



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

Religious Education / Meeting

Tuesday, April 9 – 12 noon CCW meeting

Wednesday, April 10 – 3:45 & 7pm CCD
7pm Confirmation

Sunday, April 21 - Easter

Friday, April 26 – 6pm Confirmation practice

Sunday, April 28 – 9am CONFIRMATION

Parish Staff

Pastor	<i>Fr. Pete Johnson</i>	684-7268
Parish Administrator	<i>Mary Ann Cummins</i>	684-7268
CCW Leader	<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
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, 684-7268

Marriage – Planning and preparation 6 months in advance

Prayer line Requests – Jan Edgcomb – jmpe@wyoming.com or Honey Harriet, 620-1890

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

APRIL 7, 2019

Altar Assisters:

SATURDAY, April 13, 5pm

Lector: Keith Leppert

Narrator: Mary Smith; Voice: Janelle Gonzales

EM: Janelle Gonzales

CUP: Phil Gonzales, Jean Borgialli

Altar Servers: Matt Harrison, Asher/Kieran Murray

SUNDAY, April 14, 9am

Lector: Mary Ann Cummins

Narrator: Marilyn Maxwell; Voice: Rick Andersen

EM: Mary Ann Cummins

CUP: Jenn Schroefel, Donna Nelson

Altar Servers: Michael/James Ihnat, Bryce/Ben

Camino, Will Finkle, Redic Mader

Homebound Ministry, Friday, April 12

Mary Ann Dahl

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK Mar. 31 2019

St. John's	\$	3,261.50	YTD \$	160,356.94
St. Mary's	\$		YTD \$	4,516.00
St. Hubert's	\$		YTD \$	3,272.00
Poor Donations	\$	35.00		
Online Donations		629.20		

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon.	04.08	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	04.09	8:00 a.m.	Florence Gartner
		6:00 p.m.	Fr. Pete's intention
Wed.	04.10	8:00 a.m.	Bill and Darlene Huddleston
		6:00 p.m.	No Mass
Thu.	04.11	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
		6:00 p.m.	No Mass
Fri.	04.12	8:00 a.m.	Bill and Darlene Huddleston
		8:30 a.m.	Adoration until 9:30 a.m.
		6:00 p.m.	Bill and Darlene Huddleston
		6:30 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Palm Sunday Masses			
Sat.	04.13	5:00 p.m.	Bill and Darlene Huddleston
Sun.	04.14	9:00 a.m.	for the parishes

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon-Isaiah 65:17-21; Gospel: John 4:43-54

Tue-Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; Gospel: John 5:1-15

Wed-Isaiah 49:8-15; Gospel: John 5:17-30

Thu-Exodus 32:7-14; Gospel: John 5:31-47

Fri-Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; Gospel: John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Sat-Jeremiah 11:18-20; Gospel: John 7:40-53

FR. PETE:

Please note that there will not be an evening Mass on Wednesday, April 10 or any Masses on Thursday, April 11.

Holy Week is rapidly coming upon us.

The Holy Week Liturgies are as follows:

***Holy Thursday, April 18, 7:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be made available until 10:00 p.m.

Confessions will be heard after the Mass.

***Good Friday, April 19, 12:00 o'clock noon. Stations of the Cross will be held at

6:30 p.m. Confessions will be heard after Stations.

***Holy Saturday, the Vigil of Easter, April 20, 8:00 p.m.

***Easter Sunday, April 21, 9:00 a.m. The Easter Egg Hunt for the little ones will be held immediately after the Mass.

Your opportunity to go to Confession is slipping away. Confessions are heard after the daily Masses and during Holy Week as mentioned in the above Holy Week schedule. Please note that Confessions will not be heard on the morning of Holy Saturday since there is so much to do to get the Church ready for Easter and to train the servers.

The following meditation comes from the late Father Reginald Garrigou-Lagrange, O.P. He was a Dominican priest who had a strong influence on the future St. John Paul II. Father Reginald served as the future pope's doctoral advisor. Father died in 1964. The meditation is on the mystery of the Eucharist and is worth your taking time to read as we prepare to celebrate Holy Thursday, the night that Jesus entrusted the Mystery of His Body and Blood to the Apostles and their successors until the day He returns.

The interior oblation, ever alive in the heart of Christ, is as it were the soul of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and gives it its infinite value. Jesus Christ also continues to offer up to His Father our supplications, our reparations, and our thanksgivings. But especially it is always the same infinitely pure victim which is offered up, the body of the crucified Savior, and His Precious Blood sacramentally shed on the altar so that it may continue to wipe away the sins of the world.

