



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 Vigil5:00 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 Sunday8:00 a.m.
2nd and 4th Sunday.....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.

March 10, 2024 4th Sunday of Lent

We're Invited to "a Radical Reorientation"

Please recall the First Reading for Mass on Ash Wednesday when we began this Lenten journey: *Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole heart, with fasting, and weeping, and mourning; Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the Lord, your God.* (Joel 2:12-13a)

Even now, even after a lifetime of sin, the Lord's invitation endures: return to Him. *Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his mercy endures forever.* (Psalm 118:1) His mercy does indeed endure forever and it is boundless. However, we play a crucial, necessary role in receiving His mercy, and that is, returning to Our Lord, starting with, repenting of our sins.

A primary teaching of the Church, especially during Lent, a primary invitation, is the call to conversion, the call to repentance. With that in mind, what does it mean to repent? How can we accept and live this call if we don't even know what it means to repent? Does it simply mean, "I'm sorry for my sins," or is there more to it? What does the Church teach us about repentance?

Thank Heaven that we do have an authoritative source to guide us in our faith.

From the Catechism we read [the highlights are mine]:

#1430 - Jesus' call to conversion and penance, like that of the prophets before him, does not aim first at outward works, "sackcloth and ashes," fasting and mortification, but at the conversion of the heart, **interior conversion**. Without this, such penances remain sterile and false; however, interior conversion urges expression in visible signs, gestures and works of penance.

#1431 **Interior repentance is a radical reorientation of our whole life**, a return, a conversion to God with all our heart, **an end of sin, a turning away from evil, with repugnance toward the evil actions we have committed**. At the same time it entails the desire and **resolution to change one's life**, with hope in God's mercy and trust in **the help of his grace**. This conversion of heart is accompanied by a salutary pain and sadness which the Fathers called *animi cruciatus* (affliction of spirit) and *compunctio cordis* (repentance of heart).

#1432 The human heart is heavy and hardened. God must give man a new heart. **Conversion is first of all a work of the grace of God** who makes our hearts return to him: "Restore us to thyself, O Lord, that we may be restored!" God gives us the strength to begin anew. It is in discovering the greatness of God's love that our heart is shaken by **the horror and weight of sin** and begins to fear offending God by sin and being separated from him. The human heart is converted by looking upon him whom our sins have pierced.

This is a beautiful, powerful, and yes, very challenging teaching. However, if we embrace this and strive to live this, we will experience greater and greater joy and peace in this, our brief pilgrimage in this life, because we're letting Jesus heal our souls and strengthen them in preparation for the time when we will stand before Him at our judgement.

Even now, let us accept His invitation, not merely in words, but more importantly, in how we live, turn our backs on all sin and turn our face to the merciful gaze of our loving Savior. Once again, I wish you many Lenten blessings. In Christ,
-Fr. Michael

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, March 10 Fourth SUNDAY OF LENT

2 Chr 36:14-16,19-23/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Marilyn Gerk**
 8:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass **+ Bob & Dorothy Kreikemeier**
 9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Allen Marin**
 10:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass **+Christopher Feuerborn**
 12:00 p.m. **St. Anthony Sp.Mass Parishioners of all 3 parishes**

Monday, March 11 Is 65:17-21/ Jn 4:43-54

Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians

12:00 p.m. **St. Anthony Mass +Jery Barton**

Tuesday, March 12 Ez 47:1-9,12/ Jn 5:1-16

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 **+Angela Montgomery Hill**

Wednesday, March 13 Is 49:8-15/ Jn 5:17-30

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: +Jerry Atkin**

Thursday, March 14 Ex 32:7-14/ Jn 5:31-47

Vocation Intention – Vocations Ministry

12:00 p.m. **St. Anthony Mass John Drury**

Friday, March 15 Wis 2:1a,12-22/ Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30

Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians

12:00 p.m. **St. Anthony Mass +Leona Haberkorn family living and deceased**
 5:00pm **Knights Fish Fry in Cafeteria**
 7:00pm **Stations of the Cross**

Saturday, March 16 Jer 11:18-20/ Jn 7:40-53

Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarians

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Joanne Deere**
 5:00 p.m. **St. Anthony Mass +Marvin,+ Howard, +Jeff Miller**

Sunday, March 17 Fifth SUNDAY OF LENT

Jer 31:31-34/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Lois McMahon**
 8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass **+Estelle Griggs**
 9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+ +Bill,+Jody,+Dan Etl**
 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
 8:00am - 4:00 pm
 Closed for Lunch 12:00pm– 1:00pm
 Phone: (970)522-6422



St. Raphael Counseling, located at St. Anthony's parish center in Sterling, will be temporarily closed through March of 2024. If you or someone you know would like to talk to a counselor, please contact the Denver office at (720)377-1359 to schedule an appointment. Their address is 2696 S. Colorado Blvd. #445, Denver, CO 80222

Deadline for bulletin announcements is **8:00 am Thursday.**

Email announcements to **Parsh@saintanthonyssterling.org**

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 Finance Council Members:
 Les Archuleta, Greg Etl, Ron Marostica, Kristin Nichols, and Adam



St. Anthony of Padua, Sterling

Last week's collection: **\$7637.13**

Maintenance collection: **\$ 3906.00**

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

Let us remember these sick and suffering:

Peggy Peterson, Juli Schneider, Andrea Wasson, Janie Marin, Dan Von Arx, Dick Devie, Pat Rieb, Dennis Boren, John Nicholas Cornay

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



Prayers and Condolences are offered to the family of Luis Trujillo May he rest in peace.



