



SCHOOL NEWS

August 23, 2026

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An Update from Mrs. M

Last week, I shared a little about Pope Leo XIV's "Drawing New Maps of Hope," and I encourage you to take some time to read it. It's a beautiful invitation to look at our world and our own lives with hope, courage, and a willingness to build something better together. As a parish with a Catholic school, there is so much in it that speaks to the work we are called to do.

Meanwhile, our first week of school has been full of the ordinary things that make school such an extraordinary place. Students are settling into classroom expectations and routines, getting to know new teachers and classmates, enjoying lunchtime fellowship, and getting very serious about recess kickball! There's always a special energy that comes with the beginning of a new school year, and what a joy to see our halls and classrooms come alive again.

Our Teaching Mass on Wednesday was a particularly beautiful experience. I am so grateful to everyone who joined us, and especially to Fr. PJ for providing us with the opportunity to enter more deeply into the beauty and meaning of the Mass. We have already talked about doing another Teaching Mass so that we can continue digging even deeper into what we do and why we do it. We will invite you to join us when that opportunity comes.

As always, please keep St. Margaret's School, our students, families, teachers, staff, volunteers in your prayers. We are grateful for your support, your partnership, and most of all, your prayers as we begin another year of forming our students for life.



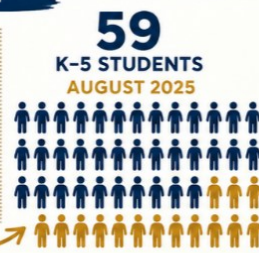
Look what's Growing!

Our school community is growing, and we couldn't be more grateful!



28%
GROWTH

+13 STUDENTS
from May to August!



OVERALL ENROLLMENT
63 → **69**
MAY 2025 AUGUST 2025

+10%
GROWTH



God is growing our school community.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS, SUPPORT, AND PARTNERSHIP!
FORMED FOR LIFE.



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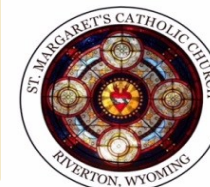
PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING TO THE ST. MARGARET'S SCHOOL ANGEL FUND SO THAT WE MAY CONTINUE TO PROVIDE TUITION ASSISTANCE AND OTHER SUPPORT TO FAMILIES AND CHILDREN IN TIMES OF NEED.



Scan to participate in Smith's Inspiring Donations and give back to St. Margaret's School with purchases you're already making!

Pastor: Fr. Peter James M. Kamau
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St. Margaret's Catholic Church



Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Monday: 5:00 p.m.

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 p.m. Or by appointment

St. Edward's, Kinnear:

Sunday: 11:00 a.m.

Confession: By request before or after Mass

Our Lady of the Woods, Dubois:

Sunday 5:00 p.m.

Confession: 30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration

Julie Fiebiger - 307-851-8073

Tuesday: 3:00-4:00

Thursday: 4:00-6:30

Sunday: 2:00-3:00

1st Friday (Starts Thursday at 4:00 pm until Friday Benediction 4:00 pm)

Rosary- Following Daily Mass

Sick & Homebound

Contact the Office - 856-3757

Baptism - Julie Fiebiger - 307-851-8073

Faith Formation Process

Becky Miller - 307-851-5899

Tony Colonna OFS - 860-883-9673

RCCW - Barb Barber, 307-840-1797

Funeral Dinners:

Lindy Paskett - 851-4167

Lita Burns - 208-771-1208

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: Lindy Paskett
Kim Heil

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 23, 2026

Matthew 16:16

"You are the Christ,
The Son of the
Living God."



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Attention All Faith Formation Families! We have made a few changes to our upcoming formation season. We can't wait to share the modifications with you at our parent meeting next week! But the BIGGEST difference is that the times will be:
Dinner beginning at 5:30 pm and class from 6-7:30 pm. Thank you for entrusting us to help you Form your Children! **Family Faith Formation** will begin on **August 26th**, keep an eye out for the new registration forms! We will begin with **Mass at 5:30 pm**, Pot-Luck Supper to follow, then will have a Parents meeting while the kiddo's get reacquainted.

