

DECEMBER 21, 2025 &  
DECEMBER 25, 2025

*Saint Joseph Catholic  
Parish & School* EST. 1879

Welcome!



**Pastor:** Fr. Simon Kalonga  
**Vicar:** Fr. Raj Adaikaladoss



*Fourth Sunday of Advent:  
"Blessed are you among women, and  
blessed is the fruit of your womb."  
Lk 1:39-45*



*"And the Word became flesh and made his  
dwelling among us, and we saw his glory,  
the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of  
grace and truth." .*

*Jn 1:9-14*

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**Mass Times:**

Daily Mass: 7:00am  
and 12:10pm

Weekend Mass:  
Sat. 4:00pm Vigil  
Sunday 7:30, 9:30,  
11:30am & 5:00pm

**Confession:**

Mon-Fri 7:30 &  
11:00am  
Saturday 8:30am

**Adoration:**

Thur 1:00pm-7:00pm

# SACRAMENTS

## JOINING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

If you are considering becoming Catholic, new weekly classes are beginning on Sunday, January 25, 2026 at 11:30am in Meredith Hall.

Who can attend?

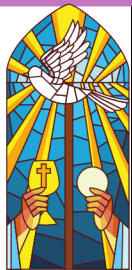
- Adults from a different Christian tradition or no tradition who have a desire and/or are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith.
- Adults who are Catholic and desire to complete their Initiation (were baptized Catholic but are in need of Sacraments (i.e. Confirmation or Holy Communion or both).
- Adults who are Catholic who are interested in learning more, or perhaps struggling with some teachings.

Contact Jeanette Coleman at [jcoleman@stjosephfc.org](mailto:jcoleman@stjosephfc.org)

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

### Did you know?

The Archdiocese of Denver has restored the order of the Sacraments of Initiation. This means that students now receive Confirmation before First Holy Communion. Both are typically received in 3rd grade, but preparation begins in 2nd grade with First Reconciliation. The process takes two school years. Classes begin in the Fall of each school year, and the Sacraments of Initiation are received in the Spring of 3rd grade. Parents of children in Elementary School or parents of teens needing to receive sacraments can learn more by emailing [dsullivan@stjosephfc.org](mailto:dsullivan@stjosephfc.org).



## BAPTISM FOR YOUR CHILDREN

We are honored to welcome new members to our Catholic family through the Sacrament of Baptism. Contact Kimberly Tallman for more information: 970-482-4148 x 204



## MARRIAGE PREPARATION

### Calling all Engaged Couples!

The Sacrament of Marriage brings abundant blessings to couples, their families, and the Church. At Saint Joseph Catholic Parish, we prepare engaged couples not only for their wedding day but for a lifelong, grace-filled marriage leading them toward eternal salvation. Please contact the parish before setting a wedding date—at least eight months in advance. For more information, contact Kimberly Tallman at 970-482-4148 x 204.



# PARISH

# Merry Christmas

AND A BLESSED NEW YEAR



### NO COFFEE AND DONUTS

Please mark your calendars! We will not be serving coffee and donuts on Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup> or Sunday, December 28<sup>th</sup>.



### YEAR END GIVING

As we approach the end of the year, we are reminded of the many blessings we have received as a faith community. This season offers a special opportunity for each of us to express gratitude through charitable giving, as many people do by supporting their favorite causes and organizations. We invite you to consider making a year-end gift to St. Joseph Catholic Parish as part of your giving this season.

Your generous contributions help support the ongoing work of our parish, from maintaining our beautiful church to supporting ministries that serve those in need. Every gift, large or small, makes a difference and enables us to continue to be a place of faith, hope, and service. For those who would like a contribution letter for tax purposes, please note that donations must be postmarked by December 31st or placed in the collection basket during the weekend of December 27-28th. The parish office will be closed beginning December 24th, so please plan accordingly.

If you prefer online giving, ParishSoft Giving is an easy and secure option. Visit: <https://bit.ly/giveSTJ> to get started. We thank you for your continued support and for the many ways you contribute to the mission of our parish. May you and your loved ones be blessed with peace, joy, and hope this Christmas season.



