

# 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

## WELCOME TO ST. MARY OF THE ROCKIES CATHOLIC CHURCH

Today we gather in the great name of Jesus Christ. In Matthew 18:20, Jesus says, 'For where two or three gather in My name, there am I with them.'

Whether this is your first time here or you have been a part of our family for years, we are glad you are with us today.



### Saturday, December 13 Mass at 4:00PM

St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr

For: Judith Salentine (D) By: Friend

### Sunday, December 14 Mass at 9:00AM

Third Sunday Of Advent

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

### Monday, December 15 NO MASS

Advent Weekday

### Tuesday, December 16 NO MASS

Advent Weekday

### Wednesday, December 17 Mass at 8:30AM

Advent Weekday

For: November Prayer Basket

### Thursday, December 18 Mass at 8:30AM

Advent Weekday

For: Souls in Purgatory and Blessed Virgin Mary  
By: Private

### Friday, December 19 Mass at 8:30AM

Advent Weekday

For: Michael Ruby (D) By: Lisa & Tom Rura

### Saturday, December 20 Mass at 4:00PM

Advent Weekday

For: Tom Mann (D) By: Family

### Sunday, December 21 Mass at 9:00AM

Fourth Sunday Of Advent

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



*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.*

**Bret Melby, Alma Jerome, Mike Pesta,  
Mary Beth Raichart, David Reid Sr., Virginia Smith,  
Grace Velasquez, Martha Cassidy**

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.

## Readings for the week of December 14

**Sunday:** Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10;  
Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

**Monday:** Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5b, 6, 7bc, 8-9;  
Mt 21:23-27

**Tuesday:** Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23;  
Mt 21:32

**Wednesday:** Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4b, 7-8, 17;  
Mt 1:1-17

**Thursday:** Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19;  
Mt 1:18-25

**Friday:** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6b, 16-17;  
Lk 1:5-25

**Saturday:** Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38



**Third Sunday Of Advent**  
**Lord, come and save us.**

**December 14, 2025**  
**Ps. 146**



**Saturday December 20, 4:00PM Mass**

**EMHC:** Shirley Moroney

**Lector:** Bob Salentine

**Sacristan:** Roger Moroney

**Collections:** Lynn & Bob Salentine

**Sunday December 21, 9:00AM Mass**

**EMHC:** Kathy & Glenn Pence

**Lector:** Rosalina Miller

**Sacristan:** Tom Karnowka

**Collections:** Tom Karnowka

**December Church Linens** - Juanita Kursevich

**Counter(s), December 15**—Lynn & Bob Salentine



**Fiscal Year 2025/2026**

**Offertory Budget:** \$132,800

**Weekly Offertory Budget:** \$2,554

**December 6/7:** \$2,879

**Online Giving:** \$688

**Difference:** \$1,013 More—Thank you!



**2025 Returning God's Gifts Goal: \$9,046**

*Pledged:* \$7,738    *Percent of Goal Pledged:* 85%

*Collected:* \$7,424    *Percent of Goal Collected:* 82%

## WHAT DOES THE BIBLE HAVE TO SAY ABOUT ANGELS?

**St. Raphael** - The second archangel is Raphael, which means "Medicine of God." We hear about this angel in the book of Tobit, which is one of the Deuterocanonical Books of the Bible which is not often in Protestant Bibles. We hear, "I am Raphael, one of the seven holy angels who present the prayers of the saints and enter into the presence of the glory of the Holy One (Tobit 12:15)."

St. Raphael accompanied Tobias and gave him help on his journey. As one of the seven, Raphael is in the inner circle. There are thousands and thousands of angels, but only seven can be call archangels. "Arche" in Greek means "highest" or "Chief." These seven, including Gabriel and Michael, are the closest to God, which shows us that in Heaven, even amongst the angels, there is a hierarchy.

**St. Michael in Jude, Daniel, and Revelation** - Not all angels chose, at their creation, to serve God for all eternity. One such angel, Lucifer, fell from God's favor by his own free choice. We now call him "Satan" which means "accuser" or "Devil" which generally means "Deceiver." In opposition to this chief of the fallen angels, the demons, we see the great Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, Michael: "But when the archangel Michael, contending with the devil, was disputing about the body of Moses, he did not presume to pronounce a blasphemous judgment, but said, 'The Lord rebuke you (Jude 1:9).'"

We see this chief of the seven angels around the throne of God being referred to by the angel Gabriel when he appears to Daniel again. Notice that Gabriel and Michael are contending with other "princes" or angelic spirits who are demons.

*(Catholic Link.org continued in next bulletin)*

### Christmas Mass Schedule

Wednesday, December 24th  
Christmas Vigil Mass - 4:00PM

Thursday, December 25th,  
Christmas Day Masses at 9:00AM

There will be no morning Mass on Wednesday or Friday of Christmas week. There will be no Adoration or Confession on Thursday.

*Among the things so simple a child can operate them are parents.*



### **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 **January** 14th 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:

[stmaryrockies@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryrockies@gmail.com)

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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.

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