

# Our Lady of the Woods and St. Peter Chapel

Rev. Marek Król, Email: [mkrol@telleratholic.org](mailto:mkrol@telleratholic.org)  
Deacon Dave Illingworth, Email: [dillingworth@diocs.org](mailto:dillingworth@diocs.org)  
Deacon Mark Thuli, Email: [mthuli@diocs.org](mailto:mthuli@diocs.org)  
Deacon Bob Elliott, Email: [relliott@diocs.org](mailto:relliott@diocs.org)



Woodland Park

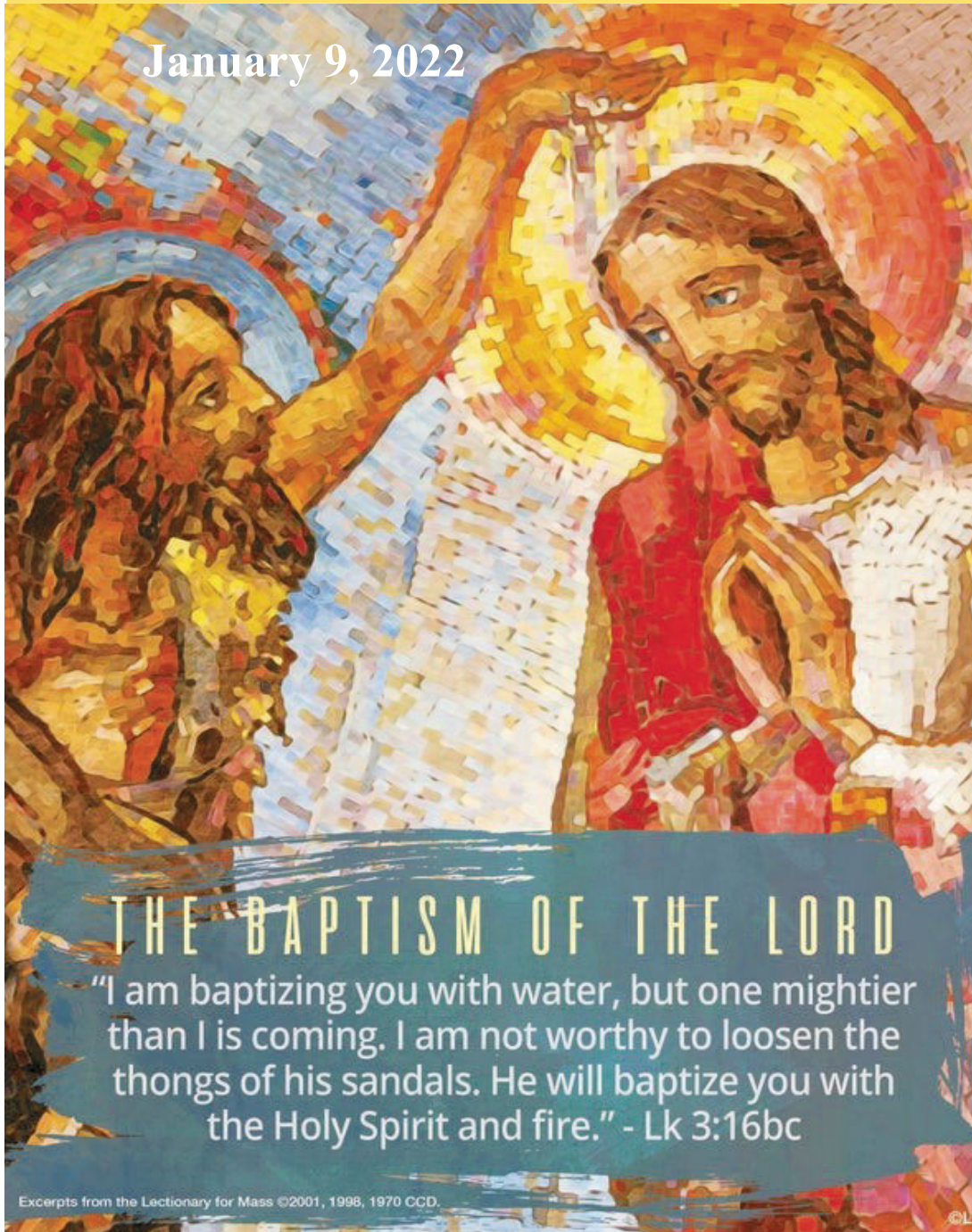
**Address:** 120 S. West Street  
**Mailing Address:** PO BOX 5590  
Woodland Park, CO 80866  
**Phone:** 719.687.9345  
**Email:** [telleratholic@gmail.com](mailto:telleratholic@gmail.com)  
**Website:** [www.telleratholic.org](http://www.telleratholic.org)  
**Parish Office Hours**

**Monday:** Closed  
**Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:** 9am-2pm  
**Wednesday:** 12pm-5pm



Cripple Creek

January 9, 2022



## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc

*After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.*

*- Lk 3:21-22a*



# JANUARY

## Monday, January 10

Office Closed.

