



Saint Rose of Lima Catholic Church

Hill City, South Dakota

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Keystone, South Dakota

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Third Sunday of Advent, December 15th, 2024

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Reconciliation _____

Hill City, Saint Rose of Lima:

Thursday 10-11:00 a.m.

Saturday 3:30- 4:30 p.m.

Keystone, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel,
30 minutes prior to Masses

Mass Schedule & Intentions—

(†) indicates deceased

Monday, December 16th,

(No Mass)

Tuesday, December 17th,

(No Mass)

Wednesday, December 18th,

(Keystone) 8:00 a.m.:

Thursday, December 19h,

(Hill City) 8:00 a.m.: (†) Alton Bertschinger

Friday, December 20th,

(Hill City) 7:30 a.m.:

Saturday December 21st,

(Hill City) Rorate Caeili 7:00 a.m.

(Hill City) 6:00 pm:

Sunday December 22nd, 4th Advent

(Keystone) 8 am: Pro Popolo

(Hill City) 10 am: (†) Anna Raue

Mass Intention Envelopes can be found at the back of the church. Mass is a great gift for those we love, it is our most powerful prayer.



Readings:

Zephaniah 3:14–18

Isaiah 12:2–6

Philippians 4:4–7

Luke 3:10–18

The people in today’s Gospel are “filled with expectation.” They believe John the Baptist might be the messiah they’ve been waiting for. Three times we hear their question: “What then should we do?”

The messiah’s coming requires every man and woman to choose—to “repent” or not. That’s John’s message and it will be Jesus’ too (see Luke 3:3; 5:32; 24:47).

“Repentance” translates a Greek word, metanoia (literally, “change of mind”). In the Scriptures, repentance is presented as a twofold “turning”—away from sin (see Ezekiel 3:19; 18:30) and toward God (see Sirach 17:20–21; Hosea 6:1).

This “turning” is more than attitude adjustment. It means a radical life change. It requires “good fruits as evidence of your

repentance” (see Luke 3:8). That’s why John tells the crowds, soldiers, and tax collectors they must prove their faith through works of charity, honesty, and social justice.

In today’s Liturgy, each of us is being called to stand in that crowd and hear the “good news” of John’s call to repentance. We should examine our lives, asking from our hearts as they did: “What should we do?” Our repentance should spring not from our fear of coming wrath (see Luke 3:7–9) but from a joyful sense of the nearness of our saving God.

This theme resounds through today’s readings: “Rejoice! . . . The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all,” we hear in today’s Epistle. In today’s Responsorial, we hear again the call to be joyful, unafraid at the Lord’s coming among us.

In today’s First Reading, we hear echoes of the angel’s Annunciation to Mary. The prophet’s words are very close to the angel’s greeting (compare Luke 1:28–31). Mary is the Daughter Zion—the favored one of God, told not to fear but to rejoice that the Lord is with her, “a mighty Savior.”

She is the cause of our joy. For in her draws near the Messiah, as John had promised: “One mightier than I is coming.” A Scott Hahn Reflection

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon.

Adoracion Eucaristica

Martes 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Jueves: 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.



“Without God’s Son nothing could exist; without Mary’s Son, nothing could be redeemed.” St Anselm, Bishop

Mass Schedule/ Community Events

Regular CCD: Wednesdays: Elementary 3:00—5:00 p.m., [Mass for Elementary students @ 3:15 p.m. parishioners and Parents welcome](#), Middle and High School 5:30—7:30 p.m. (Dinner and Lesson) (Volunteers to provide meals needed!)

Messy Families—Sunday December 15th after 10:00 a.m. Mass

Mercy Night in Hot Springs: Tuesday December 17th (No Mass or Reconciliation that Night)— Adoration with Dcn. Chuck Loehr

Mercy Night, Thursday December 19th@ Blessed Sacrament in Rapid City: (No Reconciliation or Adoration that Night in Hill City)

December 21: 7:00 a.m.: Rorate Caeli Mass at St. Rose of Lima Church. (Coffee and treats to follow.)

Posadas—Nativity Play (Saturday December 21st after 6:00 p.m. Mass.)

December 22nd: After 10:00 a.m. Mass, Decorate Churches for Christmas. (Both St. Rose & OLMC)

December 24th: 6:30 p.m. Bilingual Christmas Eve Mass (St. Rose)

December 25th: Christmas Mass at Midnight (St. Rose)

Christmas Day Mass 8:00 a.m. (OLMC)

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God: (Tuesday December 31st) @ 6:30 p.m.—Keystone

(Wednesday January 1st) @ 6:30 p.m.—Hill City

Bishop Scott Bullock visit to OLMC & St. Rose of Lima Church on [Sunday January 19th, 2025](#) for Sunday Masses.

Celebrate the coming of Christ Our Light on the shortest, darkest day of the year. **Rorate Caeli Mass, Saturday December 21st @ 7:00 a.m.** Bring a treat to share after in the Hall, coffee, juice and treats to follow.



Pastoral COUNCIL

St. Rose of Lima Pastoral Council meeting Sunday December 15th @ 6:30 pm in the Parish Center.

