



# St. John the Baptist Church

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

## Office and Rectory

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Sermon link – <https://soundcloud.com/st-johns-1>

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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

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 12:30pm

## St. Hubert Church, Kaycee

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. 27 – NO Youth Group  
5pm St. John's Foundation dinner  
7pm Parish Council meeting  
Monday, Feb. 27 – 6:30pm Ladies' Night Out  
Tuesday, Feb. 28 – 4pm to 7:30pm Fish Fry at the Fairgrounds; pies due between 3 & 4pm  
Wednesday, March 1 – 7am Mass for Ash Wed.  
12noon Ashes  
3:45pm ONLY - CCD  
6pm Mass for Ash Wed.  
Thursday, March 2 – 6:30am Men of St. Joseph  
Sunday, March 6 – 9am Knights' breakfast  
5pm Youth group meets

**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](mailto:jmpe@wyoming.com)

**Rosary Guild** – Thursdays at 8:30am to 10am; call 307-660-4936 for meeting place

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

**EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MARCH 5, 2017**

**Altar Assisters:**

**SATURDAY, March 4, 5pm**

Lector: Sarah Sandman

EM: Dennis Lawrence, Jean Borgialli, Mary Smith

Altar Servers: Volunteers

**SUNDAY, March 5, 8am**

Lector: Marilyn Maxwell

EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Joe Reimann, Ben/Bryce Camino,

Matt Harrison

**SUNDAY, March 5, 10am**

Lector: Mary Ann Cummins

EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Cole Linden, Jeron/Jaxon Sutton

**Homebound Ministry, Friday, March 3**

Liz Camino-Ramsey

**COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK OF FEB. 19, 2016**

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| St. John's       | \$ 2,717.86 | YTD \$ 135,368.45 |
| St. Mary's       | \$ 30.00    | YTD \$ 3,933.00   |
| St. Hubert's     | \$ 195.25   | YTD \$ 2,930.25   |
| Poor Donations   | \$ 113.00   |                   |
| Online Donations | \$ 55.00    |                   |

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:**

Mon. 02.27 8:00 a.m. No Mass  
Tue. 02.28 8:00 a.m. +Mike Fitzsimmons

***Ash Wednesday, Great and Holy Lent Begins***

Wed. 03.01 7:00 a.m. +Mike Fitzsimmons  
12:00 noon  
6:00 p.m. Fr. Pete's intention

Thu. 03.02 8:00 a.m. +Mike Fitzsimmons  
Fri. 03.03 8:00 a.m. Ladies of the CCW  
Sat. 03.04 5:00 p.m. +Mike Fitzsimmons  
Sun. 03.05 8:00 a.m. +Mike Fitzsimmons  
10:00 a.m. for the parishes  
2:00 p.m. Kaycee: Fr. Pete's intention

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

Mon-Sirach 17:20-24; Gospel: Mark 10:17-27  
Tue-Sirach 35:1-12; Gospel: Mark 10:28-31  
Wed-Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2;  
Gospel: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18  
Thu-Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Gospel: Luke 9:22-25  
Fri-Isaiah 58:1-9a; Gospel: Matthew 9:14-15  
Sat-Isaiah 58:9b-14; Gospel: Luke 5:27-32

**FROM FR. PETE:**

*A reflection from St. Augustine's work, "On the Christian's Struggle." The Son of God assumed human nature, and in it He endured all that belongs to the human condition. This is a remedy for mankind of a power beyond our imagining. Could any pride be cured, if the humility of God's Son does not cure it? Could any greed be cured, if the poverty of God's Son does not cure it? Or any anger, if the patience of God's Son does not cure it? Or any coldness, if the love of God's Son does not cure it? Lastly, what fearfulness can be cured, if it is not cured by the resurrection of the body of Christ the Lord? Let mankind raise its hopes, and recognize its own nature: let it observe how high a place it has in the works of God. Do not despise yourselves, you man: the Son of God assumed manhood. Do not despise yourselves, you women: God's Son was born of a woman. But do not set your hearts on the satisfactions of the body, for in the Son of God we are 'neither male or female' (Galatians 3:28). Do not set your heart on temporal rewards: if it were good to do so, that human nature which God's Son assumed would have thus set its heart. Do not*

*fear insults, crosses and death:  
for if they did man harm, the  
humanity which God's Son  
assumed would not have endured  
them.*

**Ash Wednesday is March 1!** There will be three Liturgies: Mass with the distribution of ashes at 7:00 a.m., and 6:00 p.m. and a Liturgy of the Word only with the distribution of ashes at 12:00 o'clock noon.

Please...please...please do not approach Great and Holy Lent as something to be dreaded. I've heard this kind of talk ever since becoming a Catholic and quite frankly I find it offensive.

Lent is not about gloom and doom. Yes, the vesture of the priest is purple as a sign of repentance but repentance for the Christian is always about joy because we know that forgiveness and restoration are given! Yes, the music of Lent is more solemn so that we can better enjoy the music of Easter. Yes, Lent is about giving up things that we enjoy so that we can discipline our bodies and our souls for our spiritual growth and better celebrate the Vigil of Easter.

**Young Adults in the parish... Young Adult Ministry at St. John's will be journeying through a weekly Lenten series** that offers a small group prayer gathering, a video reflection by someone in our Diocese, followed by reflection questions for our group.

