



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 9:00 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

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

Religious Education / Meeting

Tuesday, August 7 – 12noon CCW meeting

Wednesday, August 15 – HOLY DAY, Assumption of Mary

Tuesday, August 21 – Election meals by CCW

Sunday-Monday, Sept. 23-24 – WCCW convention at St. John's

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 15, 2018

Altar Assistors:

SATURDAY, July 21, 5pm

Lector: Mary Smith

EM: Dennis Lawrence

Altar Servers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, July 22, 9am

Lector: Volunteer

EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Homebound Ministry, Friday, July 20

Valerie Spanos

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK July 8, 2018

St. John's	\$	3,692.00	YTD \$	3,692.00
St. Mary's	\$	180.00	YTD \$	180.00
St. Hubert's	\$		YTD \$	
Poor Donations	\$	667.00		
Online Donations	\$	863.75		

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon.	07.16	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	07.17	8:00 a.m.	+Dominica Esponda
Wed.	07.18	8:00 a.m.	+Whitey Maxwell
Thu.	07.19	8:00 a.m.	+John Esponda
Fri.	07.20	8:00 a.m.	Sherry McPhee
		8:30 a.m.	Adoration until 9:30 a.m.
Sat.	07.21	5:00 p.m.	+Vern Maxwell
Sun.	07.22	9:00 a.m.	Honey Harriet
		12:30 p.m.	Clearmont: for the parishes

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon-Isaiah 1:10-17; Gospel: Matthew 10:34—11:1

Tue-Isaiah 7:1-9; Gospel: Matthew 11:20-24

Wed-Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16; Gospel: Matthew 11:25-27

Thu-Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Gospel: Matthew 11:28-30

Fri-Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Gospel: Matthew 12:1-8

Sat-Micah 2:1-5; Gospel: Matthew 12:14-21

FR. PETE:

Welcome to our visitors! We hope you are enjoying your visit to Buffalo and hope you will come back again. There is so much to do whether you are single or married, want a physical challenge or prefer to casually lounge. There is something for everyone. After the Sunday morning Mass, we offer coffee and donuts and invite you to come and join us before you head out to whatever adventure you have planned! May God grant you safe travel on your way home.

Welcome to our new parishioners. Seems we have some folks who have recently moved to our community. Welcome! Would you be so kind as to fill out a registration form? They can be found at the front and side entrance of the Church. We will be happy to order your giving envelopes at no cost to you. The parish has a website(www.sjbc-buffalo.com) that you can consult to see what is going in the parish, listen to the sermons, and learn what is going on in the Diocese and in the larger Church. It is very easy to use.

New computer system to be installed in the parish office. The current computer has been in use for about eight years and needs to be retired. We have decided to make the switch during the summer months when there is, in theory at least, a little more "down time" compared to the rest of the year. Pray it goes smoothly!

Frankly, computers are little more than black magic to me. Whenever I have to save something to the thumb drive I am tempted to speak to the computer and say, "Now I want this information back, ok?" Perhaps that's why they have this thing called the "dark web"?

I survived two graduate degree programs with an Olivetti manual typewriter that I received as a Christmas gift when I was in high school. My data files consisted of shoe boxes with index cards. In those days we had to use thesis paper and calculate how many lines we would need for footnotes, bibliography and annotated bibliography. There was no "spell check" and erasures were not permitted on any material submitted to professors.

I recall one evening in Washington, D.C. A massive thunder storm came in and lightning

knocked out the power. This was the period when “word processors” were just coming out and some of my fellow students thought this invention was the best thing since sliced bread. Well, when the power went out those who had the machines howled in desperation. I just took down two candle sticks from my bookcase, placed them on either side of my trusty typewriter, lit the candles and continued to hammer away on my paper. When the power came on a few hours later some students nearly became suicidal because the power surge fried their machines and they lost their data. Our professors were notorious for not granting extensions and there were only three grades possible: A, B or F.

I am among the last of the dinosaurs that can...probably...get away with being computer illiterate. I fear part of my purgatory shall consist of reading computer manuals for 10,000 years or so!

A reflection on the role of the apostle by Servant of God Monsignor Romano

Guardini. Though born in Italy he became a very popular and highly respected liturgist in and professor of philosophy and theology in Germany. He entered eternal life in 1968.

What is an Apostle really? Frankly, the impression we get from the New Testament hardly permits us to claim that these men were great or ingenious in the worldly sense. It is difficult even to count them “great religious personalities,” if by this we mean bearers of inherent spiritual talents. John and Paul were probably exceptions, but we only risk misunderstanding them both by overstating this. On the whole, we do the Apostle no service by considering him a great religious personality. This attitude is usually the beginning of unbelief. Personal importance, spiritual creativeness, dynamic faith are not decisive in his life. What counts

is that Jesus Christ has called him, pressed His seal upon him, and sent him forth....

An Apostle....is one who is sent. It is not he who speaks, but Christ in him. In his first Corinthian epistle Paul distinguishes nicely between the instructions of “the Lord” and what he, Paul, has to say. The Lord’s words are commands; his own, suggestions (7:12). The Apostle is filled with Christ, saturated with thought of Christ; the Lord, Whom he represents, is the substance of his life. What he teaches is not what he has learned from personal “experience” or “revelation”; it is God’s Word, uttered upon God’s command: *Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations.... teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you* (Mt. 28:19-20). To this end alone has the Apostle been called, and his very limitations seem an added protection to the truth he bears.

Our parish needs volunteers to help with Wheels on Meals. Our parish administrator, Mary Ann, works with other organization leaders to raise up volunteers to bring meals to shut-ins and the elderly. For many this may be the only meal of the day. And for some that brief contact with the one who brings the meal is the only opportunity they have to speak to someone for the day. Yes, some are that isolated for whatever reason. The following paragraph is written by Mary Ann and explains the process. If you can help, please call Mary Ann at the parish office: 684-7268. We especially will need help in the winter as some of our elderly volunteers can no longer handle winter driving.

From Mary Ann, parish administrator, on Meals on Wheels: We need 4 “teams” or singles each Monday, Wednesday and Friday

during the month of August. Arrival at the Senior Center is at 11:10am. Sign up for a route and take the meals to distribute. Time frame is usually 45 minutes. Thanks for your volunteerism!

“Fr. Pete...I know it is way early for this but has there ever been any consideration to use real trees for the sanctuary for Christmas? We use real wreathes...” It is never too early to plan for Christmas! Yes, I have thought about it but decided against it for the following reasons: the cost (we have up to 10 trees!), the needles embed themselves in the carpeting and could possibly damage the vacuum cleaner, the need to make sure they are constantly watered so they do not become fire hazards, live trees would probably not make it through the entirety of the Christmas season and there would be a huge mess when removed.

“Fr. Pete...Do the priests have support groups among themselves?” Yes. I belong to one such group. It is part of a larger organization called Jesu Caritas. We meet for common prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for an hour and then simply spend time discussing what is going on in our lives, our parishes, the diocese, etc. Then we have a long dinner where we continue to visit, often for a few hours! Because we are so spread out and have different schedules it is a bit of nightmare to plan a time to get together, but we find it to be well worth the effort.

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 (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriages. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend in Utah on August 24th-26th, call 801-450-4965 or email:

4007@retrouvailole.org or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

KEEP ENJOYING SUMMER...

