"Through Hospitality, we share our Catholic Faith with All as Disciples of Christ."

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
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842-3520 PO BOX 765 325 S. Van Buren St. Winner, SD 57580
PASTOR: Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek

MASS & RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

MASS - Saturday at 6:00 pm, Sunday at 10:30 am
RECONCILIATION - Saturday at 5:00 pm

Office Hours: Mon. thru Fri., 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Office email: parishsec@gwtc.net

ICC ~ Ministry Schedule ~ Tuesday, December 8th ~ 7:00 pm
Holy Day of Obligation
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sacristan:	**Rita Neyens**
Lector:	**Leonard Heim**
EME:	**Luanne Hammerbeck, Jeannie & Leonard Heim**
Servers:	**Ryder Mortenson, Rebecca & Erick Marso**
Ushers:	**Rich O'Bryan, Tom Sharkey, John Voegeli, Francis Bolander**

ICC ~ Ministry Schedule ~ December 12th & 13th

Sacristan:	**Sat:**	**Mel & Rosemary Connot**
	Sun:	**Geraldine DeMers**
Lector:	**Sat:**	**Jack Williams**
	Sun:	**Sandi Hausmann**
EME:	**Sat:**	**Mel Connot, Jack & Dee Williams**
	Sun:	**Val Sherman, Mike Hausmann, Kristen Hausmann**
Servers:	**Sat:**	**Bailey, Brandon & Blake Volmer**
	Sun:	**Rowdy Moore, Hunter Shopene, Aiden Barfuss**
Ushers:	**Sat:**	**Todd Volmer, Lance Engel, Barry Grossenburg, Steve Meyer**
	Sun:	**Ron DeMers, Dean Engel, Jay Mayes, Jim Randall**

ICC COLLECTION REPORT

Nov. 28 & 29, 2015: Envelopes $2,116.00, Loose $217.00, Repairs $200.00, Christmas Flowers $15.00. **Total $2,548.00.**

Weekly Collection needed to meet budget	$2,805.28
Collected Nov. 28 & 29, 2015	2,548.00
	-$ 257.28

ANNUAL BUDGET REPORT FOR WEEKLY COLLECTIONS:
Total weekly collection amount needed to meet the budget by:

November 30, 2015	$61,716.16
Collected so far	57,365.36
	-$ 4,350.80

All Souls — for a list of friends and loved ones who passed away in the Diocese of Rapid City from Oct. 1, 2014 to Sept. 30, 2015 see pages 16-17 of the November *West River Catholic*.

TMIY Men's Program
Thursday, December 10, 2015
6:30 - 7:35am @ *the Winner Rectory ~ All men are welcome!*
Spirit of Nazareth
Session 11: Developing a Spiritual Plan of Life

- TMIY: Leading Sinners to Sainthood
- A Completion of the Purgative Stage
- Encountering Christ in Your Life
- Free Oneself from Sin
- Living the Gospel
- The Importance of Community
- The TMIY App: A Tool for Your Spiritual Life

Call Fr. Andrzej with any questions @ 842-3520.

Hospitality is Stewardship

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday - Dec. 5 - 6:00 pm **Winner**
Deceased Knights of Columbus by Knights of Columbus
Sunday - Dec. 6 - 9:00 am **Colome**
Kathryn Shedeed+ by Keven & Janet DeMers Family
Sunday - Dec. 6 - 10:30 am **Winner**
For the Parish
Monday - Dec. 7 - NO MASS
Tuesday - Dec. 8 - Holy Day of Obligation
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
5:30 pm **Colome **
Eric Greenfield+ by Kathy Jensen
7:00 pm **Winner**
Msgr. William O'Connell+ by Fr. Andrzej Wyrostek
Wednesday - Dec. 9 - 9:15 am **Elder Inn**
Mavis O'Bryan+ by John & Deb Fisher
Wednesday - Dec. 9 - 9:30 am **Nursing Home**
Communion Service
Thursday - Dec. 10 - 9:00 am **Golden Prairie**
Lawrence Neyens+ by his Family
Friday - Dec. 11 - 9:00 am **Winner**
Agnes Dodson+ by Francis Gardner
Saturday - Dec. 12 - 6:00 pm **Winner**
For all Catholic Daughters: past, present & future
by Winner Catholic Daughters
Sunday - Dec. 13 - 9:00 am **Colome**
Living Catholic Daughters by Colome Catholic Daughters
Sunday - Dec. 13 - 10:30 am **Winner**
For the Parish

Thank you Ryan Brozik for your stewardship! We now have a working dishwasher in the hall basement kitchen.

