



# St. Rose of Lima

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Mon-Wed 9 am—4:30 pm

# December 7, 2025



# St. Joseph Mission

455 Castello Road, Fairplay, CO

## 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:**

Deb Kuennen 719.966.4757  
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### **ENVIRONMENTS**

**COMMITTEE:** Chairperson:  
Judy Sherlock, 719.691.9712

**FINANCE COMMISSION:**  
Steve Sherlock 719.688.5200

### **LITURGY COMMITTEE:**

Chairperson: Fr. Stephen  
Parlet 719.395.8424

**PASTORAL COUNCIL:**  
Chairperson: Dorothy Distel  
702.498.7643;

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Robin & Brian Hines  
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Steve Kuennen 719.221.0209

**PLANT COMMISSION:**  
Chairperson: Steve Kuennen  
719.221.0209

**SOCIAL CONCERNS**  
**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.

## SERVICE GROUPS

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

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## STAFF

### **ADMIN ASSISTANT/ RECEPTIONIST**

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### **FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR**

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### **MAINTENANCE**

Melissa Hertrich

### **BOOKKEEPER**

Patty Barrows

## SJM PARISH COUNCIL

### **Paul Greguoli—President**

Elizabeth Kay

Bill Steidl

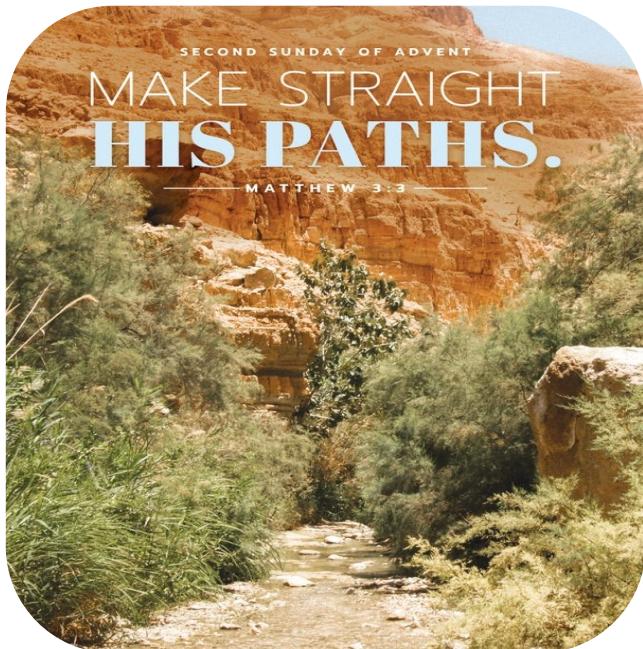
Ed Wilson

Lillian Wissel

Carolyn Erdle

**Bulletin Deadline**  
**Monday**  
**Noon**

**REVEREND FATHER  
STEPHEN J. PARLET**  
719.239.0242 (Emergencies Only)  
**DEACON RUSS BARROWS**  
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**O Mary, Conceived  
without Sin,**



*second sunday of*  
**ADVENT**







December 8, 2025

Gn 3:9-15,20/Eph 1:3-6,11-12/  
Lk 1:26-38**Holy Day of Obligation***Solemnity of the Immaculate  
Conception of the Blessed Virgin  
Mary***SRL Mass 8:15 am & 6:00 pm**

OFFICE CLOSED

**December 9, 2025**

Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14

Ladies Bible Study (LBS) 9 am  
(RR)

SRL Sm Grp 9 am (CH)

Zumba 4:30 pm (PH)

**Advent Penance Svc 5 pm****St. Joseph's—Salida**

Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm (RR)

Pint w/Padre

**December 10, 2025**

Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30

Ladies' Meditation 10:30 am (CH)

Knights of Columbus Mtg 7 pm  
(PH)

Early Bulletin Deadline for 12/21

**December 11, 2025**

Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15

LOTS 9 am (PH)

God's Girls 11:45 am (PH)

Pokeno Noon (PH)

Zumba 4:30 pm (PH)

