

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 21, 2025

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church
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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

Sat. 12-20	4:00 PM	+ Judy Trujillo
Sun. 12-21	8:30 AM	The Parish
	10:30 AM	+ Bea Valdez
Tues. 12-23	9:00 AM	+ Steve Stewart
Wed. 12-24	9:00 AM	+ Jonathan Vantrease
Wed. 12-24	4:00 PM	+ Joseph & Virginia Brunelli
	8:00 PM	Ron Lewis
Thurs. 12-25	Midnight 12:00 AM	+ Sharon Horton
	9:00 AM	The Parish
Fri. 12-26	9:00 AM	Carol Moler
Sat. 12-27	9:00 AM	Janet Keating
Sat. 12-27	4:00 PM	+ Vince Haley
Sun. 12-28	8:30 AM	+ Melva Malson
	10:30 AM	The Parish

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.**

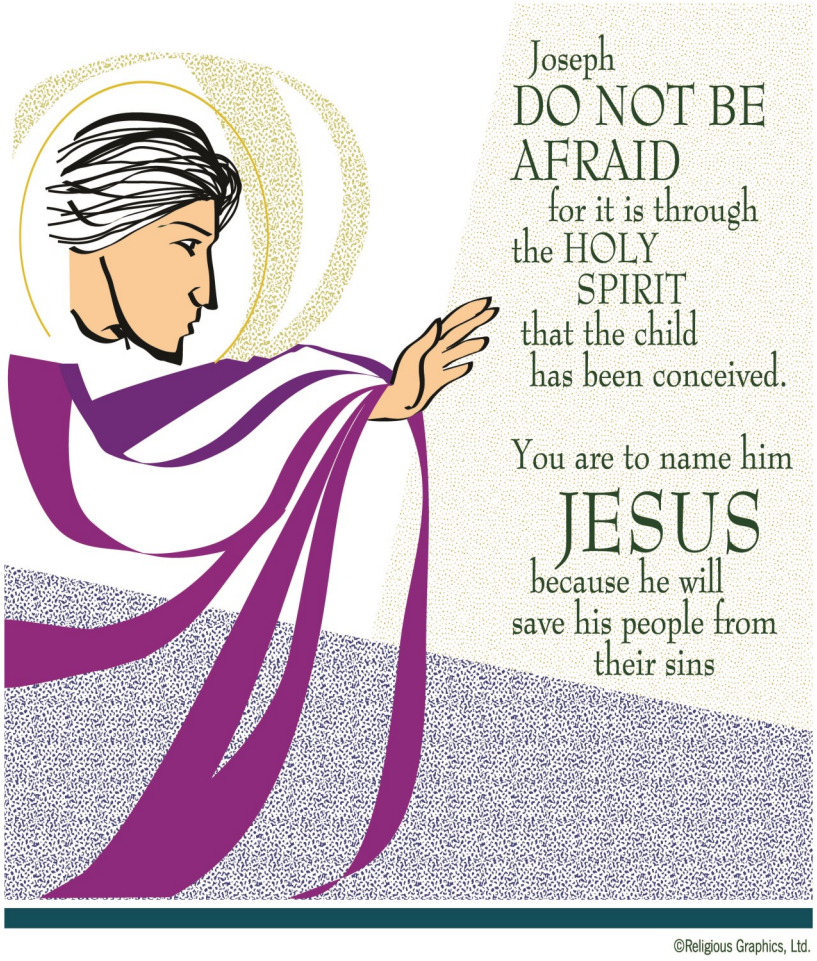
***Godparents must be Baptized, Confirmed, and practicing Catholics. One Godparent is required. If for good reason the Godparent is from out of town, or another Catholic church in town, a letter from his/her pastor is required stating that he/she is a practicing member in good standing.**

***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.





TRI-PARISH PENANCE SERVICE
St. Patrick's Church
Monday, December 22, 2025
6:30 PM

Advent Vespers

You are invited to come and pray the Liturgy of the Hours, Evening Prayer, with us between December 18 and 23 at 5:30pm in the church. Worship aides will be provided.

CONTRIBUTIONS

December 13-14, 2025
Regular — $14,190.90
Charity — $195.00
Feast of the Immaculate Conception — $1,411.00
Thank you for your donations.

Online Giving

Online Giving for Regular, Charity, and Building & Grounds 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 by clicking on the Q code, or by going directly to: https://osvhub.com/fatimaincasper/giving/funds



Weekly Calendar

Friday 12/19/25
8:30 AM—Rosary
9:00 AM—Mass
3:00 PM—Divine Mercy Chaplet
5:30 PM—Advent Vespers
6:00 PM—Holy Hour of Reparations

Saturday 12/20/25
8:00 AM—Confessions
9:00 AM—Mass
1:30-3:30 PM—Confessions
4:00 PM—Mass
5:30 PM—Advent Vespers

Sunday 12/21/25
8:30 AM—Mass
9:30 AM—coffee and donuts (FH)
10:30 AM—Mass
2:00 PM—Christmas Choir practice
5:30 PM—Advent Vespers

Tuesday 12/23/25
8:30 AM—Rosary
9:00 AM—Mass
9:30 AM—Patriotic Rosary
NO Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary
5:30 PM—Advent Vespers

Wednesday 12/24/25
8:30 AM—Rosary
9:00 AM—Mass
9:30 AM—Holy Hour
4:00 PM—CHRISTMAS EVE MASS
8:00 PM—CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

Thursday 12/25/25
12:00 AM—CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS
9:00 AM—CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

Friday 12/26/25
8:30 AM—Rosary
9:00 AM—Mass
3:00 PM—Divine Mercy Chaplet
6:00 PM—Holy Hour of Reparations

Saturday 12/27/25
8:00 AM—Confessions
9:00 AM—Mass
1:30-3:30 PM—Confessions
4:00 PM—Mass

Sunday 12/28/25
8:30 AM—Mass
NO coffee & donuts today
10:30 AM—Mass

FH—Fatima Hall, MR—Marian Room, PC—Parish Center
RE—Religious Education (Faith Formation) Building



The youth Faith Formation classes will resume on January 14, 2026.