Our Mother of Perpetual Help.....11:00am  
 Bloodmobile.....1:30-6:00pm

## Tuesday, January 11

Daily Mass-OLW.....9:00am

## Wednesday, January 12

Daily Mass-OLW.....6:00pm

## Thursday, January 13

Daily Mass-OLW.....9:00am  
 Holy Hour-Both OLW & SPC.....6:00pm  
 Youth Group.....6:30pm

## Friday, January 14

Daily Mass-OLW.....9:00am  
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament &  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet.....After Mass  
 Lectio Prayer Weekly Study.....11:00am

## Saturday, January 15

Vigil Mass-OLW (Confession before).....4:30pm  
 RCIA.....5:30pm

## Sunday, January 16

Mass-OLW.....9:00am  
 Sacramental Prep-Signs of Grace.....10:00am  
 St. Martin's Food Pantry.....10:30am-12:00pm  
 Timeline Bible Study.....10:15am  
 Mass-SPC (Confession after).....12:00pm

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

*"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ."*

— Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

# RESPONDING to the Call

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

### Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

#### I Hope I Am Like Him

"Who is this Christ? Is he like you?"

Perhaps you've heard this story, often attributed to the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta. A sick man asked her this question, as he marveled at her tireless service to himself and others in the name of someone named Jesus Christ.

"He is nothing like me," the saint is said to have answered. "But I hope I am like him."

Though the authenticity of this exchange cannot be verified, its message rings perfectly true: all the value of our stewardship lies in its relativity to the one in whose name we perform it.

Consider the figure of John the Baptist — a magnificent, towering character even purely from a literary or historical perspective. A martyr who fed on wild locusts and boldly spoke truth to power — a man so great some mistook him for the Messiah.

But why is he great? Because he prepared the way. All his accomplishments and escapades mean nothing if they are taken out of the context of salvation history. He only makes sense relative to Christ — and this is exactly as he wanted it. "One worthier than I is coming," he insists. And because of that humility and that total embrace of God's will, he is given one of the greatest honors in the New Testament — he baptizes the Son of God.

Let's examine our lives in the light of their relativity to Christ. How do we prepare the way? When Christ comes to us, what do we do? How do we leave ourselves open to be actors in God's plan?



 Remember to Support Our Advertisers



**PIKES PEAK  
ORTHOPEDICS**

Quality Orthopedic Care  
Close to Home

**Dr. Michael Messner, D.O.**  
Board Certified Orthopedic Surgeon  
Surgeon / Parishioner

**719-686-2820**  
333 North West St.

## JANUARY PARISH FAITH FORMATION

**FAMILY OF FAITH (PreK-5):** Sun., Jan. 9 & 23 at 10:00 AM  
**YOUTH GROUP (Grades 6-12):** Thurs., Jan. 13 & 27 at 6:30 PM  
**SIGNS OF GRACE-SACRAMENTS:** Sun., Jan. 16 & 30 at 10:00 AM  
**CONFIRMATION:** Thurs., Jan. 20 at 6:30 PM  
**FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH:** Tuesdays at 10:00 am at OLW  
**LECTIO PRAYER WEEKLY STUDY:** Fridays at 10:00 am  
**RCIA:** Saturdays at 5:30 pm (includes supper)  
**BIBLE TIMELINE STUDY:** Sundays at 10:15 am  
**ADULT EDUCATION:** Sundays at 1:00 pm at SPC

# MASS Intentions

### Saturday, January 8

OLW 4:30 PM: Roger & Margaret Gagnon †  
 Req. by: Gary & Carolyn Dimig

### Sunday, January 9

OLW 9:00 am: Naomi Mellen  
 Req. by: David & Billie Kilman  
 SPC 12:00 PM: For the People of the Parish  
 Req. by: Fr. Marek Król

