



# 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>Lori Zink</i>	620-5113
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, Sept. 17 – 6pm Altar server training

Tuesday, Sept. 19 – 10am Bible study class  
7pm rectory class

Wednesday, Sept. 20 – 10am Bible study class  
3:45pm CCD for K-4<sup>th</sup>  
7pm for 5th-8th grades  
7pm rectory class

Thursday, Sept. 21 – 7pm hall class

Saturday, Sept. 23 – 7pm RCIA

Saturday, October 7 to Friday, October 13 – Daily Adoration for the Feast at Fatima, Dancing of the Sun

Friday, October 20 – Sheridan Deanery CCW in Buffalo; guest speaker Kathleen Billings, W.I.N.E.

**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

## **24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Sept. 17, 2017**

**Altar Assisters:**

**SATURDAY, September 23, 5pm**

Lector: Mary Smith

EM: Dennis Lawrence

Altar Servers: Volunteers

**SUNDAY, September 24, 8am**

Lector: Richard Frankovic

EM: Kathy Urruty

Altar Servers: Joe Reimann, Ben/Bryce Camino,

Matt Harrison

**SUNDAY, September 24, 10am**

Lector: Volunteer

EM: Volunteer

Altar Servers: Jaxon/Jeron Sutton

**Homebound Ministry, Friday, September 22**

Lynn Ridgeway

### **COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK OF SEPT. 10, 2017**

St. John's	\$ 3,217.25	YTD \$ 42,654.84
St. Mary's	\$ 149.00	YTD \$ 1129.00
St. Hubert's	\$	YTD \$ 899.00
Poor Donations	\$ 345.00	
Online Donations	\$ 790.60	
Hurricane	\$ 1803.00	

### **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:**

Mon.	09.18	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	09.19	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Wed.	09.20	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Thu.	09.21	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Fri.	09.22	8:00 a.m.	+Vern Maxwell
		8:30 a.m.	Adoration until 9:30 a.m.
Sat.	09.23	5:00 p.m.	+Bertha Hanson
Sun.	09.24	8:00 a.m.	+Russel Maxwell

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

Mon-1 Timothy 2:1-8; Gospel: Luke 7:1-10

Tue-1 Timothy 3:1-13; Gospel: Luke 7:11-17

Wed-1 Timothy 3:14-16; Gospel: Luke 7:31-35

Thu-Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13

*Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist*

Fri-1 Timothy 6:2c-12; Gospel: Luke 8:1-3

Sat-1 Timothy 6:13-16; Gospel: Luke 8:4-15

*Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest*

### **FR. PETE:**

**A meditation for the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.** The following comes from a British poet and mystic, Mr. Cryll Houselander, who died in 1954:

*A man who claims to be self-sufficient and not to need any other man's help in hardship and suffering has no part in Christ. The pride which claims to be independent of human sympathy and practical help from others is un-Christian. We are here to help one another. We are here to help Christ in one another.*

*We are here to help Christ blindly. We must know Him by faith, not by vision. We must help Him not only in those who seem to be Christlike, but more in those in whom Christ is hidden: in the most unlikely people, in those whom the world condemns. It is in them that Christ, indwelling man, suffers most; it is in them that He cannot carry His cross today without the help of others.*

*Simon of Cyrene saw only three criminals (of whom Christ was one) on the way to die. He could not know, until he had taken up that stranger's cross, that in it was the secret of his own salvation...*

*We must be ready to carry the burden of anyone whom we meet on our way and who clearly needs help, not only those who "deserve," or seem to "deserve," help. Everyone is our "business," and Christ in everyone, potentially or, has a first claim on us, a claim that comes before all else.*

*We are here on earth to help to carry the cross of Christ, the Christ hidden in other human beings, and to help in whatever way we can. We may, like Simon, have literally a strong arm to give, we may help to do hard work; we may have material goods to give; we may have time, which we desperately want for ourselves but which we must sacrifice for Christ. We may have only suffering. Suffering is the most precious coin of all.*

*Suffering of body, suffering of mind, paid down willingly for Christ in man, enables Him to carry His redeeming cross through the world to the end of time.*

*Suffering contains in itself all that Simon gave: our mind and body, frustration, and identification with someone else. The last is the germ of*

*our own salvation, the way to transform the self-pity that is the danger in all suffering into the love of other people which reaches out a hand to Christ, and saves us.*

**POSSIBLE COMPUTER SCAM IN THE PARISH...** If you receive an alleged email from me, Fr. Pete, that says something like "How are you doing? I am in a meeting right now and I need you to send out a payment today. Let me know if you are available so I can forward you the payment details..." ignore it. Do not respond to it. I have not sent any such message. I suspect someone is attempting to hack my email. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the parish office. Mary Ann is aware of the situation.

