



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.

November 17, 2024 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Striving to Live Wisely

Here are some very hopeful and reassuring words from a sermon of a Father of the Church, St. Cyprian (d. 258) about how we should regard the Four Last Things: Death, Judgment, Heaven, Hell. -Fr. Michael

Our obligation is to do God's will, and not our own. We must remember this if the prayer that our Lord commanded us to say daily is to have any meaning on our lips. How unreasonable it is to pray that God's will be done, and then not promptly obey it when he calls us from this world! Instead we struggle and resist like self-willed slaves and are brought into the Lord's presence with sorrow and lamentation, not freely consenting to our departure, but constrained by necessity. And yet we expect to be rewarded with heavenly honors by him to whom we come against our will! Why then do we pray for the kingdom of heaven to come if this earthly bondage pleases us? What is the point of praying so often for its early arrival if we would rather serve the devil here than reign with Christ.

The world hates Christians, so why give your love to it instead of following Christ, who loves you and has redeemed you? John is most urgent in his epistle when he tells us not to love the world by yielding to sensual desires. Never give your love to the world, he warns, or to anything in it. A man cannot love the Father and love the world at the same time. All that the world offers is the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and earthly ambition. The world and its allurements will pass away, but the man who has done the will of God shall live for ever. Our part, my dear brothers, is to be single-minded, firm in faith, and steadfast in courage, ready for God's will, whatever it may be. Banish the fear of death and think of the eternal life that follows it. That will show people that we really live our faith.

We ought never to forget, beloved, that we have renounced the world. We are living here now as aliens and only for a time. When the day of our homecoming puts an end to our exile, frees us from the bonds of the world, and restores us to paradise and to a kingdom, we should welcome it. What man, stationed in a foreign land, would not want to return to his own country as soon as possible? Well, we look upon paradise as our country, and **a great crowd of our loved ones awaits us there, a countless throng of parents, brothers and children longs for us to join them.** Assured though they are of **their own salvation, they are still concerned about ours.** What joy both for them and for us to see one another and embrace! O the delight of that heavenly kingdom where there is no fear of death! O the supreme and endless bliss of everlasting life! [The highlight is mine. -Fr. M.]

There, is the glorious band of apostles, there the exultant assembly of prophets, there the innumerable host of martyrs, crowned for their glorious victory in combat and in death. There in triumph are the virgins who subdued their passions by the strength of continence. There the merciful are rewarded, those who fulfilled the demands of justice by providing for the poor. In obedience to the Lord's command, they turned their earthly patrimony into heavenly treasure.

Beloved, let all our longing be to join them as soon as we may. May God see our desire, may Christ see this resolve that springs from faith, for he will give the rewards of his love more abundantly to those who have longed for him more fervently.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 17

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dn 12:1-3 / Heb 10:11-14, 18 / Mk 13:24-32

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +LaVern Lambrecht

8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass Bill Johnson

9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Joe & +Lillian Cucarola

10:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass +Marge & +Albert Zink

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

Monday, November 18

Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5 / Lk 18:35-43

Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Jerry Atkin

Tuesday, November 19

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22 / Lk 19:1-10

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 +Bill & +Jerry Manuella

7:00 p.m. Bingo - Knights of Columbus Hall

Wednesday, November 20

Rv 4:1-11 / Lk 19:11-28

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 +Emma Zulpo

Thursday, November 21

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 5:1-10 / Lk 19:41-44

Vocation Intention - Vocations Ministry

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Joanne Devie

Friday, November 22

Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

Rv 10:8-11 / Lk 19:45-48

Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Louise &

+Joe Kloberdanz Jr.

Saturday, November 23

Rv 11:4-12 / Lk 20:27-40

Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarians

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Don Schlenz

5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Frank & Elsie McCracken

Sunday, November 24

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Dn 7:13-14 / Rv 1:5-8 / Jn 18:33b-37

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass Shirley Manuella

9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Bill, +Jody, & +Dan Etl

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:

Mike Canchola, John Romero Jr., Carol Drury, Margaret Lorrie Frick, John & Karen Ertle, Raquel L. Serrano, Lisa Bellendir, Sara Wggitt, Becky Reyes, Jan Cristello, Bill Johnson, 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: \$6,334.00

Maintenance collection: \$2,115.00

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



Prayers and Condolences are offered to the families of Patricia "Pat" Rieb, and Dorothy Dobson. May they rest in peace.



