



ST. MARY PARISH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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St Mary Catholic Church in Rifle

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August 5 is First Friday Adoration: 24 Hours with the Lord. From 8:00AM to 6:00PM Adoration in silence in the Chapel. From then until 8:00AM Saturday morning Adoration is in the Church. The evening and overnight Adoration is in the language of the person covering a time slot. If you would like to commit to an hour during 6:00PM Friday to 8:00AM Saturday, please contact Maria Lara (970-710-0636, marularaa72@gmail.com) or Antonia Alvarez (970-948-0744). Everyone is welcome to drop in and pray at any time! We are in need search of a scheduled adorer for 1PM to 2PM. If you are will to spend this hour in prayer, either on a monthly or one-time basis, please contact Agnes Skelly (713-366-6014 or stpaj1290@gmail.com).

Next Sunday, August 7th, is **'Family Reconciliation Sunday'**. Fr. JoseMaria is available to hear confessions an extra half-hour, beginning at 11:30AM. Families are especially encouraged to arrive together to make their individual confessions. Children learn what they see, and parents receiving this sacrament helps them appreciate the great gift of God's mercy.

Anyone interested in our **English Music ministry**, both current and new members, are invited to a meeting on Monday, August 8 at 7:00PM. The agenda includes discussion of covering the 9:30AM choir director duties, starting a children's choir and encouraging high school students to join the Choir or Mosaic Ensemble. Please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions.

All parishioners, friends and family are invited to our annual **Parish Picnic & Volunteer Appreciation** on August 28th from 1:30-4PM. Parish Council and the Maria Auxiliadora Prayer Group are providing the burgers, tacos and drinks. Please bring a favorite family side dish or dessert to share! There will be games for the youth that will may involve water so make sure to pack a towel for them. More details to come in the weeks ahead, hope to see you all there!

Do you have questions about the Catholic faith, or are you interested about obtaining a more in-depth knowledge of the teachings of the Church, or are you in need of completing your sacraments of initiation (Confirmation or Eucharist), or are a non-Catholic considering becoming Catholic? Then our upcoming RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) class might be just what you are looking for!

The class gathers one evening per week for about 2 hrs. and begins in September. It is facilitated by a volunteer team of catechists assisting Fr. Jose Maria.

The next series of **Natural Family Planning** classes (English/Spanish) in Glenwood Springs begins in September. Contact Jake and Krista Lasko for more

information. (kristaandjake@yahoo.com, 303-335-7615). To learn more about NFP in the privacy of your home, visit www.ccli.org (\$99 online course, English only).



The Knights of Columbus would like to thank Tom & Pam Hogelin for donating the cost of a wheelchair. Please let an usher know if you need to use in order to help someone enter our building safely.

FAMILY LIFE/YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

(High School Youth Group: Fall 2016 Grades 9-12 and 2016 graduates. Middle School Youth Group: Fall 2016 Grades 6-8)



High School:

August 7th: Dinner and Movie on the lawn from 6:00-8:00PM. We will also be celebrating our High School Seniors before they head off to their next journey! Anyone willing to provide a meal please contact Sophie Messaros before August 5th.

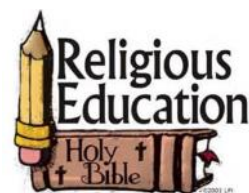
Middle School:

August 14th: You're are invited to attend our first Edge Night from 4:15-5:45PM. Parents please fill out your teens registration form found in the Information rack for a chance for them to win a prize blessed by Pope Francis!

Family Life:

August 20th: Pro-Life Bootcamp with Catholic Charities' Lynn Grandon, 11-4PM. See flyers posted around church and community for more information. This event is for High School age and up, not recommended for young children.

August 28th: Middle and High School students will organize games for the younger children at the Parish Picnic and Volunteer Appreciation.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION

See the bulletin insert for detailed information about our 2016/17 religious education program. We are excited to begin another year of supporting parents in their mission as the first and primary instructors of the faith to their children!

MEETINGS & THINGS

- **Parish Council:** Tuesday, 7:00PM, Room 4
- **First Friday Adoration: 24 Hours with the Lord:** Friday, 8:00AM to Saturday 8:00AM
- **Family Confession:** Sunday, Aug. 7, 11:30AM to 12:30PM
- **High School Youth Group Dinner & Move:** Sunday, Aug. 7, 6:00PM-8:00PM

Liturgical Schedule

English Mass Schedule:

- Mon., Tues., Fri. — 7:30am
- Saturday — 4:30pm
- Sunday — 9:30am

Sacred Heart- 230 N. 6th St., Silt

- Sunday 7:30am

Misa en Español Schedule:

- Thursday — 7:00pm
- Saturday — 7:00pm
- Sunday — 12:30pm

Reconciliation Schedule:

- Mon., Tues., Fri. — 7:00am
- Thursday — 6:30pm
- Saturday — 3:30pm & 6:30pm
- Sunday — 12:00pm

Adoration Schedule:

- Mon., Tue., Fri. — 8:00am-9:00am
- First Friday of Each Month— 8:00am-10:00pm



'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?'

