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Parish Office Hours
Monday: Closed
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9am-2pm
Wednesday: 12pm-5pm



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3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*The Spirit of the Lord
is upon me...
He has sent me to
proclaim liberty to
captives
and recovery of sight
to the blind,
to let the oppressed
go free.
- Lk 4:18*

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January 23, 2022

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Monday, January 24

Office Closed.

Our Mother of Perpetual Help.....11:00am

Tuesday, January 25

Daily Mass –OLW.....9:00am

Foundations of Faith.....After Mass

Drawing Family & Friends Back.....6:30pm

Wednesday, January 26

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

Pastoral Council.....6:45pm

Thursday, January 27

Daily Mass –OLW.....9:00am

Holy Hour –Both OLW & SPC.....6:00pm

Youth Group.....6:30pm

Friday, January 28

Daily Mass –OLW.....9:00am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament &
Divine Mercy Chaplet.....After Mass

Lectio Prayer Weekly Study.....11:00am

Saturday, January 29

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

RCIA.....5:30pm

Sunday, January 30

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

Sacramental Prep-Signs of Grace.....10:00am

Timeline Bible Study.....10:15am

Mass-SPC (Confession after).....12:00pm



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Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

RESPONDING to the Call

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Plant Your Works in the Word

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn't even considered until then.

But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate "listening attentively." Whether it's at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters.

But are we mindful — truly?

The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can't quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We "clock in" with Bible reading instead of "diving in."

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life.

JANUARY PARISH FAITH FORMATION

FAMILY OF FAITH (PreK-5): Sun., January 23 at 10:00 AM
YOUTH GROUP (Grades 6-12): Thurs., Jan. 27 at 6:30 PM
SIGNS OF GRACE-SACRAMENTS: Sun., Jan. 30 at 10:00 AM
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
DRAWING FAMILY & FRIENDS BACK: Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 PM,
January 18-February 22 (No class Feb. 8)

THANK YOU!

The Giving Tree Ministry would like to Thank all of the Parish Community at OLW and St. Peter's. We are very happy to announce that we had a very successful year. We had Several Volunteers this year. This is a blessing and a great show of Love for our Community. We had a total of 323 gift Tags on OLW tree and 40 tags on St Peter's tree. Together we helped 8 different Teller County Organizations and showed our love and support for our brothers and sisters. Thank You All!

SEEK22

Are you a young adult? Join our Colorado Springs Diocesan Young Adult Ministry group this February to discover the truth of what you are made for. Seek22 will be held February 4th-6th at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Colorado Springs. Cost is \$25-\$50. Tickets may be purchased at <https://bit.ly/YAMSeek22>. For more information, contact Sister Linda Gonzalez at csccatholicyam@gmail.com or 719-866-6448.

MARSHALL FIRE RECOVERY ASSISTANCE FUND

Our parish recently took up a special collection for the Marshall Fire relief fund. If you missed it, you can still donate online at the following:
https://secure2.convio.net/cfnc/site/Donation2?df_id=3220&3220.donation=form1&mfc_pref=T. If you would prefer to use a check, make it payable to: Archdiocese of Denver Emergency Fund, and mail your donation to: Archdiocese of Denver, PO Box 100316, Denver, CO 80250-0316.

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH CLASS

Father Marek's class, Foundations of Faith, is held Tuesdays after the 9:00 AM Mass. Plan to join us to deepen your knowledge of our Catholic faith.

COFFEE & DONUT MINISTRY

We are looking for volunteers to lead the Coffee and Donut Ministry. This is held on the 4th Sunday of each month. Please contact Dianne in the office (719-687-9345) if you are interested in leading this ministry.

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.

PRO-LIFE BOOT CAMP

A training for the faithful interested in understanding and sharing the beauty of the Project Rachel Post Abortion Healing program is scheduled for January 29, 9am-2pm, at St. Mark in Highlands Ranch. If interested, contact Julie Bailey at 401-578-4471 or jbailey@diocs.org.

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.

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.

OUR LADY'S DOWRY GALA

A Celebration of Gratitude will be held March 19, 2022 from 5:30-9:30 PM at the Pinery at the Hill. Proceeds benefit Colorado Springs' first classical Catholic high school, Chesterton Academy of Our Lady of Walsingham. Keynote Gala Speaker will be Christopher Check, apologist and president of Catholic Answers. Tickets and more at www.olwclassical.org.

SAVE THE DATE

A Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held Sunday, June 12, 2022, at 2:30 PM at St. Mary's Cathedral. Bishop James Golka will preside.