Angel Tree Ministry

Unwrapped gifts & the bottom half of the gift tag are to be returned to Joyce Heath or the Parish Office by **Dec. 6th**. Gift prices range from $25-$30. Monetary gifts are welcome to defray expenses. Angel Tree Ministries is an ecumenical nationwide association. Please call Joyce Heath(842-3591) with any questions you may have. Thank you for being an angel to a child during a very difficult time in their life.

'Saint Juliana's Prayer List'

Wendy Smith	Vicki Moser	Jolene Hagen
Marty Hagen	Hazel Sondergard	Kelly Hair
Reid Malnati	Trula Heath	Rita Stafford
Kara (Atteberry) VanOrden and baby		Marianne Thompson

Prayers for our Family Members in the Military

Shane (Sam) Moyer	Gene Fisher	Jacob Debus
Aryn Novotny	Daysha DeMers	Jeff Butler
Jacque Miller	Kris Schwartz	Spencer Hughes
Darbi McIntyre		

St. Juliana's (Patron Saint of sickness) is a list of the people we are currently praying for because of illness or in the military. To stay current , names on the illness list will remain for four weeks. The military list will remain until we are notified. Please call the office (842-3520) to request continued prayers. To preserve the dignity and privacy of individuals, we ask that only an immediate family member call to request publication of names. We will presume they have permission from the individual to do so. Thank you for your understanding.

ST. ISIDORE CHURCH

301 Carr St. Colome, SD 57528
842-3520

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - Sunday at 8:00 am
MASS SCHEDULE - Sunday at 9:00 am

St. Isidore ~ Ministry Schedule
Tues., Dec. 8, 2015 ~ 5:30pm
Holy Day of Obligation
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Gifts:	**Mr. & Mrs. Gerry Leber**
Lector:	**Todd**
EME:	**Van/Vol/Carol K**
Music:	**Kathy/Janette**
Servers:	**Abby/Kaden/Carleen**
Ushers:	**Larry/ Ken**
Sacristan:	**Kathleen**

St. Isidore ~ Ministry Schedule
Sunday, December 13, 2015

Gifts:	**Mr. Thomas London**
Lector:	**Jody**
EME:	**Todd/Janette/ Tonna**
Music:	**Alexa/Abby/Cindy**
Servers:	**Michael/Alana/Taylor**
Ushers:	**Dennis/Lyle**
Sacristan:	**Jody**

ST. ISIDORE COLLECTION REPORT

November 29, 2015: Total $615.00

COLLECTION:	December 6th	~	Larry & Rosemary
	December 8th	~	Van & Tom
	December 13th	~	Jody & Craig
	December 20th	~	Matt & Larry

St. Isidore News

St. Isidore - December - Church Cleaning

Nancy McKenzie (Chr.), Melony Bertram, 2 Volunteers

St. Isidore Adult Study Group
Sunday, December 6th @ 7:00 PM ~ In the church basement

COLOME CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 14, 2015 at the Karen DeSmet home. We will have a soup supper, $10.00 grab bag gift exchange, and a silent auction. Please bring an item for the auction and a grab bag gift. The car pool for Karen's will leave St. Isidore Church at 6:00 pm to drive to Gregory. If you are interested in riding call Patty DeMers at 842-3667 or Renee Bolie at 842-1966.

ST. ISIDORE & ICC NEWS
Advent Prayer Families

Remember to pray for your Advent Prayer Family.

