



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
Day of... 7:00 AM

St. Mary Church, Clearmont

2nd & 4th Sunday 12:30pm

St. Hubert Church, Kaycee

1st & 3rd Sunday 2:00pm

Confessions Saturday 11:00am
Saturday after 5pm Mass
By Appointment

Parish Staff

Pastor	<i>Fr. Pete Johnson</i>	684-7268
Parish Administrator	<i>Mary Ann Cummins</i>	684-7268
CCW Leaders	<i>Vickie Abbott</i>	307-737-2281
Finance Council Chair	<i>Steve Reimann</i>	684-7439
Janitor	<i>Mick Camino</i>	217-1575
K of C Grand Knight	<i>Jason Sutton</i>	217-0468
Choir Director	<i>Mary Finney</i>	278-0137
Organist	<i>Judi Semroska</i>	684-2171
Parish Council Chair	<i>Mike Ihnat</i>	684-7698
Religious Education	<i>Carol Gagliano</i>	684-7217
Trustees	<i>Jean Urruty</i>	684-7093
	<i>Phil Gonzales</i>	684-5920

Religious Education / Meetings

Sunday, Dec. 11 – NO Youth Group
5pm Advent dinner for parish
Tuesday, Dec. 13 – 6am Book study
7:30pm Knights of Columbus
Wednesday, Dec. 14 – 6am & 10am Judges study
3:45pm & 7 pm CCD
3:45pm Cookies to hall for
Gray Ladies cookie distribution
Thursday, Dec. 15 – 6:30am Men of St. Joseph
Sunday, Dec. 18 – 5pm Youth group

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 11, 2016

Altar Assisters:

SATURDAY, Dec. 17, 5pm

Lector: Dennis Lawrence

EM: Janelle/Phil Gonzales, Mary Smith

Altar Servers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, Dec. 18, 8am

Lector: Michael Donovan

EM: Rick Andersen

Altar Servers: Ben & Bryce Camino

SUNDAY, Dec. 18, 10am

Lector: Mary Ann Cummins

EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Eli/Cole Linden, Jeron/Jaxon Sutton

Homebound Ministry, Friday, December 16

Kathy Smith

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK OF DEC. 4 2016

St. John's	\$ 4,407.00	YTD \$ 99,308.72
St. Mary's	\$ 10.00	YTD \$ 2,795.00
St. Hubert's	\$ 125.00	YTD \$ 1,945.00
Poor Donations	\$ 78600	
Online Donations	\$ 75.60	

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon.	12.12	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	12.13	8:00 a.m.	+Russell Maxwell
Wed.	12.14	8:00 a.m.	+Jeanette Maxwell
Thu.	12.15	8:00 a.m.	Jami Stafford
Fri.	12.16	8:00 a.m.	+Vern Maxwell
Sat.	12.17	5:00 p.m.	+John Esponda
Sun.	12.18	8:00 a.m.	Tom Maxwell
		10:00 a.m.	for the people
		2:00 p.m.	Kaycee: Fr. Pete's intention

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon-Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Gospel:

Luke 1:39-47 *Our Lady of Guadalupe*

Tue-Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13; Gospel: Matthew

21:28-32 *Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr*

Wed-Isaiah 45:6b-8, 21b-25; Gospel: Luke 7:18b-

23 *Saint John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor*

Thu-Isaiah 54:1-10; Gospel: Luke 7:24-30

Fri-Isaiah 56:1-3a, 6-8; Gospel: John 5:33-36

Sat-Genesis 49:2, 8-10; Gospel: Matthew 1:1-17

FROM FR. PETE:

Many thanks to Mary Ann Cummins and Honey Harriet. They were able to get the Christmas Letter out on time.

Altar Servers...your schedules were sent out to you on Thursday. Thank you to those who volunteered to serve the Christmas Eve Masses. We could use servers on Christmas Morning.

Advent Pot Luck Dinner is this Sunday, 5:00 p.m. All are welcome to come. The parish will provide turkey and potatoes. You are welcome to bring a salad, veggie, appetizer or a dessert.

