

Jubilee Year of Hope

A Renewed Call to Trust in God

We are excited to announce the opening of the Jubilee Year 2025, a time of grace, renewal, and celebration for Catholics around the world! This special Jubilee, declared by Pope Francis, calls us to reflect on God's boundless mercy and embrace our mission to live out the Gospel in everyday life.

Amid great challenges to hope in the world, the Jubilee Year will stand as a call to deepen the virtue which enflames within the heart a desire for "the Kingdom of Heaven and eternal life as our happiness" (CCC 1817). With eyes fixed on the things that are above (cf. Col 3:2), we will be able to see the world with a biblical, God-centered worldview, because hope "keeps man from discouragement; it sustains him during times of abandonment; it opens up his heart in expectation of eternal beatitude. Buoyed up by hope, he is preserved from selfishness and led to the happiness that flows from charity" (CCC 1818).

What is a Jubilee?

"Jubilee" is the name given to a from the instrument used to mark horn. It is used to proclaim the Day (Jewish) holiday occurs every year, when it marks the beginning of a indication of it in the Bible: a Jubilee since this would be an "extra" year, one seven years, i.e., every 49 years (cf. Leviticus organize, it was intended to be marked as a time to re-establish a proper relationship with God, with one another, and with all of creation, and involved the forgiveness of debts, the return of misappropriated land, and a fallow period for the fields.

Quoting the prophet Isaiah, the Gospel of Luke describes Jesus' mission in this way: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord," (Luke 4:18-19; cf. Isaiah 61:1-2). Jesus lives out these words in his daily life, in his encounters with others and in his relationships, all of which bring about liberation and conversion.

In 1300, Pope Boniface VIII called the first Jubilee, also known as a "Holy Year," since it is a time in which God's holiness transforms us. The frequency of Holy Years has changed over time: at first, they were celebrated every 100 years; later, in 1343 Pope Clement VI reduced the gap between Jubilees to every 50 years, and in 1470 Pope Paul II made it every 25 years. The way in which Jubilee Years are marked has also changed through the centuries: originally the Holy Year consisted of a pilgrimage to the Roman Basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul, later other signs were added, such as the Holy Door. By participating in the Holy Year, one is granted a plenary indulgence.

On Christmas Eve this year, the Church will begin a Jubilee Year of Hope. Jubilee years are times of incredible grace to reconcile our lives to God and start fresh, no matter our circumstances. As you follow Jesus, I encourage you to lift a prayer to God during the Jubilee Year and ask him to show you his great love and to fill you with hope so that, abiding in relationship with the Holy Trinity, your hope in Jesus will grow, your trust will increase, and you will be able to surrender your life to his plan. I also invite you to pray in reparation for your sins, the sins of the Church and the sins of all those living in the Archdiocese of Denver.

Let us prepare for Christmas and the Jubilee Year of Hope by repenting and renewing our hope in Jesus. He is the only one capable of fulfilling our desires, and he longs for you to reach out to him. May God bless you and your families abundantly in this season. The Christ child is coming; may we receive him with open hearts and open arms.

-Archbishop Samuel Aquila



particular year; the name comes its launch, the *yobel*, the ram's of Atonement (Yom Kippur). This but it takes on special significance Jubilee year. We can find an early year was to be marked every 50 years, which would happen every seven weeks of 25:8-13). Even though it wasn't easy to

New Online Giving

We want to let you know about a new online giving tool that we are using at our church. We are very excited about this new tool because it's the easiest and most secure way for you to give donations. You do not need to create a login or password to set up a one-time or recurring gift.

Simply visit GrandCatholic.flocknote.com/give to give to our church in just a couple of minutes. It's as easy as entering your name, contact info, and payment details. You can set up payment with either a credit card, debit card, or ACH.

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In addition to being secure and simple for you, online giving is easier for us in terms of more efficient administration and bookkeeping.

Thank you for your generous gifts, time, and prayers!

Pint with a Priest Returns

After a longer break than expected for summer and fall, we are able to restart Pint with a Priest!

Join Fr. Peter for a drink and a good discussion about the faith, with time for Q & A. Catholics and non-Catholics are welcome. Bring a friend!

Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m.

North, Grand Lake, The Sagebrush BBQ

Jan 22 – The Gospel of Luke

Feb 26 – The Biblical Jubilee

March 19 – To be determined


April 30 – To be determined

South, Winter Park, The Ditch on 40

Jan 15 – The Gospel of Luke

Feb 19 – The Biblical Jubilee

April 23 – To be determined


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Merry Christmas!

Fr. Mathias and Fr. Peter both wish you a very merry Christmas. Thank you for celebrating with us at Mass, as we marvel at the Nativity of the Son of God. It is easy for children to find wonder in the world around them, especially during Christmas time. As we get older, we may be tempted to think of that as childish. But the mystery of Christmas should only grow more marvelous as we grow in age and wisdom.

