

ST. MARY OF THE ROCKIES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays Tuesday-Friday 8:30AM, Saturday Evening 4:00PM
Sunday Morning 9:00AM, Weekday Holy Days 9:00AM & 6:00PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday Evening 3:00PM - 3:45PM
Thursday Morning 9:00AM - 10:00AM

Adoration

Thursday Morning 9:00AM concluding with
Benediction at 10:00AM
For weddings, contact the office six months in advance
Other Sacraments, contact the office
Religious Education, contact the office

Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

August 13, 2023

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation. Psalm 97



Saturday, August 12 Mass at 4:00PM

Weekday In Ordinary Time
For: Clyde Johnson (D) By: Friends
Sunday, August 13 Mass at 9:00AM
Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
For: Living and deceased parishioners of
St. Mary of the Rockies

Monday, August 14 NO MASS

St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr
Tuesday, August 15 Mass at 9:00AM
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Holy Day of Obligation
For: Michael Cisneros (D) By: Grace Velasquez

Tuesday, August 15 Mass at 6:00PM

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Holy Day of Obligation
For: Living and deceased parishioners of
St. Mary of the Rockies

Wednesday, August 16 Mass at 8:30AM

Weekday In Ordinary Time
For: Tom Mann (D) By: Friends

Thursday, August 17 Mass at 8:30AM

Weekday In Ordinary Time
For: Abigail Loebig (L)

Friday, August 18 Mass at 8:30AM

Weekday In Ordinary Time
For: Vincent Kraft (L) By: Family

Saturday, August 19 Mass at 4:00PM

Weekday In Ordinary Time
For: Ray and Juanita Johnson (D) By: Friends

Sunday, August 20 Mass at 9:00AM

Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time
For: Living and deceased parishioners of
St. Mary of the Rockies



Prayer
Works



**Bret Melby, Alma Jerome,
Lauren Kott Jorgensen**

We encourage parishioners to pray for our friends and family members. Contact the office with requests to add or remove names, 303-838-2375.

Names will remain on this list for four (4) weeks unless otherwise requested.

May Jesus, the Divine Physician, restore them to the fullness of life and health and liberate them from all afflictions, let us pray to the Lord.

Readings for the week of August 13



Sunday: 1Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14;
Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Monday: Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16;
1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17;
Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6;
Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22; 24;
Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15

THE WISDOM OF THE SAINTS

“Both spiritual companionship and spiritual motherliness are not limited to the physical wife and mother relationship, but they extend to all people with whom woman comes into contact.” St. Edith Stein

We as a family of faith encourage the full and active participation of all members in Worship of our God, by learning about and sharing our Catholic faith and by developing a loving community of care and concern for one another.

Saturday August 19, 4:00PM Mass

EMHC: Shirley Moroney

Lector: Bob Salentine

Sacristan: Roger Moroney

Collections: Lynn & Bob Salentine

Sunday August 20, 9:00AM Mass

EMHC: Ginny & John Pawlik

Lector: Olivia & Rosaline Miller

Sacristan: J. Merritt

Collections: J. Merritt

August Church Linens - Brenda Spomer

Counter(s), August 14 - Laura Reid



Fiscal Year 2023/20224

Offertory Budget: \$132,800

Weekly Offertory Budget: \$2,554

August 5/6: \$3,732

Online Giving: \$1,263

Difference: \$2,441 More—Thank you!



2023 Returning God's Gifts Goal: \$9,211

Pledged: \$9,179 Percent of Goal Pledged: 99%

Collected: \$7,663 Percent of Goal Collected: 83%

Today's 'Wisdom Of The Saints' Author

Edith Stein, St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

Edith Stein hardly seemed Catholic-saint material. She, a precocious Jewish child, rejected God as a teen at the turn of this century in Breslau, Germany (now Wroclaw, Poland). But even as a child Edith was, at heart, a radical, one who goes to the radix, the roots. When she became convinced of the truth of an idea, her life fell into place around it.



Her youthful unruliness ended, for example, when she became intellectually convinced at age seven that her mother's and sister's guidance would be good for her. But she rejected her mother's Jewish piety. She later rejected God because she saw little evidence that most believers, whether Jew or Christian, really believed. If there was nothing there, she wasn't going to play the game.

