



# Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

December 29, 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. 12-28	4:00 PM	Carol Moler
Sun. 12-29	8:30 AM	The Parish
	10:30 AM	Sue Blomstrom
Tues. 12-31	9:00 AM	++ Barbara & Frank Kowis
Wed. 1-01	9:00 AM	Kathy Dolan
	5:30 PM	The Parish
Thurs. 1-02	9:00 AM	Skyler Winn
Fri. 1-03	9:00 AM	+ Frank Dandarund
Sat. 1-04	9:00 AM	Steve Hawk Family
Sat. 1-04	4:00 PM	+ Johanna Costel
Sun. 1-05	8:30 AM	The Parish
	10:30 AM	John & Nancy Blomstrom

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.

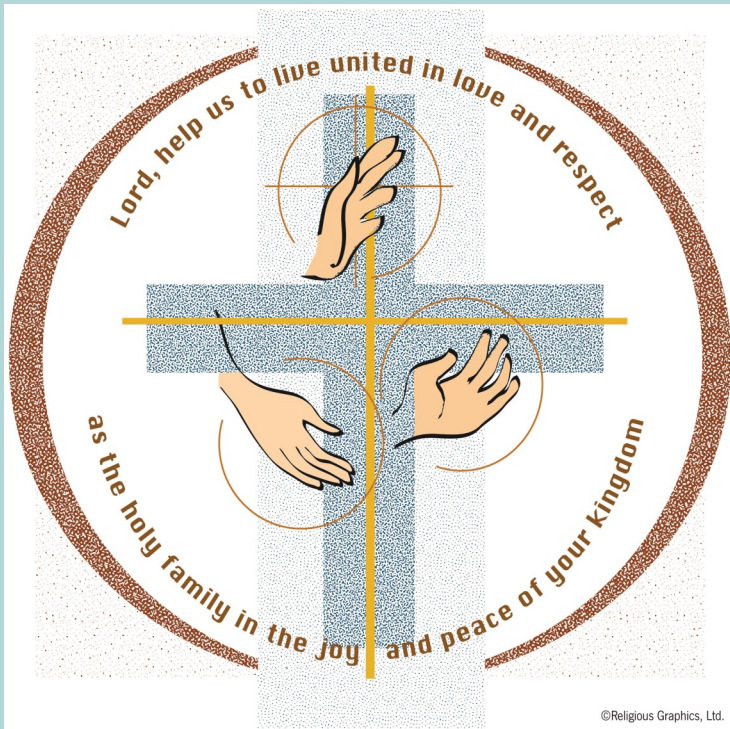
\*If this is the first child, the parent (s) must attend a Baptismal Preparation class.

\*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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## Weekly Calendar of Events

**Friday 12/27/24**  
 8:30 AM—Rosary  
 9:00 AM—Mass  
 3 PM—Divine Mercy Chaplet  
 6:00 PM—Holy Hour of Reparations

**Saturday 12/28/24**  
 8:00 AM—Confessions  
 9:00 AM—Mass  
 1:30-3:30 PM—Confessions  
 4 PM—Mass

**Sunday 12/29/24**  
 8:30 AM—Mass  
**COFFEE & DONUTS CANCELLED TODAY**  
 10:30 AM—Mass

**Tuesday 12/31/24**  
 8:30 AM—Rosary  
 9 AM—Mass  
**SPIRITUALITY GROUP DISCUSSION CANCELLED**  
 9:30 AM—Patriotic Rosary  
 11:00 AM—Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary

**Wednesday 1/01/25**  
**9:00 AM—MASS, SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**  
**5:30 PM—MASS, SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

**Thursday 1/02/25**  
 8:30 AM—Rosary  
 9:00 AM—Mass  
**9:30 AM—CCW BOARD MEETING (MR)**  
 7:00 PM—O.C.I.A. (PC)

**Friday 1/03/25**  
 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

There will be no coffee and donuts this Sunday, December 29. Thank you to all who keep this hospitality ministry active throughout the year.

### CONTRIBUTIONS

Dec. 21-22, 2024  
 Regular — \$8,612.98  
 Charity — \$50.00

Thank you for your donations.



**THANK YOU** to all who helped with decorating the church for Christmas, or by donating to the Flower Fund, by serving as an Altar Server, Reader, Usher, or by singing at one of the Masses. May you be especially Blessed!

### Online Giving



Online Giving for Regular and Charity Contributions is available for Our Lady of Fatima Church by going to our website, [fatimaincasper.org](http://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>

Church offices will be closed on Wednesday, January 1, for the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have Masses at 9 AM and 5:30 PM.