After the 4th Sunday of Advent you can send a Christmas card showing that you were their prayer family and wish them a **Merry Christmas!!**

WINE & CHEESE NIGHT
Sat., Dec.12th following Mass

Come socialize with Fr. Andrzej & other adult church members. We would like to build a strong faith community outside the church. You are invited to Father's the second Saturday of each month after Mass from 7:00-9:00pm.

FAITH FORMATION ~ dreic@gwtc.net
Youth of Immaculate Conception & St. Isidore

Next Faith Formation Class
Wednesday - December 9, 2015

ICC: 6:30-7:30pm

SI: 5:30-7:00pm - **(meal followed by classes)**

NO RCIA class on Tuesday, December 8th

ADVENT PENANCE LITURGY
ST. ISIDORE
Tuesday, December 15th - 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Other Area Churches
ADVENT PENANCE LITURGY

BURKE - *Wed., Dec. 9th, 6:30 pm*
BONESTEEL - *Fri., Dec. 11th, 6:30 pm*
GREGORY - *Wed., Dec. 16th, 5:30 pm*
PRESHO - *Sun., Dec. 20th, 3:00 pm*

Drawing for Pie & Coffee with Bishop Gruss

I would like to invite you to consider taking part in our third online survey, which is a follow-up to hospitality initiatives. I value your insights and opinions. Please use the computer link listed below. From those who respond to the survey, I will draw the names of 50 individuals or a combination of couples and individuals to total 50 people who will be invited to a gathering with me for coffee and pie on Saturday, January 30, at Terra Sancta. *Surveys must be completed and submitted no later than January 19* to qualify for the drawing. Thank you for helping me shape the future of our lives together as faithful stewards by living lives of hospitality, faith, and discipleship in our Catholic way of life. — ***Bishop Robert Gruss*** Survey can be found online at: www.rapidcitydiocese.org/stewardship

Sunday, December 6th
Second Sunday of Advent

"Human trafficking is a horrific crime against the fundamental rights and dignity of the human person. The United Nations Protocol on Human Trafficking defines it as "the "recruitment, transportation, harboring or receipt of persons by means of force, fraud or coercion." www.usccb.org

ALERT: Ending slavery is everyone's work. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (USCSAHT) is a collaborative, faith-based network that offers educational resources, information about access to survivors' services, and engages in advocacy in an effort to eradicate modern-day slavery.
Visit the web site: **www.sistersagainsttrafficking.org**

The Diocesan Social Justice Commission requests prayers for all unborn babies in danger of abortion. A sample prayer entitled Spiritual Adoption Prayer is as follows: *"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, with love for you I ask your intercession to protect the life of unborn children. May they all come to birth healthy and be a source of joy to their parents. For those in danger because of abortion, I adopt them as my own and pray for them and their mothers."*
(From www.rapidcitydiocese.org/family-life-ministries-social-justice/social-justice-commission)

Advent

December 6, 2015 ✦ Second Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1–9 Phil 1:4–6, 8–11 Lk 3:1–6

One of the most memorable questions I have ever been asked came out of a conversation with a spiritual director. During my marriage-preparation retreat, he asked about the upcoming wedding. I told him about all the preparations and how I felt like I was on top of things. He gently said, "I know you are prepared, but are you ready?" It was the first time I really thought about the difference. We were certainly prepared. The flowers had been ordered, the ceremony set, and the caterer knew exactly what we wanted. We were in control. But being ready for the great unknown of marriage, a lifelong vocation, was another thing altogether. Being ready suggested that we won't always be in control and that, no matter what happens, we were in it for life and would face whatever comes together.

The prophet Isaiah describes John the Baptist as the one who prepares the way of the Lord. He will do this by preaching to and baptizing those who come to him. The preparation for the coming Messiah is in his hands. He poses the question, "Are you ready for the one who is to come?" Thinking beyond our religious practices and Christmas preparations, what does that really mean for us? Maybe this year it means looking into our own hearts for the longing for Christ. Perhaps we will make a room for him in our busy lives and our busier thoughts. We might even stop our preparations long enough to remember just who is coming and invite him in. Are you ready?

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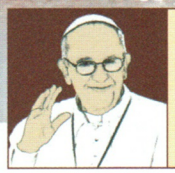

A Word From Pope Francis

"I have decided to announce an Extraordinary Jubilee which…will be a Holy Year of Mercy."

