



SHRINE of
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Making God known and loved
by humbly and joyfully
sharing our gifts, spreading the G ospel,
celebrating the *Sacraments*, and
trusting Jesus using *The Little Way of St. Therese*

DECEMBER 14, 2025

Third Sunday of Advent



Exterior wall of a house with a mosaic of Johany Sofer on the street in Bethlehem in Palestine

Advent Penance Service at the Shrine of St. Therese December 18th 6:00pm

Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
7:00am
Wednesday 8:10am
1st Saturday
7:00am

Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday
4:30pm
Sunday
8:00am (*also Livestream to YouTube*)
& 11:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday
3:00pm – 4:00pm
Or by appointment

Office Hours

Monday – Friday
9:00am – Noon
&
Monday-Thursday
1:00pm – 3:30pm

Liturgy of the Hours – Morning Prayer Tuesday – Friday 6:30am

Eucharistic Adoration in St. Therese Chapel: Tuesday – Friday; 7:30am to 4:30pm Rosary begins at 4:00pm

Ministry Schedule for December 20th & 21st**Saturday, December 20th - 4:30pm****Lector – Rose Wertz****Altar Servers – Tony Manalo****Sacristan – Ron Diodosio****EMHC – Deacon Carl, Dan & Sheila Kraus****Advent Wreath – Zupancic Family****Porter – Loretta McMahon****Sunday, December 21st – 8:00am****Lector – Karen Shea****Altar Servers – Nate Hawkins, Henry & Liam Shea****Sacristan – Michele Prado-Landreth****EMHC – Deacon Carl, Benjamin Cardosa, Cindy Elliott****Advent Wreath – Campa Family****Porter – Valerie Ramirez****Coffee & Donuts – Doug & Barbara Berg****Sunday, December 21st – 11:00am****Lector – Julia Beltran, Sofia Jansson****Altar Servers – Kellum Hendrix, Carlo Skilling, Eero Skilling****Sacristan – Al Pearson****EMHC – Deacon Carl, Angie Lundgren, Karen Lundberg****Gift Bearers – Naevia Cisnero & Family****Bulletin Distributors – Emily Vialpando, Sofia Jansson****Advent Wreath – Jansson Family****Porter – Rich Bassi, Mary Sandoval****Coffee & Donuts – Learne Corsentino, Jeff Huber****Christmas Eve and Christmas Day****Ministry Schedule for December 24th & 25th****December 24th – 4:00pm Christmas Eve****Lector – Rose Wertz****Altar Servers – Carlo Skilling, Eero Skilling****Sacristan – Ron Diodosio****EMHC – Deacon Carl, Dan & Sheila Kraus, Dominic Giadone, Ron Diodosio****Porter – Joan McDonald****December 25th – Midnight Christmas****Lector – Ray Zupancic****Altar Servers – Josh Costello, Nate Hawkins****Sacristan – Michele Prado-Landreth****EMHC – Deacon Carl, Tom & Isabel Starnes****Porter – Mary Sandoval****December 25th – 10:00am Christmas****Lector – Angie Lundgren****Altar Servers – Kellum Hendrix, Carlo Skilling, Eero Skilling****Sacristan – Al Pearson****EMHC – Ruben Roman, Vernal Sanchez, Veronica Salinas-Rodriguez****Porter – Rich Bassi****Faith Formation****Advent Youth Penance Service**

On Sunday December 7th youth from the Pueblo deanery attended a penance service at the Cathedral. Bishop Berg and several priests made themselves available to hear confession. We had a couple of youth from the Shrine participate in the service. Miss Addison V. read the first reading and Miss Julia B read the second candle lighting reading. All participating youth read beautifully.

**Baptism****Schedule for 3-session baptismal classes:*****Next sessions scheduled for:******Wednesdays January 14, 21 & 28, 2026******6:00pm – 7:30pm in hospitality room******OR******Saturdays January 17, 24 & 31, 2026******9:00am – 10:30am in hospitality room*****Contact Mary Sandoval in parish office with questions, or email: baptism@sostpueblo.org****OCIA CLASSES WITH DEACON CARL COOK****TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16 6:15pm – 7:30pm****in the hospitality room.****Who is OCIA for?****Non-Catholics who want to find out more about the Catholic Faith****Those who want to join the Catholic Church through Baptism, or Profession of Faith****Those who were baptized Catholic as infants but never received religious education, Confirmation, or First Eucharist.**

1st Reconciliation retreat was held Saturday December 13th for those preparing to receive their First Reconciliation this month. If your child was unable to attend the retreat, please reach out to Mrs. Charlotte in the office

Paperwork Due Dates:**Sunday, December 14th – First Reconciliation/First Communion application & Baptismal Certificate****Sunday, December 21st - Confirmation application & child's baptismal certificate with notations.**

St. Nicholas

We celebrated our annual St. Nicholas Celebration Saturday December 6th on his actual feast day, and it did not disappoint. The gym was full of lots of smiles, laughter and joy! Those in attendance were able to purchase a yummy chili bean meal while listening to some holiday tunes in fellowship with others.



