

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 8, 2024



Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church
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Office hours: 9:30 AM—5 PM Monday—Thursday
Closed during noon hour.

Diocese of Cheyenne — <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

Reconciliation: Saturdays 8-8:45 AM; 1:30-3:30 PM
or by appointment call 265-5586, Ext. 5

Rosary: Tuesday—Friday at 8:30 AM

Mass Intentions

Sat. 12-07	4:00 PM	+ John Moler
Sun. 12-08	8:30 AM	++ Fred & Marge Uhrich
	10:30 AM	The Parish
Mon. 12-09	9:00 AM	+ Jerry Byrne
	5:30 PM	The Parish
Tues. 12-10	9:00 AM	+ Amy Marie Cisneros
Wed. 12-11	9:00 AM	Holy Souls in Purgatory
	5:30 PM	+ George McCarty
Thurs. 12-12	9:00 AM	Todd & Elie Huff
Fri. 12-13	9:00 AM	Nancy Blomstrom
Sat. 12-14	9:00 AM	+ Susan Lyons
Sat. 12-14	4:00 PM	+ John Patrick Kaney
Sun. 12-15	8:30 AM	The Parish
	10:30 AM	+ Kathy Pritchard

As a 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.

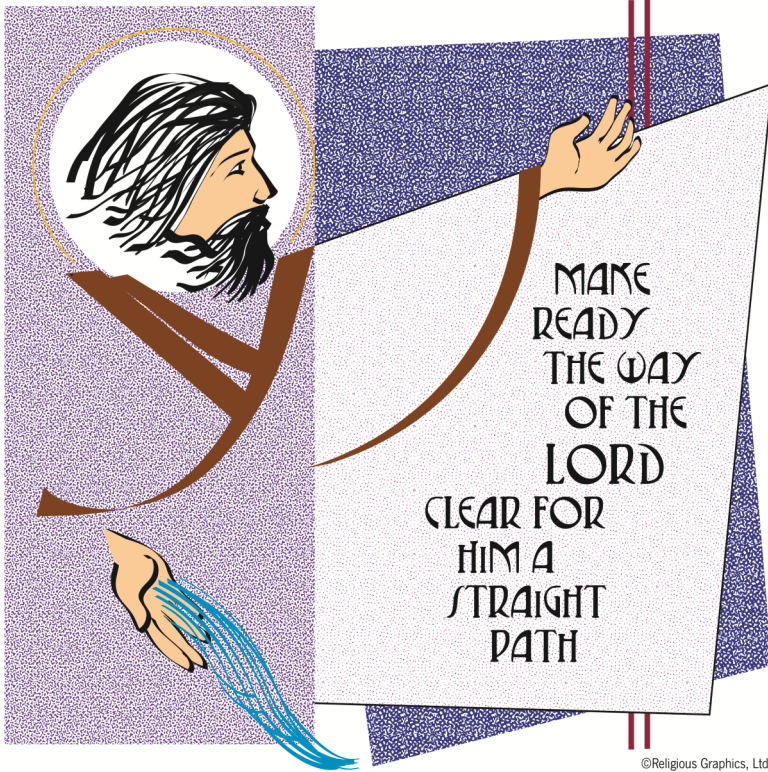
*If this is the first child, the parent (s) must attend a Baptismal Preparation class.

*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.



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CONTRIBUTIONS

Nov. 30—Dec. 1, 2024

Regular — \$6,322.17

Charity — \$2,050.50

November E-Giving

Regular — \$4,476.50

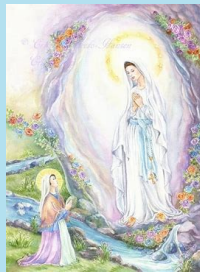
Charity — \$160.00

Thank you for your donations.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception has been transferred from December 8 to **December 9**.

It is a Holy Day of Obligation.

We will have Masses on December 9 at 9 AM and 5:30 PM.



Flower Memorial Fund

Donations are being accepted for the **FLOWER FUND**. Please use the envelope in your packet, or a blank envelope, and note on it who you would like to remember with your donation. Drop

it in the regular collection, or mail it to the office, 1401 CY Ave., Casper, WY 82604.

Donations need to be received in the office by Thursday, **December 19**, so that names of your loved ones may be included in the Christmas Flower Memorial page at Christmas.