—Homily during penitential celebration, March 13, 2015

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December 6, 2015

dear Padre

Monday
DECEMBER 7
St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Is 35:1–10
Lk 5:17–26

Tuesday
DECEMBER 8
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Gn 3:9–15, 20
Eph 1:3–6, 11–12
Lk 1:26–38

Wednesday
DECEMBER 9
Advent Weekday
Is 40:25–31
Mt 11:28–30

Thursday
DECEMBER 10
Advent Weekday
Is 41:13–20
Mt 11:11–15

Friday
DECEMBER 11
Advent Weekday
Is 48:17–19
Mt 11:16–19

Saturday
DECEMBER 12
Our Lady of Guadalupe
Zec 2:14–17 or
Rv 11:19a; 12:1–6a, 10ab
Lk 1:26–38 or Lk 1:39–47

Sunday
DECEMBER 13
Third Sunday of Advent
Zep 3:14–18a
Phil 4:4–7
Lk 3:10–18

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Santa Claus: Christian or secular?

I have two friends—one atheist, the other a Christian fundamentalist. Neither is carrying on the tradition of Santa with their children. The atheist claims he is a Christian symbol; the Christian thinks he's a secular figure. Who's right?

As strange as it may sound, both are correct. The myth of Santa Claus is based on the real life of St. Nicholas, a Catholic bishop. Born in the third century, his parents were wealthy but died when Nicholas was very young. His faith led him to dedicate his life to the service of God and others. He gave away his entire inheritance to help the poor and suffering.

Like Christ himself, Nicholas is known as a giver of gifts. Stories of St. Nick's generosity form the basis for some of our current Christmas traditions. According to one story, the bags of gold he tossed through an open window landed in stockings hanging above the fire to dry. Some put food for Nicholas and straw for his donkey outside their homes, hoping he will replace their gifts with his.

December 6 is now an annual feast commemorating this saint. Most today know Santa as coming from the North Pole with his red-nosed reindeer Rudolph and bringing toys and treats made by elves. This is certainly a secular image, but however we celebrate Advent and Christmas, we must remember and lead others to their true purpose and meaning.

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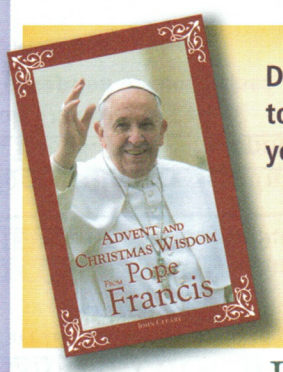

During this Advent season, "remember the real gift: God giving himself to us through the Incarnation. Reflect on yourself. In how many ways can you become a gift from God to those you know and to those you do not?"

