



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



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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.

October 27, 2024 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Praying for the Holy Souls

As we enter the month of November this week, the Church reminds us and encourages us during this time to perform a particular Spiritual Work of Mercy, praying for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Let's be clear here. This Work should be performed frequently throughout the year. However, since we face many, many distractions in our daily lives, the Church, being a loving Mother, sets aside this month to remind us to aid those who have died, those who can greatly benefit from our prayers and our sacrifices.

The Church has consistently and faithfully taught that Purgatory exists and that some souls, ultimately destined for Heaven, do go there. Heaven and Hell are everlasting. Purgatory is not. We can hasten those souls' release.

* Where is Purgatory in the Bible? Indeed, the word "Purgatory" is not found in the Bible. To repeat a key fact: we need to remember, not every Church teaching is found in the Bible. It need not be. Yes, the Holy Bible is the inspired, inerrant word of God and we as Catholics venerate this great gift. However, it is important for us to remember that Jesus commissioned the Apostles to teach, and that commission continues to this day in the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. The Church, under the guidance and protection of the Holy Spirit continues to teach the faith and do so without error, even though the Church continues to struggle to live the faith...since we're all sinners. The canon (i.e., list of books) of the Bible was given to us, yes, by the Holy Spirit, but God did this through the Church, tapping into Her Christ-given Apostolic authority.

* What is Purgatory? The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines Purgatory as a "purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven," which is experienced by those "who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified" (CCC 1030). It notes that "this final purification of the elect is entirely different from the punishment of the damned" (CCC 1031). <https://www.catholic.com/tract/purgatory>

In writing about Heaven in the Book of Revelation, St. John teaches that *...nothing unclean will enter it.* (Rev. 21:27) We must be 100% pure to live in the holy presence of God forever. 99% is a good start, but it is not enough. (In considering the state of my own soul, I pray that I have zero unconfessed mortal sins on my soul. However, 100% pure? Nope. Lord, have mercy.)

Since many souls are imperfect at the moment of death, their souls must be purified before entering Heaven. That purification, that state, the Church calls Purgatory. All souls who die in the state of grace, that is, in right relationship with God with no mortal sins on their souls, are destined for everlasting life in Heaven. However, if they are not yet perfected (venial sin?) or have not made sufficient reparation for forgiven sin, they require a final purification before entering the presence of our All Holy God.

We can and we should help the Holy Souls attain Heaven asap, through our prayers (especially offering the perfect prayer, the Mass) and our sacrifices. If indeed the soul has already attained Heaven, prayer is never wasted. God can and will apply the fruits of our prayers to someone who needs the help, perhaps to someone for whom no one is praying! What an act of charity that is, a true Spiritual Work of Mercy.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them.

-Fr. Michael

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 27

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jer 31:7-9 / Heb 5:1-6 / Mk 10:46-52

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass All Souls Novenas

8:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass All Souls Novenas

9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass All Souls Novenas

10:00 a.m. Sacred Heart All Souls Novenas

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp Mass All Souls Novenas

Monday, October 28

Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

Eph 2:19-22 / Lk 6:12-16

Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass All Souls Novenas

Tuesday, October 29

Eph 5:21-33 / Lk 13:18-21

Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Theology Seminarian Pts

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 All Souls Novenas

Wednesday, October 30

Eph 6:1-9 / Lk 13:22-30

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 +Rosemary Schlenz

Thursday, October 31

Eph 6:10-20 / Lk 13:31-35

Vocation Intention - Vocations Ministry

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Michael Weinberger

ALL SAINTS' DAY

6:00 p.m. Sacred Heart Mass All Souls Novenas

Friday, November 1

ALL SAINTS' DAY - OFFICE CLOSED

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

Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians

10:00 a.m. Devonshire NH Mass All Souls Novenas

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass All Souls Novenas

5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass All Souls Novenas

6:00 p.m. St. Catherine Mass All Souls Novenas

7:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp Mass All Souls Novenas

Saturday, November 2

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarians

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Jerry & +Bill Manuello, +Delores Zink (1 yr anniv)

5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Harold Unrein

Sunday, November 3

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dt 6:2-6 / Heb 7:23-28 / Mk 12:28b-34

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass Holy Souls

8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass +Albert & +Agnes DeSoto

9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass Deceased members of St. Anthony's Legion of Mary Chapter

10:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass +Peggy Zink

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp Mass Parishioners of all 3 parishes



If you or someone you know is struggling & would like to talk to a counselor, St. Raphael Counseling is there to help. They are in Denver, at (720)377-1359, and can schedule a free consultation.