Weekly Calendar of Events

Friday 12/06/24

8:30 AM—Rosary

9:00 AM—Mass

3 PM—Divine Mercy Chaplet

6:00 PM—Holy Hour of Reparations

Saturday 12/07/24

8:00 AM—Confessions

9:00 AM—Mass

1:30-3:30 PM—Confessions

4 PM—Mass

Sunday 12/08/24

8:30 AM—Mass

9:30 AM—Coffee & donuts,

BISCUITS & GRAVY (FH)

10:30 AM—Mass

Monday 12/09/24 SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

9:00 AM—MASS

11:30 AM—ST. JOSEPH CIRCLE (HOME OF LYNN BRABEC)

5:30 PM—MASS

Tuesday 12/10/24

8:30 AM—Rosary

9 AM—Mass

9:30 AM—Spirituality Group Discussion (FH)

9:30 AM—Patriotic Rosary

11:00 AM—Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary

Wednesday 12/11/24

8:30 AM—Rosary

9:00 AM—Mass

9:30 AM—Adoration

1—3 PM—ST. BERNADETTE CIRCLE (FH)

5:30 PM—Mass

6:00 PM—Dinner (FH)

6:30 PM—Adult Faith Formation **STAR OF BETHLEHEM MOVIE (FH)**

6:30 PM—Children Faith Formation (RE)

6:30 PM—Youth Group (PC)

Thursday 12/12/24

8:30 AM—Rosary

9:00 AM—Mass

6:00 PM at ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH — OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PROCESSION

7 PM—OCIA (PC)

Friday 12/13/24

8:30 AM—Rosary

9:00 AM—Mass

3:00 PM—Divine Mercy Chaplet

6:00 PM—Holy Hour of Reparations

FH—Fatima Hall, MR—Marian Room, PC—Parish Center

RE—Religious Education (Faith Formation) Building

O.C.I.A.

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults classes take place in the Parish Center on Thursday nights at 7 PM. Classes are for any unbaptized adults interested in joining the Catholic Church. This class is also open to those baptized Catholics who have yet to make either their First Holy Communion or Confirmation.

Anyone interested in sponsoring a perspective Catholic or in simply learning more about the faith is also invited to attend.

For more information, please contact Randy Hall (307-258-8195) or Fr. Clark (clenz@dcwy.org).



Looking for a gift for a loved one who is homebound, in a care facility, or who struggles during the holiday season? A prayer shawl is the perfect gift idea to wrap your love ones in prayer this holy season. Shawls are available for a donation in the religious good store downstairs in Fatima Hall. It is open between the Sunday 8:30 and 10:30 am Masses, or contact Mary Anne at 307-266-5718. New colors are available, and shawls are in gift bags ready for giving. Due to the continuing increase in the price of yarn, we ask for a minimum donation of \$25, up from the previous donation of \$20 in order to continue this comforting and healing ministry.



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The names of those who need prayers will be listed on the *Bulletin Prayer List* for one month. You may call the office, 265-5586, ext. 6, to re-add a name after one month if desired.

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Prayer Chain contacts:
Margie Valdez 307-265-4253
Marlene Axlund 307-265-8186

Let us pray for:
Mary Riis, Nydia Cochran, Donna Griesch, Louise Machan, Jennifer Frausto

ADVENT

Rise up
JERUSALEM
stand upon
the
heights

The movie, *THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM*, will be shown during the Adult Faith Formation class on December 11 at 6:30 PM in Fatima Hall.

Please join us to pray the "O Antiphons" December 17 — 20 at 4 PM in the church.



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The Tri-Parish Advent Penance Service will take place on December 16 at 6:30 PM at St. Patrick's Church.

The final Religious Education night before Christmas vacation will be December 18. A special party for the children will take place in Fatima Hall that evening.



OLF Religious Goods Store

For questions about items, please call Mary Anne at 266-5718.

Readers of the Word

Please pick up your copy of the *Workbook for Lectors 2025* from the Altar Servers' sacristy, and write your name on the clipboard list.
Thank you for your ministry!

The Holy Name Society at Our Lady of Fatima delivered **52 baskets to needy families for Thanksgiving!** They are planning to make deliveries for Christmas also, and are accepting donations to meet the costs for the Christmas Food Baskets. 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!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

4 PM CHRISTMAS EVE — DEC. 24
8 PM CHRISTMAS EVE — DEC. 24
12 AM MIDNIGHT — DEC. 25
9 AM CHRISTMAS DAY — DEC. 25

There will be two Christmas Choir practices:
Sunday, December 15 at 2 PM
Sunday, December 22 at 2 PM

If you would like to join the regular choir members just to sing at a Christmas Mass, please call Mary at 265-5586, ext. 6. Help us keep the Christmas carols alive and not forgotten!

