



SCHOOL NEWS

December 15, 2024 220 N. 7th St. E., Riverton 307.856.5922

RTO POINT S RAFFLE TICKETS

Each year, students sell RTO Point S Raffle tickets. Brent and Rochelle Sheldon donate the awesome prizes (below), and Joe and Rose Stanbury match up **\$10,000**. The fundraiser means so much to our school! The drawings will take place at the Christmas program at CWC on Thursday, December 19.

\$5 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$20

1st Prize: \$700 Gift Card 2nd Prize: \$300 Gift Card 3rd Prize: \$200 Gift Card



THANK YOU Brent and Rochelle Sheldon at RTO Point S and Joe and Rose Stanbury!

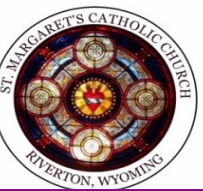


IMPORTANT DATES

- Dec. 17: Board Mtg, 4 pm, Pate Hall
- Dec. 19: Christmas Program
- Dec. 21-Jan. 7: Christmas Break
- Jan. 6-7: Teacher Work Days
- Jan. 8: Students Return
- Jan. 14: BINGO Night
- Jan. 14: PTO Meeting, 6 pm
- Jan. 17: STEM
- Jan. 21: Board Meeting, 4 pm
- Jan. 23: Adoration and Confession
- Jan. 24: Carnival (Community Event!)
- Jan. 26-Feb. 1: Catholic Schools Week
- MARCH 1: DINNER DANCE

Pastor: Fr. Louis Shea
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Associate: Fr. Eugene Inobeme OSA
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St. Margaret's Catholic Church



Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday December 15, 2024

Mass Times:

- Saturday:** 5:30 p.m.
- Sunday:** 9:00 a.m.
- Daily Mass:**
- Tuesday -** 12:15 p.m.
- Wednesday -** School Mass - 8:15 a.m.
- Thursday -** 7:00 a.m.
- Friday -** 7:00 a.m.
- Confession:**
- Thursday :** 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday:** 3:45 - 5:00 p.m.
Or by appointment

St. Edward's, Kinnear:
Sunday : 12:00 p.m.

Confession : By request before or after Mass

Our Lady of the Woods, Dubois :
Sunday: 4:00 p.m.

Winter Schedule - Nov - April - Sunday
4:00 p.m.

Confession: 30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration

- Julie Fiebiger - 307-851-8073
- Tuesday:** 3:00-5:00
- Thursday:** 4:00-7:00
- Sunday:** 2:00-3:00
- 1st Friday (Starts Thursday at 4:00 pm until Friday Benediction 4:00 pm)
- Rosary** - Daily at 12:00 p.m. (Tuesday right after Mass)
- Sick & Homebound**
Contact the Office - 856-3757
- Baptism** - Julie Fiebiger - 307-851-8073
- Faith Formation Process**
David Stradley - 307-709-6996
Tony Colonna OFS - 860-883-9673
- RCCW** - Barb Barber, 307-840-1797

Funeral Dinners:

- Daria Wood, 307--850-7694
- Knights of Columbus:**
2nd Tuesday of each month
7:00 p.m. Rosary-church
7:30 meeting-Pate Hall
- Parish Council Chairman:** Kyle Thoman
- Vice Chairman:** Andy Samuelson
- Trustees:** Tammy Linton & Lindy Paskett

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



ST. MARGARET'S SCHOOL

Christmas Project

There are so many ways to support our school this Christmas season, and we need you now more than ever! Instead of stressing over what to get those special people who already have everything, consider making a donation to our school in their name or donating in memory of a loved one. Put your donation inside the marked envelopes and place them in the Christmas boxes at each church entrance or drop them off at the school or parish office. Your support helps us pay for things like field trips and unexpected expenses for which we usually "borrow from Peter to pay Paul" as well as provide teachers with items from their Wish Lists. You can set up recurring or one-time donations using the DONATE QR code (right) or by going to our school website. May God continue to bless you and our school!

A grant through the Wyoming Catholic Ministries Foundation allowed us to purchase new desks, chairs, and curriculum for some of our classrooms. They are functional and beautiful! Thank you also to Evan Piquette for making the desks magically appear in our rooms one day.



ST. MARGARET'S SCHOOL

CARNIVAL

Friday, Jan. 24 5:00 to 8:00 PM St. Margaret's Gym

PRE-SALE DISCOUNTED WRISTBANDS \$20
AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE THROUGH JAN. 23

WRISTBANDS AT THE DOOR: \$25

EXTRA GAME TICKETS: \$1 EACH

Wristbands include 10 game tickets & unlimited rides on inflatables.