–From *Advent and Christmas Wisdom From Pope Francis* by John Cleary

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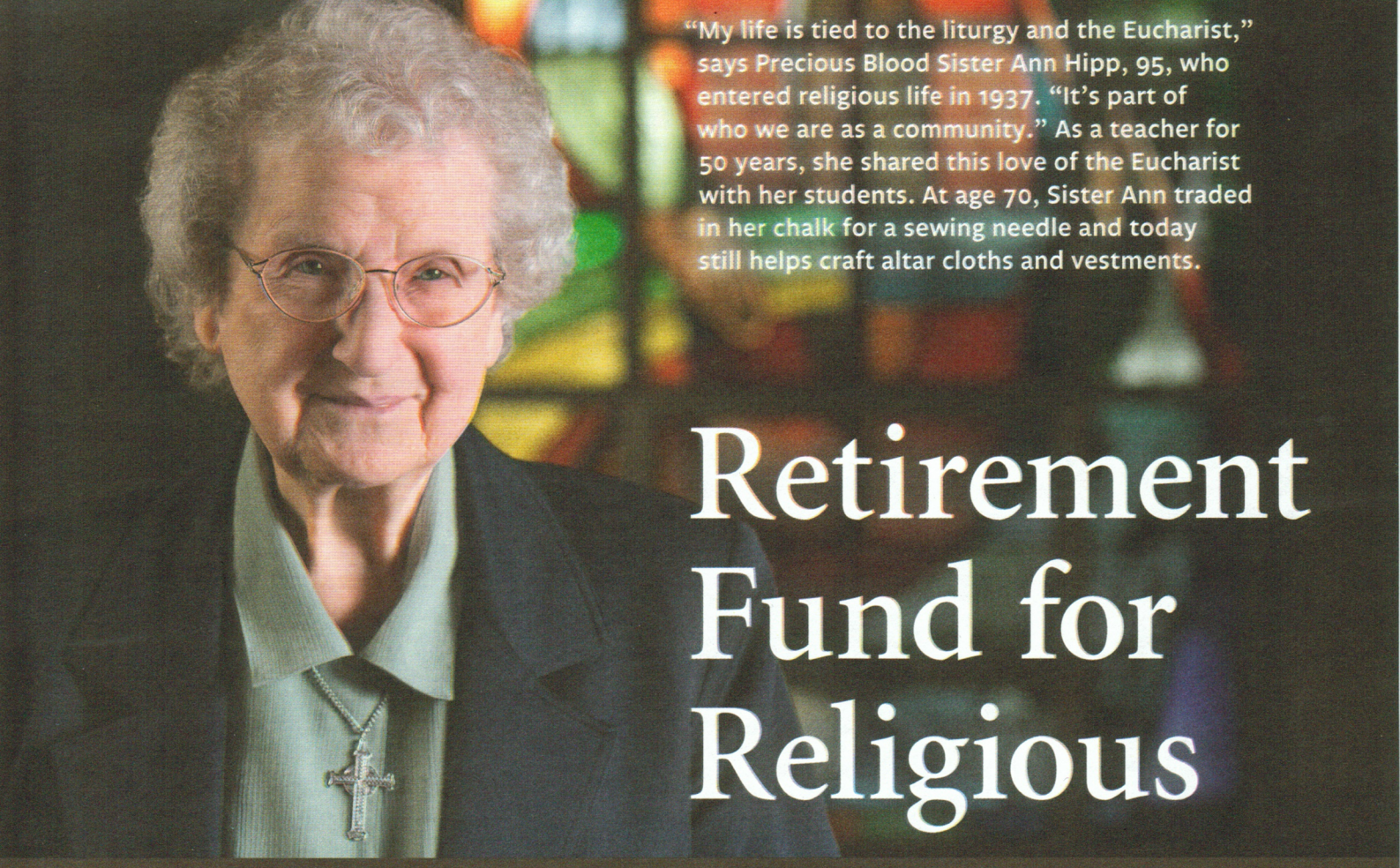

"My life is tied to the liturgy and the Eucharist," says Precious Blood Sister Ann Hipp, 95, who entered religious life in 1937. "It's part of who we are as a community." As a teacher for 50 years, she shared this love of the Eucharist with her students. At age 70, Sister Ann traded in her chalk for a sewing needle and today still helps craft altar cloths and vestments.

Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

www.retiredreligious.org

Like Sister Ann, tens of thousands of senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have dedicated their lives to sharing their faith. Generations of Catholics recall with gratitude their work in Catholic schools, hospitals, and social service agencies. Yet years of ministering for little or no pay came at a price, and now their religious communities lack adequate savings for retirement and eldercare.

Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide prescription medications, nursing care, and more. Please be generous.

Over 93 percent of donations aid senior religious.

To give at your parish: Make your check payable to your parish. (Put **RFR** on the memo line.)

To donate by mail: Make your check payable to **Retirement Fund for Religious.** Please do not mail cash.

Please check with your employer about matching gifts.

Amount: ❑ $1,000 ❑ $500 ❑ $250 ❑ $100 ❑ $50 ❑ $25 ❑ Other $_____

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Washington DC 20017-1194
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Fax (202) 541-3053

Photos: *(top)* Sister Ann Hipp, CPPS, 95; (*bottom from left*) Brother Anselm Allen, OSB, 76; Sister Geraldine Vogel, CPPS, 84; Sister Luanna Brucks, CPPS, 90; Father Brendan Miller, OSB, 70; Sister Rosemary Zaffuto, ASCJ, 87.

