

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	
Domingo (en Español)	
Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri	
Tue	•
Saturday	•



SACRED HEART Physical Address: 621 Logan St., Peetz, CO

 Eucharistic Celebrations:

 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday

 2nd and 4th Sunday

 Sacrament of Reconciliation:

 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday



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.

September 10, 2023 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Golden Mouthed" Indeed - Godly Wisdom

This coming Wednesday, September 13, we celebrate the Memorial of St. John Chrysostom (+407 A.D.), bishop and doctor of the Church. "Chrysostom" is Greek for "Golden Mouthed." He obtained that title due to the eloquence in his preaching and defense of the Faith. What follows is an excerpt of one of his homilies. I strongly suspect that this is the second time this excerpt appears on our bulletin front. It sounds familiar. Whether it has or not is not important because even if this is the second go-around, his message bears repeating due to its relevance today since the dark clouds continue to roll in and begin to surround the Church, under attack not only from outside the Church but from inside her as well. We need to stand firm in the truth, with the Truth, Jesus, no matter how severe the storms are, no matter how much the sea rages around us. We are wise to keep this Godly wisdom in our minds and in our hearts in the midst of turbulent times such as these.

-Fr. Michael

"Life to me means Christ, and death is gain"

The waters have risen and severe storms are upon us, but we do not fear drowning, for we stand firmly upon a rock. Let the sea rage, it cannot break the rock. Let the waves rise, they cannot sink the boat of Jesus. What are we to fear? Death? Life to me means Christ, and death is gain. Exile? 'The earth and its fullness belong to the Lord. The confiscation of goods? We brought nothing into this world, and we shall surely take nothing from it. I have only contempt for the world's threats, I find its blessings laughable. I have no fear of poverty, no desire for wealth. I am not afraid of death nor do I long to live, except for your good. I concentrate therefore on the present situation, and I urge you, my friends, to have confidence.

Do you not hear the Lord saying: Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in their midst? Will he be absent, then, when so many people united in love are gathered together? I have his promise; I am surely not going to rely on my own strength! I have what he has written; that is my staff, my security, my peaceful harbor. Let the world be in upheaval. I hold to his promise and read his message; that is my protecting wall and garrison. What message? Know that I am with you always, until the end of the world!

If Christ is with me, whom shall I fear? Though the waves and the sea and **the anger of princes are roused against me**, they are less to me than a spider's web. Indeed, unless you had detained me, I would have left this very day. For I always say "Lord, your will be done"; not what this fellow or that would have me do, but what you want me to do. That is my strong tower, my immovable rock, my staff that never gives way. If God wants something, let it be done! If he wants me to stay here, I am grateful. But wherever he wants me to be, I am no less grateful.

Yet where I am, there you are too, and where you are, I am. For we are a single body, and the body cannot be separated from the head nor the head from the body. Distance separates us, but love unites us, and death itself cannot divide us. For though my body die, my soul will live and be mindful of my people.

You are my fellow citizens, my limbs, my body. You are my light, sweeter to me than the visible light. For what can the rays of the sun bestow on me that is comparable to your love? The sun's light is useful in my earthly life, but your love is fashioning a crown for me in the life to come.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, September 10 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Ez 33:7-9. Rom 13:8-10 / Mt 18:15-20 Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass Mark & Connie Unrein 8:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass +Albert and +Marge Zink 9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass John and Carol Lambrecht 10:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass +Faye Fehringer 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp.Mass Parishioners of all 3 parishes

Monday, September 11 Col 1:24-2:3 / Lk 6:6-11 Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Tim Weinbender

Tuesday, September 12 Col 2:6-15 / Lk 6:12-19

Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Theology Seminarians 5:00 p.m. Lituray of the Hours – Associates of the Sisters of St. Francis-All welcome (lift door - Parish Center) 5:30 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Ellie Traphagen 7:00 p.m. Bingo - Knights of Columbus Hall

Wednesday, September 13 Col 3:1-11 / Lk 6:20-26

St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church 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 Pete & Magdeline Lambrecht Family-Living and Deceased

Thursday, September 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Nm 21:4b-9 / Phil 2:6-11 / Jn 3:13-17

Vocation Intention – Vocations Ministry 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass Joan Wilder

Friday, September 15 1 Tm 1:2, 12-14 / Jn 19:25-27 **Our Lady of Sorrows**

Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Mary Lauer

Saturday, September 16 1 Tm 1:15-17 / Lk 6:43-49 Saints Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarians 8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Joann Krier 5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass John and Florence Schell

Sunday, September 17

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sir 27:30-28:7 / Rom 14:7-9 / Mt 18:21-35 Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians 7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Henry Rosas 8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass Parishioners of all 3 parishes 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 +John Wernsman

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

"What unites us, is greater than what divides us." Pope John XXIII



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. 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: \$7,266.83

Maintenance collection: \$6,460.94

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: Jerry Barton, Barb Warden, Rose Zubiate, Emilio Villegas, Angie Kellogg, Lauren Dyess, Kashlyn Gordanier, Leo Sonnenbera, Charles Blau

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.



