

# 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

## Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time October 27, 2024

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy. Psalm 126



### Saturday, October 26 Mass at 4:00P

Weekday In Ordinary Time  
For: Mary Beth & John Patterson (L) By: Friends

### Sunday, October 27 Mass at 9:00AM

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

### Monday, October 28 NO MASS

Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

### Tuesday, October 29 Mass at 8:30AM

Weekday In Ordinary Time

For: Brian Kraft (L) By: Family

### Wednesday, October 30 Mass at 8:30AM

Weekday In Ordinary Time

For: Gary Loebig (L) By: Bill Loebig

### Thursday, October 31 Mass at 8:30AM

Weekday In Ordinary Time

For: Abigail Loebig (L) By: Family

### Friday, November 1 Mass at 9:00AM

All Saints—Holy Day of Obligation

First Friday Devotion directly after Mass

For: Hank Miller (D) By: Sauser Family

### Friday, November 1 Mass at 6:00PM

All Saints—Holy Day of Obligation

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

### Saturday, November 2 Mass at 9:00AM

All Souls Day

Does not meet your weekend Mass obligation

Saturday Rosary Devotion directly after Mass

### Saturday, November 2 Mass at 4:00PM

All Souls Day

For: Toby Keith (D) By: Sauser Family

### Sunday, November 3 Mass at 9:00AM

Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

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

Mass Intentions for the week



Bret Melby, Alma Jerome,  
Alex Young, Mike Pesta, Brian Kohl,  
Albert Rhein & Family, Jeri Lemkuhl,  
Maddie Mann, Mary Beth Raiichart,  
Karen Taylor, Michele Salentine, Darrell Bracy

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 October 27

**Sunday:** Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6;

Mk 10:46-52

**Monday:** Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16

**Tuesday:** Eph 5:21-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21

**Wednesday:** Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30

**Thursday:** Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 13:22-30

**Friday:** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-4b, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3;

Mt 5:1-12a

**Saturday:** Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11; Jn 6:37-40



## *The Wisdom Of The Saints - Faith*

*“The faith of those who live their faith is a serene faith. What you long for will be given you; what you love will be yours forever.” St. Pope Leo the Great*

We strive to be the living presence of Jesus Christ in our community life, our worship of God and forming our children and adults in the Catholic Faith. We, as a parish, believe in good stewardship of what God has given us by sharing our gifts of time, talent and treasure with others.

**Saturday November 2, 4:00PM Mass**

**EMHC:** Luci Berardi  
**Lector:** Janice Kraft  
**Sacristan:** Roger Moroney  
**Collections:** OPEN

**Sunday November 3, 9:00AM Mass**

**EMHC:** Kathy & Glenn Pence  
**Lector:** Glenn Pence  
**Sacristan:** J. Merritt  
**Collections:** J. Merritt  
**November Church Linens** - Melanie Brown  
**Counter(s), October 28** – Felix Beall



**Fiscal Year 2024/2025**  
**Offertory Budget: \$132,800**  
**Weekly Offertory Budget: \$2,554**  
**October 19/20: \$1,241**  
**Online Giving: \$683**  
**Difference: \$630 Less**



**2024 Returning God's Gifts Goal: \$8,117**  
*Pledged: \$8,625 Percent of Goal Pledged: 106%*  
*Collected: \$8,469 Percent of Goal Collected: 104*

**The Story of the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**

The Church has encouraged prayer for the dead from the earliest times as an act of Christian charity. "If we had no care for the dead," St. Augustine noted, "we would not be in the habit of praying for them." Yet pre-Christian rites for the deceased retained such a strong hold on the superstitious imagination that a liturgical commemoration was not observed until the early Middle Ages, when monastic communities began to mark an annual day of prayer for the departed members.

In the middle of the 11th century, Saint Odilo, abbot of Cluny, France, decreed that all Cluniac monasteries offer special prayers and sing the Office for the Dead on November 2, the day after the feast of All Saints. The custom spread from Cluny and was finally adopted throughout the Roman Church.

The theological underpinning of the feast is the acknowledgment of human frailty. Since few people achieve perfection in this life but, rather, go to the grave still scarred with traces of sinfulness, some period of purification seems necessary before a soul comes face-to-face with God. The Council of Trent affirmed this purgatory state and insisted that the prayers of the living can speed the process of purification.

Superstition easily clung to the observance. Medieval popular belief held that the souls in purgatory could appear on this day in the form of witches, toads or will-o'-the-wisps. Graveside food offerings supposedly eased the rest of the dead.

Observances of a more religious nature have survived. These include public processions or private visits to cemeteries and decorating graves with flowers and lights. This feast is observed with great fervor in Mexico.

**Reflection**

Whether or not one should pray for the dead is one of the great arguments which divide Christians. Appalled by the abuse of indulgences in the Church of his day, Martin Luther rejected the concept of purgatory. Yet prayer for a loved one is, for the believer, a way of erasing any distance, even death. In prayer we stand in God's presence in the company of someone we love, even if that person has gone before us into death. (*franciscanmedia.org*)

There are remembrance envelopes in the pews for your use to participate in the general Mass intentions for the faithful departed during the month of November. Please write the names of those you wish to have remembered during Masses in 2025. The usual stipend is \$10. It is not necessary to make a financial donation, but, as always, it will be appreciated.

**St. Mary of the Rockies Social Hour**  
**Free coffee and donuts. Come join us!**  
**Sunday, November 10, after Mass in the Church basement.**



**Hope and Healing After Abortions**  
**Rachel's Vineyard Colorado**  
**Catholic Healing Retreat, November 8th - 10th**

*Are you or someone you know suffering from the pain of an abortion? You are not alone. There is hope and healing after abortion. Please call to learn more about our confidential Rachel's Vineyard Colorado Catholic Retreat in Evergreen, November 8th - 10th.*

For more information:  
Call: Lori (303) 904-7414 (no texts please)  
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***Before the crowbar was invented, crows had to drink at home.***