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Immaculate Heart of Mary Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 pm **Sunday Masses:** 7:30 and 10:00 am & 5:00 pm **Monday-Saturday:** 8:00 am

Wednesday: 12:15 pm

Holy Day Masses 8:00 am 12:00 noon & 6:00 pm

Reconciliation: Friday 8:30-9:00 am Saturday 9:00 -9:30 am & again Saturday: 2:00 pm —3:30 pm
or by appointment

Adoration: Every Friday 9am-5:00 pm

St. Ann, Palisade Sunday Mass: 9:30 am, **Holy Days:** 5:30 pm 10:30 am Mass every Tuesday

Office hours: M-F 8:00 am-4:00 pm Open during lunch hours

Prayer Opportunities:

Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 7:30am in the Chapel

Morning Mass: Monday-Saturday 8:00am

Silent Prayer: 1st & 3rd Thursdays 1:30-2:30 pm
in the Seton Room

Adoration: Fridays from 9:00 am-5:00 pm in the Chapel

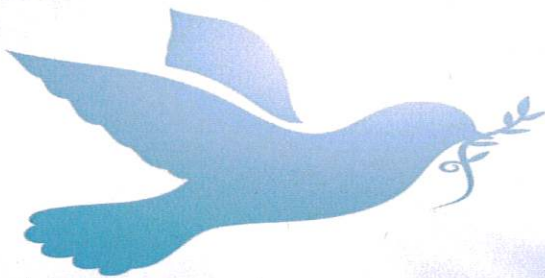
Rosary: Every 1st Saturday After 8:00 am Mass in
the Chapel

Centering Prayer: Tuesday Evenings from 7:00 - 8:00
in the IHM Library

Holy Days of Obligation 2025

Thursday May 29, 2025 is the
Ascension of Jesus. This moves to
Sunday June 1, so is no longer a
Holy Day of Obligation.

August 15, 2025 is the
Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary.



Sixth
Sunday Easter
May 25, 2025

Peace I leave with you; my peace
I give to you

John 14:23-29

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Please call the office: To schedule
a home or hospital visit.

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To register as a parishioner at IHM, please stop by the Parish Office.
We would love to meet you!

Please Pray for

Vivan Glaze, Lucas Marchun, Frank Kochevar, Larry Palmer, Gerald Onsrud, Dan Flenniken, James Stone, Alex & Ashlynn Kirstatter, Alice Davis, Lou Garcia, Tim Allon, Hugh McCool, Kay Dawson, Charlie Mishmash, Michael Antonelli, Mary Lou Graham, Bill McKendry, Martha Mondragon, Ida Gauna, Terri Christiansen, Diane Fritzler, Donnie Braning, Joe Albertazzi, Cindy Bain, Glenn Enos, Dorothy Alves, Arthur Anthony Zamora, Jesse Morrow, BG, Arlene, Alice, Sophie & Teddy, Lisa Marie Hessel, Connie Lovelace, Sharon Palmer, Joe Chapman, Jimmy Weber, Anthony Mundscha, Pat Goben, Barb Delosa, Les Stefan, Devlyn Coleman, Jan Sewell, Dick Neville, Phyllis Shupak, Penny Olesky, Dori Smeaton, Bernard Kochevar, Emilie Stoddard, Joan Wasinger, Veronica Cukro, Rich Jurewicz, Penney Barger, Alice Bristol, and for all those written In the Red Book of Prayer.

If there is someone you wish to have put on our prayer list please contact Judy, the parish Administrative Assistant, after receiving permission from the person or persons whose name you want added.

