



# St. John the Baptist Church

St. Mary Church – Clearmont  
St. Hubert Church – Kaycee

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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

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 12:30pm

## St. Hubert Church, Kaycee

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 2:00pm

**Confessions** Saturday 11:00am-11:30am  
Or by Appointment

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

**Eucharistic Adoration** - Fridays from 8:30-9:30am

**Respect Life Holy Hour** – last Monday of each  
month

## Religious Education / Meeting

Sunday, May 12 – HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Monday, May 13 – 7pm Rosary in the church

Wednesday, May 15 – LAST 3:45pm & 5:45pm  
CCD classes

Thursday, May 16 – 6:30am Men of St.  
Joseph

Sunday, May 19 – 9am Graduate Mass

Tuesday, May 28 – 5pm Finance Council mtg.  
6:30pm Knights' mtg.

Wednesday, May 29 – 6pm Mary's Daughters'  
celebration

Thursday, May 30 – 5pm Parish Council mtg.

## Parish Staff

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>Mary Smith</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>	
Corporate Board of Directors	<i>Bishop Steve Biegler, President</i> <i>Very Rev. Carl Gallinger, Vice-P</i> <i>Very Rev. Jim Heiser, Sec &amp; Treas</i> <i>Phil Gonzales, Trustee</i> <i>Julie Snyder, Trustee</i>	

**Baptisms** – Please call Fr. Heiser, 684-7268

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

**Prayer line Requests** –Jan Edgcomb –  
[jmpe@wyoming.com](mailto:jmpe@wyoming.com) or Honey Harriet, 620-1890

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

**ASCENSION SUNDAY**  
**MAY 12, 2024**

**Liturgical Ministers at Mass:**

**SATURDAY, May 18, 5pm**

Lector: Janelle Gonzales

EMHC: Phil Gonzales, Volunteer

Altar Server: Rick Andersen

**SUNDAY, May 19, 9am**

Lector: Mary Ann Cummins

EMHC: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Gio/Marco/Milan Monterastelli

**COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK May 5, 2024**

St. John's	\$	4,136.78	YTD\$	176,544.99
St. Mary's	\$	10.00	YTD \$	5,125.25
St. Hubert's	\$	355.00	YTD \$	4,298.00
Poor Donations	\$	520.00		
Online Giving	\$			

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:**

Sat	5/11	5pm	A&A Ridgeway, Blessings
Sun	5/12	8am	+Helen Siegoski
		12:30p	Pro Populo
Mon	5/13		No Mass
Tue	5/14	8am	Fr. William Smith
Wed	5/15	8am	+Sr. Regina Arnold
Thu	5/16	8am	+Nancy Lee Beattie
Fri	5/17	8am	+Doug Stewart
Sat	5/18	5pm	+Wilma Goehring
Sun	5/19	9am	Second Graders
		2pm	Pro Populo

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

Mon-Acts of the Apostles 19:1-8; Gospel: John 16:29-33

Tue-Acts of the Apostles 1:15-17, 20-26; Gospel: John 15:9-17 *Saint Matthias, Apostle*

Wed-Acts of the Apostles 20:28-38; Gospel: John 17:11b-19

Thu-Acts of the Apostles 22:30; 23:6-11; Gospel: John 17:20-26

Fri-Acts of the Apostles 25:13b-21; Gospel: John 21:15-19

Sat-Acts of the Apostles 28:16-20, 30-31; Gospel: John 21:20-25

**CONGRATULATIONS to *Isaac Finkle* on his First Communion & Confirmation!**

***"CHRIST IS RISEN!  
INDEED, HE IS RISEN!"***

**CCW MARY'S DAUGHTERS BANQUET** will be held Thursday, May 16 at 6pm. We honor the newest mothers of the year and our "over 90" mothers. Appetizers & sweets to honor our newest mothers of the past year: Mika Haines, Evon Carr, Katie Daniels, Melissa Shafer, Laura Foster and Nichole Lange. Please bring diapers or wipes for a year old to a newborn, 2 weeks! AND our oldest moms over 90: Mary Louise Arambel, Virginia Rockett, Eileen Nelson, Rosie Ibarra. Others?

**SUNDAY, MAY 19** is Graduation for our Buffalo graduates. We will celebrate these youth and Kaycee & Clearmont youth at the 9am Mass that day. Our Catholic graduates are Jake Urruty, Kaitlyn Painter, Lance Rabel, Hannah Southerland, Cam Johnson, Hazen Camino, Bryce Camino, Kieran Murray, Briley Farris, Olivia Maertens.

**Cemetery Used Silk Flowers- Memorial Day is May 27th.** please upcycle your used silk flowers from the Cemetery, in the receptacle at the log building as you enter the Cemetery. The Rosary Guild will begin cleaning and painting them, to make them beautiful again. Donations of spray paint all bright colors is welcome. A spiritual and corporal work of mercy from the Rosary Guild.

**OUR LADY OF PEACE SHRINE**, Pine Bluffs, celebrates the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilgrimage on Saturday, June 8, 2024. Stations of the Cross at 9am followed by Mass at 10am with Fr. August. Hamburgers & Hot Dogs will be served after Mass.

