



# St. John the Baptist Catholic 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, 5 PM  
Daily Mass M-Th 8:00 AM  
Holy Days  
    Anticipatory 6:00 PM  
    Day of... 8:00 AM, 6 PM

## St. Mary Church, Clearmont

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 1:00pm

## St. Hubert Church, Kaycee

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

**Confessions** Saturday 3pm-4:30pm  
Or by Appointment

## Religious Education / Meeting

Sunday, April 20 – 9am & 11am Mass

Monday, April 21 - 7pm Rosary

Wednesday, April 23 – 3:45pm/5:45pm CCD  
Confirmation class

Thursday, April 24 – 6:30am Men of St. Joseph

Saturday, April 26 – 5pm Mass

Sunday, April 27 – 9am Mass  
1pm Mass, Clearmont  
3pm Divine Mercy Hour  
4:30pm Rosary  
5pm Mass

Tuesday, April 29 – 5:15pm Finance Council

Sunday, May 4 – 9am Mass / Confirmation

Sunday, May 11 – 9am Mass / First Communion

Sunday, May 18 – 9am Mass / Graduates

## Parish Staff

Pastor	<i>Fr. Bryce Lungren</i>	684-7268
Deacon	<i>Jay Garland</i>	
Parish Administrator	<i>Mary Ann Cummins</i>	684-7268
CCW Leader	<i>Vacant</i>	
Finance Council Chair	<i>Steve Reimann</i>	
Maintenance Technician	<i>Darin Gagliano</i>	
K of C Grand Knight	<i>Bob Fox</i>	
Parish Council Chair	<i>Barbara Mueller</i>	
Religious Education	<i>Carol Gagliano</i>	
Music Ministry	<i>Vacant</i>	
Corporate Board of Directors	<i>Bishop Steve Biegler, President</i> <i>Very Rev. Carl Gallinger, Vice-P</i> <i>Rev. Bryce Lungren, Sec &amp; Treas</i> <i>Phil Gonzales, Lay Director</i> <i>Julie Snyder, Lay Director</i>	

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

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

**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.

**Sacrament of the Sick** – Call the Parish Office

## **EASTER SUNDAY**

**APRIL 20, 2025**

**Liturgical Ministers at Mass:**

**EASTER VIGIL, APRIL 19, 8:30pm**

Lectors: MA Cummins, Suzi Kirvinskee, Janelle Gonzales, Donna Nelson, Gene Gagliano  
EMHC: Vexie Reimann, Phil Gonzales  
Altar Servers: Volunteers

**EASTER, APRIL 20, 9am**

Lector: Mike Herth  
EMHC: Mike/Marcie Scarlett  
Altar Servers: Redic/Trajten Mader

**EASTER, APRIL 20, 11am**

Lector: Gene Gagliano  
EMHC: Volunteers  
Altar Servers: Volunteers

**SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 5pm**

Lector: Blaine Horn  
EMHC: Mary Ann Cummins, E Miura  
Altar Server: Volunteer

**SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 9am**

Lector: Judy Wigginton  
EMHC: Carleen Cosner, Jennifer Schroefel  
Altar Servers: Redic/Trajten Mader

## **COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK April 13, 2025**

St. John's	\$ 3,858.15	YTD \$ 146,017.57
St. Mary's	\$ 160.50	YTD \$ 2,811.82
St. Hubert's	\$ 70.00	YTD \$ 4,130.80
Poor Donations	\$ 776.00	

## **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:**

Sat	4/19	8:30pm	+Dick/Barb Semroska
Sun	4/20	9am	Pro Populo
		11am	Intention of the Donor
Mon	4/21	8am	Fr. Bryce
Tue	4/22	8am	+Joe Oertli
Wed	4/23	8am	+Vyonne Kraen
		5:15p	Sam Bramley Family
Thu	4/24	8am	Nancy Gillespie
Fri	4/25	8am	LWHC
		8:30a	Eucharistic Adoration
Sat	4/26	5pm	Fr. Clement
Sun	4/27	9am	Pro Populo
		1pm	Intention of the Donor
		5pm	Ian Welles Family

## **READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

Mon-Acts of the Apostles 4:21-31; Gospel: John 3:1-8  
Tue-Acts of the Apostles 4:32-37; Gospel: John 3:7b-15  
*Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor*  
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  
*Saint Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor*  
Sat-1 Corinthians 15:1-8; Gospel: John 14:6-14  
*Saints Philip & James, Apostles*

## **DIVINE MERCY HOUR Sunday, April 27, at 3pm.**

**The Rosary Guild** invites you to join them in praying the Divine Mercy Novena at the following times at St. John the Baptist:

April 18 Good Friday at 12 noon  
April 19 Holy Saturday at 12 noon  
April 20 Easter Sunday at 12:15am after 11am Mass  
April 21 Easter Monday at 8:30am after Mass & 7pm  
April 22 Easter Tuesday at 8:30am after Mass  
April 23 Easter Wednesday at 8:30am after Mass  
April 24 Easter Thursday at 8:30am after Mass  
April 25 Easter Friday at 8:30am after LWHC  
April 26 Easter Saturday at 12noon  
April 27 Divine Mercy Sunday 3pm Holy Hour of Mercy. A day of great grace.

Divine Mercy Rosaries, Pocket Chaplets, blessed by Father Bryce Lungren, the Chaplet, Novena pamphlets and images, are all available in the vestibule from the Rosary Guild. Donations are welcomed.