RAISING DISCIPLES TO INSPIRE RELATIONSHIPS WITH JESUS

“Pilgrims of Hope” BY BISHOP STEPHEN BERG

We are in a Holy Year inaugurated by Pope Francis and called to be “Pilgrims of Hope.” Hope is the theological virtue through which God transforms our fears into desire for the eternal kingdom of heaven to be fulfilled here on earth. In hope we place our trust in Christ’s promises, relying not on our own strength, but on the power of the

Holy Spirit. (Catechism CC #1817) Called into pilgrimage, we should reflect on the basic human structure of hope. We are born with an innate confidence that, whatever the difficulty, things can work out. We can somehow handle and manage reality and find solutions and ways out of problems. The details of the solution are perhaps yet to be discovered. As children of God, this natural inclination can be defined as the gift of hope. Hope is

“what’s possible.” It is engendered by what we desire or dream for. Imagination is

the engine of hope, the most human of virtues. Dream what you desire, be attentive to details, and build the

bridges to your goal. We quickly learn that “what’s possible” doesn’t always come easy

For you are my hope, O Lord; my trust, O God, from my youth. On you I depend from birth; from my mother’s womb you are my strength; constant as been my hope in you. (Psalm 71: 5-6)

ily. Taking on a project requires planning, patience, and collaboration. Into this comes the possibility, then the reality of obstacles. Now comes the real work of hope.

It requires us to acknowledge, in real terms, the difficulties and fears we face. Then to decide to move forward. How we discern this is important. The enemies of hope include wishful thinking, the demand for instant gratification and insistence on black and white solutions. Hope works in the gray areas, requiring patience, waiting, perseverance, with an eye on the goal. Hope builds bridges, theologically between faith and charity; humanly, bridges inclusive of all God’s children. Hope is synonymous with Help. As pilgrims we find our true freedom when we bring hope to the world. C.S. Lewis wrote,

“Aim at Heaven and you will get earth ‘thrown

in’; aim at earth and you will get neither.” In other words, dream high, aim high. To become pilgrims of hope, we may acknowledge the realities of the obstacles we face. The world scatters wild notions of how reality can be managed and utopia achieved without owning its own interior dysfunction. The world fails because it does not acknowledge its creator. People are hurting. This brings us to Pope Francis’ call to be Pilgrims of Hope. We are to bring the one most important detail into a dream which can change the world around us: God sent his Son to suffer, die, and redeem us. The world needs to hear this Good News. Christ is our Hope. The Church has been prepared for this year of pilgrimage. We are neither behind the times nor abandoned in any way by the Spirit. We are resolved to be more united with the Lord Jesus and more closely con-formed to him. We shall grow in discipleship, conscious of the obstacles, relying on the Holy Spirit, reaching out to the poor, and bringing forth the Kingdom of God. The Eucharistic Revival begun three years ago continues today.

The pilgrim journey has its challenges,

surprises, and blessings. Amidst all this we must stay close to Jesus. It

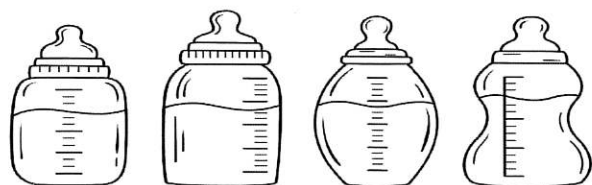
is not enough for Jesus to watch and encourage us from afar. He wants to be our guest, our companion, friend, food, and drink. He alone is our Hope. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know the hope of his call.... (Eph. 1:18)



Immaculate Heart of Mary Church is looking to hire a Grounds Keeper/ Maintenance Supervisor. This position will be overseeing basic church grounds and irrigation system, sprinkler repair, overall upkeep and basic maintenance duties within the church and outside on the property as well as supervising the Maintenance Assistant. Please contact Rick Aluisse in our Parish office for more information at 970-242-6121 ext. 214

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The IHM Ladies Auxiliary annual Bottles for Babies fundraiser is quickly approaching! We will hand out empty baby bottles after all Masses May 17 & 18. Fill them up with spare change and return them the weekend of Father's Day June 14 & 15. It's that easy! All proceeds are donated to Birthright Grand Junction, a Pro Life pregnancy support service whose focus is on loving the mother, reminding her there is hope and ensuring she is not alone. Your generosity provides formula, diapers, wipes, infant clothes, sleepers, toiletries, food baskets for mom's nutrition and more. Please join us in this worthwhile endeavor.



