



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>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, March 4 – 11:15am Youth group
9am & 11am Knights' breakfast

Wednesday, March 7 - 3:45pm & 7pm CCD
7pm Confirmation class

Friday, March 9 – 7pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 10 – Gillette for Sheridan Deanery
CCW meeting

Saturday, March 17 – 6pm St. Patrick's Day dinner

Sunday, March 18 – 11:15am Youth group

Sunday, March 25 – Palm Sunday/Holy Week

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 307-660-4936 for meeting place

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 4, 2018

Altar Assisters:

SATURDAY, March 10, 5pm

Lector: Mary Smith

EM: Dennis Lawrence

Altar Servers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, March 11, 8am

Lector: Volunteer

EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, March 11, 10am

Lector: Mary Ann Cummins

EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Homebound Ministry, Friday, March 9

Lynn Ridgeway

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK Feb. 25, 2018

St. John's	\$ 2,733.05	YTD \$ 133,737.26
St. Mary's	\$ 72.00	YTD \$ 3,095.15
St. Hubert's	\$	YTD \$ 3,232.50
Poor Donations	\$ 125.00	
Online Donations	415.60	

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon.	03.05	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	03.06	8:00 a.m.	James Curuchet
Wed.	03.07	8:00 a.m.	+Margaret Nelson
Thu.	03.08	8:00 a.m.	James Curuchet
Fri.	03.09	8:00 a.m.	+Casey Jones
		8:30 a.m.	Adoration until 9:30 a.m.
		7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Sat.	03.10	5:00 p.m.	Chris Schafer
Sun.	03.11	8:00 a.m.	+Jeanette Maxwell
		10:00 a.m.	for the people
		12:30 p.m.	Clearmont: Fr. Pete's intention

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon-2 Kings 5:1-15b; Gospel: Luke 4:24-30
Tue-Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35
Wed-Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Gospel: Matthew 5:17-19
Thu-Jeremiah 7:23-28; Gospel: Luke 11:14-23
Fri-Hosea 14:2-10; Gospel: Mark 12:28-34
Sat-Hosea 6:1-6; Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

FR. PETE:

A reflection on the struggle against sin by Venerable Father Louis of Granada, O.P. Fr. Louis was a priest of the Order of Preachers, also known as the Dominicans. He was famous for his excellent preaching and wrote many spiritual books not for the clergy but for lay people. He died in 1588. He brings theology and spirituality into the realm of common sense.

You will no sooner have resolved to give yourself to God than hell will send out its forces against you. The flesh, corrupted from its birth by the poison of the serpent, will assail you with its insatiable desires and alluring pleasures. Evil habits as strong as nature itself will fiercely resist this change of life and exaggerate the difficulties which you will encounter.

To turn a river from its course is hardly more laborious than to change a life confirmed by inveterate habits. The world, as powerful as it is cruel, will wage a fierce war against you. Armed with its pleasures and bad examples, it will hasten to compass your downfall. At one time it will seek to captivate your heart with its pomp and vanities. At another time it will strive to entangle you in the net of its ways and maxims. Again, it will boldly attack you with ridicule, raillery, and persecution. The devil himself, the arch-deceiver, will renew his warfare and turn all his forces against you. Enraged at your desertion from his party, he will leave nothing undone to ruin you....

That you may not be discouraged, bear in mind that the prize for which you are

striving is worth more than all you can ever give to purchase it. Remember that you have powerful defenders ever near you. Against the assaults of corrupt nature, you have God's grace. Against the snares of the devil, you have the almighty power of God. Against the allurements of evil habits, you have the force of good habits confirmed by grace. Against a multitude of evil spirits, you have numberless angels of light. Against the bad example and persecutions of the world, you have the good example and strengthening exhortations of the saints. Against the sinful pleasures and vain joys of the world, you have the pure joys and ineffable consolations of the Holy Spirit.

Stations of the Cross are celebrated every Friday of Lent at 7:00 p.m.

Parish security. The Parish Council has agreed to the formation of a "Security Committee" using ideas from Catholic Mutual, our insurer. This committee will consist of Chief Jason Carder, Officer James Kozisek, retired law enforcement officer Rick Andersen and Parish Council Member Kelly Buckingham who has experience with implementing security protocols. They are tasked for looking at ways to enhance the security of the parish plant. Sadly, this is a sign of the times we live in.

