

# SEPTEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost	1	2	3	4	5 First Friday Home Schooler's First Friday	6 First Saturday
7 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9	10	11	12 Pro-Life Vigil	13
14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross	15	16	17	18	19	20 Men's Schola Altar Guild
21 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	22	23	24 Ember Wednesday	25	26 Ember Friday	27 Ember Saturday  All-Night Adoration
28 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost	29	30	1	2	3 First Friday Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner	4 First Saturday

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## Please pray for:

### Repose of the Souls of:

Pope Francis  
Jeff Nelson

### Parishioners in the Military:

1st Lt. David Bentley, U.S. Air Force  
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Spec. 2 Victor Follis, U.S. Space Force  
Petty Officer 1st Class Paula Gennetti, U.S. Navy  
1st Lt. Adam Giannattesi, U.S. Army  
Command Sgt. Major Chad Keirns, U.S. Army  
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# \* IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY  
after PENTECOST

September 7, 2025



### Sunday Schedule:

Low Mass: 7 a.m.  
9 a.m.  
Sung Mass: 11 a.m.

### Confessions:

One-half hour before Mass and Saturdays at 4 p.m.

### Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 8 a.m.  
Thursday: 6 p.m.  
Friday, Saturday: 8 a.m.

### Holy Hour:

Thursday: 7 p.m.

### Pastor:

FR. JAMES GORDON, F.S.S.P.

### Assistant Pastor:

FR. DENNIS GORDON, F.S.S.P.



Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter parish in Colorado Springs

The  
Spiritual  
Life:  
Facing  
TEMPTATIONS

from: *My Daily Bread*, by Anthony J. Paone, S.J.

**Christ:** My Child, with My help you will gradually overcome these temptations which annoy you in your daily life. You are never entirely safe from them. As long as you are in this world, you will have to protect yourself from them. All around you there are people or things which may appeal to your weakness.

When you cannot avoid them, meet them with patience rather than with anxiety or thoughtless severity. Correct and remedy what you can. As for things which cannot be remedied, bear them patiently for My sake.

Unless you keep your eyes on Me, you cannot stand up under the strain of this daily warfare. Without My help you will never earn the reward of the Blessed in Heaven. Face life bravely. With a firm determination, take definite measures to over come the temptations in your daily life. I will grant heavenly strength to anyone who makes an honest effort. The sluggard is doomed to miserable failure.

Some try to run away from all temptations, and still they go on falling into sin. Flight alone

will not conquer all temptations. Wherever you go, you will always find some occasion of sin. By humility, patience and definite action, you will become strong against the enemies of your soul.

**Think:** Patience will help me to keep calm in my troubles and difficulties. It will help me think more clearly. As a result, I shall find it easier to turn to God when I need Him. Humility will help me admit my weakness and nothingness. It will make me less irritable and resentful of my distasteful experiences.

These two virtues will help me have peace in the middle of my troubles. Then with a definite plan in mind, I can proceed against my faults and conquer my temptations.

**Christ:** My Child, when a man of good will is bothered by evil thoughts and inclinations, he understands more deeply how much he needs Me. He is impressed by his natural weakness in trying to live a good life. He realizes that perfect security and peace are not to be had in this world. Then he finds this life less attractive. Death seems to frighten him less because it is

**Banns of Marriage:**

For the first time between Mr. Alexander Worley and Miss Krista Bissonnette, both of Immaculate Conception parish.

Please inform the pastor if you know of any just and valid reason why this couple may not be lawfully joined together in marriage.

## Upcoming Parish Events

### September 12 ~ Pro-Life Vigil at Noon

One-hour Rosary prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood, located at 3480 Centennial Blvd. Contact Michael Smiley, (719) 502-9149 or, Michele Smiley, (719) 447-7236.

### October 3 ~ Bishop's Respect Life Dinner

Tickets are now on sale for the Bishop's Respect Life Roundup dinner at the Flying W Ranch, Oct. 3. You may purchase your tickets online using a credit card at the following link: <https://RLRU2025.givesmart.com>.

the doorway to Heaven. He may even pray for it to free him from the temptations which surround him.

**Fear not!** Have confidence in Me! After such a storm you will be as strong as ever. I am always near, to help you grow ever more in goodness and holiness. You will come out of your trial a better and wiser man. Is anything difficult to Me? Will I fail to keep My promises? Stand firm and keep fighting against your temptations. Have patience! Be brave and wait for My grace. Your fears will be conquered by a strong faith and confidence in Me. When you are ready for it, My comfort and consolation will come to you.

**Think:** Temptations tend to sadden and discourage a good man. Yet, he needs simply to turn to God for help, and then do his best. As long as he is doing his best, he should not fear, nor worry, nor be discouraged. His wisdom and peace will grow as he sees the passing

nature of his trial.

**Christ:** My child, temptations are often very profitable to you, distressing and troublesome though they be. They help to lessen your foolish pride by showing you your weaknesses. Without temptations you could deceive yourself into a dangerous self-confidence. They teach you many things which can help you come closer to Me in your daily life. They can purify your soul by forcing you to resist evil and practice virtue. Troubles, afflictions and opposition bring you opportunities for heavenly merit.

Temptations prove the real worth of your virtues. Often you do not really know yourself until you have faced various temptations. They make your virtues shine out, and they help you to see what spiritual gain you have made. Anyone can act virtuously when things are going as he desires. The man who keeps his patience in time of adversity, can rightly hope for a lasting reward

## † MASS INTENTIONS † FOR THIS WEEK

### Monday, Sept. 8 ~ Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8 a.m. — Private Intention

### Tuesday, Sept. 9 ~ St. Peter Claver

8 a.m. — + César Delgado Rosazza, by Ivan Delgado

### Wednesday, Sept. 10 ~ St. Nicholas of Tolentino

8 a.m. — Private Intention

### Thursday, Sept. 11 ~ Feria

6 p.m. — + Joe Tegrotenhuis, by John Tegrotenhuis

### Friday, Sept. 12 ~ Most Holy Name of Mary

8 a.m. — Private Intention

### Saturday, Sept. 13 ~ Saturday of Our Lady

8 a.m. — Private Intention

### Sunday, Sept. 14 ~ Exaltation of the Holy Cross

7 a.m. — Private Intention

9 a.m. — Private Intention

11 a.m. — Pro Populo

Intentions accepted. Limit one Mass intention per family, per month.

from Me.

**Think:** Were I never tempted, I might never know my real self. I cannot be sure of my own sincerity and motives until I have proved them by action. Anyone can talk about a good life, but the only real proof of goodness is living a good life. I would hate to find out too late that I am completely unworthy of God's gifts. My temptations give me a chance to prove how

truly I mean it when I say that I want to please God in all things.

**Pray:** Father of all truth and goodness, let me be loyal to Your holy will. Your way is the best and only way to live. Grant me grace to see my many faults and to overcome them for Your sake. In all temptations I want to prefer to die rather than offend You by sin. Amen.

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