

San Juan Catholic Community



Saint Joseph Monte Vista

Tuesday: 5pm
Wednesday: 7am
Thursday: 5pm
Adoration Thurs: 7:00pm
Friday: 7am
Adoration Fri: 9:00 am
**Saturday 9:30 am
for 50+ or older**
Saturday: 5pm
Sunday: 10am
Seating 86

Holy Name of Mary Del Norte

Friday: 7am
Adoration Fri: 7:30 am
Sunday: 8:00 am
Seating 50

Saint Francis Jerome Center

Sunday: 10am (English)
12 pm (Spanish)
Seating 50

Immaculate Conception

Mission Creede
Saturday: 4:00 pm

Holy Family Mission South Fork

Saturday: 5:30 pm
Seating 20 both Missions

St. Agnes Mission

Saguache
Closed for
Winter Months

**The Church office is closed to walk -in visits.
Please call in advance to make an appointment.**

**Office Hours : Tues—Thurs 8:00 am - 4:30pm
Closed for lunch 12:00pm —1:00pm**

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- Deacon. Ray Torres Deacon/ RCIA Coordinator
- Lori Hathaway Office/Business Administrator Ext. 1000

**Emergency Priest Call
(719) 852-0644**

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monte Vista: Saturday 4:00 pm or by appointment

Center: Confessions Sunday 11:00 am

Del Norte: Confessions Sunday 7:30 am till 7:50 am

South Fork: Confession Saturday after mass until 6:30 pm

Creede: Confession Saturday 3:30 pm till 3:50 pm

Marriage:

By appt with Priest or Deacon six months prior to your wedding date.

Baptism:

Please call Office for information on this Sacrament.

On-line Baptism Classes now available

Quinceañera:

Enrolled in Rel. Ed, Quinceañera Classes & fees paid to book date.

Sacramental Anointing:

By appointment or upon request.

Reminder

All Masses are first come first serve.

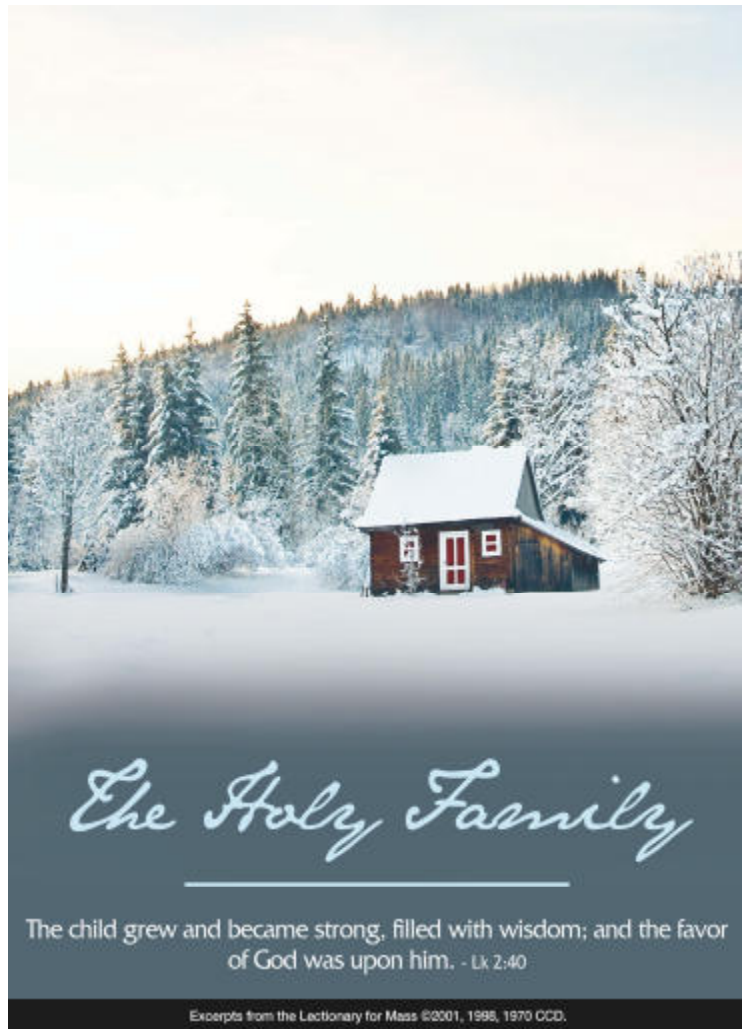
A Mask, Parish Event Sign Up Sheet and a temperature check will need to be completed before entry into the Church Buildings.