### Tuesday, January 11

OLW 9:00 AM: Bob Mury †  
 Req. by: Kelly & Margit McCarthy

### Wednesday, January 12

OLW 6:00 PM: Daran Frevret  
 Req. by: Pauls family

### Thursday, January 13

OLW 9:00 AM: Adrienne Paledin †  
 Req. by: Kelly & Margit McCarthy

### Friday, January 14

OLW 9:00 AM: George A. Ruder †  
 Req. by: Steve & Jamie Ruder

### Saturday, January 15

OLW 4:30 PM: Gail Long †  
 Req. by: David & Billie Kilman

### Sunday, January 16

OLW 9:00 am: For the People of the Parish  
 Req. by: Fr. Marek Król  
 SPC 12:00 PM: Lorenzo Neal  
 Req. by: Delia Neal

## MEMORIAL MASS

A Memorial Mass for Allen Mattedi, son of Bruno and Carolyn Mattedi, will be held Thursday, January 20th at 9:00 AM. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

## JANUARY BLOOD DRIVE

The Community Blood Drive will be tomorrow, Monday, January 10th from 1:30-6:00 PM at the OLW Parish Hall. Sign up to give blood by visiting: [Vitalant.org](http://Vitalant.org). Donations of packaged treats are appreciated and can be dropped off at the office anytime. Contact Barry Mellen with any questions: [bmellen2001@gmail.com](mailto:bmellen2001@gmail.com).

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASS

Our Lady of the Woods will be hosting an Adult Faith Formation class *Drawing Family and Friends BACK to the Catholic Church*. This program will be held on Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm-8:00pm in the Parish Hall starting on January 18th. 6.5 people leave the Catholic Church for every one who joins, and 50% of young people who were raised Catholic no longer practice the faith. The passive wait-and-see approach is no longer an option. We need a different strategy; a game plan to bring them home. Margit McCarthy will lead this 5 week study. The cost for this class is \$25. Register online at [www.dc4ec.com](http://www.dc4ec.com).

## MASS FOR WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Bishop Golka will celebrate a Mass for the World Day of the Sick with the Anointing of the Sick within Mass on Saturday, February 12 at 10:00 AM. This year the Mass will be at Holy Apostles in Colorado Springs.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

A message from Bishop Golka. In response to the terrible fires that struck our state recently, I am encouraging each parish to take a special collection for fire relief. Our Diocesan Finance office will send those funds to the Archdiocese of Denver for them to use as needed to assist those affected. Our parish will be taking up this special collection and thank you in advance for your generosity.

## CHARITABLE TAX DONATIONS

Please contact Nicole in the office after January 1st if you are looking for a list of your taxable charitable donations for 2021. Those who request documents will have them available beginning mid-January. Contact Nicole at [nhartjeolw@gmail.com](mailto:nhartjeolw@gmail.com).

## HOLY HOUR FOR MARRIAGE

Bishop James Golka will preside at the Holy Hour for Marriage on Tuesday, February 8th at 6:30 PM at St. Mary's Cathedral in Colorado Springs.

## OUR CHARITABLE GIVING

Each month, 10% of our general offertory goes to charity; 6% goes to charities chosen by the Diocese and 4% is allocated by us to local charities. Continuing our parish's help in Teller County, we will be sending our October charitable tithe to **Habitat for Humanity of Teller County**. Habitat is working to put God's love into action by bringing people together to build strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter. Thank YOU for helping our parish be a part of their mission. Learn more about them at <https://www.tellerhabitat.org>.

**Love. Grow. Serve.**

## Financial Update-Fiscal Yr. 7/1/2021-6/30/2022

### Offertory

#### Our Lady of the Woods      St. Peter Chapel

Annual Budget	\$373,000	\$44,000
Year to Date	\$202,275	\$27,013

Thank You

OLW Capital

Received \$53,842

Donate Online

SPC Capital

Owed for Loan & Shrine \$110,075  
 December 2021 Hall Income \$6,924

#### 2021 RGG Campaign

Annual Goal \$45,074  
 Paid to Date \$34,340

FORMED
PICK OF THE WEEK
January 9, 2022

WATCH

REBORN - EPISODE 1:  
A NEW CREATION

This week, as we contemplate Jesus' Baptism, dive into the mystery of the Sacrament of Baptism! Through our Reborn series, you will come to understand the deeper meaning behind your Baptism!



REBORN

YOU, YOUR CHILD AND THE HEART OF BAPTISM

To set up your free account visit [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup) and select our parish.