Women' Group Exodus Bible Study: Monday, August 31, at 6:30pm, at Teton Therapy in Riverton - We will introduce everyone and do a review of Genesis and Exodus up to Chapter 14. Then on **Monday, September 14, at 6:30pm, at Teton Therapy in Riverton**, we will discuss Chapters 15-17 of the Book of Exodus. **We meet every OTHER Monday from that point forward.** We encourage any woman who hasn't attended in a while, or at all yet, to please feel welcome at any time! Please do not feel like you cannot join in even if we are starting on Chapter 15 - you can come anytime, at your convenience! We think you'll find the discussions interesting and worth your while. Hope to see you there! You just need your Bible! For questions, please email Hannah at hannaho@wyoming.com.

I tell you, not seven times, but seventy times seven.

Great! Not only do I have to forgive my brother, now I have to do math!

FORGIVE

because it's easier than math. Math is hard.

Faith Formation News

here seems to be that “rich folks need not apply.” But I don’t think Jesus is talking about physical riches. I think Jesus is speaking to our spirituality. Remember He told us: “Blessed are the poor in spirit.” That message can be difficult to digest. We’re accustomed to being rewarded based on performance. But we simply can’t do that with God. We don’t impress the boys at NASA with a paper airplane. We don’t brag about our finger painting to Picasso. We don’t claim equality with Einstein because we can write “H2O”. And we cannot boast about our goodness in the presence of the perfect. You see, we don’t need a system, we need a Savior. We don’t need a resume, we need a redeemer.

As a nation, we squander our resources, and as individuals, we squander our blessings. Recalling the story of the rich young ruler in Mark, chapter 10, the upshot

A Special Evening with the Mexican Martyr Relics

Wind River Council #3237 would like to thank everyone who joined us for the special visit of the relics of the Knights of Columbus Mexican Martyrs.

It was a wonderful evening of faith and fellowship, with **16 Knights and approximately 60 parishioners** coming together to venerate the relics, pray the Rosary, and celebrate Holy Mass.

It is not often that we have the opportunity to welcome first-class relics into our parish, and we are grateful to everyone who helped make this such a meaningful and prayerful evening for our parish community.

Thank you again to all who attended and shared in this special experience! **Vivat Jesus!**

Morgan Miller, Grand Knight
Wind River Council #3237



Our parish World Youth Day group is having a pizza fundraiser. We could use your support by ordering online at Pizza Hut or eating at Pizza Hut in Riverton or in Lander on **Thursday, August 27**. We both win: You don't have to cook or do dishes that night, and you will support our group at the same time. If ordering online, enter the coupon code **HUTGIVES** at checkout. By doing this, those orders count towards our fundraiser. If eating at either restaurant, you will need to present our flyer, included in the bulletin, for the order to count towards our fundraiser. We absolutely cannot distribute flyers on the restaurant premises, including the parking lot. Also, for your order to count, it must be a minimum subtotal of \$15. Please share this information and consider planning Pizza Hut for dinner that night. Thank you in advance!

Please call Francesca at 856-6986 with any questions.

Prayer Corner:

You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.
Matthew 16:18

August 29 & August 30, 2026

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8/29 5:30 p.m.	Mick & Pat Newlin Ellen Gore Mark Short Tony Colonna
Lectors	Chris Jones John Wood
8/30 9:00 a.m.	Larry Trompke Linda Trompke Becky Miller Cassandra Duran Morgan Miller
Lectors	Mike Harris Joseph Martinez
Altar Servers	
8/29 5:30 p.m.	Lillianna Hill Marguerite Hill Michael Hoffer
8/30 9:00 a.m.	Delayne Anderson Elizabeth Howard Lucas Piquette

