



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 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

Religious Education / Meeting

Sunday, April 28 – 9am CONFIRMATION
Knights' Breakfast to follow Mass
Wednesday, May 1 – 3:45pm & 7pm CCD
Saturday, May 4 – 9am First Confessions
Sunday, May 5 – 9am First Communion
CCW Breakfast to follow Mass
Monday, May 6 – 6pm Mother/Daughter dinner

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

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 28, 2019

Altar Assistants:

SATURDAY, May 4, 5pm

Lector: Marilyn Maxwell

EM: Volunteer

CUP: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Matt Harrison, Asher/Kieran Murray

SUNDAY, May 5, 9am

Lector: Mary Ann Cummins

EM: Volunteer

CUP: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Michael/James Ihnat, Bryce/Ben

Camino, Ryan Merritt

Homebound Ministry, Friday, May 3

Carleen Cosner

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK April 21, 2019

St. John's	\$ 6,179.00	YTD \$ 174,724.49
St. Mary's	\$	YTD \$ 4,666.00
St. Hubert's	\$ 100.00	YTD \$ 3,622.00
Poor Donations	\$ 205.00	
Online Donations	386.20	

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon.	04.29	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	04.30	8:00 a.m.	David Herth
Wed.	05.01	8:00 a.m.	+John Kovalik
Thu.	05.02	8:00 a.m.	+Michael Wyman
Fri.	05.03	8:00 a.m.	+Pat Nolan
		8:30 a.m.	Adoration until 9:30 a.m.
Sat.	05.04	5:00 p.m.	+Pat Nolan
Sun.	05.05	9:00 a.m.	+Pat Nolan
		2:00 p.m.	Kaycee: for the parishes

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon-Acts of the Apostles 4:23-31; Gospel: John 3:1-8

Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor

Tue-Acts of the Apostles 4:32-37; Gospel: John 3:7b-15

Wed-Acts of the Apostles 5:17-26; Gospel: John 3:16-21

Thu-Acts of the Apostles 5:27-33; Gospel: John 31-36

Saint Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor

Fri-1 Corinthians 15:1-8; Gospel: John 14:6-14

Sat-Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7; Gospel: John 6:16-21

FR. PETE:

Welcome Bishop Biegler. Bishop Biegler came to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. He covered Sheridan on Friday and Gillette on Saturday. He has quite a busy schedule to get around the Diocese. May God grant him safe travels.

After the Confirmation Mass the Knights of Columbus are offering a breakfast at the Parish Hall. All are invited. Please consider making a small donation to help offset their costs. Thank you.

Many thanks to all who purchased flowers for the sanctuary. We quickly ran out of requests for flowers and will consider a slight increase in our order for next year. Many thanks to all who spent so much time decorating the Church for Holy Week and Easter.

CCW ladies are planning to make the breakfast to celebrate First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 5 at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Volunteers are needed to bring food and to serve the breakfast. There is a sign-up sheet at the Church's front entrance. Would you please consider helping? Thank you!

Vacation Bible School is fast approaching! VBS will take place between June 10 and 14. Hard to believe that we have to plan so early, but plan we must. This promises to be another exciting program of fun, learning, fun, faith development and did I mention fun? We do, however, need some help to pull this off. There is a board at the front entrance of the Church indicating supplies that are needed. Please consider giving a helping hand. If you wish to volunteer, please remember that all volunteers and employees must have passed their background checks. If you have any questions about this, please call Mary Ann at the Parish Office ASAP as this process takes some time.

We have been offering Vacation Bible School for several years now and it continues to grow in popularity.

Mr. Victor Hannuneh of Bethlehem will be here this weekend! He has brought with him some new olive wood creations. These pieces have been hand crafted by Christian Palestinian families for generations, arguably since the time of the Crusades.

Life for Christians in the Holy Land is tenuous at best. Life for Arab Christians like Mr. Hannuneh and his family is even more difficult. Should a "two state" solution ever be hammered out and a Palestinian state is created you can be pretty sure that within a short time the Muslim majority, controlled by Islamist radicals, will use every means at their disposal to force Christians out. As we saw this Easter Sunday with three churches bombed in Sri Lanka, militant Islam has no moral qualms about killing Christians and destroying our places of worship.

Please do not underestimate the importance your support offers these families.

The following comes from the Catholic League.

This is an excellent organization that helps to keep Catholics informed about current events that impact the practice of their faith.

Christians Assaulted From All Sides

April 24, 2019

Catholic League president Bill Donohue comments on the [latest attacks on Christians](#):

Muslim fanatics, so-called Islamists, are the most violent enemy of Christians in the world. While it is considered controversial to even mention this today, even less reported is the non-violent counterpart to these barbarians: militant secularists. The latter are growing in influence by leaps and bounds, even to the point of accommodating the Islamists.

According to CBN News, thus far this year there have been well over 1,000 attacks on French Christian churches and symbols, most of them Catholic. That's an increase of 17 percent in one year. As everyone knows, radical Muslims are to blame.

