 30 — Saturday, October 1, to be held at the First Assembly of God Church, 4905 Mt. Rushmore Rd., Rapid City. Friday, doors open at 6 p.m. for registrations, refreshments and exhibits; 7 p.m. Keynote speaker and legislative candidates. Saturday, doors open at 8 a.m., at 9 a.m. speakers begin. Speakers include Karen Cross National RTL Committee; Angela Copenhaver, WeTeachThink; Andy Griffith, Pro Life Man; and Alex Schadenberg, Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. Breakout sessions for Middle and High School Students. Registration fee Adults \$30 by Sept. 12, \$40 beginning Sept. 13. College Students \$10. Middle/High School Students Free. Register at [www.sdRightToLife.org](http://www.sdRightToLife.org).

Sunday, Oct. 2, Rapid City Right to Life is planning a **Life Chain** on Mt. Rushmore Road from 2-3 p.m. It would stretch from Omaha Street uphill to the corner near the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Organizers are hoping churches can sign up to cover specific blocks. Line-up will be at the SDRTL parking lot, 1107 Mt. Rushmore Rd. Water Stations will be at the RTL office and at Wilson Park. Signs will be provided. Any outside signs will need prior approval from the organizers. Individuals or churches can contact Martha or Teresa at [rc\\_rtl@yahoo.com](mailto:rc_rtl@yahoo.com). Phone: 605-220-8678.

**The Cursillo Weekend**

A three-day personal encounter with Christ helping you grow in your Catholic faith. Women’s Weekend Oct. 27-30 at Terra Sancta Retreat Center, Rapid City; Men’s Weekend, Nov. 10-13 at Terra Sancta Retreat Center, Rapid City. For information contact Kathy Ackerman 406-939-2686 or 605-574-9571, email [dchealthycomm@yahoo.com](mailto:dchealthycomm@yahoo.com).



Thursday, Oct 27<sup>th</sup> the our local Catholic parishes will be venerating the relics of Blessed Carlos Acutis and St Manuel Gonzalez Garcia, who heroically venerated the Blessed Sacrament. Location to be determined

Fri 23 Sept, 11:30am - 1pm at Cathedral, 520 Cathedral Dr, Rapid City: Join us for a **discussion of how marijuana harms families**. invite others join. [familyheritagealliance.org/event/up-in-smoke-rapid-city-lunch/](http://familyheritagealliance.org/event/up-in-smoke-rapid-city-lunch/)

Post Abortion Healing **Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat** Sept 30 – Oct 2. Contact Carol Kling for location 605-374-5639 or [ckling@sdplains.com](mailto:ckling@sdplains.com) [rachelsvineyard.org](http://rachelsvineyard.org)

**Ft. Pierre St.John 11 September 2022 Draper St Anthony 24<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday**

206 W. Main Ave., Fort Pierre SD 57532 605-223-2176  
[stjohnsfortpierre.org](http://stjohnsfortpierre.org)  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat. 4pm**  
[main.stjohns@midconetwork.com](mailto:main.stjohns@midconetwork.com)

**Saturday 5:30pm CT, Sunday 10am. Draper 8am Eucharistic Adoration Sunday 2pm.**

Sat 9/10	5:30 pm	+ Eugene Nagel
Sun 9/11	10:00 am	+ Evelyn Straight
Mon 9/12	5:30pm	+ Joe Farke
Tue 9/13	5:30pm	+ Evelyn Garry
Wed 9/14	7:00 am	+ Delmar Fawcett
Thu 9/15	7:00 am	+ Melody Hackett
Fri 9/16	7:00 am	+ Eleanor Unterbrunner



Sunday September 11th, the 4th degree Knights of Columbus will lead a patriotic rosary after Mass.

**Meet the catechists in Padre Hall after Sunday Mass and rosary**

Knights are serving breakfast; free will offering for scholarships and other charities Also selling **NFL** scorebooks as a fundraiser for scholarships to graduating seniors.

**Women’s bible study** - Our next study, Introduction to Theology of the Body with Christopher West, to start Monday September 12, 7pm in Padre Hall. While we know ‘what’ the church teaches, we will learn the ‘why’. For parents with upper elementary, MS, HS ages, this is a great resource for discussion! Give/Text your name to Jeri Fosheim at 605-280-4328 to participate.

