

CONFERENCE 2017

78th Annual Tekakwitha Conference

July 19 - 22, 2017 Rapid City, South Dakota - Best Western Ramkota Conference Center

Theme: Loving one another through the Spirit of St. Kateri

(Tentative Adult Agenda)

Registration: 8:30am - 9:00pm July 19-22, 2017 Best Western Ramkota

Vendors: 8:30am - 9:00pm July 19-22, 2017

July 19 - Wednesday

5:30pm - 7:00pm Dinner

7:00pm Opening prayer with General Assembly

Official Welcome - Arvol Looking Horse, Lakota Spiritual Leader

Sr. Kateri Mitchell, Tekakwitha Conference, Executive Director

Most Reverend Charles Chaput, OFM, Cap - Episcopal Moderator, Archbishop of Philadelphia, PA

Most Reverend Robert Gruss - Bishop of Diocese of Rapid City, SD

Tribal Representative(s) - Oglala Lakota Tribal President, Troy Scott Weston

Gail Rando, Chair, Tekakwitha Conference Board of Directors

2017 Planning Committee Chair: Beverly Running Bear

Mayor of Rapid City - Steve Allender

Best Western Ramkota Representative:

Rapid City Convention and Visitors Bureau - Tyson Steiger

9:00 pm Closing Prayer/Blessing: Most Reverend Robert Gruss

July 20 - Thursday

6:00am - 6:30am Sunrise Service - outdoors in the gazebo area

8:30am - 9:00am Morning prayer / Announcements

9:00am - 10:15am All Nations Grand Entry: Bill White and Tom Allen

10:15am - 10:30am Refreshments

10:45am - 11:45am Keynote Address: Reverend Peter Klink S.J. Our Energy Today: In-Spirited for a Faith Future

12:00pm - 1:15pm Lunch

Workshops

1:30pm - 2:30pm A: The Greater of these is Love - Norma Valdez

B: Promoting Authentic Human Development & Addressing Poverty through the Catholic Campaign for Human Development - Kate Dorsett & Jennifer Irving

C: Wotakuye: Living in Balance with One's Relatives - Jace DeCory

D: The Martyrs of La Florida - Rich May

2:30pm - 2:45pm Refreshments

2:45pm - 3:45pm Tekakwitha Conference Board of Directors Addresses the General Assembly

4:00pm - 5:30pm Liturgy - Principal Celebrant: Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, OFM Cap.

5:30pm - 6:45pm Dinner

7:00pm - 9:30pm Reconciliation and Healing Service

July 21 - Friday

6:00am - 6:30am Sunrise Service - outdoors in the gazebo area

8:30am - 9:00am Morning prayer / Announcements

9:00am - 10:00am Keynote Address: Dr. Laurel Vermillion - Loving One Another from the Perspective of a Native Woman

10:00am - 10:15am Refreshments

10:30am - 12:00pm Liturgy - Principal Celebrant: Most Reverend James Wall, Gallup, NM

12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch

1:00pm Board busses to Crazy Horse Monument for **Cultural Afternoon**

4:30pm - 6:45pm Dinner will be staggered due to size of group

7:00pm Board busses to Best Western Ramkota, AmericInn and Microtel

July 22 - Saturday

6:00am - 6:30am Sunrise Service - outdoors in the gazebo area

8:15am - 8:45am Morning prayer / Announcements

8:45am - 9:45am Keynote Address: Panel - Father Joe Doust S.J., Bill White & Clementine Bordeaux

9:45am - 10:00am Refreshments

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Tentative Adult Agenda

Saturday, July 22, 2017 Continued

Workshops

- 10:00am - 11:00am A: Mary Mother of the Lakota - Rich May
B: The Holy Life & Legacy of Nicholas Black Elk - Mark Thiel
C: Grief to healing in the Spirit of St. Kateri - Rose Morrison
D: Teach someone to Fish and You Feed Them for Life. Give Someone a Fish and They are Hungry in an Hour - Paul McMenamam

