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"Our Lady of the Mountains Parish is one family fed by the Body of Christ, the Eucharist. Our mission is to become the image of God to one another through the practice of our faith and offering hospitality to all."

Summer Schedule

Sundays

Holy Mass 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM
Holy Mass (Spanish) 1st Sunday of
Month 12:00 PM

Monday – Thursday

Holy Mass 8:30 AM

Wednesdays

Eucharistic Adoration 7:30—8:15 AM
Reconciliation 7:45-8:15 AM

Thursdays

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 AM-3:30 PM

Friday

Communion Service 8:30 AM

Saturdays

Reconciliation 3:00-3:45 PM
Holy Mass 4:00 PM
Holy Mass 6:00pm

Upcoming Events August 23, 2026

August 23	Shroud of Turin Presentation 3:00PM
August 25	Grace and Grub 5:00PM
August 26	OCIA Informational Meeting 6:30PM Library
August 28	No Communion Service or Mass
September 2	Faith Formation Registration Deadline
September 6	12:00PM Spanish Mass
September 6	Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast
September 7	Faith Formation Classes Begin 5:30—7:30 PM
September 18	OLM Golf Tournament
October 7	Teen Discussion & Desserts 8:00PM

Our Lady of the Mountains Property Management

To maintain OLM property, including buildings, equipment and grounds, in a manner that respects the sacredness of our Catholic Church and the people who come here, please do not leave items on our grounds or have materials for distribution/perishables delivered without checking with the Parish Office.

CLERGY & STAFF DIRECTORY

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Ushers@olmestes.org

Register at OLM: For Fr. Faustinus to sign godparent or Confirmation sponsor paperwork, ensure you have been a registered member of our parish for six months or more.

Register online: ourladyofthemountainschurch.org

Gifted Singers Wanted!!

The choir at the 10:00 AM Sunday Mass could use three to four additional members. Visit with Dennis Fromholzer, the music director, after the 10:00 AM Mass or contact the parish office if you are interested.

From the desk of Deacon George Schmelter:
Beware of Scam Emails

Earlier this year, several parishioners received scam emails pretending to be from members of our parish staff. We want to remind everyone to remain cautious, as these scams can still occur.

Please remember: if the parish or clergy needs something from you personally, we will contact you directly by phone or in person to schedule a meeting. We will never ask for gift cards, money, or personal information through suspicious emails or text messages.

Please stay vigilant and do not fall victim to these scam attempts. If you are unsure about a message claiming to be from the parish, contact the parish office before responding.

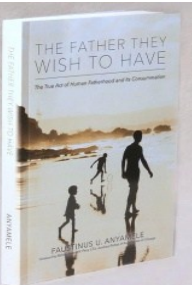
Thank you for helping keep our parish community safe!

The Father They Wish to Have

You are invited to share in this letter of love.

“The Father They Wish to Have” a book by our Pastor, Father Faustinus Anyamele.

Rooted in a beautiful reflection on the vocation of fatherhood, this book invites readers to rediscover the heart of what it means to be a father who reflects God’s love through presence, guidance, and care. May it inspire and encourage all fathers, grandfathers, and father figures in their important mission of love within family



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Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, June 6 After 8:00 and 10:00 AM Masses

Every September, the Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast proceeds are donated to worthy organizations and causes. This year the council will donate the proceeds to Marisol Health in Fort Collins. This organization provides a wide range of women's health care including behavioral therapy and family support services. Services provided include prenatal, ultrasound, STI testing, pregnancy testing, gynecology, fertility testing, and counseling. Join us to help us provide our charitable gift to this valuable organization.

Monthly Financial Recap through June 2026

	May-Actual	Year to Date - Actual	YTD Last Year
Offertory	\$ 36,682	\$ 423,970	\$ 404,183
Other Income *	\$ 53,079	\$ 468,038	\$ 283,029
Totals	\$ 89,761	\$ 892,008	\$ 687,212

* Includes Church Preservation Fund, Donations, Wedding Receipts, Gift Shop Sales, etc.

Note: \$113,199 other income is for refunds for Employee Retention Credits

June Maintenance \$ 1,590

Tee up for a great cause !

Join us on **Friday, September 18**, For the 6th annual Our Lady of the Mountains Golf Tournament at the beautiful Estes Park 18-Hole Golf Course! This 4 Person scramble begins at 10:30am shotgun start and welcomes golfers of all skill levels.

Not a golfer? You can still support our parish youth by sponsoring a hole, donating a prize, volunteering, or making a monetary gift. Every contribution helps provide meaningful faith-filled opportunities for our youth.

