Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 4, 2022



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OLF Office hours: 9:30 AM—5 PM Monday –Thursday
Closed during noon hour.
Fridays: Open 10 AM – noon

Diocese of Cheyenne web-site: http://dcwy.org

Saturday Mass of Anticipation: 4:00 PM Sunday Masses: 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

Daily Mass: Tuesday thru Saturday: 9:00 AM Wednesdays: also at 5:30 PM

Holy Days of Obligation Masses: 9 AM and 5:30 PM

Reconciliation: Saturdays: 8-8:45 AM, 1:30-3:30 PM, 7-7:45 PM,

or by appointment call 265-5586, Ext. 5

Rosary: Mon-Sat at 8:30 AM

Mass Intentions

Sat. 12-03	4:00 PM	Fr. Kevin Barrett
Sun. 12-04	8:30 AM	+ Con Murphy
	10:30 AM	The Parish
Tues. 12-06	9:00 AM	+ Pat Freiberg
Wed. 12-07	9:00 AM	+ Morgan King
	5:30 PM	+ Angela McCourt
Thurs. 12-08	9:00 AM	+ John Moler
	5:30 PM	+ Phyllis Lewallen
Fri. 12-09	9:00 AM	+ Amy Cisneros
Sat. 12-10	9:00 AM	Dick Williams Family
Sat. 12-10	4:00 PM	Nancy Blomstrom
Sun. 12-11	8:30 AM	Cassidy Corey
	10:30 AM	The Parish

Baptism of Infants

As a Catholic Christian Community we bring forth these guidelines regarding the Sacrament of infant Baptism. Since this is a Sacrament of Initiation (introduction) to the Catholic Community the following must take place:



- *The parents must be registered at Our Lady of Fatima, and be consistently seen attending Mass in this church.
- *If this is the first child, the parent (s) must attend a Baptismal Preparation class.
- *Godparents must be Baptized, Confirmed, and practicing Catholics. One Godparent is required. If for good reason the Godparent is from out of town, or another Catholic church in town, a letter from his/her pastor is required stating that he/she is a practicing member in good standing.
- *A visitation with the priest is necessary before scheduling a date for the Baptism of the child.
- *Those parents not registered in our parish must have written permission from their pastor to have their child Baptized in our church.

 These guidelines are given in order to insure continued growth and participation in the Catholic faith and the Church community.



NOTE.....

The names of those who need prayers will be listed on the *Bulletin Prayer List* for one month. You may call the office to re-add a name after one month if desired.

Remember that once a name is put on a prayer chain, the prayers never end for your loved ones' intentions. Our Lady of Fatima Parish Prayer Chain contacts are Margie Valdez (307-265-4253) and Marlene Axlund (307-265-8186).

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

Maria Bulkow, Jack Blomstrom, Sally Zellner, and for the repose of the soul and comfort of the family of Janice Dona

(renewed: Tina Uhrich, Cassidy Corey)



Dec. 24 — 4:00 PM Dec. 24 — 8:00 PM

Dec. 25 — 12:00 AM Midnight Dec. 25. — 9:00 AM

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

(usual weekend Mass times)
Saturday, Dec. 31 — 4:00 PM
Sunday, Jan. 1 — 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM



Donations are being accepted for the **FLOWER FUND**. Please use the envelope in your packet, and <u>note on it who you would like to remember with your donation</u>, and drop it in the regular collection, or mail it to the office, 1401 CY Ave., Casper, WY 82604.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Nov. 26-27, 2022
Regular — \$6,545.78
Charity — \$240.00
Thank you for your donations.

Holy Name Society

December 11, after the 8:30 AM Mass

Marian Room



The <u>Sunday TV Mass</u> may be viewed locally on KTWO-TV at 9 AM on Sunday mornings.

Fr. Ray Rodriguez is Celebrant for the last three Sundays of Advent TV Masses. Bishop Steven Biegler will celebrate the Christmas TV Mass.

The Cheyenne-based station, KKTQ, also carries the televised Masses, which are sponsored by the Diocese of Cheyenne, at 9 AM Sunday mornings.



The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed in Our Lady of Fatima Church at 3 PM on Fridays.

All are welcome.

