

November 26, 2023 **Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

St. Francis of Assisi ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr. Mathew OSB, Parochial Vicar

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm

Sundays 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am, 1:30pm (Spanish) & 5:30pm Weekdays 8:00am Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri & Sat (No Wed morning Mass) Weekday Evenings: Wednesday 5:00pm (Aug through May)

and Thursday 7:30pm (Spanish), in conjunction with Faith Formation. Holv Davs as announced

Reconciliation/Confession

Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri 7:30am, Saturday 4 00pm, Sunday 1:00pm (Spanish) Baptism

Please call the parish for preparation information and scheduling. Parish registration and Baptism classes are prerequisites.

Marriage

Preparation sessions should begin 12 months before the marriage date. Please contact the parish secretary before making any arrangements. Sick or Homebound

Are you unable to attend Mass and wish to receive the Eucharist at home, please email StFrancisHomebound@gmail.com or call the office.

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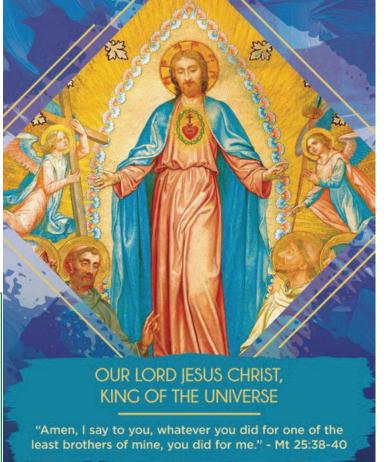


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Request to join one of the closed Facebook groups: St. Francis of Assisi Women's Ministry - Castle Rock, CO or Castle Rock Catholic Young Adults

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St. Francis of Assisi Parishioners

Help us keep our Parish data base current. If you move or change contact information, Please contact the office. 303-688-3025

Hours are 9 am - 5 pm, Monday - Friday, Closed for lunch from 12 - 12:30 pm

The office is closed on Saturday and Sunday

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Advent/Christmas

2023 Advent & Christmas Schedule

Additional Confession Times Starting Dec 3rd Sundays 4:30pm-5:30pm & Fridays 6pm-7pm

Friday Dec 8, 2023, Holy Day of Obligation Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 7:30pm Vigil Mass on Thursday (Spanish) 8am Mass, 6pm Confession & 7pm Mass National Night of Prayer for Life Holy Hour 10pm Adoration, Prayer and Benediction

<u>Tuesday, Dec 12, 2023</u> Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass and Fiesta, 6:00pm

> Friday, Dec 15, 2023 Nativity Play, 6pm -7pm Lessons and Carols, 7pm-9pm

Sunday, Dec 24, 2023 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am & 1:30pm (Spanish) Christmas Eve Vigil Masses 4 pm at Douglas County Event Center 4 pm, & 7 pm at St Francis

> Monday, Dec 25, 2023 Christmas Day Masses 8 am, 10 am & 12 pm (español)

Calendario litúrgico de Adviento y Navidad 2023 Horario adicional para Confesión comenzando el 3 de diciembre

domingos 4:30pm-5:30pm y viernes 6pm-7pm

domingo 3 de diciembre al lunes 12 de diciembre, 2023 Novena a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe 7pm to 7:30pm en la iglesia

<u>viernes 8 de diciembre, 2023</u> Día de obligación – Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción 7 30pm Misa de vigilia el jueves(español) 8 am y 7 pm el viernes Noche nacional de oración por la vida- Hora Santa 10 pm Adoración, oración y bendición

<u>martes 12 de diciembre, 2023</u> Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Santa Misa y celebración 6 pm Rosario y Misa, seguido de la celebración

> domingo 17 de diciembre 2023 Posada a las 7pm

domingo 24 de diciembre, 2023 **Misas de Nochebuena** 4 pm en el Centro de Eventos de Douglas County; 4 pm,y 7 pm en la parroquia

> lunes 25 de diciembre, 2023 Misas de Navidad 8 am, 10 am & 12 pm (español)

November 26, 2023

St. Francis of Assisi Church, Castle Rock, CO

This Week's Message from Fr. Mark



I pray that you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving Day! I am so thankful for all of you and the love and devotion that you offer Our Lord here in His Church! Please join us for our Forty Hours Devotion this weekend! Our Eucharistic Adoration Chapel will be open

following 5:30 PM Mass Saturday, November 25 thru Monday morning, November 27, continuously, for forty hours of quiet prayer before our Lord. Thanks to our Knights of Columbus for providing security overnight Saturday and Sunday.

