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 <u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u> Saturday Evening 3:00PM - 3:45PM Thursday Morning 9:00AM - 10:00AM

Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time I turn to you Lord, in time of trouble.

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

February 11, 2024 Psalm 32







Bret Melby, Alma Jerome, Chelsea Craver, Alex Young, Mike Pesta, Regina Carter, Brian Kohl, Albert Rhein & Family 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 February 11



Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2. 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31-11:1; Mk 1:40-45 **Monday:** Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76;

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Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21 **Wednesday:** JI 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6a, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25 **Friday:** Is 58:1-9a; PPs 51:3-6a, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15 **Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

The Wisdom Of The Saints

"Apart from the cross, there is no other ladder by which we may get to heaven."

St. Rose of Lima

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 February 17, 4:00PM Mass

EMHC: Shirley Moroney Lector: Steve Bort Sacristan: OPEN Collections: Jean Bort Sunday February 18, 9:00AM Mass **EMHC:** Kathy Pence & Glenn Pence Lector: Rosalina Miller Sacristan: Patty Schmidt Collections: J. Merritt February Church Linens - Shirley Moroney Counter(s), February 12 - Linda Pearlman



Fiscal Year 2023/20224 Offertory Budget: \$132,800 Weekly Offertory Budget: \$2,554 February 3/4: \$926 Online Giving: \$1,121 Difference: \$507 Less



2024 Returning God's Gifts Goal: \$8,117 Pledaed: \$ Percent of Goal Pledged: % Collected: \$ Percent of Goal Collected: %



Why does Mary have a special role in helping us?

As the Mother of God, the Virgin Mary has a unique position among the saints, indeed, among all creatures. She is exalted, yet still one of us.

Redeemed by reason of the merits of her Son and united to Him by a close and indissoluble tie, she is endowed with the high office and dignity of being the Mother of the Son of God, by which account she is also the beloved daughter of the Father and the temple of the Holy Spirit. Because of this gift of sublime grace she far surpasses all creatures, both in heaven and on earth. At the same time, however, because she belongs to the offspring of Adam she is one with all those who are to be saved. (Lumen Gentium, no. 53)

Mary embraces God's will and freely chooses to cooperate with God's grace, thereby fulfilling a crucial role in God's plan of salvation. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to come closer to Christ. Many forms of piety toward the Mother of God developed that help bring us closer to her Son. In these devotions to Mary, "while the Mother is honored, the Son, through whom all things have their being and in whom it has pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell, is rightly known, loved and glorified and

... all His commands are observed." The Church honors her as the Mother of God, looks to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asks for her prayers to God on our behalf. (United States Catholic Conference Of Bishops)



An invisible man marries an invisible woman. The kids were nothing to look at either.

Ash Wednesday, February 14th Masses and distribution of ashes: 9:00AM and 6:00PM Catholics (14+) are to abstain from meat. Catholics (18-59) are to fast.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

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once more. God. I tend to second-guess this path I chose,

unknowing where You summon me to surrender

Torn between graces, ambivalence again

sends my soul spiraling into a space of

my wild heart and wandering mind

tangled in emotions, thoughts, memories. Maybe my muse is nostalgia-my imagination's drug-

and maybe that is OK. After all, you were there in the goodness of the past and those memories connect me to the grace you gave. Yet, the present is a place where your grace flows too,

A group known as Enneagram Fours often frequent the past to explore feelings which can lead to emotional awareness

and wonderful creative expression, but sometimes they can

also get stuck in the past or their own nostalgia. The past is

indeed full of grace, beauty, and lessons. But sometimes we find that we are anywhere but present, anywhere but here,

lack of presence with loved ones or the magic of life itself as

lost in unhelpful mental or emotional cycles that lead to a

maybe tenfold if I dare be here.

I need you, God, to give me the courage to be.

Act

Reflect

it unfolds.

Pray

Philosopher Paul Tillich wins the award for one of the greatest book titles of all time, Courage to Be. Though a philosophical work, these three words may as well also describe contemplation's invitation. Courageous it is, for "to be" so often feels like letting go and detaching from whatever act of "doing" we may be using to convince ourselves we are whole. Consider using these three words-"courage to be" as a mantra today when you begin dwelling on the past or future in an unhelpful way. (franciscanmedia.org)