The Knights of Columbus Fish Fry will be held in the cafeteria every Friday during Lent starting at 5:00 p.m. No fish fry on Good Friday.



Stations of the Cross will begin February 16, starting at 7:00 pm, then continuing every Friday through March 22 in Saint Anthony's Church. On Good Friday, Stations of the Cross will begin at 3:00 pm.



Please join us for the Divine Mercy Choir from the original shrine in Lithuania. They will be performing at St. Helena's Catholic Church in Fort Morgan, Monday, March 25 at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$15 minimum donation. Carol Drury will be selling tickets on March 9th after 5pm Mass, and March 10th after 9am Mass. Please contact Carol Drury for tickets and questions. (203)980-8833

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Additional Confession Time Saint Anthony's during Lent

There will be an additional confession on **March 14 at 6:00pm.** We have invited 2 priests from outside our parishes to help with confessions. This will hopefully give us 4 priests to hear confessions that night.



Additional Confessions for Lent

St. Joseph, Akron— Tuesday, March 12, 6:00 PM
 St. Anthony, Julesburg— Monday, March 18, 6:00 PM
 St. John, Yuma— Tuesday, March 19, 6:00 PM
 St. Mary, Brush— Thursday, March 21, 6:00 PM

2024 Triduum & Easter Schedule

Holy Thursday, March 28

Note: No noon Mass at St. Anthony

Parish Office will close at 12:00 noon

6:00 PM – Mass of the Lord's Supper (St. Anthony)
 6:00 PM – Mass of the Lord's Supper (St. Catherine)
 8:00 PM– Mass of the Lord's Supper (St. Anthony Spanish)

Good Friday, March 29

Note: No noon Mass at St. Anthony
 Parish Office closed

3:00 PM – Stations of the Cross (St. Anthony)
 6:00 PM – Passion of Our Lord (Sacred Heart)
 6:00 PM – Passion of Our Lord (St. Anthony)
 8:00 PM– Passion of Our Lord (St. Anthony Spanish)

Holy Saturday, March 30

Note: No confessions on Holy Saturday

8:00 PM – Easter Vigil (St. Anthony)

Easter Sunday, March 31

7:00 AM – Mass (St. Anthony)
 8:00 AM – Mass (Sacred Heart)
 9:00 AM – Mass (St. Anthony)
 10:00 AM – Mass (St. Catherine)
 12:00 PM– Mass (St. Anthony Spanish)

Monday, April 1

Parish Office closed



Women's Ministry Meeting

Saturday March 16th 8:30 am-9:30 am

Journey the 7 Last Words and the 7 Beatitudes ..
 All women welcome, bring a friend! Coffee and tea served



We are still in need of volunteers to count the weekly offertory. Counters meet once a week, on Monday, for about 2-3 hours, & counters will rotate every 2 months.

Thank you to those that have volunteered, we are still putting teams together and will be getting in touch with you soon.

To volunteer please call the Parish office. 970-522-6422

St. Catherine of Siena, Iliff

www.saintcatherinesiliff.org

Last week's collection: **1002.00**

Sunday, March 3 10:00 am

Sacristan – Gerks & Strombergers

Lector – Alan

Servers – Jordayn, Tayten, Feye

EMHC* - Brenda, Tom, Nick

Gift Bearers – Andrew, Ann, & Felisa Hernandez Family

Coffee and Rolls 4th Sunday of the month, after Mass

St. Catherine Finance Council: Tim Anderson, Randy Gerk, Tom Huss
 *Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion



On our original CCD schedule, it shows we do not have CCD on 3/17 (the Sunday ending Spring Break). However, with Lauren preparing her students for First Rec and Sarah preparing her students for First Communion & Confirmation, we are going to have CCD. For those of you who had plans and are going to be gone- not to worry!

Sacred Heart, Peetz

www.sacredheartpeetz.org

Last week's collection: **\$1577.00**

Sacristan –

Kristy

Lector – Evelyn Gardiner

Servers – Luke Uhler, Conor Jordan, Dru Weimer

EMHC* -

Greeters & Offertory – Meier 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



Please join the parishioners of Sacred Heart in Peetz **March 22, at 6:00 pm**, for Stations of the Cross. A potluck soup supper will follow. Please bring a meatless crockpot of soup, along with one of the following; a side of bread, cheese & crackers, or veggies to share.



Father Michael and Father Enrique will be hearing additional confessions at Sacred Heart on **Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at 6:30pm.**



Join us **March 10, 2024 at Sacred Heart Parish, Peetz, CO.**, at 1:00 pm, for a presentation highlighting the Shroud of Turin. The presenter, Jim Bertrand, will bring a replica of the Shroud for display.



There is no saint without a past, no sinner without a future.
 – Saint Augustine