Workshops

- 11:00am - 12:00pm A: The Doctrine of Discovery, Sovereignty and the Catholic Church - Rev. Michael Carson
B: Faith Expression through Art - Barbara Sokolow
C: Our Sacred Ecology - Sylvia Mendivil Salazar
D: "So, Serra Has Been Canonized, What Now - The Response of the California Bishops to the Canonization of Fr. Serra" - Most Rev. Edward Clark

12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch

Workshops

- 1:15pm - 2:15pm A: The Holy Life & Legacy of Nicholas Black Elk - Mark Thiel
B: Native Petitions in Support of the Canonization - Kellie Hogue
C: The Process of Adaptation in Liturgical Inculturation - Dr. Martin & Dr. Gresczyk
D: "Voices From the Past" - Lillian Witt, Geraldine Goes In Center & Joyce Jefferson
- 2:15pm - 2:30pm Refreshments
2:30pm - 3:45pm Regional Meetings: Individual Regions 1 - 6 will meet at this time.
4:00pm Liturgy: Principal Celebrant: Most Reverend Robert D. Gruss, Bishop of Rapid City c
5:30pm - 7:00pm Dinner
7:00pm - 9:30pm Pow Wow
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Intertribal/Social Dances

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Rapid City Convention and Visitors Bureau
Best Western Ramkota Representative -
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Workshops

- 10:45am - 12:00pm A: Parfleche's - Jennifer Stover & Sheila Murdock (ages 4 - 9)
B: Hands of Faith: 4 Directions - Nakina Mills (ages 10-12)
C: The Holy Life & Legacy of Nicholas Black Elk - Mark Thiel (ages 13-17)

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Tentative Youth Agenda

Thursday, July 20, 2017 Continued

12:00pm - 1:15pm Lunch

Workshops

- 1:30pm - 2:30pm A: Tipis - Jennifer Stover & Sheila Murdock (ages 4 - 9)
B: Lakota Language Games - Tamatane P'atala (ages 10 - 12)
C: Arts & Crafts Session 1 - Ben BlackBear III & Jennifer BlackBear (ages 13-17)

2:30pm - 2:45pm Refreshments

Workshops

- 2:45pm - 3:45pm A: Bow & Arrows - Jennifer Stover & Sheila Murdock (ages 4 - 9)
B: Disciples of Love - J. Charles McGaa (ages 10 - 12)
C: Arts & Crafts/Prayer Session 2 - Ben BlackBear III & Jennifer BlackBear (ages 13 - 17)

4:00pm - 5:30pm Liturgy - Principal Celebrant: Most Rev. Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, OFM Cap.

5:30pm - 7:00pm Dinner

7:00pm - 9:30pm Prayer & Scripture

Healing and Reconciliation Service

July 21 - Friday

6:00am - 6:30am Sunrise Service - outdoors in the gazebo area

8:30am - 9:00am Morning prayer / Announcements

Workshops

- 9:00am - 10:00am A: Create your own Kateri Story Book - Jennifer Stover, Sheila Murdock, Cante & Mia (ages 4 - 9)
B: The Rhythmic Beat of Kateri's Love - Mary Ann Reddoch (ages 10-12)
C: Arts & Crafts Session 3 - Ben BlackBear III & Jennifer BlackBear (ages 13 - 17)

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Saturday - July 22

6:00am - 6:30am Sunrise Service - outdoors in the gazebo area

8:15am - 8:45am Morning prayer / Announcements

Workshops

- 8:45am - 9:45am A: The Lakota Creation Story - Lawrence Swalley (ages 4-12)
B: Arts & Crafts Session 4 - Ben BlackBear III & Jennifer BlackBear (ages 13 - 17)

10:00am Youth Board busses to go to the Journey Museum and The Museum of Geology
2 groups ages 4-10 & ages 11-17

10:15am - 11:45am Group one and group two visit respective museums

11:50am Board Busses

12:00pm - 1:30pm Lunch in the Park

1:30pm Board Busses

1:45pm - 2:45pm Visit Museum

2:55pm Board Busses to return to Best Western Ramkota

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Reminder: Saint Kateri Tekakwitha is Patroness of Ecology

