

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

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Church Office

New office location behind the school (307) 328-5024

Office Hours 9:00 am-12:00 Noon M-F

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday 4:15 PM
Sunday 9:00 and 10:30 AM
July 6 – Aug 17 9:30 AM ONLY
Daily Tuesday thru Friday 12:00 Noon
NO MASS ON MONDAY

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00 – 3:45 p.m.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Baptisms: Scheduled by appointment

Marriages: Please contact Father Mark at least six months before proposed wedding date

FUNERALS

Before announcing plans, please call the office to make arrangements and verify with Father.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry (307) 324-7002

Suicide & Crisis Hotline Dial 988

Project Rachel (307) 222-8430
(Healing after abortion) (call or text)

KINDNESS IS NEVER WASTED

MASS INTENTIONS

July 19 - 20

Sat 4:15 p.m. Parishioners of St. Joseph's

Sun 9:30 a.m. +Pauline Martinez

Sun 1:30 p.m. (BAGGS) +Holy Souls in Purgatory

July 21 - 27

Mon NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tues 12:00 Noon +Dick & Marie Albrechtson

Wed 12:00 Noon +Arthur, +Leonor, +Michael
Jaramillo & the Jaramillo Family

Thurs 12:00 Noon +John and +Leone Hay

Fri 12:00 Noon The Homebound

Sat 4:15 p.m. +Julia Gomez

Sun 9:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Joseph's

Sun 1:30 p.m. (BAGGS) +Lonnie Hedges



**ONE SUNDAY MASS AT 9:30 am from
JULY 6, 2025 through AUGUST 17, 2025**

Looking for a way to help your parish....and do it from home? Do you have two hours a week? We need a person (who likes to iron) willing to take care of the altar linens. They are always clean and crisp, but it takes that special person behind the scenes to keep them that way. Contact Beth O'Grady at 307-321-2500. She will help you get started!

Remember that bulletins are available online..
stjosephsrawlins.org

July 20, 2025
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Be hospitable to one another without complaining.
 1 Peter 4:9

Hospitality to travelers was of paramount importance in ancient times. Roadside diners and gas stations did not exist, let alone air-conditioned cars. So Abraham immediately provides water, food and cool shade to these three strangers. To have failed to do so would have meant that these folks could have become ill or even died before they reached their destination. However, for Abraham and Sarah, treating these traveling strangers as guests to be served is also an act of faith in God's presence in others. They discover that God is manifested when one reaches out in kindness, in mercy, in hospitality to strangers in need. We may not discover God's presence in such a clear-cut way, but we may find God manifested in subtle ways when we welcome the stranger.

July 12 and 13 collections:

First collection: \$2,992.00
Second Collection: \$662.00

Both this week and next, the second collection will
help our buildings and grounds.

*Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not
 reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a
 cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7*

St. Paul's Newman Center
University of Wyoming Catholic Community
WELCOME BRUNCH!

All students & their families are welcome to
 attend!

Sunday August 17 9:30 -10:30 AM
 1800 Grand Ave. Laramie, WY



Wisdom from Siri:
 "Dogs do speak, but only to those who
 know how to listen." Orhan Pamuk

ST. JOSEPH RUMMAGE SALE

August 23, 2025

Drop off your treasures inside the back entrance to the school. **Please make sure donations are in good shape, usable, and clean!** Just follow the signs to the men's restroom/locker room! Please **DO NOT** block the school entryway!!

◆ ◆ **LAST DAY TO DROP OFF DONATIONS--**
JULY 26,2025 ◆ ◆

We also need volunteers to help sort and price donations, as well as help the day of the sale. Contact Cathy MacPherson at 307-321-2515 for details or questions.

OUR CHURCH NEEDS YOUR HELP



SAVE THE DATE!

Wyoming Council of Catholic Women 71st annual Convention and Retreat September 19-21, 2025, in Lander.

Registration and payment are due no later than Friday, August 29.

Registration is free for women ages 18-25, excluding meals, and they may attend any portion or all of the event. Registration forms are available in the parish office OR you may register by going to:

<https://forms.gle/u7X7Jvg52aHHhc7R9>

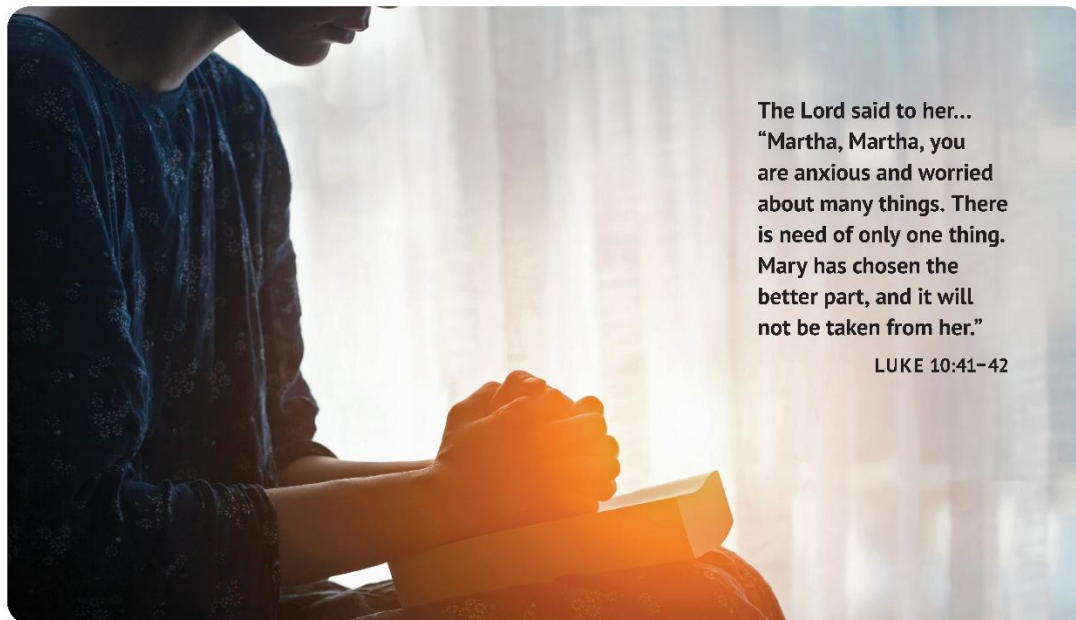
To learn more, go to: <https://wyomingccw.org/news>

