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

Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time We are His people, the sheep of His flock.

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

June 18, 2023 Psalm 100





Saturday, June 17 Mass at 4:00PM The Immaculate Heart Of The Blessed Virgin Mary For: Kott Family By: Friends Sunday, June 18 Mass at 9:00AM Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time For: Living and deceased parishioners of St. Mary of the Rockies Monday, June 19 NO MASS Weekday In Ordinary Time Tuesday, June 20 NO MASS Weekday In Ordinary Time Wednesday, June 21 Mass at 8:30AM St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious For: Cindy Williams (D) By: Sauser Family Thursday, June 22 Mass at 8:30AM Weekday In Ordinary Time For: Loebig Families By: Bill Loebig Friday, June 23 Mass at 8:30AM Weekday In Ordinary Time For: Sarah Beall (D) By: Friends Saturday, June 24 Mass at 4:00PM The Nativity Of St. John The Baptist For: Living and deceased parishioners of St. Mary of the Rockies Sunday, June 25 Mass at 9:00AM Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time For: Clyde Johnson (D) By: Friends



Bret Melby, Alma Jerome,

Lauren Kott Jorgensen, Jean Poppe,

Melissa and Desi Michael Gonzales

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 June 18



Sunday: Ex 19:2-6a; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36-10:8 Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1-4; Mt 5:38-42 **Tuesday:** 2 Cor 8:1-9: Ps 146:2, 5-9a: Mt 5:43-48 Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15 Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-7; Mt 6:19-23 Saturday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

THE WISDOM OF THE SAINTS

"Truly, matters in the world are in a bad state; but if you and I begin in earnest to reform ourselves, a really good beginning will have been made." St. Peter of Alcantar

We as a family of faith encourage the full and active participation of all members in Worship of our God, by learning about and sharing our Catholic faith and by developing a loving community of care and concern for one another.

Saturday June 24, 4:00PM Mass EMHC: Janice Kraft Lector: Steve Bort Sacristan: Gretchen Dyson Collections: Jean Bort Sunday June 25, 9:00AM Mass EMHC: Grace Velasquez & Douglas Gould Lector: Laura Reid Sacristan: Tom Karnowka Collections: OPEN July Church Linens Counter(s), June 19 - Laura Reid



Today's 'Wisdom Of The Saints' Author

St. Peter of Alcantara (1499 – October 18, 1562)

Peter was a contemporary of well-known 16th-century Spanish saints, including Ignatius of Loyola and John of the Cross. He served as confessor to Saint Teresa of Avila. Church reform was a major issue in Peter's day, and he directed most of his energies toward that end. His death came one year before the Council of Trent ended.

Born into a noble family—his father was the governor of Alcantara in Spain—Peter studied law at Salamanca University, and at 16 he joined the so-called Observant Franciscans, also known as the discalced friars. While he practiced many penances, he also demonstrated abilities which were soon recognized. He was named the superior of a new house even before his ordination as a priest, was elected provincial at the age of 39, and he was a very successful preacher. Still, he was not above washing dishes and cutting wood for the friars. He did not seek attention; indeed, he preferred solitude.

Peter's penitential side was evident when it came to food and clothing. It is said that he slept only 90 minutes each night. While others talked about Church reform, Peter's reform began with himself. His patience was so great that a proverb arose: "To bear such an insult one must have the patience of Peter of Alcantara."

In 1554, Peter received permission to form a group of Franciscans who followed the *Rule of St. Francis* with even greater rigor. These friars were known as Alcantarines. Some of the Spanish friars who came to North and South America in the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries were members of this group. At the end of the 19th century, the Alcantarines were joined with other Observant friars to form the Order of Friars Minor.

As spiritual director to Saint Teresa, Peter encouraged her in promoting the Carmelite reform. His preaching brought many people to religious life, especially to the Secular Franciscan Order, the friars, and the Poor Clares.

Peter of Alcantara was canonized in 1669. His liturgical feast is celebrated on September 22.

Reflection

Poverty was a means and not an end for Peter. The goal was following Christ in ever greater purity of heart. Whatever obstructed that path could be eliminated with no real loss. The philosophy of our consumer age—you are worth what you own may find Peter of Alcantara's approach severe. Ultimately, his approach is life-giving while consumerism is deadly.

> What do a tick and the Eiffel Tower have in common? They're both Paris sites.

Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Offertory Budget: \$132,800 Weekly Offertory Budget: \$2,554 June 10/11: \$2,499 Online Giving: \$970 Difference: \$915 More—Thank You!



2023 Returning God's Gifts Goal: \$9,211 Pledged: \$8,649 Percent of Goal Pledged: 94% Collected: \$6,828 Percent of Goal Collected: 74%

THE BEATITUDES

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Sometimes the word "poor" is understood by biblical interpreters as those who are materially poor. There is no doubt in my mind that they are certainly included and particularly addressed in the sentence, as Jesus always showed a particular preference for the materially poor. But since we know the salvation message from the Gospels is for all creatures, poor and rich alike, we know that this Beatitude invitation is addressed to everyone of good will who hears it and who wishes to follow the Lord with true simplicity. We are all "poor in spirit" as we stand before God our Father naked, empty handed, in dire need of His love and mercy.

In our contemporary world, poverty in any form would be despised and considered a curse. The Scriptures tell us that when Christ entered into this world, He emptied Himself, became poor, and took the form of a servant. If God Himself embraces a state of poverty, who are we to condemn it? The Word of God addresses itself to all people, regardless of their material conditions.

The Good News of God's salvation in Christ is offered to all disposed to follow Him. And so the wealthy and the materially poor and all those in between are invited to live out the truth contained in this Beatitude. The wealthy are invited to become poor in spirit by becoming detached from their wealth and by sharing it with those in need. If they do so, then blessed are they! And the poor become blessed by accepting their total dependence on a loving Father, who provides for their needs and watches over them. And we all shall share in this state of blessedness, regardless of any economic conditions, when we agree to become poor in spirit in order to follow our Master and Savior, who once was poor and crucified.

Poverty was not found in heaven. It abounded on earth, but human beings did not know its value. The Son of God treasured it, and came down from heaven to choose it for Himself, and to make it precious to us. St. Bernard of Clairvaux

(Excerpted from Simply Living The Beatitudes, by Brother Victor-Antoine d"Avila-Latourette, continued in the next bulletin.)

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