



## 29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.” - Mk 10:43-45

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# St. Patrick's Catholic Church

October 17, 2021 29th Sunday in Ordinary

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### Mass Times

**Saturday, 4:00 p.m.**  
**Sunday, 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.**  
**Weekday Masses: 9:00 a.m.**  
**Reconciliation: Wednesday, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
**Saturday, After the 4:00 p.m.**  
**Mass or by appointment**

### Parish Staff

**Pastor: Very Reverend Gary Ruzicka**  
**Parochial Vicar: Reverend Linh Vu**  
**Pastoral Assistant: Johnnie Dean**  
**Finance Officer: Trina Medina**  
**Receptionist: Julie Anne Milberger**  
**Director of Religious Education: Andrea Hodges**  
**Asst. Director of Religious Education: Rosie Johnson**  
**Youth Ministry: Dennis & Karin Fakelman**  
**Director of Adult Formation/RCIA: Kevin Sadler**  
**Music Ministry: Lynn Kahler**  
**Safety, IT/Audio Coordinator: Rich Detrick**  
**Maintenance: Dominic Brown**  
**Custodial: Ralph Slattery**



**RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION**

**Religious Education**

**Sunday, 9:00-10:15 a.m.**

Confirmation Parent Meeting-Commons  
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**October 17th-Pre K-8th**

1st Communion Parent Meeting w/ Fr. Gary  
Shamrock Rm

Confirmation Parent Meeting-Commons

**October 24th-Pre K-8th**

Confirmation Class Moves

To the Shamrock Room in the basement  
of the Church

**OCTOBER 31st NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**



**RCIA**

**Sunday, 9:00-10:15 a.m.**

**October 10th**

The Bible

**October 17th**

The Catechism

**October 24th**

The Saints

**NO RCIA OCTOBER 31st**

Are you or a friend or neighbor considering full communion with Christ and his Church? Please join us for RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), the process of becoming full members of the Catholic Church. If you have questions about RCIA or are interested in becoming Catholic please contact: Kevin Sadler at the parish office 235-5535, or [kevin@stpatricks-casper.com](mailto:kevin@stpatricks-casper.com) Although classes have started is not too late to join, new students are always welcome.



**Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.**

**St. Patrick's Youth Center**

For more information, please call

Dennis or Karin: 247-2902

**High School Youth Retreat**

**On October 22-23, 2021**, the Diocese of Cheyenne will host a High School Youth Retreat, "Our Identity in Christ." Come together with other youth from across Wyoming to explore the question, "Who Am I?" If you have ever struggled finding your

place, or have struggled with a sense of identity, God may have a great gift for you at this retreat. Please register your children through your parish youth ministry leader or email questions to Director of Pastoral Formation Joe Wotawa at: [jwotawa@dioceseofcheyenne.org](mailto:jwotawa@dioceseofcheyenne.org)

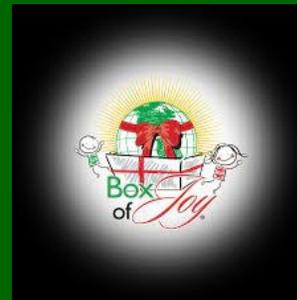


**Religious Education**

We are looking for a catechist to help with all grade levels during religious education on Sunday's from 8:45 to 10:15 a.m.! Duties include; helping with prayer memorization, assisting the catechists who need extra help, & substitute teaching for last minute catechist's absences. If you are interested in helping, please contact Andrea Hodges:

**Phone: 307-235-5535**

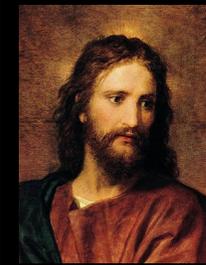
**Email: [andrea@stpatricks-casper.com](mailto:andrea@stpatricks-casper.com)**



**Sharing the love  
of GOD  
Box of Joy**

- **Get Box of Joy to fill Sunday, October 31st**
- **Return to St. Patrick's by Sunday, November 14th**

**Please include your envelope with the \$9.00 donation to cover the cost of shipping! For more information, contact Andrea Hodges at 307-235-5535 or email her at: [andrea@stpatricks-casper.com](mailto:andrea@stpatricks-casper.com)**



**Case For Jesus  
Tuesday, October 12th  
We will be meeting in the Commons**

Week 5: Oct. 19, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

The Kingdom of God and the Messiah

Week 6: Oct. 26, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Did Jesus Claim to Be God?

