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## Preparing for *JustFaith*

### Principle Themes of Catholic Social Justice Teaching

1. *Dignity of the Human Person*
2. *Common Good and Community*
3. *Preferential Option for the Poor*
4. *Rights and Responsibilities*
5. *Role of Government and Subsidiarity*
6. *Economic Justice: Workers Rights, Capital, Labor*
7. *Stewardship of God's Creation*
8. *Promotion of Peace and Disarmament*
9. *Participation in Political, Social, Economic Life*
10. *Global Solidarity and Development*

*Twenty - Sixth  
Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
September 27th, 2009*

#### Readings

Sunday \* September 27th

Nm 11: 25 - 29

Jas 5: 1- 6

Mt 9: 38 - 43, 45, 47 -48

Monday \* September 28th

Zec 8: 1- 8/Lk 9: 46 - 50

Tuesday \* September 29th

Dn 7: 9 - 1-10, 13 -14

Jn 1: 47 - 51

Wednesday \* September 30th

Neh 2 : 1 - 8/Lk 9: 57 - 62

Thursday \* October 1st

Neh 8: 1 - 4a, 5 - 6 , 7a - 12,

Lk 10: 1 - 12

Friday \* October 2nd

Bar 1: 1 - 22/Mt 18: 1-5, 10

Saturday \* October 3rd

Bar 4: 5 - 12, 27 - 29

Lk 10: 17 - 24

Sunday \* October 4th

Gn 2: 18 - 24

Heb 2: 9 - 11

Mk 10: 2 - 16 or 10: 2 - 12

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**Parish Council:** George Welk  
**Finance Council:** Pat Durkin  
**JustFaith:** Pat Storms  
**Grand Knight:** John Lott  
**Altar Society:** Glenda Marks, Lillian Magnusson, Rose Anderson

**Parish  
Team**

**ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH Lord's Day Masses:**  
Saturday - 5:30 PM  
Sunday - 7:30 & 9:30 AM  
Confessions: 1/2 hour before Mass

**DAILY MASS** (see bulletin weekly schedule)  
7:00 AM Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday  
5:30 PM Tuesday  
8:00 AM Saturday

**SS. PETER AND PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH Weekend Masses:**  
Saturday - 5:00 PM  
Sunday - 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 7:00 PM, ( 11:45 AM Mary House)

## St. John's Weekly Schedule

Sunday, September 27th

6:30 pm Adore - Life Lounge

Wednesday, September 30th

5:45 pm - Life Teen/Edge



### RCIA

*Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*

Information Meeting on

Thursday, October 8th

7:00pm - 8:45pm Come and See!

Non-Catholics & Catholics looking to deepen their faith.



We welcome through the waters of baptism Ryker Edson, son of Corey and Kimberly.

## ST. JOHN'S FALL DINNER

Sunday, October 11th



WE ARE IN NEED OF DONATIONS  
OF NEW RAFFLE PRIZE ITEMS.

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO COOK A TURKEY PLEASE  
SIGN UP AT THE CHURCH ENTRANCE.

## Youth Happenings!

**Middle School Rally - October 11, 2009**

**Belle Fourche, SD.** There are two vehicles taking youth to the rally. Get your registration and money to Lisa Fahey. ASAP

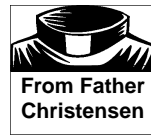


**Confirmation Date Change** for November. The date has been changed from Nov. 22 to Nov. 15th!!

**Fall Dinner Help on Oct. 11th!** The St. John's Altar Society women are looking for four Edge/Life Teen youth to host and help people to their seats for the Fall dinner meal. You can sign up to volunteer - call Lisa at 223-2176.

**JustFaith** small groups begin the week of October 25th. Contact Pat Storms for more information and to register: call 945-2933 or email: [pvstorms@mncomm.com](mailto:pvstorms@mncomm.com).

**CHURCH HISTORY STUDY:** Every Friday, a 20-part Church History Study called EPIC from Ascension Press will begin at Ss. Peter and Paul Church, in the brides room. We will meet on Fridays from 8:45 to 10:30 am All are welcome! For information call Joan Schueller at 224-0252.



**JustFaith** begins in a few weeks. *JustFaith* seeks to deepen our understanding of the Gospel and to put that understanding into action through a greater compassion in service to our brothers and sisters in need.