TRI-PARISH PENANCE SERVICE Monday, December 19, 2022 7:00 PM St. Patrick's Church

"No sin would touch her, so that she would be a fitting and worthy vessel of the Son of God. The Immaculate Conception does not refer to the virginal conception and the birth of Christ, but rather to Mary's being conceived without inheriting Original Sin." (United States of



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The <u>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</u> is December 8. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be a Vigil Mass at 5:30 PM on December 7, and Masses at 9 AM and 5:30 PM on Thursday, December 8.

After the Vigil Mass on Wednesday, December 7, there will be a special parish celebration in Fatima Hall honoring this Feast. Please join us for chili and fixings, and to hear the Fiddlers perform. Parishioners are asked to please bring a dessert.

There will be no Religious Ed classes that night, but all students, please bring your parents!

This event is sponsored by the parish and Our Lady of Fatima CCW.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR



We hope to once again have a CHILDREN'S CHOIR at the 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass! Children who are in 3rd grade and older (through high school) who are interested in singing at this Mass, please pick up a form from Mary (in the choir area) at any of the weekend Masses. Please fill out the form and bring it to the first practice. There will be 2 practice sessions, and children must attend both sessions. Practices are:

Sunday, December 11, at 2:00 PM Sunday, December 18, at 2:00 PM Each practice session will be about 45 minutes long, and parents are welcome to come and wait in the church while the children practice. For questions, call Mary at 265-5586, ext. 6

Christmas Mass music practice for <u>adults</u> will be Sunday, December 18, at 3:00 PM. There will be only one practice for adults. For questions, call Mary at 265-5586, ext. 6



Our Lady of Fatima Parish Goal: \$77,761.00 Pledged as of Nov. 28, 2022 \$70,146.00



Thank you to those who have made their annual gift to 2022 *Living and Giving in Christ: Unity through Diocesan Ministries*! By providing critical support to parish leaders and ministries, the Chancery Office staff assist parishes to do what they cannot do alone. It is not too late to contribute. Donate online at: https://dcwy.org/living-and-giving-in-christ Be sure to identify our parish when you contribute.

Please join us after the 8:30 AM Sunday Mass for coffee and donuts in Fatima Hall.



The Holy Name Society at Our Lady of Fatima is currently accepting donations for Holiday Food Baskets for needy families in the Casper area. Baskets were delivered for Thanksgiving, and we plan to be delivering again at Christmas. Your continued financial support of this worthy cause is very much appreciated. Please make your checks to Our Lady of Fatima, with the notation, "Holiday Food Baskets", and drop them into the weekend collection or mail them to the office, 1401 CY Ave., 82604 Thank you so much!



STAR OF BETHLEHEM

Fr. will have an informative movie about the star of Bethlehem on Wednesday, December 21, at 6:15 PM. The movie will be shown in the church.

St. Anne/ Our Lady of Fatima Circle
Meeting time change: will meet Sunday, December 4
after the 8:30 AM Mass
Marian Room

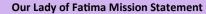
Our Lady of Fatima Religious Goods Store (located in Fatima Hall) is open between the 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Sunday Masses



News from Holy Cross Center

The Holy Cross Center has seen a 35%-40% increase of clients since May. We now average about 550 families per month. We sincerely thank all of our donors!

The center is in need of a few volunteers. If you are interested and can commit to 2 or more hours per week, please contact Joseph at 577-1041.





We the faith community of
Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, through the
intercession of our Blessed Mother,
commit to celebrating the sacraments,
following the teaching of Jesus Christ,
and living the Gospel.
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WCCW Mary's Fund Framed <u>Virgin of Light</u> Raffle

Every year the Wyoming Council of Catholic Women establishes a fund, called **Mary's Fund**, to support a worthwhile cause. This year the recipient of the funds collected is **Cross Catholic**



Outreach. The money will be used to help Ukraine and Eastern Europe. Due to the ongoing war in Ukraine, millions of families have fled their homes and communities in a desperate attempt to survive. More than half of these displaced families include children and the elderly.

Your donation will help to bring food, water, sanitary kits, ambulances, and other relief where it is needed most.

To participate in the raffle, tickets are \$5 each and 5 for \$20. Checks need to be made out to OLF CCW and please designate the check goes toward Mary's Fund. Tickets will be sold after Mass December 3 - 4 and December 10 – 11. You can also contact Mary Ann at 266-5718 to purchase tickets.

The drawing will be held December 14, during the 6 PM Religious Education dinner.

