



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.

December 1, 2024 First Sunday of Advent

Advent in the Year of Our Lord 2024

Prayer for a Fruitful Advent

My hidden Lord Jesus, I love You and thank You with profound gratitude for uniting Yourself with fallen humanity. When You first entered into this world, You remained hidden for nine months in the immaculate womb of Your Blessed Mother. She carried You, body and blood, soul and divinity, within the sanctuary of her body. She also carried You within her heart as a result of her perfect love for You and her perfect obedience to the will of the Father.

Precious Lord, as I embrace this Advent Season, please open my eyes to see the great value and blessing of Your Incarnation. Help me to discover Your hidden presence in this world and within my own soul. I desire to see, understand and experience the profound effects that Your Incarnation has on my life and I desire to receive those effects more fully this Advent. May I become a sanctuary in which You dwell so that I, like Your dear Mother, may bring Your presence into the world.

My loving Jesus, I choose You, this Advent, as my King and my God. I abandon myself to You and seek to put all my trust in Your tender care. Draw me close to You and free me from my sin so that I may love You with a pure and holy heart.

Mother Mary, as You carried your dear Son in your immaculate womb, you also carried Him in your heart. Pray for me, this Advent, that I may surrender myself to the will of the Father in imitation of you. You said “Yes” to all that God asked of you and never hesitated to fully embrace His divine will. Pray that I may imitate your perfect example so as to share a deeper union with you and your divine Son.

Come, Lord Jesus,
Come, Lord Jesus,
Come, Lord Jesus!
Amen.

<https://mycatholic.life/catholic-prayers/prayer-for-a-fruitful-advent>



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 1

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Jer 33:14-16 / 1 Thes 3:12—4:2 / Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
 Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians
 7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Henry Rosas
 9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Kitty Samber
 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp Mass Parishioners of all 3 Parishes

Monday, December 2

Is 2:1-5 / Mt 8:5-11
 Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians
 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Betty Smith

Tuesday, December 3

Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

Is 11:1-10 / Lk 10:21-24
 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, December 4

Is 25:6-10a / Mt 15:29-37
 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 +Frances Bornhoff

Thursday, December 5

Is 26:1-6 / Mt 7:21, 24-27
 Vocation Intention – Vocations Ministry
 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Damian Lederhos

Friday, December 6

Is 29:17-24 / Mt 9:27-31
 Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians
 10:00 a.m. Devonshire Mass +Gieve Roberts
 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Rudy Hernandez

Saturday, December 7

Saint Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
 Is 30:19-21, 23-26 / Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a,6-8
 Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarians
 8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Damian Lederhos
 5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Robert Quint

Sunday, December 8

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Bar 5:1-9 / Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 / Lk 3:1-6
 Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians
 7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +LaVern Lambrecht
 9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Mayme Flynn
 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp Mass Parishioners of all 3 Parishes


“Advent is the spiritual season of hope par excellence, and in this season the whole Church is called to be hope, for itself and for the world.” Pope Benedict XI

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,
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 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: \$8,716.00
 Last week's maintenance: \$2,530.00
 We ask that you PLEASE use a separate check for Maintenance donations as those contributions go into a different bank account. Thank you

 Please join us for Holy Hour and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **Sunday, December 1** at 3:00pm, in St. Anthony's.

 St. Anthony's Funeral Committee is taking orders for Holiday Gift Baskets. The baskets are \$25, and will include an assortment of homemade breads, cookies, & candies. Order forms will be at the back of

St. Anthony's church starting Sunday, December 1 through Sunday, December 15. Baskets will be ready for pickup in Hagus Hall, Wednesday, December 18, from noon until 6:00pm, then after Religious Education's Christmas program. Delivery of the baskets can be arranged by calling (970)520-0818. Baskets do need to be paid for at the time of pickup/delivery. All proceeds will go to St. Anthony's funeral dinner fund.

 The following is this season's Penance Service schedule. Father Michael has invited two priests to assist, along with Father Enrique.
Sacred Heart – Wednesday, December 4, Mass-5:45 pm, followed by Confessions at 6:30 pm
St. Catherine - Thursday, December 5, Mass-5:15 pm, followed by Confessions at 6:00 pm
St. Anthony – Friday, December 13 at 6:00 pm

 **Eucharistic Adoration**
 Spend an hour in adoration of Our Lord Jesus. Beginning after noon Mass at St. Anthony's **Friday, December 6**, & ending with the start of 8:00 am Mass Saturday, December 7.

“Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament has His hands full of graces, and He is ready to bestow them on anyone who asks for them” St Peter of Alcantara



The parish office will be closed in honor of the Holy Feast of the Immaculate Conception **Monday, December 9**. We will reopen Tuesday, December 10, at 8:00am.



MASS TIMES
 Holy Day Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Sunday, December 8
St. Catherine – 6:00 pm
Monday, December 9
St. Anthony – Noon, 6:00 pm (Bilingual)
Monday, December 9
Sacred Heart – 6:00 pm



Catholic Daughters' monthly meeting will be **Monday, December 9, 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. We ask that you bring a dish to pass, along with a white elephant gift (\$10 spending limit). We look forward to seeing you.



St. Anthony's Religious Ed. classes are presenting **A Dinner Theater: "The First Christmas"**, Wednesday, December 18. A roast beef meal with all the sides will be served. Parish center doors will open at 5:30pm.



Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Mass Schedule
Tuesday, December 24, 2024
St. Catherine – 5:00 pm
St. Anthony – 5:00 pm & 7:00 pm (Spanish)
Wednesday, December 25, 2024
St. Anthony – Midnight & 9:00 am
Sacred Heart – 10:00 am



Mass dates and times for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of Jesus, a Holy Day of Obligation, are as follows:
Tuesday, December 31
 Sacred Heart 6:00pm
 St. Anthony 6:00pm (Bilingual)
Wednesday, January 1, 2025
 St. Anthony 9:00am
 St. Catherine 10:00am

St. Catherine of Siena, Iliff
www.saintcatherinesiliff.org
 Last week's collection: \$380.00
Sunday, December 8, 2024 8:00am
Second Sunday of Advent
For the Repose of the Soul of Harold Unrein
Sacristans: The Luecks
Lector: Tom
Servers: Ethan, Jordan, and Tayten
EMHC: Jeri, Sonny, and Tim
Gift Bearers: Bill and Susan Marostica

Sunday, December 8, 2024 6:00pm
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
Sacristan: Tim
Lector: Jodi
Servers: Aly, Jenna, and Joey
EMHC: Brenda, Nick, and Tom
Gift Bearers: JR and Suzy Marostica
Coffee and Rolls 4th Sunday of the month after Mass
 St. Catherine Finance Council: Tim Anderson, Randy Gerk, & Tom Huss

Sacred Heart, Deetz
www.sacredheartpeetz.org
 Last week's collection: \$1644.58
Sunday, December 8, 2024 10:00 am
Second Sunday of Advent
For the Repose of the Soul of John Spaeth
Sacristan: Kristy
Lector: Religious Education Students
Servers: Henry Sinnett, Eli & Tyler Wanberg
EMHC: Kevin
Gift Bearers: Religious Education Students
Coffee & Donuts 1st Sunday of the month after Mass
Church Potluck 4th Sunday of the month after Mass
 Sacred Heart Fin. Council: R Fehringer, E Gardiner, & P. Schumacher

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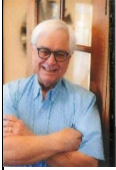
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