WE PRAY FOR...

Bernice Ghastin, Chris Chavez, Chuck and Pat Becker (*Margaret Simms parents*), Joan Weaver, Gayl Bernhardt, Darrell Redman, the family of Rustin Franke, Kyle Scholla, Butch Pressler, Alice Holmes, Mark Holmes, Billie Jansky, Craig Leonard, Brian Garland, Bill Oaks, Ann & Ed Andzel, Anita Sundin, Rick Sundin, Joshua Jones, Julia Avonovich, Tammy Waller, Fred Garcia, Julie Kuper, Marty Thompson, Terry Whitley, Pat Schmeckel, Luke Anderle, Ted Diaz, Corky Wilson, Alex & Linda Garcia, Georgi Aibner, Megan Doll, Alicia & David Thorpe, Tony Martinez, Linda Tomasi, Lauren Giard, Cathy Richard, Mary Ann Olson, Irene Goergen, Lyle Green, Kim Nieslanik, Susan Armstrong, Freddie Romero, Gerald Waters, Nancy Newton, Joe Elliot, Ann Arrington, Kathy Willeart, Patrick Chavez (Esther Jones' uncle), Reagan Nelson, Joyce Cawley, Clarence Gomez, Esther Jones, Lucy Wolff, Bob Christensen, Yvonne Diaz, Tanya Giard, Loretta Kochis (Mable Sanders' sister), Scott Gordon, Kari Kuerstan, Bert Garlitz, Eliza Gallegos, Mary Benson, Daniel Tena, Connie Ritter, Rosalia Garza, Derek Miles, Gordan Hammel, Kimberly Green, Virginia Escalante, John & Therese Daly, Clarence Gomez, Amanda Axelson, Mary Brennan, Betty Fulton, Andrea Gallegos (Eliza Gallegos' granddaughter), Nadine Gadis, Pat Squire, Marlene Brandt, and for all others in our Parish and Community who are in need of our prayer. **For the souls of our departed:** Ernest "Joe" Thompson, Shannon Bascomb, Elaine Gomez, James Flynn, Billy Mauer, Tom Scanlon, Fr. Robert Hehn, Bellard Garcia. For prayer requests or to join our e-mail/phone prayer ministry contact Dorothy Zinn (625-4509).

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST

Universal: That sports may be an opportunity for friendly encounters between peoples and may contribute to peace in the world.

Evangelization: That Christians may live the Gospel, giving witness to faith, honesty, and love of neighbor.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday: 3rd & 4th Year Theology
Monday: 1st & 2nd Year Theology
Tuesday: 1st & 2nd Year Theology
Wednesday: Spirituality Year
Thursday: College Freshmen & Sophomores
Friday: Vocations Ministry
Saturday: Applicants & Prospective Seminarians

MASS INTENTIONS

July 31 7:00PM Romero Munoz Family ♥
 Aug. 1 12:30PM Roberto Martinez †
 Aug. 4 7:00PM Adelaida Magana ♥

To request a Mass Intention call 625-5125 or e-mail info@stmaryrifle.com

EXPANDING THE WORD

THE PIZZA GUY

Thomas Monaghan is a pizza mogul. Raised in an orphanage, he thought that wealth was justifiable and necessary. He realized that he craved riches to impress—a form of pride. So he simplified everything—no private jet, fancy cars, or huge mansion—and now experiences joy in giving. He said recently that people who think he's sacrificing don't understand. The money is not his money. Yes, he worked hard, but where did he get the enthusiasm, energy, willpower, and persistence to work hard? From God. What Monaghan has produced already belongs to God, so he's only sharing God's bounty. When people ask what motivates him, he thinks it is blindingly obvious: he was raised to believe that the true value of life is to get to heaven while dragging along as many people with him as possible! It's flattering when people say that he's a devout Catholic, but he feels he is too much of a struggling sinner to deserve such praise.

Living Stewardship Now

Wealthy or not, there are many ways to share God's blessings: **Give away** gently-used clothes and household items to local charities. **Buy locally** and support businesses in your neighborhood. **Resist advertising;** buy only as much as you need. **Spend time** with family and friends. **Share** non-perishable food with local food banks. **Support** your parish and good causes with your time and skills. **Turn off the TV** and try biking, hiking, fishing, reading, or just take a walk. **Be good to the earth:** Reduce waste, recycle, plant a garden.

