



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.

Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

30 minutes before daily Mass and Saturday from 3:30-4:30 p.m.



SACRED HEART

Physical Address: 621 Logan St., Peetz, CO

Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sunday7:30 a.m.



SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA

Physical Address: 111 S. 5th St., Iliff, CO

Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday.....10:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sunday9:30 a.m.

OCTOBER 26, 2025

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PERSISTENCE AND CONSISTENCY IN PRAYER

My brothers and sisters in Christ, we know that it may be easy to be proud of our faith when things are convenient to us, rather than when life presents challenges. We have been hearing during the last two weeks from the readings of the Holy Mass, the word of God inviting us to persistence in prayer, an invitation to show our sincere love for God. Fidelity is the ultimate expression of sincerity. So, if we love God, we shall always strive to be faithful to Him, because He is always faithful to us. Saint Paul, in his letter to Timothy (2 Tim, 2:13) reminds us of the faithful nature of God when he says that God doesn't change because of our infidelity to Him.

Persistence is a key aspect of faith and prayer, essential for enduring life's difficulties and growing spiritually, whether it's convenient or inconvenient. We should always ask ourselves, "Am I able to remain firm in faith when things are not working my way?"

Don't be weary in prayer; keep at it; watch for God's answers

Last week, the 29th Sunday of the ordinary time, Jesus presented to us the parable of the persistent widow and the Judge who neither feared God nor men. With this parable, Jesus, with His divine wisdom, intended to awaken in us two profound truths about our human nature (the fragility of our own human nature). We cannot do it all by ourselves. We need God's assistance and therefore, we should never be embarrassed to knock at God's door again and again.

Let us knock at God's door. If it's not open, let's knock harder. We cannot just ask once and get discouraged because we have not received the expected answer immediately. There is a reason as to why God is making us wait. Prayer must be accompanied by the virtue of patience, (faith that insists, that cries out, that does not tire of waiting, even when God's silence seems longer).

The widow of the parable reminds us of the many times in our lives, wounded by pain, suffering injustice but we continue praying. This manifests courage and a steadfast heart rooted in faith and love, reflecting the faithful love of God.

Our Persistence in prayer is not a projection of stubbornness

Of course, we keep on praying because we believe God is listening and will grant us our needs. It's a manifestation that the righteous judge, who is God, listens, welcomes and acts in our favor, at the right time. Perseverance in prayer is the link that takes us to the heart of God, it is in it that we find solace, strength and light to keep walking. We should also ask ourselves, "Can I remain faithful even when heaven seems silent?" "Can I continue to pray even when tears are my only words?" Prayer is a challenge that requires perseverance and consistency, especially when one is faced with distractions or spiritual dryness. We need to keep walking, even when prayer seems to yield no immediate results.

How well do we persist in living a prayerful life, a life of justice and charity, especially when circumstances make it difficult?

Of course, persistence in prayer is not just about the quantity of words we use, the number of times we pray or the length of our prayer life but it's about actively persevering in goodness, service, even when facing challenges or feeling spiritual dryness. When we pray, we also need to play our part and allow the Holy Spirit to take control of our life. Our prayer life should transform our ways; relations both with God and our brothers.

May we be persistent and constant in prayer, and confident in Divine justice. Our faith should never be weakened before the "silence" of God but grow in the certainty that He always hears us and will never abandon us who trust in Him.

Have a blessed week.

Fr. Oiyie

WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Sunday, October 26
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 / 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 / Lk 18:9-14
Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians
7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Nick Mildenberger**
8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass **Elsie Sweet**
9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Robert Quint**
10:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass **+Lillian Cucarola**
12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp Mass **Parishioners of all 3 parishes**

Monday, October 27
Rom 8:12-17 / Lk 13:10-17
Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians
8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **Presiding Priest's Intentions**
Tuesday, October 28
Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles
Eph 2:19-22 / Lk 6:12-16
Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Theology Seminarian Pts
8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Marilyn Mallory**
5:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Hours—Associates of the Sisters
of St. Francis-All welcome (lift door - Parish Center)

Wednesday, October 29
Rom 8:26-30 / Lk 13:22-30
Vocational Intention - 3rd & 4th Year Theology Seminarians
8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Patricia Rieb-1 yr anniv**
9:00 a.m. Legion of Mary (lift door - Parish Center)

Thursday, October 30
Rom 8:31b-39 / Lk 13:31-35
Vocation Intention – Vocations Ministry
8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Virg and +Edna Fiscus**
Descendants-Living & Deceased

Friday, October 31
Rom 9:1-5 / Lk 14:1-6
Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians
8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Dorothy Dobson-1 yr anniv**

Saturday, November 1
ALL SAINTS' DAY
Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 / 1 Jn 3:1-3 / Mt 5:1-12a
Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarian
8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **For all Saints**
3:30 – 4:30 p.m. Confessions – St. Anthony's
5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **Daniel Muggli Family-**
Living and Deceased

Sunday, November 2
THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
(All Souls' Day)
Wis 3:1-9 / Rom 5:5-11 / Jn 6:11-40
Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians
7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **Holy Souls' Novenas**
9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **Holy Souls' Novenas**
12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp Mass **Holy Souls' Novenas**



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.

