



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, Feb. 5 – 9am-Noon Knights' breakfast
NO Youth Group
Monday, Feb. 6 – 12noon CCW meeting
Tuesday, Feb. 7 - 7pm Lector training
Wednesday, Feb. 8 – 3:45pm & 7pm CCD
7pm Lector training
Thursday, Feb. 9 – 6:30am Men of St. Joseph
Sunday, Feb. 12 – 5pm Youth group
Sunday, Feb. 26 – 5pm St. John's Foundation dinner
Tuesday, Feb. 28 – 4pm Knights' Fish Fry

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

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 5, 2017

Altar Assisters:

SATURDAY, FEB. 11, 5pm

Lector: Patty Tass

EM: Mary Smith, Dennis Lawrence, Janelle Gonzales

Altar Servers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, FEB. 12, 8am

Lector: Marilyn Maxwell

EM: Rick Andersen

Altar Servers: Aaron Seeman, Aaron Thiele

SUNDAY, FEB. 12, 10am

Lector: Rick Smithers

EM: Volunteer

Altar Servers: Lance Rabel, Adam Belus, Michael Ihnat, Carter Zink

Homebound Ministry, Friday, Feb. 10

Valerie Spanos

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK OF JAN. 29, 2016

St. John's	\$ 2,882.30	YTD \$ 122,826.09
St. Mary's	\$	YTD \$ 3,599.00
St. Hubert's	\$ 60.00	YTD \$ 2,565.00
Poor Donations	\$ 45.00	
Online Donations	\$ 75.60	

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon.	02.06	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	02.07	8:00 a.m.	+Owen Fox
Wed.	02.08	8:00 a.m.	+Owen Fox
Thu.	02.09	8:00 a.m.	+Pierre Amestoy
Fri.	02.10	8:00 a.m.	+Pierre Amestoy
Sat.	02.11	5:00 p.m.	+Pierre Amestoy
Sun.	02.12	8:00 a.m.	+Virginia Colvin
		10:00 a.m.	for the parishes
		12:30 p.m.	Clearmont: Fr. Pete's intention

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon-Genesis 1:1-19; Gospel: Mark 6:53-56

Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

Tue-Genesis 1:20—2:4a; Gospel: Mark 7:1-13

Wed-Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17; Gospel: Mark 7:14-23

Thu-Genesis 2:18-25; Gospel: Mark 7:24-30

Fri-Genesis 3:1-8; Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

Saint Scholastica, Virgin

Sat-Genesis 3:9-24; Gospel: Mark 8:1-10

FROM FR. PETE:

Eucharistic Adoration on Fridays. The parish offers Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. All are invited to come. If you can't spend a whole hour, spend what time you can.

When the hour is up Fr. Pete or someone he delegates will return the Blessed Sacrament to the Tabernacle. There will not be a Benediction service.

At no time can the Blessed Sacrament be left alone. Should that happen this devotion will be stopped.

Youth Ministry Position to open at St.

John's. As I discussed briefly last weekend after the Masses, the Parish Council and Finance Council agreed that given the number of children we have in the parish we need to prepare for their junior high and senior high years with an organized program that will help them to become better disciples of Jesus and evangelize others.

I am currently reviewing existing job descriptions from similar positions around the Diocese and will prepare a working draft for a job description unique to our parish. This will be reviewed and edited by the Councils until agreement is achieved. I will form a committee to help interview candidates for the position.

I hope you will keep this endeavor in your prayers.

Lent begins on Wednesday, March 1. There will be two Masses with the distribution of ashes: 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. For those who would like to have a short service without a Mass there will be a Liturgy of the Word and the distribution of ashes at 12:00 o'clock noon so you can use your lunch hour and be out in plenty of time to get back to work.

Lenten Parish Mission will be held from Sunday, April 2 to Thursday, April 6. It will be led by a priest from the Fathers of Mercy. I do not know yet who the priest will be. More information will be available in a week or two. Please plan to attend. Two priests will be available for the Sacrament of Confession.

Three more trees were cut down. Yes...the "Tree Slayer" was at it again. The trees were immediately to the east, west and north of the Shrine of the Blessed Virgin. This should not have come as a surprise to anyone since it was announced some time ago that these trees were slated for removal. One of the trees was diseased with large limbs falling off. Garrett of Tree Mechanics Inc., a licensed arborist, inspected the trees and found them to be seriously weakened and prone to disease. Ultimately, they posed an unacceptable risk to the safety of those who pray at the Shrine and to property damage. Tree Mechanics Inc. did an excellent job in cutting the trees down, cleaning up the area and hauling off the wood. They will remove the stumps later this month or early next month. It is amazing how beautiful the Shrine looks when it is not covered over by trees.

