



St. Rose of Lima

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December 14, 2025

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Mon-Wed 9 am—4:30 pm

St. Joseph Mission

455 Castello Road, Fairplay, CO

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MASS SCHEDULE @ ST. ROSE

Mon. No Daily Mass
Tue, Thu, Fri 8:15 am
Wed 6:00 pm
Sat 4:30 pm Sun 9:30 am
Confessions Sat one hour prior to Mass
Or by appointment.

St. Joseph Mission, Fairplay

Sunday 12:30 pm
Anticipated Holy Days Mass
5:30 pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Wednesday, 9:00 am
to 4:30 pm
Closed Noon to 1:00 pm
Thursday and Friday Closed

SRL COUNCILS/COMMITTEES

COORDINATOR OF COMMUNION MINISTERS OF THE SICK:

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ENVIRONMENTS

COMMITTEE: Chairperson:

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PLANT COMMISSION:

Chairperson: Steve Kuennen
719.221.0209

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COMMISSION:

Chairperson: Barb Paarz
719.486.2922

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday one hour prior to Mass

Sacramental Preparation
Infant Baptism: Baptismal
Instruction Required; please
contact Parish Office for more
information

Marriage: Contact Pastor at least
1 year before date of wedding.

OCIA: Adult preparation for
Sacraments; please contact Parish
Office for more information.

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BOOKKEEPER

Patty Barrows

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Elizabeth Kay

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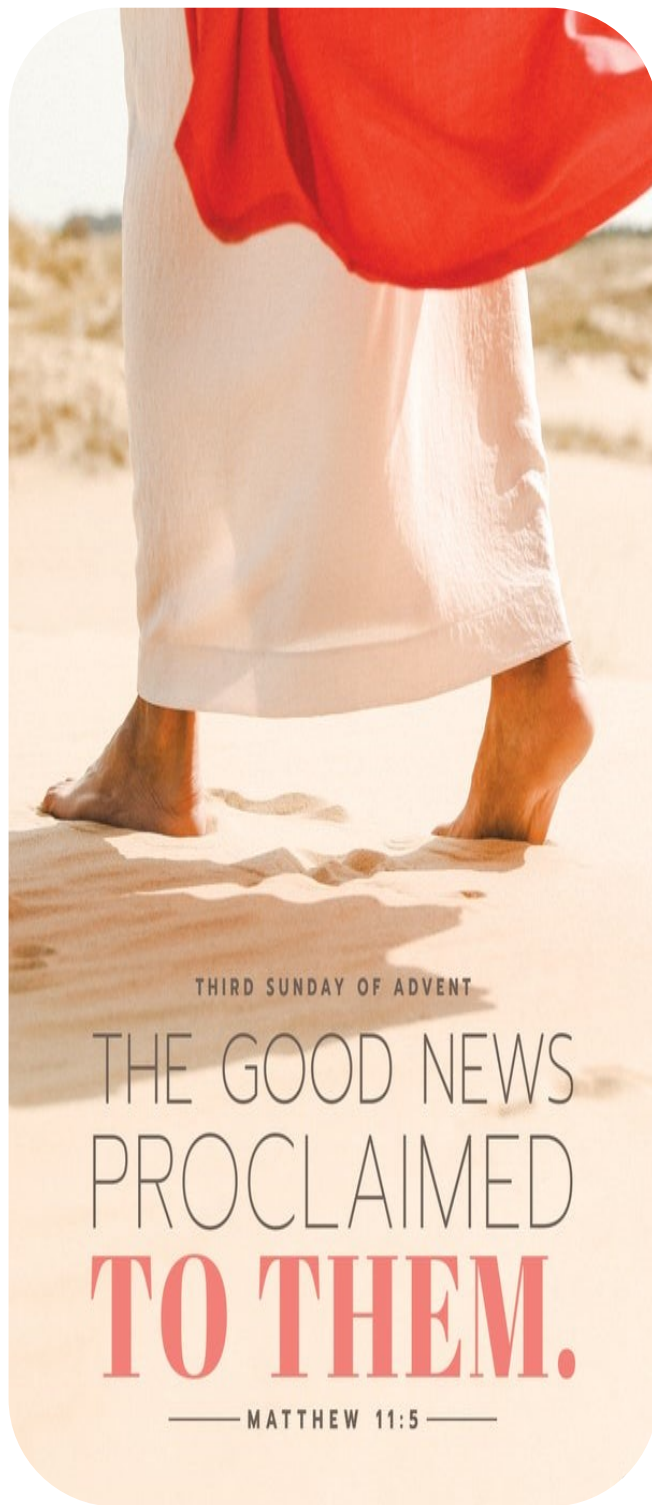
Ed Wilson

Lillian Wissel

Carolyn Erdle

Bulletin Deadline

*Monday
Noon*



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE GOOD NEWS
PROCLAIMED
TO THEM.