The Knights of Columbus would like to invite everyone to breakfast on **Sunday, November 17, after each Mass**. After 7am & 9am Mass they will have pancakes, eggs, & a sausage-cheese-potato scramble. After the noon Mass they will make breakfast burritos & pancakes. Coffee, juice, & water is available. Please bring your appetite & family! The breakfast is a free-will offering fund raiser, with proceeds going to the Knights' local Christmas donations.



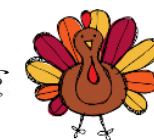
Young at Heart will meet Monday, November 18, at 6:00pm, in the Knights of Columbus Hall. Come join the fun and share some wonderful food. Please bring your choice of a dish to share.

Women's Ministry

"Could you not watch with Me for one hour?" Matthew 26:40
Women's Ministry invites you to come adore the Lord for one hour or more in EUCHARISTIC ADORATION! We are now blessed with the awesome opportunity to worship Jesus through Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament the third Thursday of each month. We will begin **Thursday, November 21, after noon Mass, in St. Anthony's, ending at 4:30pm** the same day. Adoration is open to everyone. If you have questions regarding the addition of Third Thursday Adoration, or are interested in becoming a permanent adorer, please contact Amy Martinez (951)760-6881, or Denise Garcia (970)580-0531.



On Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 28, Mass will be held at 9:00am, **NOT noon.**



The parish office will be closing at noon on Wednesday, November 27, and remain closed through Friday, November 29. We will reopen Monday December 1, at 8:00am. As always, if there is a Sacramental emergency, or in case of serious illness, please call the office (970)522-6422, and select "1" to be transferred to a priest. If the call goes to voicemail, please leave a clear message, including phone number. Someone will call as soon as possible.



An announcement made by Pope Francis on October 23, 2024, declared that **Monday, December 9, 2024** is a Holy Day of Obligation. Current documentation (calendars, internet) states it is not. We will be posting a Mass schedule soon, and as with previous Holy Days that occur during the week, the parish office will be closed.



Catholic Daughters' monthly meeting will be Tuesday, December 10, at 6:30pm, in the Knights of Columbus Hall. This will be our Christmas potluck, with an invitation to those interested in joining Catholic Daughters to come meet us and learn more about what we do. We ask that you bring a dish to pass, along with a white elephant gift (\$10 spending limit). We look forward to seeing you, hopefully gaining new members, enjoying good food, creating new friendships, and sharing lots of laughs!

St. Catherine of Siena, Iliff

www.saintcatherinesiliff.org

Last week's collection: \$1022.00

Coffee and Donuts after Mass

Sunday, November 24, 2024 8:00am

For the Repose of the Soul of David Gerk

Sacristans: Gerks and Strombergers

Lector: Alan

Servers: Faye, Jenna, and Tayten

EMHC: Brenda, Nick, and Tom

Gift Bearers: Nick & Sarah Lueck Family

Coffee and Rolls 4th Sunday of the month after Mass

St. Catherine Finance Council: Tim Anderson, Randy Gerk, & Tom Hiss



Sacred Heart, Deetz

www.sacredheartpeetz.org

Last week's collection: \$2344.00

Church Potluck after Mass

Sunday, November 24, 2024 10:00 am

For the Repose of the Souls of

Rawlin & Rosemary Mourn

Sacristan: Mary

Lector: Linnae Brown

Servers: Colton Sintler, Grayson Sintler, and Dru Weimer

EMHC: Kevin

Gift Bearers: Gage Roelle Family

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



Saint Anthony's Religious Education classes will be presenting "The First Christmas", Wednesday, December 18. The parish center doors will open at 5:30pm.

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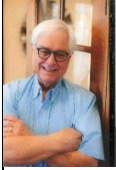
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