

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
"GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY"
APRIL 21, 2024



ST JOHN PAUL II

CATHOLIC PARISH

THE SCHOOL OF PRAYER

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*Entries will be included on a case by case basis depending on space availability and approval.
Submit by 5pm Wednesdays.*

"The Good Shepherd" - William Dyce (1806-1864)



REGULAR MASSES

Saturdays 4:00pm
Sundays 8:00am & 10:00am

CONFESSION

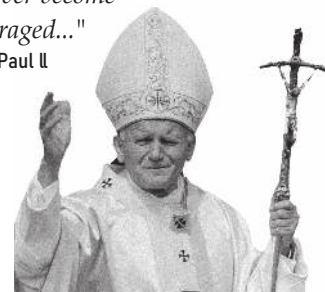
Saturdays: 2:30-3:30pm
Sundays: upon request
before & after Masses

Location for Mass:
Frassati Catholic Academy
3951 Cottonwood Lakes Blvd.
Thornton, CO

Mailing Address:
c/o Immaculate Heart of Mary
11385 Grant Dr,
Northglenn, CO 80233

"Do not be Afraid. Do not be satisfied with mediocrity. Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.... never, ever give up on hope, never doubt, never tire, and never become discouraged..."

St. John Paul II



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat April 20th 4pm †Josephine Ann Langfield
Sun April 21st 10am †Martin Macias

Sat April 27th 4pm †Chris Hoban
Sun April 28th 10am †Marintzer Family

Sunday 8am Mass Intention is **Pro Populo**;
for the parishioners of St. John Paul II

Intentions are not read aloud during Mass, but placed on the altar for the priest to offer up silently at Mass.
Send Mass intentions to: SmokeyM@StJP2.org

Parish Registration: Are you interested in joining this parish community? Register as parishioners under "Connect" on our website.

MISSION STATEMENT

St. John Paul II Parish exists to transform the hearts and minds of our parish family and foster an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ through steadfast devotion to the Eucharist and sacraments, immersion in Sacred Scripture, robust prayer and teaching, and vibrant community.

SUNDAY READINGS

APR 21 *4th Sunday of Easter*
1st Reading: Acts 4: 8-12
Rsp Psalm: Psalms 118: 1, 8-9, 21-29
2nd Reading: First John 3: 1-2
Gospel: John 10: 11-18

APR 28 *5th Sunday of Easter*
1st Reading: Acts 9: 26-31
Rsp Psalm: Psalms 22: 26-27, 28, 30, 31-32
2nd Reading: First John 3: 18-24
Gospel: John 15: 1-8

Faith FORMATION

First Communion & Confirmation Mass
Sunday, April 21st
at 1:00pm.

Sunday, May 5th; 11:00am – 12:30pm
Final Family of Faith Gathering
& End of Year Party
(not the 2nd Sunday of May due to Mother's Day)

St. John Paul II YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group
End of Year Party
Wednesday, May 1st
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

The Main Event (144th & Washington)
End of Year All You can Play Party!
We have reserved bowling lanes in the back room (Eagles Nest) of the Main Event to celebrate our new friendships with each other and our deepening relationship with our Lord, Jesus. We will start bowling and have pizza at 5:00pm then recognize our three graduating seniors around 6:00pm – Stevie, Luke & Jonathan. There will be a \$20 fee for each youth to join the party. Please bring cash or check on May 1st. We can bowl, play laser tag and arcade games until 9:00pm. This will be our final youth group only meeting of this school year so that we don't interfere with finals and graduations. Congratulations to all of our young people on a fantastic year!

20 24 ARCHBISHOP'S CATHOLIC APPEAL

"What will you do with Christ in You?"

Please visit www.archden.org/givetoday
or call 303-867-0614 to give to the
Archbishop's Catholic Appeal.

Make your gift today!