Please join Knights of Columbus for the Memorial Day Mass at the Cavalry section of the Orchard Mesa Cemetery at 10:00 am on Monday, May 26th.

On Saturday June 14, 2025 we will have a visiting Priest and due to his schedule Confessions on that day will be from 2:30-3:30 instead of the regular time. Thank you for your understanding.



In today's Gospel, Jesus says "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." Bring peace into your marriage by attending an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on: Aug. 9-10, Light of the World Parish, Littleton, CO; Nov. 7-9, Golden, CO For questions feel free to contact: Brenda & Gary Granger: 720-213-8833 Space is limited, so reserve your weekend early. For more information about Worldwide Marriage Encounter, please visit www.wwme.org Follow us on Instagram and Facebook! @worldwidemarriageencounter

Knights News

Come and celebrate the Anniversary of Ordinations of our priests!

Sunday June 15 from 11:00 am-1:30 pm (after the 10:00 am mass).

The Knights of Columbus and the morning coffee group will be hosting snacks and beverages for this event. It is a perfect opportunity to thank our priests for their dedication and service to the Church.

Fr. Carl is celebrating 10 years,
Fr. Abraham is celebrating 7 years and
Fr. Larry is celebrating 40 years

The Knights will not be hosting the third Sunday breakfast in June.



Library News

Not Counting Women and Children
By Megan McKenna

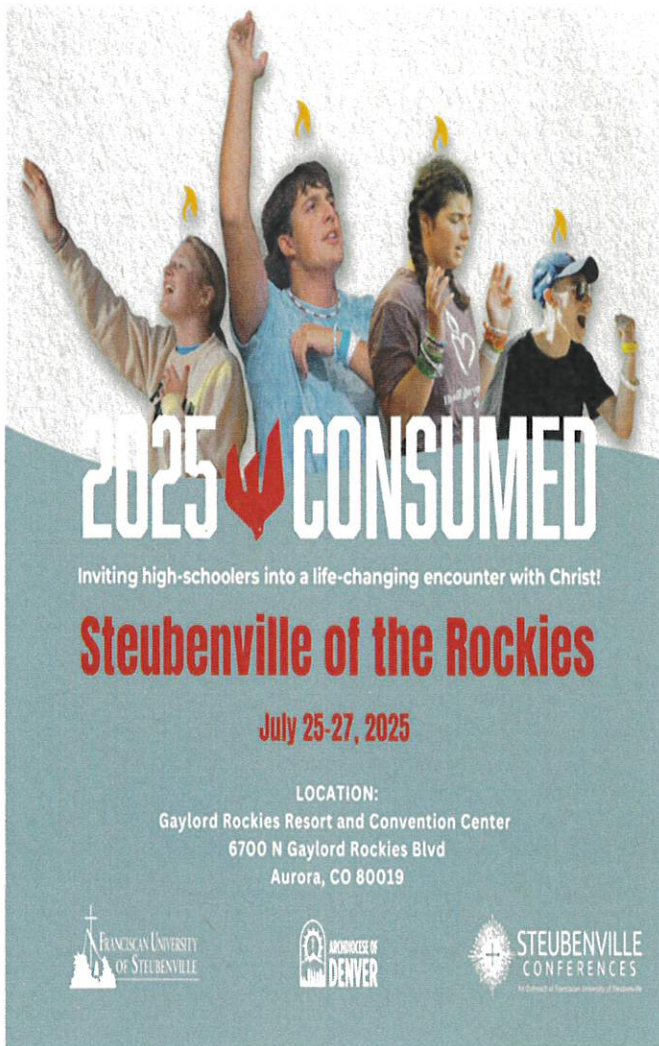
Explore 9 stories from the Bible that encourage thinking from different perspectives. The details of these stories offer a rich history, theological ramifications, sociological contexts and a view into the realities of our Bible History. Find it in the Women's Authors section. Library Hours: Saturday 3:30 to 5:30 Sunday 7:00 to 11:30



