



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, May 22 – 9am Graduates honored at Mass
Monday, May 23 – 7pm Holy Hour with Silver Rose Prayer Service
Friday, May 27 – 2pm in Cheyenne Seth Hostetler's ordination to the priesthood
Saturday, May 28 – 10am Mass with Fr. Seth Hostetler; Confessions to follow; Open House all day at Hostetler home, 22 Meadowlark Ln
Sunday, May 29 – 9am Fr. Hostetler's Mass; brunch in the hall to follow

Parish Staff

Pastor	<i>Fr. Pete Johnson</i>	684-7268
Deacon	<i>Jay Garland</i>	217-2750
Parish Administrator	<i>Mary Ann Cummins</i>	684-7268
CCW Leader	<i>Nancy Garland</i>	217-2783
Finance Council Chair	<i>Steve Reimann</i>	217-0119
Maintenance Technician	<i>Darin Gagliano</i>	217-3248
K of C Grand Knight	<i>Jason Sutton</i>	217-0468
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>	620-5491

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

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 22, 2022

Altar Assisters:

SATURDAY, May 28, 5pm

Lector: Volunteer

Altar Servers: Volunteers

SUNDAY, May 29, 9am

Lector: Mary Ann Cummins

Altar Servers: Cortlan/Luken Smith, Redic Mader,
Finn Johnson, Sawyer Sullivan, Quentin Agyemang

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK May 15, 2022

St. John's	\$ 3,182.00	YTD\$ 190,310.47
St. Mary's	\$ 250.00	YTD \$ 5,286.50
St. Hubert's	\$ 615.00	YTD \$ 5,122.80
Poor Donations	\$ 15.00	
Online	\$	

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon.	05.23	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	05.24	8:00 a.m.	+Judi Semroska
Wed.	05.25	8:00 a.m.	+Judi Semroska
Thu.	05.26	8:00 a.m.	+Beverly Pilah
Fri.	05.27	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
		8:30 a.m.	No Adoration
		9:30 a.m.	No Reposition
Sat.	05.28	10:00 a.m.	+Beverly Pilah
		5:00 p.m.	+Beverly Pilah
Sun.	05.29	9:00 a.m.	+Beverly Pilah

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon-Acts of the Apostles 16:11-15; Gospel: John 15:26—16:4a

Tue-Acts of the Apostles 16:22-34; Gospel: John 16:5-11

Wed-Acts of the Apostles 17:15, 22—18:1; Gospel: John 16:12-15

Thu-Acts of the Apostles 18:1-8; Gospel: John 16:16-20
Saint Philip Neri, Priest

Fri-Acts of the Apostles 18:9-18; Gospel: John 16:20-23

Sat-Acts of the Apostles 18:23-28; Gospel: John 16:23b-28

FR. PETE:

Please note that there will not be a Mass or Adoration on Friday, May 27. I will be leaving early that morning to drive to Cheyenne for Deacon Seth's ordination to the priesthood.

Soon to be Father Seth will offer a Mass of Thanksgiving on Saturday, May 28 at 10:00 a.m. This does NOT fulfill the Sunday obligation. He will offer a second Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, 9:00 a.m. after which there will be a brunch.

How to respond to someone who says that he or she wishes to be addressed by a pronoun that is inconsistent with their biological sex: Calmly say, "No. I will not participate in your denial of reality." It won't win you a friend, but it will make the boundary clear. And it just might make the person do something that is very unusual for people who, in our culture, mistakenly believe feelings are truth. I might make him or her think. *No one has the right to impose a subjective interpretation on an objective truth.*

It is ok to say "no" to moochers. I am getting calls from people who are passing through our community telling me they need help for lodging, bus tickets, rides, meals, etc. While we try to do our best to help those who really need our assistance, I am keenly aware of the professional summer moochers who believe they have some kind of inherent right to expect churches to pay their way as they travel. It is my policy in the summer months not to offer lodging, gas, or other such aid. I refer these people to the police which almost always ends the conversation. If the police tell me that there is a legitimate need I am more than happy to help.

Generally, I refer people to the Family Crisis Center because they have the staff to properly vet people. I don't have those resources. When the professional moochers come along it is usually on a Saturday or Sunday when they know that community organizations

are closed. Hence my referral to the police station.

During my years here I have come across some really skilled moochers. One summer we had several “families” pull up in front of the Church after the Sunday Mass begging for money only to find out that they were scammers. In one case the “children” of one couple were not their children at all. (The police were involved with that case and I marveled at the skill of the officer who pointed out all the inconsistencies of the couple’s story). These people have very well prepared, long, and deliberately convoluted stories designed to solicit sympathy and be sufficiently confusing so you won’t or can’t question them. They get defensive when I do. Some have said that a “real priest” would not question them and try to help them. My response is that the “real priests” can be found in either Sheridan to the north or Gillette to the east and suggest they try their luck there.

