

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. |
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| 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. |
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Eucharistic Celebrations:

| 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday | 8:00 a.m. |
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| 2nd and 4th Sunday | 10:00 a.m. |
| Sacrament of Recon | ciliation: |

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 |
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| 2nd and 4th Sunday | 8:00 a.m |

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

2nd and 4th Sunday7:30 a.m.

June 29, 2025 Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul

In Parting - Some Biblical Wisdom

I've prayerfully considered what I might place on this last bulletin reflection in addition to "So long" and "Thank you" and "God bless you" and "We will pray for you." What else might I share or yet *share again* in this space? I can't do better than what the Lord says to us in His Word. None of the following verses are yanked out of context. Their meaning is in line with Church teaching. My comments are in brackets, and I will run out of space.

Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness. (Mt 6:33a)
[Is attaining Heaven our #1 priority during our brief pilgrimage on earth?
Not our sole priority, mind you, but #1 nonetheless, to make it home safely.]

[Speaking of priorities...]

Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven. (Matthew 7:21) [Does. DO. How we live is far more important than what we say.]

...the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire, may prove to be for praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. (1 Peter 1:7)

[Do we recognize that our faith is truly more precious than gold and fame and awards and...stuff! All of those are dust. Living our faith will lead us home. Dust won't. It can't.]

We must strive to live and to die in a manner that is pleasing to God, to trust Him. The Letter to the Hebrews declares: *But without faith it is impossible to please him, for anyone who approaches God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.* (Hebrews 11:6) [Again, seeking Him]

Seventy is the sum of our years, or eighty, if we are strong; Most of them are toil and sorrow; they pass quickly, and we are gone. [Disagree?] Teach us to count our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart. (Psalm 90:10,12)

Jesus said "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." (Mt 22:37)

[OK. So, how do we show our love for God, the one who needs nothing? Must we experience warm, fuzzy feelings in order to love Him? Not even close.] *If you love me, you will* What?...*keep my commandments*. (John 14:15) In a word obedience. Why do so?

When He, Jesus, was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey Him. (Hebrews 5:9) [Why believe and obey Jesus? Because He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. THE Way. Not one way among many. The only Way that leads us home. All other routes are dead ends.]

You will be hated by all because of my name, but whoever perseveres to the end will be saved. (Matthew 10:22) [Pray for final perseverance.]

So, I close with "So long," "Thank you all," and "God bless you all," and "We will pray for you."

In Christ, -Fr. Michael

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 29 SAINTS PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES

Acts 12:1-11 / 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18 / Mt 16:13-19

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Julio, +Mildred Marostica

9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Diana Shino

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

Monday, June 30

Gn 18:16-33 / Mt 8:18-22

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

Tuesday, July 1Gn 19:15-29 / Mt 8:23-27

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 +Calvin Mallory

Wednesday, July 2

Gn 12:5, 8-20a / Mt 8:28-34

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 **Tom Reed**

Thursday, July 3 St. Thomas, Apostle

Eph 2:19-22 / Jn 20:24-29

Vocation Intention – Vocations Ministry 12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Lorrie Frick



Friday, July 4 - Office Closed Independence Day

Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67 / Mt 9:9-13
Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians
9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Scott Erker

Saturday, July 5

Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/ Mt 9:14-17

Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarians 8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +John & +Karen Ertle, & +Lorrie Frick

5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Jake & +Alice Mari

Sunday, July 6 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Is 66:10-14c / Gal 6:14-18 / Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians
7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Clinton, +Lucile, +Connie,
& +loni Armstrong

9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Ed & +Dorothy Lechman 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.

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Monday - Friday 8:00 am - Noon, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

CLOSED 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

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Let us remember those who are sick and suffering:

Kellie Geck, Bethany Rizzolo Gorneault, Jimmy Schneider, Betty Buckmaster, Mary Koehler, Cindy Boren, Jaime Garcia, Jim Brammer, Jan Cristello, Alice Folladori, Lisa Bellendir, To add someone to the prayer list please contact the parish office at (970)522-6422. Names will remain on the list for a minimum of two weeks.



St. Anthony of Padua, Sterling June 22 offertory: \$5,376.00 June 22 maintenance: \$500.00

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 Mel Gardner, Lorraine Serrato, and Duwayne Lechman. May they rest in peace.



Legion of Mary will **NOT** be meeting on **Wednesday, July 2.** The next meeting will be Wednesday, July 9 at 9:00am in the parish center.



Mark this on your calendar so you won't forget! Daily Mass on Friday, July 4 will be at 9:00am, NOT noon.



The parish office will be closed Friday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. We will reopen Monday, July 7, at 8:00 am. In case of a serious illness or Sacramental emergency, call the office at (970)522-6422 and press 1 to be transferred to a priest.



Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday falls on the 4th of July this year so to make it easier for more people to attend Father Michael has made the decision to move Adoration to **Friday**, **July 11**. Please watch at church for the sign-up sheet.



Tuesday, June 24 marked the anniversary of one of the greatest days in U.S. history: the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*. Progress toward ending abortion is undeniable, as 56 abortion facilities where 40 Days for Life vigils have been held have closed forever since the *Dobbs* decision. Half of the states have

enacted legal protections for unborn children. And, the first three states have rejected attempts to enshrine abortion as a constitutional right at the ballot box.

Olympic gymnast Simone Biles recently attacked star swimmer Riley Gaines for fighting to keep men out of women's sports. Just days later Biles apologized--a development that would have been *utterly unthinkable* just two years ago. Biles's apology is the latest sign that **the cultural pendulum is swinging back toward sanity.** Funding for "Pride" celebrations is drying up, corporate rainbow logos are disappearing, and Christians now openly defy cancel culture.

Enjoy a highly encouraging look at the stunning collapse of "Pride Month" PLUS the rare "Pride Month" event we'd actually like to attend--Hetero Awesome Fest--on The 40 Days for Life Podcast: Tune in by visiting:

40daysforlife.com/make-hetero-awesome

While faith makes a comeback, the woke agenda has not. Target's stock price remains in the tank...and Bud Light is STILL a punch line.

That's because Christians have influence--when we choose to use it! Use **YOUR influence** by joining **this fall's 40 Days for Life campaign** in front of your nearest abortion business or abortion-dispensing pharmacy:



"Freedom is not only a gift, but also a summons to personal responsibility."

Pope Benedict

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June 22 offertory: \$1040.00

Sunday, July 6 10:00 amFOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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Mass intentions for the repose of The Souls of Jake & Margaret Gerk

Sacristans: Gerks & Strombergers
Lector: Pam Stieb

Servers: Bailey, Evan, & Faye EMHC: Jeri, Sonny, & Tim Gift Bearers: Jerome & Pam Stieb

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.org

June 22 offertory: \$602.00

Sunday, July 6 8:00 am

Coffee and Donuts after Mass

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Lector: Mary Uhlir

Servers: Conrad Roelle, Eli & Tyler Wanberg
Gift Bearers: Adam Wanberg 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



"Holidays and vacations can help to balance activity with contemplation, haste with more natural rhythms, noise with the heralding silence of peace." *Pope St John Paul II*

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