



## SAINT ANTHONY

*Our Mission: May Christ's grace renew us to exercise His gifts. (see Rom 12:4-6)*

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### Holy Mass

Saturday Vigil .....5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday.....7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m.  
 Domingo (en Español).....12:00 p.m.  
 Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri.....12:00 p.m.  
 Tue.....5:30 p.m.  
 Saturday.....8:00 a.m.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday.....3:30 p.m.  
 and 30 minutes before scheduled Masses

### First Friday—Eucharistic Exposition



## SACRED HEART

Physical Address: 621 Logan St., Peetz, CO

### Eucharistic Celebrations:

1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday .....8:00 a.m.  
 2nd and 4th Sunday.....10:00 a.m.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday .....7:30 a.m.



## SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA

Physical Address: 111 S. 5th St., Iliff, CO

### Eucharistic Celebrations:

1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday.....10:00 a.m.  
 2nd and 4th Sunday .....8:00 a.m.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

2nd and 4th Sunday .....7:30 a.m.

# October 29, 2023 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## The Month of November in the Church

I can't speak for other faiths, but I can and will speak boldly about our Catholic faith even if what I say sounds strange to some ears. That being said, one of the strengths of our faith, one thing that some might see as odd, is her reminding us of a most important truth, reminding us of our mortality, both in the Bible readings at Mass and on our calendar, for example, Ash Wednesday.

This week we enter the last month in our Church calendar, with the new year, Advent, arriving on Sunday, December 3. Coming to an end of a period of time, one Church year, the Church takes this opportunity, the month of November, to remind us to pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory and to remind us of the Four Last Things.

### Praying for the Holy Souls - on the Existence of Purgatory

The Church teaches us in the Catechism, in #1030:

*All who die in God's grace and friendship, but **still imperfectly purified**, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.* It's a process of final purification, not a second chance to repent.

All the Holy Souls are assured of their salvation. They died with no mortal sins on their souls and will spend eternity in Our Lord's kingdom. However, those souls are in need of further cleansing, *...nothing unclean will enter Heaven* (Rev. 21:27), zero flaws. We can help them attain Heaven asap with our prayers, almsgiving, and acts of penance (#1032). Praying for the repose of the Holy Souls is one of the 7 Spiritual Works of Mercy. "Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them."  
 -St. John Chrysostom, (347-407 AD) <--- proof that this is an ancient teaching of the Church

### Recalling the Reality of the Four Last Things

Speaking for myself and for others, there have been times in my life when I was so caught up in worldly, fleeting pursuits that I failed to remember that our life on earth is very short, compared to eternity, and we will have to give account of our lives. Since this failure to remember is not at all unheard of, the Church, out of concern for our immortal souls, for our eternal destination, takes this opportunity near the tail end of the Church year to remind us of what awaits every person in the, admit it, not-too-distant future, Four Last Things: Death, Judgment, Heaven, Hell. Every person who has lived or will live will experience three of these four: 1) death (good heavens, even atheists acknowledge this), 2) judgment by Our Lord Jesus, 3) eternity either in Heaven or in Hell. I suspect that some will deny this teaching, and attempt to ignore it. However, the desire to live resides in every person's heart. *He has put the timeless into their hearts.* (Ecclesiastes 3:11) So, where do we go with that reality? The only sensible answer to that is "to Jesus."

Jesus Himself reminds us of the Four Last Things in several places in the Gospels, especially in Matthew 25. This chapter will be proclaimed on the last three Sundays in November. One quick sample from Our Lord Himself: *Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour* (Mt. 25:13).

