



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-11:30am
Or by Appointment

Religious Education / Meeting

Monday, April 17 – 7pm Rosary in the church

Tuesday, April 18 – 5:30pm Senior Center
appreciation dinner

Wednesday, April 19 – 3:45pm & 5:45pm CCD

Thursday, April 20 – 6:30am Men of St. Joseph
8am Sheridan Deanery CCW meeting

Sunday, April 23 – 3pm Divine Mercy Sunday

Sunday, April 30 – 9am Confirmation Mass

Parish Staff

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| Pastor | <i>Fr. Jim Heiser</i> | 684-7268 |
| Deacon | <i>Jay Garland</i> | |
| Parish Administrator | <i>Mary Ann Cummins</i> | 684-7268 |
| CCW Leader | <i>Nancy Garland</i> | |
| Finance Council Chair | <i>Steve Reimann</i> | |
| Maintenance Technician | <i>Darin Gagliano</i> | |
| K of C Grand Knight | <i>Danny Cosner</i> | |
| Parish Council Chair | <i>Barbara Mueller</i> | |
| Religious Education | <i>Carol Gagliano</i> | |
| Director of Music | <i>Nancy Garland</i> | |
| Ministry | | |
| Corporate Board of Directors | <i>Bishop Steve Biegler, President</i> <i>Very Rev. Carl Gallinger, Vice-P</i> <i>Very Rev. Jim Heiser, Sec & Treas</i> <i>Phil Gonzales, Trustee</i> <i>Sheila Camino, Trustee</i> | |

Baptisms – Please call Fr. Heiser, 684-7268

Marriage – Planning and preparation 6 months in advance- Mentors Jim/Lori Johnson and Jim/Darcie Gampetro

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

Rosary Guild – Thursdays at 8:30am to 10am.

Sacrament of the Sick – After first Sunday Masses or call the Parish Office

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 16, 2023

Liturgical Ministers at Mass:

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 5pm

Lector: Mary Smith

EMHC: Mary Ann Cummins, Volunteer

Altar Servers: Quentin Agyemang, Carson/Kendal Bergstreser

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 9am

Lector: Volunteer

EMHC: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Marianna Gampetro, Will Finkle, Finn Johnson

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK April 9, 2023

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| St. John's | \$ | 7274.75 | YTD\$ | 144,579.51 |
| St. Mary's | \$ | 360.00 | YTD \$ | 2,895.47 |
| St. Hubert's | \$ | 75.00 | YTD \$ | 3,247.00 |
| Poor Donations | \$ | 461.00 | | |
| Online Giving | \$ | | | |

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

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| Sat | 04/15 | 5pm | +Fr. Bob Fox |
| Sun | 04/16 | 9am | Pro Populo |
| | | 2pm | +Fr. Bob Fox |
| Mon | 04/17 | | No Mass |
| Tue | 04/18 | 8am | +Mary Turnipseed |
| Wed | 04/19 | 8am | +Dale Shelton |
| Thu | 04/20 | 8am | +Fr. Bob Fox |
| Fri | 04/21 | 8am | Dixie Gillespie |
| Sat | 04/22 | 5pm | +Pete Davis |
| Sun | 04/23 | 9am | +Deacon Carroll Schell |
| | | 12:30pm | Pro Populo |

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon-Acts of the Apostles 4:23-31; Gospel: John 3:1-8
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 3:31-36
Fri-Acts of the Apostles 5:34-42; Gospel: John 6:1-15
Sat-Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7; Gospel: John 6:16-21

"CHRIST IS RISEN"

"INDEED HE IS RISEN"

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY, Leigh Ann Schimmel with your First Holy Communion and Confirmation!

PRAYERS PLEASE:

Please keep the international priests who are seeking documentation to serve in the Diocese of Cheyenne in your prayers:

Rev. Jacon Madasu, ALCP/OSS (Holy Spirit Father, India)

Rev. Andrea Benso (Diocese of Acqui, Italy) Rev. Diego Barrera (Diocese of Malaga-Soata, Columbia)

Rev. Ariel Pico Rincon (Diocese of Socorro y San Gil, Columbia)

Rev. Edwin Laude (Diocese of San Carlos, Philippines)

Rev. Alberto Santiago (Diocese of Malolos, Philippines)

Rev. David Kiranga (Archdiocese of Nairobi, Kenya)

DAILY CATHOLIC WISDOM – "...mercy is the particular mode of love that leads to action...when this mode of action encounters suffering...we can live mercy by doing something as great as physically going to the disaster area to assist, or we can live mercy by doing something as simple as just praying a short prayer." -Fr. Chris Alar, MIC from his book *Understanding Divine Mercy*

"The Cross is the word through which God has responded to evil in the world. Sometimes it may seem as though God does not react to evil, as if he is silent. And yet, God has spoken, he has replies, and his answer is the Cross of Christ: a word which is love, mercy, forgiveness. It also reveals a judgment, namely that God, in judging us, loves us. Remember this: God, in judging us, loves us. If I embrace his love then I am saved, if I refuse it, then I am condemned, not by him, but my own self, because God never condemns, he only loves and saves." -Pope Francis

"I am love and mercy itself...Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. ...My mercy is grater than your sins,

and those of the entire world. ...I let My Sacred Heart be pierced with a lance, thus opening wide the source of mercy for you. Come then with trust to draw graces from this fountain. ...The graces of My mercy are drawn by the means of one vessel only, and that is trust. The more a soul trusts, the more it will receive." -St. Faustina Kowalska from *Divine Mercy in My Soul*

ATTENTION ALL GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOLS SENIORS! Applications for the James and Matilda Goar Scholarship Program, administered by the Holy Name School Foundation, are available from the church office. The Scholarship is \$4000 per year, up to five years, for a total of \$20,000. The scholarship is available only to Johnson and Sheridan County residents, and is based on economic need, scholastic achievement and involvement in parish and community activities. All applications must be received by May 6, 2023 to the Holy Name School Foundation at PO Box 6611, Sheridan, WY 82801. For further information, please contact Dr. Pat Meehan at 674-7339 or John Rotellini at 752-2742.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP - \$1000 for one year. Applicants must graduate this spring from Buffalo, Kaycee, or Clearmont high schools and must use the scholarship to advance his/her education in a college, university, technical institute, or trade school. Application deadline is May 5, 2023. Applications to the left when entering the back of the church. More details listed on the form.

