

#### 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 Vigil	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m.
Domingo (en Español)	12:00 p.m.
Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri	
Tue	•
Saturday	8:00 a.m.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:



#### SACRED HEART

Physical Address: 621 Logan St., Peetz, CO

#### **Eucharistic Celebrations:**

1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday	8:00 a.m.
2nd and 4th Sunday	10:00 a.m.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday ......7:30 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 Sunday	8:00 a.m

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

2nd and 4th Sunday ......7:30 a.m.

## February 23, 2025 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Inexhaustible Wisdom

In last weekend's bulletin reflection I wrote, regarding the Bible, that its truth is inexhaustible, which is very good news for us who are in constant need of Godly wisdom. Providentially, I read the following on Sunday morning, a more thorough and more articulate way of making the same point. Enjoy!

-Fr. Michael ++++++++

From a commentary on the Diatessaron by Saint Ephrem, deacon, d. 373

God's word is an inexhaustible spring of life

Lord, who can comprehend even one of your words? We lose more of it than we grasp, like those who drink from a living spring. For God's word offers different facets according to the capacity of the listener, and the Lord has portrayed his message in many colors, so that whoever gazes upon it can see in it what suits him. Within it he has buried manifold treasures, so that each of us might grow rich in seeking them out.

The word of God is a tree of life that offers us blessed fruit from each of its branches. It is like that rock which was struck open in the wilderness, from which all were offered spiritual drink. As the Apostle says: They are spiritual food and they drank spiritual drink.

And so whenever anyone discovers some part of the treasure, he should not think that he has exhausted God's word. Instead he should feel that this is all that he was able to find of the wealth contained in it. Nor should he say that the word is weak and sterile or look down on it simply because this portion was all that he happened to find. But precisely because he could not capture it all he should give thanks for its riches.

Be glad then that you are overwhelmed, and do not be saddened because he has overcome you. A thirsty man is happy when he is drinking, and he is not depressed because he cannot exhaust the spring. So let this spring quench your thirst, and not your thirst the spring. For if you can satisfy your thirst without exhausting the spring, then when you thirst again you can drink from it once more; but if when your thirst is sated the spring is also dried up, then your victory would turn to your own harm.

Be thankful then for what you have received, and do not be saddened at all that such an abundance still remains. What you have received and attained is your present share, while what is left will be your heritage. For what you could not take at one time because of your weakness, you will be able to grasp at another if you only persevere. So do not foolishly try to drain in one draught what cannot be consumed all at once, and do not cease out of faintheartedness from what you will be able to absorb as time goes on.

## **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Sunday, February 23 SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 / 1 Cor 15:45-49 / Lk 6:27-38

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians
7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Darren Kilpatrick
9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Alex & +Betty Sewald
12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp Mass Presiding Priest's
Intentions

#### Monday, February 24

Sir 1:1-10 / Mk 9:14-29

Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians 12:00p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Matt Montgomery

### Tuesday, February 25

Sir 2:1-11 / Mk 9:30-37

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, +Jody, & +Dan Etl

## Wednesday, February 26

Sir 4:11-19 / Mk 9:38-40

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 +Anita Kiolbasa

## Thursday, February 27

Sir 5:1-8 / Mk 9:41-50

Vocation Intention – Vocations Ministry 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Doug Robinson

## Friday, February 28

Sir 6:5-17 / Mk 10:1-12

Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians
12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Edward McMahon

## Saturday, March 1

Sir 17:1-15 / Mk 10:13-16

Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarians 8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Harold Unrein 5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Clarence & +Helen Mari

# Sunday, March 2 EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sir 27:4-7 / 1 Cor 15:54-58 / Lk 6:39-45

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians
7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Marcie Kloberdanz
9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Robert Montgomery \$r
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, & Bobbi Zen.

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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**(970)522-6422

## Let us remember these sick and suffering:

Vanessa Connor, Jim Devie, Ken Koester, Cliff Lock, Jan Cristello, John Loos Sr., John Loos, Jr., Bob Mogus, Toribio Tonche Jr., Cindy Curtis, Denton Thompson

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 February 16 offertory: \$4,615.00

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 family of Helen Schneider Rice. May she rest in peace.



Please join us for Holy Hour and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **Sunday, March 2**, at 3:00pm in Saint Anthony Church.

"My whole strength lies in prayer and sacrifice; these are my invincible arms; they can move hearts far better than words." St. Therese of Lisieux



## MASS SCHEDULE FOR

ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025

7:00am Mass - St. Catherine's in Iliff
Noon Mass - St. Anthony's in Sterling
6:00pm Bilingual Mass - St. Anthony's in Sterling
6:00pm Mass - Sacred Heart in Peetz
NO ASHES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED DURING
ST. ANTHONY'S TUESDAY EVENING MASS



## Guidelines for Fasting & Abstinence during Lent

People aged 18 to 59 are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and everyone over the age of 14 are to abstain from eating meat on Fridays during

Lent. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may be taken instead, but they are not to equal a full meal.



Stations of the Cross will begin 7:00pm every Friday during Lent in St.
Anthony's. On Good Friday, Stations of the Cross will start at 3:00 pm. The following schedule includes the group leading Stations of the Cross each Friday:

March 7-Legion of Mary

March 14-Knights of Columbus

March 21-Spanish Ministry

March 28-Father Enrique's Rel. Ed. Class

**April 4-**Catholic Daughters

**April 11-**Kaus Family

**April 18(Good Friday)-**Father Michael Thank you volunteers!



#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Spend an hour in adoration of Our Lord Jesus. Adoration will begin after noon Mass at St. Anthony's **Friday, March 7**, & ends with the

beginning of 8:00 am Mass **Saturday**, **March 8**. To ensure each hourly period is covered, please sign the sheet located at the back of the church.

## St. Catherine of Siena, Hiff

www.saintcatherinesiliff.org

February 16 offertory: \$513.00

Sunday, March 2 10:00 am

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sir 27:4-7 / 1 Cor 15:54-58 / Lk 6:39-45

Mass intentions for the

Repose of the Souls of Marge and Albert Zink

Sacristans: The Husses

Lector: Alan

Servers: Aly, Faye, and Joey EMHC: Jeri, Jonna, and Peggy

Gift Bearers: Nick & Kasey Anderson Family

Coffee and Rolls 4th Sunday of the month after Mass

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

## Sacred Heart, Peetz

www.sacredheartpeetz.org

February 16 offertory: \$516.00

Sunday, March 2 8:00 am

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sir 27:4-7 / 1 Cor 15:54-58 / Lk 6:39-45

**COFFEE & DONUTS AFTER MASS**Mass intentions for the Repose of the Soul of

Marcella Schumacher
Sacristan: Melinda
Lector: Linnae Brown

Servers: Cole Meier, Parker & Preston Reker Gift Bearers: Alex Sinnett Family

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 Cardiner, &P. Schumacher

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