— MATTHEW 11:5 —

LITURGICAL + ROLES

All liturgical ministers, please arrive 15 minutes before mass begins to meet in the sacristy for prayer.

Saturday, December 20, 2025 4:30 PM

Lectors: S Kuennen

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Deacon Russ, D Kuennen, OPEN

Altar Servers: D Kuennen

Hospitality Ministers: D Barrows, R White

Sacristan: D Kuennen

Music: J Giles

Sunday, December 21, 2025 9:30 AM

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Lectors: M & b Roy

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Deacon Russ, J & S Sherlock

Altar Servers: A White

Hospitality Ministers: R & B Hines

Sacristan: M Hertrich

Music: Brady Group

Perpetual Programs



Continued thanks for your donations to and blessings on the rectory renovation. With your continued support, our 1967 rectory will proceed to march triumphantly into the 21st century. Scan QR to donate to the rectory renovation or offertory. After scanning, click on the yellow link then follow the prompts. You can also donate by texting "GIVE" to 719-631-2233.


The Knights of Columbus are always willing to lend a hand. Please reach out to a Knight if you, or someone you know, is in need of assistance. This assistance can be in the form of a visit, a small home repair or computer technical support. For further information contact Steve Kuennen (719) 966-4757.



If anyone would like prayer for any reason, contact Janine and she'll get the prayer request on the prayer chain. Additionally, if anyone would like to join and pray for one another, please contact her as well. janine.giles@yahoo.com

Are you desirous of receiving the Holy Eucharist, but are homebound due to chronic illness, a disability or a recent surgery and therefore unable to attend Mass? Are you aware that St Rose has parishioners mandated and trained as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the sick? Whether your situation is short or long term, we are blessed to bring Christ in the Eucharist to you. Please contact Deb Kuennen, (719) 966-4757, or debkuennen@hotmail.com for more information.






Saint Joseph Mission
Sunday, December 21, 2025
12:30 PM

Lectors: C Hart
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: T Nelson, L Wissel
Altar Servers: J Prochazka
Ushers: W Hart, P Greguoli
Sacristan: J Prochazka
Music: C Erdle





Mass Intentions
for the Week

December 16, 2025 – December 21, 2025

Tuesday—8:15 am ✠Howard Koch
Wednesday—6:00 pm For a Young Parishioner
Thursday— 8:15am ✠Robert Hougnon
Friday— 8:15 am ✠Patty Perez
Saturday— 4:30 pm ✠Bob McCormack
Sunday— 9:30 am ✠Kathleen Kersteins
St. Joseph Mission 12:30pm For the Parish



With Him All Things Are Possible

We continue to keep in our prayer list— Debra Tidd, Bev Hoover, Jennifer LeDue, Dorothy Maestas, Karen Klugh, Curt Cordova, Joann Willburn, Adam Smith, Robert Hines, Johnny Rowe, Frank Maestas, Mary T. Meurs, Cathy Rowe, Trish Young, George Janik, Cecelia Chapman, The Family of Pete and Jenna Ambrose, and all of our home bound and those in nursing homes.

For our recently departed parishioners and family members, please pray for their souls. Please keep their families in your thoughts and prayers.

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December 15, 2025

Nm 24:2-7, 15-17A/Mt 21:23-27
Men's Bible Study 8:15 am (PH)

December 16, 2025

Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Mt 21:28-32
Ladies Bible Study (LBS) 9 am (RR)

SRL Sm Grp 9 am (CH)
Zumba 4:30 pm (PH)
Pastoral Council 5:30 pm (PH)
Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm (PH)
Giving Tree Ends

December 17, 2025

Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17
Early Bulletin Deadline for 12/28
Liturgy Comm Mtg 4:30 pm (PH)

December 18, 2025

Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25
Zumba 4:30 pm (PH)
Faith Formation 5:30 pm (Caroling)

December 19, 2025

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25A/Lk 1:5-25

December 20, 2025

Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38

Rosary 4 pm

December 21, 2025

Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24
Rosary 9 am



December 24th



Youth Carols & Readings
3:30 pm SRL (St. Rose of Lima)