St. Bernard Masses

We have started our 2nd Saturday evening Mass at 4:00 p.m. at St. Bernard. It will continue through April 13. The 5:30 p.m. Mass is year-round.

Youth Group Night

All 6 – 12th graders are invited to our Youth Group. We meet the second Sunday of each month. We begin with a meal before our other activities.

Our Lady of the Snow – 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, January 12th

Christmas Carols Before Mass

You are invited to come 20 minutes early for the Masses below marked with a "*" for Christmas carols.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Tuesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

- St. Bernard, *4:30 and *6:30 and 8:15 p.m.
- Our Lady of the Snow, 5 p.m.
- St. Anne, *5 p.m.

Wednesday, December 25

- St. Bernard, 7 and 9 a.m.
- Our Lady of the Snow, *9:30 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Spanish
- St. Peter, 10 a.m.
- St. Ignatius, 1 p.m.

Mary, Mother of God Mass Schedule (Holy Day)

This Holy Day falls on a Wednesday like Christmas.

Tuesday Evening (Vigil Mass), December 31

- St. Bernard, 5:30 p.m.
- St. Anne, 5 p.m.

Wednesday, January 1

- St. Bernard, 8:30 a.m.
- Our Lady of the Snow, 8:30 a.m.
- St. Ignatius (Walden), 5:00 p.m.
- St. Peter (Kremmling), 7:30 p.m.

Meals for Youth Group Needed

Thank you to the people who provided meals for our Youth Group nights. Sharing a meal with the teens at the beginning of the youth nights has been a great blessing. We would like to continue the meals each month. If you would like to provide a meal, please contact the office.

Mass Collections, December 14 & 15

St. Anne	\$1307
St. Bernard	3794
Our Lady of the Snow	1264
St. Peter	606
St. Ignatius	<u>436</u>
Total	\$7407

Vocations Prayer Calendar

Please pray for our seminarians every day.

Sun – David Napierkowski & Cody Bliss
Mon – Marcus Chua & Matheo Cuartas
Tue – Juan Luis Gordillo & Gabriel Pineda
Wed – Daniele Arienzo & Carl Berner
Thu – Daniel Calix Figueroa & Daniel Correia
Fri – Br. Peter Xavier & Br. Thomas Gonzaga
Sat – Adrian Ibarra Quiroz & Manuel Alarcon Salinas

Mass Intentions and Schedule for StA, StB, and OLS

KEY: StA = St. Anne; StB = St. Bernard;

OLS = Our Lady of the Snow

-Mon, Dec 23, StA, 8:30 a.m., +Peter & +Ruth McGinn
-Tue, Dec 24, OLS, 7:30 a.m., Chip McGinn
-Tue, Dec 24, StB, 4:30 p.m., Parishioners and Visitors
-Tue, Dec 24, StB, 6:30 p.m., Fr. Brady's Intention
-Tue, Dec 24, StB, 8:15 p.m., Fr. Peter's Intention
-Tue, Dec 24, OLS, 5:00 p.m., Parishioners and Visitors
-Tue, Dec 24, StA, 5:00 p.m., +Keith Lawson
-Wed, Dec 25, StB, 7:00 a.m., +James A. Davlin
-Wed, Dec 25, StB, 9:00 a.m., Fr. Brady's Intention
-Wed, Dec 25, OLS, 9:30 a.m., Parishioners and Visitors
-Wed, Dec 25, OLS, 6:00 p.m. Spanish, Special Intention
-Thu, Dec 26, OLS, 8:30 a.m., +Phil McGinn
-Fri, Dec 27, OLS, 8:30 a.m., +James Martin Otto

-Sat, Dec 28, StB, 4:00 p.m., Parishioners and Visitors
-Sat, Dec 28, StB, 5:30 p.m., +Ronald E. Smith
-Sat, Dec 28, StA, 5:00 p.m., Fr. Mathias' Intention

-Sun, Dec 29, StB, 7 a.m., Fr. Peter's Intention
-Sun, Dec 29, OLS, 9:30 a.m., Parishioners and Visitors
-Sun, Dec 29, OLS, 6:00 p.m., Special Intention

Mass Intentions and Schedule for StP and StI

KEY: StP = St. Peter; StI = St. Ignatius (Walden)

-Wed, Dec 25, StP, 10:00 a.m., Fr. Mathias' Intention
-Wed, Dec 25, StI, 1 p.m., Parishioners & Visitors

-Fri, Dec 27, StP, 7:00 p.m., Fr. Mathias' Intention
-Sun, Dec 29, StP, 10:00 a.m., Parishioners & Visitors
-Sun, Dec 29, StI, 1 p.m., Fr. Peter's Intention