



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

Sunday, October 25 – 5pm Youth Group
Tuesday, October 27 – 10am & 7pm Fr. Class
Wednesday, October 28 – 3:45pm & 7pm CCD
Thursday, October 29 – 10am & 7pm Fr.'s class
Saturday, October 31 – Happy All Hallows Eve
Sunday, Nov. 1 – All Saints' Day
Monday, Nov. 2 – All Souls' Day – Masses at 8am, 12noon and 5pm (You can attend 1 or all!)

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>	217-0119
Janitor	<i>Mick Camino</i>	217-1575
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Organist	<i>Judi Semroska</i>	684-2171
Parish Council Chair	Vacant	
Religious Education	<i>Carol Gagliano</i>	684-7217
Trustees	<i>Jean Urruty</i>	684-7093
	<i>Phil Gonzales</i>	684-5920
Choir	<i>Tony Fox</i>	310-339-9162

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

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 25, 2020

Altar Assistors:

SATURDAY, October 31, 5pm

Lector:

EM:

CUP: None

Altar Servers:

SUNDAY, Nov. 1, 9am

Lector:

EM:

CUP: None

Altar Servers:

Homebound Ministry, Friday, October 30

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK October 18, 2020

St. John's	\$ 2912.00	YTD \$ 51,959.05
St. Mary's	\$ 10.00	YTD \$ 1767.00
St. Hubert's	\$ 160.00	YTD \$ 7260.00
Poor Donations	\$ 125.00	
Online	\$	

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon.	10.26	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	10.27	8:00 a.m.	+Carey Dube
Wed.	10.28	8:00 a.m.	+Carey Dube
Thu.	10.29	8:00 a.m.	+Florence Gertner
Fri.	10.30	8:00 a.m.	+Clair Horn
		8:30 a.m.	Adoration
		9:30 a.m.	Reposition

All Saints Day:

Sat.	10.31	5:00 p.m.	+Phyllis Horn
Sun.	11.01	9:00 a.m.	+Marcus Gertner
		2:00 p.m.	Kaycee: +Jim

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All Souls Day:

Mon.	11.02	8:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
		12:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
		5:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon-Ephesians 4:32—5:8; Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

Tue-Ephesians 5:21-33; Gospel: Luke 13:18-21

Wed-Ephesians 2:19-22; Gospel: Luke 6:12-16

Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles

Thu-Ephesians 6:10-20; Gospel: Luke 13:31-35

Fri-Philippians 1:1-11; Gospel: Luke 14:1-6

Sat-Philippians 1:18b-26; Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-11

FR. PETE:

Have you taken your flu shot yet? Please do yourself, your family, your parish, your work colleagues, the elderly and the whole community a great act of charity by taking the flu shot to help prevent the spread of flu, the complications of which kill tens of thousands of Americans every year. It will also be an act of charity for our health care providers in Buffalo who may have to serve those with COVID-19. By taking the flu shot they will not be overwhelmed with having to care for those suffering from COVID-19 and flu. There is really no valid reason why everyone one from the age of six months and up should not take a flu shot unless your doctor advises otherwise.

Please note that All Saints Day falls on a Sunday. The Saturday evening Mass will be the anticipatory Mass for the Feast.

All Souls Day falls on Monday, November 2. There will be three Masses. You are welcome to attend all three if you so wish. Assuming that none of them will exceed 65 people you do not have to register to attend any of these Masses.

All Mass intentions for the month of November will be for souls undergoing purification. When you come to Mass consider making the conscious effort to offer your Mass for the poor souls who cannot help themselves and rely on our support of prayers and works of charity done on their behalf.

Confessions. Thanks be to God; I will begin hearing confessions again on Saturday mornings at 11:00 a.m.! In order to do this and maintain the necessary six-foot social distance requirement we will have to use the Baptistry. At least we are making some headway to normalcy.

The following article comes from the Catholic League:

Pope Weighs In On Civil Unions For Gays
October 21, 2020

Catholic League president Bill Donohue responds to [news stories about the pope endorsing civil unions for homosexuals](#):

In a new documentary about Pope Francis, "Francesco," the Holy Father [comments](#) on homosexuals. "Homosexual people have the right to be in a family. They are children of God. You can't kick someone out of a family, nor make their life miserable for this. What we have to have is a civil union law; that way they are legally covered."

The Vatican website posts a [news release](#) on the movie but makes no mention of the pope's reflections on homosexuals. Is it because what he said does not change Church doctrine? Or is it because they want to avoid controversy? The former is true and the latter may also be.

Before commenting on what the pope said, it is important to recognize what he did not say. He did not endorse gay marriage. That is because he cannot: It would be against everything he has previously said, and it would conflict with official Church teachings on the subject.

In 2010, Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio, the Archbishop of Buenos Aires (and future Pope Francis), mobilized Catholics to defeat a law affirming gay marriage. Though he failed in his quest, he was quite blunt about his opposition to same-sex marriage.

"[At stake](#) is the identity and survival of the family: father, mother and children. At stake are the lives of many children who will be discriminated against in advance, and deprived of their human development given by a father and a mother and willed by God. At stake is the total rejection of God's law engraved in our hearts."

Who was behind the push for gay marriage? Satan.

"[Let us not be naive](#): this is not simply a political struggle, but it is an attempt to destroy God's plan. It is not just a bill (a mere instrument) but a 'move' of the father of lies who seeks to confuse and deceive the children of God." The "father of lies" whom he speaks of is the Devil.

