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WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

Visit the National WWW.EUCHARISTICREVIVAL.ORG site today!

Nineteenth Week of Ordinary Time (Fr Igwilo in Custer)

8/11 Mon. 7:00A Holy Communion Service
 5:30P KC's Rosary

8/12 Tues. 7:00A Mass (Int.: Dennis Delaney †)

8/13 Wed. 7:00A Mass (Int.: Bernard Gira †)

8/14 Thurs. 7:00A Mass (Int.: Madelyn Zeltinger)

8/15 Fri. 7:00A Morning Prayer, followed by
 Eucharistic Adoration
 5:00P Penance/Reconciliation

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:00P Mass (Int.: Human Life)

8/16 Sat. 7:30A Mass
 11:00A Penance/Reconciliation

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30P Vigil Mass
 (Int.: Schmidt †)

8/17 Sun. 8:00A Sun. Mass
 (Int.: Bill & Linda Young)

*Note: * indicates that incense will be burned.*

Sunday Blessings

You work hard all week, so we hope
 this Sunday is a blessed day for you.

Last of the Season!



Women of
 St John's
 Bake Sale
 August 30-
 31



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 August 3, 2025

General Collection	\$ 4,138.69	Anawim Fund	\$ 0.00
- via e-giving	\$ 488.62	Major Capital Fund	\$ 10.00
Adopt-A-Seminararian	\$ 113.40	Votive Candles	\$ 0.00

Special Collections	Gathering Area	\$ 270.00
Assumption	\$ 70.20	
Solidarity Fund Africa	\$262.00	

General Fund Income, Actual (to date) : \$ 15,894.21

General Fund Income, Budgeted (to date) : \$ 14,820.00

Difference of YtD Actual against Budgeted (+/-) : \$ 1,074.21

Note: Avg. \$3,705/week needed for FY26 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:

Lilly Armstrong, Pope Francis †, Russ Arnold †, Bruce & Linda Davis, Carol Earles †, Jay & Laurie Hammer & Family, Earl Howell, Kim Lessert †, Joe McGowan †, Larry Morris, Donna Pfeifer, Randy Plowman, Duke & Gayle Kocer-Schneller, Lou Sebert †, Gerald Temple †, Bill & Linda Young, & all residents of MH’s facilities in Custer.

*Those on this list will be listed for 3 months at a time;
 they can be re-listed for an additional 3 months.*

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!

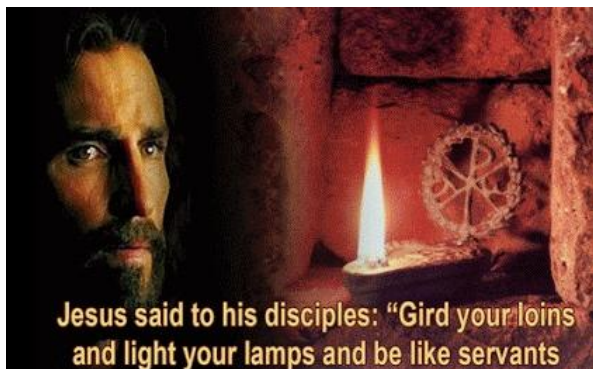


STEWARDSHIP SPOT: Today's Gospel urges us to give generously and thus build up treasure in heaven. For "wherever your treasure lies, there your heart will be."



Dear Lord, we come before You with hearts full of gratitude for the gift of life. Grant us the wisdom to cherish and respect every life, honoring Your creation in all its forms. May our actions reflect Your love and compassion, fostering a world where every life is valued and protected. Amen.

~~ 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~~
Luke 12:32-48: You also must be prepared.



Jesus said to his disciples: "Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants"

~**Monthly Devotion for August**~
 ~**the Immaculate Heart of Mary**~

Immaculate Heart of Mary,
 full of love for God and
 mankind,
 and of compassion for sinners,
 I consecrate myself to you.
 I entrust to you the salvation of
 my soul.

May my heart be ever united
 with yours,
 so that I may hate sin, love God and my neighbor,
 and reach eternal life with those whom I love.
 May I experience the kindness of your motherly heart
 and the power of your intercession with Jesus
 during my life and at the hour of my death.
 Amen.