St. Joseph - 86 seats

St. Francis & Holy Name of Mary - 50 seats each

All Mission Churches - 20 seats each

All Church Attendance is subject to change do to updated County COVID Regulations



Upcoming Events

Every Wednesday: Exposicion del Santisimo (FB) 7:00 pm

Every Friday: Bible Study on Romans Streaming on FB 7:00 pm

New Years Day Mass: St. Joseph 9:00 am

Office Closures: December 23-29

December 30-January 4

Fr. Don on Vacation: December 28 - January 4

Mass intentions

December 29 - January 03, 2021

Tuesday December 29:

St. Joseph 5:00 pm

+Molly Thulson by Greg & Shirley Thompson & Carolyn McCabe

Saturday January 02:

St. Joseph 9:00 am

+Gerald Vigil by Vigil Family

St. Joseph 5:00 pm

+Andrew May Jr., +Jack Van Bibber & Family
by Margaret Van Bibber

Sunday January 03:

Holy Name of Mary 8:00 am

+Mary M. Garcia by Debra Foster & Family

+Richelle S. Jaramillo by David & Rosanne Pacheco

St. Francis Jerome 10:00 am

+Margie Sanchez by Lourdes Vigil

Mary, Mother of God

December 27, 2020

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Tragedy and disappointment are inevitable. What sees you through this? There will be challenges, changes, unexpected circumstances, interrupted plans, hurts, and injustices experienced by every human being at some point in their lives. We will be asked to adjust our plans, change course, and even encounter suffering and death. Where do we learn all of the lessons we need to live life well? Some of them we learn along the way but much of what we bring to life, positive and negative, comes from our early beginnings, our families. This is our early world and provides the blueprint for how we see the bigger, more inclusive world, which unfolds before us.

Our families of origin can be sources of grace, heartache or a combination of both. Families are intended to be pivotal in providing us with proper social structure and understanding, a support system, lessons about relationships and communication, and the unconditional acceptance and love we so desperately crave. They can also determine whether we have an accessible and healthy relationship with God. Many of life's challenges can literally bring us to our knees and require that we possess a strength of character that resides well beyond the superficialities of our world. At some point we will all need three coping gifts that can be given to us only by God: faith, hope, and love. Our families help us learn that we are not the ones responsible for their creation, but God!

Our experience of early family life colors all of our relationships and what we expect to achieve from life in general. Resolving conflicts, dealing with difficulty and suffering, celebrating accomplishments, prioritizing our needs, listening to God's call, understanding relationships, understanding disappointment, learning about the virtues and living a centered focused life are all lessons our families either succeed in teaching or do not. To succeed, as God has designed and ordered our world, is to discover his presence and then trust that Presence. The Holy Family can teach even the most dysfunctional family how to best use God's gifts of faith, hope, and love to find him and do his will. Their simple humble example is always before us, showing us the way.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

Home Based Faith Formation

Religious Education program 1st –8th grade
Please call the office at 852-2673 to make an appointment . This is for New Registration and Re-Enrolling Students for all Churches.

Our new Program will be learn at your own pace on-line and in the home

. There are no start and stop dates!

