

St. Mary Magdalen ◇ St. Francis



The Feast of the Holy Family

Sunday,

December 31, 2023

*"The child grew and
became strong, filled
with wisdom; and
the favor of God
was upon him."*

Lk 2:40

ST. MARY MAGDALEN

1099 Charles Avenue, Worland, WY

Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Spanish

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Pastor: Fr. Robert Rodgers

Deacon: Mike Martinson

Parish office hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Parish/School Office – 347-6441

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Bulletin Information Deadline: Wednesday at Noon

ST. FRANCIS

801 Arapahoe/PO Box 272, Thermopolis, WY

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 4:00 p.m.

Thursday: 8:00 a.m.

Pastor: Fr. Robert Rodgers

Parish office hours in Worland but available by phone

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Rectory Phone – 307-864-2458

Parish Office – 307-864-2458

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Website – www.stfrancisthermopolis.com

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*The Lord remembers his covenant
for ever. Ps 105*

Happy New Year and happy Feast of Mary, Mother of God (Monday)!

"Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen." How many hundreds of times have we gone to Mary and asked her intercession under the title, Mother of God? This ancient title reveals several powerful mysteries of God's providence: 1) Jesus is truly God and truly man, 2) Mary's distinct and most honorable role in the plan of salvation is as *mother* -- Mother of God and our mother, 3) God so loves humanity that he would deign to bestow such a lofty title upon a creature -- how greatly has He humbled Himself and exalted us!

I'd like to quote for our instruction and edification from a letter of St. Cyril of Alexandria to Nestorius, which was approved by the Council of Ephesus in 431, and from which we get the Dogma of Mary Mother of God.

"For scripture does not say that the Word united the person of a man to himself, but that he became flesh. The Word's becoming flesh means nothing else than that he partook of flesh and blood like us; he made our body his own, and came forth a man from woman without casting aside his deity, or his generation from God the Father, but rather in his assumption of flesh remaining what he was. This is the account of the true faith everywhere professed. So shall we find that the holy fathers believed. So have they dared to call the holy virgin, *mother of God*, not as though the nature of the Word or his godhead received the origin of their being from the holy virgin, but because there was born from her his holy body rationally ensouled, with which the Word was hypostatically united and is said to have been begotten in the flesh."

This short prayer, the oldest prayer to Mary known to exist, would be appropriate to pray on this great feast day:

"We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God; despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen."

Feliz año nuevo y feliz Solemnidad de Maria, Madre de Dios (lunes)! Cuántas veces hemos implorado la intercesión de la Virgen bajo el título de "Madre de Dios" mientras hemos rezado, "Santa Maria, Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros pecadores, ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte. Amén?"

Este título de la Virgen, Madre de Dios, nos revela algunas cosas muy fuertes sobre la humildad de Dios y la dignidad de la Virgen. 1) Jesucristo es verdadero Dios y verdadero hombre. 2) El papel y el honor principal de Maria en el plan de la salvación es como *madre* -- Madre de Dios y Madre nuestra. 3) El hecho que Dios daría un honor tan grande a una criatura, nos enseña su humildad y su amor por nosotros los hombres.

La siguiente oración es la más antigua conocida a la Virgen y usa el título que honramos hoy. Sería apropiado rezarla en esta gran solemnidad.

"Bajo tu amparo nos acogemos, santa Madre de Dios; no deseches las súplicas que te dirigimos en nuestras necesidades, antes bien, líbranos de todo peligro, ¡oh siempre Virgen, gloriosa y bendita!"



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St. Francis
Daily Mass Schedule, Mass Intentions & Readings for the Week

Monday, January 1, 2023	Num 6:22-27
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy	Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8
Mother of God Mass: 11:00 a.m.	Gal 4:4-7
Intention: Pro Populo	Lk 2:16-21
 Thursday, January 4, 2023	 1 Jn 3:7-10
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	Jn 1:35-42
Mass: 8:00 a.m.	
Intention: Intentions of St. Francis CCW	
 Sunday, January 7, 2023	 Is 60:1-6
Mass: 4:00 p.m.	Ps 72:1-2,7-8,10-11, 12-13
Intention: Bernie Blacketer	Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Confession: 2:30-3:30 p.m. or by	Mt 2:1-12
Appointment Thursday	

Deceased +

St. Francis
Weekend Lay Ministry Schedule:
January 7
4:00 p.m.

