

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)	
Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri	
Tue	•
Saturday	
Sacrament of Re	econciliation:
Saturday	3:30 p.m.
and 30 minutes before	scheduled Masses
First Friday—Eucha	ristic Exposition



SACRED HEART Physical Address: 621 Logan St., Peetz, CO

 Eucharistic Celebrations:

 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday

 2nd and 4th Sunday

 Sacrament of Reconciliation:

 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday



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.	

April 6, 2025 Fifth Sunday of Lent

As We Prepare to Enter Holy Week

From a homily by Saint Gregory Nazianzen, bishop (d. 389 AD)

We are soon going to share in the Passover, and although we still do so only in a symbolic way, the symbolism already has more clarity than it possessed in former times because, under the law, the Passover was, if I may dare to say so, only a symbol of a symbol. Before long, however, when the Word drinks the new wine with us in the kingdom of his Father, we shall be keeping the Passover in a yet more perfect way, and with deeper understanding. He will then reveal to us and make clear what he has so far only partially disclosed. For this wine, so familiar to us now, is eternally new.

It is for us to learn what this drinking is, and for him to teach us. He has to communicate this knowledge to his disciples, because teaching is food, even for the teacher.

So let us take our part in the Passover prescribed by the law, not in a literal way, but according to the teaching of the Gospel; not in an imperfect way, but perfectly; not only for a time, but eternally. *Let us regard as our home the heavenly Jerusalem, not the earthly one*; the city glorified by angels, not the one laid waste by armies. We are not required to sacrifice young bulls or rams, beasts with horns and hoofs that are more dead than alive and devoid of feeling; but instead, let us join the choirs of angels in offering God upon his heavenly altar a sacrifice of praise. We must now pass through the first veil and approach the second, turning our eyes toward the Holy of Holies. I will say more: *we must sacrifice ourselves to God, each day and in everything we do, accepting all that happens to us for the sake of the Word, imitating his passion by our sufferings, and honoring his blood by shedding our own. We must be ready to be crucified.*

If you are a Simon of Cyrene, take up your cross and follow Christ. If you are crucified beside him like one of the thieves, now, like the good thief, acknowledge your God. For your sake, and because of your sin, Christ himself was regarded as a sinner; for his sake, therefore, you must cease to sin. Worship him who was hung on the cross because of you, even if you are hanging there yourself. Derive some benefit from the very shame; purchase salvation with your death. Enter paradise with Jesus, and discover how far you have fallen. Contemplate the glories there, and leave the other scoffing thief to die outside in his blasphemy.

If you are a Joseph of Arimathea, go to the one who ordered his crucifixion, and ask for Christ's body. Make your own the expiation for the sins of the whole world. If you are a Nicodemus, like the man who worshiped God by night, bring spices and prepare Christ's body for burial. If you are one of the Marys, or Salome, or Joanna, weep in the early morning. Be the first to see the stone rolled back, and even the angels perhaps, and Jesus himself.

"We cannot go to heaven in featherbeds." - St. Thomas More

"Apart from the cross there is no other ladder by which we may get to heaven." - Saint Rose of Lima

"My children, it is in loving the cross that we find true peace, not running from it." - St. John Vianney

WEEKLY SCHEDULE Sunday, April 6

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Is 43:16-21 / Phil 3:8-14 / Jn 8:1-11 Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians 7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Clinton, +Lucille, +Connie, & +Joni Armstrong

9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Allen Marin 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp Mass Parishioners of all 3 parishes

Monday, April 7

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 / Jn 8:12-20 Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians 12:00p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Ed Guerin

Tuesday, April 8

Nm 21:4-9 / Jn 8:21-30

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

Wednesday, April 9

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 / Jn 8:31-42 *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 **John Lechmon**

Thursday, April 10

Gn 17:3-9 / Jn 8:51-59 Vocation Intention – Vocations Ministry 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Larry Howard**

Friday, April 11

Jer 20:10-13 / Jn 10:31-42 Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass Suzanne Kochan Guilds 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross-Kaus Family

Saturday, April 12

Ez 37:21-28 / Jn 11:45-56 Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarians 8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Robert Bodzioch 5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Harold Unrein

Sunday, April 13 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians 7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass Norma & +Ted Wolfe 9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Bill, +Jody, & +Dan Etl 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp Mass Parishioners of all 3 parishes 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: Bill Dobson, John Loos Sr, Dave Willich, Bill Johnson, Jim Brammer, Leon Koester, Richard Gebauer, Rose Zubiate, Cynthia Boren, Joyce Lambrecht, Vanessa Connor, Ken Koester, Jan Cristello 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 March 30 offertory: \$4,774.25 March 30 maintenance: \$300.00 We ask that you PLEASE use a separate check for maintenance donations as those contributions go into a different bank account. Thank you



The following information is a summary of expenses & income received for St. Anthony's. These figures were compiled using info from 11/1/24 – 2/1/25.

