

St. John the Baptist Church

St. Mary Church - Clearmont St. Hubert Church - Kaycee

Office and Rectory

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St. John the Baptist Church

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 &10:00 AM
Daily Mass T - F 8:00 AM
Holy Days
Anticipatory 6:00 PM

Anticipatory 6:00 PM Day of... 7:00 AM

St. Mary Church, Clearmont

2nd & 4th Sunday 12:30pm

St. Hubert Church, Kaycee

 $\begin{array}{cc} 1^{st} \& \ 3^{rd} \ Sunday & 2:00pm \\ \textbf{Confessions} & Saturday \ 11:00am \end{array}$

Saturday after 5pm Mass

By Appointment

Parish Staff

Pastor	Fr. Pete Johnson	684-7268
Parish Administrator	Mary Ann Cummins	684-7268
CCW Leaders	Vickie Abbott	307-737-2281
Finance Council Chair	Steve Reimann	684-7439
Janitor	Mick Camino	217-1575
K of C Grand Knight	Blaine Horn	217-1075
Choir Director	Mary Finney	278-0137
Organist	Judi Semroska	684-2171
Parish Council Chair	Mike Ihnat	684-7698
Religious Education	Carol Gagliano	684-7217
Trustees	Jean Urruty	684-7093
	Phil Gonzales	684-5920

Religious Education / Meetings

Sunday, June 12 – 5pm Intermediate & Advanced Basque dancing in the hall

Monday, June 13 – 8:30am VBS begins!!

Wednesday, June 15 – 5:30pm Beginning Basque dancing in the hall

Thursday, June 16 – 6:30am Men of St. Joseph

KC Meals-on-Wheels - Ron Glassock

Saturday, June 18 —Horn wedding

Sunday, June 19 – HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Baptisms – Please call Fr. Pete

Marriage – Planning and preparation 6 months in advance

Prayer line Requests – Patty Myers, 684-9381 or Jan Edgcomb – jmpe@wyoming.com

Rosary Guild – Thursdays at 8:30am to 10am; call 217-0150 or 307-660-4936 for place

Sacrament of the Sick – After first Sunday Masses or call the Parish Office

11TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 12, 2016

Altar Assisters:

SATURDAY, June 18, 5pm

Lector: Volunteer EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Volunteers **SUNDAY**, **June 19**, **8am**

Lector: Volunteer EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Volunteers **SUNDAY**, **June 19**, **10am**

Lector: Volunteer EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Homebound Ministry, Friday, June 17

Lynn Ridgeway

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK OF June 5, 2016

St. John's	\$ 3,364.60	YTD \$	186,646.23
St. Mary's	\$	YTD \$	5,172.43
St. Hubert's	\$ 100.00	YTD \$	4,127.00

Poor Donations \$ 7647.00 Online Donations \$ 470.60

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

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Mon.	06.13	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	06.14	8:00 a.m.	Special intention of
			Gladys Esponda
Wed.	06.15	8:00 a.m.	Special intention of
			Gladys Esponda
Thu.	06.16	8:00 a.m.	Special intention of
			Gladys Esponda
Fri.	06.17	8:00 a.m.	Special intention of
			Gladys Esponda
Sat.	06.18	5:00 p.m.	Cathy Benjamin
Sun.	06.19	8:00 a.m.	+Nettie Bradshaw
		10:00 a.m.	for the people of the
			parishes
		2:00 p.m.	Kaycee: Fr. Pete's
			intention

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon-1 Kings 21:1-16; Gospel: Matthew 5:38-42 Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church Tue-1 Kings 21:17-29; Gospel: Matthew 5:43-48 Wed-2 Kings 2:1, 6-14; Gospel: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 Thu-Sirach 48:1-14; Gospel: Matthew 6:7-15

Fri-2 Kings 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Gospel: Matthew 6:19-23 Sat-2 Chronicles 24:17-25; Gospel: Matthew 6:24-34

