



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:

Sunday10:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sunday9:30 a.m.



SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA

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

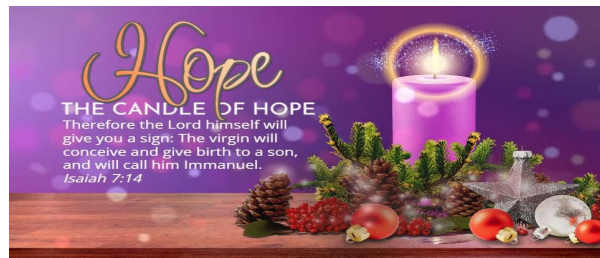
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Sunday.....8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sunday7:30 a.m.

**November
30
2025**



**The First
Sunday of
Advent**

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Advent is here with us. I would like to share with you the reflection of our Bishops about lent, so that we may live fruitfully this special moment of our liturgical calendar.

What is Advent?

Sunday, November 30, 2025 - Wednesday, December 24, 2025

Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of Christmas.

The Advent season is a time of **preparation** that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and to the anniversary of Our Lord's birth on Christmas. From the earliest days of the Church, people have been fascinated by Jesus' promise to come back. But the scripture readings during Advent tell us not to waste our time with predictions. Advent is not about speculation. Our Advent readings call us to be alert and ready, not weighted down and distracted by the cares of this world (Lk 21:34-36). Like Lent, the liturgical color for Advent is purple since both are seasons that prepare us for great feast days. Advent also includes an element of penance in the sense of preparing, quieting, and disciplining our hearts for the full joy of Christmas. As we prepare for Christmas, the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* notes some differences to the Mass that should be observed during the season. For instance, the priest wears violet or purple during Advent, except for the Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) when rose may be worn (GIRM, no. 346). Aside from what the priest wears, other aesthetic changes in the Church can include a more modestly decorated altar.

The final days of Advent, from December 17 to December 24, we focus on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord at Christmas. In particular, the "O" Antiphons are sung during this period and have been by the Church since at least the eighth century. They are a magnificent theology that uses ancient biblical imagery drawn from the messianic hopes of the Old Testament to proclaim the coming of Christ as the fulfillment not only of Old Testament hopes, but of present ones as well. Advent devotions including the Advent wreath, remind us of the meaning of the season. Our Advent calendar (linked below) can help you fully enter into the season with daily activity and prayer suggestions to prepare you spiritually for the birth of Jesus Christ. *USS*

The 4 themes of Advent.

- 1. Hope:** The first week focuses on the hope of Christ's coming, reflecting on God's promises and the anticipation of His arrival.
- 2. Peace:** The second week emphasizes the peace that Christ brings to the world and encourages seeking peace within one's own heart and relationships.
- 3. Joy:** The third week is dedicated to joy (Gaudette Sunday) as Christians rejoice in the anticipation of Jesus' arrival.
- 4. Love:** The fourth week centers on God's great love for humanity in sending his son and encourages reflecting and sharing that love with others.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 30

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Is 2:1-5 / Rom 13:11-14 / Mt 24:37-44

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Mary Mildenberger

8:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass +Peggy Zink

9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Patsy McGuire

10:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass Father Michael Bodzioch

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp Mass +LaVern Lambrecht

Monday, December 1

Is 4:2-6 / Mt 8:5-11

Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony CommServ. +Bill, +Jerry Manuello

Tuesday, December 2

Is 11:1-10 / Lk 10:21-24

Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Theology Seminarian Pts

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Audrey Brekel

5:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Hours—Associates of the Sisters of St. Francis-All welcome (lift door - Parish Center)

Wednesday, December 3

Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

Is 25:6-10a Mt 15:29-37

Vocational Intention - 3rd & 4th Year Theology Seminarians

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Dorothy Kaus

9:00 a.m. Legion of Mary (lift door - Parish Center)

Thursday, December 4

Is 26:1-6 / Mt 7:21, 24-27

Vocation Intention – Vocations Ministry

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass Traudi Torres

Friday, December 5

Dn 7:2-14 / Lk 21:29-33

Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Damien Lederhos

10:00 a.m. Devonshire Mass Rescheduled

Saturday, December 6

Is 30:19-21, 23-26 / Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarian

3:30 – 4:30 p.m. Confessions at St. Anthony’s

5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass +Rudy Hernandez

Sunday, December 7

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Is 11:1-10 / Rom 15:4-9 / Mt 3:1-12

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Darrien & +Katherine Lederhos

9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass +Lorrie Frick

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Sp Mass +LaVern Lambrecht



St. Anthony of Padua, Sterling

November 23 offertory: \$4,797.00

November 23 maintenance: \$ 330.00

We ask that you PLEASE use a separate check for maintenance donations as those contributions go into a different bank account. Thank you

Let us remember those who are sick and suffering:

Don Syper, Larry Guilds, Paula Abbott, Michael Salmon, Skip Bayley, 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.

SCAM ALERT

Parishioners are reporting suspicious texts from Father Joseph, asking for money to help him fund a project. These texts are **NOT** from Father Joseph, and please don't respond to them. If you have any doubts, please call the office so we can double-check for you.



