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

Third Sunday Of Easter

I will praise you Lord, for You have rescued me.

May 4, 2025

Psalm 30



Saturday, May 3 Mass at 9:00AM

Followed by the Saturday Rosary Service Does not meet your weekend Mass obligation

Saturday, May 3 Mass at 4:00PM

Sts. Peter and James, Apostles
For: Living and deceased parishioners
of St. Mary of the Rockies

Sunday, May 4 Mass at 9:00AM

Third Sunday Of Easter

For: Rick Timko (D) By: Private Monday, May 5 NO MASS

Easter Weekday

Tuesday, May 6 Mass at 8:30AM

Easter Weekday

For: Aidan Karashiski (D) By: Private Wednesday, May 7 Mass at 8:30AM

Easter Weekday

For: Trish Ostrowski (D) By: Private Thursday, May 8 Mass at 8:30AM

Easter Weekday

For: Souls In Purgatory & Blessed Virgin Mary

Bv: Private

Friday, May 9 Mass at 8:30AM

Easter Weekday

For: Josh Bronson (L) By: Private Saturday, May 10 Mass at 4:00PM

Easter Weekday

For: Living and deceased parishioners

of St. Mary of the Rockies
Sunday, May 11 Mass at 9:00AM

Fourth Sunday Of Easter

For: Jim McCloskey (D) By: Family



Bret Melby, Alma Jerome, Mike Pesta, Maddie Mann, Mary Beth Raichart, Albert Rhein & Family, Michele Salentine

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 May 4

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;

Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30;

Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a;

Ps 31:3cd-4, 6ab, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40 **Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1b-2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

"This morning my soul is greater than the world since it possesses You, You whom heaven and earth do not contain." Saint Margaret of Cortona

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 May 10, 4:00PM Mass

EMHC: Shirley Moroney Lector: Bob Salentine Sacristan: Roger Moroney

Collections: Lynn & Bob Salentine Sunday May 11, 9:00AM Mass EMHC: Kathy & Glenn Pence

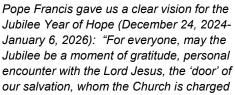
Lector: Glenn Pence Sacristan: Tom Karnowka Collections: Bruce Bohne

May Church Linens - Juanita Kursevich Counter(s), May 5 - Lynn & Bob Salentine





Encountering Christ Our Hope



to proclaim always, everywhere and to all as 'our hope." (continued from previous bulletins)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation Renews our Hope

We also experience hope through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, where we personally encounter the merciful love of Christ. The confessional is God's healing room where He not only forgives us of our sins, but as the Divine Physician, heals the wounds of our hearts and restores us to fullness of life. What great hope we have in this great sacrament of mercy! "The sacrament of Reconciliation is not only a magnificent spiritual gift, but also a decisive, essential and fundamental step on our journey of faith. There, we allow the Lord to erase our sins, to heal our hearts, to raise us up, to embrace us and to reveal to us His tender and compassionate countenance. There is no better way to know God than to let Him reconcile us to Himself (2 Cor 5:20) and savor His forgiveness." (Pope Benedict the XVI)

We strongly encourage all our parishes and schools to make the Sacrament of Reconciliation available to the faithful as much as possible, as well as providing solid catechesis about the sacrament so it can be received with great faith, hope, and fruitfulness. (diocs.org) (continued in future bulletins)

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Those Catholics living in the area and regularly participating in the Liturgy are asked to register as members of the parish. Simply attending Mass does not make one a registered member. Registration is easy; contact the Parish Office—303-838-2375. Or registration forms can be found in the main vestibule of the church. Just fill it out and drop it into the offertory basket.

Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Offertory Budget: \$132,800

Weekly Offertory Budget: \$2,554

April 26/27: \$771 Online Giving: \$601 Difference: \$1,182 Less



2025 Returning God's Gifts Goal: \$9,046 Pledged: \$5,689 Percent of Goal Pledged: 63%

Collected: \$3,490 Percent of Goal Collected: 39%

PURGATORY WHAT THE CHURCH TEACHES

<u>Is Purgatory Painful?</u> The biblical texts that have traditionally been interpreted as allusions to purgatory certainly make it sound as if it's painful. Consider St. Paul's words about purging "fire" (see 1 Cor 3:10-15) and Jesus' warning about "prison" (Mt 5:25-26).

The great teachers of the Church through the ages who have written about purgatory seem to be largely in agreement that it is extremely painful. This conclusion should not surprise us. After all, even in this life, the process we must endure to be purged of the consequences of sin is a painful one.

Like metal with impurities, we must be put through a refiner's fire. Like a patient with a cancerous growth, we must have the growth cut away or cauterized. It hurts, but our healing requires it. God uses painful adversity in this life to purify us; purgatory is simply a continuation of that painful trial, presumably more intense and concentrated.

Nevertheless, we should take consolation in the teaching of St. Catherine of Genoa (1447-1510), in her "Treatise on Purgatory." She insisted that the souls in purgatory, though they suffer terribly are more focused on God than they are on their own sufferings. Despite the pain, then, they also have marvelous joy. They know that they are nearing the end of their journey to heaven and entering there, at the last, is assured.

Think of the excruciating pain a mother must endure in the process of childbirth. Yet her pain is accompanied by great joy over the child who is coming into the world. The purgatorial process, we might say, is like the "birth canal" through which we enter heaven. (continued in future bulletins)

Presentation of Gifts at Mass: Presentation of the water and wine for the Offertory of the Mass is symbolic of the Priesthood of the Laity. If individuals or families would like to bring up the gifts, please sit in the pews to the back of the church. You do not have to be invited to bring up the gifts. Anyone is welcome to bring them to the altar. Please make yourself available for this privilege!



Why are taxes wasted on signs telling deer where to cross the road?