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: Les Archuleta, David Lorenzo, Ron Marostica, Kristin Nichols, & Adam Rose.

Parish Office Hours:
Monday - Friday 8:00 am – Noon, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
CLOSED 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
(970)522-6422

Let us remember these sick and suffering:

Carol Drury, Margaret Lorrie Frick, John & Karen Ertle, Raquel L. Serrano, Lisa Bellendir, Sara Wiggitt, Becky Reyes, Jan Cristello, Pat Rieb, Bill Johnson, Dorothy Dobson, John Loos Sr., Sue Whited

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.



St. Anthony of Padua, Sterling

Last week's offertory: \$5,098.00

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

The parish office will be closed Friday, November 1, in observance of the Holy Day of Obligation, and closed Monday, November 4. We will be open Tuesday, November 5, at 8:00am.



Masses for All Saints' Day

Sacred Heart, Peetz

Thursday, October 31 6:00 pm

St. Anthony, Sterling

Friday, November 1

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

St. Catherine, Iliff

Friday, November 1 6:00 pm

PARENTS! Bring your kids, bring your neighbor's kids! Enjoy face painting, playing bouncy putt-putt golf, & jumping in a gumball bouncy house. All day, all free at St. Anthony's Bazaar!



Information



This is our last weekend to sell tickets outside the church after Mass. After that they can be purchased in the parish office during business hours through Thursday, October 31, & at the Bazaar on Saturday, November 2, & Sunday, November 3. Drawing tickets will be sold until 2:00pm Sunday, November 3.



Volunteers are still needed for a variety of jobs. Please call the office if you are interested in helping.



Our Dessert Auction, Wheel, & Candy booth need inventory. If you have a favorite goodie you enjoy making, please help by making some to donate to the Bazaar.



If you would like to order meatballs, please call the parish office at (970)522-6422 x223.



To have your spaghetti dinner delivered, please call the parish office at (970)522-6422 x223.

ALL ORDERS & REQUESTS FOR DELIVERY MUST BE PLACED BY 4:00pm THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31. We will not take orders after that date.



Please join us for Holy Hour and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Sunday, November 3, at 3:00pm in Saint Anthony Church.



The Knights of Columbus would like to invite everyone to their Annual Memorial Mass **Thursday, November 7, at 5:30 pm**, in St. Anthony's church. This

Mass is to recognize those members of all 3 parishes who have departed in the last year. A Soup Dinner will be served following the Mass in Hagus Hall. Everyone is welcome & encouraged to attend this beautiful Mass. Please call (970)580-8522 if you would like to attend the supper.



Eucharistic Adoration

With Friday, November 1st being a Holy Day, our First Friday Eucharistic Adoration will be **Friday, November 8**, after the noon Mass.



Shop locally for your Sacramental gifts. Legion of Mary has Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion items, rosaries, prayer cards, & medals, all for sale in their booth at the Bazaar.

St. Catherine of Siena, Iliff

www.saintcatherinesiliff.org

Last week's collection: \$1055.02

Friday, November 1, 2024 6:00pm

All Saints' Day

Sacristans: The Husses Lector: Jodi

Servers: Aly, Joey, & Tayten

EMHC: Jeri, Sonny, & Tim

Gift Bearers: Tony & Jodi Kippes

Sunday, November 3, 2024 10:00am

Sacristans: The Luecks Lector: Sarah

Servers: Aniston, Faye, & Jenna

EMHC: Brenda, Nick, & Tom

Gift Bearers: Larry & Carol Lauer

Coffee and Rolls 4th Sunday of the month after Mass

St. Catherine Finance Council: Tim Anderson, Randy Cerk, & Tom Huss



Sacred Heart, Peetz

www.sacredheartpeetz.org

Last week's collection: \$1017.00

Thursday, October 31, 2024 6:00pm

All Saints' Day

Servers: Cole Meier, Henry Sinnett, &

Tyler Wanberg Lector: Kevin Martin

Gift Bearers: The Jordan Family

Sacristan: Mary EMHC:

Sunday, November 3, 2024 8:00 am

Donuts after Mass

Servers: Conor Jordan, Preston Reker, &

Dru Weimer Lector: Mary Uhler

Gift Bearers: Tony Uhler Family

Sacristan: Kristy EMHC:

Coffee & Donuts 1st Sunday of the month after Mass

Church Potluck 4th Sunday of the month after Mass

Sacred Heart Fin. Council: R Fehring, E Gardiner, & P. Schumacher



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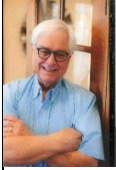
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