FROM FR. PETE:

Many thanks to our St. John the Baptist **Church Foundation.** Our Foundation gave the parish a check for \$7,000.00 to be placed in the Parish Emergency Assistance Fund and then distributed to the Boys and Girls Club here in Buffalo. When our children are out of school for the summer months there are some who may not receive regular meals. The Boys and Girls Club makes sure that the children coming to their program are fed daily and have a weekend program in which children are given a "back pack" on Fridays containing two breakfasts, two lunches and two dinners to ensure that they have food over the weekend. This costs the Boys and Girls Club about \$2,000.00 per month. As we all know many agencies in our community are experiencing restricted funding. This donation will cover the summer month's food expenses.

Work continues around the Church. With the exception of the bell tower and the roof over the baptistery, the roof on the west side has been removed and prepped for the new roof.

The "patio" has been poured and must be allowed to cure before being cut into the herring bone pattern to match the brick façade on the front of the Church. Then it will be acid stained and sealed. This will be a long process that might not be completed until sometime in July. Asphalt will be poured at the base of the ramps that were created on Snider and Lobban. Mike Romine will check with the city to see if the asphalt can be painted a bright yellow so people will not park in front of the ramps.

Once the west side of the roof is replaced, the Ten Commandments monument will be moved so it is more centered. Then Bill Arno can complete the landscaping project in the central "quad" by adding topsoil and applying sod. The corner section of Snider and Lobban will be "zero-scaped," similar to what we have around the foundation of the Church.

Don and Peggy Sillivan have had their hands full! With all the work done around the Church and the rectory a number of pipes and electric wires to the sprinkler systems were damaged. This was expected. Don and Peggy worked hard to stay on top of making

FR. PETE (CONT.)

repairs and all sprinkler systems are working. Brian Kirven will soon be applying fertilizer.

Many thanks to Larry Vignaroli. Last weekend he noticed that when the AC unit came on the lights flickered. Larry got on it right away and sent Nate of Modern Electric to troubleshoot the problem. Nate began working on it June 13.

Sorry to do this but I hope you will understand.....we need to keep the Church locked after daily Mass through the summer months. Recently, while Don and Peggy's daughter was mowing the Church lawn she saw a man defecating on the lawn. Recently I caught a man urinating on the shrine. These occurred in broad daylight. Most normal people would use one of the restrooms of the many fast food places across the street. Last week I went to tidy up the Church and discovered that someone urinated in the usher's closet. Mick Camino found empty vodka bottles by the east entrance of the Church as well as food wrappers that he suspects came from food left at the entrance of the Church for the food pantry.

Whether these behaviors come from those who reject social conventions, are acts of hostility or come from an untreated mental illness they will escalate. Remember that not so long ago a very disturbed person attempted to burn down the Episcopal Church and almost succeeded. Our parish has been able to help these people get lodging and food. Very often I find they simply want someone to talk to. But there are those who refuse medical attention, counseling

and medication which means their bizarre behaviors should be expected and planned for.

I informed law enforcement. Hopefully there can be some extra patrols that will act as a deterrent.

While being charitable in meeting what needs we can, we must also use common sense in protecting our Church. Keeping it locked after Mass until the tourist season is over is a simple, effective and prudent measure. And while installing security cameras has been suggested, it is unlikely that will do much to stop someone from acting out who, whatever the cause, struggles with impulse control.

I would like to remind people to make sure that they lock their cars when they come to Mass. There have been times, again during the summer months, when I noticed men "wandering" around in the parking lot before Mass began. Fortunately they left or asked for help when I or someone else approached them. Women, especially if alone, should check their vehicle before entering it.

We want to wrap ourselves in the comforting illusion that bad things don't happen in Buffalo. They do. Along with the good that comes from having so many visitors to our area during the summer so too comes problems.