Children grade 3 to adults are welcome. Parents must attend practices with their child.



FAITH FORMATION

All Casper youth are now Confirmed by the Bishop in the 8th Grade and must undergo a two-year preparation process. The last day to register in Faith Formation class for children starting the first year of the 2-year Confirmation classes is **JANUARY 8, 2025**. You may access the registration form on the OLF website or at osvhub.com/fatimaincasper/forms/register.

Wednesday evening schedule resumes Dec. 4.

Mass at 5:30 PM
Dinner at 6 PM
Classes from 6:30—7:30 PM



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**ST. ANTHONY
TRI-PARISH
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

1145 W. 20th
Casper, WY 82604
307-234-2873

Partners in Education (PIE) is our school's largest yearly fundraiser and will be held on March 15, 2025. The evening includes cocktails, dinner, silent & live auction and a paddle raise. Table sponsorships will be available in January and can be secured by contacting Anne Derby in the Foundation Office at 307-337-1361. All funds collected through PIE directly off-set the cost of educating students by bridging the gap between tuition and the cost to educate, so that we are able to provide current and future students a quality Christ-centered education.



Tickets for our **Pick A Prize Raffle** are also available now. Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased by scanning the QR code or in the school office via cash or check.

With questions or for more information about PIE or the raffle, please contact Anne Derby in the Foundation Office at 307-337-1361 or anne.derby@sascasper.com.

Online Giving

Online Giving for Regular and Charity Contributions is available for Our Lady of Fatima Church by going to our website, fatimaincasper.org and clicking on "Giving" on the main menu. You may also access the giving site directly by going to:

<https://osvhub.com/fatimaincasper/giving/funds>

Holiday Craft Fair

The St. Anthony Tri-Parish Catholic School Holiday Craft Fair is Saturday, **December 7 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Please join us for a day filled with holiday cheer as well as great merchandise from local vendors.

ST. ANTHONY'S THRIFT STORE

JAMES 2:14-26

Please read these verses and allow your heart to hear the call of the Holy Spirit. Pray on this urging to discern how you can give of yourself to the wider community. ST. ANTHONY'S THRIFT STORE was established in 1965 as St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store and will celebrate its 60th year serving the people of Casper in 2025. The "works" of this small treasure located at 301 E. H Street are only possible because of the generosity of our Christian sisters and brothers who have given of their time, talents and donations. This gift of self has provided financial support to Holy Cross Center, Interfaith and Seton House annually. Several other non-profits have also benefited from this outpouring of love. Another gift to those in need is the "voucher" system that provides clothing and household items at no charge to help them restart their lives.



VOLUNTEER — IT IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL!
Call 307-237-2607 or stop by the store Tuesday through Saturday from 10 AM to 2 PM. God bless you.

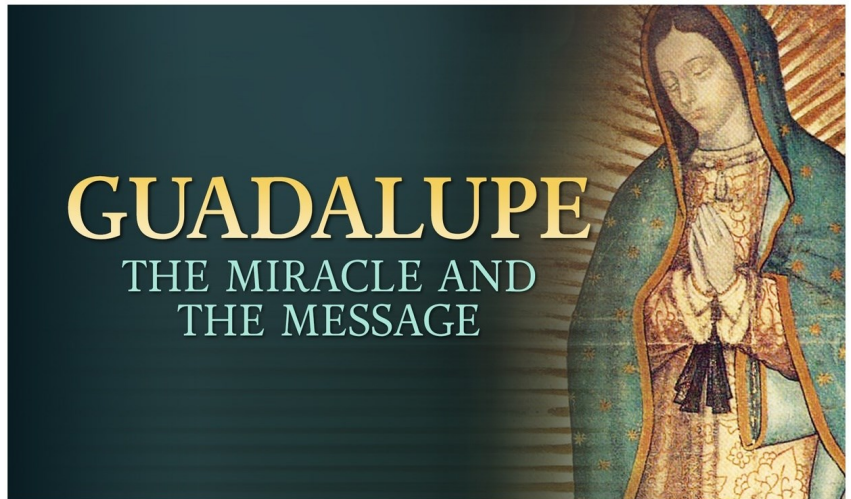
Livestreamed Mass

Sunday Masses for our diocese are being livestreamed. You can access the Mass by 11 am on Sundays on the Diocese of Cheyenne website <http://dcwy.org>



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