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READINGS OF THE WEEK

August 1 - St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
 Jeremiah 28:1-17 Matthew 14:13-21

August 2 - Weekday
 Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 Matthew 14:22-36

August 3 - Weekday
 Jeremiah 31:1-7 Matthew 15:21-28

August 4 - St. John Vianney, Priest
 Jeremiah 31:31-34 Matthew 16:13-12

August 5 - Weekday
 Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7 Matthew 16:24-28

August 6 - The Transfiguration of the Lord
 Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 2 Peter 1:16-19 Luke 9:28b-36

August 7 - Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
 Wisdom 18:6-9 Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 Luke 12:32-48

The author of Wisdom speaks of "that night" of exodus from bondage in Egypt when the Lord delivered his chosen people from death. Let us be prepared for the Lord who will come again, perhaps in the midst of the night. As we walk in darkness, our journey to our heavenly homeland is illuminated by faith.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you" (Luke 12:20). Hardly sounds like mercy! Unlike some contemporary rich folks, there is no indication of lying, stealing, or cheating in Jesus' parable. The rich man made a living, not a killing.

Why does Jesus name him "fool"? First, because of presumption. Five times in nine verses, the rich man declares, "I shall." God's not in charge here, I am! Second, selfishness—four times, "my/myself." No God, no neighbor; he talks to himself, about himself: my possessions, my productivity, my plans!

So, instead of chasing "treasure for ourselves," Jesus and Pope Francis' Jubilee Year of Mercy bid us grow "rich in what matters to God" (12:21), namely, the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Give food, drink, clothing, and healing; visit the imprisoned; bury the dead. Heal with Jesus' own gentleness the doubt, ignorance, and sins of others; comfort, forgive, be patient; and pray for the living and dead.

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"The fool in the Bible, the one who does not want to learn from the experience of visible things, that nothing lasts for ever but that all things pass away, youth and physical strength, amenities and important roles. Making one's life depend on such an ephemeral reality is therefore foolishness.

The person who trusts in the Lord, on the other hand, does not fear the adversities of life, nor the inevitable reality of death: he is the person who has acquired a wise heart, like the Saints."

Pope Benedict XVI
 August 1, 2010

SACRED HEART PARISH

230 North 6th Street, Silt — Sunday Mass at 7:30am
 Coffee Hour following Mass on the Third Sunday of Each Month

Ministries for August:	Mary Layman
Extraordinary Ministers (8/7):	Yvette Blanc and Gene Diaz
Lector (8/7):	Kris Erpestad
Offertory (7/24):	\$364.00
Attendance (7/24):	37

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

4:30pm Saturday, August 6

Extraordinary Ministers: Eric Miller & Harry Kissell
Lector: Melanie Holmes
Ushers: Knights of Columbus
Cantor: Chris Sullivan
Gifts: Billie and Halie Holmes
Sacristan: Fred Garcia

9:30am Sunday, August 7

Coffee Hour Following Mass Each Sunday

Extraordinary Ministers: Kim Feese, Troy Feese, Karla Jacobs, Mickie Hosack and Larry Brady
Lector: Aaron Hosack and Michelle Duran
Ushers: Daniel Ilincuta and Caitlyn Peed
Server: Luke Duran
Cantor: Mary Jessup and Brian Gray
Gifts: Bryan & Sarah Fleming Family

Coffee: Knights of Columbus
Church Cleaner: Hispanic Community
Money Counters: Monday: Kathie Bernat, Sally Brands and Sandy Getter

Sacristan: Karla Jacobs

If you are unable to serve as scheduled please find a replacement and notify the Parish Office at 625-5125 x 20 or info@stmaryrifle.com. Thank you.

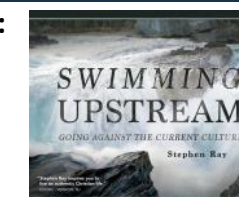
STEWARDSHIP

JULY 23 AND 24:

Offertory: \$4,504.55
 Attendance: July 23: 66 July 24:



SWIMMING UPSTREAM: GOING AGAINST THE CURRENT CULTURE



In this empowering talk, Steve Ray shares what it means to be a Christian in today's world. By examining the lives and martyrdoms of the early Christians and understanding how they transformed the pagan Greco-Roman culture, Steve gives us a blueprint for the New Evangelization. Learn from early Christians how to swim upstream against the current culture and become a witness for Christ.