Bible Study with Deacon Leo

NEW STUDY ~ The GOSPEL of LUKE
Wednesday at 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm for every Wednesday until completed. You will need a copy of Catechism of the Catholic Church #ISBN1-57455-110-8 and you will need both copies of a New American Bible and a Standard Revised Version Bible. CONTACT IHM or Deacon Leo Truscott

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The deadline to reserve a spot to go with the IHM group is June 1, 2025. For additional information please contact Julianna Campos in the Parish office at 970-242-6121 ext. 204

The youth will sell coupon cards for \$20 each to raise money for this trip.



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Men's Bible Study

TAAB (Tea and a Bible). Plan to meet on Thursday June 5 at 7 p.m. in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Conference room. All men are invited to join.



Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday May 28 for a staff Retreat.

Thank you for your understanding.

Get ready to hit the trails for the ultimate Alaskan adventure! You will have mountains of fun at this year's Vacation Bible School!



Looking "True North"

"Trusting Jesus in a wild world"

This adventure begins Monday June 9, and goes through Friday June 13.

Each day from 9am until 12 noon at Holy Family School.

Get your gear ready for this amazing adventure!

But, please register before June 3, online at:

<https://ihmgj.org/vbs-enrollment> or call Julianna at 970-242-6121

Ministry Schedule for May 31/June 1, 2025

8:00 am May 31, (†) No intention
Presider: Fr. Abraham Eigbegbea

4:00 pm May 31, (†) Edwin Schmitz
Presider: Fr. Abraham Eigbegbea

Eucharistic: C. Zaums
 Hospitality: S. Mills
 Servers: B. Stobbe & C. Stobbe
 Lectors: E. Hoy
 Sacristan: M. Meyers

7:30 am June 1, (†) Beverly Wacker
Presider: Fr. Abraham Eigbegbea

Eucharistic: G. Bennett, J. Snoddy, D. Ulman
 Hospitality: D. Lytle
 Servers: E. Scott & N. Scott
 Lectors: J. Bennett
 Sacristan: C. Ulman

9:30 am June 1, Sunday Mass at Palisade St. Ann's
Presider: Deacon for Communion Service

10 am June 1, (I) IHM Parishioners
Presider: Fr. Abraham Eigbegbea

Eucharistic: J. Stuckenschneider
 Hospitality: J. Nasalroad & C. Nasalroad
 Servers: V. Hurd & D. Hurd
 Lectors: G. Hurd & M. Hurd
 Sacristan: L. Meyers

5:00 pm June 1, (†) Maria Brumbaugh
Presider: Fr. Abraham Eigbegbea

Eucharistic: M. Calderone
 Hospitality: B. Mills
 Servers: L. Kempton
 Lectors: M. Lipic
 Sacristan: J. Marston

Readings for the Week of May 25, 2025

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Rev 21:10-14, 22-23
 John 14:23-29

Monday: Acts 16:11-15 John 15:26b, 27a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34 John 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 John 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8 John 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18 John 16:20-23

Saturday: Zephaniah 3:14-18a Luke 1:39-56

Calendar of Events May 25, 2025

Sunday, May 25 7:30 am Mass
 7-11:30 Library Open
 9:30 am St. Ann's Palisade
 10:00 am Mass
 Jubilee Fundraiser
 5:00 pm Mass

Monday, May 26 8:00 am Mass

Tuesday, May 27 8:00 am Mass
 6-9:00 pm Knights
 7:00 pm Centering Prayer

Wed. May 28 8:00 am Mass
 OFFICE CLOSED STAFF RETREAT
 12:15 pm Mass
 3:00 pm Parish Leadership Team

Thursday, May 29 8:00 am Mass
 Totus Tuus

Friday, May 30 8:00 am Mass
 10:00 V. Witsken Funeral
 8:30-9:00 Confessions
 9-5:00 pm Adoration
 Totus Tuus