GAMES GIANT SLIDES FOOD STAND GAME WALK BOUNCE HOUSE

ST. MARGARET'S SCHOOL ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

Nashville NIGHTS

ALL TICKETS INCLUDE A MEAL & OPEN BAR

TEACHER WISHLISTS

DONATE



The Soldier's House of Fremont County invited St. Margaret's School students to their Santa event last week.

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620 E. Fremont Ave.
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Fr. Louis' Corner



Let us Rejoice! We are called to rejoice in the Lord always and on this Third Sunday of Lent, Gaudete Sunday, rejoicing is the focus of our Liturgy. Gaudete is the Latin word for rejoice that is the first word in the entrance antiphon for our Mass this Sunday. The entrance antiphon is taken from St. Paul's letter to the Philippians which, not coincidentally, is in our second reading. Truly all of the readings at this Mass are filled with the joy of God. At this darkest part of the year we need to be reminded that our joy comes from God and we should not let the worries of the world get us down. In this penitential season of Advent we must remember the reason that we are to be penitent: because that is what God calls us to do to receive His mercy. Even as the tone of our Responsorial Psalm, which is actually from the 12th chapter of Isaiah, and our first two reading are quite literally brimming with joy, our Gospel reading has a more somber tone. However, we should be able to see the joy of God in John the Baptist's preaching. It is truly about living the Greatest Commandment, if we can do that we do not have to have anxiety about the judgment day, we can anticipate it with Joy.

RCCW News:

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our annual bazaar in some way! We made about \$8000 after expenses! Also, the winner of the beautiful quilt was Mary Hall. Congratulations! We are truly grateful to everyone who gave time, effort, money, and prayers for the bazaar. A special thanks to those who helped set-up and clean-up too! A huge endeavor like the bazaar couldn't be done without the love and support of our families and friends. Your generosity is truly amazing! The money made at the bazaar is used for funeral dinners and to support our school and church. We can't even begin to list all the people who contributed in some fashion to the bazaar, but please know that what each one of you did is recognized and sincerely appreciated. Thank you again, and may God bless you all!

A breakdown from the bazaar will be given at our RCCW Christmas Party & short meeting at Daria Wood's house (4255 Windsong Drive) on Monday, December 16, starting at 6:00 p.m. All ladies of our parish are invited. Please bring an appetizer, treat, or some other food to share and a wrapped gift valued at about \$10-\$15 if you want to participate in our gift exchange.

If you have any questions, please call Francesca at 856-6986. We hope you can come!



Diocese of Cheyenne Year of Jubilee 2025 Opening Mass

All are welcome to attend the Opening of the Jubilee Year Mass, presided by Bishop Steven, at the Cathedral of Saint Mary (Cheyenne) on Saturday, December 28, 2024, at 4 PM

Faith Formation News

Do we really realize the harsh realities of Christ's first coming: the dank stable, the cold night, and the closed door of the inn? How many of us share the longing and the passion of the prophets, who awaited the coming Messiah with such aching intensity that they foresaw His arrival 100's and even 1,000's of years before he was born? The first to welcome the Christ was John the Baptist, who leaped for joy in his mother's womb. We stand in stark contrast to that. We are dulled and mesmerized by the powers of persuasion that leap at us from every angle. Too many of us seem incapable of hearing the small still voice of God. So the Christmas we know has little connection with the vital spirit that radiated from the manger. That vital spirit still radiates today if we will only be receptive to it. May your ongoing faith formation make you receptive.

Advent Penance Services

St. Margaret's - Riverton - December 18 - 6:00 p.m.
There will be no Faith Formation dinner or classes that night.
Holy Rosary - Lander - December 20 - 6:00 p.m.



Parish Christmas Brunch

Sunday, December 22
after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

The main dishes are being catered but feel free to bring a side dish or desert if you want. Hope to see everyone there!!

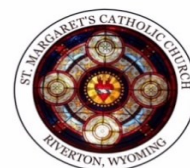
Christmas Mass Schedule

St. Margaret's - December 24
5:00 p.m. - Children's Mass
9:00 p.m. - Mass During the Night

December 25
9:00 a.m. - Christmas Day Mass

St Edward's - December 25
12:00 p.m. - Christmas Day Mass

Our Lady of the Woods - December 25
9:00 a.m. - Christmas Day Mass



Prayer Corner:

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.
Is 61:1

December 21 & December 22, 2024

Eucharistic Ministers

12/21 5:30 p.m. Mick & Pat Newlin
Mark Short
Minnie Appelhans

Lectors Chris Jones
Tony Colonna

12/22 9:00 a.m. Larry Trompke
Linda Trompke
Jim Gores
Meagan Mosbrucker
Andy Samuelson