The would-be pope tried to work out a compromise with Argentinean authorities at the time. That is why he [floated the idea](#) of recognizing civil unions. But it was clear that would not satisfy, so nothing came of it.

The pope's statement about homosexuals having a right to be in a family, and that they cannot be kicked out, is of course true. He was referring to what sociologists call the "family of orientation," meaning the family we were born into. He was not referring to what is called the "family of procreation," meaning the family we make as adults.

To be exact, homosexual acts cannot result in procreation, which is why the Church teaches that homosexuality is intrinsically disordered. Indeed, homosexuals owe their very existence to opposite-

sex unions. Moreover, the pope knows that "gay families" are not legitimate.

[Two years ago](#), Pope Francis said only heterosexuals can form a family. "It is painful to say this today: People speak of varied families, of various kinds of families," but "the family [as] man and woman in the image of God is the only one."

If the pope did not change any Church teaching on homosexuality or marriage, why did he make the remarks attributed to him in the documentary?

This appears to be one more instance where he is trying to reach out to homosexuals, letting them know that their sexual status does not disqualify them from God's love. There is a huge difference, however, between the sexual status of an individual, and the social status of an institution, such as marriage and the family. The pope knows the difference, even if some of his gay fans do not.

It would be helpful for the Vatican to clarify what the pope meant. The content of his remarks is not problematic, but the lack of context is. The laity need clarity, not confusion.

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A comment with regard to the above article. I deeply appreciate the courage and forthrightness of Mr. Donohue, a devout and intelligent Catholic who takes the Faith seriously and does not hesitate to defend it. I strongly urge my parishioners to subscribe to the Catholic League and receive the regular updates that Mr. Donohue offers. If or when the COVID-19 pandemic comes to an end I would like to invite him out here and speak to our parish.

Once again, the Pope has made public comments on a moral issue that are confusing to the Faithful and the not-so-Faithful. He did this with his work *Amoris Laetitia* then reared up and hissed like a frightened cat when challenged by several cardinals to explain his comments on marriage that created confusion for the Faithful. He refused and still refuses to answer their questions. He did it again when he insisted on imposing his personal opinion on the Church to break with the long-standing teaching on valid reasons for imposing the death penalty and insisted that teaching in the Catechism of the Catholic Church be re-written to conform with his opinion, again creating confusion. This pattern repeats itself in comments made about civil unions for gay people.

My concern is threefold:

First. If the pope was talking off hand in this documentary, as he is known to do with reporters,

is he unaware that there many who will manipulate his words to support their particular theological / moral / political / social platforms? Remember the chaos that resulted from the Pope's off the cuff comment about gay people, "Who am I to judge?" that the media deliberately took out of context and spun to their advantage?

Second. If the Pope is unaware of the power of his words, such naivete is unacceptable for a man in his position. Anything he says or writes should go off like a tsunami warning siren for the Faithful to seek higher ground or risk drowning. It would be better if he requested questions to be given to him in advance and read the answers from a prepared text. This was often the tactic used by St. John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI.

Third. If the Pope is aware of the power of his words yet says them anyway, what else can one conclude other than he is intentionally sowing confusion in the Faithful and working to keep the not-so-Faithful in a perpetual state of confusion. If that is the case, how does sowing confusion serve the Church?

What is the essential ministry of the Successor of St. Peter? It is to maintain the unity of the Faithful in truth with clarity. The Pope needs to work harder at this.

Did you know that St. John the Baptist Council of Catholic Women has collected \$2205 in dues thus far this month? Thank you, ladies for your surveys and dues!

CCW ELECTION MEALS – If you wish to help serve the meals and/or cook for them, please call Mary Ann Cummins at the office, 684-7268.

FIFTEEN PROMISES OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN TO CHRISTIANS WHO FAITHFULLY PRAY THE ROSARY...

1. To all those who shall pray my Rosary devoutly, I promise my special protection and great graces.
2. Those who shall persevere in the recitation of my Rosary will receive some special grace.
3. The Rosary will be a very powerful armor against hell; it will destroy vice, deliver from sin and dispel heresy.
4. The Rosary will make virtue and good works flourish, and will obtain for souls the most abundant divine mercies. It will draw the hearts of men from the love of the world and its vanities, and will lift them to the desire of

eternal things. Oh, that souls would sanctify themselves by this means.

5. Those who trust themselves to me through the Rosary will not perish.
6. Whoever recites my Rosary devoutly reflecting on the mysteries, shall never be overwhelmed by misfortune. He will not experience the anger of God nor will he perish by an unprovided death. The sinner will be converted; the just will persevere in grace and merit eternal life.
7. Those truly devoted to my Rosary shall not die without the sacraments of the Church.
8. Those who are faithful to recite my Rosary shall have during their life and at their death the light of God and the plentitude of His graces and will share in the merits of the blessed.
9. I will deliver promptly from purgatory souls devoted to my Rosary.
10. True children of my Rosary will enjoy great glory in heaven.
11. What you shall ask through my Rosary you shall obtain.
12. To those who propagate my Rosary I promise aid in all their necessities.
13. I have obtained from my Divine Son that all the advocates of the Rosary shall have for intercessors the entire Celestial Court during their life and at the hour of death.
14. Those who recite my Rosary faithfully are my beloved children, the brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ.
15. Devotion to my Rosary is a special sign of predestination.

GET YOUR BOX OF JOY today to fill for a child for Christmas. **We have 27 boxes available.** They will be at the church entrance on the table or call Lori Zink, 620-5113.

They are due back to the parish office by Nov. 6. We then take them to Laurel/Billings to be shipped.