A change in the Lenten Parish Mission. Originally, we were to have Fr. William Casey of the Fathers of Mercy. Unfortunately, Father Casey's mother developed a health problem that Father Casey has to attend to and will not make any of his scheduled missions around the country this Lent. In his place the Fathers of Mercy are sending us Fr. Joel Rogers.

Fr. Rogers is a native of El Dorado Springs, Missouri. He became a member

of the Fathers of Mercy in 1993. He studied theology at St. Philip's Seminary in Toronto, Canada and was ordained to the priesthood in 2000.

Fr. Rogers has a reputation for being a gifted and compassionate speaker.

Among the topics he will speak on at the mission are:

- ****the reality of personal sin and the need for repentance*
- ****the Holy Eucharist*
- ****the Blessed Virgin Mary*
- ****the power of prayer*
- ****the Ten Commandments*
- ****Marriage and family life*
- ****the Catholic Church*

Fr. Rogers will preach at all the Masses on the weekend of March 17 and 18. The Mission will begin Sunday evening on March 18 at 7:00 p.m. and be held each evening, Monday thru Thursday, at 7:00 p.m. Fr. Rogers and I will be available for Confession after each evening session.

Because of the sudden change in scheduling Fr. Rogers **will not** be offering a Confirmation retreat. *Confirmation students and their parents, however, are strongly urged to attend the Parish Mission.*

Coffee and donuts. The Parish Council has concluded that we should continue with the practice of having coffee and donuts after the Sunday Masses. We will do so after Easter. This is a wonderful time for folks to enjoy the gift of fellowship and I hope it will be utilized.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner tickets almost gone! Hard to believe that in less than two weeks nearly 125 tickets have been sold. There are only a few left so this may be the last opportunity you'll have. The dinner will be on Saturday, March 17 after the evening Mass. The money raised is earmarked for "door prizes."

"Fr. Pete...Why didn't the Knights of Columbus have their annual fish fry? It's

something the whole community looks forward to.” Ask the Knights of Columbus. My question to you is: are you willing to help organize and do the work? Most folks want to have such events made available, but most don't want to roll up their sleeves and help out and expect others to do the work.

“Fr. Pete...when a priest is ill and can't function what happens to the parish?” I can only tell you what should happen and what I have done. I have informed the Bishop that I will be incapacitated by surgery and recovery; that I have obtained a priest to cover the weekend Masses for a month; and from the moment I enter surgery the daily business affairs of the parish will be run by the Finance Council with three people legally allowed to sign checks and who will continue to do so as long as I am under the influence of pain medication. Essentially the parish continues to run as it should.

“Fr. Pete...can non-Catholics come to Stations of the Cross?” Absolutely. All are welcome.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE OF WYOMING – in Casper on April 27-29. This is a weekend that offers healing and renewal to divorced, widowed and separated men and women. It is a non-profit, faith-based comprehensive program. It is a positive experience of hope. The weekend starts Friday, April 27 at 7pm and runs through Sunday, April 29 at 4pm. A donation of \$150 is sought, although scholarships are available. Contact these team members with questions – Curtis at 307.240.1232 or Diane at 307.262.4242.

RETROUVAILLE (pronounced re-tro-vi with a long i) is a French word meaning rediscovery. This marriage saving weekend is coming soon! You can Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue...or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 100's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information

about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on April 13-15, call 720.257.9106 or email: retrouvaille.co@gmail.com

SHERIDAN DEANERY CCW day is Saturday, March 10 in Gillette. The fee is \$10. The day begins at 8:30am. Carpool from the parking lot, ladies, at 7:30am. Call Lori Zink to register your spot, 620-5113. Guest speaker is Deacon Carroll Schell of Cheyenne speaking on Archbishop Sarah's book on "Silence."

HEY PARENTS & OTHERS INTERESTED IN THE DIGITAL FOOTPRINT... Join us Tuesday, March 6, for an informative presentation by representatives from DCI, Homeland Security Investigations, and FBI. Topics covered will include: *Digital Footprint, *Appropriate use of Social Media, *Tips to Avoid Dangers Online. BHS/KHS students at 9:30am BHS Auditorium; CCMS/KMS students at 1pm; Parents & Community Members at 5:30pm. If you have children or grandchildren using social media or just want to be informed yourself, please come to the 5:30pm presentation at Buffalo High School.

CONFIRMATION YOUTH – meet Wednesday, March 7 at 7pm. Please bring your service hours ☺

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST after both Masses Sunday, today. Donations are most welcome. Male parishioners...if interested in becoming a Knight, please ask one of the breakfast men about this possibility. Step up and become involved in this ministry in our parish ☺