Registration and hole sponsorship forms are available in the parish office. For more information please call **970-586-8111** or email our pastoral assistant! Pastoralassistant@olmestes.org



PASTORAL COUNCIL

Kent Bosch (chair), Ubaldo Erives,
Dot Dorman (finance liaison), Paul Besson,
Glen Shirey (co-chair), Ericka Santana,
Elizabeth Paddock (secretary)
Deacon George Schmelter

Ministries at Our Lady of the Mountains:

Altar Linen * Altar Servers * Baptismal Bibs * Bereavement * Counting Team * Eucharistic Adoration * Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion * Faith Formation/RE * Funeral Receptions/ Hospitality * Grace and Grub * Knights of Columbus * Lectors * Liturgical Music Ministry/Choir * Ministry for the Homebound * OCIA * Parish Gift Shop * Parish Library * Prayer Chain * Sacristan * Spanish Speaking Community * Sunday Bible Study * Technology

FINANCE COUNCIL

Dot Dorman (chair), Rob Pieper,
Doug Watry, Jim Richard
Twyla Moraczewski
Steve Ross (Finance Manager)
Deacon George Schmelter

MASS INTENTIONS

August 22	04:00pm	+ Bob Shipman
	06:00pm	+ Hipolita Gonzales
August 23	8:00am	+ Alexander Robert Douds
	10:00am	+ Mary Machado
August 24	8:30am	+Souls in Purgatory
August 25	8:30am	+ Laticia Tapia Rosas
August 26	8:30am	Luke, Juli & Connor Finnigan
August 27	8:30am	Ellen Finnigan

To schedule a mass intention ,
please call 970-586-8111 or stop by the office
during office hours

Baptismal Preparation

2nd Monday of month (English)

3rd Monday of month (Spanish)

Call the parish office for more information and to
sign up for class.

Other Sacraments: By appointment, call the parish
office 970-586-8111

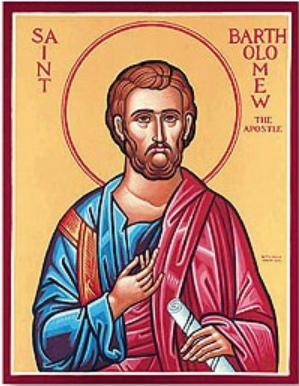
Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs: 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM until Noon

Office is closed from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM
for lunch.

Twenty-First Week in Ordinary Time



This week the Church celebrates the **Feast of St. Bartholomew the apostle**, whose encounter with Christ reminds us that faith begins by responding to the Lord's invitation to "come and see." His honest search for truth became a life long journey of discipleship and courageous witness.

We also continue the **Novena to St. Monica**, asking her intercession for our families, especially for loved ones who have drifted from the faith. Monica's patient trust reminds us that no prayer is ever lost and that God is always working, even when we cannot yet see the fruits.

May this week inspire us to seek Christ with open hearts, to persevere in prayer, and to lovingly invite others to encounter the joy of the gospel.

Are you looking to learn more about the Catholic faith?

Please join us on Wednesday, August 25

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Is interested in exploring the Catholic Church as your church home?
- Was baptized Catholic, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?
- Has been sitting next to your Catholic spouse or significant other for years wondering what you need to do to become Catholic?

This is your personal invitation to take the first step in finding out more about the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), formerly called RCIA, process at Our Lady of the Mountains Church. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

To find out more information, please join an informational meeting on Wednesday, August 25 at 6:30 pm in the Library or pick up a brochure in the back of the church, or contact the parish office for more information. Sessions will start in early September.

Grace and Grub! August 25!

Joins us in the parish hall on Tuesday, August 25 for an evening of food and fellowship! Meet at 5:00 PM with dinner starting at 5:30 PM. Hot dogs



will be served and we invite everyone to bring a side dish to share. Water will be provided or feel free to bring your own beverage. If the weather is nice, we'll sit outside.

Come enjoy good food and company and feel free to bring a fellow parishioner or friend!

Please RSVP to GraceandGrub@olmestes.org

Vanco Online Giving

As a parish family, we are continually invited to share our gifts in gratitude for all God has entrusted to us. Our Lady of the Mountains has now transitioned to a new, more intuitive online giving platform through VANCO, designed to make supporting the mission of the parish simpler and more accessible.

You may access the giving page through the parish website or through the QR code below.

This updated system allows you to direct your gift towards specific parish needs, such as general offertory, church preservation, and other important ministries. Each selection will guide you through a simple and secure giving process.

For your convince you will find QR codes in the back of the church.

Your generosity whether through time, talent, or treasure helps sustain the life and mission of our parish.

If you have any questions please feel free to stop by the office and ask for

Steve Ross Between 1-4pm

Monday through Friday. We are here to help in any way!



Shrouded in Mystery

Sunday, August 23 at 3:00PM

What if the most studied artifact in history still carries a silent witness to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ?

In this presentation you will explore:

- How the Shroud of Turin points to the suffering, death, and Resurrection of Jesus.
- Why the Resurrection changes everything.
- How the Eucharist is our encounter with the Risen Lord.
- Why this mystery still matters for everyone today.

Sponsored by The Knights of Columbus. This presentation is free and open to the public.

Faith Formation Registration

Deadline is September 2!

Registration for Faith Formation classes is open now. Please go to Our Lady of the Mountains website to register. You may use the following link to find the registration forms in English and Spanish <https://ourladyofthemountainschurch.org/faith-formation-1>

The deadline for registration is Wednesday, September 2. Both new and returning families must register. Classes start September 9.

Phase One of Electrical Work Underway

Phase One of the Church's electrical project began on Monday, August 10th. The project will span about 8 - 10 weeks. Please excuse any inconvenience or noise that will occur during this time frame. The contractors are aware that Church is used for private prayer during the day and for Adoration on Thursdays and will be respectful of the adorers.

Total Amount for Electrical Project (Phase One)

\$93,692

Amount Donated To Date

\$42,225

Total Left to be Funded

\$51,467

