



SCHOOL NEWS

Oct. 4, 2026

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An Update from Mrs. M

Happy October! The

Month of the Holy Rosary and Allhallowtide! October always feels like a special month. We spend this time praying the Rosary and looking ahead to Hallowtide, which is the three-day celebration of All Hallows' Eve, All Saints' Day, and All Souls' Day.

This month, we'll dive more deeply into the Rosary during Morning Prayer. We'll spend time praying with the Joyful and Luminous Mysteries, learning not just to recite the prayers while our minds wander, but to use the power of our imaginations to meditate on Jesus' life. The Rosary is a chance to place ourselves imaginatively in these Gospel scenes, to picture what is happening, consider the people involved, and ponder what Christ is revealing to us. We'll practice slowing down, engaging our imaginations, and allowing the mysteries to draw our hearts and minds toward Jesus. We hope our students come to see the Rosary not simply as a set of prayers to get through, but as a way to spend time with Jesus alongside His mother.

Also, for the last couple of years, we've made a deliberate effort to take back Halloween. That doesn't mean taking the fun out of it. Quite the opposite! We want our students to discover the joy, beauty, and goodness found in celebrating together as families and communities. Chris Stefanick wrote last Halloween about this idea: we don't have to run away from joyful cultural celebrations; we can bring Christ into them and use them as opportunities for holiness.

At the same time, we want our students to recognize that not everything popular or culturally accepted deserves a place in our lives. Halloween is just one example. Some modern Halloween traditions have embraced occult imagery, glorified darkness, or made light of things that Christians should take seriously. We can reject those things without rejecting joy, laughter, costumes, treats, family traditions, and celebration. Instead, we teach students why we celebrate, where these traditions come from, and how our faith gives them deeper meaning. Then they start to recognize what is good, true, beautiful, and holy... and have the courage to leave behind what isn't. We hope the traditions we establish now will become memories our students carry with them for the rest of their lives.

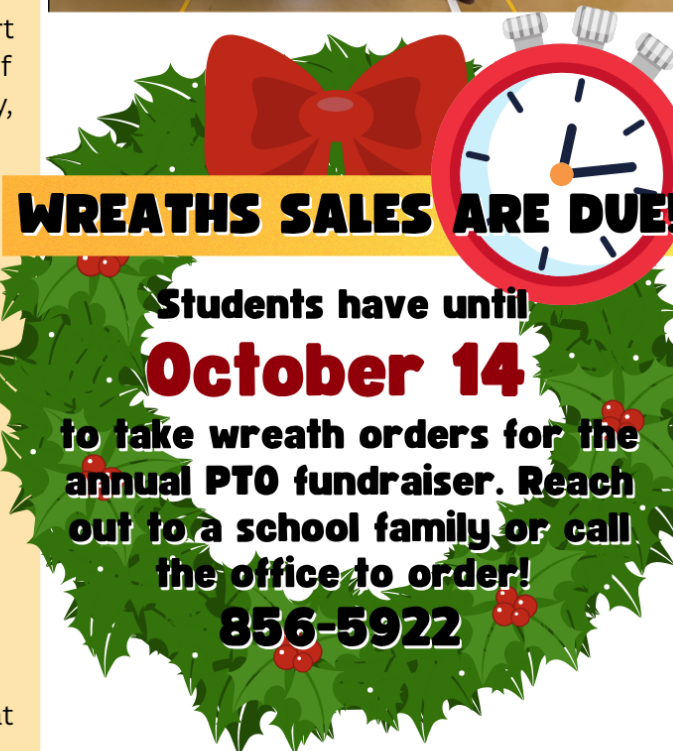
What a gift we have in our faith and our ability to express it every day at school. May this October help our students (and all of us) see holiness not as something separate from everyday life, or something we have to "work in," but as something *central* to everyday life. Mary, Mother of God, bring us closer to your Son this month and always.



Once per week, students gather in "family groups" to prepare for Mass.



Students from Wyoming Catholic College provide Latin instruction to all students every two weeks.



WREATHS SALES ARE DUE!

Students have until
October 14
to take wreath orders for the
annual PTO fundraiser. Reach
out to a school family or call
the office to order!
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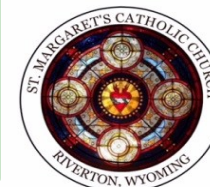
BLESS YOUR PETS!

Sun, Oct. 4
8:00 am
Church Lawn



Pastor: Fr. Peter James M. Kamau
pmwaura@dcwy.org

St. Margaret's Catholic Church



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 4, 2026

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



"...the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit."

MATTHEW 21:43

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Doug's Reflections

Pride, after all, is THE great sin. Remember: it was pride that made the devil the devil. It was a successful appeal to pride on Satan’s part that got Adam and Eve thrown out of paradise. The song that Adam and Eve hearkened to is the same one sung to us today. And we are just as susceptible as they were to the swinging, deceitful tunes that pipe us off to oblivion. Why does our adversary appeal so often to pride? The answer is simple: Because it works! We see that appeal to pride at work all around us. We find it galloping unbridled through our workplaces, our schools, our neighborhoods; and yes, even some of our churches. There are some folks who maintain that the church is theirs. It is a shameful tragedy that the kingdom is infected with such folk; when the lump of vanity of the few leavens to become the common affliction of us all.

Welcome to St Margaret’s !!!

If you are new to our parish please contact the office at 856-3757 or come in Monday through Friday from 8 - 4 to register.



