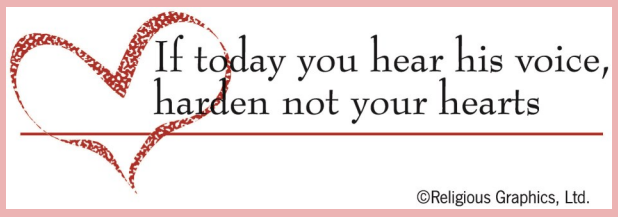
# Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church
# Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
## October 5, 2025

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**Office hours: 9:30 AM—5 PM Monday –Thursday**
**Closed during noon hour, and on Fridays.**

**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**
**On Wednesdays, there is also a 5:30 PM Mass**

**Reconciliation: Saturdays 8-8:45 AM; 1:30-3:30 PM**
**or by appointment call 265-5586, Ext. 4**

### *MASS INTENTIONS*

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| Sat. 10-04 | 4:00 PM | ++ Joe & Anne Klebba |
| Sun. 10-05 | 8:30 AM | Teresa Neely |
| | 10:30 AM | The Parish |
| Tues. 10-07 | 9:00 AM | ++ Chuck & Jean Curtis |
| Wed. 10-08 | 9:00 AM | + Craig Riley |
| | 5:30 PM | Michael Pedry Family |
| Thurs. 10-09 | 9:00 AM | + Fr. Dan Colibraro |
| Fri. 10-10 | 9:00 AM | Bret Ladenburger Family |
| Sat. 10-11 | 9:00 AM | + Toni Hall |
| Sat. 10-11 | 4:00 PM | Gregory & Becky Alexander |
| Sun. 10-12 | 8:30 AM | The Parish |
| | 10:30 AM | Mike & Casey Brechtel |

### *INFANT BAPTISM GUIDELINES*

**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.**

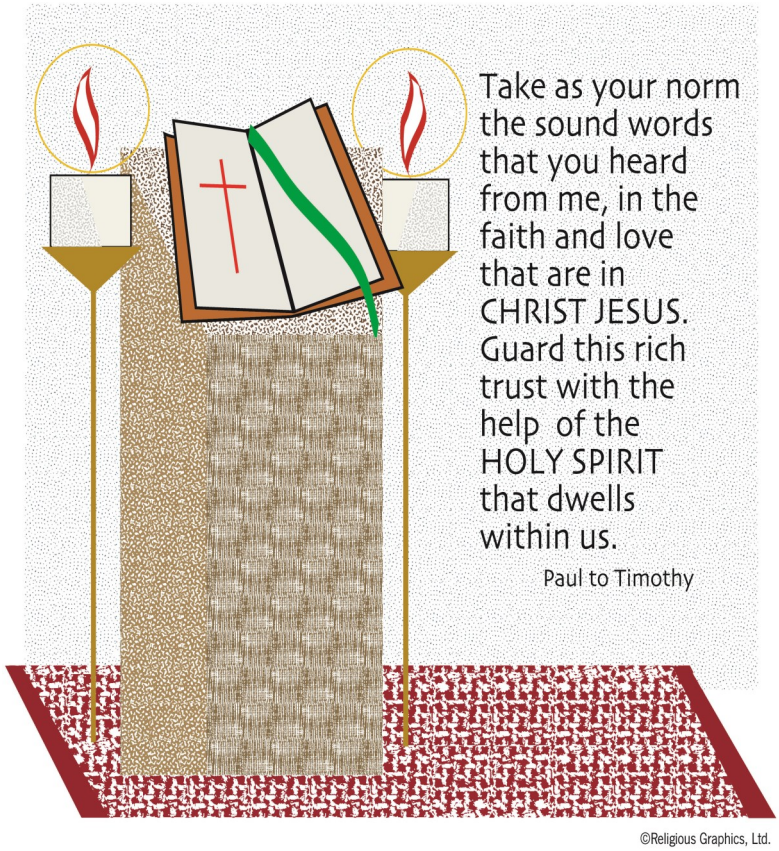
***Godparents must be Baptized, Confirmed, and practicing Catholics. One Godparent is required. If for good reason the Godparent is from out of town, or another Catholic church in town, a letter from his/her pastor is required stating that he/she is a practicing member in good standing.**

***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.**






**ANNUAL MASS COUNTS**

**Mass counts will be taken the weekends of October 4-5 and October 11-12.**

## *Care for Caregivers Workshop*

No fee – Good will offering

**Have you inherited the role of being a caregiver and found it to be stressful and challenging? Advocating for our loved one's *quality* of life by learning how to properly care for and making changes in our own mind-set can bring much joy into caregiving. How you ask? Join us Monday evenings with a light dinner at 5:30 PM followed by a workshop and activities for loved ones at 6:00 PM ending at 7:30 PM. Takes place in the Commons at St. Patrick's Parish, Casper.**