Faith Formation 5:30 pm (CH &  
PH)**Advent Penance Svc 5 pm @SRL****December 12, 2025**Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19A;12:1-  
6A,10AB/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47**December 13, 2025**

Sir 48:1-4,9-11/Mt 17:9A,10-13

*Spec Coll Ret Fund for Rel*

Rosary 4 pm

**December 14, 2025**

Is 35:1-6A,10/Jas 5:7-10/

Mt 11:2-11

*Third Sunday of Advent**Spec Coll Ret Fund for Rel*

Rosary 9 am

K/C B'fast

Social Concerns



PREGNANCY HOTLINE NUMBER  
24 HOURS 719-395-6703



## Diocesan Diaries

In response to Bishop Golka's desire to participate in the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' You Are Not Alone Initiative (justiceforimmigrants.org), Catholic Charities of Central Colorado invites any members of the parish who might be appropriate to an evening of discernment and conversation about actions the diocese can take with respect to the evolving situation impacting immigrants in the United States. The Catholic Church has launched this initiative to assure migrants and their families that the Church stands with them, offering pastoral support and accompaniment during this difficult time. We will host the same session at two different times in order to make it accessible to as many as possible. The dates are:

Wednesday, Dec. 10 from 6-8 p.m. at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of the Divine Redeemer

Wednesday, Jan. 14 from 6-8 p.m. at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of the Divine Redeemer.

During this event, we will have a presentation from our Family Immigration Services, followed by an organized conversation about how parishes might wish to respond and what kind of assistance Catholic Charities can provide. Refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP to Corey Almond at [echaritiescc.org](http://echaritiescc.org). We hope to see you on Dec. 10 or Jan. 14!

*Catholic Youth Swing Dance  
December 19 Family Christmas Dance  
Parents and Siblings Welcome*

Holy Apostles Parish Hall 6-8 pm

Dance Lesson @ 6 pm; social dance following lesson.

Festive dress or "ugly" sweaters encouraged but not required. Christmas cookies/snacks provided, feel free to bring something to share (not required)

*Prayer for Advent – Peace*

Come, Lord Jesus!

Bring your peace to our world. Inspire reconciliation, heal divisions, bind wounds, rewrite scripts. You are the Prince of Peace, bring that light into every space. Amen.



## Virtues Explained

### Goodness!

In the beginning, goodness was all there was. And in the end, only goodness will remain.

The word "good" is repeated so often in the first verses of Genesis that it has become almost cliché. God sees what He has made, and He calls all of it "good" (Genesis 1:31). Likewise, on the very first page of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, we read that God created man "in a plan of sheer goodness ... to make him share in his own blessed life." (CCC 1). When we see goodness, we cannot help but think of God (Wisdom 13:1).

In baptism, the Holy Spirit gives us the sanctifying grace of justification, which is, among other things, the ability to grow in goodness through an increase in moral virtue (CCC 1266). Baptism, therefore, disposes us toward goodness, and the more we ask the Holy Spirit for goodness, the more it will be possible for us.

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

### 2nd Week of Advent



### Penance Service

Fr. Joe Dygert—St. Joseph's Salida & Fr. Steve Parlet—St. Rose/St. Joseph Mission will hear confessions at St. Joseph's in Salida on Tuesday, December 9 at 5 pm. Another opportunity will be extended on Thursday, December 11 at 5 pm at St. Rose of Lima in Buena Vista.

### Immaculate Conception

"Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing!" December 8th is one of our feasts celebrating Mary - the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. From the beginnings of the Church, spiritual writers and theologians have acknowledged the innocence and holiness of Mary. St. Irenaeus called her the "new Eve." Both faced with the pure freedom to accept or reject God, Mary began with work of redemption with her yes to Christ! The Church began to celebrate the feast of Mary's conception in the early Middle Ages. In 1854, Pope Pius IX infallibly declared that Mary was free of original sin from the first moment of her conception. On this feast day, we celebrate the beauty and goodness of Our Lady!