



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, May 24 – 10am Graduate Mass
4pm Graduation
7pm Parish Council mtg.
Tuesday, May 26 – 5pm Finance Council mtg.
Wednesday, May 27 – 6am, 10am & 7pm Job study
5-6pm Adoration
Thursday, May 28 – 6:30am Men of St. Joseph
KC Meals-on-Wheels – Steve Reimann
Sunday, May 31 – Memorial Day weekend/Victor
from Jerusalem here with items for sale
Sunday, June 7 – KC Breakfast after Masses

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>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

PENTECOST SUNDAY

MAY 24, 2015

Altar Assistants:

SATURDAY, May 30, 5:00pm

Lector: Janelle Gonzales

EM: Dennis Lawrence, Mary Smith, Phil Gonzales

Altar Servers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, May 31, 8:00am

Lector: Volunteers

EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, May 31, 10:00am

Lector: Volunteers

EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Homebound Ministry, Friday, May 29

Liz Camino-Ramsey

Collections for Week of May 17, 2015

St. John's	\$ 2,675.64	YTD \$	170,380.02
St. Mary's	\$ 20.00	YTD \$	5,959.61
St. Hubert's	\$ 150.00	YTD \$	3,715.00
Poor contributions	\$ 240.00		

Mass Intentions for the Week:

Mon.	05.25	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	05.26	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Wed.	05.27	8:00 a.m.	+Grayce Miller
		5:00 p.m.	Adoration
Thu.	05.28	8:00 a.m.	Special intention
Fri.	05.29	8:00 a.m.	+Bertha Maxwell
Sat.	05.30	5:00 p.m.	+Noeline Sun
Sun.	05.31	8:00 a.m.	+Danny Maxwell
		10:00 a.m.	for the people

Readings for the Week:

Mon-Sirach 17:20-24; Gospel: Mark 10:17-27

Tue-Sirach 35:1-12; Gospel: Mark 10:28-31

Saint Philip Neri, Priest

Wed-Sirach 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Gospel: Mark 10:32-45

Thu-Sirach 42:15-25; Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

Fri-Sirach 44:1, 9-13; Gospel: Mark 11:11-26

Sat-Sirach 51:12cd-20; Gospel: Mark 11:27-33

FROM FR. PETE:

A Memorial Day service is taking place at the cemetery on May 25 at 9:30 a.m. All in the community are invited to attend. Please take some time to thank God for the lives so many men and women sacrificed to defend our freedoms which we tend to take for granted. May their souls rest in peace. And let us remember the veterans who stopped their lives to answer the call to serve our nation.

Advanced warning. There will be no Masses, Adoration, or Bible studies from June 1 to June 5. There will not be a bulletin ready for the weekend of June 6 and 7.

Altar Servers. Thank you for the wonderful service you provided from September to May, especially at the demanding Liturgies of Holy Week, the Easter Vigil and the Confirmation Mass. As is the tradition here at St. John's you will not be scheduled for the summer months. You are always welcome to volunteer if you wish. Scheduling will resume in September. Have a great summer.

There will be an altar server training in September for boys and men who are interested in serving.

The period called "ordinary time" begins the day after Pentecost. The Easter Season concludes. The paschal candle is put away. The festive white vesture on the altar is replaced with green. It will pretty much stay that way until Advent.

Speaking of Advent.....did you know that as of May 25 there are only 213 days until Christmas?!!

St. John's website is now up and running. Go to www.SJBC-BUFFALO.com. Check out the constantly changing opportunities to grow deeper in your faith. Check out the articles that describe what the Church around the world is doing. It is easy to forget that there are 1.3 billion Catholics in the world. Check out the possibility of doing on-line giving if you wish. If you have pictures of the current Church while it was under construction or the two earlier Churches and

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would like to see them incorporated into our “parish history” please contact Mary Ann or Fr. Pete. If you recognize people in the pictures that are on the website, please let the parish office know who they are. We will make sure that they are named in the “parish history.” Is there something that you would like to see? Let us know.

Wanted: Youth to serve as IT Ministers. We need some of our young people (junior high and high school students) who are proficient in using computers to serve as IT Ministers for the parish. Some of the jobs we need to have done: updating our current postings with new information, learning how to get the Sunday sermons online, working with existing documents to make corrections. We also want our IT Ministers to look at Catholic sites that would appeal to our young people such as Catholic videos and contemporary Christian music. The parish will be submitting a budget request so we can obtain an extra computer, possibly two, and the necessary software to assist with this ministry. What will be needed is your time and talent. If you are interested in serving the parish in this ministry, please call the parish office (684-7268) or email either Mary Ann (macummins@bresnan.net) or Fr. Pete (frpete@bresnan.net).