Today we celebrate the magnificent feast of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Our Bible readings provide contrasting images of this King of ours — He has authority over all, and yet, He is humble and tender in His care for us, especially the most vulnerable.

How can we properly honor and love such a King? By offering Him our very lives - by giving our time, talent, and treasure to Him and to the mission of His Church.

The Gospel passage from Saint Matthew shows us how. Our final judgment will be based not on how influential we became in society, or how high we climbed the corporate ladder, or any "worldly" achievements. Rather, our judgment will be based on how we treated the least of those around us. To make His point very clear, Jesus gives specifics — feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, showing hospitality to the stranger, and caring for the ill and imprisoned. The more deeply we embrace this way of life, the more closely our priorities will align with His.

A special thank-you to all of you who made your commitment to grow in giving of your time, talent, and treasure. This is our follow-up weekend, asking you, if you have not already done so, to complete a Commitment Card and return it to us this week. We are so grateful to be a vibrant, growing parish. It is thanks to our Lord working in you, and your cooperating, that any of this is possible!

Long Live Christ the King!

Fr. Mark Zacker Pastor



Mass Intentions

Monday,	November 27, 2023
8:00am	+ Douglas Michela
Tuesday,	November 28, 2023
8:00am	Mary Godshall
Wednesday,	November 29, 2023
5:00pm	+ Margaret Copeland
Thursday,	November 30, 2023 Thanksgiving Day
8:00am	Michael Bracket
7:30pm	+ Ana Cecilia Toro Arango
Friday,	December 1, 2023
8:00am	Lourdes Curran
Saturday,	December 2, 2023
8:00am	+ Stan Stanek
5:30pm	Travis Greenfield
Sunday,	December 3, 2023
7:30am	Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi Parish
9:30am	+ Carol Spilotro
11:30am	+ Richard Anesi
1:30pm	Vicki Arndt
5:30pm	+ Pete Gomez

Please continue to Pray for the Sick, those recovering from surgery and terminally ill:

Lisa Gatschet Joe Marsilo Colleen Rafael Vasquez Dcn Ed DeMattee Ken Ballez Tony Constantino Mike Klausner Teegan McDonald, Kay Miller, Sue Powers, Jay and Bobbi Jo Powers, Wayne Boddicker, Ann Staab, Katherine Bylsma,

Gary Bylsma, Lisa Abraham, Gerry Snyder, Sarah Sloat, Darby Kucinski, Charlotte Chumbley Gina Hettinger, Rose Gibson. Dan Campbell, Jonathan Dahlem, Betty Karbon, Kathy Masters, Bob Luckner, Steven Fixter, John Roscoe,

Steven Hain, Jim Burke, Cimberleigh Smith, Kimra Dietrich, Gary Dempsey, Steven Chin, Gary Kuntz, Shelly Busby, Reece Rubino, Ann Hurley, Austin Eddy, Bob Delaney, Joe Mack

+++ May the healing presence of Christ comfort them.

Don't Forget to Turn in Your Commitment Card

We are still in the midst of our annual Stewardship Renewal. If you haven't returned your Commitment Card or completed one online at the parish website, www.stfranciscr.org. It is NOT too late.

Returning your card is an important part of being an active member of St. Francis of Assisi.

Please take this opportunity to discern how God is calling you to grow closer to him this year.

COME FOLLOW ME



Looking for a few good MEN! This is Jesus calling you, not Uncle Sam! Do you have a few hours a couple times a month to help the Funeral Luncheon Committee? WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Please contact Ann Salek at justustwo@comcast.net

Announcements

Advent Penance Services



St. Francis of Assisi Additional Confession Times Starting Dec 3rd Sundays 4:30pm - 5:30pm Fridays 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Ave Maria in Parker Tuesday, Dec 5th at 6:30pm

Pax Christi in Lone Tree Thursday, Dec 7th at 6:30pm

Our Lady of the Visitation, Kiowa Tuesday, Dec 12th at 7:00pm

St. Mark in Highlands Ranch Thursday, Dec 14th at 6:30pm

Altar Server Training In preparation for the Christmas Season

Thurs. Dec. 5th, 5:00pm - 6:00pm Sat. Dec. 9th, 10:00am - 11:00am

St. Francis of Assisi Job Opening **Facility Manager** Full Time, M-F, 9am to 5pm

Maintenance of church buildings and property:

- Manage maintenance vendors and contracts.
- Oversee landscaping and maintenance volunteers.
- Knowledge of plumbing, electrical, etc. required

Complete job descriptions and applications are available in the Office. Applications accepted until position filled. A background check will be required.