Safe Environment certification class is available, Sunday, September 10, at 11:15 am in St. Fafe Environment Program Helena's of Ft. Morgan, &

Monday, September 11, at 6:00 pm in St.

Anthony's of Sterling. This class is required for new catechists & volunteers who will be working with children. Please pre-register at **virtusonline.org**, go to the yellow link "Registration" on the left side. For more information on either class, please call (970)522-6422, & ask for Carole Quint.



Each time we print something using color it costs 7 cents! To keep our

expenditures down, we are very selective when it comes to printing our bulletin. We agree with you, color printing is very attractive, that is why we save it for those special times when only color will do.



Ladies, share a Saturday morning "Experiencing Eucharistic Love" through reflection and renewal. This wonderful event will be Saturday.

September 30, from 8:00 am until noon. More details are forthcoming with a flyer in the bulletin.



Vatican International Exhibition "Eucharistic Miracles of the World" will be at St. Patrick's in Sidney. Nebraska September 29 – October 4, 2023. The exhibit is free and open to the public from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm daily. In addition to the exhibit, St. Patrick's is hosting Br. Julian Mary from the Consecrated lay Knights of the

Holy Eucharist. Br. Mary will be giving a compelling session about the Eucharist. His talk is on Sunday, October 1, at 7:00 pm in St. Patrick's. This event is free and open to the public as well.



Saint Helena Catholic Church in Fort Morgan, Colorado, will be hosting a women's retreat for the women of northeastern Colorado to join in the National Eucharistic Revival. We are planning a day

of prayer, presentations by a speaker, time for confession, Adoration, meals and mass together. The day of the retreat is Saturday, October 7, 2023 and the retreat begins at 9:00 am. Our speaker is Kristen Conrad from the Archdiocese of Northern Colorado who has a vision for sharing how God loves L us through the Eucharist. The cost of the retreat is \$20 to cover meals. Scholarships are available. For more information or to register please call Amy (970-768-1109) or Carolyn (970-380-3730) or call the church office at 970-867-2885.



St. Catherine of Siena, lliff www.saintcatherinesiliff.org



Last Sunday's collection: \$852.00

Sunday, September 17, 2023 10:00 am Sacristans – Jeri Breidenbbach & Ashley Marostica Lector – Pam Stieb

Servers – Aly, Joey, & Taylor Hernandez EMHC*-Tim Anderson, Naomi Stumpf, & Sonny Zink **Gift Bearers – Dave Huss Family**

Coffee and Rolls 4th Sunday of the month, after Mass *Note-Coffee/Rolls Sunday on break until end of summer* St. Catherine Finance Council: Randy Gerk, Tom Huss, Sarah Lueck *Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion



The kickoff date for St. Catherine's CCD class is Sunday, September 17. Registration / Questions: 8:00-8:25 am

Opening Prayer 8:25 am/ Class 8:30-9:50 am

Family Dues: \$30 (Suggested). For those needing sacraments, you will not be required to purchase the prep books.

Please welcome St. Catherine's awesome volunteer teachers: Kinder/First: Jessica Mason; 2nd: Lauren Gerk; 3rd: Sarah Lueck; 4th/5th: Ashley Marostica & Kelsey Huss; 6th-8th: Amber & Cyler Beeson.

> Sacred Heart. Peetz www.sacredheartpeetz.org



Last Sunday's collection: \$1443.00

Sunday, September 17, 2023 8:00 am EMHC* -

Sacristan – Mary Uhlir Lector – Melinda Bever Servers – Cole Meier, Parker Reker, Tyler Wanberg **Offertory – Larry Roelle Family**

Coffee and Donuts 1st Sunday of the month, after Mass Church Potluck 4th Sunday of the month, after Mass Sacred Heart Finance Council: Randy Fehringer, Evelyn Gardiner, Phil Schumacher *Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Advertiser of the Week:



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