Anticipatory Mass of Christmas—4 pm SRL
Anticipatory Mass of Christmas—7 pm SJM (St. Joseph Mission)

December 25th

Christmas Day Mass 9:30 am SRL

December 31st

Anticipatory Mass of Solemnity of Mary—5:30 pm SJM
NO DAILY MASS SRL

January 1st

Solemnity of Mary—9:30 am SRL

Prayer for Advent – New Growth

Dear God,
Bring new life! Your love creates and cultivates. Bring Your power into the places I think of as “deserts” and your grace to the prayers I fear may be “deserted.” You can redeem and restore, bring a new song to my heart. Amen.



Diocesan Diaries

Retreat for Engaged Couples
Saturday, January 24, 2026
10 am—5 pm

Franciscan Retreat Center, 7740 Deer Hill Grove, Colorado Springs. \$45/couple (includes lunch). Space is limited—register by January 19. Questions? Contact Deacon Mike McGrady at mmcgrady@diocese.org or 719-866-6293.

JOIN US
Saturday, March 14

Catholic Charities of Central Colorado is hosting the 25th Annual St. Patrick's Day Gala at Cheyenne Mountain Resort, Colorado Ballroom. To sponsor or host a table, call 719-866-6440. Dress in your Green, Gold or Silver Formal Attire. Purchase Early Bird Tickets Now!



Next weekend (Dec 13/14) we will hold a special collection supporting the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps more than 20,500 elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have spent their lives in service—many receiving little to no pay. Now, their communities struggle to meet their basic care, medication, and daily living needs. Your generosity ensures they can age with dignity. Please give in gratitude for their lifelong commitment.



Be sure to join the Knights of Columbus for a hearty breakfast and mingle with friends and fellow parishioners on Sunday, December 14th in the Parish Hall.

Why is Rose used during Advent in the Advent wreath and vestments?

Advent is a time of penance, and so the ordinary liturgical color for Advent is violet. On the third Sunday of Advent, which is also called Gaudete (Latin: “Rejoice”) Sunday, we recognize the joyful anticipation of the season that will culminate in the birth of Christ on Christmas by changing the liturgical color to rose. Rose is a “brightening” of the ordinary violet and thus symbolizes joy. This Sunday marks the midpoint of Advent. Like “Laetare Sunday” in Lent, Gaudete Sunday serves as a break from the more penitential tone of the season to rejoice in the Lord's coming.

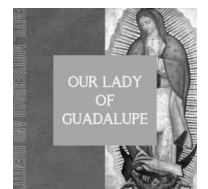
Virtues Explained

Gentleness!

As followers of Christ, we are commanded to “always be prepared to offer an explanation ... to justify the hope that is in you.” But the success of that evangelism hinges entirely on the very next instructions this passage contains: “However, do so with gentleness and respect” (1 Peter 3:15). The word “gentleness” has come to be associated with softness and fragility — but there is no virtue that requires greater strength. As one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit, gentleness disposes us to receive the inspirations of the Spirit, who “reveals to men who Jesus is” (CCC 152). In cultivating a spirit of gentleness, we more closely resemble Christ, who was unfailingly gentle, even in the face of violence and death. “Every virtue is a good thing, but most of all gentleness and meekness,” said St. John Chrysostom. “This shows us men; this makes us to differ from wild beasts; this fits us to vie with Angels.”

Today is the third part of our 13 part series on Virtues. Be sure to come back weekly for new insights!

Our Lady of Guadalupe
The four apparitions of Our Lady of Guadalupe took place in December 1531, when Juan Diego, an indigenous convert to the Catholic faith, encountered a woman dressed as an Aztec princess on Tepeyac Hill in present-day Mexico City. The woman, who was pregnant, spoke to him in his native language. She identified herself as the Mother of God.



Over the next four apparitions, Our Lady requested that Juan Diego implore the local bishop to build a church on the hill, and performed miracles to prove her identity. Through one of the miracles, she imprinted her image onto Juan Diego's tilma, or cloak; the tilma bearing that image can still be viewed today at the basilica which now stands on the site of the apparition. Our Lady of Guadalupe is venerated as the Patroness of the Americas, and she is beloved worldwide as a symbol of motherhood, faith and identity.

PREGNANCY HOTLINE NUMBER
24 HOURS 719-395-6703