

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



The Transfiguration Of The Lord

The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth.

August 6, 2023

Psalm 97

Saturday, August 5 Mass at 9:00AM

Saturday Rosary Devotion After Mass

Saturday, August 5 Mass at 4:00PM

Weekday In Ordinary Time

For: Maddie Mann & Family (L)

By: Marlene & Phil Fedeli

Sunday, August 6 Mass at 9:00AM

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

For: Living and deceased parishioners of
St. Mary of the Rockies

Monday, August 7 NO MASS

Weekday In Ordinary Time

Tuesday, August 8 Mass at 8:30AM

St. Dominic, Priest

For: Tom Mann (D) By: Friends

Wednesday, August 9 Mass at 8:30AM

Weekday In Ordinary Time

For: Abigail Loebig (L)

Thursday, August 10 Mass at 8:30AM

St. Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr

For: Kott Family (L) By: Friends

Friday, August 11 Mass at 8:30AM

St. Clare, Virgin

For: Paula Rowe (D) By: Family

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



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 6

Sunday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17;
Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13 Ps 51:3-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36

Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29a, 34-35;
Ps 106:6-7, 13-14; 21-23; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2; 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 17:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20



THE WISDOM OF THE SAINTS

“Your accumulated offenses do not surpass the multitude of God’s mercies: your wounds do not surpass the great Physician’s skills.” St. Cyril of Jerusalem

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 12, 4:00PM Mass

EMHC: Janice Kraft

Lector: Steve Bort

Sacristan: OPEN

Collections: Jean Bort

Sunday August 13, 9:00AM Mass

EMHC: Kathy & Glenn Pence

Lector: Laura Reid

Sacristan: J. Merritt

Collections: J. Merritt

August Church Linens - Brenda Spomer

Counter(s), August 7 - Lew Maris



Fiscal Year 2023/20224

Offertory Budget: \$132,800

Weekly Offertory Budget: \$2,554

July 29/30: \$1,265

Online Giving: \$515

Difference: \$774 Less



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

Pledged: \$9,149 Percent of Goal Pledged: 99%

Collected: \$7,632 Percent of Goal Collected: 83%

Today's 'Wisdom Of The Saints' Author

St. Cyril of Jerusalem (Cir. 315-386)

The crises that the Church faces today may seem minor when compared with the threat posed by the Arian heresy, which denied the divinity of Christ and almost overcame Christianity in the fourth century. Cyril was to be caught up in the controversy, accused of Arianism by Saint Jerome, and ultimately vindicated both by the men of his own time and by being declared a Doctor of the Church in 1822.



Raised in Jerusalem and well-educated, especially in the Scriptures, he was ordained a priest by the bishop of Jerusalem and given the task during Lent of catechizing those preparing for Baptism and catechizing the newly baptized during the Easter season. His *Catecheses* remain valuable as examples of the ritual and theology of the Church in the mid-fourth century.

There are conflicting reports about the circumstances of his becoming bishop of Jerusalem. It is certain that he was validly consecrated by bishops of the province. Since one of them was an Arian, Acacius, it may have been expected that his "cooperation" would follow. Conflict soon rose between Cyril and Acacius, bishop of the rival nearby see of Caesarea. Cyril was summoned to a council, accused of insubordination and of selling Church property to relieve the poor. Probably, however, a theological difference was also involved. He was condemned, driven from Jerusalem, and later vindicated, not without some association with and help from Semi-Arians. Half his episcopate was spent in exile; his first experience was repeated twice. He finally returned to find Jerusalem torn with heresy, schism and strife, and wracked with crime. Even Saint Gregory of Nyssa, who was sent to help, left in despair.

They both went to the Council of Constantinople, where the amended form of the Nicene Creed was promulgated in 381. Cyril accepted the word *consubstantial*—that is, Christ is of the same substance or nature as the Father. Some said it was an act of repentance, but the bishops of the Council praised him as a champion of orthodoxy against the Arians. Though not friendly with the greatest defender of orthodoxy against the Arians, Cyril may be counted among those whom Athanasius called "brothers, who mean what we mean, and differ only about the word *consubstantial*."

Reflection: Those who imagine that the lives of saints are simple and placid, untouched by the vulgar breath of controversy, are rudely shocked by history. Yet, it should be no surprise that saints, indeed all Christians, will experience the same difficulties as their Master. The definition of truth is an endless, complex pursuit, and good men and women have suffered the pain of both controversy and error. Intellectual, emotional, and political roadblocks may slow up people like Cyril for a time. But their lives taken as a whole are monuments to honesty and courage. (*franciscanmedia.org*)

THE BEATITUDES

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled."

In the New Testament we hear Christ's voice calling for justice and unity among all people, as brothers and sisters who share the same divine life received from one and the same Father of all. Justice is still very elusive these days, as it was during the time of the prophets and early days of Christ. Discrimination, division, and prejudice still exist in our society, and right here in our country people often separate themselves based on race, nationality, politics, social status, or economic background. Two thousand years of Christianity seem to have barely impacted the socioeconomic standing of most of the world population. We, the so-called Christians, have not always heeded the Lord's message to work to make justice a reality for our brothers and sisters, often destitute and oppressed.

Part and parcel of our personal conversion and with it the decision to follow the Lord closely, must include the Gospel imperative to work to change this unjust social structure in our world. We must seek more humane laws and attempt to foster the well being of everyone. To hunger and thirst for justice, according to Christ's counsel, means to work for a just and decent standard of living for all.

Wherever he is placed by God in the world, the Christian can be a small fertile seed that is planted to encourage decent and just standards of human living: adequate nourishment, medical care, a solid education, and decent working conditions for all.

The Scriptures are clear that justice means making possible structures that allow all of us to become more fully human, in the image and likeness of God. This is a true challenge for the Christian, but with the help of God's grace—and by following the example of Jesus—it is possible for us to achieve it. Besides, a tenderhearted attitude of compassion for God's oppressed and defenseless children is a much needed manifestation of the Gospel in today's world.

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

**What do you call a wizard who's good with ceramics?
Harry Pottery.**