Living and Giving in Christ 2025

(As of 7/14/2025)

	<u>St. Joseph's</u>	<u>Our Lady of the Sage</u>
Goal	\$28,770	\$2,341
Pledges	<u>(\$9,585)</u>	<u>(\$1,200)</u>
	\$19,185	\$1,141

Don't forget the Hour of Adoration on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00 pm. Take a break from the busy-ness of your week ...and spend an hour in Adoration, silent worship, prayer and reflection.... surrounded by the beauty of our church.



The Lord said to her...
“Martha, Martha, you
are anxious and worried
about many things. There
is need of only one thing.
Mary has chosen the
better part, and it will
not be taken from her.”

LUKE 10:41–42

Keeping Your Balance

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

These days, when people come to confession, they seldom list their sins by name and number. Quite often, it seems, they simply talk about their lives, about the chaos in which they seem to be living, about the relationships that are less than what they would hope, about the values they’ve let slide sometimes into the muck, about how they’ve turned in upon themselves, and about how caring for others has faded from their lives. After they’ve told their stories, I will usually ask if they take any time in the day to be quiet and if they pray in whatever way they find helpful and with some regularity. Invariably, they will say that they’ve let such prayer time slip away; that they have not been praying the way they once did. In such cases, I often suggest that as penance, they take some time—even just a

little time—in the next day or two to simply quiet themselves in the presence of God.

Life will always tend to be chaotic. These days, there is too much going on for life not to be. But, quiet and reflective prayer seems to bring a balance, a refocusing upon what is important and what is trivial. Without that, we can become overwhelmed and lose our way. It is what the Martha/Mary story is about. It’s not that our own Martha-service is not worthwhile. It’s crucially important in order to make life hum along in an orderly fashion. But without Mary’s reflective part, our lives can become muddled drudgery. ●

Reflect

How would prayer help me keep myself grounded and centered?

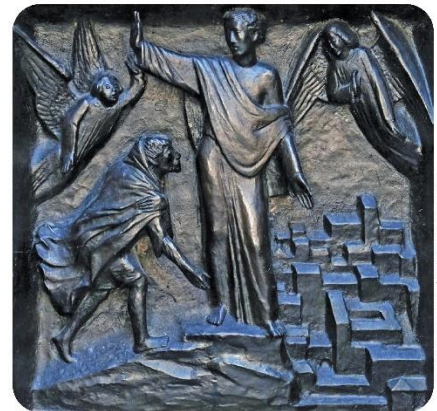
Dear Padre,

“Lead us not into temptation...” God does not lead us into temptation, so what is this saying?

You are of the same mind as the pope! In 2019, Pope Francis approved changing the Lord’s Prayer, that is, changing the phrase “lead us not into temptation” to “do not let us fall into temptation.” Pope Francis said that the original appeared to suggest that God caused the temptation. However, most Scripture scholars agree that “lead us not into temptation” is the best translation from the Greek. It’s a subjunctive verb. It’s used in the second person, addressed directly to God. And it really does say “do not lead us into temptation.”

What did the pope hope to accomplish? Those who are most familiar with the pope say that what he was trying to clarify was not anchored in the intricacies of translation but rather anchored in pastoral life. He wanted to focus the attention of God’s people on their action, “falling into temptation,” and not on a misunderstanding of what Jesus was teaching. It was a point of focus and clarification to help us in our spiritual journey and our understanding of our relationship with God. Understood in this sense, the new translation would accomplish this pastoral purpose. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSSR / DearPadre.org



The Temptation of Christ by Otto Münch, relief on the door of Grossmünster Church in Zurich, Switzerland.

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
July 21	July 22	July 23	July 24	July 25	July 26	July 27
Weekday	St. Mary	Weekday	Weekday	St. James,	Sts. Joachim and	Seventeenth
Ex 14:5-18	Magdalene	Ex 16:1-5, 9-15	Ex 19:1-2, 9-11,	Apostle	Anne, Parents	Sunday in
Mt 12:38-42	Sg 3:1-4b or	Mt 13:1-9	16-20b	2 Cor 4:7-15	of the Blessed	Ordinary Time
	2 Cor 5:14-17		Mt 13:10-17	Mt 20:20-28	Virgin Mary	Gn 18:20-32
	Jn 20:1-2, 11-18				Ex 24:3-8	Col 2:12-14
					Mt 13:24-30	Lk 11:1-13



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

When I start my day, do I throw myself headlong into the things to be done, or do I first seek inspiration in the Word of God? At times, we begin the day automatically, we start doing things...like hens. No. We must start the day by first of all looking to the Lord, taking his Word... allowing this to be the inspiration for the day.

ANGELUS, ROME, JULY 17, 2022