

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

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PASTOR Father Mark Kusmirek (307) 324-4631
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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

Elissia Petersen

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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)

Silence speaks when words can't.

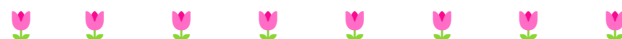
MASS INTENTIONS

July 26 - 27

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

July 28 – Aug 3

Mon NO MASS SCHEDULED
Tues 12:00 Noon +Father Malcolm Reid
Wed 12:00 Noon The Homebound
Thurs 12:00 Noon +Brandon Johnson
Fri 12:00 Noon +Souls in Purgatory
Sat 4:15 p.m. Parishioners of St. Joseph's
Sun 9:30 a.m. Cristobal Gonzalez
Sun 1:30 p.m. (BAGGS) +Holy Souls in Purgatory



TIDBITS



ONE SUNDAY MASS AT 9:30 am
through AUGUST 17, 2025



Bulletins are available online..
stjosephsrawlins.org
On Line giving is there too!



Hour of Adoration
July 31 ~ 7:00 to 8:00 pm



Paid Opportunity... if you are interested in being in front of a camera promoting Carbon County tourism, contact Halle Bender hbender@snowdayagency.com

July 27, 2025
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Centuries before Jesus taught his disciples the importance of persistence in asking God to fulfill their needs, Abraham dared to persistently ask God how few innocent people needed to live in Sodom for its destruction to be prevented. In this lengthy exchange, Abraham discovers one power of prayer: not that Abraham could change God's mind as to what would eventually happen, but that Abraham might eventually know how wide God's mercy is. It turns out that God did not require as many as fifty innocents to spare the city, but as few as ten. By extending his conversation with God, by persisting in setting forth a smaller and smaller number of innocents, Abraham is able to determine the wide extent of God's mercy.

July 19 and 20 collections:

First collection: \$3,211.00
Second Collection: \$639.00

This week's second collection will benefit the building fund.

NEXT WEEK, AUGUST 2 and 3, THE SECOND
 COLLECTION WILL GO TOWARDS THE
 NATIONAL COLLECTION FOR
CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL.

This appeal provides support to small, often rural, parishes and dioceses in the U.S. that struggle to offer basic pastoral services.

Living and Giving in Christ 2025

(As of 7/21/2025)

	<u>St. Joseph's</u>	<u>Our Lady of the Sage</u>
Goal	\$28,770	\$2,341
Pledges	<u>(\$9,610)</u>	<u>(\$1,200)</u>
	\$19,160	\$1,141

Wisdom from Siri:



"The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue."

Anonymous

ST. JOSEPH RUMMAGE SALE

August 23, 2025

We appreciate your huge response in bringing items for the church rummage sale. Now the fun begins... it is time to sort and price! We will have a **HELP DAY** on Saturday, August 2 from 9 to Noon.

Come to the gym if you can lend a hand!

Then the week of Aug 18 we will need help moving and displaying the treasures to make sure everything is ready to go for the day of the sale,

Contact Cathy MacPherson at 307-321-2515 for details, questions....or to sign up to help!

PLEASE.... NO MORE DONATIONS

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>

*Volunteers don't get paid,
 not because they're worthless,
 but because they're priceless.*

Sherry Anderson

St. Paul's Newman Center

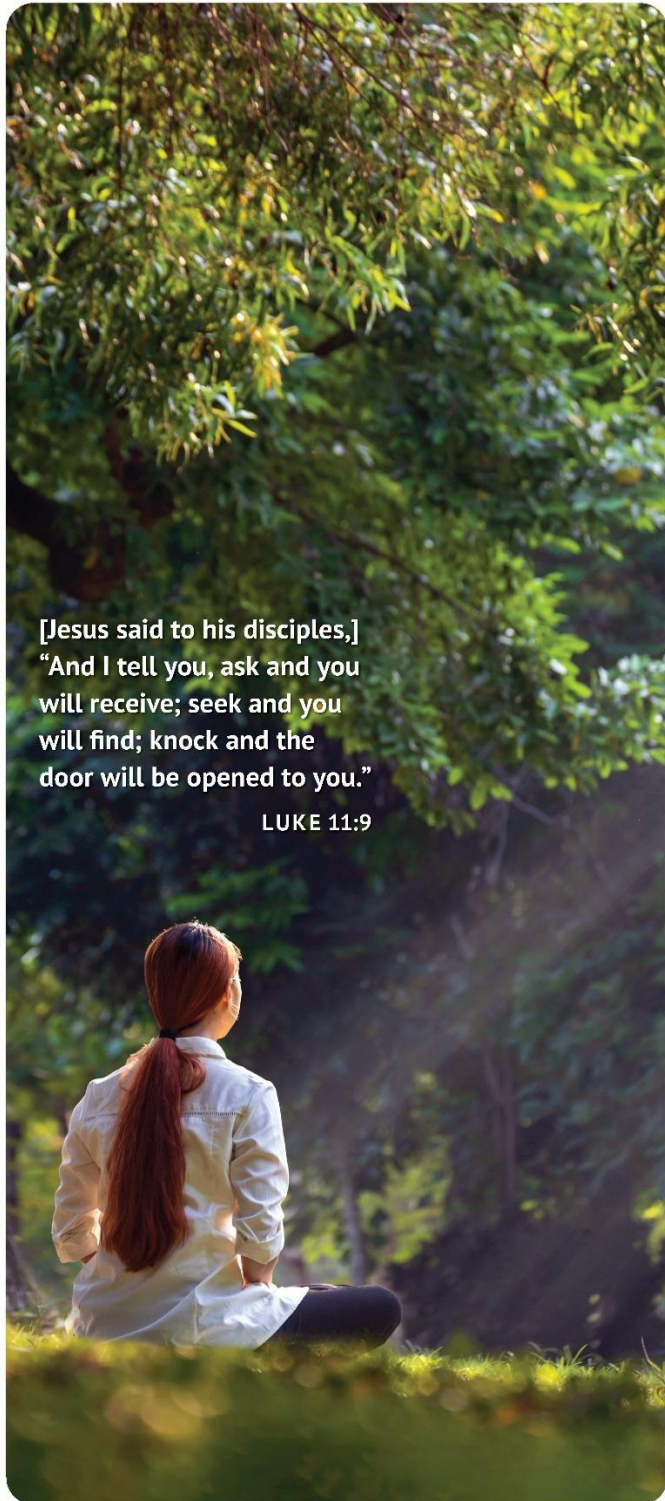
University of Wyoming Catholic Community

