



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 / Meeting

Sunday, Jan. 15, 2017 – CCW Progressive dinner;
4:15pm carpool church parking lot
NO Youth Group meets

Wednesday, Jan. 18 – 6am & 10am Judges study
3:45pm & 7pm CCD

Thursday, Jan. 19 – 6:30am Men of St. Joseph

Sunday, January 22 – 5pm Youth group meets
7pm Parish Council

Tuesday, January 24 – 5pm Finance Council

Monday, January 30 – 6:30pm Ladies' Night Out
with snacks and games

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

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 15, 2017

Altar Assistants:

SATURDAY, Jan. 21, 5pm

Lector: Mary Smith

EM: Dennis Lawrence

Altar Servers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, Jan. 22, 8am

Lector: Shannon Kauffman

EM: Carleen Cosner

Altar Servers: Joe Reimann, Ben/Bryce Camino,

Matt Harrison

SUNDAY, Jan. 22, 10am

Lector: Mary Ann Cummins

EM: Donna Nelson

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

Homebound Ministry, Friday, January 20

Liz Camino-Ramsey

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK OF JAN. 8, 2016

St. John's	\$ 3,828.00	YTD \$ 113,023.72
St. Mary's	\$ 251.00	YTD \$ 3,369.00
St. Hubert's	\$ 30.00	YTD \$ 2,325.00
Poor Donations	\$ 252.00	
Online Donations	\$ 570.60	

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon.	01.16	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tues.	01.17	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Wed.	01.18	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Thu.	01.19	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Fri.	01.20	8:00 a.m.	in honor of the Archangels
Sat.	01.21	5:00 p.m.	in honor of the Angels
Sun.	01.22	8:00 a.m.	in honor of St. Michael
		10:00 a.m.	in honor of St. Gabriel
		12:30 p.m.	in honor of St. Raphael

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon-Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17
 Tue-Hebrews 2:5-12; Gospel: Mark 1:21-28
 Wed-Hebrews 2:14-18; Gospel: Mark 1:29-39
 Thu-Hebrews 3:7-14; Gospel: Mark 1:40-45
 Fri-Hebrews 4:1-5, 11; Gospel: Mark 2:1-12
 Sat-Hebrews 4:12-16; Gospel: Mark 2:13-17

FROM FR. PETE:

Many thanks to all the folks who helped to take down and store all the Christmas decorations! We had a great crew and the job went quickly!

Thank you to all who purchased a poinsettia for Christmas in memory of a loved one. The Church was beautiful. We saved the best flowers to keep in the sanctuary. They should last another week or two.

Many thanks to Mick Camino. Mick came in as the crew took down all the decorations. Despite our best efforts, there were fir needles all over the place and Mick patiently cleaned the Church.

Parish Council Members. We will have our meeting on Sunday, January 22, 7:00 p.m. at the rectory. Your information packets will be handed out at Masses this weekend and left on the table at the front entrance of the Church.

Finance Council Members and Trustees. We will have our meeting on Tuesday, January 24, 5:00 p.m. at the rectory. Your information packets will be handed out at Masses and left on the table at the front entrance of the Church.

Living and Giving in Christ Campaign. The 2016 campaign is beginning to wind down. Our goals are as follows:

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Pledged</u>	<u>Paid</u>
St. John's	\$53,036	\$36,591.12	\$33,671.12
St. Mary's	1,407	44.00	44.00
St. Hubert's	990	1,000.00	960.00

This means the parish will be sending out a check for \$20,761.88 to meet the Diocesan goals. This is one check I hate to write out. But we are not alone. A number of parishes are not making their goals according to the information I received from the Diocese on January 4. They are: Holy Trinity in Cheyenne, St. Joseph's in Cheyenne, St. Laurence O' Toole in Laramie, St. Paul Newman Center in Laramie, St. Rose of Lima in Torrington, Holy

Spirit in Rock Springs, St. Joseph in Rawlins, Immaculate Conception in Green River, Holy Name in Sheridan, St. Matthew in Gillette, St. Margaret in Riverton, St. Anthony in Cody, and St. Barbara in Powell. Parishes not mentioned are only a few thousand away from achieving their goals and will probably do so by May when the 2017 Living and Giving in Christ campaign begins.

The goals are based on 20% of a parish's gross income and 10% of extra income such as mineral royalties, rent, etc.

The Diocesan goal in total is \$2,024,090.00. The amount pledged is \$2,053,520.35. The amount paid thus far \$1,843,089.02.

Whatever you can contribute to offset the amount our parish will have to take out of savings would be appreciated. Thank you.

Decorating Committee. This group of dedicated parishioners did a wonderful job decorating the Church for Christmas. Several visitors asked if we hired professional decorators to do the work! Now that's a compliment!

Now we need to meet on Wednesday, January 25, 11:00 a.m. at the rectory to plan for Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Believe it or not Ash Wednesday is on March 1 and Easter is on April 16. And they are coming fast!

If you would like to participate on this committee, please feel free to come to the meeting.