Our first and foundational principle of Catholic Social Justice teaching rests on the dignity and sanctity of all human life. Every life is a gift from God. Every person has the God-given right to life. This right is *absolute*. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church we read: "Human life is sacred because from its beginning it involves the creative action of God and it remains for ever in a special relationship with the Creator, who is its sole end. God alone is the Lord of life from its beginning until its end: no one can under any circumstance claim for himself the right directly to destroy an innocent human being" (CCC2258). This dignity and sanctity of life includes the unborn life in the womb, the life of our elderly, the disabled, and the sick. If we are to be concerned about the good of our neighbors - to feed the hungry, to afford the opportunity for good housing, to secure adequate health care, to support a just economic system, to advance the ways of peace and development - then we must begin with a sincere respect for human life. As Pope Benedict writes in his most recent encyclical letter - *Caritas in Veritate* - "Openness to life is at the center of true development. When a society moves towards the denial or suppression of life, it ends up no longer finding the necessary motivation and energy to strive for man's true good. If personal and social sensitivity towards the acceptance of a new life is lost, then other forms of acceptance that are valuable for society also wither away[67]. The acceptance of life strengthens moral fiber and makes people capable of mutual help. By cultivating openness to life, wealthy peoples can better understand the needs of poor ones, they can avoid employing huge economic and intellectual resources to satisfy the selfish desires of their own citizens, and instead, they can promote virtuous action within the perspective of production that is morally sound and marked by solidarity, respecting the fundamental right to life of every people and every individual" (CV, 28). *JustFaith* calls us back to true compassion and a respect for all people. Let us follow the compassion of Jesus Christ! Please prayerfully consider being part of *JustFaith* beginning the week of October 25th. Praise be Jesus Christ!

**Diocesan Men's Retreat — October 9-11, 2009** Join Msgr. William O'Connell for this year's retreat, "**WALK WITH JESUS**". Retreat goers will reflect on those who walked with Jesus and what they have to teach us as we walk with him today. Pre-registration required! **Registration Deadline: Friday, October 2nd!** Registration fee: \$100. Scholarships available. For information, contact Jill at Family Life Ministries, 605-343-3541.

**Choose Christ - Middle School Rally** For young people in grades 5-8. October 11 at the Belle Fourche Community Center. Cost: Mass with Bishop Cupich. Keynote speaker: **Ennie Hickman**. MC: **Angel Dean**. Music: **Luminous**. Special guests: Religious Sisters and Seminarians. Two Meals, T-shirt, Games and More! Contact LaVonne Weich at 723-3226 for more info \$25 if registered by September 25; \$ 35 after. Chaperone fee: \$15. maion. Registration forms are



Sunday, September 27th  
 7:30 AM Intentions of the Parish  
 9:30 AM SI Loren and Susan Pospisil  
 By: Steve and Sherri Stoesser

Monday, September 28th  
 7:00 AM No Mass

Tuesday, September 29th  
 5:30 PM No Mass

Wednesday, September 30th  
 7:00 AM No Mass

Thursday, October 1st  
 7:00 AM No Mass

Friday, October 2nd -  
 Memorial of the Guardian Angels  
 7:00 AM SI Stefanie Zetah  
 By: Judy Zetah

Saturday, October 3rd  
 8:00 AM Intentions of the Parish  
 5:30 PM SI Kyla VanDenHemel  
 By: Pat and Lisa Fahey

Sunday, October 4th  
 7:30 AM Intentions of the Parish  
 9:30 AM + Terry Sosebe  
 By: Lyle and Phyllis Kenzy

Sacrament of Reconciliation 1/2 hour before  
 Masses or by appointment  
 Mass envelopes are available

SACRIFICIAL GIVING



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| Regular Envelopes | \$ 2,370.00        |
| Student Envelopes | \$ 7.00            |
| Plate             | \$ 527.67          |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>\$ 2,904.67</b> |

"Give and it shall be given to you.  
 For the measure you measure with will  
 be measured back to you." Luke 6:38



**Our Military Members:** That God's  
 loving hands protect them as they  
 protect us and heal those who have  
 returned to us physically or emo-  
 tionally wounded.

**We especially pray for the safety and well-being  
 of Angela Beck, Patrick Hall, Melissa Gross &  
 Brett Anderson and David Collins.**

Please take time to drop a note to our soldiers and  
 thank them for their sacrifice and dedication.

**CW3 BRETT ANDERSON**  
 HHB 1-147 FA  
 APO AE 09337

**MAJ DAVID S COLLINS**  
 HHC 41BCT 11D, S-3  
 COB Spreicher

**SP4 MELISSA MCINTYRE**  
 21ST MP CO (ABN) UNIT 031  
 CAMP BASRAH  
 APO AE 09375

**SPGT HALL, PATRICK D**  
 4/27 HHB  
 CMMR 405, BOX 3444  
 APO AE 09034



- Sun.27 Darrell Plumage, Jenna Roberts, Maria Scott,  
Kenna Wieczorek
- Mon.28 Eileen Krom
- Tue.29 Mary Bisson, Sue Pospisil
- Wed.30 Trey Maier, Martha Stewart
- Thu.01 Tate Thorpe
- Sat.02 Tom Parsons
- Sun.03 John Barnett, Joe Bluestone, Courtney Gourneau