-Fr. Michael

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

### Sunday, October 29

#### THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Ex 22:20-26 / 1 Thes 1:5c-10 / Mt 22:34-40**

*Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians*

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Audrey Brekel**  
8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass **Marcine Owens**  
9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Ron Weingardt**  
10:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass **+Albert & +Marge Zink**  
12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp.Mass **Parishioners of all 3 parishes**

### Monday, October 30 Rom 8:12-17 / Lk 13:10-17

*Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians*

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Marilyn Gerk**

### Tuesday, October 31 Rom 8:18-25 / Lk 13:18-21

*Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Theology Seminarians*

5:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Hours – Associates of the Sisters of  
St. Francis-All welcome (lift door - Parish Center)  
12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Richard Wolfe**  
6:00 p.m. St. Catherine All Saints' Mass **Special Intentions**

### Wednesday, November 1 ALL SAINTS' DAY Office Closed

**Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 / 1 Jn 3:1-3 / Mt 5:1-12a**

*Vocational Intention - 3rd & 4th Year Theology Seminarians*

9:00 a.m. Legion of Mary (lift door - Parish Center)  
12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **Special Intentions**  
5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **Special Intentions**  
6:00 p.m. Sacred Heart Mass **Special Intentions**  
7:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp.Mass **Special Intentions**

### Thursday, November 2 ALL SOULS' DAY

**The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**

**Wis 3:1-9 / Rom 6:3-9 / Jn 6:37-40**

*Vocation Intention – Vocations Ministry*

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **Special Intentions**

### Friday, November 3 Rom 9:1-5 / Lk 14:1-6

*Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians*

10:00 a.m. Devonshire Mass Presiding Priest's Intentions  
12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **+John Wernsman**

### Saturday, November 4 Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29 / Lk 14:1, 7-11

**St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop**

*Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarians*

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Rosalie Benavidez**  
5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Marilyn Gerk**

### Sunday, November 5

#### THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Mal 1:14b–2:2b, 8-10 / 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13 / Mt 23:1-12**

*Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians*

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Clinton, +Lucille, +Connie, &  
+Joni Armstrong**  
8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass **+Joanne Devie**  
9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Frank Mari**  
10:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass **+Steve Breidenbach**  
12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp.Mass **Parishioners of all 3 parishes**

#### Parish Office Hours:

Monday through Friday 8:00 am – Noon, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
CLOSED FOR LUNCH FROM 12:00 pm UNTIL 1:00 pm  
Phone number (970)522-6422



St. Raphael Counseling provides clinical counseling for individuals, children, teens, couples and families. Our office is located at St. Anthony's Parish Center in Sterling. Please call Dr. Dianna Haas, LPC at (970)520-9697 to schedule an appointment.

**Baptism:** Baptism forms are available online at our website: [saintanthonyssterling.org](http://saintanthonyssterling.org). Please complete all forms, including the godparent forms, and return them to the parish office.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Notify the Parish office eight months in advance of proposed marriage date to allow for adequate preparation.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please notify the Parish office if someone is ill, homebound, or in need of the sacrament.

**Quinceañera Ministry:** Please call Caroline Lopez 970-522-9438 for any questions or interest in celebration. Notify at least one year in advance of proposed date for adequate preparation.



#### St. Anthony Pastoral Council Members:

Eddie Baughman, Cyler Beeson, Mike Ehrmann,  
Bernice Reed, Mark Unrein, and Bobbi Zen.

**St. Anthony Finance Council Members:** Greg Etl, Dan Helgoth,  
Ron Marostica, Kristin Nichols, and Adam Rose.



### St. Anthony of Padua, Sterling

**Last week's collection: \$4,290.00**

**Maintenance collection: \$ 10.00**

We ask that you **PLEASE** use a separate check for Maintenance donations because those contributions go into a different bank account. Thank you.

#### Let us remember these sick and suffering:

Marijayne Fehringer, Rose Shank, Marcine Owens, John Loos,  
Traudi Torres, Paul Schiel, Barbara Dread, Tony Skrdlant,

To add someone to the prayer list please contact the parish office during regular business hours at (970)522-6422. Names will remain on the list a minimum of two weeks.