Many thanks to Vanessa Vogel. Vanessa created our parish website, putting a lot of hours into it over the last nine and a half months. On Tuesday Vanessa informed me that there have been over 500 hits on the website since it went up last weekend, even some hits from overseas!

Let us be thankful for the moisture we are receiving. It disturbs me when people say “we need more” or “it isn’t enough”, etc. God knows what we need. Let’s focus on being grateful for what we have been given.

Cultivating gratitude is the best foundation for receiving blessings.

Could you help please? When you are ready to leave the pew after Mass please put the hymnal back in the pew rack properly so that the front of the Missal is facing forward with the prayer card visible. If you placed bulletins, tissues or other items in the pew racks, please remove them and take them with you. It is just one less thing that the ushers, the janitor or the pastor have to do. Thank you.

Chewing gum in Church, cell phones ringing during Mass and leaving Mass after Holy Communion. My parishioners know better but a lot of visitors seem not to. Such behaviors are rude. End of story. No excuses accepted. Stop them.

Gum. I try to catch people chewing gum before they enter Church so they can remove it and avoid being embarrassed when they are denied Holy Communion....and yes people are denied Holy Communion when they insist on approaching the Sanctuary looking like a cow chewing its cud. How can one possibly think that it’s ok to have a wad full of gum in one’s mouth and receive the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of the Savior? It is true that we do all sorts of things out of habit, but we can also make the habit of checking ourselves before entering the Church.

Cell phones. While we are all increasingly hooked into our technology, and are obsessed with being in constant communication 24 / 7, there really is no need to leave a cell phone on in Church unless you are expecting a potential emergency and must be available for immediate contact. It is understood that such a situation could exist. If that is the

case, please switch to a vibrate mode so others do not have to be disturbed.

Leaving Mass right after Holy Communion. Unless there is a very serious reason for doing so, it is a sign of gross ingratitude to the Lord. I would go so far as to say that it is an insult to Jesus. He has just fed you with His Body and Blood for the forgiveness of your sins. He has given you His personal pledge of eternal life. He has given you the graces you need to get through the week. And you can't return to the pew to give Him thanks and praise for what He has done for you? Really? Is being first on the breakfast buffet line or getting a tank full of gas before you hit the road more important? You also insult us who have welcomed you, worshipped with you, prayed for your safe travel and offer you our hospitality after Mass with coffee, donuts and fellowship if you wish. Do you think so little of us that you can't stay for the final blessing? If you are one of those ungrateful people reading this before Mass begins and it is still your intention to walk out of Mass without a very serious reason for doing so, would you do yourself and us a favor? Please leave now before the Mass begins. Seriously. There really was no point in your coming. With an attitude like that you have no business going to Holy Communion.

For those visitors who say, "Well...my priest back home doesn't say anything," my response is: if your priest sees these things going on and says nothing he is either an idiot or a coward or both. Feel free to share this with him.

The offended are welcome to share their angst with the Bishop....1-866-790-0014.

Mr. Victor Hannunah from Bethlehem will be here the last weekend of May! He will display a wide assortment of hand carved religious goods in the parish hall after the Masses. This will be Victor's last visit before returning to his family in Palestine. This is a wonderful opportunity to get those rare, one of a kind carvings made out of olive wood for a graduation gift, some early Christmas shopping, an anniversary gift, or a gift for some other special occasion.

These items have been made for centuries by Arab Christians for pilgrims and tourists. With a deadly combination of Muslim antagonism toward Christians and repressive Israeli regulations it is getting ever more difficult for these families to make a living and maintain a Christian presence in the Holy Land. Every purchase helps these Arab Christian families survive.

Update on the Living and Giving in Christ Campaign.

<u>Church</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Pledged</u>	<u>Paid</u>
St. John's	\$51,778	\$17,909	\$14,334
St. Mary's	1,475	37	37
St. Hubert's	772	740	560

THANK YOU – "Our CCD program in Kaycee this year was a success due to many that helped us. Special thank you to Carol Gagliano, Patty Tass and Fr. Pete who helped our program along the way. It has been a good and faithful journey. A BIG thank you to our students' parents and parishioners for supporting us!"

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER –

Today is Pentecost Sunday. Is there evidence that the Holy spirit is working through us; are the fruits of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control in our lives and marriages? The next WWME weekends are October 16-18, 2015 in Kalispell, MT and November 6-8, 2015 in our own Ucross, WY. Contact Tom and Mary Frances at 307-577-7456 or tommfburke@gmail.com

CONGRATS, GRADUATES of our parish – Samantha Bingham, Audryanna Carder, Becca Flanders, Zane Hengel, Matt Scarlett, Jordan Snyder, Seth Thiele and Adi Verger! God bless you all in your new endeavors!