The Eucharistic heart of Jesus in giving us the Eucharistic sacrifice has also given us the priesthood. Early in His ministry He said to His Apostles: "Come after Me, and I will make you to become fishers of men." On the night of the Last Supper He told them: "You have not chosen Me: but I have chosen you; and have appointed you, that you should go and should bring forth fruit; and your fruit should remain." Then He gave them the power to offer up the Eucharistic sacrifice when He said: "This is My body, which is given for you. Do this for a commemoration of Me." With these words He gave them the power of the holy consecration which continually renews the sacrament of love. The Eucharist, sacrament and sacrifice, cannot in truth be perpetuated without the priesthood. That is why for nearly two thousand years the grace of the Savior has brought into being and to fruition generation after generation of priestly vocations. And this will continue until the end of the world.

Finally, the Eucharistic heart of Jesus has given itself to us in Holy Communion. Our Savior gives Himself to us as food not so that we will assimilate Him to ourselves, but so that we may become more and more like

Him, ever more vivified and sanctified by Him, incorporated into Him. One day He said to St. Catherine of Siena: "I take thy heart from thee and give thee mine." This is a sensible symbol of what occurs spiritually in a fervent Communion. Our hearts die to their narrowness and selfishness and self-love, dilating and becoming like the heart of Jesus in purity, strength, and generosity. On another occasion, our Lord granted to this saint the grace of drinking deeply from the wound in His heart. This, too, is a symbol of a fervent Communion in which the soul drinks spiritually, so to speak, from the heart of Jesus, from this "source of new graces," "the sweet refuge of the hidden life," "the master of the secrets of divine union," "the heart of him who sleeps but is ever watchful."

An update on the pipe organ. The organ went through its regularly scheduled tuning in preparation for the spring and summer months. The men who tuned the organ noticed that some of the pipes were in poor shape and need to be replaced. They are preparing a report and a cost estimate. This is only the beginning of repairs to the organ. Since very few people know how to properly play a pipe organ it is, in my opinion, a waste of parish funds to make ongoing and expensive repairs. If you disagree, please let me know. Perhaps there is a creative solution for this problem.

"Fr. Pete...Why can't we organize an Easter Egg hunt for all the little ones in the community?" I am under the impression that there is one. If I'm wrong, please correct me.

I doubt very much any one parish could do it unless it had quite a staff to organize and carry it out. It would make

more sense if such a project was undertaken by several Churches.

Are you willing to help with such a project?

“Fr. Pete...What are we going to do about music for Mass? When are we going to sing the Mass parts?” I shall answer in three parts.

First. I don't care about liturgical music. I realize that is a heresy for some. It irritates the daylight out of my brother priests and a few bishops, but there we have it. I never sang very well to begin with, detested all the hymn singing when I was a Protestant, and as I age my voice is getting worse. So, I avoid singing at all costs, doing only the bare minimum I absolutely must do. Have you ever heard me sing the entrance hymn, the preparation of the gifts hymn or the recessional hymn? No, because I don't! Having absolutely no musical ability I encourage the musicians / choirs to do what they are capable of doing, staying out of their decisions unless there is something that I think I must get involved with.

Second. I noticed that most people in this congregation did not sing the Mass parts when we were doing them, inappropriately leaving that task up to the choir. The level of congregational participation is much better when we recite the Mass parts. And I think you will admit that when some of us sang the Mass parts they simply dragged on and on, taking up a lot of time.

Third. If there are parishioners for whom music at Mass is important then I urge you to find like-minded people and visit with me during the summer months. I would like to hear what you are willing to do and what you will need for a music program. I shall expect you to take on this ministry. I shall help in whatever way I can...except for singing!

GOAR SCHOLARSHIP applications are available on the bookcase in back of the church, high school seniors.

SENIOR CENTER VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON is set for Saturday, April 13. Lunch will be served at noon – chicken or salmon with all the fixins' and Desserts by Shelby. You must RSVP no later than April 5 at 5pm. Space is limited. Please call 684-9551.

The Pro-Life movie, Unplanned, is showing in Sheridan at the theater. Matinee on Sunday at 1:50pm. Daily at 4:30 & 7:10pm. Late show at 9:30pm.

Confirmation, April 28 and First Communion, May 5 are approaching. If you need a gift, the Prescription Shop has some things, Roosters in Sheridan has some things or you can order online at the Catholic Company or any other Catholic site.

CCW ladies: We have been asked by Fr. Pete to prepare a breakfast after First Communion Mass on Sunday, May 5. We will prepare breakfast casseroles, have fruit, yogurt, bagels, deviled eggs, juice and coffee. A cake is ordered. Please call Lori Zink, 620-5113 or Mary Ann Cummins, parish office 684-7268 if you would like to help out ☺

