

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:



SACRED HEART

Physical Address: 621 Logan St., Peetz, CO

Eucharistic Celebrations:

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday7:30 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 Sunday8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

2nd and 4th Sunday7:30 a.m.

October 8, 2023 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Bride, a Ring, the Bridegroom

On the bulletin front of October 1, we were reminded of St. Francis' well-ordered priorities. Although he did have a great love for creation, "Brother Sun, Sister Moon, etc.," St. Francis loved God more than he loved creation. The giver of a gift is always more important than the gift itself.

St. Augustine lived centuries before St. Francis. It wouldn't surprise me at all if St. Francis had read St. Augustine's "Homily 2 on the First Epistle of John." St. Francis echoes a theme found in St. Augustine's piece, put God first.

In the following passage from his "Homily 2 on the First Epistle of John," St. Augustine paints a clear and powerful image for us, an image that can help us to avoid falling to a temptation very present in our secular culture today, idolatry, loving the creature/creation more than the Creator, no room for God.

Let us "not love the world, neither the things that are in the world. For the things that are in the world, are the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life." These three are they: lest haply any man say, "The things that are in the world, God made: i.e. heaven and earth, the sea: the sun, the moon, the stars, all the garniture of the heavens. What is the garniture of the sea? All creeping things. What of the earth? animals, trees, flying creatures. These are 'in the world,' God made them. Why then am I not to love what God has made?" Let the Spirit of God be in you, that you may see that all these things are good: but woe to you if you love the things made, and forsake the Maker of them! Fair are they to you: but how much fairer He that formed them! Mark well, beloved. For by similitudes you may be instructed: lest Satan steal upon you, saying what he is wont to say, Take your enjoyment in the creature of God; wherefore made He those things but for your enjoyment? And men drink themselves drunken, and perish, and forget their own Creator: while not temperately but lustfully they use the things created, the Creator is despised.

God does not forbid you to love these things, howbeit, not to set your affections upon them for blessedness, but to approve and praise them to this end, that you may love your Creator. In the same manner, my brethren, as if a bridegroom should make a ring for his bride, and she having received the ring, should love it more than she loves the bridegroom who made the ring for her: would not her soul be found guilty of adultery in the very gift of the bridegroom, albeit she did but love what the bridegroom gave her? By all means let her love what the bridegroom gave: yet should she say, "This ring is enough for me, I do not wish to see his face now:" what sort of woman would she be? Who would not detest such folly? Who not pronounce her guilty of an adulterous mind?

Our Lord, the "Great Giver," has given us creation for our benefit, to help us love Him more, for the care He shows us and to provide for our needs. We do not own creation. We are its stewards, caretakers. However, while doing so, we, the "bride," must avoid idolatry, placing the "ring," creation, above the "bridegroom," Our Lord, to whom we owe all glory, praise, adoration, and thanksgiving.

-Fr. Michael

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, October 8 Is 5:1-7 / Phil 4:6-9 / Mt 21:33-43 TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Jerome Schell

8:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass Presiding Priest's Intentions

9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass Alicia Dollerschell

10:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass Parishioners of all 3 parishes

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp.Mass Anna Cassandra Medina

Monday, October 9 Jon 1:1-2:2, 11 / Lk 10:25-37 **Columbus Day**

Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Alex Sewald

Tuesday, October 10 Jon 3:1-10 / Lk 10:38-42

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)

5:30 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Cal Mallory 7:00 p.m. Bingo-Knights of Columbus Hall

Wednesday, October 11 Jon 4:1-11 / Lk 11:1-4

Vocational Intention - 3rd & 4th Year Theology Seminarians 9:00 a.m. Legion of Mary (use lift door of the Parish Center) 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Joe Kloberdanz Jr.