WEEK OF AUGUST 24, 2026 - AUGUST 30, 2026

MONDAY	8/24	Mass -	5:00 p.m.	Bob Meeboer + 🍰
TUESDAY	8/25	Mass -	12:15 p.m.	Jace Flanagan 🍰
WEDNESDAY	8/26	School Mass -	8:15 a.m.	Bertha Lehan +
THURSDAY	8/27	Mass -	7:00 a.m.	Rosina Mena + & Anselmo Carrillo +
FRIDAY	8/28	Mass -	7:00 a.m.	Rod & Kim Heil 🍷
SATURDAY	8/29	Mass -	5:30 p.m.	Matthew Thoman 🍰
SUNDAY	8/30	Mass -	9:00 a.m.	Jean Corbett +
St. Edward's		Mass -	11:00 a.m.	Barb Volk + 🍰
Anniversary 🍷 Birthday 🍰 Deceased +				

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Maisy Lucas; Harry Meekins; Bennie Garcia Jr.; Fred Roybal; Chris McHenry; Beth Strickler, Celine Walker, Jennifer Roussalet; Vic Mosbrucker; Larry Trompke; Jim Gores; Karen Colona Ring; Mike Greff; Jim Tate; Susan Merrington; Karen Fried; Aaron Forsyth; Marilou Vaughn; Margie Allington; Maggie Krause; Bob Linstad; Bertha Chavez; Bill Johnson; Susan; Barbara Rousseau; Kay Meeks; Linda Bebout; Dan Root; Rod Eicke; Michael Van Vleet; Alex Hall; Flora Apodaca; Amanda Vega; Lynette Hall; Emily Hamilton; Sharon Umscheid; Mary Alice Genter; Lavina & Brian Witt; Monica; Cindy Biltoft; Mary Jean Sweeney; Vi & Gary Wild; Flo Ortega; Thomas Apodaca; Tyler Martin; Marisa; Griffin Knott; Ralph Burlingham; Aimee; Miranda Townsend, Kathleen Shores; Connie Gunter; Allen & Denise family; Don Berger; Shannon Hall; Danny Schmitt, Jessica Azire Ibach; Howard Brown; Bob Johnson; Jonathan Perez; Jack Degnan; Don & Fydel Allington; Serene; Todd Rousseau; Gill Smith; Delayne Newton; 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; Jess; Camilla; Dianna Slater; Louis; Cortney; Darla Shepardson; The Gamble Family; Kurt Leininger; Elizabeth Reid; Steve McNamee; Kristian Mitchell; Rita Leidy; Kevin; Mike Sanchez; Elizabeth Perdue; Alyssa Vega; James Habeck; Mike Osborne; Angie Esvelt; Laura; Brittany Clarkson; Cloann Guernsey; Cody Thrasher; Colby Harris; Jack Romero; Tyus Starr Fisher; Dustee Martinet; Janet Hughes; Pat Mosbrucker; William Apodaca; Hunter Jaramillo, Curry Matthiessen; Curtis Good; Josh Ward; Cristy Cragoe; Devin Senn; Tim Shelton

Living & Giving in Christ Fiscal Year 2026 - 2027 Update as of 8/17/2026

	Goal	Pledge to date	Pledge Shortage	Actual paid to date
St Margaret's	\$35,250	\$12,789	\$22,461	\$8,664
OLW	\$6,019	\$1,100	\$4,919	\$750
St Edwards	\$2,664	\$1,485	\$1,179	\$985

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.

St. Margaret's Collections

8/15/26 & 8/16/26

Envelope & Plate \$3,395.97
Boiler \$351.91
Maintenance \$960.37
Poor & Needy \$135.00
School & Angel Fund \$50
Online Giving \$1,055.00

Total \$ 6,978.25

Mission Churches

St. Edward's - 8/16 - \$298.00

Our Lady of the Woods - 8/09 - \$1,025.45

Boiler Fund Total: \$ 41,151.86