WELCOME BRUNCH!

All students & their families are welcome to attend!

Sunday August 17 9:30 -10:30 AM

1800 Grand Ave Laramie, WY



[Jesus said to his disciples,]
“And I tell you, ask and you
will receive; seek and you
will find; knock and the
door will be opened to you.”

LUKE 11:9

The Ways of Praying

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Consider how there are five levels of communication, each level taking us deeper into a relationship and what it means to be human. *One*, the greetings we offer as we pass: Good morning! How’s it going? *Two*, a sharing of activities: what we did, what someone said. *Three*, an expression of ideas, as in what we think about raising children or our political opinions or why we believe there may be conflicts in the world. *Four*, revealing our feelings both positive and negative: feelings of love or gratitude or contentment as well as of being hurt or rejected or disappointed. *Five*, a sense of intense closeness and *being with*, perhaps even without speaking or using any words. Each level, then, takes us deeper into a shared relationship.

Consider, then, how ever-deepening prayer may follow that same pattern. *One*, memorized or rote prayer. *Two*, telling God what is on our mind, even though it is a one-sided conversation. *Three*, commonly called “meditation” but, more simply, thinking about God and life and our faith response, as in the musing that may follow spiritual reading. *Four*, often referred to as “praying our feelings,” such as reflecting on our human emotions and what they might say about us, our faith, and how the journey of our faith life is unfolding. *Five*, a sense of simply *being with* God, even without words, and simply resting in that holy presence. Each level of prayer, then, leads us ever more into a shared relationship with our God. ●

Reflect

***How do I pray? Should I ask for the grace
to grow in my prayer life?***

Dear Padre,

Who wrote the Lord's Prayer? I know the Lord's Prayer comes from Scripture, but who composed it as we say it today?

When the disciples asked the Lord to teach them to pray, he taught them the prayer we know as the Our Father. Two versions of that prayer appear in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. The version used in the Church's liturgies is derived from Matthew 6:9-13. In fact, citing St. Thomas Aquinas' *Summa Theologiae*, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* calls the Lord's Prayer the "most perfect of prayers" (2774), teaching us not only what things to pray for in our prayer but also in what order, or priority, we should desire them. It is at the heart of every individual and communal prayer.

We pray the Our Father, bearing in mind and heart the intimate relationship we have with our God as sons and daughters by adoption through our baptism. The specific wording of our prayers is a work in progress. What we think of as the final wording is that which the Church has approved and makes the most sense for prayer as a community. What is most important is that the substance of the prayer reflects the same matter the Lord used in the prayer. ●



RENAIA SEDMAKOVIA / SHUTTERSTOCK

Fr. Scott Katzenberger, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

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

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Herein lies the novelty of Christian prayer! It is a dialogue between people who love each other, a dialogue based on trust, sustained by listening and open to a commitment to solidarity. It is the dialogue of a Son with his Father, a dialogue between children and their Father. This is Christian prayer.

ANGELUS, ROME,
JULY 28, 2019



PAUL HARINGS

Monday

July 28
Weekday
Ex 32:15-24, 30-34
Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday

July 29
Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus
Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday

July 30
Weekday
Ex 34:29-35
Mt 13:44-46

Thursday

July 31
St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Ex 40:16-21, 34-38
Mt 13:47-53

Friday

August 1
St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37
Mt 13:54-58

Saturday

August 2
Weekday
Lv 25:1, 8-17
Mt 14:1-12

Sunday

August 3
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23
Col 3:1-5, 9-11
Lk 12:13-21

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

CLASSES WILL START IN SEPTEMBER

STARTING SATURDAY AUGUST 2

**REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE
AFTER EACH MASS IN THE MEETING ROOM**

**FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE BACK OF
THE CHURCH**

FORMS ARE IN BOTH ENGLISH & SPANISH

**PARENT MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY
AUGUST 27 AT 5PM IN THE COMMUNITY
SCHOOL BUILDING GYM AREA**

INSCRIPCIÓN PARA EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

LAS CLASES COMIENZAN EN SEPTIEMBRE

**A PARTIR DEL SÁBADO 2 DE AGOSTO LOS
FORMULARIOS DE INSCRIPCIÓN ESTARÁN
DISPONIBLES DESPUÉS DE CADA MISA EN LA
SALA DE REUNIONES**

**LOS FORMULARIOS ESTARÁN DISPONIBLES
EN LA PARTE TRASERA DE LA IGLESIA**

**LOS FORMULARIOS ESTÁN EN INGLÉS Y
ESPAÑOL.**

**LA REUNIÓN DE PADRES SERÁ EL
MIÉRCOLES 27 DE AGOSTO A LAS 5 PM EN EL
GIMNASIO DEL EDIFICIO ESCOLAR
COMUNITARIO.**