Could this happen in the USA? Yes. The following article comes from the Catholic News Agency, a highly recommended resource for up-to-date information on our Church. After reading it ask yourself why aren't we hearing about it from the media in our country.

Paris, France, Jun 2, 2016 / 12:43 pm (CNA/EWTN News).- In recent weeks, Catholics in France and Belgium – countries still recovering from brutal ISIS attacks – have been hit with numerous acts of violence and aggression, including fires set in churches, an assault on a priest, the desecration of a tabernacle and the hacking of more than 100 Catholic websites.

In the French periodical La Provence, local priest Father Benoît Delabre reported that two weeks ago, the altar at the Church of St. Madeleine-de-l'Île was set fire in Martigues, about 800 kilometers south of Paris.

"The altar...is marble, which prevented the fire from spreading. I can't imagine what would have happened with a wooden altar. The consequences for our church would have been tragic."

He also said that on May 15, another unknown person desecrated the tabernacle which contained the consecrated hosts in the church at Jonquières in the same region. Additionally, Father Delabre himself was attacked last Sunday by a man he caught at the church door who appeared to be "trying to steal something."

"We know just how serious these attacks are on signs and persons because of their faith...The Catholic faith, its symbols and those that profess it, deserve to be respected just like every kind of religious expression that does not disturb the public order," he said.

Gaby Charroux, the mayor of Martigues, said in a statement that "thefts of every kind in churches in France are more and more frequent" and promised the police will curb the attacks.

The publication La Croix reported that in April, more than 100 websites of churches and congregations were hacked by suspected Tunisian cyber-jihadists who call themselves the Fallaga Team.

In Belgium, on the afternoon of May 24, two fires considerably damaged the church in Mont-Sainte-Geneviève which dates from the 16th century. The first one began in the sacristy. The fire fighters had barely left the scene after managing to control that fire when another much bigger fire in the church roof was reported.

The police from Hainut, 37 miles southeast of Brussels, are looking for the culprits.

To all of our parishioners who will be taking family vacations this summer. We hope you have an enjoyable time. Do not forget to make the Mass a priority in your travels. May God bless you and see you safely home.

Did you know we have a professionally trained pastry chef in Buffalo? Her name is Maria Domingue and she has started a new business called "Flour Power". Maria finished her studies in culinary school and informed me that she is licensed to bake from her home. She makes custom desserts for special events. She makes cheesecakes, breads, cakes, chocolate dipped fruits, cookies, tarts, pies, and specialty liquor cakes. She can make a dessert for birthdays, weddings, graduations, anniversaries, baby showers, bridal showers and religious occasions. You can reach her at 307-278-0241.

"Fr. Pete.....Can we have benches in the front of the Church?" I think that would be a great idea. First, however, I have to check with our insurance company to see what liability that might entail for the parish.

"Fr. Pete....While driving by I noticed that sheet metal that was next to the dormers on the Church were removed and thrown out. Are they being replaced?" I believe you are referring to the flashing? I checked with Kyle and he assured me that they are being replaced. Thank you for checking!

"Fr. Pete....Can we put some trees in the "quad?" I will be checking with Bill Arno. If we are going to put in trees we need to plan for it now before we add the sprinkler system and electrical wires for both the sprinkler system, lighting, and the spot lights on the Ten Commandments monument. We have to make sure the trees will be appropriate for the area, not be a threat to the new sidewalks or grow tall enough that they could become a threat to the Church building. It will, of course, add to the costs but at this point it doesn't make much difference.

CCW SUMMER PROGRESSIVE DINNER – all ladies of the parish are invited to join in on Thursday, June 23 (meet in the church parking lot at 5:30pm) to travel to Trabing Road.

Appetizers at Mary Davis' home, 6pm; dinner at Tina Hart's home, 7pm; and dessert at Sheila Camino's home, 8pm. Call Mary Davis, 684-2371 or 620-1696 to sign up to bring something! SUMMER FUN!!