**Knights of Columbus meeting** on Tuesday 20 September 630pm in Padre Hall

**Religious Education**

**St John’s needs your help. We are looking for men and women to help educate our children about their faith.** Can you, for 1 hour on Sunday morning or Wednesday night, give of your time to help? Think about it...Classes start Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> 8:30-9:45am. Think about it... Pray about it...Then give me a call...

Do not say yes to me, say yes to the future education of our faith to the young children. We are all called to teach the faith. Come and share your faith with our young people.

**I am looking for volunteers for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.**

**Josie Huck ~ Director of Faith Formation**  
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**Classes start Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> - 8:30-9:45am (grades K-8)**  
**Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> - 6:30-7:45pm (high school)**

May the angels lead you to paradise...**Melody Maher Hackett**, buried September 7<sup>th</sup>.  
**Jerry Suhn**, funeral likely September 17<sup>th</sup>.



Baptized in Christ...Brayden Stoesser,  
son of Cody and Cassie

**Priesthood Sunday**, Sept 25<sup>th</sup>, is a day set aside to honor priesthood and to raise awareness of vocations to the priesthood. This is a time we can make our priests feel special and appreciated. Let your pastor know how much you appreciate his time and energy in his ministry for your parish with a card, a phone call, a meal at your house or with a gift card to a restaurant! Don't forget about retired priests and past priests of your parish.

**Are you or someone you know struggling after a Separation or Divorce?**

Surviving Divorce is a 10-week support group which is rooted in Catholic and Christian teaching and is open to any Christian adult who is hurting following a separation or divorce. Fall sessions begin Sep 12<sup>th</sup> at Terra Sancta Retreat Center. A \$30 registration fee covers all materials. Scholarship help is available. To register visit [www.terrasancta.org/survive2022](http://www.terrasancta.org/survive2022). For more information, contact Linda Drake or Amy Julian at 605-343-3541

**The Stirling Family Rodeo is next weekend**, raising funds for cancer patients & family.  
[Stirlingfamilyranchrodeo.com](http://Stirlingfamilyranchrodeo.com)

Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm at Pierre American Legion.

**Dr. Carole Brown of Sioux Spiritual Center** will speak on The Supernatural Power of self-entrustment to the Lord.

Ministers for Mass

**9/10 Sat: 5:30pm Lector:** need  
**EM:** Mary Giddings **Servers:** need

**9/11 Sun: 10:00am Lector:** Mark Barnett  
**EM:** Beth Hand **Servers:** Adrian Hand

**9/17 Sat: 5:30pm Lector:** Lori Roberts  
**EM:** need **Servers:** need

**9/18 Sun: 10:00am Lector:** need  
**EM:** need **Servers:** need

**Annual Day of Renewal and Prayer for Spiritual Mothers.**

To be held Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, from 10am – 3pm at Terra Sancta Retreat Center, Rapid City. Please consider becoming a Spiritual Mother for our priests, seminarians, and discerners. As a Spiritual Mother, we make a commitment to prayer and offerings for the priests of our diocese, as well as prayers for an increase of vocations in our diocese. Join us for lunch, Holy Hour and Mass with Fr. Mark McCormick. Please register by September 16 at: [terrasancta.org/SpiritualMotherhood](http://terrasancta.org/SpiritualMotherhood). If you would like to commit to prayer as a Spiritual Mother for 2022-23 but cannot attend this event, contact Tanya Cooper: [tcooper@diorc.org](mailto:tcooper@diorc.org); 605-343-3541 x2212.

Registration is now open for our **2022 Middle School and High School Youth Rally** at Terra Sancta Retreat Center on October 9. Keynote speakers are Paul J Kim and Kelly Colangelo. Join us for this day-long rally as we encounter Heaven and Earth in the Eucharist and have an amazing day of fun, food, and fellowship with other youth throughout our diocese. Retreat begins at 9am and ends with Mass at 3pm with Bishop Peter. Call Josie at 605-280-9428 to register or for more information.



"With the Eucharist, therefore, heaven comes down to earth, the tomorrow of God descends into the present and it is as if time remains embraced by divine eternity."  
- Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

**2022 DIOCESAN YOUTH RALLY**  
SUN, OCTOBER 9, 2022 | TERRA SANCTA RETREAT CENTER  
COST: \$60 | FOR YOUTH IN GRADES 6TH-12TH