

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

Fifth Sunday Of Lent

Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness.

March 17, 2024

Psalm 51



Mass
Intentions

Saturday, March 16 Mass at 4:00PM

Lenten Weekday

For: Cas Spokas (D) By: Friends

Sunday, March 17 Mass at 9:00AM

Fifth Sunday Of Lent

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

Monday, March 18 NO MASS

Lenten Weekday

Tuesday, March 19 Mass at 8:30AM

St. Joseph, Spouse Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

For: Alberta Rowe (D) By: Family

Wednesday, March 20 Mass at 8:30AM

Lenten Weekday

For: Judy Lamb (L) By: Friend

Thursday, March 21 Mass at 8:30AM

Lenten Weekday

For: John Jacob Search (D) By: Family

Friday, March 22 Mass at 8:30AM

Lenten Weekday

For intentions of the November prayer basket

Saturday, March 23 Mass at 4:00PM

Lenten Weekday

For: Bret Steck (D) By: Friends

Sunday, March 24 Mass at 9:00AM

Palm Sunday

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



**Bret Melby, Alma Jerome,
Chelsea Craver, Alex Young,
Mike Pesta, Brian Kohl, Waylon Dardano,
Albert Rhein & Family, Dan McCafferty**

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 March 17

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9;

Jn 12:20-33

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Ps 23:1-6;

Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;

Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; My 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; (Ps) Dn 3:52-56;

Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; (Ps) Jer 31:16-13;

Jn 11:45-56



The Wisdom Of The Saints

“Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier.”

St. Teresa of Calcutta

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 March 23, 4:00PM Mass

EMHC: Luci Berardi
Lector: Lew Maris
Sacristan: Roger Moroney
Collections: OPEN



Sunday March 24, 9:00AM Mass

EMHC: Grace Velasquez & Douglas Gould
Lector: Laura Reid
Sacristan: Tom Karnowka
Collections: OPEN

March Church Linens - Brenda Spomer
Counter(s), March 18 - Lew Maris



Fiscal Year 2023/20224
Offertory Budget: \$132,800
Weekly Offertory Budget: \$2,554
March 9/10: \$2,472
Online Giving: \$933
Difference: \$851 More—Thank you!

2024 Returning God's Gifts Goal: \$8,117
Pledged: \$4,098 Percent of Goal Pledged: 51%
Collected: \$1,656 Percent of Goal Collected: 20%

Reflect

When we are wronged, offering forgiveness is not often our natural response. Yet God asks us to forgive not for empty piety, but to help our souls heal. May this prayer aid you in the work of your heart.

Pray

Holy Spirit,
Be a comforter in my wounded places.
Where I have been painfully wronged,
grant me the grace to extend forgiveness.
Help me create the boundaries I need to continue to love without allowing myself to be hurt in the same way again.
I pray I may be whole and free and able to forgive. Amen.

Act

Who do you need to forgive? Use this prayer to help you extend forgiveness while discerning what the repaired relationship might look like.



Catholics are obligated to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at least once a year.

Now might be a good time.

LENT PENANCE SERVICE

SUNDAY MARCH 17TH, 10:00AM



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, March 22, 4:30PM

Friday, March 29, 4:00PM followed by Good Friday Service

Good Friday is an obligatory day of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. Catholics (14+) are to abstain from meat. Catholics (18-59) are to fast.

The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection.

PALMS

Palm Sunday Is March 24

Sometimes the simplest things have the deepest meanings. The significance of a gold cross on a chain around someone's neck visually expresses that individual's faith. A small silver coin with the image of St. Michael imprinted on it instills strength to combat fears. Beads on a chain worn by touch provide hope and comfort. All three of these items provide a way for the faithful to be closer to God. But other similar objects do not appear to get as much reverence. One such item, typically put on a shelf or hung behind a religious picture and forgotten, is the blessed palm from Palm Sunday Mass.

Palm Sunday marks the sixth and final Sunday of Lent, and the beginning of Holy Week. This feast celebrates Jesus' "triumphal entry" into Jerusalem. While shouting "Hosanna," crowds threw down clothes and palms on the path in front of Him. Less than a week later, the same crowds would shout "Crucify Him, Crucify Him."

Before the Palm Sunday Mass on that day, the palms are solemnly blessed. Parishioners are directed to wave their palms as the priest processes in, and they are encouraged to hold their palms throughout the reading of the Passion.

*Because the palm branches used for Palm Sunday have been blessed by a priest, they are now **sacramentals**. Parishioners can return their palms to the church or take them home and keep them for a year. **Sacramentals** must be treated with great respect, and these palms are never to be thrown away. The blessed palms can be given back to the church to be burned for Ash Wednesday, or they can be returned to nature by burying or burning them with the ashes spread outside.*

The simple palm branch is a reminder that God is a God of change. He can change blindness to sight. The lame walk. Lepers are cleansed. The deaf hear. He can transform sickness into health. Death to life. He can change a Good Friday into an Easter Sunday. That small palm branch in parishioners' hands reminds them every day that God can transform their lives.

His victory over death – that is the victory represented in the palms. *(excerpted from Diocese of Miami)*



I am not going to wear glasses anymore. I have seen enough.

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