**CCD** classes end on Wednesday, May 15!  
**VBS** is June 3-7 each morning, 9 to noon.

**TOTUS TUUS** is for both young people, grades K-6<sup>th</sup> (9am to 3pm) and middle school/high school youth, grades 7-12 (6:30pm to 8:45pm) on June 24-28. College students teach through Scripture, skits, Mass each day, Adoration and music. Registration forms are available in the entrance of the church. Meals for the teachers will need to be provided by parishioners for

their lunch & for dinner (at your home or bring to the hall). Homes for males & females are needed (1 female home) (1 male home). Please contact Katie Farris, 620-0945 if you can help. This is a FUN and EDUCATIONAL Catholic experience for your kids.

**THANK YOU** to **Doug Graslie** for helping with the Centennial Trail clean-up ☺

**DAILY CATHOLIC WISDOM** – “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*

**CONGRATULATIONS** to **Coy Johnson** on his earning a trip to the College National Finals Rodeo!

**ATTENTION LADIES, SAVE THE DATE!**

Wyoming Council of Catholic Women 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention and Retreat

**WHEN:** September 13, 14, 15 (Friday-Sunday)

**WHERE:** Best Western Downtown Casper, WY AND Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church  
Join us for fellowship and inspiration, along with raffles, silent and live auctions!

**GUEST SPEAKERS:** Bishop Steven Biegler, VaLimar Jansen, Angela Copenhagen

The “**STUFF THE BUS**” food drive sponsored by The Buffalo Senior Center will be held on Saturday, May 18 from 9am to 2pm. The Buffalo Area Transit System (BATS) will have their large bus parked at Lynn’s Superfoods and we will be asking for donations of nonperishable food items to load on the bus. Our first “STUFF THE BUS” was held last fall at DJ’s Grocery and brought in almost 1000 pounds of food. We are challenging everyone to help us beat that amount. For each donation, you will receive a free BATS ride ticket and other prizes will be handed out throughout the event.

**THE MEXICO PILGRIMAGE AND SERVICE TRIP** is back! Planned for August 2025, this pilgrimage is open to students in high school during the 2024-2025 year. For more information email [tmeuer@dcwy.org](mailto:tmeuer@dcwy.org)

**DAILY CATHOLIC WISDOM** – “Above all, during the months immediately preceding the birth of her child, the mother should keep close to God, of whom the infant she bears within her is the image, the handiwork, the gift, and the child. She should be for her offspring, as it were, a temple, a sanctuary, an altar, a tabernacle. In short, her life should be, so to speak, the life of a living sacrament, a sacrament in act, burying herself in the bosom of that God who has so truly instituted it and hallowed it, so that there she may draw that energy, that enlightening, that natural and supernatural beauty which He wills, and wills precisely by her means, to impart to the child she bears and to be born of her.” – St. Zelig Guerin Martin

“All creation is an extravagant gift, a love song, a work of poetry from a God madly in love with us.” eCatholic Novenas from *A Rushing Wind: A Novena With The Holy Spirit*

**WYATT OLIVAS**, Synod youth rep from Cheyenne (youngest person at the Synod last fall) says ...” we feel the prayers, but we are feeling the decline in people praying for the SYNOD.” So please keep praying for the Synod which will meet again in the fall in Rome. And pray for Wyatt, voice of youth!

**"Often, we struggle to have free time, but today Jesus invites us to find the time that frees: the time to dedicate to God, that lightens and heals our hearts, that increases peace, confidence and joy in us, that saves us from evil, loneliness and loss of meaning. It is worth it, because it is good to be with the Lord, to make room for him. Where? At Mass, in listening to the Word, in prayer and also in charity, because by helping those who are weak or poor, by spending time with those who are lonely, by listening to those who ask for**

**attention, by consoling those who suffer, one is with the Lord, who is present in those in need.” – Pope Francis**

### **HELP US TO LOVE LIKE THE GOOD**

**SAMARITAN** (prayer inspired by Fratelli Tutti, nos. 64, 67, 70)

Lord Jesus,

You teach us in your parable that there are two kinds of people – those who bend down to help and those who look the other way. Which kind of people will we be?

We say, “Yes, Lord, I will love you and love my neighbor.”

But then we ask:

The migrant...is she my neighbor?

Those in poverty...are they my neighbors?

Victims of war across the world...are they neighbors?

One who faces racism...is he my neighbor?

Those disabled or elderly...are they my neighbors?

You remind us: *Yes. All of us neighbors.*

Show us how to love, Lord.

May we open our eyes.

May we emerge from our comfortable isolation.

May we build a world of compassion and dignity.

Lord Jesus, who was neighbor to all,

Help us to persevere in love.

Help us to restore dignity to the suffering.

Help us to build a society based not on exclusion, but on community.

Amen.

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## **A theological virtue**

Christians realize that hope does not come from their own merit, Pope Francis said. “If they believe in the future, it is because Christ died and rose again and gave us His Spirit.” He explained that hope is a “theological” virtue precisely because “it does not emanate from us... but is a gift that comes directly from God.” Quoting a famous passage from St Paul – “If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins” – the Pope contrasted faith and disbelief: “if you believe in the Resurrection of Christ, then you know with certainty that no defeat and no death is forever. But if you do not believe in the Resurrection of Christ, then everything becomes hollow, even the preaching of the Apostles.”

Pope Francis went on to warn against sins against hope, including “bad nostalgia” for the happiness of the past and despair for our sins, when we forget that “God is merciful and greater than our hearts.”

“Thank you, women who are mothers!

You have sheltered human beings within

yourselves in a unique experience of joy

and travail. This experience makes you

become God’s own smile upon the

newborn child, the one who guides your

child’s first steps, who helps it to grow,

and who is the anchor as the child makes

its way along the journey of life.”

**–Pope St. John Paul II**  
from his *Letter to Women*