Saturday, May 31 8:00 am Mass
 9-9:30 am & 2-3:30 pm Confessions
 3:00-6:00 pm Library Open
 4:00 pm Mass
 Totus Tuus

Mass Intentions

Sunday May 25

7:30 am- (I) IHM Parishioners
 10:00 am- (I) Ashlynn & Alex Kirstatter (†) Choi Gasperini
 5:00 pm - (†) Tisha Ellinger

Monday May 26

8:00 am - (†) Beverly Wacker

Tuesday May 27

8:00 am- (I) Joseph Conway

Wednesday May 28

8:00 am- (†) Sal Sassano
 12:15 pm- (I) No intention

Thursday May 29

8:00 am- (†) Ross Grimmelbein

Friday May 30

8:00 am- (†) No Intention

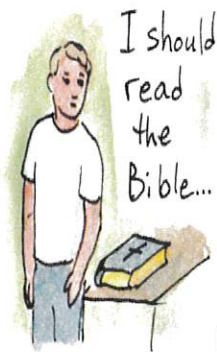
Saturday May 31

8:00 am - (†) No Intention
 4:00 pm - (†) Edwin Schmitz

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Kids Corner- Sixth Sunday of Easter*Jesus Promises to Send the Holy Spirit*

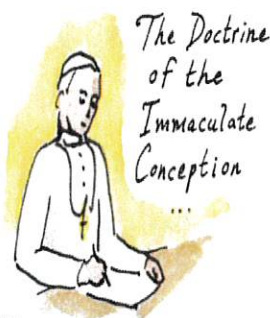
In today's Gospel reading Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit to the disciples after He was gone. The Holy Spirit would teach them all they needed to know.



I should read the Bible...

After Jesus left, the disciples would be confused about what Jesus had wanted them to do and how to go about building the Church He had started. But Jesus promised that they would not be alone. God the Holy Spirit would come to them and show them what they needed to do.

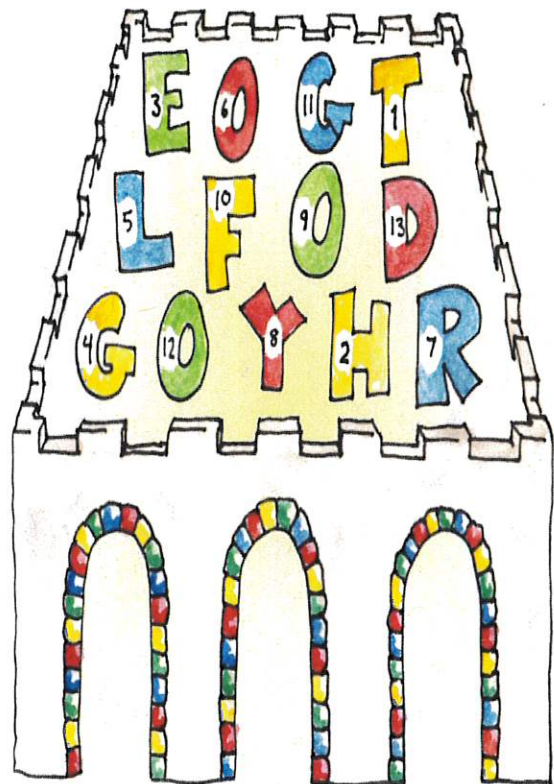
Where is the Holy Spirit now? He is still working in the Church. He inspires people to do what is right and to learn the truth. He also shows the leaders of the Church what God wants of them and keeps the Church's teachings free of error. Can you think of times when the Holy Spirit helped you?



The Doctrine of the Immaculate Conception ...

The Kids' Bulletin

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 25th, 2025



Today's second reading tells about the new Jerusalem, the heavenly city. Sort out the letters by their numbers to fill in the blanks...

The city has no need of sun or moon because

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13

will be its light.

Rev. 21: 22-23

John 14: 23-29 Answer to puzzle on front: The glory of God.

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