Fees: \$30.00 per student

Sacrament Classes will be an additional charge

Dates to Remember

PARENT SUPPORT MEETINGS:

Held at St. Joseph on the

Second Sunday of each month @ 6:30 pm

In person, Streaming on FB or Zoom

Español St Francisco Jeronimo Second Thursday of

Each month @ 6:30 pm



UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTIONS

January 24: Church in Latin America

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Mailed Offertory December 6th & 13th

St. Joseph 5,111.00

Budget Needs 2592.00 per week

Holy Name of Mary 5,480.00

Immaculate Conception Creede 340.00

Holy Family 0.00

Budget Needs 2228.00 per week

St. Francis Jerome *21,657.00

(21,000.00 Cares Act Grant Town of Center)

Budget Needs 1897.00 per week

Retired Religious Collection All Churches 400.00

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DEC 27, 2020

- SUN** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1] or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [7a, 8a]/ Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/ Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40
- MON** 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18
- TUE** 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35
- WED** 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40
- THR** 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18
- FRI** Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
- SAT** 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 1:19-28
- SUN** Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 27, 2020

- Sunday: The Holy Family
- Monday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
- Tuesday: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
- Thursday: St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve
- Friday: Mary, The Holy Mother of God; New Year's Day; World Day of Peace
- Saturday: Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
- Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week



Rosaries as Decorations

I've seen people hang rosaries over the rear-view mirrors in their cars and a few of them wear them around their necks. Is it OK to do that?

The practice of hanging a rosary or a religious medal off of the rearview mirror of one's car is a fairly popular custom across many cultures. While there is no particular rule approving or condemning this practice, we should also be mindful of the respect and reverence due to religious objects and devotional items (i.e. sacramentals). An important point to consider would be the reason why one chooses to place a rosary or religious medal in our cars. Is it a reminder of the protection and intercession of Mary and the saints? Does it encourage us to be mindful of God's presence, even in such a mundane task as driving? Is it an outward expression of our more private devotions? One advantage of having a rosary or religious medal in our cars is that it can also serve as a reminder to pray when we travel, asking for protection for ourselves and for other motorists or commuters. Certainly, invoking the protection and prayers of the saints is a wonderful practice for families, helping to reinforce our belief in the communion of saints and the care and concern we owe to one another.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

The Gift of Family

What a year it has been! How will we speak of these times a decade from now? As time goes by, our impressions of this past year will certainly change. How we feel today about dealing with a killer virus and all the chaos surrounding that is still fresh for all. I would assume that most of us right now are also holding those we love a little closer and hugging them a little harder. Hopefully, even if the fears and concerns of 2020 dissipate in the future, the way we feel toward our family should never leave us.

Stewardship is certainly about everything. God has given us so much, great and small, profound and common. One of the greatest gifts that all have received is family. Families take all shapes and sizes and some look very different than others. For some, family is a caretaker or temporary guardian. For others it is a friend when everyone else seems to have vanished. The bottom line is that, to quote a song from many years ago, "people need people."

When God gave the world His only Son, the Incarnation did not come on a cloud or with a flash of light. He was born into a family. Jesus understood the gift of family all his life. Do you think that if having a family wasn't important God would have still included this in the plan of salvation? As this year draws to a close, remember your stewardship many days begins and ends with the people closest to you. Don't misuse or take for granted this precious gift. God gives us gifts on purpose, even to His only begotten Son.

Tracy Earl Welliver

LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

While families come in all shapes and sizes and no two are the same, they all need a common focus and grounding. Families are intended to be pivotal in providing us with a proper social structure and understanding, a support system, lessons about relationships and communication and the unconditional acceptance and love we so desperately crave. In addition to all of these things, the axis of every family has to be centered on faith. It is here that we can learn about the virtues and discover the windows to God Himself in His gifts of faith, hope, and love. We can learn, modeling our experience after the Holy Family, how to use these as anchors in our lives so that we can live out the other virtues with greater integrity. Because our human families struggle with weakness and sin, we have to come back to the Holy Family often for inspiration and guidance. In the bond of love that they shared, they clung to the anchor of God Himself and endured challenges far greater than many we will ever face.

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