Lector: Susan Estenson
Altar Servers: Camden and Annabelle Weyer
Eucharistic Ministers: Connie Hart and Bernadine Blacketer
Musicians: Adam Estenson and Lilly
Rosary: Knights of Columbus

**CCD classes will resume on Wednesday
 January 3, 2024.**

"OUR RETURN TO THE LORD"

St. Francis

Last Weekend's Collection: \$7,614
 2023 Living and Giving in Christ Goal: \$21,973
 Remaining Balance: \$6,083

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Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
January 1, 2024
Mass: 11:00 AM

O Mary, Conceived without Sin, Pray for Us Who Have Recourse to Thee.

Parish Photo Directory – The holidays are a great time to take a family photo. Submit your photos and information to stfrancis@dcwy.org by January 15, 2024.



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ST. FRANCIS

Community Sunday Dinner

January 14th following Mass

January's carry in dinner will be soup. The soup will be provided. Please bring salad or dessert. Everyone is welcome.

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Litany of the Holy Name of Jesus

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as we celebrate the feast of The Most Holy Name of Jesus with this litany prayer of the Holy Name.
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/litany-of-the-holy-name-of-jesus>



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Readings for the Week**

Monday, January 1, 2024 Nm 6:22-27
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8
Mother of God Mass: 9:00 a.m. Gal 4:4-7
Intention: Ed and Mary Jane Schmeltzer + Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday, January 2, 2024 1 Jn 2:22-28
Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen Jn 1:19-28
Mass: 5:00 p.m.
Intention: Emerick and Helen Macey +

Wednesday, January 3, 2024 1 Jn 2:29-3:6
The Most Holy Name of Jesus Jn 1:29-34
Mass: 8:00 a.m.
Intention: Marsha and Jerry Phillips

Friday, January 5, 2024 1 Jn 3:11-21
St. John Neumann Jn 1:43-51
Mass: 8:00 a.m.
Intention: Luis Martinez Sr. +

Saturday, January 6, 2024 1 Jn 5:5-13
Mass: 5:00 p.m. Mk 1:7-11
Intention: Mark Reinig
Confession: 3:00-4:30 p.m. or by appointment any day

Sunday, January 7, 2024 Is 60:1-6
Mass: 9:00 a.m. Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
Intention: Joe, Malea, Lauren and Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Davis Kuykendall Mt 2:1-12
Mass: 11:00 a.m.
Intention: Pro Populo

+ Deceased



*Solemnity of
Mary, the
Holy Mother
of God*

*January 1, 2024
Mass at 9:00 a.m.*

“Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may
be made worthy of the promises of Christ.”

St. Mary Magdalen

Lumen Christi Prayer Ministry will be in the church to pray with anyone who has a prayer request **every Thursday from 5-6 PM**. This request can be for physical, spiritual, emotional or renewal of the Holy Spirit. Everyone is welcome.

**St. Mary Magdalen
Weekend Lay Ministry Schedule:**

Saturday	Sunday
January 6	January 7
5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lectors: Wes Baumstarck	Jaden Earl
Altar Servers: Isabel Accurso	Sarah Tommerup Todd Tommerup Hannah Tommerup
Eucharistic Ministers: Gail Baer	Annie Toman
Thurifers:	Eddie Martinson
Musicians: Kristi/girls	Connor/Lucy
Hospitality Ministers:	

Coffee and Rolls: Tom and Connie Clark



St. Mary Magdalen

Coffee and Rolls in 2024

We still have several dates available.
April 7, June 9, June 30, July 21,
Sept. 29, Dec. 8, Dec. 15 and Dec. 29.
Please call the office to help.

**There will be CCD class on Wednesday
January 3, 2024.**

Please pick up your 2024 Offertory Envelopes. They are outside the parish office. If you would like envelopes or don't see yours please call or email the parish office.



Please call the parish office if you would like to sponsor Altar flowers in January and February.

“OUR RETURN TO THE LORD”

St. Mary Magdalen

Last Weekend's Collection: \$3,927.12

Christmas: \$4,796

Building fund: \$12,818.43

2023 Living and Giving in Christ Goal: \$37,885

Remaining Balance: \$3,320

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