Lectors Mike Harris
School/ Janie Nirider

Altar Servers

12/21 5:30 p.m. Cael Arbogast
Derek Gonzalez
Marguerite Hill

12/22 9:00 a.m. Maggie Samuelson
Abby Samuelson
Emily Samuelson

St. Margaret's Collections

12/07/24 & 12/08/24

Envelope & Plate \$5,619.00
Maintenance \$525.00
Poor & Needy \$100.00
Living & Giving \$10.00
School & Angel Fund \$250.00
Holy Days \$230.00
Immaculate Conception - \$1,285.00
Online Giving - \$1,630.00

Total \$9,649.00

Mission Churches

St Edward's
12/08 - \$268.62

Our Lady of the Woods
12/01- \$519.00

Boiler Fund Total:
\$30,931.31

God's
Love
Unites
Us



WEEK OF DECEMBER 17 – DECEMBER 22, 2024

TUESDAY: 12/17 Mass - 12:15 p.m. - Phil Flanagan +
Nancy Lloyd

WEDNESDAY: 12/18 School Mass - 8:15 a.m. - Rachel 🙏
Joe Boardman

THURSDAY: 12/19 Mass - 7:00 a.m. - Chris & Francesca Jones 🙏
Eli Boardman

FRIDAY: 12/20 Mass - 7:00 a.m. - Toby 🙏
Kenneth David Asay +

SATURDAY: 12/21 Mass - 5:30 p.m. - Ashlyn Jones 🙏

SUNDAY: 12/22 Mass - 9:00 a.m. - William Liss +
St. Edward's Mass - 12:00 p.m. - George Griebel +

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Linda Bebout; Nick Romero; Dan Root; Rod Eicke; Michael Van Vleet; Terry Romero; Alex Hall; Mona Marshall; Ellie Romero; Bobby Romero; Donna Mosbrucker; Flora Apodaca; Amanda Vega; Lynette Hall; Emily Hamilton; Sharon Umscheid; Mary Alice Genter; Lavina & Brian Witt; Elise Wilkenson; Monica; Cindy Biltoft; Clara Olson; Family of Joe Streeter; Mary Jean Sweeney; Vi & Gary Wild; Linda Trompke; Flo Ortega; Thomas Apodaca; Tyler Martin; Marissa; Griffin Knott; Ralph Burlingham; Harry Meekins; Aimee; Miranda Townsend, Kathleen Shores; Connie Gunter; Rosetta Marie Piper, Allen & Denise family; Mary Romero; Don Berger; Shannon Hall; Danny Schmitt, Jessica Azire Ibach; Howard Brown; Edward Flahaut; Bob Johnson; Jonathan Perez; Jack Degnan; Don & Fydel Allington; Serene; Barb Volk; Todd Rousseau; Gill Smith; Delayne Newton; Mary Sponheim; Kellie Crow; Joseph Dunlap, Barbara Nytes, Susan Schuster, Inger Clark, Gladys Riccardelli, Mercedes Hartman; Cappy Hartman; Bob Hanson; Laura & Erica; Larry Ross; Roger Hulme; Taylee; Tonya Abernathy; Alicia; Patricia Andrews; Sandra S; Leonard Williams; Sean B; Carole Meyer; Caleb Stone; Jess; Camilla; Kayleen Gambler; Dianna Slater; Louis; Cortney; Darla Shepardson; Danny Kurtilla; The Gamble Family; Kurt Leininger; Elizabeth Reid; Wilma Thompson; Steve McNamee; Kristian Mitchell; Rita Leidy; Kevin; Sam Senkow; Mike Sanchez; Elizabeth Perdue; Alyssa Vega; James Habeck; Mike Osborne; Angie Esvelt; Dora Flagg; Laura; Brittany Clarkson; Cloann Guernsey; Joel Rivera; Cody Thrasher; Colby Harris; Jack Romero; Tyus Starr Fisher; Dustee Martinet; Janet Hughes; Pierce Steen; Pat Mosbrucker; William Apodaca; Hunter Jaramillo, Curry Matthiessen; Jimmy VanVleet; Curtis Good; Josh Ward; Cristy Cragoe; Rod Slattery; Pete Sauer; Devin Senn; Tim Shelton

Please notify the office if someone should be removed from the prayer list.

Living & Giving in Christ Fiscal Year 2024 - 2025 Update as of 12/10/2024

	Goal	Pledge to date	Pledge Shortage	Actual paid to date
St Margaret's	\$12,769	\$14,488	\$0	\$12,748
OLW	\$6,910	\$625	\$6,285	\$450
St Edwards	\$2,929	\$200	\$2,729	\$200
St. Josephs	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100

Goal: Assessed by the Diocese at 20% of previous year actual envelopes & collection plate.

Parishioners: Actual Pledge by parishioners.

Pledge Shortage: If amount is not pledged and fulfilled by parishioners then the parish may be charged for the shortage.

Actual paid to date: Totals paid by parishioners on pledges made.