**Please note that there are no Masses from Monday to Thursday.** Please plan accordingly.

**Parish vote next weekend.** Ballots are available now at the Church entrances for those who will be gone next week. All registered parishioners are welcome to cast their vote. For those who will not be here next week "absentee ballots" are available at the Church's entrances. The issues to vote on are:

1. **Sunday bulletin.** Do we stop publishing the bulletin but offer

enough for those who cannot access the bulletin on computer or smart phone? Or do we keep things the way they are?

2. **Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass.** Do we keep the Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass, move the Sunday 8:00 a.m. Mass to 9:00 a.m. and drop the Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass but return to that schedule during the summer months when the tourists are in town? Or do we keep things the way they are?

### **Precious Blood will be offered in October.**

Our difficulty is that people are not signing up to serve as Eucharistic Ministers. Some 42 people have been given that permission by the former bishop but most do not sign up. I will publish that list in the next couple of weeks. If those who are on the list no longer wish to serve in this ministry you will be asked to call the parish office so your name can be removed. In October, we will simply go to relying on volunteers to come forward at Masses.

**Upcoming projects.** The Finance Council gave approval at the September 12 meeting to withdraw funds from our “maintenance / repair” budget for the following projects:

1. *St. Hubert's in Kaycee:* to remove old peeling paint and prime those areas, paint the walls white, paint the trim to match the color of the roof, and make repairs between wall and foundation. Cost: \$2,796.32.
2. *St. John's in Buffalo:* to prune the apple tree, spray five spruce trees in front of the Church that have spider mite, prune the crab apple tree to ensure clearance from the Church, and rid the tree of web worms. Cost: \$1,100.00.
3. *St. John's in Buffalo:* to fill in holes in the stone work and mortar to prevent

damage to the building from freezing water. Cost: \$5,200.00.

It was also decided to continue to get more bids for painting the interior of the Church.

**Responsible and respectful Catholic hunters looking for land to hunt Trespass fee / lease this 2017 season.** Any interested landowners please contact Christopher Placzek (email [ceplaczek@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ceplaczek@sbcglobal.net) or phone 734-660-0283).

**Parish Council Members.** Please remember that we meet on Sunday, September 24, 7:00 p.m. at the rectory.

**A CCD teacher is needed for Kindergarten.**

**CHOIR** will begin on Sunday, Sept. 17. Please arrive at 9:15am to the choir loft to practice. New members are always welcome. Call Mary Finney, 278-0137, with questions.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND:** As fun summer days become fond memories and kids settle into a routine, consider a Marriage Encounter Weekend as an opportunity to focus on your marriage and the gift that your spouse is in your life. Your married love is a source of security and comfort for your family and a sign of God's love for our church. Make it the best it can be! Upcoming Dates are: The Ranch at Ucross Nov. 3-5; Billings, MT Jan 26-28, 2018; Riverton March 2-4, 2018. For more information and to apply, visit the website [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or call Paul and Tracy 307-689-2820.

**THANK YOU** to all who delivered Meals-on-Wheels for the parish in August. God bless you!

**LIVING FATIMA** – October 13 & 14 in Billings at St. Francis School, 2202 Colton Blvd. “The Miracle & The Message” – The Promises & Warnings, 100 years after the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima.

**FIRST YOUTH GROUP** on Sunday, Sept. 17 after the 10am Mass. Youth group is open to all students in grades 8-12. Lunch will be served but please bring a non-perishable item to share – soda, cookies, chips, dried fruit, snack mix. You Group will run from 11-12:30 every Sunday. We will spend time in fellowship, have some fun and take our faith to the next step. –Tyna Staebler