The intent is simple: to gather together and discern the question that Christ has asked each of us, "What do you seek?" (John 1:38).

This is being offered through the Diocese of Cheyenne.

Come just for one week or each week of Lent!

Our first gathering will be on Saturday, March 4, at 6:00 p.m. at the Parish Hall. And please feel free to bring your children. If you wish, bring an appetizer to share.

This is a great way to kick off Lent.

**Lenten Parish Mission.** Fr. George McInnis of the Fathers of Mercy will be coming to give our Lenten Parish Mission beginning on Sunday, April 2 to Thursday, April 6. The Mission will be held each evening beginning at 7:00 p.m. Fr. George and I will be available for confession at the end of each evening talk, so take advantage of having two priests available to you.

Fr. George was born in 1978 and is a native of Middleburg, Kentucky. Fr. George and his family converted to the Catholic Faith in 1987. In 1998 Fr. George joined the Congregation of the Fathers of Mercy and was ordained to the priesthood in 2007.

Fr. George will lead a mandatory retreat for our Confirmation Students and their parents and sponsors on Sunday, April 2 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The parish will provide lunch.

**Everyone can exercise some simple act of self-denial during Great and Holy Lent.** The smallest child can be taught to discipline himself or herself by giving up a piece of candy or some other treat. The oldest among us can offer to turn off the TV for a few minutes and offer a prayer for someone who does not pray for himself. The busiest among us can visit a sick friend or relative and offer a few minutes of comfort. It is simply a matter of our willingness to take upon ourselves some deprivation for the sake of a greater good.

**We hear a lot lately that Lent is not about self-denial. It most certainly is!** We are way too full of ourselves, think too highly of ourselves and are far too focused on ourselves. This in turn easily blinds us to the legitimate needs of others. Lent is a wonderful time to correct this spiritual defect. When we discipline ourselves to give up meat and

other foods during Lent which are often things we do not really need, we have an opportunity to offer the money we would spend on our pleasures to the local food pantry to help those in our community obtain the basic necessities to live.

**Confessions will be heard after the daily Masses, Saturday at 11:00 a.m., any time by appointment and after the Saturday evening Mass.** Please be aware that I have RCIA classes on Saturday evenings and may not be able to hear everyone's confession at that time.

**VBS** – Vacation Bible School will be held June 12-16 from 1pm to 4pm each day. **\*\*NOTE** time change for this summer. Lists of help for supplies needed and sign-ups will be forthcoming. Put this on your calendars!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY** is *Mardi Gras Tuesday*, Feb. 28 at the Fairgrounds from 4pm to 7:30pm. Tickets, available from any Knight, are \$10-adults and \$-youth, 5 to 14 years. Confirmation students, remember your time slots to show up and "serve" for hours toward your service time!

**LADIES' NIGHT OUT** – Monday, Feb. 27 at 6:30pm. Bring your friends and a snack to share as we play board/card games and enjoy fellowship and fun as Catholic women.

**PARISH COUNCIL** meets at 7pm in the rectory following the Foundation dinner on Sunday, Feb. 26.

**St. John the Baptist Foundation** "thank you" dinner is Sunday, Feb. 26 at 5pm in the parish hall. Please come together as parishioners and enjoy fellowship, listen to wonderful music by Buffalo High School's Balladiers, and learn a bit about the Foundation. See you all there!

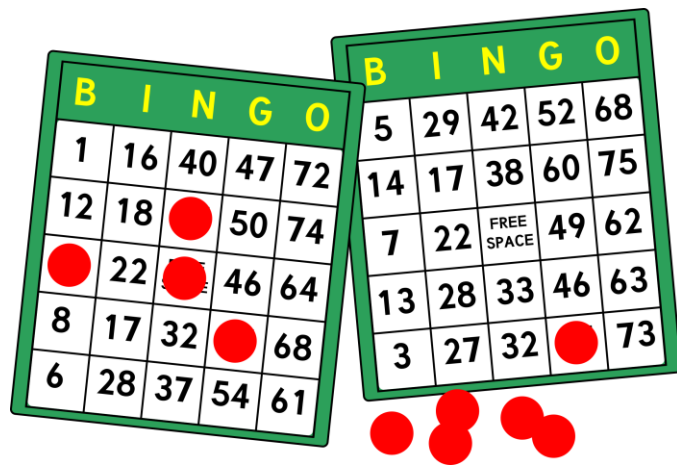
**CCD on Wednesday, Ash Wednesday**, March 1 for the children after school, 3:45pm to 5pm. No evening CCD due to Mass at 6pm.

**KNIGHTS' OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST** on the first Sunday in March, March 5 from 9am to 12 noon. Plan now to attend!

**St. Patrick's dinner** to be held for the parish in the parish hall on Sunday, March 19 at 5pm. The usual St. Patrick's Day foods – corned beef, cabbage, soda bread and all the trimmings will be served! Call Mary Davis, 684-2371 or Valerie Spanos, 620-5061 if you would like to help with baking the bread or serving.



**ROTARY BINGO** will be in our hall on Tuesday, March 14 beginning at 6pm.



**HAPPY beginning to Lent this week on Wednesday, March 1, ASH WEDNESDAY!**

**TAX STATEMENTS** – if you have questions or find an error, please stop by the office or call and Mary Ann can get you the correct one!