# Jubilee Year of Hope

### A Renewed Call to Trust in God

#### **Jubilee Prayer**

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

#### What is Hope?

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Christian hope is "the theological virtue by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit" (CCC 1817).

#### What is a Jubilee?

"Jubilee" is the name given to a particular year; the name comes from the instrument used to mark its launch, the *vobel*, the ram's horn. It is used to proclaim the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur). This (Jewish) holiday occurs every year, but it takes on special significance when it marks the beginning of a Jubilee year. We can find an early indication of it in the Bible: a Jubilee year was to be marked every 50 years, since this would be an "extra" year, one which would happen every seven weeks of seven years, i.e., every 49 years (cf. Leviticus 25:8-13). Even though it wasn't easy to 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 family 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. By participating in the Holy Year, one is granted a plenary indulgence.

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### Pregnancy Resource Connection 21st Annual Banquet

We at PRC are so excited to invite you to our yearly evening of good food, good folks, great music, and lots of laughter. A full 3-course meal will be served. Admission is FREE.

Our theme this year is A Light on a Hill taken from Mathew 5:14, "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden."

Our speaker this year is Dr. John Bruchalski OBGYN, whose powerful conversion story will make your heart soar! Dr. John was a former abortionist who, like Saint Paul, had a life changing conversion experience, first in Mexico City in front of the image of our Lady of Guadalupe and then another encounter in the small village of Medjugorje in Croatia. You must hear it to believe!

"I came to see that true healthcare for women is not about rights, but relationship. Not about limits, but about love and mercy." —Dr. John

This year there will be two banquets.

#### PRC's 21st Annual Banquet in Kremmling



Feb 15, 2025 12:30pm

Shiloah Building 116 North 3rd Street, Kremmling

#### PRC's 21st Annual Banquet in Fraser

Feb 16, 2025 4:30pm

Crooked Creek Ranch 3000 Co Hwy 517, Fraser



Registration is separate for both banquets. Childcare is available at both venues, and you must register to participate.

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#### A Note from the Pastor

This weekend and next weekend Fr. Al is filling in. He is a priest from the Diocese of Pittsburgh and is vacationing here for part of the winter. We thank him for his flexibility and help!

#### Friday Night Feed at Cranmer Chapel, Winter Park

Each year members of our community help provide meals for hundreds of people in cooperation with the Cranmer Chapel in Winter Park. This year we have been asked to provide sides and volunteers for Friday, February 21. If you are interested, please contact the office.

#### **Second Try for English Classes**

This may be the time to try again to start up some English classes. There are many people in our community that desire to learn English. Are you interested in helping to teach English?

If you are interested, please don't be afraid to give it a go. Many people have remarked on the division between the English- and Spanish-speaking communities in our parish. This would be a great way of bridging that divide. And, this would be a great way to help our neighbors to feel a little more welcome in our parish and the wider community. Please contact the office if you are interested.

#### 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. Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m.

Next month we will talk about the Biblical Jubilee. What would it have looked like? Was it ever practiced? What does it tell us about the mission of Jesus? How do we celebrate the Jubilee Year of 2025?

#### North, Grand Lake, The Sagebrush BBQ

Feb 26 – The Biblical Jubilee

March 19 – To be determined

April 30 – To be determined

#### South, Winter Park, The Ditch on 40

Feb 19 – The Biblical Jubilee

April 23 – To be determined

#### **Girls' Bible Study Starting**

All middle-school and high-school girls are invited to Java Lava Cafe in Granby Friday mornings at 10:00 am, starting January 31. Bring a Bible and journal. Enjoy a casual study of Scripture with breakfast or coffee. We will cover the cost of food and drink.

#### **Dying Well Conference – Save the Date**

It seems that most people take the "ignore it and maybe it will take care of itself" approach to death. Many people are not prepared for death, either spiritually, financially, or legally. All are invited to a parish event on Sunday, March 16, that will help in these areas. Join us from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm, with a good lunch provided.

### ETERNAL REST



Prepare for our parish conference by watching the short series Eternal Rest: The Art of Dying Well on Formed.org Small groups to watch this series are being formed at our churches or start your own group!

#### **Vocations Prayer Calendar**

Please pray for our deacon candidates every day.

Sun – Tim Clancy & Jim Colburn

Mon – Brice Glasscock & Jerry Hraban

Tue – Ronnie Hyatt & Abram Leon

Wed – Matthew Lewis & Tom Middleton

Thu – Mark Najarian & Jeff Nepple

Fri - David Orozco & Alvio Rangel

Sat – Theodore Rhoades & Michael Zyzda

#### Mass Intentions and Schedule for StA, StB, and OLS

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

OLS = Our Lady of the Snow

-Mon, Jan 27, StA, 8:30 a.m., Terri Robar

-Tue, Jan 28, OLS, 7:30 a.m., Greg Barns

-Tue, Jan 28, OLS, 7:00 p.m., Special Intention

-Wed, Jan 29, StB, 8:30 a.m., Fr. Peter's Intention

-Thu, Jan 30, OLS, 8:30 a.m., +Phil McGinn

-Fri, Jan 31, OLS, 8:30 a.m., Paul Baumann

-Sat, Feb 1, StB, 4:00 p.m., Parishioners and Visitors

-Sat, Feb 1, StB, 5:30 p.m., Fr. Albin's Intention

-Sat, Feb 1, StA, 5:00 p.m., +Joseph Kelliher

-Sun, Feb 2, StB, 7 a.m., Fr. Albin's Intention

-Sun, Feb 2, OLS, 9:30 a.m., Parishioners and Visitors

-Sun, Feb 2, OLS, 6:00 p.m., Special Intention

#### Mass Intentions and Schedule for StP and StI

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

-Fri, Jan 31, StP, 7:00 p.m., +David Strate

-Sun, Feb 2, StP, 10:00 a.m., Fr. Peter's Intention

-Sun, Feb 2, StI, 1 p.m., Parishioners and Visitors