**Remaining workshops:**

**10/6 - *Safety & Mobility - accommodations that make homes safer and easier to manage***

**10/13 – *Access to VA Benefits & Rights***

**10/20 – *End of Life Decisions and Funeral Planning***

**Contact: Johnnie at 307-235-5535 or email to johnnie@stpatricks-casper.com**

**Ministry is funded in part by Catholic Charities of Wyoming.**

## Weekly Calendar

**Friday 10/03/25**
8:30 AM—Rosary
9:00 AM—Mass
3:00 PM—Divine Mercy Chaplet
6:00 PM—Holy Hour of Reparations

**Saturday 10/04/25**
8:00 AM—Confessions
9:00 AM—Mass
12:00 noon—Blessing of Animals (Grotto)
1:30-3:30 PM—Confessions
4:00 PM—Mass

**Sunday 10/05/25**
8:30 AM—Mass
9:30 AM—Coffee & Donuts (FH)
10:30 AM—Mass
1:00 PM—CCW Fall General Meeting (FH)

**Monday 10/06/25**
1:00 PM—Prayer Shawl Meeting (RE)

**Tuesday 10/07/25**
8:30 AM—Rosary
9:00 AM—Mass
9:30 AM—Patriotic Rosary
11:00 AM—Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary

**Wednesday 10/08/25**
8:30 AM—Rosary
9:00 AM— Mass
9:30 AM— Holy Hour
12:30 PM—St. Bernadette Circle (FH)
5:30 PM—Mass
6:00 PM—RE Dinner
6:30 PM—RE Classes
6:30 PM—Youth Group (PC)
6:40 PM—Adult Class (FH)

**Thursday 10/09/25**
8:30 AM—Rosary
9:00 AM—Mass
7:00 PM— O.C.I.A. (FH)

**Friday 10/10/25**
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**

Please join us for an in-depth study of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, led by Dr. Edward Sri, beginning **Wednesday, November 12 at 6:40 pm in Fatima Hall**. This will be a twenty-session course covering the entire *Catechism*. The cost of the workbook is $40. To reserve your workbook, please call the parish office at 307-265-5586, ext. 1, before October 22. Ebooks may also be individually purchased for $7 online. Please contact Fr. Clark Lenz with any questions.

Catholic Charities of Wyoming

**Catholic Charities of Wyoming is sponsoring the "Creating on the Margins Multimedia Contest" for grades 6-12. Al l media forms accepted! Entries must be submitted by December 12, 2025. Winners wi l l be identified after judging occurs in January – Poverty Awareness Month. For the contest packet and information visit our website https://charitieswyoming.org/catholic-campaign-for-human-development or email Leah Albro lalbro@ccwy.or g**

## Catholic Charities of Wyoming offers the first Advocacy Conference of the Diocese of Cheyenne!

Join parishioners and community members from across the Diocese of Cheyenne to learn about the importance of advocating for issues that span the breadth and depth of Catholic social and moral teaching. The conference will feature:

- Keynotes from Hope Border Executive Director, Dylan Corbett,
- Two panels featuring past and current elected officials from Wyoming,
- Track workshops in advocacy and Catholic social and moral teaching,
- Opportunities for prayer as a community,
- Large and small group discussions to strategize advocacy efforts in local, state, and national endeavors.

**When: October 17 & 18, 2025**
**Where: St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 400 Country Club Road, Casper, WY**

Early Registration until October 10: $75.00- covers meals and materials
Registration from October 11-October 17: $100.00

**Scholarships available upon request. Travel and overnight accommodations not covered by registration cost.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Quality Inn and Suites in Casper (821 N Poplar Street) for the Conference, at a rate of $79.00. Rooms are held under Catholic Charities of Wyoming until October 13. Mention Catholic Charities of Wyoming to receive the special room rate.
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**Meeting location change.....**

**The PRAYER SHAWL MEETINGS will take place in the Religious Education Building beginning with the upcoming meeting on Monday, Oct. 6, at 1 PM.**



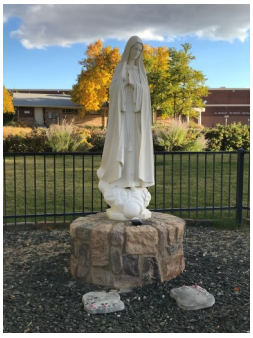



If you haven't already done so, please prayer fully reflect on how you might contribute to the Diocese of Cheyenne annual appeal, ***Living and Giving in Christ: Unity through Diocesan Ministries***.

We are now **78.10** percent toward our parish goal of $97,791. The purpose of ***Living and Giving in Christ*** is to acquire regular, annual contributions to generate vital and dependable financial support to secure funding for essential ministries in *every* parish in the Diocese of Cheyenne. Give online by scanning the QR code.

