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WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

Visit the *National* WWW.EUCHARISTICREVIVAL.ORG site today!

Christmas Time

Fr Igwilo in Hot Springs

12/30 Mon. 7:00A Office of Readings & Morning Prayer
 5:30P KC's Rosary

12/31 Tues. 7:00A OR & Morning Prayer

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

1/ 1 Wed. 5:30P Mass (Magdalene Gisi †)

1/ 2 Thurs. 7:00A OR & Morning Prayer

1/ 3 Fri. 7:00A Holy Communion Service
First Friday

1/ 4 Sat. 7:30A Most Holy Rosary for Life
First Saturday

Epiphany of the Lord

5:30P Sun. Vigil Mass
 (Int.: Jean Kayl †)

1/ 5 Sun. 8:00A Sun. Mass:
 (Int.: Billie Banks †)

Note: * indicates that incense will be burned.

++ "She is the Mother of the Head and of the members – the holy Mother of God and therefore the provident Mother of the Church" ++

The next KC Pancake
 Breakfast will be
 January 12, 2025!



Scan the QR code to visit our online giving page.

And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus. **Philippians 4:10**

FINANCIAL SUPPORT: **through December 22, 2024**

General Collection	\$ 2,922.39	Anawim Fund	\$ 60.00
- via e-giving	\$ 321.69	Major Capital Fund	\$ 13.00
Adopt-A-Seminarist	\$ 55.00	Votive Candles	\$
<u>Special Collections</u>		Gathering Area	\$ 265.00
Ret Fund/Religious	\$ 425.00	Christmas	\$ 220.00
		Christmas Flowers	\$ 20.00

General Fund Income, Actual (to date) : \$ **97,359.45**
General Fund Income, Budgeted (to date) : \$ **87,936.00**
Difference of YtD Actual against Budgeted (+/-) : \$ **9,423.45**
 Note: Avg. \$3,664/week needed for FY25 budgeted income.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

– an opportunity to pray before our Eucharistic Lord. "Lord Jesus Christ, pierce my soul with your love so that I may always long for you alone, who are the bread of angels and the fulfillment of the soul's deepest desires. may be filled with the sweetness of your presence."

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS:

Martha Coyler†, James Dillon, Fr. Dan Juelfs†, Jean Kayl†, Glen Kostecky, Bea Henry†, Joanne Mason, Florence & John† Murphy, Jerry Oehlerking, Jack Sayles, Duke Schneller, Rhonda Snyder, Terry & Bill† Wakeland, Dorothy Wehrkamp†, Shirley Whittington†, Bill & Linda Young, Madelyn Zeltinger & all residents of MH's facilities in Custer.

DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE A HOMEBOUND MINISTRY??

If you know of anyone who is homebound and would like to have someone bring them the Holy Eucharist, please let Dn. Pat Coy know and he can assign a Eucharistic Minister to them



FEEDING S.D. is distributing food/produce in Custer at **the Custer Lutheran Fellowship parking lot, 12622 HWY 16A**, on every month's second Tues., 1-2P. Next scheduled distributions for 2024: **January 14**. Contact Feeding S.D. (605/348-2689) for more info. **Storehouse donations** (**\$321.5 lbs. for 2024**) Thank you.



Kim May and Terry Wakeland are in the process of updating the Parish Directory. We will be accepting your own photo(INCLUDE CONTACT INFO) through February. Please email them to us at sjbcuster@gmail.com. We can also take a recent photo for you if need be. Contact Kim @ 281-881-2905 or Terry @209-598-5479 If you know any Snowbirds, please pass information on to them. Thanks, and God bless.

STEWARDSHIP SPOT: The first reading today provides a challenging blueprint for the good stewardship of our family relationships. How do I measure up?



“Jesus is a way that can be travelled, open to everyone. He is the path of peace.

Today the Virgin Mary points him out to us, she shows us the Way: let us walk in it! And you, Holy Mother of God, accompany us with your protection.

Amen.” *Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God 2012*

Our parish recently received an additional return of 60% of Living the Mission

contributions from July 2023 to June 2024. You still have one year to

complete your pledges-- through June of 2025. Our parish will then receive another disbursement of funds from the diocese. You may leave your check at the office or mail to Diocese of Rapid City, 225 Main Street, Suite 100, Rapid City, SD 57701. Please make your check out to **Living the Mission**. Thank you.



~~The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph~~

Luke 2:41-52: His parents found Jesus sitting in the midst of the teachers.



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**St. John the Baptist, Pray for us.**



**WALK WITH ONE**

news and resources at <https://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/>

**ANIMA CHRISTI:** Soul of Christ, sanctify me; Body of Christ, save me; Blood of Christ, inebriate me; Water from the side of Christ, wash over me; Passion of Christ, strengthen me; O good Jesus, hear me; Within your wounds hide me; Separated from You, let me never be; From the evil one protect me; At the hour of my death, call me; And close to You bid me; That with your saints, I may be, praising You forever and ever.  
**Amen.**

**Do You Know?**

When should Catholics take down the Nativity?

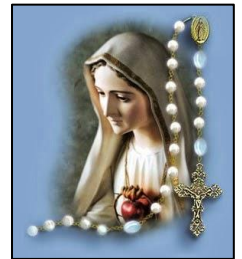
Why is the evergreen tree used as the Christmas tree?



This feast day marks the day the Magi visited Jesus in Bethlehem.

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To **celebrate Mary** during the month of **December** come join in the prayer of the Rosary before Mass. Saturday at 4:55pm & Sunday at 7:25am. And with



the KC's on Mondays at 5:30pm



The Month of **January** is dedicated to the **Holy Name of Jesus**, which is celebrated on January 3.

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Epiphany  
 after the feast of the Baptism of Jesus; it does not die in the winter and is a symbol of everlasting life as is Jesus.  
 Trivia Answers