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**WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS**

Visit the *National* [WWW.EUCHARISTICREVIVAL.ORG](http://WWW.EUCHARISTICREVIVAL.ORG) site today!

**Sixth Week of Easter**

(Fr Igwilo in Hot Springs)

- 5/26 Mon.** 7:00A Holy Communion Service  
 5:30P KC's Rosary
- 5/27 Tues.** 7:00A Morning Prayer and Office of  
 Readings
- 5/28 Wed.** 7:00A OR & Morning Prayer
- 5/29 Thurs.** 7:00A OR & Morning Prayer
- 5/30 Fri.** 7:00A OR & Morning Prayer
- 5/31 Sat.** 7:30A Most Holy Rosary *for Life*

**Seventh Sunday of Easter** *the Ascension of the Lord*

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

**6/1 Sun.** 8:00A Sun. Mass  
 (Int.: Bill Wakeland †)

Note: \* indicates that incense will be burned.



***Sunday Blessings***

"May time spent with the Lord today  
 bring you much peace and comfort. Have  
 a blessed weekend!"

**Adult Faith Formation** Thank you to those who participated in the Adult Faith Formation Program this year. The book/video study on "Jesus and the Jewish Root of the Eucharist" was the last program and was completed on May 14<sup>th</sup> in one class. Hope to see many of you next fall when we start another season of Adult Faith Formation.



**First bake sale of the season is May 24-25.**

All members are encouraged to bring items to sell. **Knights will be selling pulled pork sandwiches after the Saturday Mass** to raise \$\$ for the Worship/Gathering Area. Great place to get supper.



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 May 18, 2025**

|                    |             |                    |          |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|----------|
| General Collection | \$ 2,335.44 | Anawim Fund        | \$ 0.00  |
| - via e-giving     | \$ 1,049.44 | Major Capital Fund | \$ 43.00 |
| Adopt-A-Seminarian | \$ 20.00    | Votive Candles     | \$ 76.77 |

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| <b><u>Special Collections</u></b> | Gathering Area | \$ 645.00 |
| <i>Priest Ret &amp; Aid.</i>      | \$ 10.00       |           |
| <i>Rice Bowls to Storehouse</i>   | \$ 367.64      |           |

**General Fund Income, Actual (to date) : \$170,135.09**

**General Fund Income, Budgeted (to date) : \$164,880.00**

**Difference of YtD Actual against Budgeted (+/-) : \$ 5,255.09**

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:**

Pope Francis †, Russ Arnold †, Laurie & Lonnie Arthur, Jim Brickley, Jeff Daschle, Bob & Karen Fix, Br. Sebastian Goldade, Bob Hyde †, Joanne Mason, Carol McClusky, Lois McVey †, Donna Pfeiffer, Randy Plowman, Ilene Schmidt †, Gayle Kocer-Schneller, Rhonda Snyder, Eileen Umbach, Claude Vershure, Dorothy Wehrkamp †, Terry & Bill † Wakeland, 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 the



If you or anyone you know have projects of any sort that need to get done while the temps are nice, please call Scott May 281-881-2875 or Eric Adams 952-303-2366. Exterior painting, beautiful greenhouses. Profits will go towards the parish addition or Faith Family Fun events.

Traveling and could use a prayer? Facing health challenges? Know someone in need of spiritual support? At St. John's, our dedicated team of prayer warriors is here for you—ready to lift up your intentions in prayer, whatever they may be. No request is too small—just let us know how we can pray for you!



**STEWARDSHIP SPOT:** Today's reading from Revelation offers a vision of the City of God, the new Jerusalem. "But," the bishops' pastoral on stewardship reminds us, "that 'life to come' is in continuity with this present life through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people foster now."



*"A little bit of mercy makes the world less cold and more just"*

**Pope Francis**



**~~Sixth Sunday of Easter~~**

**John 14:23-29:** The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you.

**May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary**

"In the hierarchy of holiness it is precisely the 'woman', Mary of Nazareth, who is the 'figure' of the Church. She 'precedes' everyone on the path to holiness; in her person 'the Church has already reached that perfection whereby she exists without spot or wrinkle'".

—John Paul II *Mulieris Dignitatem*, 1988



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

**Congratulations to those who received Sacraments at Easter...**Missy, Rachel & Kayla Adams, Cheryl & Ray Bogle, Brady Siers, Jason, Alice & Clare Staley... **Let us keep them in our thoughts and prayers."** Our celebration continues ...Happy Easter until Pentecost, June 8!

~~We invite all parishioners to follow **St. John the Baptist Catholic Church** on **Facebook**! By liking and sharing our posts, you help us spread the Good News, promote parish events, and reach more people in our community. Every click makes a difference—let's work together to grow our online presence and extend our message of faith and fellowship beyond our church walls. <http://facebook.com/custercatholic>~~To stay up to date with the latest events and liturgical celebrations, don't forget to visit our parish website [custercatholic.com](http://custercatholic.com)



**The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of May 2025 For the use of the new**

**technologies:** Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

Easter Trivia

- Who described Jesus as "the Lamb of God" in connection to the Passover?
- Which aspect of Jesus' ministry do the resurrection narratives highlight?
- How did the resurrection fulfill Jesus' teachings about himself?
- Which part of the Bible extensively narrates the resurrection?

Lord, source of eternal life and truth, give to your shepherd-Pope Leo XIV—a spirit of courage and right judgment, knowledge and love.



**Jesus is LORD**

\*\*\*John the Baptist  
\*\*\*Jesus' victory over sin and death  
\*\*\*confirmed his identity as the Messiah  
\*\*\*the New Testament

Trivia Answers

**A Safe Environment for Children and Young People**

The Catholic Diocese of Rapid City is firmly committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for our children and young people. To report allegations of sexual abuse by church personnel, contact Victim Assistance Coordinator Irene Lee. To ensure confidentiality in our outreach to victims, she can be contacted privately at 1-605-209-3418 (cell). Alleged victims are advised of their right to report alleged abuse to civil authorities. In accordance with diocesan policy, all allegations of sexual misconduct involving children, young people, and vulnerable adults by priests, deacons, lay employees, or volunteers serving the Diocese of Rapid City will be investigated. The diocesan sexual misconduct policy and the code of conduct are posted on the diocesan website at [www.rapidcitydiocese.org](http://www.rapidcitydiocese.org).

Romans 8:28