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I

desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.



The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of August

For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

Bible Trivia Assumption

- What is the meaning of the Assumption of Mary?
- What title is given to Mary due to her Assumption?
- What Pope defined the Assumption?
- Do Catholics adore Mary?
- The Assumption of Mary shows her special relationship with _____.

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

~~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~~

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 2025: **August 12**. Contact Feeding S.D. (605/348-2689) for more info.



Storehouse donations (186.5lbs. for 2025) Thank you. **We CARE** supported by the collection of the Lynn's grocery receipts has raised \$1,500 which has gone to support the After Prom Party, YMCA Summer Lunch Program, West Dam Project, Custer Ministerial Alliance and Custer Community Action Team. Please keep collecting your receipts for these worthy causes!



Trivia Answers
 ***Taken body/soul into Heaven
 ***Queen of Heaven & Earth
 ***Pope Pius XII
 ***Venerate her
 ***her Son, Jesus Christ

John 16:33: I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.



Dear Parish Family,

We want to extend our deepest thanks to you for your prayers, encouragement, and financial support that made it possible for our youth to attend Steubenville of the Rockies at the end of July.

Steubenville is a high-energy Catholic youth conference held in Denver, drawing three thousand teens from across the region. It's an incredible blend of joyful community, dynamic speakers, powerful worship, and time spent in prayer and the Sacraments. The weekend is designed to help teens grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, and that mission was beautifully fulfilled.

One of the most memorable parts of our weekend was the balance of fun and faith. On Friday, we spent the day at Elitch Gardens Amusement Park, where our teens rode roller coasters (ask David Lewis about riding the Brain Drain with Father Mark) and shared laughs alongside priests and seminarians from the Rapid City Diocese, all of whom attended the conference. It was powerful to see the joy of the Church lived out in real, relatable ways—watching our youth interact with clergy not only as spiritual leaders, but also as people who genuinely care about and enjoy being with them.

That same evening, those same teens stood shoulder to shoulder with those same priests and seminarians and three thousand additional teens in the conference arena—lifting their voices in praise, kneeling before the Blessed Sacrament in Eucharistic Adoration, and receiving the grace of the sacraments. In fact, by the end of Friday, more than 500 youth had celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The transformation was real. Many teens shared that they felt God's love in a way they never had before. One teen said, "I didn't realize there were so many of us!" They were proud to be Catholics.

This weekend would not have been possible without your support. Whether you donated, helped with fundraising, or offered prayers, you were part of something life-changing. You helped create a space for our young people to hear God's voice, encounter His mercy, and discover that they are not alone in their faith.

Please continue to keep our youth in your prayers as they have returned home renewed and ready to live their faith more boldly. We are blessed to be part of a parish that invests in its future—our youth.

With heartfelt gratitude,
Steubenville Participants
and Trip Chaperones



Cor Ad Cor

The Cor ad Cor Spirituality Year is a weekly small group gathering of men or women to learn more about the spiritual life, to grow in relationship and conversation with the Lord, and to share faith and the work of the Lord with others. Essentially, Cor ad Cor is a retreat, which begins with the Oremus program from Ascension Press (8 weeks), and then moves into the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola according to the 19th annotation (additional 22 weeks). Small groups of about six people meet weekly with a trained leader for 30 weeks. The cost is \$85. Scholarships available. The program begins the week of September 21st. Delores Dahm is looking to lead a women's group in Custer. Exact day of the week and time to be determined depending on the needs of those participating. If you have any questions, please contact Delores at 812-568-5066 or 605-673-5333. Registrations have begun! To learn more about the program or to register online, visit the website: www.rapidcitydiocese.org/coradcor



[Cor ad Cor Small Group Retreat - Diocese of Rapid City](http://www.rapidcitydiocese.org/coradcor)

What is Cor ad Cor? The Cor ad Cor Spirituality Year is a weekly small group gathering of all men or all women to learn more about the spiritual life, to grow in relationship and conversation with the Lord, and to share faith and the work of the Lord with others. The title, "Cor ad Cor," is a shortened version of "Cor ad Cor Loquitur," a Latin phrase meaning "Heart speaks to Heart ...

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