St. Anthony's is joining this year's Parade of Lights with their own float! All parishioners are invited to help decorate the float, have some fun, & enjoy good food. We will be **getting together at 1007 N. 7th Ave on Sunday, November 30 at 2:00pm.**





*Note-location has changed

Come celebrate the holidays with us on **Monday, December 1**, at 5pm in ***Hagus Hall***. Catholic Daughters will be having their pizza and hot chocolate bar. Please wear an ugly sweater. 🤪 If you come and would like to join in a \$10 gift exchange, please bring a gift. It is so much fun. We are also going to sing Christmas carols, and we would love to have you join us.



Eucharistic Adoration at St. Anthony's

Spend an hour in adoration of Our Lord Jesus. Adoration will begin after 8:00am Mass Thursday, December 4, & ends with the start of 8:00 am Mass Friday, December 5. To ensure each hourly period is covered, please sign the sheet located at the back of the church.



The 2025 Parade of Lights is on **Thursday, December 4**. This year St. Anthony's has a float in the parade. If you would like to help, volunteers are needed to walk beside the float to hand out candy. If that doesn't interest you, join the crowd and make a lot of noise when our float comes by! The Parade starts at 6:00pm but if you are going to walk with the float, meet at St. Anthony's at 5:15pm. Whatever you decide to do, please join everyone for a meal after the parade in the parish center cafeteria.



Immaculate Conception

Monday, December 8 is the Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception, a holy day of obligation. **Masses at St. Anthony's** will be **8:00am & 6:00pm**. There are no scheduled Masses for St. Catherine's and Sacred Heart. **The parish office will be closed on Monday, December 8.** It will reopen Tuesday, December 9, at 8:00am.



PROGRAM – PROGRAMA

December 20 - 6:00 pm – Cafeteria

There will be the posada prayer and traditional song, food, music and breaking of pinatas. Habrá la oración de la posada y el canto tradicional, comida, música y piñatas.

All are welcome! – ¡Todos son Bienvenidos!





Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Parroquia de San Antonio de Padua

Come and join us to celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe

Ven a celebrar con nosotros a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

PROGRAM - PROGRAMA

December 12 6:00 pm Solemn Mass – Misa Solemne

December 14 12:00 pm Sunday Mass – Misa Dominical

1:00 pm Reception – Convivio - Cafeteria

There will be music, food, the dance from St. Helena and many more. Habrá música, comida, la danza de la parroquia de Santa Elena y muchos más. **All are welcome! – ¡Todos son Bienvenidos!**



Mark your calendars for this year's Dinner Theater production of "The First Christmas" presented by our Religious Education Department, on **Wednesday, December 17**. Join us for a delicious roast beef dinner with all the fixings, then sit back and enjoy a special performance of "The First Christmas" by the children of our parish. The parish center middle doors and lift door will open at 5:30pm for dinner, with the performance to follow.



Las Posadas

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

Sterling, CO

Parroquia de San Antonio de Padua

Sterling, CO

Come and join us to celebrate Las Posadas

Ven a celebrar con nosotros Las Posadas

¿Qué son las posadas?

Las Posadas es un [novenario](#) (una oración devocional por 9 días). Por lo general, se celebra cada año entre el 16 y el 24 de diciembre. *Las Posadas* deriva de la palabra [española](#) posada (mesón u hotel) [que](#), en este caso, se refiere a la posada de la historia de la [Natividad](#).

What are las posadas?

Las Posadas is a novenario (an extended devotional prayer). It is typically celebrated each year between December 16 & December 24. Las Posadas derives from the Spanish word posada (lodging, or accommodation) which, in this case, refers to the inn from the Nativity story.

St. Catherine of Siena, Iliff

www.saintcatherinesiliff.org

November 23 offertory: \$1571.00

Sunday, December 7 8:00am

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Is 11:1-10 / Rom 15:4-9 / Mt 3:1-12

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

Mass intentions for the repose of the souls of Joe, Corinne, and David Gerk

Sacristans: Ashley and Jeri Lector: Pam

Servers: Aly, Joey, and Tayten

EMHC: Brenda, Nick, and Tom

Gift Bearers: Gary and Joan Marin



Sacred Heart, Peetz

www.sacredheartpeetz.org.org

November 23 offertory: \$2253.00

Coffee and Donuts after Mass

Sunday, December 7 10:00am

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Is 11:1-10 / Rom 15:4-9 / Mt 3:1-12

Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians

Mass intentions for repose of the soul of Dale Krier

Sacristan: Mary Lector: Tyler Wanberg

Servers: Henry Sinnett, Colton & Grayson Sintler

Gift Bearers: Religious Education students



Looking for a work of mercy for Advent? The Catholic Daughters would be happy to help you with an idea. Catholic Daughters has been contacted by the Pregnancy Center, who said they are in desperate need of formula of all kinds. If you would like to donate, Catholic Daughters will be collecting all through Advent. There will be a box in the back of the church for your donation. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity. May God grant you many blessings this Advent season.

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