Thursday, October 12 Mal 3:13-20b / Lk 11:5-13

Vocation Intention – Vocations Ministry

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Tim Weinbender

Friday, October 13 JI 1:13-15; 2:1-2 / Lk 11:15-26

Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians

10:30 a.m. SHRC Mass Presiding Priest's Intentions 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass Connie Unrein

Saturday, October 14 JI 4:12-21 / Lk 11:27-28

Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarians

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+John Wernsman**

5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass Bonnie Nester

Sunday, October 15 TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Is 25:6-10A / Phil 4:12-14, 19-20 / Mt 22:1-14

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Robert Quint

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 +Peggy Zink

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

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Pope Benedict XVI



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Baptism: Baptism forms are available online at our website: 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: \$8,097.30 Maintenance collection: \$3,514.00

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: Traudi Torres, Paul Schiel, Barbara Dread, Tony Skrdlant, Lisa Bellendir, Rose Zubiate, Emilio Villegas, Angie Kellogg, Lauren Dyess, Kashlyn Gordanier, Leo Sonnenberg, Charles Elau, Jackson Hammons

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.



Knights of Columbus Council #1559 is sponsoring a St. Pantry Anthony Parish food drive to benefit the Cooperating Ministry of Logan County the weekend of October 21 &

22. Grocery sacks donated by Family Food Market will be available for you to take home the weekend of October 14 & 15, with a flier attached regarding the most needed items to help the Ministry. The flier will also include the items needed from St. Anthony's for the Christmas Basket program.



St. Anthony's Annual Bazaar is Saturday & Sunday, November 5 & 6. Watch your mail for tickets!



2023 St. Anthony's Bazaar Silent Auction Update: We are once again accepting donations of new, like-new, &

that like-new items will need to be clean & ready to be on display) Also, we are accepting complete donation baskets & gift cards. Feel free to drop off items at the parish office. Donors can choose to be named or remain anonymous. Please let your preference be known when dropping off donations. Deadline to drop off donations is Friday, November 3. For questions, please contact Janelle Nicolaus (970)580-7054 or Amber Beeson (719) 350-0884. THANK YOU in advance for your donations!

handmade items for the Silent Auction. (Please note



WHITE MASS

Northern Colorado Catholic Medical Association & Fr. Steven Voss Guild invite you to join us for the Annual White Mass celebrating all Catholic health care professionals Saturday, October 21, 2023 at the 4 pm Mass St John the Evangelist Catholic Church 1730 W. 12th St. Loveland, CO Dinner to follow in the K of C Hall which will include entertainment/speaker Requested donation \$10.00/person

Info: northerncoloradoforlife.com/catholic-medical-association To register: https://forms.ministrvforms.net/viewForm



Women's Ministry-all Women's winistry women-mark your calendar-3rd Saturday of

October, the 21st. First meeting 8:30 am-9:30 am in Hagus Hall. Mary Margaret Yula will speak on "Daughters of the King!"

Advertiser of the Week:



Deadline for bulletin announcements is 8:00 am Thursday. Email announcements to parish@saintanthonyssterling.org

St. Catherine of Siena, Iliff

www.saintcatherinesiliff.org

Last Sunday's collection: \$1528.00

Sunday, October 15, 2023 10:00 am Children's Mass & Children will lead rosary at 9:30

> Sacristan – Tim Anderson **Lectors - Children** Servers - Faye, Jenna, and Tayten

EMHC*- Brenda &Tom Huss, Peggy Lueck Gift Bearers - Children

Coffee and Rolls 4th Sunday of the month, after Mass St. Catherine Finance Council: Randy Gerk, Tom Huss, Sarah Lueck *Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sacred Heart, Peetz

www.sacredheartpeetz.org

Last Sunday's collection: \$1264.00

Sunday, October 15, 2023 8:00 am EMHC*-

> Sacristan - Marv **Lector – Evelyn Gardiner**

Servers - Parker & Preston Reker, Luke Uhlir **Greeters & Offertory – Derek Weimer Family**

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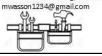
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