

# St. Mark Catholic Church

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*Nativity of the Lord*

*December 25, 2025*

*Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

*December 28, 2025*



## MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday - Anticipated Mass: 5PM

Sunday - 7:30, 9:00 & 11:30AM

## DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday - Friday - 8:30AM

## CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:30PM - 4:30PM

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## **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

(Holy Day of Obligation)

### Mass Schedule:

Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>  
**Anticipated Mass: 6:00PM**

Thursday, January 1<sup>st</sup>  
**Mass: 8:30AM**

**MINISTERS:**  
PLEASE SIGN UP ONLINE TO  
HELP AT THESE MASSES!

## *Mass Intentions* December 29th - January 4th

### **Monday, December 29th**

Anton Zamora  
+ Eugene Maestas

### **Tuesday, December 30th**

+ Mary & Angel Martinez

### **Wednesday, December 31st**

Peace in the New Year  
St. Mark Parishioners

### **Thursday, January 1st**

St. Mark Parishioners

### **Friday, January 2nd**

+ Tom Wilhelmi

### **Saturday, January 3rd**

+ Susan Basgall

### **Sunday, January 4th**

St. Mark Parishioners  
+ Mary Martinez  
+ Isabel Bailey

+ indicates deceased

All others are intentions

## The Story and You™



Sacred Conversations

### **FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**

Don't you wish we knew more about the Holy Family? We'd love to know about Joseph, the silent protector of Mary and Jesus. He utters not a word in scripture, yet his humility in accepting God's miraculous work, and his divine role in that unfolding, makes him the perfect model for all fathers who strive to protect and defend their children.

The earliest artistic rendering of Mary is a fresco, c. 150 A.D., in the Catacomb of Priscilla in Rome. It's so touching to see her, protectively cradling Jesus, on this ancient wall upon which the martyrs of Rome carved their faith. About this time, a book appeared, *The First Gospel of James*, which was immediately beloved by the Christian communities in Rome. Though never accepted as part of the New Testament, it contrived to give background stories of Mary and Joseph that we crave to know even today.

It's in this popular second-century book, for example, that we discover the names of Mary's parents. Can you name them? If you are---ahem---of a certain age, you can jump up with, "Yes! They are Anna and Joachim!" And HOW do you know that? Well, it's nowhere in scripture, but it IS in this First Gospel (or *Protoevangelium*) of James, which practically no one has read, but it was so important to the tradition of the Church that their names are even preserved in the Catechism.

We have so many questions about them. When we see them in heaven, we can get all the answers.

*What would you most like to ask Joseph or Mary?*

Kathy McGovern c. 2026 [www.thestoryandyou.com](http://www.thestoryandyou.com)



### **OUR PARISH FAMILY**

Rest In Peace:  
Colin Gillis





## Family Faith Formation News

Merry Christmas to all FFF families, from all the Catechists. May your year be blessed.

Welcome back from Christmas Break January 4th



### *For Your Reflection*

**Key Passage:** Jesus went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. (Luke 2:51a)

**Adult Question:** What does your family do to honor and respect its older members?

**Child Question:** Why did Joseph leave Israel? How can he be an example for you?



### **HELP REDUCE THE BUILDING DEBT WHEN DOING YOUR NORMAL SHOPPING!**

Do you buy your groceries and/or gas at King Soopers? Do you have a loyalty card? If so, this fundraiser is for you! At **absolutely no cost** to you and does not affect your fuel points.

**King Soopers will donate 5% of every dollar you spend** while shopping, funds are sent quarterly to St. Mark's Building Loan Reduction through their Community Rewards Program. All you have to do is register your loyalty card online or on the app.

#### **Online**

**Step 1** - Sign in to your account at

<http://www.kingsoopers.com>

**Step 2** - Click on the arrow beside "Save" (top left corner), and then click on "King Soopers Community Rewards"

**Step 3** - Click on "Enroll Now" and search for St. Mark Catholic Church, Westminster, CO by name or by our organization number: **WA269**

**Step 4** - Click "Enroll"

#### **APP**

**Step 1** - In the upper left-hand corner click on the person icon

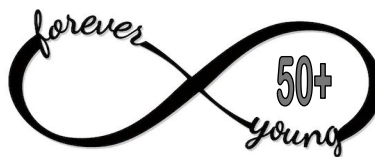
**Step 2** - Under Payments & Service click on Community Rewards

**Step 3** - Click on "Enroll Now" and search bar type the organization number: **WA269** it will pull up St. Mark Catholic Church, Westminster, CO

**Step 4** - Click "Enroll"

**Now every time you shop at King Soopers the church benefits and it will help reduce the Building Loan Reduction!**

**Thank you for supporting our Parish!**



**President:**  
**Lois Tochtrop**  
**303-619-4253**  
**Dues: \$10 (single)**  
**\$15 (couple)**

- **FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE/DONUTS:** Friday, **January 2nd**, after 8:30 am Mass
- **POTLUCK:** Tuesday, **January 6th, 11:30 am**, Parish Center. Theme: "Wear your Western wear in honor of the Stock Show." Please bring food according to your last name  
A-G Dessert, H-M Main, N-Z Side.  
Entertainment: Fr. Jim will give a presentation on his cross collection.  
Please note: If you have not paid you dues yet, they will be collected. \$10 Single, \$15 Couple.
- **BOARD MEETING:** Tuesday, **January 13th**, 10:00 am, St. Rose Room/Church.
- **PARISH GAME DAY:** (Everyone welcome). Wednesday, **January 21st**, 1:00 pm, St. Rose Room/Church. Bring your own beverage and a snack to share. Come join the fun!
- **LUNCH/BOCCE:** Mickey's, Thursday, **January 22nd**, 11:00 am (6950 N. Broadway).
- **BOOK CLUB:** Tuesday, **January 27th**, 10:00 am, St. Rose Room/Church. Book: To Be Decided

