

# 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

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD April 20, 2025

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Psalm 22



### Saturday, April 19 Mass at 8:00PM

Easter Vigil

For: Carl Mahnke (L) By: Friend

### Sunday, April 20 Mass at 9:00AM

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

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

### Monday, April 21 NO MASS

Monday Within The Octave Of Easter

### Tuesday, April 22 Mass at 8:30AM

Tuesday Within The Octave Of Easter

For: Souls In Purgatory & Blessed Virgin Mary By: Private

### Wednesday, April 23 Mass at 8:30AM

Wednesday Within The Octave Of Easter

For: Jim McCloskey (D) By: Family

### Thursday, April 24 Mass at 8:30AM

Thursday Within The Octave Of Easter

For: Souls In Purgatory & Blessed Virgin Mary By: Private

### Friday, April 25 Mass at 8:30AM

Friday Within The Octave Of Easter

For: Zeda Elliott (D) By: Sister

### Saturday, April 26 Mass at 4:00PM

Saturday Within The Octave Of Easter

For: William Schluter (D) By: Family

### Sunday, April 27 Mass at 9:00AM

Sunday Of Divine Mercy

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

Mass Intentions



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 April 20



**Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43;

Ps 118:1-2, 16ab-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

**Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-23; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;

Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2a, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48

**Friday:** Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15b, 16-21;

Mk 16:9-15

*"The happiness you are seeking, the happiness you have a right to enjoy has a name and a face: it is Jesus of Nazareth, hidden in the Eucharist.."*

**Pope Benedict XVI**

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 April 26, 4:00PM Mass****EMHC:** Janice Kraft**Lector:** Steve Bort**Sacristan:** Gretchen Dyson**Collections:** Jean Bort**Sunday April 27, 9:00AM Mass****EMHC:** Grace Velasquez**Lector:** Zak Dombrowski**Sacristan:** OPEN**Collections:** OPEN**April Church Linens** - Melanie Brown**Counter(s), April 21** - Lynn & Bob Salentine**Fiscal Year 2024/2025****Offertory Budget:** \$132,800**Weekly Offertory Budget:** \$2,554**April 12/13:** \$1,470**Online Giving:** \$798**Difference:** \$286 Less**2025 Returning God's Gifts Goal:** \$9,046

Pledged: \$4,689 Percent of Goal Pledged: 52%

Collected: \$2,318 Percent of Goal Collected: 26%

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, which concludes the Octave of Easter. It is originally based on the Catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy that Faustina Kowalska reported as part of her encounter with Jesus, and is associated with special promises from Jesus and indulgences issued by the Catholic Church.

Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun, reported visions and visitations from Jesus and conversations with Him. He asked her to paint the vision of His merciful divinity being poured from His Sacred Heart and specifically asked for a feast of Divine Mercy to be established on the first Sunday after Easter Sunday, so that mankind would take refuge in Him.

The feast of Divine Mercy, according to the diary of Kowalska, receives from Jesus the biggest promises of grace related to the Devotion of Divine Mercy, in particular that a person who goes to sacramental confession (the confession may take place some days before) and receives Holy Communion on that day, shall obtain the total expiation of all sins and punishment. That means each person would go immediately after death to heaven without suffering in purgatory.

The devotion was actively promoted by Pope John Paul II. On April 30, 2000, the Canonization of Faustina Kowalska took place and the second Sunday of Easter was officially designated as the Sunday of Divine Mercy. John Paul II, who died in April 2005 on the vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday, was himself beatified on Divine Mercy Sunday, May 1, 2011 and canonized on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27, 2014.

On April 22, 2001, which was one year after establishing Divine Mercy Sunday, Pope John Paul II re-emphasized its message in the resurrection context of Easter:

Jesus said to St. Faustina one day: "Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy". Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity.

More information on prayers included in the Chaplet of Divine Mercy can be found on the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website:

<https://www.usccb.org/prayers/chaplet-divine-mercy>

**PURGATORY****WHAT THE CHURCH TEACHES**

The consequences of sin. Some will ask: Didn't Christ die to forgive us our sins and save us? Yes! But even those who have escaped through His infinite merits, the penalty of hell—an eternity without God—find that sin has countless other consequences.

The *forgiveness* of sin has to do with the remission of *guilt*—and by guilt we mean the damage to the relationship between God and the sinner that results from sin. When we receive God's forgiveness, He cancels our guilt in the sense that He lays aside our offense against Him, against His goodness and holiness. He chooses not to let the sin come between us, to keep us apart. He restores our friendship with Him so that we won't spend our eternity alienated from Him—that is, an eternity in hell.

But guilt is by no means the only consequence of sin. Sin also disorders our souls. It injures others. It leaves us overly attached to things we have chosen to love more than we love God.

If we are to live with God, forever, then repairs and reparation are necessary—that is, we must be healed (repairs), and we must make amends (reparation). If we're selfish, we must learn to love. If we're deceitful, we must learn to tell the truth. If we're addicted, we must break the addictions. If we're bitter, we must forgive. (*continued in next bulletin*)

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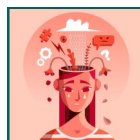
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