EOE/MF

Please contact Tom Fenton for an application to submit with your resume. TFenton@stfranciscr.org,720-215-4520



Christmas Giving Tree

Please share your blessings with those in need this holiday season!

November 25th - December 10th

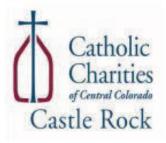
To participate, remove one of the ornaments from the Giving Tree at St. Francis of Assisi Church.

If you choose a *Gift Card* ornament, please purchase one or more \$25 gift cards from Target or Walmart so that a family in need can shop for their children. Place the card in the box (by the Giving Tree after mass), or drop off at the Catholic Charities office during office hours.

-or-

If you choose an **Adopt a Family** ornament, call the Catholic Charities office and you will be assigned a family that has requested Christmas assistance. You will receive detailed information about your Adopt a Family, gift drop off dates and times.

If you are unable to obtain an ornament contact Catholic Charities ; to be a part of the program.



Donation receipts available upon request.

If you have any questions, please call: Catholic Charities of Central Colorado 410 S Wilcox St, Castle Rock, CO 80104 720.215.4521 Mon-Thur, 9am-1pm

Events at St. Francis

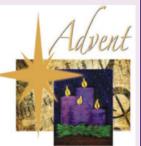
We are very excited to have The Eucharistic Miracles Display Here at St. Francis!

November 18th to Nov 22nd 9:00am - 7:00pm November 23rd & 24th 9:00am - 11:00am only November 25th & 26th 9:00am - 7:00pm in Assisi Hall



A Festival of Lessons and Carols Friday, December 15th at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary

Presented by: St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church Festival Choir





FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12TH

ROSARY AT 6:00PM MASS AT 7:00PM

CELEBRATION TO FOLLOW IN ASSISI HALL ALL ARE WELCOME!



Walk with our Blessed Mother Mary and Saint Joseph on their pilgrimage to Bethlehem!



There will be piñatas, candy buñuelos, pan dulce and ponche.

Volunteers and donations are needed.

Contact Vicki Arndt 720-362-0497. for more information.

The Gathering 55+ For Newcomers, Couples & Singles age 55+

> **Christmas Party** Thursday, December 21st, 2023 11:30 am in Assisi Hall

Special Guest - Bishop James Golka (Watch for a future Signup Genius to RSVP)

The main meal will be provided. Please bring your favorite Christmas salad, side or dessert to share.

New Comers always welcome! Contact Janet Searle for information at 720-388-9350





St. Vincent de Paul 303-847-2606

Thank you to all our volunteers who helped with our Food Pantry on Nov 18. In addition to the Food Pantry, we also provide other assistance to our clients. In October, we were able help nine families with rental assistance, and two families with utility assistance.

Next Food Pantry: Saturday, December 9 8:45am to 10:15am Lower Level of Assisi Hall

Our Pantry Shelves are nearly bare!

W are especially in need of the following items You can leave these items in the Red Wagons outside Assisi Hall and in the Narthex We CANNOT take donations of clothing.



Non-Perishable Food Items

Pantry Staples Oatmeal, Cereal Pasta sauce, Jelly Non-food items Shampoo and Conditioner Personal hygiene items Wipes Dish Soap Laundry detergent (small bottles or pods) Kleenex Toilet Paper Paper towels Diapers, sizes 4&5

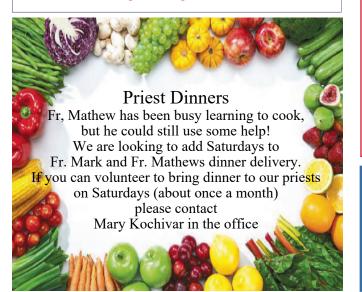
Cash donations can be left in the Poor Box in the Narthex or mailed to the Parish office. . All donations left in the



Poor Box go directly to the Food Pantry. With these donations we are able to purchase perishable foods like milk, butter, eggs, etc. Please make a note in the Memo portion of your check that the donation is to go to the Food Pantry or to St. Vincent de

Paul.to be used for other support for our families.