If you are approached this summer by someone asking for help, be careful. This often happens at gas stations or grocery store parking lots because the moochers know you are in a rush and are more likely to give cash just to get them off your back. *You have no idea what that money will be used for.* You’re being played. Tell that person to go to the police station. If they are legitimately in need they will. If they offer any resistance to that suggestion or try to make you feel guilty, take that as a warning signal and cut off the conversation immediately with, “I can’t help you.” *You do not have to be nice to people trying to scam you.* They won’t waste any more of their time with you and will set their sights on another target.

Yes...our faith calls us to be charitable and to assist the stranger and those in need. The Lord also tells us that we are to be as innocent as doves and as cunning as serpents. He tells us not to cast our pearls before swine. St. Paul tells

us that those who do not work should not eat, meaning that people need to pull their own weight. Being charitable does not mean we abandon commonsense and the obligation to be discerning.

DONUTS after Mass on Sunday, May 22 to honor and visit with graduates and just for fellowship 😊



THANK YOU to those who set up, assisted and cleaned up after the Mary’s Daughters’ brunch on Sunday. The “extra” diapers and wipes were donated to Legacy Pregnancy Center 😊

RESPECT LIFE HOLY HOUR this month held in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus Silver Rose Prayer Service with Eucharistic Adoration on Monday, May 23 at 7pm. The Silver Rose program is a crucial aspect of the KC pro-life initiatives, which includes supporting the National March for Life in Washington, DC and place more than 1000 ultrasounds in pregnancy resource centers around the world. Among the most important features of the Silver Rose program is its accompanying prayer service that includes the rosary and a litany. By calling upon the powerful intercession of the Blessed Virgin, Knights make their prayers and efforts to support mothers in need and protect the unborn more efficacious. All are invited to come worship our Eucharistic Lord. Let’s pray for the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, to renew in us a love for the beauty and sanctity of the human person from conception to natural death.

CONGRATULATIONS to our Catholic graduates – Ben Camino, Isabelle Camino, Elizabeth Farris, Sydney Hall (SALUTATORIAN), Bella Johnson (VALEDICTORIAN!), Julia Maertens, Katelyn Sutton, Olivia Zink, James Southerland, Shelby Fennema (Clearmont) and Norris Graves (Kaycee)!



CATHOLICS from the Diocese of Cheyenne will have an opportunity to pray and study together this summer as we learn about the early history of Catholicism in Wyoming. Whether you would like to participate as an individual or with a group from the parish, this opportunity for spiritual and intellectual formation is open to all adults in the Diocese. Please register by June 3 at the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/pXWswFQ7GV>. To learn more, visit dcwy.org/pastoral-formation. The class revolves around Fr. Peter DeSmet. The book is ***Come, Blackrobe***.

DAILY CATHOLIC WISDOM – “As the mother knows the needs better than the babe, so the Blessed Mother understands our cries and worries and knows them better than we know ourselves.” -Ven. Fulton Sheen from his book ***The World’s First Love***

“The devotion to Our Lady is an important element of spiritual life. In our prayers, let us not fail to address her with trust. Mary will not fail to intercede for us with her Son.” -Pope Benedict XVI from his book ***A School of Prayer***

“By the Spirit, Christ is born from the body of his unsullied Mother; by this same Spirit, the Christian is reborn from the womb of holy Church.” -St. Leo the Great quoted in Fr. Luigi

Gambero’s book ***Mary and the Fathers of the Church***

“Mary’s Son came into the world to look for me that I might find the Father. I find Jesus and the Father in the Sacraments, the Mass, in my neighbor. Am I watching for Jesus, wholeheartedly, as Mary was?” -Fr. Patrick Peyton, CSC from ***Father Peyton’s Rosary Prayer Book***

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE remember to sign the Spiritual Bouquet book for Fr. Seth Hostetler! Write if you will pray for him, pray a Hail Mary, offer your communion, pray a rosary, etc. THANKS!

WYOMING COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN’S 68th Convention with the theme “Faith, hope and love remain – the greatest of these is love.” 1 Cor. 13:13. It will be held in Pinedale, WY Friday thru Sunday morning, September 9-11, 2022. Keynote speakers are Danielle Bean, Writer & Speaker and Kitty Cleveland, Musician and Speaker. Fee is \$125. Forms available from Mary Ann Cummins. Please sign up now and reserve a room as they will go fast in that small community! It will be a fantastic convention 😊

WYOMING CATHOLIC MEN’S RETREAT – August 19-21 in Casper at St. Patrick’s Catholic Church Commons. The retreat concentrates on fellowship, music and most importantly growing in your faith. This year’s speaker is Paul George. He has spent over 25 years helping people discover the “art of living” through searching themselves, discovering a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and finding true happiness. Paul currently serves in development for Hospice of Acadiana Foundation, helping families know their dignity in the most vulnerable time of life. He and his wife, Gretchen, also coach engaged and married couples through their nonprofit.

SINGLE AND CATHOLIC? We know about the married and religious vocations, but what about the baptismal vocation we all have? Join us this June for a 4-week online interactive series that will help equip you to more fully discover and effectively live your baptismal vocation! Capacity is limited. Sign up today. For more information and to register visit: <https://nationalcatholicsingles.com/mission-possible-living-your-baptismal-vocation/>