Pastoral Council Members: Father Mark Horn , Bob Ackerman, Deacon, Chuck Loehr, Deacon, Roger Severson, *Chairman* , Brett Eckert, *Vice-Chairman* , Cheryl Schwarz, *Secretary/Recorder*, Nettie Saylor, MaryAnn Tully, Alesha Wozny, Edgar Ortiz

St Rose of Lima Parish is in need of two members to serve on the Pastoral Council. Please consider serving on the Council. Two members of the Council are completing their 2nd term.

Requirements:

1. A registered member of St Rose of Lima Parish
2. Attend one meeting each month, September - May
3. Serve a 3 year term with a max of 2 terms *(If you have served on the Pastoral Council in the past, you can serve again. There just needs to be 1 year break since serving on the Council.)*

Please prayerfully consider serving your Parish .Contact Father Mark or Roger Severson if you are interested. Thank you for your consideration! Sincerely, Roger Severson

Confessions at St. Rose this week: Thursday from 10-11:00 a.m., Saturday 3:30- 4:30 p.m.

FUNDRAISING



Heartfelt thanks to all that assisted in any way for the successful Seminarian Fundraiser held Dec. 8th. The committees for pre-planning, decorating, wrapping donated baskets, accepting bids, providing baked goods and craft items, set up and clean up - All of you made this a fun-filled event. Thank you for your donations and for your purchases. We can't possibly thank everyone personally, but be assured You made a difference!

Thank you all who support our Youth Fundraising. Last Sunday :

Silent Auction -\$926.00

Donation Jar -\$330.00

Total Raffle Ticket sales—\$1,838.00

Total \$3,094.00

St Rose of Lima Prayer Ministry

Please consider joining one of our St. Rose of Lima Prayer Ministry teams of faithful praying members. You can **contact** Marie Askew at **605-872-1519** and choose how you would like to receive the requests for prayer: text, email, or direct calls. UPDATES on your prayer requests are greatly appreciated. Thanks friends... what a team! Please contact Marie.

Messy Families Group

Raising a family has always been hard work. Are you trying to raise your family to grow in holiness but could use extra support and encouragement? You are not alone. Join with other families that desire to raise their family in the faith. **Meeting once a month at Bret & Danielle's home, following 10:00 am Mass.** Need not be perfect to attend. Gatherings consist of a shared meal (potluck style), fellowship and socialization, a discussion amongst families on a specific topic of the month, and a time of prayer together. Please contact Brett (701) 390-6630 or Danielle (701) 720-7582 if interested.

Sunday December 15 -at the Eckert's after 10am Mass—This Sunday

Love INC. The Linen Ministry has a BIG need for comforters, quilts, blankets for queen, full and twin size beds . Kitchen: new toasters, can openers, peelers, dishracks, coffee pots, cake pans, cookie sheets and muffin tins. Furniture Ministry is seeking additional volunteers to assist with pick up and/or delivery of furniture. RISE furniture & home decor is looking for Christmas decorations. Did you know.....Love INC. Hill City -Keystone has office hours in Hill City on Monday's from 9 a.m. to noon. Call 605-574-1023 for an appointment and/or to confidentially speak with someone.

Donations for Kitchen Ministry and Linen Ministry may be dropped off 24-hours a day in the weather-proof tote located at Lighthouse Assembly of God Church in Hill City. Thank you for your heartfelt donations!



PRAYER INTENTIONS

- ♥Fr. Andrzej
- ♥Marsha Hoff
- ♥Tina Schiefer
- ♥Don Cates
- ♥Gloria Shippy
- ♥Cyndi Winfield
- (†)Alton Bertschinger
- (†)Fr. Dan Juelfs
- (†)Bishop Peter Muhich



All the sick and shut-ins of our parish and community

For the revival of peoples' devotion to the Eucharist in our country and the world.

(†)indicates deceased

Confessions at Our Lady of Mt Carmel: 30 minutes prior to Mass

**HILL CITY PARISH SUPPORT
For December 8th, 2024**

Envelopes:	\$1,237.00
Plate:	\$479.50
Catholic Campaign	\$20.00
Youth Retreat	\$50.00
Building Fund:	\$25.00
Immaculate Conception	\$403.00
TOTAL:	\$2,664.50

**KEYSTONE WEEKLY PARISH SUPPORT
For December 8th, 2024**

Envelopes:	\$290.00
Plate:	\$23.00
Alton Bertschinger Funeral	\$400.00
TOTAL:	\$713.00

To place an event in the Event Calendar, please email Bradley Zettl with all the pertinent details: Time, Date, Place.
Office email: bulletin.k.hc@gmail.com

- Cut down your own Christmas tree
- Bring the whole family
- Walk 80 acres of land to find the perfect tree
- We ask that you make a \$25.00 donation to St. Rose of Lima Church.

Where: the del Valle Ranch

11061 S. Castle creek Road

Contact Luis or Becky (608) 658-4884.

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Retirement Fund for Religious

Support those who have given a lifetime. Women and men religious have dedicated their lives to service—praying, teaching, and caring for those in need—usually for little to no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. Your donation provides essential care, medicine, and daily needs of thousands of senior women and men religious. Please give generously.

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Thank you!!!