

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

Second Sunday Of Lent

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard; this is my
beloved Son, hear Him.

March 16, 2025



Saturday, March 15 Mass at 4:00PM

Lenten Weekday
For: Oliver Search (L) By: Private

Sunday, March 16 Mass at 9:00AM

Second Sunday Of Lent
For: Living and deceased parishioners
of St. Mary of the Rockies

Monday, March 17 NO MASS

Lenten Weekday

Tuesday, March 18 Mass at 8:30AM

Lenten Weekday
For: Souls In Purgatory and Blessed Virgin Mary
By: Private

Wednesday, March 19 Mass at 8:30AM

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
For: Alberta Rowe (D) By: Family

Thursday, March 20 Mass at 8:30AM

Lenten Weekday
For: Joseph Petrites (D) By: Private

Friday, March 21 Mass at 8:30AM

Lenten Weekday
For: William Schluter (D) By: Family

Saturday, March 22 Mass at 4:00PM

Lenten Weekday
For: Marie Elliott (D) By: Daughter

Sunday, March 23 Mass at 9:00AM

Lenten Weekday
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 16



Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14;
Phil 3:17-4:1

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 31, 23;
Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a, Ps 105:16-21;
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Learning To See Anew

*While He was praying, His face changed in appearance and His clothing became dazzling white.
(Luke 9:29)*

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 22, 4:00PM Mass

EMHC: Janice Kraft

Lector: Bob Salentine

Sacristan: Gretchen Dyson

Collections: Lynn & Bob Salentine

Sunday March 23, 9:00AM Mass

EMHC: Kathy & Glenn Pence

Lector: Rosalina Miller

Sacristan: J. Merritt

Collections: J. Merritt

March Church Linens - Brenda Spomer

Counter(s), March 17 – Felix Beall



Fiscal Year 2024/2025

Offertory Budget: \$132,800

Weekly Offertory Budget: \$2,554

March 8/9: \$3,114

Online Giving: \$888

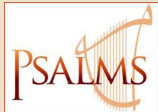
Difference: \$1,448 More—Thank You!



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

Pledged: \$4,089 Percent of Goal Pledged: 45%

Collected: \$1,290 Percent of Goal Collected: 14%



The Psalms - The Bible's Prayer Book

(continued from previous bulletin)

Praying the Psalms So, how do we take advantage of the beauty of the psalms? Prayer is both a conversation with God and a reflection on life. The psalms can help us to do both. The purpose of prayer is to partake in the activity of God in our own lives, in the lives of our faith community, and in the world. Prayer is often emotionally charged, as are the psalms, so we can readily identify with them.

Some suggestions for praying a psalm include reading or even singing the psalm out loud more than once. Focusing on the images found in the psalm can bring us into a communion with God. These images might be animal, human, or of nature, and staying with these images can help us pray the psalm. For example, when praying Ps 27, which opens with, "The Lord is my light," reflect on the effect of light, or the lack of it, on your own life. How do sunlight and daylight make you feel? How are these feelings helpful in encountering God the divine light? When Ps 62:2 says that God "is my rock," try to imagine how solid and immovable a gigantic rock is. The same is true of God. Ps 137:13 refers to God as the one who "knitted me together in my mother's womb." Imagine how God gave us life long before we saw the light of day.

Praying with the psalms need not be difficult. Find a psalm or portions of a psalm that you are comfortable with and live with it for a while. Used regularly, the psalm will become a part of you. They will seep into your bones and, like the very marrow of those bones, will provide new blood and nourishment for the life of the spirit in your soul. (Our Sunday Visitor)



Encountering Christ Our Hope

Pope Francis gives us a clear vision for the Jubilee Year of Hope (December 24, 2024-January 6, 2026):

"For everyone, may the Jubilee be a moment of gratitude, personal encounter with the Lord Jesus, the 'door' of our salvation, whom the Church is charged to proclaim always, everywhere and to all as 'our hope.'" While it is ultimately the Church's mission and duty to proclaim Christ as our hope and the hope of

the world, our first and primary task is to encounter Jesus Christ in a deeper and more personal way so that we may be renewed in hope and through personal conversion become more deeply confirmed to Him. Only when we become fascinated with Christ and allow him to transform our lives are we truly able to be his witnesses of hope. "An encounter with the Lord brings about a profound transformation in all who do not close themselves off from Him. The first impulse coming from this transformation is to communicate to others the richness discovered in the experience of the encounter. This does not mean simply teaching what we have come to know but also, like the Samaritan woman, enabling others to encounter Jesus personally: 'Come and see.'" (Jn 4:29)

Renewal of our hope in Christ St. Augustine says, "But what about you? Hope in the Lord. Those others hope too, but not in the Lord. Their hope is doomed to die, their hope is perishable, fragile, fleeting, transitory and vain. But you, hope in the Lord." We cannot have true faith in Jesus and be His disciples if we do not have hope in Him. Christ alone has the power to redeem us from sin and to give eternal life. Pope Benedict XVI notes in his encyclical **Spe Salvi** that the basis of many of our modern beliefs seek redemption by human means, instead of the Lord. As a result, many perceive faith as somehow irrelevant and this shapes the present-day crisis of faith which is essentially a crisis of hope. The crisis of hope in our time is that our hope is more often in ourselves and not in God. (diocs.org)

Ants never get sick because they have little anty-bodies.



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