Expenses: \$13,381.12 Income \$11,912.73 Difference: \$1,468.39

Prayers and Condolences are offered to
 The families of Frances Wedemeyer and
 Nancy Crane Germany. May they rest in peace.



Each Friday through April 11 from 5 to 6:30pm, in the cafeteria. For takeout orders please call Mike (970)520-0362 or Carol (970)520-7854.



Catholic Daughters is collecting baby wipes during Lent to donate to A Caring Pregnancy, Under the Umbrella, and Marisol House. If you would like to help, please leave your donation at the back of St. Anthony's Church.

Stations of the Cross schedule: Apr 11-7:00pm Kaus Family April 18(Good Friday)-3:00pm Fr. Michael



Please join us for Holy Hour and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **Sunday, April 6 at 3:00pm** in St. Anthony's.



Women's Ministry invites you to join us, **Saturday, April 12**,

8:30-9:30am in Hagus Hall as we meditate on the Way of the Cross through Mary's eyes

and heart. "I knew it had to be, so I walked on silently." All women are welcome. Coffee and tea will be served.



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Catholic Daughters will get together **Monday, April 14**, for a meeting and an audit. The audit will begin at 4:30pm, with the regular meeting starting at 6:00pm.

2025 Triduum (i.e., Three days) & Easter Schedule

Please note: There are no scheduled confessions on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, & Holy Saturday

St. Anthony, Sterling Holy Thursday, April 17

Note: No noon Mass at St. Anthony, April 17 Parish Office closes at noon

6:00 pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper-Bilingual

Good Friday, April 18 Note: No noon Mass at St. Anthony, April 18 No Mass permitted on Good Friday Parish Office closed

3:00 pm – Stations of the Cross

6:00 pm – Passion of Our Lord-Bilingual

Holy Saturday, April 19

Note: No 8:00am Mass at St. Anthony, April 19 Note: The only Mass permitted on Holy Saturday is the Easter Vigil

8:15 pm – Easter Vigil-Bilingual

Easter Sunday, April 20

7:00 am – Mass 9:00 am – Mass Noon – Mass in Spanish

Monday, April 21

Parish Office closed

Sacred Heart, Deetz Holy Thursday, April 17 6:00 pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper Easter Sunday, April 20 8:00 am – Mass

St. Catherine, Iliff Good Friday, April 18 6:00 pm – Passion of Our Lord Easter Sunday, April 20 10:00 am – Mass

St. Catherine of Siena, Iliff www.saintcatherinesiliff.org

March 30 offertory: \$1073.00 **March 30 offertory:** \$1073.00 **Confession - Thursday, April 10 6:00 pm**

Sunday, April 13 8:00 am PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Lk 19:28-40/ls 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56

Mass intentions for the Repose of the Soul of Larry Huss Sacristans: Ashley and Jeri Lector: Alan Servers: Faye, Jenna, and Tayten EMHC: Jeri, Sonny, and Tim Gift Bearers: Felisa Hernandez with Andrew and Ann Hernandez Family Coffee and Rolls 4th Sunday of the month after Mass St. Gatherine Finance Council: Tim Anderson, Randy Gerk, &Tom Hiss

> Sacred Heart, Deetz www.sacredheartpeetz.org



March 30 offertory: \$1981.00

Sunday, April 13 10:00 am PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14--23:56 *Mass Intentions for the Repose of the Soul of Marcella Schumacher* Sacristan: Kristy Lector: Religious Ed. students Servers: Henry Sinnett, Eli and Tyler Wanberg

Gift Bearers: Religious Ed. 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

Advertiser of the Week:

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Please submit bulletin announcements by 8:00 am Thursday for that weekend's bulletin. Email: parish@saintanthonyssterling.org

