



St. John the Baptist Church

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

Office and Rectory

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The Mission of St. John the Baptist Church, in union with the Universal Church, is to faithfully spread the light of Christ through the teaching of Sacred Scripture, Sacred Tradition and the authority of the Magisterium. We seek to improve the spiritual and daily lives of all who come to us.

Mass Schedule

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

Religious Education / Meetings

Sunday, February 22 – NO Youth group
Tuesday, February 24 – 4pm Kaycee classes
Wednesday, February 25 – 6am, 10am & 7pm Job
3:45pm & 7pm CCD
5-6pm Adoration
Thursday, February 26 – 6:30am Men of St. Joseph
Friday, February 27 – 5pm Mass
5:30pm Stations of the Cross

Parish Staff

Pastor	<i>Fr. Pete Johnson</i>	684-7268
Parish Administrator	<i>Mary Ann Cummins</i>	684-7268
CCW Leaders	<i>Cristie Murray</i>	684-2143
	<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>Blaine Horn</i>	217-1075
Choir Director	<i>Mary Finney</i>	278-0137
Organist	<i>Judi Semroska</i>	620-1964
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

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 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM; call 217-0150 or 307-660-4936 for place.

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 22, 2015

Altar Assisters:

SATURDAY, Feb. 28, 5:00pm

Lector: Colleen Donahue

EM: Janelle/Phil Gonzales

Altar Servers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, March 1, 8:00am

Lector: Volunteer

EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: J Reimann, M Scarlett, B Camino, M Harrison

SUNDAY, March 1, 10:00am

Lector: Volunteer

EM: Mary Ann Cummins

Altar Servers: Wyatt/Eli/Cole Linden

Homebound Ministry, Friday, Feb. 27

Valerie Spanos

Collections for Week of February 15, 2015

St. John's \$ 3,134.55 YTD \$ 124,950.61

St. Mary's \$ 10.00 YTD \$ 4,410.61

St. Hubert's \$ 150.00 YTD \$ 2,895.00

Poor contributions \$ 108.00

Mass Intentions for the Week:

Mon.	02.23	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	02.24	8:00 a.m.	+Joseph G. Panero
Wed.	02.25	8:00 a.m.	Ladies of the parish
		5:00 p.m.	Adoration
Thu.	02.26	8:00 a.m.	+Gene Mathis
Fri.	02.27	8:00 a.m.	+Gene Mathis
		5:00 p.m.	For the 21 Coptic
			Christian Martyrs butchered by Muslims in ISIS
		5:30 p.m.	Stations of the
			Cross / Confessions
Sat.	02.28	5:00 p.m.	+Rita Johnson
Sun.	03.01	8:00 a.m.	+Rita Johnson
		10:00 a.m.	for the people
		2:00 p.m.	Kaycee: Fr.
			Pete's intention

Readings for the Week:

Mon-Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18; Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

Tue-Isaiah 55:10-11; Gospel: Matthew 6:7-15

Wed-Jonah 3:1-10; Gospel: Luke 11:29-32

Thu-Esther C: 12, 14-16, 23-25; Gospel: Matthew 7:7-12

Fri-Ezekiel 18:21-28; Gospel: Matthew 5:20-26

Sat-Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Gospel: Matthew 5:43-48

FROM FR. PETE:

Many thanks to Jason Kaufman. Last weekend Jason gave a talk at all the Masses about a radar platoon that is being sent to Bagdad. He spoke about the items that our troops could use and he has taken charge of a program to collect the items and send out care packages.

A Lenten meditation from St. Gregory of Nazianzen (died in 390).

Recognize to Whom you owe the fact that you exist, that you breathe, that you understand, that you are wise, and above all, that you know God and hope for the kingdom of heaven and the vision of glory, now darkly and as in a mirror but then with greater fullness and purity. You have been made a son of God, co-heir with Christ. Where did you get all this, and from Whom?

Let me turn to what is of less importance: the visible world around us. What benefactor has enabled you to look out upon the beauty of the sky, the sun in its course, the circle of the moon, the countless number of stars, with the harmony and order that are theirs, like the music of a harp? Who has blessed you with rain, with the art of husbandry, with different kinds of food, with the arts, with houses, with laws, with states, with a life of humanity and culture, with friendship and the easy familiarity of kinship?

Who has given you dominion over animals, those that are tame and those that provide you with

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food? Who has made you lord and master of everything on earth? In short, Who has endowed you with all that makes man superior to all other living creatures?