FORMED
PICK OF THE WEEK
January 9, 2022

LISTEN

CHANGED FOREVER: THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM BY FR. MIKE SCHMITZ

Renowned Catholic speaker and priest, Fr. Mike Schmitz, explores the beautiful gift of the Sacrament of Baptism. In this talk, Fr. Mike provides a wonderful presentation on the waters that give new life!



CHANGED FOREVER

FR. MIKE SCHMITZ





## *The Baptism of the Lord*

Sunday, January 9th, the Church will celebrate the end of the Christmas season with the **Feast of the Baptism of the Lord**. This event is recorded in the Canonical Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In John 1:29-33, rather than a direct narrative, John the Baptist bears witness to the episode.

Did you ever wonder why Jesus was baptized? This event is recorded in the Canonical Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In John 1:29-33, rather than a direct narrative, John the Baptist bears witness to the episode.

Where did John baptize?

He baptized people in the area of the River Jordan around Perea about the time of the commencement of the ministry of Jesus. The Gospel of John (1:28) specifies “Bethany beyond the Jordan.”

The Baptism of John

In the New Testament, John the Baptist preached a “baptism with water,” *not of forgiveness but of penance or repentance for the remission of sins*” (Luke 3:3) and declared himself a forerunner to one who would baptize “*with the Holy Spirit and with fire.*” (Luke 3:16) In so doing he was preparing the way for Jesus.

Why did Jesus submit to John’s Baptism?

John’s baptism was the baptism of repentance (Matthew 3:11), but Jesus was sinless and had no need of repentance – so why was he baptized? Even John was taken aback at Jesus coming to him. John recognized his own sin and was aware that he, a sinful man in need of repentance himself, was unfit to baptize the spotless Lamb of God: “I need to be baptized by you and yet you are coming to me?” (Matthew 3:14) Jesus replied “*Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.*” (Matthew 3:15)

There are several reasons why it was fitting for John to baptize Jesus:

- To mark the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus.
- To be publicly heralded and recognized by his forerunner, John, the “voice crying in the wilderness” prophesied by Isaiah, calling people to repentance in preparation for their Messiah (Isaiah 40:3).
- By baptizing Jesus, John was declaring to all that here was the One they had been waiting for, the Son of God, the One he had predicted would baptize “with the Holy Spirit and fire.” (Matthew 3:11)
- The Lukan description of the opening of the heavens show that the Reign of God is beginning to break into human history in the person of Jesus – the mercy and power of God about to be unleashed.
- Blessings of God in the person of the Holy Spirit, anointing Jesus for his earthly ministry, showing that indeed this was the Son of God.

Jesus’ baptism also showed that He identified with sinners and the faithful remnant of Israel.

His baptism symbolized our baptism into His own death, dying with Him and rising free from sin and able to walk in the newness of life. His righteousness would fulfill all the requirements of the Law for sinners who could never hope to do so on their own. When John hesitated to baptize the sinless Son of God, Jesus replied that it was proper to “fulfill all righteousness.” (Matthew 3:15) By this He alluded to the righteousness that He provides to all who come to Him.

Perhaps most importantly, the occasion of the public baptism recorded for all generations to come the perfect embodiment of the triune God revealed in glory from heaven. The testimony directly from heaven of the Father’s pleasure with the Son and the descending of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus (Matthew 3:16-17) is a beautiful picture of the Trinitarian nature of God. It also depicts the work of the Father, Son, and Spirit in the salvation of those Jesus came to save. The Father loves the elect from before the foundation of the world (Ephesians 1:4); He sends His Son to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10); and the Spirit convicts of sin (John 16:8) and draws the believer to the Father through the Son. All the glorious truth of the mercy of God through Jesus Christ is on display at His baptism.

**Grandmother's Kitchen  
Homestyle Cooking**  
687-3118  
**THOR & JERRI FURNES**  
212 W. Hwy 24 • Woodland Park, CO

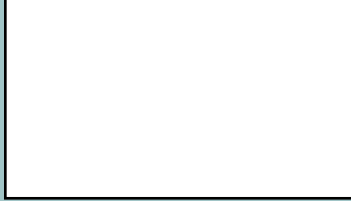
**TELLER SENIOR COALITION**  
... Independence and Dignity  
• Senior Services • Transportation • Home Delivered Meals & Senior Food Boxes • Caregiver Support  
• Case Management • Homemaker Services  
• Safety Related Handyman Repairs • Energy Outreach  
719-687-3330 • tellerseniorcoalition.org