#### PLEASE NOTE

Weekday Mass at St. Anthony for  
**Tuesday, October 31 will be at noon  
instead of 5:30 pm. This Mass does**

**NOT fulfill** our All Saints' Day obligation because it is celebrated before 4:00 pm.



**St. Catherine, Tuesday, October 31 at 6:00 pm**

**St. Anthony, Wednesday, November 1**

Noon -- 5:00 pm -- 7:00 pm (Spanish)

**Sacred Heart, Wednesday, November 1 at 6:00 pm**



**The parish office will be closed Wednesday, November 1, in honor of All Saints' Day. We will open again Thursday, November 2, at 8:00 am.**



#### Just a reminder for Noodle Makers

We will start making noodles Thursday, November 2, at 8:00 am, in Hagus Hall. If you have a noodle maker, please bring it with you. Parishioners, we are still in need of flour. Please bring your donation to the parish office before November 2.



If you would like to contribute to the silent auction, we are asking for New, Like-New, and Homemade items, as well as gift cards from local shops. Please have your items to the parish office by Friday, November 3. For questions, call Janelle Ncolaus (970) 580-7054 or Amber Beeson (719) 350-0884.



#### Eucharistic Adoration

Join us with an hour of your time in adoration of Our Lord Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Adoration begins after noon Mass Friday, November 3, & ends with the start of 8:00 am Mass Saturday, November 4. Sign up sheet is located at the back of the church.



#### ST. ANTHONY'S 89TH ANNUAL BAZAAR

Starting Saturday, November 4 at 6:00 pm, Chili & Chicken soup supper, Dessert Auction, & Silent auction. Sunday, November 5 at 10:00 am, Bingo, booths open, Spaghetti dinner take outs available, 11:00 am, Spaghetti Dinner in cafeteria, 2:00 pm, Ticket Drawing for prizes (need not be present to win) Tickets for Saturday supper, Sunday dinner, & prize drawing available in the parish office by Friday, November 3, 4:00 pm, or at the door.



**Daylight Savings Time ends November 5, at 2:00 am. Remember to set your clocks back 1 hour before you go to bed.**



Please join us for a Holy Hour & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Sunday, November 5, at 3:00 pm, in Saint Anthony's.



Catholic Daughters will meet at 6:00 pm on Monday, November 6, at the KC Hall. We will hold our Memorial Service.

### St. Catherine of Siena, Iliff

[www.saintcatherinesiliff.org](http://www.saintcatherinesiliff.org)



Last Sunday's collection: \$614.00

### Tuesday, October 31, 6:00 pm

#### All Saints' Mass

**Sacristans – Luecks**

**Lector – Pam**

**Servers – Austin, Ethan, Tayten**

**EMHC\*- Brenda, Nick, and Tom**

**Gift Bearers – Jim and Peggy Lueck**

### Sunday, November 5, 2023 10:00 am

**Sacristans – Husses**

**Lector – Alan**

**Servers – Aly, Joey, and Taylor**

**EMHC\*- Jonna, Naomi, and Peggy**

**Gift Bearers – Nick and Sarah Lueck Family**

*Coffee and Rolls 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month, after Mass*  
St. Catherine Finance Council: Randy Gerk, Tom Huss, Sarah Lueck  
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### Sacred Heart, Peetz

[www.sacredheartpeetz.org](http://www.sacredheartpeetz.org)



Last Sunday's collection: \$990.00

### Wednesday, November 1, 6:00 pm

#### All Saints' Mass

**EMHC\* - Volunteers**

**Sacristan – Volunteer**

**Lector – Volunteer**

**Servers – Volunteers**

**Greeters & Offertory - Volunteers**

### Sunday, November 5, 2023 8:00 am

#### Coffee and Donuts after Mass

**EMHC\* -**

**Sacristan – Mary**

**Lector – Religious Ed. Students**

**Servers – Conner Jordan, Luke Uhlir, Dru Weimer**

**Greeters & Offertory – Religious Ed. Students**

*Coffee and Donuts 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month, after Mass*

*Church Potluck 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month, after Mass*

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