In addition to these items, we need King Soopers and Safeway gift cards that will allow our clients to purchase gasoline



This Week's Parish Calendar

Sunday, November 26, 2023 Faith Formation: K-5th 8:00am Lower Level 9:00am Eucharistic Miracles Display Assisi Hall 9:35am Children's Liturgy Narthex Fireplace 10:30am RCIA Class Fr. McMahon Fireplace 11:00am RCIA for C/T Lower Level 3:45pm Faith Formation: MS Fr. Walter Steidel 6:30pm Life Teen HS Youth Group Lower Level East Monday, November 27, 2023 Rosary, Confession & 8:00am Mass 7:15am Sanctuary 8:00am Adoration - 10 hours Chapel/Choir Room 6:00pm Respect Life Committee Library St. Junipero Serra 6:00pm New Stephen Ministry Training 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Continuing Education Lower Level 7:30pm Young Adult Bible Study Off-site Tuesday, November 28, 2023 Rosary, Confession & 8:00am Mass Sanctuary or Choir Chapel 7:30am 8:00am Adoration - 10 hours Chapel/Choir Room 9:00am Bible Study: ACTS Fr. Michael McGivney 1:00pm Knit and Crochet Ministry Library 2:00pm Gift Shop Creations Assisi Hall 6:00pm Peru Mission Trip Information Night Lower Level East Wednesday, November 29, 2023 8:00am Adoration - 10 hours Chapel/Choir Room 4:15pm Rosary Chapel/Choir Room 4:45pm Faith Formation: 8th and Confirmation Assisi Hall 4:45pm Faith Formation: K-7th Lower Level 5:00pm Evening Mass Sanctuary 6:45pm ESL Lower Level 7:00pm Agente de la Nueva Evangelizacion Library Thursday, November 30, 2023 Thanksgiving Day Rosary, Confession & 8:00am Mass 7:30am Sanctuary 8:00am Adoration - 10 hours Chapel/Choir Room 6:00pm Catechesis de Confirmacion para Adultos St. Padre Pio 6:00pm New Stephen Ministry Training St. Junipero Serra 6:30pm RCIA Make-up Classes Fr. Mychal Judge 7:00pm Chorus of Faith Rehearsal Chapel/Choir Room Evening Mass in Spanish 7:30pm Sanctuary Friday, December 1 2023 6:00am Men's Ministry Lower Level East Rosary, Confession & 8:00am Mass 7:30am Sanctuary 8:00am Adoration - 10 hours Chapel/Choir Room 9:00am Fr. Mychal Judge ESL Class 12:00pm Stations of the Cross Sanctuary 3:00pm Craft Fair Set-up Assisi Hall 4:30pm Wedding Rehearsal: Astar/Herrera Sanctuary 7:00pm Al-Anon in Spanish Fr. McMahon Fireplace Saturday, December 2, 2023 8:00am Mass Sanctuary 8:00am Craft Fair Assisi Hall Diaconate Formation Meeting 8:00am Lower Level East 11:00am Grief Share Fr. McMahon Fireplace Nativity Play Rehearsal 1:30pm Mother Bonzel 2:00pm Wedding: Astar/Herrera Sanctuary 4:00pm Confession Sanctuary 5:30pm Mass Sanctuary 6:00pm Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Catolico Lower Level East "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17 Men's Ministry Friday mornings at 6:00 am. TNN In the Lower Level

"Mysteries of the Rosary: The Presentation in the Temple""

For information, please contact Kevin Zink



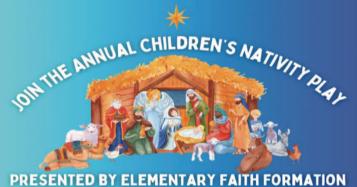
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Faith Formation for every Age



PRESENTED BY ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION DEC 15TH AT 6 PM

Your child can choose:

- A Speaking Role
- Nonspeaking rol
- Stage crew
- Music/Piano
- Sound

for these rehearsal dates:

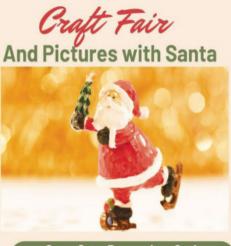
Dec 9, 4:30-6:30 pm

Dec 14, 5:00 -6:30 pm

Contact Karyn @ karynshorses@yahoo.com In you email, please include the following: Name, grade, day your child attends Faith Formation, and parent phone number

The Children were learning to see like Jesus and let his love shine in us!





Christmas

8am-8pm December 2nd 8am-2pm December 3rd \$5 Entry Donation Requested to support high-school fundraising

Questions? Contact Cheyenne at csecor@stfranciscr.org or see bulletin.