Week 7: Nov 2, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

The Crucifixion of Jesus

**If you are unable to join on Tuesday evening you may watch the video on [formed.org](http://formed.org).**

**LECTIO-CASE FOR JESUS**

**Log on to**

**[stpatricks.formed.org](http://stpatricks.formed.org)**

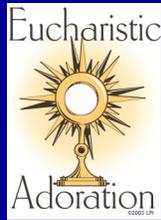
1. Sign in to [stpatricks.formed.org](http://stpatricks.formed.org)
2. Create New Account-St. Patrick's, Casper, WY
3. Click next
4. Enter your name
5. Enter your email
6. You will then be on the home page of FORMED
7. Click on Programs
8. Click on Bible Studies
9. Click on Lectio-Case For Jesus, scroll down and this will take you to each of the sessions.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

We are in need of adorers for the following hours:

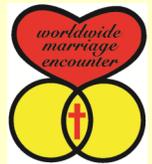
- **Thursday, 12:00-1:00 p.m.**

If you are interested in taking one of these hours to come before the Blessed Sacrament, to pray and adore our Lord please call Johnnie at the office 235-5535 or his cell, 262-2570.



**Marriage Encounter Experience**

**Marriage Encounter Experience:** Lord, we place our trust in you. You can listen to what the Lord wants for your marriage when you attend a marriage encounter experience in person or virtually. Upcoming dates: Ucross WY, Nov. 19-21, 2021; Billings MT, Feb. 4-6, 2022; Gillette WY, Feb. TBA, 2022, or visit the website at [www.wvme.org](http://www.wvme.org) for more dates. For more information and to apply, visit [www.wvme.org](http://www.wvme.org), email [mon-tana.dooleys@gmail.com](mailto:mon-tana.dooleys@gmail.com), or call Dan and Clare Dooley 406-697-3275.



**WEEKLY ROSARY FOR SCHOOLS**



Please join us this week, as we pray the rosary for each of the students, teachers, administration and the support staff at [Journey Elementary School](#). ALL are invited; especially parents and grandparents of school aged children. We will meet every Thursday at St. Patrick's in the Commons from 11:30-

12:30 p.m. For more information, about the rosary, dates of specific schools on the prayer schedule call Carol at 307-259-4765. Send requests for specific individuals in a school to: [casper.toothfairy1@gmail.com](mailto:casper.toothfairy1@gmail.com) Check out our FB page Weekly Rosary for [schools@prayersschapin](#) like and share.



Please join us as we pray the Patriotic Rosary for our country. We will meet on the third Sunday of each month at 2:00 p.m. Join us in the main body of the church by the Blessed Mother, this Sunday, October 17th. Let us join our prayers together for the needs of our country, for those suffering from the natural disasters, fires, hurricanes, flooding, the poor, and our government. We look forward to seeing you Sunday, October 17th at 2:00 p.m.

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

October 17, 2021

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“What do you wish me to do for you?” Whether we realize it, this is a question God is always asking. It’s an important question because the answer we provide will reveal a great deal about where our hearts lie. Our requests of God can often appear very noble and altruistic. They consist of requests for healing for someone in need of prayers, successful resolution of a personal conflict, assistance in overcoming a disease and myriad other desires for both ourselves and others. We are especially concerned about those we love and can easily find ourselves bringing their struggles to God for a hearing in our prayer.

Is that really all that prayer is about? The woman in today’s Gospel, having been put in her place by Jesus, was only looking out for the wellbeing of her sons. She was doing what mothers do, protecting and securing the livelihood of her children. But she was sadly mistaken, her request was not granted. We all make this same misguided mistake from time to time. The goal of prayer is not to convince God of the worthiness of our agenda or to gain a hearing. Sometimes we believe that the more we multiply our prayers or discover the right combination of supplications that we will receive more of God’s attention. That’s not how it works. Even though God desires to hear, know, and be an intimate part of what is on our minds, it goes much deeper.

What we need from God is a relationship. It’s a relationship that guides and immerses us in the very stuff of life and in the direction of the Gospel. This relationship sees God’s kingdom and agenda, not our own, as what is most important. It builds the strength of character necessary to bring God’s Gospel into a world that may not receive it with open arms. It may cause us discomfort and suffering. We are asked to heroically journey with God through suffering, hardship, ridicule, and even death! Ultimately, our desire from God must become our desire for God. It is only when this happens that the powerful words “thy will be done” will be found with sincerity and humility on our lips. Whatever God wishes becomes what we wish as we see this glorious union of wills. Our humble lives will then become powerful witnesses, and what happens to us in God’s eternal kingdom the result of his mercy. We become true servants and find ourselves discovering God’s definition of success. That definition has nothing at all to do with status, income, or privilege.