Is it not God Who asks you now in your turn to show yourself generous above all other creatures and for the sake of all other creatures? Because we have received from Him so many wonderful gifts, will we not be ashamed to refuse Him this one thing only, our generosity? Though He is God and Lord He is not afraid to be known as Father. Shall we for our part repudiate those who are our kith and kin?

Brethren and friends, let us never allow ourselves to misuse what has been given us by God's gift. If we do, we shall hear Saint Peter say: "Be ashamed of yourselves for holding on to what belongs to someone else. Resolve to imitate God's justice, and no one will be poor." Let us not labor to heap up and hoard riches while others remain in need. If we do, the prophet Amos will speak out against us with sharp and threatening words: "Come now, you that say: When will the new moon be over, so that we may start selling? When

will Sabbath be over, so that we may start opening our treasures?"

Let us put into practice the supreme and primary law of God. He sends down rain on just and sinful alike, and causes the sun to rise on all without distinction. To all earth's creatures He has given the broad earth, the springs, the rivers and the forests. He has given the air to the birds, and the waters to those who live in the water. He has given abundantly to all the basic needs of life, not by boundaries, but as common to all, amply and in rich measure. His gifts are not deficient in any way, because He wanted to give equality of blessing to equality of worth, and to show the abundance of His generosity.

Friday evening Mass during Lent. Mass will be offered Friday evenings during Lent at 5:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross. Stations will be offered at 5:30 p.m., assuming there are volunteers to lead. A signup sheet is at the front entrance of the Church.

Confessions. Confessions will be heard after the morning daily Mass, after the Friday evening Mass, Saturday at 11:00 a.m. and after the Saturday evening Mass. There will be evening confession times during the Lenten Parish Mission as well.

Adoration. During Wednesdays of Lent at 5pm, come and spend some quiet time in the Church. Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament

will be placed on the altar. There is no music, no formal prayers, no liturgical celebrations. Just quiet time to sit in silence in the presence of Jesus.

Lenten Parish Mission. Fr. Anthony Stephens of the Fathers of Mercy will be here to lead us in our annual Lenten Parish Mission. He will preach the weekend Masses on March 21 and 22. He will begin the Mission on Sunday, March 22, 7:00 p.m. He will speak on Monday through Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Fr. Anthony and I will hear confessions each evening of the Mission except for Thursday.

Confirmation students and their parents. There is a mandatory retreat with Fr. Stephens on Sunday, March 22, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The parish will provide lunch. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend this mini retreat with their children.

Many thanks to all who have been donating to "Support our Troops"! We have been getting a number of items already!

What is needed? Dark green socks (wool is preferable since it whisks away sweat better than cotton, but cotton will do), men's underwear (boxers or briefs), chewing gum and hard candies, commercially packaged beef jerky, men's toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrushes, q-tips, baby wipes / sanitation wipes, shaving cream (gel type transports better), razors, playing cards, games, balloons, books and magazines, pencils, pens, note cards, stationary, journals, DVD's, unused humorous postcards, creative care packages, thumb drives with music or videos. Most important: letters from you addressed "To a Soldier". Feel free to provide a return address if you wish in the letter.

The platoon we are serving has about 15 to 17 men in it.

Items can be dropped off at the rectory Monday thru Sunday. If no one is in the office there is a container in the garage marked "Support our Troops." Please leave items in

the trash can and make sure the lid is closed. And thank you!

Reminder to all the parents whose children are planning to make their First Confession, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If you child was not baptized in this parish you must submit a church issued copy of your child's baptism. Your child will be delayed in receiving the Sacraments until we have proof of a valid baptism.

Heads up to parents of children receiving the Sacraments. I wish to meet with all of you in the not too distant future. I will ask Carol Gagliano to arrange a time for a meeting with parents of children making First Confession and First Holy Communion and will ask Mike Scarlett to arrange a meeting time with parents of those being Confirmed.

CCW Spring Deanery meeting and installation of new officers will be held on Wednesday, March 18, **changed** to Holy Name Church in Sheridan. Our ladies will host since we have it planned; we will use their parish hall.

LEGACY PREGNANCY CENTER baby bottles available at the church entrance. Please return them with your "almsgiving" by Sunday, March 8th.

Thank you to all the ladies who baked those Wonderful Pies for the Fish Fry on Tuesday...we made nearly \$450! And thanks to our tireless Confirmation workers...Hunter, Anthony, Ben, Maddi, Ashlynn!

BENEFIT DINNER for Trabling Road Fire victims, Leora Archie/Scott Miller on Saturday, March 7 at the American Legion Hall from 5-7pm. Adults \$7 and children under 12 \$3.