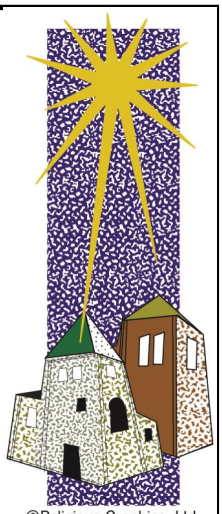
The Holy Name Society at Our Lady of Fatima is accepting donations for Holiday Food Baskets for needy families in the Casper area. Baskets were delivered for Thanksgiving, and they plan to deliver again for Christmas. Your continued financial support of this worthy cause is very much appreciated. Please 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!

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:
Pat McCarthy, Liz Lovelett, Teresa Neely, Jennifer Frausto



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Living and Giving In Christ

We are now **91.21** 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 December 15, 2025

$89,196.00

Thank you!

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



Final practice for Christmas choir: Sunday December 21 at 2 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 **Monday, December 22**, so that names of your loved ones may be included in the Christmas Flower Memorial page at Christmas.

The Diocese of Cheyenne, Catholic Charities of Wyoming, St. Joseph's Society, Saint Joseph's Children's Home, and Wyoming Catholic Ministries Foundation have united in one end-of-year request for your support of the immediate needs of key ministries. With *one* gift you can support one, some, or all these ministries. 100% of your donation goes directly to the ministries you designate. Detailed descriptions of how each partner will use your donation can be found at wycmf.org. Please prayerfully consider generously supporting the work of the Church throughout the Diocese of Cheyenne in addition to your normal parish support.

Wyoming Catholic Ministries Foundation

Questions: Visit wycmf.org or call us at 307-631-4084. Thank you!



The Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary usually prayed on Tuesday mornings will be discontinued for the holidays. It will resume on Tuesday January 6 at 11:00 AM.

MEALS ON WHEELS DRIVERS FOR CHRISTMAS

We are looking for a few generous souls who would love to spend part of their Christmas morning delivering Meals on Wheels. It takes about 1 ½ hours of your time but the memories will last a lifetime. We have slots available beginning at 9:45 and running until 11:15. Only 35 slots are available and they tend to fill very quickly so don't wait! You may be the only person that the recipients of these meals encounter on Christmas day. Meals on Wheels requires a copy of your driver's license and proof of insurance. They will be happy to make copies when you arrive on Christmas Day. If you are interested, please call Chris and Julie Perry at 265-9388 and we will get you on the schedule. Thank you for your generosity!

an opportunity to serve!

TAX TIME

Donations must be delivered to the church office by, or postmarked on, December 31 to be included in 2025 giving records.

Checks that are placed in the church offering during the first worship service in 2026 will not qualify for a charitable contribution deduction in 2025, even if the check is postdated to 2025 or was actually written in 2025.

Please contact your accountant if you have any questions.

ST. ANTHONY TRI-PARISH CATHOLIC SCHOOL
1145 W. 20th
Casper, WY 82604
307-23C4-2873
sascasper.com

Save the date: Join us on Wednesday, January 7th from 1 – 4 p.m. for an Open House to learn about enrolling for the 2026-2027 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.



JOB OPENING

The Holy Cross Center Food Bank here in Casper is looking for a manager. The job is 5 days a week and for approximately 6.5 hours per day. If interested please send a resume' to Holy Cross Center, 1030 N. Lincoln St. Casper, WY 82601 or contact Jim Pieper at 262-1247 or John Brodrecht at 265-8940.

Please bring back your wrapped presents for the **Giving Tree** for Catholics at Shepherd of the Valley and Life Care nursing homes by **December 22 and place them under the tree in the narthex**, or bring them to the office.

Remember to attach the tag so it will be given to the correct person.



Catechism of the Catholic Church

For those taking the Wednesday night Adult Class, here is the link and QR Code to access the *Catechism* online: https://usccb.cld.bz/Catechism-of-the-Catholic-Church2/

Adult Class will resume with Lesson #3 on Jan. 7.

worldwide marriage encounter

Christ is the reason for the Season. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter can help you make your marriage Christ-centered. Learn how on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences Experience on: Apr. 18-19, 2026, Lakewood, CO; June 19-21, 2026, Golden, CO. You may also check our website or call the number below for more information on locations in your area.

For questions feel free to contact:
Paul & Tracy McElvery: 307-689-2820
Space is limited, so reserve your weekend early.
For more information about Worldwide Marriage Encounter, please visit www.wwme.org
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Christmas | Sacred Art

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they look at the painting Adoration of the Shepherds by Gerard van Honthorst to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord. This famous painting reveals the Christ Child as the light that has come into the world and also depicts the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, and the shepherds to be models of adoration to our humble Lord who came as a helpless baby.

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An offering from the Augustine Institute

Baby Shower for Mary the Mother of God

On January 3rd and 4th (The Feast of Epiphany), CCW will have a baby shower for Mary the Mother of God. The gifts for Mary will be donated to True Care. We will have pack-and-plays near the Pieta and The Sacred Heart of Jesus statue for your unwrapped gifts to be placed in. Gifts to consider: diapers, baby wipes, blankets, clothes, and monetary donations. Thank you in advance for your generosity.