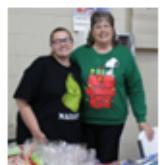
Children were able to partake in cookie decorating, ornament and Christmas card making at the celebration. (Christmas cards will be dropped off at nursing facilities). If the hustle and bustle in the gym got to be too much the children could grab a bag of freshly popped popcorn and take in an adorable Christmas movie "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," in the St. Joe's room.



We had an amazing bake sale with lots of homemade goodies and are grateful to all who donated to the bake sale.

Thank you to our amazing volunteers: the cook, Christina H., the cashier, Julie C., our popcorn maker, Vernal S., our decorators and set up crew, the kitchen crew, and to those who stayed behind to help clean up and break down. We could not throw these fun events if it wasn't for our selfless and generous volunteers! Thank you!!

And last but certainly not least, a special thank you to Mr. Carl Amato.

**2nd Joyful Mystery****The Visitation**

"During those days Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb." Luke 1:39-41a

Mary went to help her older cousin who was expecting her first child. On the surface we see our responsibility to help those in need. And during the Christmas season we are more inclined to visit relatives and help others in need.

Many times, the school children will go to a nursing home and sing Christmas carols, giving of themselves to bring cheer to others. Can we do this more often throughout the year? Can we help a neighbor with yard work or take some baked goods to someone sick? There are endless possibilities.

But let's look deeper. Time wise Elizabeth is probably the 1st person to recognize Mary is pregnant. Think about Mary's joy at receiving this recognition and she gives her "fiat". Mary is betrothed to Joseph, and the expectation is they will have children. With Elizabeth being pregnant, this is Mary's chance to learn about giving birth as well as being a help for Elizabeth. Elizabeth is becoming a teacher for Mary. When we visit family or someone in a nursing home, do we see them as a teacher or as a chance to learn something new? Think how much both can give and receive in a simple visit. Don't think of it as a chore or a waste of time. The next time you visit someone, whether in a Nursing home or not, think afterward what did I give (something as simple as our presence), and what did I learn/receive (something as simple as gratitude)?

—Rose Wertz
Eucharistic Renewal Team



O Come All Ye Faithful

Join us for Christmas
and New Year Masses

Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesday – Friday 7:30am-4:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00pm – 4:00 pm
Or by appointment

Advent Penance Service:
December 18th 6:00pm

Christmas Vigil –
December 24, 2025 4:00 pm

Christmas -
December 25, 2025 Midnight & 10:00am

Solemnity of Mary
Anticipatory December 31, 2025 4:00pm
January 1, 2026 9:00am



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

December 15th – December 21st

Monday: Numbers 24:2-7,15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab,6,7bc,8-9;
Mt 21:23-27
Tuesday: Zephaniah 3:1-2,9-13; Ps 34:2-3,6-7,17-18,23;
Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday: Genesis 49:2,8-10; Ps 72:1-2,3-4ab,7-8,17;
Mt 1:1-17
Thursday: Jeremiah 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2,12-13,18-19;
Mt 1:18-25
Friday: Judges 13:2-7,24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a,5-6ab,16-17;
Lk 1:5-25
Saturday: Isaiah 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2,3-4ab,5-6; Lk 1:26-38
Sunday: Isaiah 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2,3-4,5-6
Romans 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

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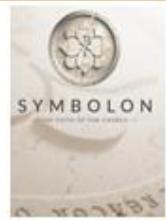
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Pueblo Deanery Advent Penance Services 2025

December 5, 2025	6:00pm	Christ the King 1708 Horseshoe Dr.
December 10, 2025	4:00pm	Holy Family 2827 Lakeview Ave.
December 10, 2025	5:30pm	Cathedral of the Sacred Heart 414 W. 11th St.
December 11, 2025	6:30pm	St. Leander 1402 E. 7th St.
December 11, 2025	5:00pm	St. Benedict 622 W 2nd St. Florence
December 12, 2025	4:00pm	St. Francis Xavier 611 Logan St
December 12, 2025	Noon	St. Joseph 1145 S. Aspen Rd.
December 13, 2025	8:45am	St. Mary Help of Christians 217 E. Mesa
December 15, 2025	6:00pm	Our Lady of Mt. Carmel 421 Clark St.
December 17, 2025	4:00pm	St. Mary Our Lady of Sorrows - Walsenburg
December 18, 2025	6:00pm	Shrine of St. Therese 300 Goodnight Ave.
December 21, 2025	3:00pm	St. Michael 1016 Mystic Ave., Canon City



Adult Faith Formation
Join Deacon Carl Cook
for Adult Formation
every Sunday from
9:30am - 10:30am
in the hospitality room.



Offertory Summary Ordinary Time
(12/6/2025 – 12/7/2025)
Stewardship all Masses: \$10,656.00
Thank you for your continued generosity.

Cooperative Care
Center's
wish for the month of
December is for:
Candy, Canned Fruit,
Nuts
Put your donation in
the food cart.
Thank you!