MASS Intentions

Saturday, January 22

OLW 4:30 PM: For the People of the Parish

Req. by: Fr. Marek Król

Sunday, January 23

OLW 9:00 am: Roger Faubion †

Req. by: Mike & Cindy Weiss

SPC 12:00 PM: Ken Ruzella †

Req. by: Carol & Nancy Poch

Tuesday, January 25

OLW 9:00 AM: Michael Kniffin †

Req. by: Todd & Renee Wiseman family

Wednesday, January 26

OLW 6:00 PM: Naomi Mellen †

Req. by: Deacon Mark & Karen Thuli

Thursday, January 27

OLW 9:00 AM: Souls in Purgatory †

Req. by: Kelly & Margit McCarthy

Friday, January 28

OLW 9:00 AM: Frances Bojek †

Req. by: Jeff & Linda Langreder

Saturday, January 29

OLW 4:30 PM: Allen Mattedi †

Req. by: Carol Jacobs

Sunday, January 30

OLW 9:00 am: Ninfa Torres †

Req. by: Rich & Joanna Molter

SPC 12:00 PM: For the People of the Parish

Req. by: Fr. Marek Król

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 December charitable tithe to **Community Partnership Family Resource Center**. Community Partnership delivers programs and services which strengthen families. Their vision is that all Teller County families are self-reliant, fully functional, and positive contributors to our community. Thank YOU for helping our parish be a part of their mission. Learn more about them at <http://www.cpteller.org/>

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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 \$218,044 \$28,687

Thank You

OLW Capital

Received \$55,232

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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 23, 2022

WATCH THE BIBLE COLLECTION - PAUL THE APOSTLE
The story of Paul's life acts as an incredible witness to God's mercy and love as he went from persecuting the Church to proclaiming it to all the nations! This film brilliantly captures portays this great missionary saint!





Saints - The Process

Stage I – Examining the Life of a Candidate for Sainthood

Phase 1: Diocesan or Eparchial Level

Five years must pass from the time of a candidate's death before a cause may begin. This is to allow greater balance and objectivity in evaluating the case and to let the emotions of the moment dissipate. The pope can dispense from this waiting period.

The bishop of the diocese or eparchy in which the person died is responsible for beginning the investigation. The petitioner (who for example can be the diocese/eparchy, bishop, religious order or association of the faithful) asks the bishop through a person known as the postulator to open the investigation.

The bishop then begins a series of consultations with the episcopal conference, the faithful of his diocese or eparchy and the Holy See. Once these consultations are done and he has received the 'nihil obstat' of the Holy See, he forms a diocesan or eparchial tribunal. The tribunal will investigate the martyrdom or how the candidate lived a life of heroic virtues, that is, the theological virtues of faith, hope and charity, and the cardinal virtues of prudence, justice, temperance and fortitude, and others specific to his or her state in life. Witnesses will be called and documents written by and about the candidate must be gathered and examined.

Phase II: Congregation for the Causes of Saints

Once the diocesan or eparchial investigation is finished, the documentation is sent to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints. The postulator for this phase, residing in Rome, under the direction of a member of the Congregation's staff called a relator prepares the 'Positio,' or summary of the documentary

evidence from the diocesan or eparchial phase in order to prove the heroic exercise of virtue or the martyrdom.

The 'Positio' undergoes an examination by nine theologians who vote on whether or not the candidate lived a heroic life or suffered martyrdom. If the majority of the theologians are in favor, the cause is passed on for examination by cardinals and bishops who are members of the Congregation. If their judgment is favorable, the prefect of the Congregation presents the results of the entire course of the cause to the pope, who gives his approval and authorizes the Congregation to draft a decree declaring one Venerable if they have lived a virtuous life or a Blessed if they have been martyred.

Stage II – Beatification

For the beatification of a Venerable, a miracle attributed to his intercession, verified after his death, is necessary. The required miracle must be proven through the appropriate canonical investigation, following a procedure analogous to that for heroic virtues. This investigation too is concluded with the appropriate decree. Once the decree on the miracle is promulgated the pope grants the beatification, which is the concession of limited public veneration – usually only in the diocese, eparchy, region, or religious community in which the Blessed lived. With beatification the candidate receives the titled of Blessed. For a martyr, no miracle is required. Thus, when the pope approves the positio declaring that the person was a martyred for the faith, the title Blessed is granted to the martyr at that time.

Stage III – Canonization

For canonization another miracle is needed for both Blessed martyrs and Blesseds who lived a virtuous life, attributed to the intercession of the Blessed and having occurred after his or her beatification. The methods for affirming the miracle are the same as those followed for beatification. Canonization allows for the public veneration of the Saint by the Universal Church. With canonization, the Blessed acquires the title of Saint.

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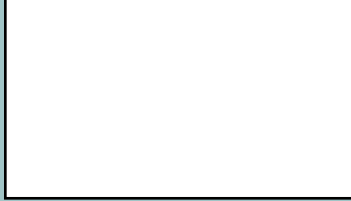
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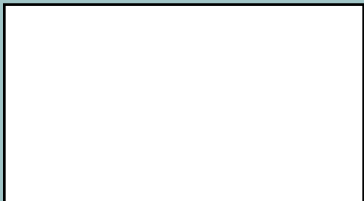
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