You might remember from earlier bulletins that we used Tree Mechanics Inc. to apply a deep root fertilization of all the trees on parish property so that in spring they will have the nutrients they need to help fight off disease.

Speaking of the Shrine to Our Lady.... Are there people in the parish who would be willing to draw up some simple plans for making a garden around the Shrine this spring? Please contact Fr. Pete so we can discuss your ideas and prepare a budget.

We have a new business in our community; *Mr. Todd's Barber Shop.*

Todd Fischer is the barber and proprietor. The shop is located at 5 Lobban Avenue. The phone number is 307-217-0844. Todd is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. He is closed on Saturday and Sunday.

Guys might be interested to know that Todd uses hot towels and shaves the back of the neck and along the ears to give a clean, sharp look.

"Fr. Pete.... It has been since October that we lost our bishop. When are we going to get one?" I hope the Holy Father takes all the time he needs to send us the right one. The last two bishops didn't last very long and our Diocese really needs a bishop that can offer stability in leadership. The odds are pretty good that we will not have a bishop until October, possibly longer. We are doing just fine without one.

"Fr. Pete.... We have so many young people who sing so well. Why don't we have a youth choir?" I know that there are many who would like to see a youth choir but there is only one thing lacking: getting someone with the right experience to step up to the plate to get one organized and dedicate the time necessary to keep one going. Any takers?

"Fr. Pete.... I can't see why Mary Ann can't work in the office on Monday even though it is your day off. Can't you just close the kitchen door?" I have one day off a week and would like to be able to sleep in, sit at my kitchen table and have a cup of coffee and breakfast without someone walking in. If Mary Ann worked on Mondays it wouldn't be a day off even if I closed the kitchen door.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST this Sunday, Feb. 5 from 9am to 12noon. Please come join your fellow parishioners for a warm and wholesome breakfast with Catholic fellowship to boot! Donations are accepted for the Knights' outpouring of "ministering to the hungry".

TIM SANDMAN will be offering stained glass products at the Sunday breakfast for sale. Gifts for Valentine's Day or a birthday or whatever are available!

ST. PATRICK'S DAY dinner for all parishioners will be held on Sunday, March 19 (St. Joseph's Day) at 5pm. More details to follow.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE meeting to plan the St. Patrick's Day dinner on Thursday, Feb. 9 at 10am at the parish hall. EVERYONE interested in helping is invited to attend.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 28 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds. Dinner will be served from 4pm to 7:30pm. Tickets available from any Knight for \$10 adults (15 years and over), \$4 for youth (5 years to 14 years). Confirmation students will be asked to help serve for more hours of service.

CONFIRMATION LETTERS are due to Mr. Scarlett on Wednesday, March 8th. Class is postponed from Ash Wednesday, March 1 to the following week – March 8.

THANK YOU to all of the volunteers for Meals-on-Wheels during the month of January for our parish! Your work of mercy to "feed the hungry" was most appreciated☺

FOLLOW ME ... 2017 DISCIPLESHIP RETREAT is March 17-19, 2017. This is a junior high retreat focused on Discipleship, Prayer and Catholic Life at the YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park, Colorado. \$100 participant fee includes lodging and meals, Friday evening through Sunday lunch. This annual retreat is open to any Jr. High Youth in Grades 6-9. Registration deadline is March 10, 2017. Contact Amy at 307-638-5872. Contact Fr. Pete for financial assistance.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS are out from the parish. If you did NOT get yours or found something in error, please come see Mary Ann in the parish office. If you would like envelopes, please see Mary Ann also. The online donations have statements available online for your taxes. Go to easyTithe to get that statement.

CCW meeting on Monday, Feb. 6 at 12noon. Bring your sack lunch and get involved with upcoming events in the parish...Fish Fry pies, St. Patrick's Day dinner, Easter church cleaning, Spring Sheridan Deanery meeting, etc.

LECTOR TRAINING this week Tuesday and Wednesday at 7pm. Sign up if interested in volunteering.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST FOUNDATION DINNER will be held for the parish on Sunday, February 26 at 5pm. Everyone is invited to attend and learn about the Foundation and meet the members, plus enjoy a fabulous dinner. Plan ahead.