In the Middle East and Africa, Christian persecution is routine. The Christian character of Mosul in Iraq is gone—Christianity has been obliterated. Eritrea, known as the "North Korea of Africa," is under siege by a madman; women and girls are bearing the worst of the brunt.

In Nigeria, more than 2 million people, many of them Christians, are being driven from their homes by

Islamists known as Boko Haram. During the first half of 2018, 6,000 Christians were killed in Nigeria, most of whom were women, children, and the elderly.

As University of Mississippi professor, and Catholic League advisory board member, Ronald Rychlak notes, "The only place in the Middle East where Christians face no restrictions on the practice of their faith is Israel." That, too, is underreported.

On Easter Sunday, a reporter for the *Guardian*, Giles Fraser, offered the following astute observation. "Throughout the 20th century and into the 21st, Christians have been driven from the Middle East with bombs and bullets, and with hardly a bat squeak of protest from the secular west."

Fraser is correct. Just last month, his own nation, the U.K., denied asylum to an Iranian Christian convert (from Islam) on the grounds that Christianity is not a "peaceful" religion (various books from the Bible were cited as proof). According to another British writer, Becket Adams, there is a "trend in the U.K. of government officials taking explicitly anti-Christian positions."

How bad is it getting? "If you're a Christian living in the U.K., now might be a really good time to think about emigrating to the land of the free and the home of the brave," Fraser says, "where the biggest nuisance for people of faith is an overabundance of options for worship." He also noted that Sweden is deporting Christians seeking asylum to countries such as Afghanistan.

What's driving this? A minister in the U.K. explains that this is all a reflection of "post-colonial guilt."

Matters are better here at home, though militant secularists are targeting Christians and Jews at an alarming rate.

Government officials at the federal, state, and local levels, along with elements in the media, Hollywood, the artistic community, and higher education, are doubling down these days in their efforts to smear or

otherwise denigrate people of faith. Ready to assist them are radicals who staff non-profit activist organizations, and the foundations that support them.

In the "civilized" world of the West, Christian men and women who take their religion seriously are subjected to bigoted inquisitions when being considered for a judicial appointment. Christian clubs on college campuses are denied the right to have Christians lead them.

Catholic schools are told they don't qualify for matching corporate gifts because they teach Catholicism. More common is the practice of denying Christian organizations a religious exemption, even when it is clear that not granting the exemption effectively neuters their right to be Christian. They are told that by clinging to their Judeo-Christian teachings, they are interfering with the rights of others.

Jews are accused of "dual loyalties," an anti-Semitic trope that has recently resurfaced in elite quarters. The BDS movement, which is popular on many college campuses, is out to crush Israel. The fact that such bigotry is led by young people—including in the halls of Congress—makes this all the more disturbing.

If those who preach the virtue of tolerance meant what they say, we wouldn't have any of these problems. But they don't—they are content to lie for a living. Worse, they are the guilty parties in the West.

Is it any wonder that militant secularists rarely condemn radical Muslims? To be sure, the former don't want to live under Sharia law, but they are prepared to take that risk provided their Muslim allies keep whittling away at our Judeo-Christian heritage. This is a sick pact that has grown exponentially since 9/11. It needs to end before more damage is done.

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Our annual MARY'S DAUGHTERS

BANQUET will be held on Monday, May 6 in the parish hall. ALL WOMEN of the parish are invited to attend. CCW will install a new officer, present gifts to our 11 new mothers of the past year, present gifts to those mothers who are over 90 years of age, present a scholarship, and have a time to socialize as Catholic women and young daughters ☺ CCW will furnish the main course, drinks & dessert. Plan to bring a side dish to share...salad, veggie, appetizer.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP applications

available in the back of the church. Once complete, return to Gene Baehler, 620-5066, by May 14, 2019.

GOAR SCHOLARSHIP applications available in the back of church on the book shelves.

Vacation Bible School "needed items poster" is in back of the church. Please sign up to contribute what you wish for this summer event, June 10-14, 2019.

Looking for the following items:

- Leaf punches (like used for scrapbooking)
- Huge Box
- Small play kitchen
- Super Hero, princess dress up clothes
- straw beach mat
- wire rack (like for an oven)
- PVC pipe pieces
- cellophane (red/yellow; can be small pieces)
- gallon jugs

OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES this weekend are: Adam Belus, Olivia Maertens, Hannah Southerland, Lillian Cruz Bobbit, Iyana Stewart, Michael Ihnat, Bryce Camino, Cam Johnson, Lance Rabel, Kieran Murray, Ethan Marshall, Hazen Camino, Marko Glassock, Briley Farris, Cantrell Rosalez, Ava Wagner and Grace Wagner. CONGRATULATIONS to all of these young people ☺

THESE SECOND GRADERS will make their **FIRST COMMUNION** on Sunday, May 5 at the 9am Mass: Beth Campbell, Jackson Harriet, Madison Lawson, Noah Miner, Milan Monterastelli, Emmi Pickett, Jonathan Roberts, Creo Rosalez, Joseph Southerland, Tate Tanachion, Ben Curuchet.