Frank W Gundy Agency, Inc.  
Frank Gundy, Agent  
101 Sundial Dr Ste B2  
Woodland Park  
fgundy@amfam.com  
Bus: (719) 687-9292  
American Family Mutual Insurance Company, S.I.  
American Family Insurance Company  
6000 American Parkway, Madison, WI 53763  
000441 - Fax: 610-202015 - 11/03/04  
**AMERICAN FAMILY INSURANCE**

**SAVE BANANA BUCKS!**  
**Banana Belt Liquors**  
**10% OFF EACH CASE**  
**FOR WINE AND LIQUOR**  
300 E. Hwy 24, Woodland Park, CO  
719.687.9757

**AVAILABLE FOR  
A LIMITED TIME!**  
**ADVERTISE HERE NOW!**

Contact **Kathryn Dickens** to  
place an ad today!  
kdickens@4LPi.com or  
**(800) 950-9952 x5809**



**Affordable Rooter**  
We clean out your drains..  
Not your wallet!  
Plumbing, Drains, Excavation  
Local Family Owned and Operated Business  
719-964-8310 • [Affordablerooter.org](http://Affordablerooter.org)

**The Sims HOME TEAM**  
**kw KELLER WILLIAMS**  
CLIENTS' CHOICE REALTY  
**Connie Sims**  
719-339-6795  
TheSimsHomeTeam.com  
Each office is independently owned & operated



**WE'RE HIRING**  
AD SALES EXECUTIVES  
**BE YOURSELF. BRING YOUR PASSION.**  
**WORK WITH PURPOSE.**

- Work-Life Balance
- Full-Time with Benefits
- Serve Your Community
- Paid Training
- Some Travel

Contact us at [careers@4lpi.com](mailto:careers@4lpi.com)  
[www.4lpi.com/careers](http://www.4lpi.com/careers)

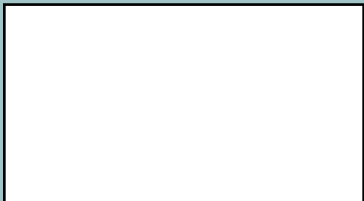
**ADT-Monitored Home Security**  
Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Fire Safety
- Flood Detection
- Carbon Monoxide

**ADT** Authorized Provider **SafeStreets**  
1-855-225-4251

Financial strategies.  
One-on-one advice.  
719-687-9541  
400 W. Midland/HWY 24, Ste. 125  
Woodland Park, CO  
**Edward Jones**  
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING  
Member SIPC

**Lee Taylor**, Financial Advisor **Erik Dartsch**, Financial Advisor



**ActiveLife**  
Chiropractic & Acupuncture  
Dr. Cheryl Steen D.C.  
[www.activelifechiro.info](http://www.activelifechiro.info)  
808 W. Browning Ave • Woodland Park, CO  
719-687-7600 • [activelifechiro@qwestoffice.net](mailto:activelifechiro@qwestoffice.net)

**SUPPORT OUR  
ADVERTISERS!**

**Bentele**  
Orthodontics  
[inner-smiles.com](http://inner-smiles.com)  
719-687-6129  
791 West Kelly's Rd • Woodland Park, CO

*One Neighbor Helping Another.*  
**PSB Trust.com**  
PARK STATE BANK & TRUST  
Woodland Park Telephone Banking  
700 West Hwy 24 719-687-6056  
719-687-9234 [www.psbtrust.com](http://www.psbtrust.com)

**We've Missed You!**  
Welcome Back to Mass

Stay connected to our faith community no matter where you are  
by signing up to get our bulletin delivered straight to your email!

[www.ParishesOnline.com](http://www.ParishesOnline.com)

**Electric Service of Colorado**  
Commercial \* Residential  
Industrial  
Service \* Design  
**Steven McCann**  
719-201-5596  
[www.electricserviceofcolorado.com](http://www.electricserviceofcolorado.com)

**O'BRIENS**  
**CARPET ONE** FLOOR & HOME  
You'll like the way we do business.  
6155 N. Academy Blvd • 719-594-4778  
111 E. Garden of the Gods Rd. • 719-633-2072  
[www.OBriensCarpetOne.com](http://www.OBriensCarpetOne.com)

**EL TESORO DE LOS ANGELES RETREAT CENTER**  
Woodland Park, Colorado  
Individuals, Couples & Groups  
Book your next retreat with us  
719-258-1600  
for Tour or Reservations  
[www.eltesororetreat.org](http://www.eltesororetreat.org)