On behalf of the World Youth Day Pilgrims and Pasta planning committee, I regret to inform you that the Pilgrims and Pasta Dinner and Auction has been cancelled. We would like to express our most sincere appreciation to Everyone who has helped support this event, through donations and purchase of tickets. Please seek the Pilgrim you were working with if you have donated items for the auction to hear about other opportunities. If you purchased tickets the selling Pilgrim will be reaching out to you about a refund. Thank you all so much for your support. We plan to have other fundraising events in the future.

Come join us for Faith Formation on Wednesday evening.

Dinner will be served at 5:30 and classes start at 6:00. There are classes for all ages! You have an opportunity to support Faith Formation by signing up to provide meals. If you are interested please contact Becky Miller at 307-851-5899 or the Parish Office at 856-3757.

RCCW Luncheon October 14th at The Depot at 11:30. All women in the parish are welcome to attend.



LESSON FROM ST JOSEPH



WHEN STRESSED, TAKE A NAP

Thanksgiving Food Boxes for the Community - Key Club is planning on handing out 150 food boxes for Thanksgiving this year. St. Margaret’s parishioners have generously supported this endeavor for many years. If you would like to contribute again, please consider dropping off a monetary donation or boxes of stuffing at the church office.

For questions, please call Francesca at 856-6986.



Eat Pizza. Raise 20%. It’s just that cheesy.

Redeem this flyer with purchase and 20% benefits St. Margaret Catholic Church Thu, Aug. 27 @ Riverton & Lander Pizza Huts 215 N Federal Blvd, Riverton & 670 E Main St, Lander

Two easy ways for your fundraiser order to count!

If ordering online at PizzaHut.com or the Pizza Hut App, go to your cart and enter code HUTGIVES in the coupon field. A .01 discount will indicate your ticket is accounted for.

If placing your order in-store, show your printed or digital flyer to the Pizza Hut Team Member serving you. Valid from open to close on the date of your scheduled fundraiser. \$15 min sub-total purchase required. Distribution of flyers at Pizza Hut is prohibited.

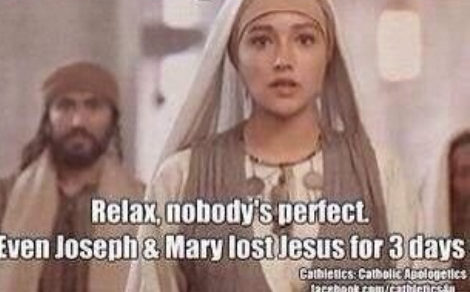


Visit us at pizzahutgivesback.com to learn more and sign up!



The date of the pizza fundraiser is actually October 8.

Parenting troubles?



Prayer Corner:

I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, to go and bear fruit that will remain. John 15:16

October 10 & 11, 2026

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

10/10 5:30 p.m. Kellie Woodman Chris Jones Mark Short Tony Colonna John Campbell

Lectors John Wood Lisa Appelhans

10/11 9:00 a.m. Tom Nirider Mike Harris Karla Kucera Lindy Paskett Michelle Thompson

Lectors Janie Nirider David Stradley

Altar Servers

10/10 5:30 p.m. Eli Hill Ashlyn Jones Derek Gonsalez

10/11 9:00 a.m. Sawyer Tate Finley Tate Saylor Tate

St. Margaret’s Collections

9/26/26 & 9/27/26

Envelope & Plate \$3,129.00

Boiler \$162.50

Maintenance \$811.50

Poor & Needy \$35.00

School & Angel Fund \$280.00

Online Giving \$ 820.00

Priest Retirement fund \$60

Faith Formation \$50.00

Total \$4,528.00

Mission Churches

St. Edward’s - 9/27 - \$ 206

Our Lady of the Woods - 9/27 - \$314

Boiler Fund Total: \$ 42,387.39

WEEK OF OCTOBER 05, 2026 - OCTOBER 11, 2026

MONDAY	10/05	Mass - 5:00 p.m.	Lyle
TUESDAY	10/06	Mass - 12:15 p.m.	Holy Souls William Bayless Jr + 1 year
WEDNESDAY	10/07	School Mass - 8:15 a.m.	Becky
THURSDAY	10/08	Mass - 7:00 a.m.	Mickey Thoman
FRIDAY	10/09	Mass - 7:00 a.m.	Phillis Hammon Dean +
SATURDAY	10/10	Mass - 5:30 p.m.	The Miller Family
SUNDAY	10/11	Mass - 9:00 a.m.	Paul Bailey
ST. EDWARD’S		Mass - 11:00 a.m.	Caiden Thoman
Anniversary		Birthday	Deceased +

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Baker; Zade White Eagle; Melody Higgins; Maisey Lucas; Harry Meekins; Bennie Garcia Jr.; Fred Roybal; Chris McHenry; Beth Strickler, Celine Walker, Jennifer Roussalet; Vic Mosbrucker; Larry Trompke; Jim Gores; Karen Colonna 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 Biltott; Mary Jean Sweeney; Vi & Gary Wild; Flo Ortega; Thomas Apodaca; Tyler Martin; Marissa; 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 9/28/2026

	Goal	Pledge to date	Pledge Shortage	Actual paid to date
St Margaret’s	\$35,250	\$13,714	\$21,536	\$9,912.28
OLW	\$6,019	\$1,100	\$4,919	\$837.50
St Edwards	\$2,664	\$1,595	\$1,069	\$1,145

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.