St. Mary of the Rockies
Catholic Church

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Good News!

November 8, 2026
Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Wisdom 6:12-16 / 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 / Matthew 25:1-13
ANN M. GARRIDO

We have entered that time of year when the readings turn our attention toward the "end of time" —that moment we await in which all of God's dreams for us will be realized. The "kingdom of God come." Jesus, like prophets before him, compared this moment to a wedding feast. In Jesus' time, marriage was the most decisive event of one's life, and the wedding feast was the greatest feast families ever celebrated. There was nothing better than a good wedding party-and nothing more embarrassing than a bad one. So much at stake!

In the parable in today's gospel, Jesus focuses on the role of the bridesmaids in making the wedding feast a spectacular event-or not. They are trusted to provide a parade of light to greet the groom as he arrives at his family's home with the bride, but it turns out that not all have prepared adequately.



The parable forces us to consider our own commitment to the Christian life. In baptism, we, too, were given a special role to serve the coming kingdom of God. We, too, were entrusted with a light and told to "keep it burning bright" until that time in which we "come out to greet him." At the beginning of our faith journey, we often embrace this role with much fervor. But we forget that the Christian life takes a good bit of endurance and involves a lot of waiting. We will need oil to keep that light burning bright-the oil of prayer, participation in the sacraments, time spent in study and renewal. No one else can nourish your relationship with God for you. It is something you will need to do yourself.

INFO

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 7: ***Vigil of XXXII Sunday in OT***
4:00PM: For: Living and Deceased Parishioners of SMofR

Sunday, November 8: **XXII Sunday in OT**
9:00AM: For: Rick Timko (D)

Monday, November 9: Dedication of Lateran Basilica
NO MASS

Tuesday, November 10: Saint Leo the Great
8:30AM: For: Souls in Purgatory & Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday, November 11: Saint Martin of Tours
8:30AM: For: John Berres (D)

Thursday, November 12: Saint Josaphat
8:30AM: For: Father John Auer

Friday, November 13: Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini
8:30AM: For: Patricia Guzman

Saturday, November 14: **Vigil of XXXIII Sunday in OT**
4:00PM: For: Bob & Lynn Salentine 50th Anniversary

Sunday, November 14: **XXXIII Sunday in OT**
9:00AM: For: Martha & Arthur DiMeo (D)

JOKE OF THE DAY

What do you call an apology written dots and dashes?

Re-Morse code!

Liturgical Schedule

Daily Masses
Tuesday-Friday: 8:30 AM

Weekend Masses
Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM

Reconciliation
Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 PM
Thursday: 9:10 - 9.50 AM
and by appointment

Holy Days
9:00 AM, 6:00 PM

Holy Hour
Thursday: 9:00am-10:00 AM

Rosary
8.30 AM - Every Sunday before Mass

OFFERTORY

Offertory Budget: $132,800
Weekly Offertory Budget: $2,554
November 1: $2,776.87
Online Giving: $805

2026 Diocesan Ministry Appeal
Goal: $9,038
Collected: $9,140 (101%)

PRAY FOR...

Bret Melby, Alma Jerome, Mike Pesta, David Reid Sr., Virginia Smith, Martha Cassidy, Cecilia Bretz, Gina Reitz, Julie Nelson, Ron Wood

May Jesus, the Divine Physician, restore them to the fullness of llfe and health and liberate them from all afflictions, let us pray to the Lord.

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.

MINISTRIES

Saturday Nov. 14, 4:00PM Mass

EMHC: Karen Taylor

Lector: Janice Kraft

Sacristan: Roger Maroney

Collections: OPEN

Sunday Nov. 15, 9:00AM Mass

EMHC: Barbara Behl

Lector: Laura Reid

Sacristan: Patty Schmidt

Collections: OPEN

November Church Linens

Melanie Brown

Counter(s), November 16

Lynn & Bob Salentine



We will be doing the November Prayer basket again this year and there are remembrance envelopes in the pews for your use. It is not necessary for a financial donation but any would be appreciated. These Mass intentions will be offered calendar year 2027. Please place your envelope in the basket in front of the altar.

We are taking donations on behalf of Life Bridge food pantry for Thanksgiving dinner baskets for our local needy community. A full dinner will be provided for a donation of $60 but any amount is appreciated. You can also purchase a $50 gift card for food at any market as a Christmas gift.

Please make your check out to Life Bridge and drop them in the basket on the side table here in the church. Deadline for donations is November 15th.



Dear Padre

November 8, 2026

What happens to the sacred treasures in a deconsecrated Catholic church?

When a diocesan bishop deconsecrates a church, he issues a decree that removes a church's dedication and relegates it to "profane but not sordid use" when it "cannot be used in any way for divine worship and there is no possibility of repairing it" (Code of Canon Law, 1222). The impossibility of repairing a badly damaged church doesn't mean only an architectural impossibility. Inadequate finances to maintain the church properly, an insufficient number of parishioners to foster ecclesiastical vitality, and a shortage of priests are also grave causes for a church's closure. Decorative appointments and sacred treasures in these relegated churches often find new homes in other churches and religious institutions.

This traditional custom of dissemination is a sign of solidarity with the broader Church and in continuity with its rich heritage. It honors the faith and sacrifices of the charter members when the church was built and the generations that followed. Remaining religious items in a relegated church, such as an unmovable altar,lose their dedication or blessing if they have been destroyed in large part, or have been turned over permanently to profane use by decree of the competent ordinary or in facti (CCL 1238). Stained glass windows, mosaics, and other sacred art that remain in a repurposed church don't lose their aesthetic beauty and evocative power, however. A thing of beauty is a joy for ever, wrote the poet John Keats.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Monday
November 9
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12
1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17
Jn 2:13-22

Tuesday
November 10
St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
Ti 2:1-8, 11-14
Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday
November 11
St. Martin of Tours, Bishop
Ti 3:1-7
Lk 17:11-19

Thursday
November 12
St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
Phlm 7-20
Lk 17:20-25

Friday
November 13
St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
2 Jn 4-9
Lk 17:26-37

Saturday
November 14
Weekday
3 Jn 5-8
Lk 18:1-8

Sunday
November 15
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
1 Thes 5:1-6
Mt 25:14-30
or 25:14-15, 19-21