The Christmas Mass schedule: Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24, 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. (with choir). Christmas Morning, Sunday, December 25, 9:00 a.m. There are no other Masses.

For those who are attending the book study on Evangelical Exodus, please be advised that we will not be meeting this Tuesday, December 13. Fr. Pete has an appointment that conflicts with the class time. We will discuss the material in appendix 2 the following Tuesday. Apologies for the mix up.

The following is from a homily by St. Bernard, abbot, entitled "In Praise of the Virgin Mother."

You have heard, O Virgin, that you will conceive and bear a son; you have heard that it will not be by man but by the Holy Spirit. The angel awaits an answer; it is time for him to return to God Who sent him. We too are waiting, O Lady, for your word of compassion; the sentence

of condemnation weighs heavily upon us.

The price of our salvation is offered to you. We shall be set free at once if you consent. In the eternal Word of God we all came to be, and behold, we die. In your brief response, we are to be remade in order to be recalled to life.

Tearful Adam with his sorrowing family begs this of you, O loving Virgin, in their exile from Paradise. Abraham begs it, David begs it. All the other holy patriarchs, your ancestors, ask it of you, as they dwell in the country of the shadow of death. This is what the whole earth waits for, prostrate at your feet. It is right in doing so, for on your word depends comfort for the wretched, ransom for the captive, freedom for the condemned, indeed, salvation for all the sons of Adam, the whole of your race.

Answer quickly, O Virgin. Reply in haste to the angel, or rather through the angel to the Lord. Answer with a word, receive the Word of God. Speak your own word, conceive the Divine Word. Breathe a passing word, embrace the eternal Word.

Why do you delay, why are you afraid? Believe, give praise, and receive. Let humility be

bold, let modesty be confident. This is no time for virginal simplicity to forget prudence. In this matter alone, O prudent Virgin, do not fear to be presumptuous. Though modest silence is pleasing, dutiful speech is now more necessary. Open your heart to faith, O blessed Virgin, your lips to praise, your womb to the Creator. See, the desired of all nations is at your door, knocking to enter. If He should pass by because of your delay, in sorrow you would begin to seek Him afresh, the One Whom your soul loves. Arise, hasten, open. Arise in faith, hasten in devotion, open in praise and thanksgiving. "Behold, the handmaid of the Lord," she says, "be it done to me according to your word."

New address for Bill/Darleen Huddleston is 1718 Baldwin St / Sturgis, SD 57785. They have moved to be near family. Phone is 605-217-0150.

CELEBRATE THE SEASON, Twelve Short Stories for Advent and Christmas, published by the *Pauline Kids Catholic Press* will again be on sale this year for \$8.00 after the 8am & 10am Masses this Sunday. **Lighting Up the Darkness**, a short story by Gene Gagliano is included in the collection. Ten percent (10%) of proceeds go to the Food Pantry.

VOLUNTEERS needed for Meals-on-Wheels in January every Monday, Wednesday & Friday from our parish. Call Mary Ann, 684-7268 to sign up for your choice of dates.

GRAY LADIES need your donations of cookies on Wednesday, Dec. 14 during CCD hours (3:45-5pm) at the parish hall. Anyone can bake and bring Christmas cookies to be given to our community shut-ins☺ Questions? Call Claudia Elliot, 620-0850.



POINSETTIA FLOWER DONATIONS IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONES are \$21.00 for a 6" flower and \$38.50 for an 8" flower. Flowers are still available.... Call the parish office or stop by Tues-Friday, 8:30am to 5pm.



CHRISTMAS BOX at the church entrance to put your cards, gifts, well wishes to our parish seminarian, Seth Hostetler☺



HAPPY ADVENT week #3!



TUB at church entrance to put your “over the toes & under the clothes” donations for the needy in our community.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS remember your Confirmation name assignment due at the next class on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at 7pm in the parish hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 7:30pm.