## Thank You

Thank you to all those who helped honor and celebrate Susie McMurry as this year's Archangel Breakfast honoree. The breakfast was a wonderful event allowing us to recognize Susie's generous spirit and devotion to St. Anthony School and the Casper community. **During the months of October and November, there is a matching gift opportunity!**

**TRIPLE YOUR IMPACT!** In coordination with the Archangel Breakfast, two generous supporters are providing a 3:1 match in

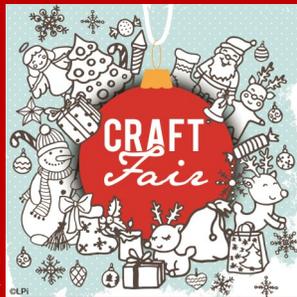
which every dollar you donate is matched with \$3. Your financial support can be made online at:

[www.stanthony-school-foundation.org](http://www.stanthony-school-foundation.org) or contact the foundation office at 337-1362. You may also mail your donation to SAS Foundation at 1145 W 20th St Casper WY 82604.

**Thank you for your continued generosity and prayers!**

## ST. ANTHONY TRI-PARISH CATHOLIC SCHOOL HOLIDAY FAIR

**St. Anthony's Tri-Parish Catholic School is excited to announce that our holiday craft fair is back this year!! It will take place on Saturday, December 11th from 9:00-2:00 p.m. in our warm and beautifully decorated commons (1145 West 20th Street). We are seeking wonderful vendors for this event. This cost is \$45 for an 8'x6' booth space plus a raffle prize donation. Please email: [jen-nifer.titus@sascasper.com](mailto:jen-nifer.titus@sascasper.com) if you'd like to reserve a spot or call the school at 234-2873. We look forward to you joining us!**



## "FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH"

Today our parish begins the synod journey, which follows in the wake of the Church's "renewal" proposed by the Second Vatican Council. By reflecting together on the journey that has been made, the Church will be able to learn through Her experience which processes can help Her to live communion, to achieve participation, to open Herself to mission. A two-part question prompts and guides us: How does this "journeying together," which takes place today on different levels (from the local level to the universal one), allow the Church to proclaim the Gospel in accordance with the mission entrusted to Her; and what steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow as a synodal Church?



In the following days, please pray the *Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus* and reflect on the above questions, as we begin this synodal experience. The *Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus* can be found at <https://dioceseofcheyenne.org/synod-2021-2023>

## WEEKLY MASS READINGS

**Sunday :** Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45  
**Monday:** 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9  
**Tuesday:** Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38  
**Wednesday:** Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48  
**Thursday:** Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53  
**Friday:** Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77 93-94; Lk 12:54-59  
**Saturday:** Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-4b, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9  
**Sunday:** Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52



Saturday, Oct 16th	4:00 p.m. Dee Dever †
Sunday, Oct 17th	8:00 a.m. Carolyn Kane †
	10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Patrick's
Monday, Oct 18th	9:00 a.m. Steven Thompson †
Tuesday, Oct 19th	9:00 a.m. Louie Kathern Mathern †
Wednesday, Oct 20th	9:00 a.m. Betty Lou Milberger
Thursday, Oct 21st	9:00 a.m. Leo Ashba †
Friday, Oct 22nd	9:00 a.m. Frank Dandurand †
Saturday, Oct 23rd	4:00 p.m. Joe DeGrazio †
Sunday, Oct 24th	8:00 a.m. Mike & Sharon Dever
	10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Patrick's

## ST. PATRICK'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	Registered Donors	Plate Donors
Donations Oct 3	\$13,579.00	\$1,961.62
Sept Online Donations	\$15,350.77	\$30.00
Weekly Budget	\$14,038.46	\$1,057.69
YTD Donation	\$194,274.31	\$20,040.21
YTD Budgeted	\$196,538.44	\$14,807.66

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!**

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST Sunday, October 17th

**Please Join the Knights of Columbus for their RSVP Breakfast immediately following the 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Mass, this Sunday October 17th.**



**Adults: \$7.00  
 Family 6 or less \$25.00  
 Kids 5-12 \$5.00  
 Under 5 eat FREE**

