

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

Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time
Come, let us bow down in worship.

September 10, 2023
Psalm 95



Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 9 Mass at 4:00PM

St. Peter Claver, Priest
For: Living and deceased parishioners of
St. Mary of the Rockies

Sunday, September 10 Mass at 9:00AM

Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time
For: Patriots Day By: KofC #3138

Monday, September 11 NO MASS

Weekday In Ordinary Time

Tuesday, September 12 Mass at 8:30AM

Weekday In Ordinary Time
For: Angelo Gomez (D) By: Sauser Family

Wednesday, September 13 Mass at 8:30AM

St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
For: Diana Chavez (D) By: Grace Velasquez

Thursday, September 14 Mass at 8:30AM

Exaltation Of The Holy Cross
For: Andrew DeHerrera (D) By: Sauser Family

Friday, September 15 Mass at 8:30AM

Our Lady Of Sorrows
For: Tom Mann (D) By: Grace Velasquez

Saturday, September 16 Mass at 4:00PM

Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
For: Ray & Juanita Johnson (D) By: Friends

Sunday, September 17 Mass at 9:00AM

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



**Bret Melby, Alma Jerome,
Lauren Kott Jorgensen, Richard Timko,
Chelsea Craver**

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 September 10

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10;
Mt 18:15-20

Monday: Col 1:24-2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1b-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11;
Jn 3:13-17

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2; 12-14; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11; Jn 19:25-27

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1-7; Lk 6:43-49



THE WISDOM OF THE SAINTS

“The devil is afraid of us when we pray and make sacrifices. He is also afraid when we are humble and good. He is especially afraid when we love Jesus very much. He runs away when we make the Sign of the Cross.”
St. Anthony of Padua

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 September 16, 4:00PM Mass

EMHC: Luci Berardi
Lector: Janice kraft
Sacristan: Roger Moroney
Collections: OPEN

Sunday September 17, 9:00AM Mass

EMHC: Ginny & John Pawlik
Lector: Glenn Pence
Sacristan: J. Merritt
Collections: J. Merritt
September Church Linens - Kathy Pence
Counter(s), September 11—Laura Reid



Fiscal Year 2023/20224
Offertory Budget: \$132,800
Weekly Offertory Budget: \$2,554
September 9/10: \$2,085
Online Giving: \$903
Difference: \$434 More—Thank you!



2023 Returning God's Gifts Goal: \$9,211
Pledged: \$9,149 Percent of Goal Pledged: 99.3%
Collected: \$7,894 Percent of Goal Collected: 86%

The Seven Sorrows of Mary
Feast Day September 15

Let us enter into the mind and heart of Mary and reflect on the seven major sorrows in her life. Our Sorrowful Mother can teach us much about the sanctity of suffering and be a source of consolation to all who suffer. The Church celebrates the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15.

First Sorrow: The Prophecy of Simeon

"And you yourself a sword will pierce" (Lk 2:35).

When Mary's 40-day period of purification was almost ended, she goes to Jerusalem to fulfill the Mosaic Law and for the required offering to the Lord of every firstborn male. The law of purification does not bind Mary, always a virgin. Nor does Jesus, because of who He is, have to be redeemed. Yet Mary humbly obeys.

After the ceremony, imagine young Mary's amazement when Simeon takes Jesus from her arms and acknowledges Him as the Messiah! Only through divine inspiration can Simeon know this. Simeon blesses them and says to Mary, "And you yourself a sword will pierce".

Mary shudders and hold sJesus close to her breast, as Joseph gently leads her out of the temple. Although Joseph is deeply shaken, his primary concern is for his wife and son. They return to Nazareth in silence, where Mary ponders these things in her heart.

Second Sorrow: The Flight into Egypt

"An angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt and stay there until I tell you. Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him' " (Mt 2:13).

Joseph hastily awakens Mary and relates his dream. She feels the sword's sharpness as Simeon's prophecy echoes in her heart. There is not time to worry—only time to pack a few essentials—as they prepare to flee to Egypt under cover of darkness.

The lengthy journey across the desert wilderness frightens Mary, but she never voices her fear to Joseph. However, she can't help but think, *Will there be enough food and water? How will we weather the excessive heat? What if the donkey stumbles? What if...?* The "what-ifs" could have paralyzed a person of little faith. But Mary continues to trust that God will take care of her little family's needs.

None of this is recorded, so we can only imagine the hardships that the Holy Family endured while in exile. One thing is certain: nothing can sway Mary's trust in God. She never questions. She ponders, letting the things she doesn't understand simply be there in her heart, in complete conformity to the divine plan. Mary is a model of cooperation with grace..

Jeanette Martino Land (franciscanmedia.org) Continued in next bulletin.

THE BEATITUDES

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

To become a true peacemaker after the image and example of the Lord Himself is to accept the risk of being controversial, counter-cultural, and thus to often get rejected. It takes a great deal of faith in God's word and an inner fortitude to accept the challenge to become a peacemaker in our time. To work for peace is to accept the ministry of reconciliation among all people, among those hostile to each other, among nations at war, among family, neighbors, and churches involved in discord.

The Christian peacemaker needs to imitate the Lord in his interactions with others. Jesus shows in the Gospel a great deal of humility, simplicity, and sincerity, as well as special tact and wisdom as He interacts with others. It is never a question of being pushy or manipulative, of coercing or forcing others to accept His way. On the contrary, to all He gives this invitation: "Learn from Me, for I am meek and humble of heart." The Lord, by His very conduct and example, shows His disciples that true peace is achieved by inner conversion and a change of heart and attitude in each of us. This change of attitude allows us to interact and relate to others as Jesus did in His time: sincerely, peacefully, with simplicity, and in a straightforward manner.

All the beatitudes are tightly intertwined, and thus are the actions of those who thirst for justice and work for peace for the sake of the Gospel. To truly become a peacemaker, one must also embrace fully the call to work for justice: "Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled." The works of justice, the works of mercy, and the works of peace are all necessary to receive and expand the kingdom of God on earth.

As true disciples of Jesus, we accept the Gospel challenge to live out these beatitudes openly in our world today, in the midst of society and the Church. Thus we become the Lord's living witnesses, promoting and extending the kingdom of God—a kingdom of justice, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

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

**What do you call a kangaroo's lazy joey?
A pouch potato.**