Anointing of the Sick: Please notify the Parish office if someone is ill, homebound, or in need of the sacrament.

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 those who are sick and suffering:
Pat Simpson, John Loos Sr., John Feather, Mike Roelle,
Bob Mogus, Eddie Baughman, Irma Schell, Kolbe Godsey,
Jan Cristello, Maddox Piel, Marci Sanders, Ron Devie
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
October 19 offertory: \$5,051.00
October 19 maintenance: \$ 520.00
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 Mary Koehler. May she rest in peace.



The Silent Auction is back for this year's Annual Bazaar, November 1st & 2nd. We would appreciate donations for gift baskets. (Cash, gift cards, homemade items) Just bring your donation to the parish office during our regular business hours.

Please have your donations to the office by **Monday, October 27.**



All Saints' Day & All Souls' Day Novena envelopes are available at the back of all 3 churches. Please return completed envelopes during offertory collection at Mass or bring them to the parish office **no later than October 29th**. Join us in prayer as we honor our saints and the departed souls of our loved ones.



Starting Sunday, November 2, Mass times will be changing for St. Catherine's and Sacred Heart. Mass is at **8:00am** each Sunday for **St. Catherine's**, and **10:00am** each Sunday for **Sacred Heart**. Confession is 30 minutes before Mass starts.



Do you have Halloween candy left over & want to get rid of the temptation? The religious education department would love to take it off your hand! Just drop it off in the parish office. Thank you in advance.



Saint Anthony's 91st Annual Bazaar
Saturday, November 1st & Sunday, November 2nd
Join us for a weekend filled with food, fun, and fantastic prizes.

Saturday, November 1st
After 5:00pm Mass stroll over to the cafeteria for a warm and hearty **Soup Supper**
***Chicken Soup** or **Chili with Cinnamon Rolls**
Soup Supper Pricing:
\$7.00 – Adults \$5.00 – Children (ages 6–12)
Free – Children 5 and under
***Dessert Auction** – Bid on mouth-watering desserts (no baking required!)
***Silent Auction** – Bid on great items up for grabs (bidding closes Sunday at 1:45pm)

Sunday, November 2nd
After 9:00am Mass join us for a day packed with food and fun for the whole family!
***Spaghetti Dinner**
Home delivery begins at 10:00am
Call the office to request by Friday, October 31
Takeout begins at 10:00am (takeout ends at 1:00pm)
Dine-in opens at 11:00am and closes at 1:30pm
Spaghetti Dinner Pricing:
\$12.00 – Adults \$5.00 – Children (ages 6–12)
Free – Children 5 and under
***Meatballs**
Pre-order meatballs by Friday, October 31 \$12/dz
***Activities & Entertainment for All Ages**
Bounce Houses Putt-Putt Golf
Silent Auction Religious Goods Store
Dessert Wheel Meat Wheel Candy Booth
Bingo Cookie Decorating
Prize Drawing – 30 prizes totaling over \$10,000!
Drawing tickets are just \$1–Drawing starts at 2:00pm
(don't need to be present to win)

Want to help out? We'd love your support! Call the office & ask for Jen Rodine to volunteer.



The Knights of Columbus would like to invite everyone to their Annual Memorial Mass **Thursday, November 13, at 6:00pm**, in St. Anthony's church. A Soup Dinner will be served following the Mass in Hagus Hall. Please call (970)580-8522 if you would like to attend the supper.

St. Catherine of Siena, Iliff



www.saintcatherinesiliff.org
October 19 offertory: \$895.00
November 2 8:00am
THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
(All Souls' Day)
Wis 3:1-9 / Rom 5:5-11 / Jn 6:11-40
Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians
Mass intentions for Holy Souls' Novenas
Sacristans: Gerks and Strombergers
Lector: Kelsey
Servers: Austin, Bailey, and Ethan
EMHC: Jonna, Naomi, and Peggy
Gift Bearers: Tom and Brenda Huss
St. Catherine Finance Council: Tim Anderson, Randy Gerk, & Tom Huss

Sacred Heart, Peetz



www.sacredheartpeetz.org.org
October 19 offertory: \$1177.00
Sunday, November 2 10:00am
Coffee and Donuts after Mass
THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
(All Souls' Day)
Wis 3:1-9 / Rom 5:5-11 / Jn 6:11-40
Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians
Mass intentions for Holy Souls' Novenas
Sacristan: Melinda
Lector: Laney Uhler
Servers: Landon Fehringer, Eli & Tyler Wanberg
Gift Bearers: Religious Education children
Sacred Heart Fin. Council: R Fehringer, E Gardiner, & P. Schumacher



The holidays are challenging when you're grieving a loss. Grief&Share - **Surviving the Holidays** provides encouragement, support, and valuable tools to navigate the season. Join us for this holiday seminar. **Where:** St. Patrick Parish House 519 S Interoccean, Holyoke just north of St. Patrick Church. **When:** Monday, November 10 6:00-8:00 pm, just pay \$7 for materials at door. Please register online: griefshare.org/holidays or call: Julie Elliott 970-466-0794.

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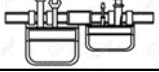
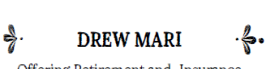
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