Check out FORMED! www.stfranciscr.FORMED.org Two New Advent Series!





Ministerio Hispano



Ven y sígueme

Llévate el folleto y la tarjeta de compromiso a casa. Pasa tiempo en oración y pregunta a nuestro Señor cómo te está llamando a compartir con la comunidad parroquial los talentos y dones que te ha dado.

Celebración de las Posadas
Domingo 17 de diciembre | 7 pm en Assisi Hall
Se necesitan voluntarios

y donaciones. Llama a la oficina para detalles.

Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Savita Virgen María Savita Misa de vigilia en español Iueves 7 de diciembre a las 7:30 pm





Programa de la celebración de nuestra Madre la Santísima Virgen María de Guadalupe

NOVENA diciembre 3 - 12 (detalles en el inserto) **SANTA MISA** martes 12 de diciembre a las 7 pm

Festividades en Assisi Hall al terminar la Santa Misa.

Se necesitan voluntatios y donaciones.

Contacta a Vicki Arndt al 720-362-0497 para más información

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26 de noviembre 2023 Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo

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UNA PARROQUIA DE SERVIDORES

Misas/Sacramentos

Misa en español:	Domingos a la1:30pm & jueves a las 7:30pm de acuerdo al calendario escolar.
Reconciliación:	Lunes - viernes a las 7:30 am, sábado a las 4:00 pm y domingo a la 1:00 pm.
Bautismos:	Contacta a Vicki Arndt
Matrimonios:	Por favor llame 12 meses antes de comenzar los preparativos de su celebración.
Clases de Formación en la Fe (Primera Comunión y Confirmación) contacta Vicki Arndt para detalles	
Quinceañeras:	Favor de llamar a la oficina parroquial 12 meses antes de comenzarla fecha de su celebración para conocer los requisitos.

Mensaje Semanal de Nuestro Párroco

VIVA CRISTO REY!

Hoy celebramos la magnífica fiesta de la Solemnidad de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo. Nuestras lecturas bíblicas ofrecen imágenes contrastantes de este Rey nuestro: tiene autoridad sobre todo y, sin embargo, es humilde y tierno en su cuidado de nosotros, especialmente de los más vulnerables.

¿Cómo podemos honrar y amar a un Rey así? Ofreciéndole nuestras propias vidas, dándole nuestro tiempo, talento y tesoro a Él y a la misión de su Iglesia.

El pasaje evangélico de San Mateo nos muestra cómo hacerlo. Nuestro juicio final no se basará en lo influyentes que hayamos llegado a ser en la sociedad, ni en lo alto que hayamos escalado en la empresa, ni en ningún logro "mundano". Más bien, nuestro juicio se basará en cómo tratamos a los más pequeños de los que nos rodean. Para dejar claro lo que quiere decir, Jesús da detalles concretos: dar de comer al hambriento, dar de beber al sediento, mostrar hospitalidad al forastero y cuidar de los enfermos y los presos. Cuanto más profundamente adoptemos este estilo de vida, más se alinearán nuestras prioridades con las suyas.

Un agradecimiento especial a todos los que se habían comprometido a crecer en la donación de su tiempo, talento y tesoro. Este es nuestro fin de semana de seguimiento, pidiéndoles, si aún no lo han hecho, que completen una Tarjeta de Compromiso y nos la devuelvan esta semana. Estamos muy agradecidos de ser una parroquia vibrante y en crecimiento. Es gracias a nuestro Señor trabajando en ustedes, y a su cooperación, que todo esto es posible.

Por favor, únanse a nosotros para nuestra Devoción de Cuarenta Horas esta fin de semana. Nuestra Capilla de Adoracion Eucaristica estará abierta despues de la Misa de las 5:30 PM desde el Sabado 25 de Noviembre hasta la mañana del Lunes 27 de Noviembre, continuamente, por cuarenta horas de oracion silenciosa ante nuestro Senor. Gracias a nuestros Caballeros de Colón por proporcionar seguridad durante la noche del sábado y el domingo. ¡Viva Cristo Rey!

P. Mark Zacker Párroco

NUESTRO SEÑOR JESUCRISTO, REY DEL UNIVERSO "Yo les aseguro que, cuando lo hicieron con el más insignificante de mís hermanos, conmigo lo hicieron" - MI 25, 38-40

Horario de Adviento para Confesión

diciembre 3 - 22

viernes 6 PM - 7 PM

domingos 1:00 PM - 1:25 PM 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM