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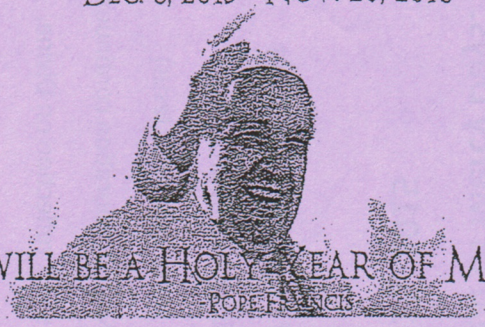

Jubilee of Mercy Events in the Diocese of Rapid City

Opening Events

12/8/15 Opening Mass for the Year of Mercy, Cathedral, 5:30p.m. Mass
12/13/15 Opening of the Holy Door, Cathedral , 10:30am Mass
12/20/15 Opening of the Holy Door, St. Charles , St Francis, 11am CT Mass

Days of Mercy @ ICC and St. Isidore

St. Isidore -Tuesday, December 15, 2015
ICC— Thursday, January 28, 2016
St. Isidore—Thursday, February 25, 2016
ICC—Wednesday, March 16, 2016
St. Isidore—Thursday, April 28, 2016
ICC—Tuesday, May 17, 2016
St. Isidore—Tuesday, June 21, 2016
ICC—Tuesday, July 14, 2016
St. Isidore—Tuesday, August 16, 2016
ICC—Thursday, September 15, 2016
St. Isidore—Tuesday, October 25, 2016
ICC—Thursday, November 17, 2016

Pilgrimages 2016

February 27 – Cathedral
June 18 — St. Francis
August 20 – Timber Lake
October 22 – Pine Ridge
November 19 – Sturgis

For more information and detailed schedules, please visit our website:

www.catholictripp.org

or *www.rapidcitydiocese.org*

Closing Events

11/13/16 Holy Doors are Closed at Cathedral and St. Charles in St. Francis
11/20/16 Closing Mass for the Year of Mercy, Cathedral , 10:30am Mass

The Spiritual Works of Mercy	*The Corporal Works of Mercy*
Instruct the ignorant.	Feed the hungry.
Counsel the doubtful.	Give drink to the thirsty.
Admonish sinners.	Clothe the naked.
Bear wrongs with patience.	Shelter the homeless.
Forgive offenses willingly.	Comfort the imprisoned.
Comfort the afflicted.	Visit the sick.
Pray for the living and the dead.	Bury the dead.

Prayer for the Jubilee of Mercy ~ Pope Francis

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us to be merciful
like the heavenly Father,
and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.
Show us your face and we will be saved.
Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew
from being enslaved by money;
the adulteress and Magdalene
from seeking happiness only in created things;
made Peter weep after his betrayal;
and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.
Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us,
the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman:
"If you knew the gift of God!"
You are the visible face of the invisible Father,
of the God who manifests his power above all
by forgiveness and mercy:
let the Church be your visible face in the world,
its Lord risen and glorified.
You willed that your ministers
would also be clothed in weakness
in order that they may feel compassion
for those in ignorance and error:
let everyone who approaches them
feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.
Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing,
so that the Jubilee of Mercy
may be a year of grace from the Lord,
and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm,
may bring good news to the poor,
proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed,
and restore sight to the blind.
We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy,
you who live and reign with the Father
and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

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Immaculate Conception

& St. Isidore Parish

celebration of the Year of Mercy Days.

December 15, 2015

12:00 Noon—Mass at St. Isidore

12:30pm—6:30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
followed by Adoration.