### O.C.I.A.

"Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved" (Mk 16:16). Those interested in being Baptized, making their First Holy Communion or receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to attend Our Lady of Fatima's Thursday night OCIA classes (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults). Class meets in the Parish Center from 7-8:30pm and all materials are provided. For further information, please contact Randy Hall (258-8195) or Fr. Clark ([clenz@dcwy.org](mailto:clenz@dcwy.org)).

O.C.I.A. will resume January 2, 2025.

LORD,  
 unite  
 us all  
 in your  
 family  
 of LOVE

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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.



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:  
 Tom Kaiser, Dr. Melissa Whelan, Mary Riis, Jennifer Frausto



Pope Francis will inaugurate the 2025 Jubilee Year in Rome on December 24. Jubilee years are commemorated by the Church at intervals of 25, 50 and 100 years. They take their roots from the Old Testament and the ancient Jewish years of jubilee. Bishop Steven will be offering a pilgrimage to Rome and, for those unable to travel to Rome, the Diocese of Cheyenne will be offering various events throughout the state.

### OLF Religious Goods Store

MYSTIC MONK COFFEE is perfect anytime!  
 Roasted by Wyoming monks. Available at Our Lady of Fatima gift store. Call Mary Anne 266-5718.



This Jubilee's theme is **Pilgrims of Hope** and all are invited to pray the Jubilee Prayer throughout 2025:

*Father in heaven,  
 may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ,  
 enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
 reawaken in us the blessed hope  
 for the coming of your Kingdom.  
 May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators  
 of the seeds of the Gospel.  
 May those seeds transform from within  
 both humanity and the whole cosmos  
 in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth,  
 when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
 your glory will shine eternally.  
 May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us,  
 Pilgrims of Hope,  
 a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
 May that same grace spread the joy and peace  
 of our Redeemer throughout the earth.  
 To you our God, eternally blessed,  
 be glory and praise for ever.  
 Amen.*

### BAKE SALE



The High School Youth Group is hosting a bake sale to support those going to Mexico in August of 2025 on pilgrimage. They will be selling goodies after the Saturday 4 PM Mass January 4, and after the Masses on Sunday January 5 in Fatima Hall. Please come and support our youth!

### FAITH FORMATION

All Casper youth are now Confirmed by the Bishop in the 8<sup>th</sup> 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](https://osvhub.com/fatimaincasper/forms/register).

Classes resume January 8, 2025

**Diocese of Cheyenne  
 Year of Jubilee 2025  
 Opening Mass**



All are welcome to attend the Opening of the Jubilee Year Mass, presided by Bishop Steven, at the Cathedral of Saint Mary (Cheyenne) on Saturday, December 28, 2024, at 4 PM.

**Spring Adult Faith Formation classes** will begin Wednesday, January 8 from 6:30-7:30pm in Fatima Hall. This 20-week course will consider the book of the **Acts of the Apostles**. Cost of the workbook is \$20; although, anyone is welcome to attend the classes free of charge. If you would like a workbook, please have your payment to the Parish Office by **December 31** to allow adequate time for shipping. Make checks payable to Our Lady of Fatima.



ST. ANTHONY  
TRI-PARISH  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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



Students are enjoying Christmas vacation. Classes resume January 6.

Save the date: Join us on Wednesday, January 8 from 1 – 4 p.m. for an Open House to learn about enrolling for the 2025-2026 school year. Enrollment for parishioners interested in joining our school community will begin during Catholic Schools Week, January 26. Families who visit during the Open House are given an earlier enrollment date, which is helpful for classes with limited openings.



#### MARY'S FUND 2025

Our Lady of Fatima Council of Catholic Women along with other CCW groups in our diocese have chosen to support MERCY SHIPS for Mary's Fund 2025. Since 1978, MERCY SHIPS has been bringing hope and healing to children and adults who have little or no access to medical care. Please consider donating to this worthy cause. Checks can be made payable to OLF CCW with the notation Mary's Fund 2025. There are Mary's Fund envelopes at the entrances of the church for your convenience. They may be placed in the regular collection on the weekends, or mailed or brought to the church office at 1401 CY Ave., Casper, WY 82604. Thank you!

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WITH DR. TIM GRAY

NEW YEAR'S  
RESOLUTIONS  
WITH DR. SCOTT HEFELFINGER



## New Year's Resolutions | The Augustine Institute Show

What's your resolution this year? Dr. Tim Gray welcomes Dr. Scott Hefelfinger, Assistant Professor of Theology in the Augustine Institute Graduate School of Theology, to celebrate one year of the Augustine Institute Show!



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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