

FEBRUARY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Septuagesima Sunday 1st Communion Class	2 Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary	3	4	5	6 First Friday Homeschoolers' Day	7 First Saturday
8 Sexagesima Sunday Confirmation Class	9	10	11	12	13 Pro-Life Vigil	14 Roses of Mary Men's Schola
15 Quinquagesima Sunday 1st Communion Class	16	17	18 Ash Wednesday	19	20	21 Altar Guild Men's Schola
22 First Sunday of Lent Confirmation Class	23	24	25 Ember Day	26	27 Ember Day All-Night Adoration	28 Ember Day

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Rest of the Souls of:

Pope Francis
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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH



"O Mary, through thine Immaculate Conception make my body pure and my soul holy."

SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY February 8, 2026



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

ADVERSITY

is Useful for the Just and Necessary for Sinners

Trustful Surrender to Divine Providence,

by Fr. Jean Baptistes Saint-Jure, S.J.,
St. Claude de la Colombiere, S.J.

Imagine the anguish and tears of a mother who is present at a painful operation her child has to undergo. Can anyone doubt on seeing her that she consents to allow the child to suffer only because she expects it to get well and be spared further suffering by means of this violent remedy?

Reason in the same manner when adversity befalls you. You complain that you are ill-treated, insulted, slandered, robbed. Your Redeemer (the name is a tenderer one than that of father or mother), your Redeemer is a witness to all you are suffering. He who loves you and has emphatically declared that whoever touches you touches the apple of His eye, nevertheless allows you to be stricken though He could easily prevent it. Do you hesitate to believe that this passing trial is necessary for the health of your soul?

Even if the Holy Spirit had not called blessed those who suffer, if every page of Scripture did not proclaim aloud the necessity of adversity, if we did not see that suffering is the normal destiny of those who are friends of God, we should still be convinced that it is of untold advantage to us. It is enough to know that the God who chose to suffer all the most horrible tortures the rage of man can invent rather than see us condemned to the slightest pain in

the next life is the same God who prepares and offers us the chalice of bitterness we must drink in this world. A God who has so suffered to prevent us from suffering would not make us suffer today to give Himself cruel and pointless pleasure.

When I see a Christian grief-stricken at the trials God sends him I say to myself: Here is a man who is grieved at his own happiness. He is asking God to be delivered from something he ought to be thanking Him for. I am quite sure that nothing more advantageous could happen to him than what causes him so much grief. I have a hundred unanswerable reasons for saying so. But if I could read into the future and see the happy outcome of his present misfortune, how greatly strengthened I would be in my judgment! If we could discover the designs of Providence it is certain we would ardently long for the evils we are now so unwilling to suffer. We would rush forward to accept them with the utmost gratitude if we had a little faith and realized how much God loves us and has our interests at heart.

What profit can come to me from this illness which ties me down and obliges me to give up all the good I was doing, you may ask. What advantage can I expect from this ruin of my life which leaves me desperate and hopeless? It is true that sudden

Upcoming Parish Events

Today ~ Confirmation Class

Confirmation classes begin today for all preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation one half-hour after the 11 a.m. Mass in the upstairs classroom. Only those who have registered for the class may attend.

February 13 ~ 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.

February 14 ~ Young Roses of Mary

Girls' group (ages 8-18) to meet 7:45 a.m. for Mass, followed by breakfast and catechesis on feminine virtues. Contact Amy Seltzer, caseltzer@gmail.com.

February 14 ~ 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.

February 15 ~ First Holy Communion Class

First Holy Communion class will begin one half hour after the 11 a.m. Mass in the upstairs classroom. Only children registered for the class may attend.

May 26 ~ Sacrament of Confirmation

Bishop James Golka will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for the youth of our parish 6 p.m. May 26. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

great misfortune at the moment it comes may appear to overwhelm you and not allow you the opportunity there and then of profiting by it. But wait a while and you will see that by it God is preparing you to receive the greatest marks of His favor. But for this accident you would not have perhaps be-

come less good than you are, but you would not have become holy. Is it not true that since you have been trying to lead a good Christian life there has been something you have been unwilling to surrender to God? Some worldly ambition, some pride in your attainments, some indulgence of the body,

+ MASS INTENTIONS +

FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, February 9 ~ St. Cyril

8 a.m. — Jill Demian

Tuesday, February 10 ~ St. Scholastica

8 a.m. — Susana Rivera, by Jessica Mier

Wednesday, February 11 ~ Apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary Immaculate

8 a.m. — Wendy Yu, by Yu Family

Thursday, February 12 ~ Seven Holy Founders of the Order of Servants of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6 p.m. — + Kevin & Maureen Gordon

Friday, February 13 ~ Feria

8 a.m. — Cecil & Joy Vostatek, by Sean Vostatek

Saturday, February 14 ~ St. Valentine

8 a.m. — Jerry & Laverne Johnson, by Jenny Vostatek

Sunday, February 15 ~ Quinquagesima Sunday

7 a.m. — Private Intention

9 a.m. — Private Intention

11 a.m. — *Pro Populo*

Fr. Gordon cannot accept Mass intentions at this time.

some blameworthy habit, some company that is the occasion of sin for you? It was only this final step that prevented you from attaining the perfect freedom of the love of God. It was not really very much, but you could not bring yourself to make this last sacrifice.

It was not very much, but there is nothing harder for a Christian than to break the last tie that binds him to the world or to his own self. He knows he ought to do it, and until he does it there is something wrong with his life. But the very

thought of the remedy terrifies him, for the malady has taken such a hold on him that it cannot be cured without the help of a serious and painful operation. So it was necessary to take you unawares, to cut deep into the flesh with skillful hand when you were least expecting it and remove the ulcer concealed within, or otherwise you would never be well. The misfortune which has befallen you will soon do what all your exercises of piety would never have been able to do.

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