(come at any time to spent some time with Jesus)

3:00pm—Chaplet of the Divine Mercy (Adoration continues)

6:00pm—Evening Prayer with a short reflection on Divine Mercy

(the Divine Mercy topics will be provided by the Bishop)

6:30pm—Benediction and Closing of the Adoration

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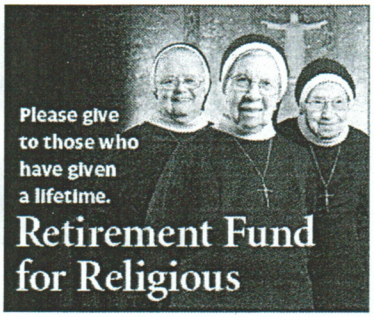

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During weekend Masses on December 12-13 our parishes will be conducting the Retirement Fund for Religious collection. This annual appeal benefits some 33,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests—women and men who have consecrated their lives to serving God and the Church.

During this Year of Consecrated Life, Pope Francis calls on the faithful to recognize the special witness that consecrated women and men offer our Church and world. In a letter marking the inauguration of this special year, he says, "I ask the whole Christian people to be increasingly aware of the gift which is the presence of our many consecrated men and women."[1] He goes on to note the spiritual influence that religious such as Saint Benedict and Saint Teresa of Avila continue to have on our Church and faith today.[2]

As we reflect on the saints of the past, many of us may also recall women and men religious whom we would consider saints in our day. With gratitude, we remember the sister who patiently helped us learn our multiplication tables or the brother who coached our high school team, teaching us that faith must be lived out even on the basketball court.

Today, many of these sisters, brothers, and religious order priests—these saints in our midst—are elderly. While some continue in volunteer ministry, others are frail and need care. Most worked for years for small stipends, leaving their religious communities without adequate savings to meet growing retirement and eldercare needs.

So I ask you to join with Pope Francis in acknowledging the gift of consecrated life. Please pray for God's blessing on all religious and give generously to the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Sincerely in the love of Christ,

+ Robert D. Gruss

Most Rev. Robert D. Gruss
Bishop of Rapid City

[1]Pope Francis, "Apostolic Letter of His Holiness Pope Francis to All Consecrated People on the Occasion of the Year of Consecrated Life," *The Holy See*, November 21, 2014,

[2]Ibid.

More information is available online at http://www.retiredreligious.org.

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EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE OF MERCY

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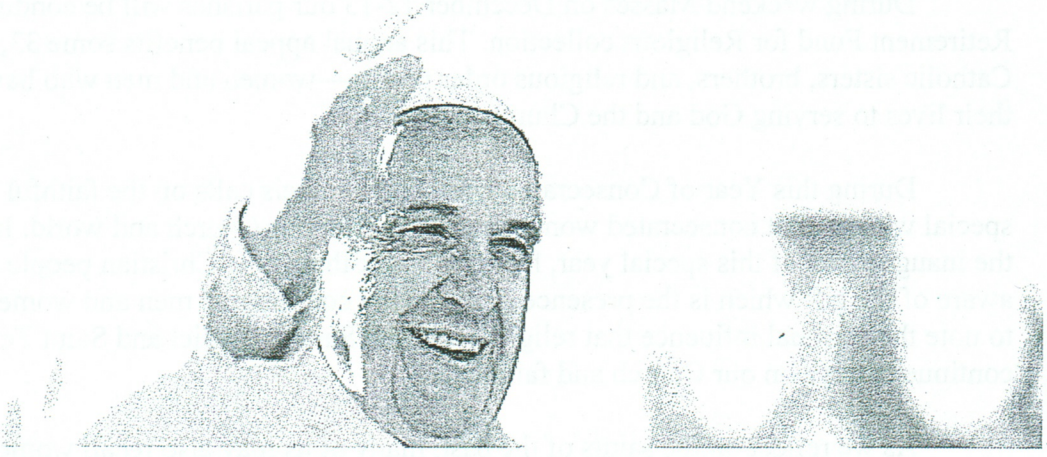

Please take this opportunity to read the November issue of the *West River Catholic,* about the JUBILEE Year of Mercy.

www.rapidcitydiocese.org/jubilee-year-of-mercy
www.facebook.com/DiorcYearofMercy

On pages 11-14 you will find: Indulgences offered for the Year of Mercy, additional resources, an explanation of the Jubilee Year, the making of the logo, how to celebrate the year of Mercy and much more.