Religious Education
Wednesdays Mass at 5:30 PM,
dinner in Fatima Hall at 6 PM,
classes 6:30—7:30 PM

The Benedictine Nuns of the Abbey of St. Walburga in Virginia Dale, Colorado, have a "Abbey Wish List". They are in need of many items, including different kinds of cleaning supplies, and many food items. Some of the food items are black or green tea, coffee, orange juice, brown rice, canned fruit, cheese, olive oil, vinegar, canned tuna, dried fruit, and unflavored non-dairy coffee creamer. They also need such items as postage stamps, cat food, chicken layer feed, and bungee cords. If you wish to send them a care package, their address is: Abbey of St. Walburga, 1029 Benedictine Way, Virginia Dale, Colorado 80536-7633

You may also donate online at:

www.walburga.org "Donate/Wish List" page

Patient Advocate Position

<u>True Care Women's Resource Center</u> seeks a part-time Patient Advocate to work 6 and 12 hours weekly (1 to 2 days). The person in this paid position meets 1-on-1 with women experiencing an unplanned pregnancy, working alongside staff nurses to assist patients. Must be a pro-life Christian, able to work some evening hours, attend quarterly and other staff meetings and trainings, and be willing to present the Gospel. For more information, contact Jessica Baxter, True Care CEO, at 307-473-2275 or email info@truecarecasper.org



ST. ANTHONY TRI-PARISH **CATHOLIC SCHOOL** 1145 W. 20th St. Casper, WY 82604 307-234-2873



Craft Fair: All are invited to St. Anthony Tri-Parish Catholic School's Christmas Craft Fair taking place on Saturday, December 10 from 9:00am - 2:00pm! Admission is FREE! Over 25 vendors will be set up in our warm school commons (1145 West 20th St.). Chili and cinnamon rolls will be available for purchase plus raffle prizes, kids crafts and photos with Santa from 12:00pm - 1:00pm!

School Play: Join us on Friday, December 9 at 7 p.m. or Saturday, December 10 at 5 p.m. for a performance of Alice in Wonderland. Admission is free and all are welcome.



Help Shine the Light during the Season of Giving! As believers in Jesus Christ we are called to shine our light (Matthew 5:16). We are called to action to use our gifts, talents, words and hearts to illuminate the goodness and glory of God.

St. Anthony Tri-Parish Catholic is a jewel in our community that shines SHINE THE LIGHT His light. We need your help to continue to strengthen, polish and set our jewel so that it can continue to shine Christ's light brightly. Due to

the generosity of a supporter and believer in Catholic education, your contributions are matched \$1 for \$1! Please consider a gift to the St. Anthony Tri-Parish Catholic School Foundation via mail at 1145 W 20th St Casper WY 82604, website (www.stanthonyschoolfoundation.org) or by scanning the QR Code. Every gift of prayer, time,



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

talent, and treasure is truly appreciated. Thank you!

All married couples are welcome, whether they have been married 3 or 53 years, Catholics and non-Catholics alike. All can benefit from this private time to reflect on the gift of your marriage. Experience this opportunity to lock out the daily grind and spend an entire weekend focusing on your spouse. Upcoming Experience dates: Billings, Montana, February 3-5, 2023. Application fee is \$100. For more information or to apply, call Dan and Clare 406-697-3275, or visit our website: wwme.org

WEEKLY ROSARY FOR SCHOOLS

Please join us each <u>Tuesday at St. Patrick's Church at</u> 1:00 p.m. in front of the Blessed Mother statue as we **pray for children in our schools.** For more information about the rosary please contact Karen or Thomas at 970-396-9888.



Patriotic Rosary

Please join us to pray the Patriotic Rosary for our country and Church in this time of dire need for holiness, unity under God, and religious freedom. The Patriotic Rosary is Tuesdays at Our Lady of Fatima Church by the Sacred Heart of Jesus statue at 9:35 AM.

> PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY Monday, December 5, from 1-3 PM **Parish Center**

Saint Patrick's Church presents:



Advent Community Wide Event & Youth Retreat

Featuring Christian Recording Artist Josh Blakesley

December 16th - 7:00-8:30pm Open & free to all at St. Patrick's Church

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December 17<sup>th</sup> – 9:00am-5:00pm — Youth retreat for grades 8-12 \$35 per student at St. Patrick's Church

For more information call Karin 307-247-2902