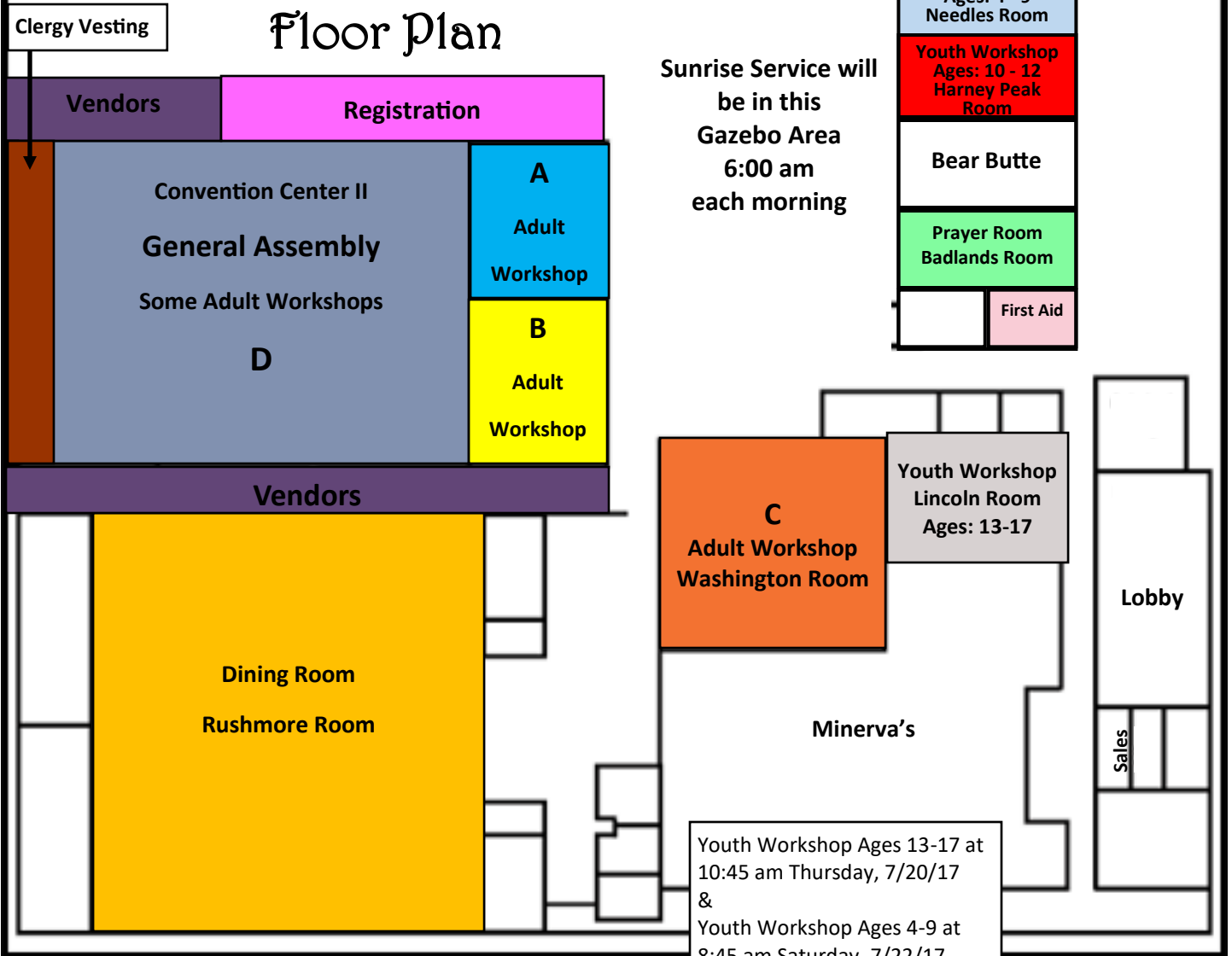
Assist us in the recycling efforts.

If you have your lanyard and/or conference bag from previous years, please use them this year when you come to Rapid City, SD for the 78th Annual Conference.



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Floor Plan



Youth Workshop Ages 13-17 at 10:45 am Thursday, 7/20/17 & Youth Workshop Ages 4-9 at 8:45 am Saturday, 7/22/17 will be in the Adult Workshop room Sylvan II
[Adult workshop room Sylvan \(yellow\)](#)