But there was something there for Edith, even as World War I unfolded and then the Nazi movement. That something led to a remarkable life of faith, cut short at age 51 by her gas-chamber murder at Auschwitz.

Edith Stein was a brilliant woman who, in her 20's, joined Europe's leading philosophers. She was attracted to the philosophy of Edmund Husserl, father of a philosophical school that sought to explain the connection between the visible world and the world of ideas and values.

Along the way she studied with Christian intellectuals. At age 30, in 1921, she picked up the autobiography of Saint Teresa of Avila in a friend's library and couldn't put it down. "This is the truth!" she told herself upon completing the book. For Edith Stein, that meant irreversible change.

She was baptized in 1922. She took a position teaching at a Dominican college for women teachers in Speyer, Germany. Although she desired to become a Carmelite, she was advised to wait because her conversion had been so hard on her mother. She took private religious vows. At Speyer she studied the philosophy of Thomas Aquinas and translated his treatise *The Truth into German* for the first time. Soon she began lecturing widely in Europe, to women's groups, on the education and role of Catholic women.

When the Nazis blocked her, as a Jew, from teaching, she was forced to make a life-changing decision. To her mother's dismay, she entered the Carmelites as Sister Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. She led a deliberate life of holiness and self-offering. The Nazis forced her to wear a Star of David.

As the safety of anyone with Jewish heritage evaporated, she fled from her Carmelite monastery in Cologne to Carmel in Echt, Holland. But there was no escape. When the Dutch bishops spoke out against the Nazis, the Third Reich retaliated by rounding up all Jewish converts to Catholicism in Holland. In a filthy, crowded boxcar they were transported to Poland. Edith was murdered in the gas chambers of Auschwitz on August 9, 1942. Her sister Rosa, who had also converted and who stayed close to Edith, was killed with her.

Edith was credited with the miracle of returning a little girl to health whose liver had been to the point she would die without a transplant.

Pope John Paul II canonized her as Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, confessor and martyr, on October 11, 1998. Is canonizing a Jew-turned-Catholic an insult to Judaism? Some Jewish people think so. The tragedy of the Holocaust is so great that efforts to memorialize Edith Stein's death at Auschwitz have been controversial.

(franciscanmedia.org)

THE BEATITUDES

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy."

Mercy is one of the attributes of God. Therefore, it seems obvious that this Beatitude is an open invitation from the Lord to temper our natural thirst for justice with a merciful attitude of heart. We are thus invited to be imitators of God, to be merciful as God is merciful.

At times, some of us may find it difficult to put this beatitude into practice, and it may almost seem necessary for us to experience our own need for God's mercy before we start dispensing mercy to others. If the Lord shows His mercy and compassion to each of us in spite of our weakness and sinfulness, so must we reciprocate and be imitators of Him by showing the same attitude of mercy and compassion towards others.

In our daily moments of prayer, especially as we recite the Our Father, we must learn to ponder in all simplicity the many times that we ourselves have been the recipients of God's mercy and forgiveness. And as we thank our Father in heaven for His infinite mercies with each of us, we can also ask Him for the grace to imitate Him closely as we try to dispense mercy and forgiveness to our neighbor. To remain at peace with God means to be at peace with our neighbor, who is made in God's image as we are.

In this particular beatitude, Jesus urges us to be merciful to others as our heavenly Father is merciful with us. Many people find it hard to forgive and thus show mercy to others. Yet the Lord's teaching is clear and concise: we can only reap the benefits of His forgiveness and mercy if we ourselves follow His example and do likewise unto others.

Hearing God proclaim, "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy," should lift our hearts to a state of new hope. We can be reassured that our lives are in a safe place, surrounded as we are by God's bottomless mercy. Even when we stumble and fall into sin, we know the Lord is ready to welcome us back into His merciful embrace if only we learn to act mercifully towards others.

(Excerpted from Simply Living The Beatitudes, by Brother Victor-Antoine d'Avila-Latourette continued in the next bulletin.)

What do you call a Frenchman in sandals?
Philippe Philoppe.



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