**THANK YOU to Renee Tiller & Janice Donahue** for the youth meal this week 😊

You and a guest are invited to a **VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON** on April 26 at noon. St. Luke's Episcopal Church – Onderdonk Hall. For info: call or text 307-217-2269. Attention Meals-on-Wheels volunteers!

**The first 3 Sundays in May** are busy with sacraments and graduates. Note the Sunday 9am Masses will be full – Sunday, May 4 is Confirmation with Bishop Steven; Sunday, May 11 is First Communion; and Sunday, May 18 will honor our Catholic Graduates.

## **A Jubilee Minute: A Year to Restore Relationships**

*This week's Reflection on the 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope by Deacon Jay Garland*

I encourage all parishioners to read Bishop Steven Biegler's excellent article in the April edition of the ***Wyoming Catholic Register***. Our bishop goes to the heart of the matter when he answers the question, "What is the purpose of the Jubilee Year? To seek perfect conversion." I have listed a couple of excerpts below from his article but please do read the bishop's entire column which goes into detail on granting an indulgence during the Jubilee Year 2025.

"What is the purpose of the Jubilee Year? To seek perfect conversion. Mature conversion includes three levels of transformation that advance sequentially. First, we turn to God and open our hearts to receive mercy; next we turn away from sin, which harms our relationships with God and others; finally, we turn toward others and bestow God's mercy on them. In essence, the Jubilee Year is meant to restore relationships, to put us into right relationship with God and our neighbor."

"During the Holy Year, we are called to be tangible signs of hope for those of our brothers and sisters who experience hardships" (Spes Non Confundit, 10). So, the Indulgence is linked to works of mercy, which bear witness to conversion. The faithful will be blessed with the Jubilee Indulgence if they visit their brothers and sisters in need (the sick, prisoners, lonely elderly people, or disabled people), making a pilgrimage to Christ present in them (Mt. 25:31-46)."

"The faithful will be blessed with the Jubilee Indulgence by practicing penance in a concrete and generous way. The penitential nature of Friday can be revived through abstaining from futile distractions (e.g., the use of the media or social networks), from superfluous consumption (e.g., fasting or abstinence) and by donating a proportionate sum of money to the poor; by supporting works of a religious or social nature, especially in support of the protection of life in all its phases, and by supporting the quality of life of abandoned children, young people in difficulty, the needy or lonely elderly people, or migrants."

**FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING** on Tuesday, April 29 at 5:15pm

**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped clean and freshen the church for the Easter celebrations!

**CAN TRAILER** in parking lot next to shed. Please note this!

“An hour of holding a crucifix in one’s hands invites a recognition that God himself was nailed to a Roman cross. No one can submerge his soul deeply in this thought and remain the same. A hunger for knowing Christ crucified as God himself suffering the Passion may suddenly awaken before that hour concludes.”

—Fr. Donald Haggerty

from his book, *The Hour of Testing: Spiritual Depth and Insight in a Time of Ecclesial Uncertainty*

## FROM THE PASTOR:

Why is Easter on a different date each year? That's because of the moon. Going back to the Jewish calendar for the Passover feast, the date of Easter is selected as the *First Sunday after the first full moon of the spring equinox*. That's a mouthful. Basically, the Sunday after the first full moon after March 21<sup>st</sup> or so.

Makes sense. I find that stuff fascinating. There is such logic and beauty in the way the Liturgical calendar coincides with our normal calendar. In fact, I find that the fluctuating date adds a variety to how the season of Lent and Easter is celebrated each year. Keeps us from getting stuck in a rut.

We have just completed the season of Lent, are entering the graced season of Easter. In between those seasons is what we call Holy Week, and in particular, the Sacred Triduum. *The sacred what?* Triduum.

Triduum is a Latin word that refers basically to one celebration that is celebrated over three days. For us, it refers to the feasts of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil/Holy Saturday. Liturgically speaking, these are not three separate celebrations, but one Paschal mystery spread out over three days. In fact, we make the sign of the cross to start Holy Thursday and we don't make it again until the final blessing of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night (Easter Vigil is basically Easter Sunday celebrated the evening before, kind of like Christmas Eve).

After that, let the fun begin! Lent is 40 days. Easter is 50, and then some! Easter day is celebrated for an Octave (eight days). Then begins the Easter season. The first 40 days, which mark the 40 days when our Risen Lord walked with the disciples once again, goes until Ascension Thursday, when Jesus ascends back to Heaven, body and soul. Usually, this feast is transferred to the following Sunday.

After the feast of the Ascension, we wait 10 days until the feast of Pentecost Sunday, the coming of the Holy Spirit. Chapter 2 of the Acts of the Apostles mentions the coming of the

Holy Spirit upon Mary and the Apostles after the Jewish feast of Pentecost. Pentecost meaning 50 days after the feast of the Passover.

Pentecost concludes the Easter season and returns us back to Ordinary Time. However, there are some transitional feasts to be celebrated in the meantime. The first Friday after Pentecost is the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (the day I was ordained a priest). And that following Saturday is the feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The first Sunday after Pentecost is the Feast of the Holy Trinity. The Sunday after that is the always the feast of Corpus Christi (Body of Christ). And this year, the third Sunday just happens to be June 29<sup>th</sup>, the feast of Saints Peter and Paul! We Catholics fast hard and feast hard!

Keep up the Good work. In the spiritual life, we never want to let off the gas. Following Jesus is an adventure that never gets old. The seasonal calendar of the Church ensures that we not get bored. If we engage it correctly, our walk with Christ always stays fresh.

Happy Easter