- Sun.27 Darby and Kenda Nutter
- Mon.28 Tom and Irma LeFaive
- Thu.01 Ted and Val Foster, Bob and Susan Stoesser



**For all the sick and suffering,** Brenda Maxon, Sue Pospisil, Eric Buchmann, Grady Jacobson, Judy Hobbs, Nancy Holub, Maddox Rowland, Kelsey Spurlin, Dennis Carlson, Marie Gibson, Mary Gibson, Eileen Hofer, Barb Brown, Theresa Kirby, Doris Ogan, Jennifer Cink, Dorothy Brown, Doreen Pospisil, Cindy Foreman, Francis Bies, Lois Zimmer, Martha Rankin, Roland & Mary Hostler, Joe Truett, Jace Nickolas, Loren Pospisil, Leona Jacobsen, Meaghan Kjolsrud, Geraldine Kokesh, Bryan Ice, Jim Garrity, Judy Tishmack and all who have asked for our special prayers. If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain call Sue Pospisil -223-2863.

**National Respect Life Sunday**  
**Sunday, October 4th**



Every child ... brings us God's smile and invites us to recognize that life is his gift, a gift to be welcomed with love and preserved with care always and at every moment. - Pope Benedict XVI



**Question: Why does a Catholic wedding have to take place in a church?**

Answer: For Catholics, marriage is not just a social or family event, but a church event. For this reason, the Church prefers that marriages between Catholics, or between Catholics and other Christians, be celebrated in the parish church of one of the spouses. Only the local bishop can permit a marriage to be celebrated in another suitable place.

For Information on Catholic Marriage: [www.usccb.org/laity/marriage/index.shtml](http://www.usccb.org/laity/marriage/index.shtml)

**2009 CAPITOL UNITED WAY GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
 OCTOBER 8 - HILLSVIEW GOLF COURSE

9 HOLE 4 PERSON SCRAMBLE

3:30 PM SHOTGUN START

SUPPER AFTER TOURNAMENT

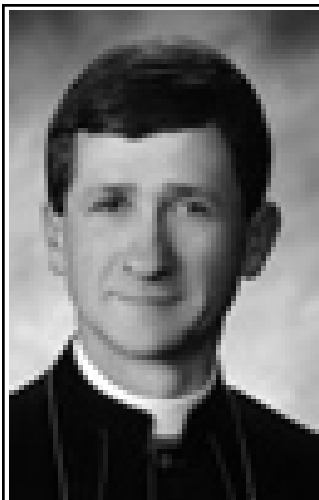
\$140 PER TEAM/ \$35 PER PERSON - INCLUDES GREEN FEES/CART/SUPPER.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 1ST.

FOR INFORMATION EMAIL [golfunitedway@yahoo.com](mailto:golfunitedway@yahoo.com) - Lindsey Heiss



Updated Calendar & Information at:  
[www.StJohnsFortPierre.org](http://www.StJohnsFortPierre.org)



**Jubilee Mass on Monday, October 5th  
at St John the Evangelist  
at 6:00 PM**

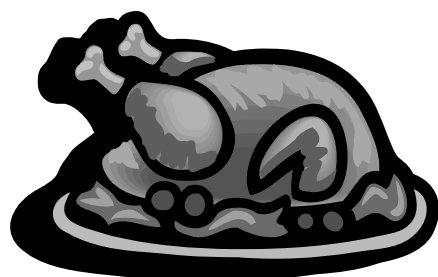
Please join Bishop Blase J. Cupich and the  
Priests of the Diocese of Rapid City  
for this Jubilee Mass.

**TGIF - Together Growing in Faith**

**Wednesday, October 7th**

**5:45 PM - 8:00 PM**

"Prayer itself, born in Catholic families, nurtured by programs of Christian formation, strengthened by the grace of the sacraments, is the first means by which we come to know the Lord's will for our lives. To the extent that we teach young people to pray, and to pray well, we will be cooperating with God's call. Programs, plans and projects have their place; but the discernment of a vocation is above all the fruit of an intimate dialogue between the Lord and his disciples. Young people, if they know how to pray, can be trusted to know what to do with God's call." - Pope Benedict XVI



**ST. JOHN'S FALL DINNER**

**Sunday, October 11th**

Please bring NEW items for the raffle to the Parish Office  
as soon as possible: Crafts, Art Work, Statues, Paintings,  
Prints, Religious Items, Quilts, Furniture, etc.

Please sign up at the Church Entrances to cook a turkey.

You will be able to pick up your turkey at Sutley's on Wednesday, October 7th.

Let us open wide the doors to our Parish Family to our Fort Pierre Community!