#### **\*\*Please note:**

**During inclement weather, check TV if Westminster Public Schools and/or Adams County Dist. #12 schools are closed, or the church has sent a Flocknote and is closed this means all FY activities are also Cancelled. Sign up for Flocknote if you haven't this is the easiest way to be reached! To sign-up for Flocknote: Text StMark to 84576.**

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## Parish Office is closed until Monday, January 5th

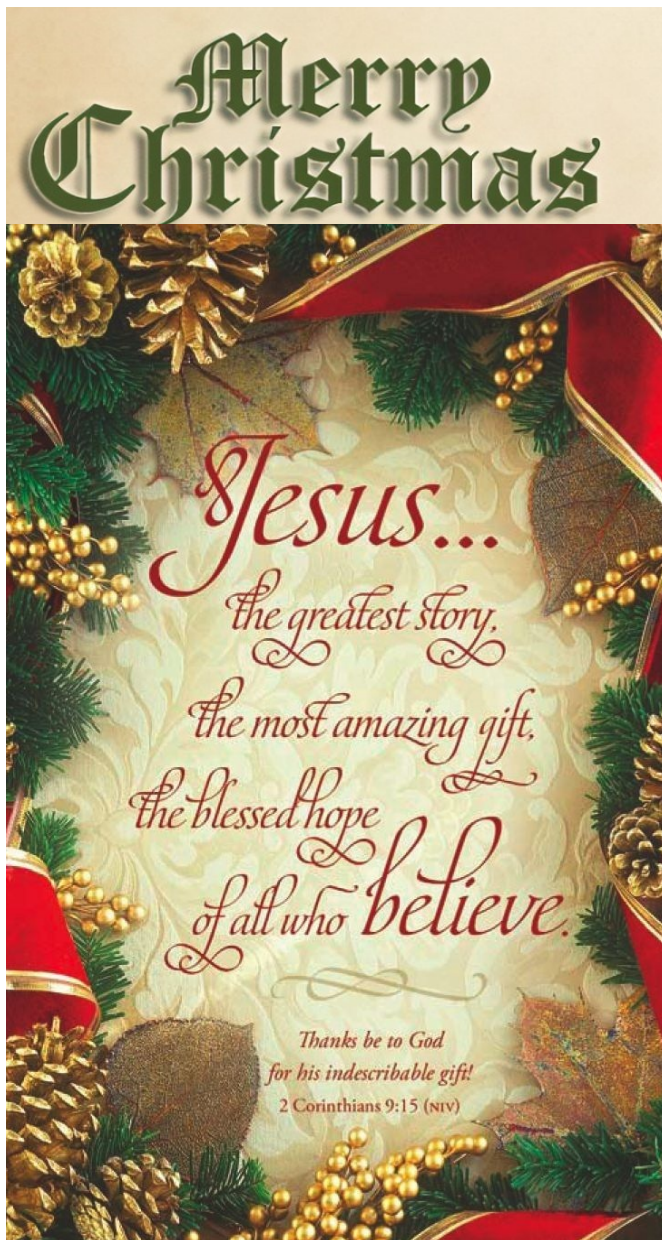
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### **BAPTISM!**

If you are planning to have a baptism for a child under the age of 7 years, or if you have been asked to be a godparent, we have a Baptism Preparation class for parents and godparents coming up on **Sunday, January 11th at 1:00pm**. Please contact the Parish Office by Tuesday, January 6th to register for the class. You must sign up to attend the class. Visit our website [www.saintmarkcc.org](http://www.saintmarkcc.org) and go to Faith Formation tab - Baptism for complete details and requirements.

### **HAVE YOU MOVED OR CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER?**

Correct addresses and phone numbers are crucial information in the church database. Please notify the parish office if any updates/changes are needed.  
Tax Documents will be mailed in January.



***It's a season to give  
It's a season to love  
It's a season to share  
God's love for you and me.***

***St. Mark would like to thank  
all the parishioners and visitors  
for joining us this year.***

***Our doors are always open and all are welcome!***

**LOOK AT ALL THE MINISTRIES ST. MARK HAS  
AVAILABLE FOR ALL PARISHIONERS!**

**Liturgical Ministries:**

- \* Ushers
- \* Greeters
- \* Lectors
- \* Eucharistic Ministers (Mass)
- \* Eucharistic Ministers (Homebound or Facilities)
- \* Altar Servers
- \* Choir
- \* Environment Committee

**Outreach Ministries:**

- \* Grief Ministry
- \* Funeral Luncheon (help serve or provide food)
- \* Coffee & Donut Sunday
- \* Aloneness Group

If you are already part of any of these ministries the Parish would like to thank you, without your continued support we will be unable to fulfill these beautiful ministries.

If any of these sound like something you might be interested in or you need register with St. Mark Parish please do so today, by contacting the Parish Office 303-466-8720.