Stations of the Cross. A list for those who wish to lead this devotion during Lent will be put out in the next week or two. Stations are held on Fridays of Lent at 7:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister and Lector Sign-up Sheets are now available. If you would like to serve please take a moment before or after Mass to put your name on the list. This will be immensely helpful in planning. Thank you.

“Fr. Pete.... Can a group pray the Rosary before Mass?” Yes, of course. I would ask that if you choose to do this, please make sure it ends about ten minutes before Mass begins so that those who come in can offer their own prayers without distraction.

“Fr. Pete.... Can we have Eucharistic Adoration?” Yes, of course. The problem has been that people say they want Adoration but very few commit themselves to the discipline. There cannot be one without the other.

So.... if you really want this I advise the following: get a group of people together, determine what day and time period works best for you and let me know.

Understand, however, that Eucharistic Adoration is not a private devotion. Any number of people can be in the Church at the same time praying to the Lord. It seems some in the past didn't like the idea of sharing "their" hour with others!

Under no circumstances can the Blessed Sacrament remain exposed with no one present, which was precisely what happened on more than one occasion and why the devotion was stopped.

The Church will *never* be left unlocked during the night hours.

“Fr. Pete.... What projects will the parish have this summer? There is always something going on around here!” It does, doesn't it? Some of the projects I would like to address if we have the money in our budget, are: continue to remove and replace damaged sections of sidewalks along Lobban and Snider; produce a ramp on the corner sidewalk of Lobban and Snider for those in wheel chairs and walkers; paint the interior of the Church, remove the wall paper in the sanctuary and brighten it up with paint, remove the carpeting in the sanctuary and replace with tile, and put new carpeting in the aisles. I'm sure there are other things that need to be done as well.

“Fr. Pete...Can we have a children's choir?” Absolutely. The only obstacle is that no one is willing to step up to the plate and get the ball rolling. Even if we had the children sing at only one Mass a month, that would be an excellent start.

“Fr. Pete.... When are you going to replace the sidewalk along the empty lots on Snider Street? It's in terrible condition.” The property belongs to the Knights of Columbus, not to the parish. It is their responsibility to

maintain their sidewalk. Please address your concerns to the Knights. Thank you.

“Fr. Pete.... Are you going to have training sessions for new altar boys, lectors and Eucharistic ministers?” Yes. I should have gotten to those ministries in the fall but it just seemed that everything was happening all at once. Thanks for keeping on me about these.

“Fr. Pete.... When are we getting a new bishop?” Only God knows. The Diocese of Salt Lake City has been without a bishop for a year and a half and this past Tuesday Rome announced that Bishop Oscar Solis, originally from the Philippines and ordained an auxiliary bishop for the Diocese of Los Angeles, will be sent to Salt Lake City to be installed as their bishop.

We should expect to be without a bishop for at least a year, possibly longer. My hope is that our Holy Father will take all the time he needs to determine who can best shepherd this large missionary diocese. We have had two bishops in twelve years. Frankly, that's scandalous. My preference would be to have a man who has been a bishop for several years and somewhat “seasoned”, and wants to be in diocese like ours without it being a “stepping stone” to something “better.” Our diocese needs...deserves... stable leadership.

CCW PROGRESSIVE DINNER on Sunday evening, January 15 beginning at 4:30pm at the home of Nancy Gillespie (263 S Wyoming Ave) for appetizers/drinks; 5:30pm at the home of Barb Mueller (171 N Wyoming Ave) for the main course-Italian Night; and 6:30pm for desserts at the home of Nolcha Fox (83 E Gatchell St). Carpool from church parking lot at 4:15pm!

THANKS to the CCD youth, teachers and Carol Gagliano for organizing and presenting the Christmas story last Sunday! Job well done!

EXPERIENCING JESUS up close in the Blessed Sacrament is life changing! Why not start 2017 with a gift to your heart and soul? All young people ages 13-30 are invited to attend the Wyoming Catholic Youth Retreat, a

transforming weekend to deepen understanding of our merciful Jesus and our loving mother, Mary.

The retreat is scheduled in Casper from Feb. 17-19, 2017 at St. Anthony Tri-Parish School. Lunch and dinner are provided on Saturday, and the \$45 registration fee includes the meal costs. However, overnight accommodations are up to participants. All youth under 18 years must be accompanied by a chaperone. For more information about the retreat, registration or for other questions, call Gerise Vignaroli at 307-234-9091 or 307-258-3221; visit wyomingyouthretreat.com or check out the Wyoming Youth Retreat Facebook page.

PRO-LIFE MARCH & BANQUET will take place in Cheyenne on Saturday, January 28, 2017. Mass at the Cathedral of St. Mary will be at 9am with a complimentary breakfast to follow in Hartmann Hall. The program at the Historic Depot begins at 11am with the march to the capitol starting promptly at 12noon. Lunch will be served at the Knights of Columbus Hall following the march. The banquet is on Saturday evening at Little America. Tickets are required and can be purchased by calling Lisa at 307-221-1686. Deadline to purchase banquet tickets is January 23. Dr. Alveda King will be the keynote speaker at the banquet. Finally, if you arrive in Cheyenne early, there will be a pro-life holy hour at 7pm on Friday evening, January 27 at the Cathedral.

