

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

Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time
It is good to give thanks to the Lord.

March 2, 2025
Psalm 92

*Thankyou
Lord*

Saturday, March 1, Mass at 9:00AM

Saturday Rosary Devotion After Mass
Does not meet your weekend Mass obligation

Saturday, March 1 Mass at 4:00PM

Weekday In Ordinary Time

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

Sunday, March 2 Mass at 9:00AM

Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

For: November Prayer Basket

Monday, March 3 NO MASS

Weekday In Ordinary Time

Tuesday, March 4 Mass at 8:30AM

Weekday In Ordinary Time

For: Trish Melby (D) By: Family

Wednesday, March 5 Mass at 9:00AM

Ash Wednesday

For: Souls In Purgatory and Blessed Virgin Mary

By: Private

Wednesday, March 5 Mass at 6:00PM

Ash Wednesday

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

Thursday, March 6 Mass at 8:30AM

Thursday After Ash Wednesday

For: Phyllis Taylor (D) By: Grace Velasquez

Friday, March 7 Mass at 8:30AM

Friday After Ash Wednesday

First Friday Devotion After Mass

For: November Prayer Basket

Saturday, March 8 Mass at 4:00PM

Saturday After Ash Wednesday

For: Souls In Purgatory and Blessed Virgin Mary

By: Private

Sunday, March 9 Mass at 9:00AM

First Sunday of Lent

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



**Bret Melby, Alma Jerome, Mike Pesta,
Maddie Mann, Mary Beth Raichart,
Karen Satriano, Sharon Fous,
Kristin Wallace, Pearl Hartling,
Randy Whitesell, Albert Rhein & Family,
Michele Salentine, Jean Anne Saiz,
Hope Pinkelman**

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 2

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58

Monday: Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32: 1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6b, 12-14, 17;

2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6b, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Stations Of The Cross

**Fridays 4:30PM, March 7, 14, 21, 28 & April 4 and 11
Good Friday April 18, 4:00PM**

What's On The Inside Counts

“Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the Lord.”

Joel 2:13

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 March 8, 4:00PM Mass

EMHC: Luci Berardi
Lector: Bob Salentine
Sacristan: Gretchen Dyson
Collections: Lynn & Bob Salentine

Sunday March 9, 9:00AM Mass

EMHC: Grace Velasquez & Ginny Pawlik
Lector: Zak Dombrowski
Sacristan: Tom Karnowka
Collections: Bruce Bohne

March Church Linens - Brenda Spomer

Counter(s), Tues. March 4— Roger & Shirley Moroney



Fiscal Year 2024/2025
Offertory Budget: \$132,800
Weekly Offertory Budget: \$2,554
February 22/23: \$822
Online Giving: \$561
Difference: \$1,171 Less



2025 Returning God's Gifts Goal: \$9,046
Pledged: \$4,089 Percent of Goal Pledged: 45%



Jubilee Year Of Hope

Pope Francis has called for this Jubilee Year (December 24, 2024-January 6, 2026) to "be a moment of genuine, personal encounter with the Lord Jesus." (Spes Non Confundit, 1). This

Jubilee Year Of Hope is a great occasion of grace to help us all to grow in humility, unity, and charity to do the work that the Lord has asked of us in this dynamic and challenging time of the Church's history. May we 'as pilgrims of hope' journey together with the same hope and encouragement that St. Paul gave the Church of Ephesus: "And He gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain the unity of faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God...." (Eph4:11-13).

Bishop James R. Golka

**Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Council
Did you know about...?**

The Parish Pastoral and Finance Councils are made up of lay members of St. Mary of the Rockies who meet quarterly to advise the Pastor on goals and policies pertaining to the spiritual and temporal matters of the parish and to provide accountability for financial and budgetary matters. Our next meeting will be Wednesday **March 12th** at 4:00PM.

Members of the Pastoral and Finance Councils are:

Luci Berardi, Juanita Kursevich, Shirley and Roger Moroney and Carlos and Idy Vasquez

If you have any questions or suggestions concerning worship, community building, faith formation, outreach, budget, finances, or general administration of the parish please contact one of the Council members. You may also email or call the office:

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The girl in the middle of the tennis court is Annette.



The Psalms - The Bible's Prayer Book

Laments (continued from previous bulletin)

They are acts of faith. For even if we do not experience God's closeness, we wholeheartedly believe that God does care. When, if God seems deaf, we believe we can shout loud enough and speak our confusion to Him. The lament psalms remind us that our human minds can take us only so far, and where logic fails, feelings and faith take over. Lamenting is a constructive way to express these feelings. Raging with God and doubt is not a lack of faith, despair is. True lamentation requires great faith.

Interestingly, almost all the lament psalms end on a note of praise (see Ps 6:9-11; 22:23-32). The psalmist teaches us that it takes time to let out all the pain and anger before praise can set in. It is after we lament and get all the negativity out that healing can begin.

The psalms are honest prayers and therefore, do contain some negative images. The psalmist asks God to "break the teeth of the wicked" (Ps 3:7). What the psalmists is saying is: "God, this is how I really feel." Interestingly, God does not rush out and do everything we ask of him when we are angry; rather, God listens and respects our honesty in prayer. In Psalm 137:8-9, the psalmist asks God to smash Babylonian babies against the rock. This sentiment is the wish of the person praying, not God's. Expressing one's anger or rage to God in prayer is healthy. God can handle our anger and will not run away in fear.

Jesus and the Psalms - Jesus, the Jew, learned from and prayed the psalms, which helped him prepare for and live His ministry. What did Jesus learn in praying the psalms that today's Christians can learn? He understood that God hears the cry of the poor (see Ps 34:6) and that the entire universe is in God's hands.

Jesus died praying the psalms from the cross. In the gospels, Jesus prays the first words of Psalm 22, a lament; "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Mk 15:34; Mt 27:46). What sounds like words of despair in Jesus' mouth are words of prayer and promise, for Psalm 22 ends by praising God for hearing and rescuing those who cry out.

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