### 4TH WEEK OF ADVENT: DEC 21-23

As a family, read the Nativity Scene (Lk 2:1-20)

# *Illumination* GALA

LIGHTING THE WAY FOR  
**100** YEARS

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Feb  
Saturday | **7** | 5-11:30PM  
2026

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*Join us for our biggest night of the year — the Saint Joseph  
School Spirit Gala!*

*Enjoy an elegant evening filled with dinner, dancing,  
community, and generosity — all to benefit our amazing  
school community.*

*The Hilton, Fort Collins  
425 West Prospect Road, Fort Collins, CO 80526*





### SPIRIT Raffle Tickets ON SALE NOW!

Someone's going to win \$1,500.  
Will it be YOU? Raffle tickets are available  
for \$10 from student sellers or at the  
parish office. Proceeds to benefit  
Saint Joseph Catholic School.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 21

Monday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-8/Lk 1:46-56

Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-14/Lk 1:57-66

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:1-16/Ps 89:2-29/Lk 1:67-79

Thursday:

Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-29/Acts 13:16-25 Mt 1:1-25

Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1-6/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18

Friday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3-17/Mt 10:17-22

Saturday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-12/Jn 20:1, 2-8

Sunday: Sir 3:2-14/Ps 128:1-5/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

## ADORATION INTENTION

**NO ADORATION THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25**

# MASS INTENTIONS

## SATURDAY, DEC. 20

8:00AM ~ Barbara Martin

4:00PM ~ † Jim Fischer

## SUNDAY, DEC. 21, 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY ADVENT

7:30AM ~ † Judy Byers

9:30AM ~ † William & † Alice Roley

11:30AM ~ Parishioners of St. Joseph

5:00PM ~ † Deceased Members of the James Family

## MONDAY, DEC. 22

7:00AM ~ Dora Kloberdanz

12:10PM ~ † Dave & † Alice Brachle

## TUESDAY, DEC. 23, ST JOHN KANTY (OM)

7:00AM ~ † Tim Zrust

12:10PM ~ † Frank Santopolo

## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24, CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00PM Church - † Nicolas Grindel

4:00PM Gym ~ † Don Bauer

4:00PM M.H. ~ Parishioners of St. Joseph

6:30PM ~ Brian and Lynda Barry

Midnight ~ Deacon Greg & Melissa Reynolds

## THURSDAY, DEC. 25, THE NATIVITY (S)

7:30AM ~ † Bob, † Pat Kenney & † Sandy Poole

9:30AM ~ Living Members of the Brunner Family

11:30AM ~ † Brenda Kraft

## FRIDAY, DEC. 26, ST. STEPHEN (F)

8:00AM ~ † Xenia Echevers

## SATURDAY, DEC. 27, ST. JOHN APOSTLE (F)

8:00AM ~ † Nick Pratt

4:00PM ~ † Richard, † Patricia & † John Dellenbach

## SUNDAY, DEC. 28, THE HOLY FAMILY (F)

7:30AM ~ † Sam Knowles

9:30AM ~ Living members of Dennis Bylina Family

11:30AM ~ Melissa Reynolds

5:00PM ~ Parishioners of St. Joseph

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

FOR THOSE WHO ARE  
SICK:

- Dan Schroeder
- Cáceres Family
- Andrea Emilia Bernabey
- Michael Alfano
- Kim Morsett

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE  
DIED:

- John Walls
- Donna Marie Rodriguez
- Arthur Price
- Eileen Larson
- Douglas Strom

# Merry Christmas

From St. Joseph Catholic  
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## Christmas Mass Schedule

### CHRISTMAS EVE, DECEMBER 24

4:00pm: Church  
4:00pm: Meredith Hall  
4:00pm: Gym (Incense & Children's Choir)  
6:30pm: Church  
Midnight: Church (Incense)  
(Christmas Music Prelude 11:00pm)

### CHRISTMAS DAY, DECEMBER 25

7:30am: Church  
9:30am: Church (Incense)  
11:30am: Church (Incense)

*Parish Office Closed December 24- January 2*



## Mass Schedule

### DECEMBER 26, 29-31

**8:00am Mass each day and No Confessions**



## Mary Mother of God Holy Day of Obligation

### JANUARY 1

**Wednesday, December 31: Vigil Mass at 5:30pm**  
**Thursday, January 1: Mass at 8:00am & 12:10pm**  
**No Confessions on Holy Days**  
**No Adoration this Day**