**Our Lady of Fatima Parish Goal**
**$97,791**
**Amount pledged by September 29, 2025**

**$76,376.00**
**Thank you!**



**The names of those who need prayers will be listed on the *Bulletin Prayer List* for one month. You may call Mary at the church office 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:**
**Willy Trumbull, Paul Newbauer, Anna Epperson, LeAnn Brechtel, Karen Amen, Liz Lovelett, Stan Mundy, Ken Johnson Jr., Teresa Neely, Cassidy Corey, Jennifer Frausto**

### O.C.I.A.

**Order of Christian Initiation of Adults**
**7-8:30 PM Thursdays in Fatima Hall**



**These classes are for any unbaptized adults interested in joining the Catholic Church, and are also open to those baptized Catholic adults who have yet to make either their First Holy Communion or Confirmation. For more information, please contact Randy Hall (307-258-8195) or Fr. Clark Lenz clenz@dcwy.org.**



### CCW FALL GENERAL MEETING

**All ladies are invited to attend the CCW Fall General Meeting which will be held at 1 PM on Sunday, October 5th in Fatima Hall. Please join us for information, fellowship and musical entertainment provided by University of WY student Brynley LaChance.**

### *Our Lady of Fatima Faith Formation*

**Register on our parish website, fatimaincasper.org or go to http://www.osvhub.com/fatimaincasper/forms/register or pick up a paper form in the main office.**
**Wednesday Faith Formation Schedule:**
**Mass at 5:30 PM, dinner at 6 PM, classes at 6:30 PM**
**NOTE: Final day to register your child for First Communion class is OCTOBER 8.**

### CONTRIBUTIONS

**September 27-28, 2025**
**Regular — $7,905.01**

**Thank you for your donations.**

**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**

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

**1145 W. 20th**
**Casper, WY 82604**
**307-23C4-2873**

**sascasper.com**

St. Anthony Tri-Parish Catholic School is currently in the feasibility study stage, exploring whether the addition of a high school would be a viable option to better serve students and families in our community. Please scan the QR code to answer the survey.



## *Archangel Breakfast*

**Thank you to all who joined us for the 2025 Archangel Breakfast as we celebrated Archangel Honoree Dave and Melanie True and Servant's Heart Recipient Deacon Ed and Pat McCarthy for their years in support of St. Anthony Tri-Parish Catholic School in time, talent and treasure. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we are getting closer to meeting our $30,000 match! Scan the QR code if you would like to double your impact and make a gift in honor of Dave and Melanie True and/or Deacon Ed and Pat McCarthy. Checks to St. Anthony School Foundation can be mailed or dropped off at 1145 W 20th St. We are incredibly blessed by our generous community!**

## Fall 40 Days for Life Campaign

Here is an opportunity to pray to end abortion. We need YOU to pray with us during the Fall 40 Days for Life Campaign! The abortion clinic located at 918 East Second St in Casper continues to take the lives of innocent unborn babies every week. Your prayers and your presence are needed! Sign up to pray for one hour a week through November 2. Join folks from many churches in Casper. The prayer vigil will take place Monday through Saturday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Our goal is to have every hour covered by 2 or more people praying outside the abortion clinic at 918 East Second Street. Go to https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/casper to view available hours, register, and sign up. If you prefer not to sign up online, contact Ross at 307-333-4040 or Ross.Schriftman@proton.me. Indicate the hour/hours you will be there to pray.

**2025**
**WYOMING CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**
## YOUTH RALLY

**November 21-23**
**Casper**

**Registration: $55 (includes triple or quadruple occupancy lodging accommodations)**
**Registration with double occupancy: $105**

- **PRAYER**
- **FELLOWSHIP**
- **FUN & GAMES**
- **ENCOUNTER**

**Registration & info:**
**tmeuer@dcwy.org**

**Supported by Wyoming Catholic Ministries Foundation**

## Strategies for reunifying or strengthening unity within families

Today, families are increasingly experiencing division and members exiling each other over political differences. While technology enables us to see injustices happening around the world in real time, it does little to offer individuals practical steps to address them. None of us can change the world. But we remember we can each make a world of difference for the people we encounter every day. Our faith calls us to unity in Christ—not uniformity. In upcoming bulletins we will list five ways, rooted in Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching, to help families stay strong in the face of division:

**1. Re-Center on Christ through Prayer**
Begin prayer by giving God thanks and praise for your family. Set an intention of reunifying, or strengthening the unity of your family. Next, pray a decade of the rosary while reflecting on the words of Jesus in John 17:21, "I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you." Pray together if possible, if not, call your family members to mind while in meditation.

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, Prince of Peace, heal our divisions and remind us that we are one family in you. Teach us to listen with love, serve with joy, and build unity in our homes. Amen.