Video and Pledge Cards Available Next Weekend

The Eucharist Apostles of The Divine Mercy

EADM is an active year-round ministry meeting weekly. We pray as well as read and discuss the Diary of Saint Faustina with corresponding Catechism and Scripture. The current Eucharistic Apostles of The Divine Mercy have been participating for at least one year in the prayers, readings, and discussions, and have been doing Works of Mercy for our parish.



I am currently seeking people who may be interested in participating in a new entry level EADM group, If you are interested in participating as a Eucharistic Apostle of The Divine Mercy, contact Kathleen at: eadmthorntonco@gmail.com

Bethlehem Handicrafts

After all the masses
This Weekend

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Colorado Catholic Conference Update!

Thank you to everyone, including other organizations who spoke up, as a result

HB24-1363 Charter Schools Accountability was defeated in the House Education committee. Your voices were heard! At this point CCC has taken a stance on 36 bills. To see the conference's list and top 10 priority bills, please go to the website below.

[Colorado Catholic Conference](http://ColoradoCatholicConference.org)
(cocatholic.org/take-action/action-alerts)

If you have questions, please contact:
Hugh Denning at CCC.Rep@StJP2.org



Please keep in
your prayers...

- ✪ Denise Svetich
- ✪ Rene Gonzales
- ✪ Julie Wessling
- ✪ Earl Beer
- ✪ Jennifer Dunkley
- ✪ Bill McGee

Email names of those who are ill or in need of prayers to PrayerList@StJP2.org. Names will remain on the list as space allows.

World Prayer Day Sunday, April 21, 2024

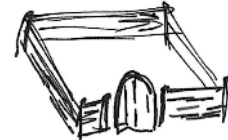
Make a special effort today to ask the Lord for more vocations, especially to the priesthood and religious life.

Knights Corner



Our 2nd Annual Golf Tournament will be on June 8th at Thorncreek Golf Course. You can find the sign-up forms on the carts at the doors. Email GK@KofC17142.org if you are interested in being a sponsor or golfer. Look for the Lucky Golf Balls in the lobby soon with opportunities to win even if you don't golf.

A Simple Theology



Sheepfold
=
Heaven



Sheep = Us



Gate
=
Jesus Christ

The only way to Heaven is through the Gate; that is Jesus Christ, who is The Way, The Truth & The Life.

Therefore, we should be attentive to the voice of GOD, through his Word, Jesus Christ!



Courage!

The Shepherd Loves his sheep. Even those that stray away. He will come to his lost sheep, call them by name, scoop them up and bring them back.

Praise be the Most Holy Name of Jesus. Amen.
- s.b.h. -

Friday May 3rd at 7pm.

Join us for an evening of faith, fellowship, and refreshments at the Mortus home:
14993 Columbine St,
Thornton.

Feel free to send in future topic ideas to:
SmokeyM@StJP2.org

New faces are welcome! See you there!



Online Giving

St John Paul II parish has our own online giving account through Vanco, with a link on our website. Here, we have established a few shortcuts for you to use:

Option 1.

Easily download the app "Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement" on your phone to set up "Saint John Paul II Catholic Parish"

Option 2.

Go directly to our giving page at:
<https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z6JA>

Option 3.

Point your phone camera here at our QR Code:





ORIGINAL OLIVE WOOD HANDICRAFTS FROM BETHLEHEM

Bethlehem Handicrafts will showcase a collection of beautiful olive wood carvings & gifts from the Holy Land following each Mass on April 20th & 21st.

Our Christian artisans pour their heart and soul into carving these religious items. Our goal is to pass our faith on to generations of Christians through beautiful statues, crosses, rosaries, and other powerful artistic displays, ensuring that our faith is alive and well in the Holy Land. We hope you feel this passion for the gospel when you display our work in your homes.

By buying our art pieces, not only will you help give Christian families from the Holy Land a livelihood, a sense of pride in their trade, and dignity to endure these difficult times, but you will also have a treasured art piece from Bethlehem as a gift for friends, family, your home, and place of work.

By purchasing our items, you are directly supporting the future of Christians in the Holy Land!



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