

JANUARY 2026

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
28	Sunday in the Octave of Christmas	29		30		31		1		2	First Friday	3	First Saturday
4	Holy Name of Jesus	5		6	Epiphany	7		8		9	Pro-life Vigil	10	Roses of Mary Men's Schola
11	Holy Family Christmas Party	12		13		14		15		16		17	Altar Guild Men's Schola
18	Second Sunday after Epiphany	19		20		21		22		23		24	
25	Third Sunday after Epiphany	26		27		28		29		30	 All-Night Adoration	31	

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Repose of the Souls of:

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† IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH



Holy Family of JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH
January 11, 2026

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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.



Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter parish in Colorado Springs

MARY, OUR MEDIATRESS

The Necessity of the Intercession of Mary for Our Salvation

from *The Glories of Mary*, by St. Alphonsus Liguori

St. Bernard says, "that as a man and a woman cooperated in our ruin, so it was proper that another man and another woman should cooperate in our redemption, and these two were Jesus and His mother, Mary." "There is no doubt" says, the saint, "that Jesus Christ alone was more than sufficient to redeem us; but it was more becoming that both sexes should cooperate in the reparation of an evil in causing which both had shared." Hence Blessed Albert the Great calls Mary the "helper of redemption;" and the Blessed Virgin herself revealed to St. Bridget, that "as Adam and Eve sold the world for an apple, so did she with her Son redeem it as it were with one heart." This is confirmed by St. Anselm, who says, "that although God could create the world out of nothing, yet, when

it was lost by sin, He would not repair the evil without the cooperation of Mary."

Suarez says, "that Mary cooperated in our salvation in three ways; first, by having merited by a merit of congruity the incarnation of the Word; secondly, by having continually prayed for us whilst she was living in this world; thirdly, by having willingly sacrificed the life of her Son to God." For this reason our Lord has justly decreed, that as Mary cooperated in the salvation of man with so much love, and at the same time gave such glory to God, so all men through her intercession are to obtain their salvation.

Mary is called "the cooperator in our justification;" for to her God has entrusted all graces intended for us; and therefore St. Bernard affirms, "that all

men, past, present, and to come, should look upon Mary as the means and negotiator of the salvation of all ages."

...But now that Mary has been given to the world, heavenly graces constantly flow through her on all.

The devil, like Holofernes, who, in order to gain possession of the city of Bethulia, ordered the aqueducts to be destroyed, exerts himself to his utmost to destroy devotion to the Mother of God in souls; for if this channel of grace is closed, he easily gains possession of them.

And here, continues the same St. Bernard, "See, O souls, with what tender devotion our Lord wills that we should honor our Queen, by always having recourse to her protection; and by relying on it; for in Mary He has placed the plenitude of every good, so that henceforward we may know and acknowledge that whatever hope, grace or other advantage we possess all comes from the hand of Mary."

St. Antoninus says the same thing: "All graces that have ever been bestowed on men, all came through Mary." And on this account she is called the moon, according to the following remark of St. Bonaventure: "as the moon, which stands between the sun and the earth, transmits to this latter whatever it receives from the former, so does Mary pour out upon us who are in this world the heavenly graces that she receives from the divine Sun of Justice."

Again, the holy Church calls her "the happy gate of heaven;" for as the same St. Bernard remarks; "As every mandate of grace that is sent by a king passes through the palace gates,

so does every grace that comes from heaven to the world pass through the hands of Mary." St. Bonaventure says that Mary is called "the gate of Heaven, because no one can enter that blessed kingdom without passing through her."

An ancient author, probably St. Sophronius, in a sermon on the Assumption, published with the works of St. Jerome, says "that the plenitude of grace which is in Jesus Christ came into Mary, though in a different way" meaning that it is our Lord, as in the head, from which the vital spirits (that is, divine help to obtain eternal salvation) flow into us, who are the members of His mystical body: and that the same plenitude is in Mary, as in the neck, through which these vital spirits pass to the members.

The same idea is confirmed by St. Bernardine of Sienna, who explains it more clearly, saying, "that all graces of the spiritual life that descend from Christ, their head, to the faithful, who are His mystical body are transmitted through the instrumentality of Mary."

The same St. Bernardine endeavors to assign a reason for this when he says, "That as God was pleased to dwell in the womb of this holy Virgin, she acquired, so to speak, a kind of jurisdiction over all graces; for when Jesus Christ issued forth from her most sacred womb, all the streams of divine gifts flowed from her as from a celestial ocean."

Elsewhere, repeating the same idea in more distinct terms, he asserts that "from the moment that this Virgin Mother conceived the divine Word in her womb, she ac-

† MASS INTENTIONS †

FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, January 12 ~ Feria of Epiphany

8 a.m. — Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter, by Linda Kartes

Tuesday, January 13 ~ Commemoration of the Baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ

8 a.m. — + Beatrice Gordon

Wednesday, January 14 ~ St. Hillary

8 a.m. — Special Intention of Dana Chavira

Thursday, January 15 ~ St. Paul the First Hermit

6 p.m. — Reparation to Sacred Heart, by C. Goodman

Friday, January 16 ~ St. Marcellus I

8 a.m. — Jessica Gordon

Saturday, January 17 ~ St. Anthony

8 a.m. — Fr. Dennis Gordon, F.S.S.P., by the Keirns Family

Sunday, January 18 ~ Second Sunday after Epiphany

7 a.m. — Private Intention

9 a.m. — Private Intention

11 a.m. — *Pro Populo*

Fr. Saguto may accept Mass intentions

Upcoming Parish Events

January 17 ~ Men's Schola Rehearsal

Schola rehearsal will begin after Mass Saturday morning. Men interested in singing with an all-men schola may contact Kelsey Villalobos, (719) 651-9800, for more information.

January 17 ~ Altar Guild

Altar-serving practice after 8 a.m. Mass. For more information or to enroll your son, contact Nathan Wike, cosfssp.altarguild@gmail.com.

quired a special jurisdiction, so to say, over all the gifts of the Holy Ghost, so that no creature has since received any grace from God otherwise than through the hands of Mary."

Another author, in a commentary on a passage of Jeremiah, in which the prophet, speaking of the Incarnation of the Eternal Word, and of Mary, His Mother, says that *a woman shall compass a man*, remarks, that "as no line can be drawn from the

center of a circle without passing by the circumference, so no grace proceeds from Jesus, who is the center of every good thing, without passing by Mary, who compassed Him when she received Him into her womb."

St. Bernardine says that for this reason, "all gifts, all virtues, and all graces are dispensed by the hands of Mary to whomsoever, when, and as she pleases."

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