BUFFALO SENIOR CENTER VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER on April 18 at 5:30pm. To all of you who generously give your time and effort to make our center great! Please come for soup, salads, and bread on us. We will be raffling off prizes to celebrate you!

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER - God loves us even when we, like Didymus, stumble and doubt. As humans, we are bound to hurt each other. The Marriage Encounter Experience gives couples the tools to understand and move beyond and heal those hurts. There is no greater way to experience God's mercy than through the forgiveness and

love of your spouse. Trust in goodness and merciful love of your spouse and experience resurrected life in your relationship. Upcoming Weekend dates are Elk Mountain Historic Hotel April 21-23; Malta, MT June 9-11; and The Ranch at Ucross, Nov. 3-5. Apply today by calling 307-215-9444 or visit the website: wwme.org

DONATIONS to the renovation at St. Hubert's Catholic Church in Kaycee, can be made through The St. John the Baptist Church Foundation, if you are so willing. Thanks in advance!

SHERIDAN DEANERY SPRING CCW meeting will be at St. John's, ladies, on Thursday, April 20. Plan now to attend! Mass at 8am begins the day. Registration will follow in the parish hall at 8:30am. A "sweets" brunch will precede the meeting at 9am. Guest speaker will be Genevieve Mougey from the Diocesan Office of Catholic Charities. Lunch will be catered by The Foodie Chic and will be \$13 at registration. A rosary will be prayed for Deacon Carroll Schell, Advisor to WCCW, who died last week. The day shall conclude around 2:30pm. Please come. Sheridan Deanery President Valerie Spanos will be in charge of the day. We need your RSVP soon!

THE WISDOM OF THE SAINTS - "Nothing great is ever achieved without enduring much." -St. Catherine of Siena

"Suffering is a great grace; through suffering the soul becomes like the Savior; in suffering love becomes crystallized; the greater the suffering, the purer the love." -St. Faustina

"Let us not forget that Jesus not only suffered, but also rose in glory; so, too, we go to the glory of the Resurrection by way of suffering and the Cross." -St. Maximilian Kolbe

CCW PRESIDENT – seeking a volunteer for a new officer in this position. Jenn Schroefel will continue as Secretary and Suzi Kirvinskee will continue as Treasurer. Please call the parish office if you are willing to assume this post.

St. John the Baptist CCW will be sending \$1000 for Mary's Fund (most of it from the Fish Fry pie sale!) from our parish ladies which will go to the Ukrainian assistance through Cross Catholic International. Thanks to all who contributed 😊

Survivors of Suicide Loss, a support group, will meet the 3rd Thursday of the month in Buffalo at 6:30pm. Call for the current location, 307-684-5828. For more information contact lorraine@thepinescounseling. Our parishioner Lorraine Steppe, thank you for this!

INFORMATION MEETING on Wednesday, April 19 for the United 4 Ukraine Presentation: The Welcome Circle Program. Anyone interested in knowing more about the Ukrainian war refugee Program, please come. Parish hall at 6pm. Genevieve Mougey will be here for the presentation with technology connections to those involved at the USCCB.

CONFIRMATION CLASS PRACTICE WITH SPONSORS will take place on Wednesday, April 26 at 5:45pm in the church. Mandatory presence at this practice! Sunday, April 30 Confirmation candidates will meet in the parish hall at 8am with Bishop Steven. Please be on time!

REST IN PEACE, Betty Willoughby and Elizabeth Shassetz. May God grant you Eternal Rest!

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION GIFTS available at the Prescription Shop. They have a display set up for you 😊

"Dear brothers and sisters, this is how God's hope germinates. It is born and reborn in the black holes of our disappointed expectations – and hope, true hope, instead, never disappoints. Let us think precisely about the cross: out of the most terrible instrument of torture, God wrought the greatest sign of his love. Having become the tree of life, that wood of death reminds us that God's beginnings often begin with our ends. Thus, he loves to

work wonders. So today, *let us look at the tree of the cross so that hope might germinate in us* – that everyday virtue, that silent, humble virtue, but also that virtue that keeps us on our feet, that helps us move forward. It is not possible to live without hope. Let us think: Where is my hope? Today, *let us look at the tree of the cross so that hope might germinate in us...that we might be healed of our sadness.*"

Pope Francis

"Let us think of the women of the Gospel: there was the sealed stone and despite this, they go to the tomb; there was an entire city that had seen Jesus on the cross and nevertheless they go to the city to announce that he is alive. Dear brothers and sisters, when one encounters Jesus, no obstacle can prevent us from proclaiming him. If instead we keep his joy for ourselves, perhaps it is because we have not yet truly encountered him.

Brothers, sisters, before the women's experience we ask ourselves: tell me, when was the last time you bore witness to Jesus? When was the last time I bore witness to Jesus? Today, what shall I do so that the people I meet receive the joy of his proclamation? And again: can someone say: this person is serene, happy, good, because he has met Jesus? Can this be said of every one of us? Let us ask Our Lady to help us be joyful proclaimers of the Gospel."

Pope Francis