



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.

July 14, 2024 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Regarding Holy Days in the Church

One aspect of our Catholic faith that I have grown to better appreciate over the years is the Church calendar, its seasons, and its related practices: Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, Ordinary Time. During these times we journey with Our Lord Jesus, recalling what He did before, during, and after His earthly mission. Within these seasons the Church has established a hierarchy of, let's call them, days of remembrance of special events, in the history and life of Jesus and of the Church. This weekend I'd like to review, at a high level, the categories of days that the Church has given us.

Solemnity, often noted as 'S'

Solemnities are the days of the highest importance on the Church calendar. Some solemnities are Holy Days of Obligation (obligation for practicing Catholics to attend Mass) while some are not. The Holy Days of Obligation are as follows: January 1 - Mary, Mother of God, August 15 - Assumption of Mary, November 1 - All Saint's Day, December 8 - Immaculate Conception, December 25 - Christmas.

Um, didn't you forget one verry important day, Father? Easter? No, I didn't forget Easter. While Easter is a Solemnity, Easter *always* falls on a Sunday. This provides me an opportunity to remind us/inform us, that *every Sunday* is a Solemnity and is a Holy Day of Obligation. In fact the Church identifies every Sunday, apart from Easter Sunday, as a "little Easter," when we gather to worship the Lord and to remind ourselves of what Our Lord has done for us and of the hope of what awaits His faithful.

Some Solemnities that are not Holy Days of Obligation: March 19 - St. Joseph, March 25 - Annunciation, June 24 - Birth of John the Baptist, June 29 - St. Peter and St. Paul, and more. Although there's no obligation for faithful Catholics to attend Mass on these days, the Church assigns this special status of "Solemnity" to these days to remind us of the great importance these marked events and people play in our story.

Feast, often noted as 'F'

While of great importance, feast days are of secondary importance on our calendar. July 25 - St. James, Sept. 14 - Exaltation of the Holy Cross, et al.

Memorial, Obligatory (M) / Optional (m)

On the vast majority of days that are considered a "memorial" in the Church, we recall the lives of the saints, those who have lived lives of heroic virtue, as we're invited to imitate their love of Christ and of the Church. Many years ago I would refer to these days as "the Feast of St. Patrick," "the Feast of St. Therese," "the Feast of St. Catherine," when in fact these three are not Feasts, but *Memorials* of these saints.

The Church assigns some memorials as obligatory. The days for the three saints mentioned above are obligatory. Some memorials are optional. What's the difference in how these two types are celebrated? On obligatory memorials the priest is obliged to pray the prayers in the Missal (the red book on the altar) that are associated with the saint. On optional memorials the priest may pray the prayers in the Missal that are associated with the saint or he may choose other appropriate prayers from the Missal.

I hope that this brief review will help you too better appreciate the gift of the Church's calendar. God bless you.

-Fr. Michael

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, July 14
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Am 7:12-15 / Eph 1:3-14 / Mk 6:7-13
Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians
 7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Robert Quint**
 8:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass **+Darrel & +Helen Lambert**
 9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Val & +Virginia Mari**
 10:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass **Presiding Priest's Intentions**
 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony SpMass **Parishioners of all 3 parishes**

Monday, July 15
St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Is 1:10-17 / Mt 11:20-24
Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians
 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Marilyn Reigenborn**

Tuesday, July 16
Is 7:1-9 / Mt 11:20-24
Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Theology Seminarian Pts
 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Bill, +Jody, +Dan Etl**
 5:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Hours--Associates of the Sisters of St. Francis-All welcome (lift door - Parish Center)
 7:00 p.m. Bingo - Knights of Columbus Hall

Wednesday, July 17
Is 10:5-7, 13b-16 / Mt 11:25-27
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 **+Marilyn Gerk**

Thursday, July 18
Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19 / Mt 11:28-30
Vocation Intention - Vocations Ministry
 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Kitty Samber**

Friday, July 19
Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8 / Mt 12:1-8
Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians
 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Pearly Breidenbach**

Saturday, July 20
Mi 2:1-5 / Mt 12:14-21
Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarians
 8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Clarence & +Dorothy Gertner**
 5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Marilyn Gerk**

Sunday, July 21
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Jer 23:1-6 / Eph 2:13-18 / Mk 6:30-34
Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians
 7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Della Warren**
 8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass **Presiding Priest's Intentions**
 9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Ed & +Dorothy Lechman**
 10:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass **+Albert & +Mollie Lauer**
 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony SpMass **Parishioners of all 3 parishes**



St. Raphael Counseling, located at St. Anthony's parish center in Sterling, is temporarily closed. If you or someone you know would like to talk to a counselor, please contact the Denver office: (720)377-1359 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.

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Parish Office Hours:
 Monday - Friday 8:00 am – Noon, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 CLOSED 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
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St. Anthony of Padua, Sterling
Last week's offertory: \$7,152.41
Maintenance: \$4,640.00
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Let us remember these sick and suffering:
 Annette Lambrecht, Jenny Dancer, Lisa Walter,
 Jane Sandoval, Jan Mari, John Loos,
 To add someone to the prayer list please contact the parish office at (970)522-6422.
 Names will remain on the list a minimum of two weeks.



Young at Hearts will meet **July 15, 2024**, in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 421 South 11th Ave. Come join the fun. Bring what you would like to share to eat.



The annual Beer Garden fundraiser project is once again upon us. The Knights of Columbus will be outside after every weekend Mass starting June 29 through July 28 conducting signups for the Beer Garden. We thank everyone who has aided us in the past, & we look forward to your help this year.



FUNERAL PROCESSION ETIQUETTE

The auto industry is constantly adding safety features on vehicle models, such as automatic daytime headlights. These days people don't even notice headlights on during the day. They don't recognize a funeral procession as it passes by. To make the procession more visible and alert other drivers, **turn on your flashers if you are a part of the procession. People notice flashers.** The recently departed deserve this final sign of respect. Share this information with as many people as you can.



Please take a moment to pray for God's blessing upon **40 Days for Life**. With America & the world at a crossroads, local campaign leaders from around the globe will come together **this weekend** for the annual **40 Days for Life Leaders Symposium**. It's a critical opportunity for local leaders to take their vigils to the next level...& it couldn't come at a better time with record-sized **40 Days for Life** campaigns, referenda to enshrine abortion in state constitutions, & pivotal elections **ALL** on the horizon.

Please pray:

- that the symposium will equip local campaign teams with the training, encouragement, skills, and fortitude to save more lives.
 - for the leaders & the families traveling to the symposium--many of whom are already enroute;
 - that God will bless our team with the ability to meet the record demand for 40 Days for Life.
 - for all of our speakers & presenters to deliver *exactly* the message God wants them to share.
 - that everything we do this weekend & going forward will bring God the greatest possible glory.
- Without God, we can do nothing...but with God, all things are possible--including ending abortion forever!**

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Last week's collection: \$882.00
Sunday, July 21, 2024 10:00 am
Sacristans – Husses
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Last week's collection: \$1038.00
Sunday, July 21, 2024 8:00 am
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Sacristan – Melinda
Lector – Kevin Martin
Servers–Mason Long, Cole Meier, Tyler Wanberg
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Thank you to everyone that helped make our first Vacation Bible School, "SCUBA-Diving into friendship with God" such a success. To the Core team, volunteers, parents,

and kids, you are amazing, and we appreciate you very much. We are already looking forward to next year's event! Thank you all so much!

Advertiser of the Week:

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