



## SAINT ANTHONY

*Our Mission: May Christ's grace renew us to exercise His gifts. (see Rom 12:4-6)*

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### Eucharistic Celebrations:

Saturday Vigil ..... 5:00 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 weekday Masses and Saturday from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

First Friday Eucharistic Exposition begins



## SACRED HEART

Physical Address: 621 Logan St., Peetz, Colorado

### Eucharistic Celebrations:

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

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sunday ..... 9:30 a.m.



## SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA

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

### Eucharistic Celebrations:

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

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sunday ..... 7:30 a.m.



## Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

*Matthew 3:13-17*

### Jewish Baptism

The Jewish baptism is rooted in ancient practices of ritual immersion. The **baptism in Jewish tradition** is the practice of *mikveh*, a **ritual bath used for purification**. In ancient Israel immersion in water was a means of restoring ritual purity, especially after becoming unclean due to various circumstances, for example, after having contact with a corps. Specific requirements for these immersions emphasize the use of "living water" (natural sources) for the most effective purification. At the beginning of the 1<sup>st</sup> Century of the Christian Era, John the Baptist called people to immerse in the waters of the River Jordan as a sign of repentance and preparation for the coming of the long-expected Messiah. John's practice of baptism is a calling for a moral reform and spiritual readiness. His actions elevate the meaning of immersion from a routine purification to a profound act of repentance and commitment to God.

### Christian Baptism

The Christian Baptism is the practice of a ritual immersion in "living water". This practice is called Sacrament, a means of sanctification. Instituted by Christ, "go and make disciples of all peoples baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" *Matthew 28:19-20*, the Christian baptism is the sacrament that initiate us in the Christian life; it makes us children of God and members of the Church.

### The Baptism of Jesus

The Baptism of Jesus is an Epiphany, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased", *Matthew 3:17*. Epiphany is the act of Revelation of God as he is; the voice of the Father, the descend of the Holy Spirit and the proclamation of Jesus as The beloved Son of the God the Father. The purpose of the Baptism of Jesus is to fulfil God's will, "for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness" *Matthew 3:15*.

Fr. Martin Fries

## Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor

*Mateo 3:13-17*

### Bautismo judío

El bautismo judío tiene sus raíces en prácticas antiguas de inmersión ritual. El **bautismo en la tradición judía es** la práctica del *mikve*, un **baño ritual utilizado para la purificación**. En el antiguo Israel, la inmersión en agua era un medio para restaurar la pureza ritual, especialmente después de volverse impuro debido a diversas circunstancias, por ejemplo, tras tener contacto con un cuerpo. Los requisitos específicos para estas inmersiones enfatizan el uso de "agua viva" (fuentes naturales) para la purificación más eficaz. A principios del siglo I de la era cristiana, Juan el Bautista llamó a la gente a sumergirse en las aguas del río Jordán como señal de arrepentimiento y preparación para la venida del tan esperado Mesías. La práctica del bautismo de Juan es una llamada a una reforma moral y a la preparación espiritual. Sus acciones elevan el significado de la inmersión de una purificación rutinaria a un acto profundo de arrepentimiento y compromiso con Dios.

### Bautismo cristiano

El Bautismo cristiano es la práctica de una inmersión ritual en "agua viva". Esta práctica se llama Sacramento, un medio de santificación. Instituido por Cristo, "id y haced discípulos de todos los pueblos, bautizándolos en el nombre del Padre, del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo" *Mateo 28:19-20*, el bautismo cristiano es el sacramento que nos inicia en la vida cristiana; nos hace hijos de Dios y miembros de la Iglesia.

### El Bautismo de Jesús

El Bautismo de Jesús es una Epifanía: "Este es mi Hijo amado, en quien me complazco", *Mateo 3:17*. La Epifanía es el acto de la Revelación de Dios tal como es, la voz del Padre, el descenso del Espíritu Santo y la proclamación de Jesús como el Hijo amado de Dios Padre. El propósito del Bautismo de Jesús es cumplir la voluntad de Dios, "porque así nos es apropiado cumplir toda justicia" *Mateo 3:15*.

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## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### Sunday, January 11, 2026

#### The BAPTISM OF THE LORD

**Is 42:1-4, 6-7 / Acts 10:34-38 / Mt 3:13-17**

*Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians*

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Roger Nixt**

8:00 a.m. St. Catherine Mass **+Gerald Antonio Cucarola**

9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **Tom Torres Family**

10:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass **Presiding Priest's Intentions**

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

### Monday, January 12, 2026

**1 Sm 1:1-8 / Mk 1:14-20**

*Vocational Intention - 1st & 2nd Year Philosophy Seminarians*

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Bill, +Jody, & +Dan Etli**

### Tuesday, January 13, 2026

#### St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

**1 Sm 1:9-20 / Mk 1:21-28**

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

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Les Ellsworth**

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

### Wednesday, January 14, 2026

**1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20 / Mk 1:29-39**

*Vocational Intention - 3rd & 4th Year Theology Seminarians*

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+David Frenzl**

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

### Thursday, January 15, 2026

**1 Sm 4:1-11 / Mk 1:40-45**

*Vocation Intention – Vocations Ministry*

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Don Schlenz**

### Friday, January 16, 2026

**1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a / Mk 2:1-12**

*Vocation Intention - Pastoral Year Seminarians*

8:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **Shirley Manuello**

### Saturday, January 17, 2026

#### Saint Anthony, Abbot

**1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19;10:1 / Mk 2:13-17**

*Vocation Intention - 1st & 2nd Year College Seminarian*

3:30 – 4:30 p.m. Confessions in St. Anthony Church

5:00 p.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Robert Quint**

### Sunday, January 18, 2026

#### SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Is 49:3, 5-6 / 1 Cor 1:1-3 / Jn 1:29-34**

*Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians*

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Clinton, +Lucille, +Connie, & +Joni Armstrong**

9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Mass **+Shanna Sandridge**

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

The rosary is prayed 30 minutes before every Mass. Please join us for this wonderful time of prayer and reflection.

### St. Anthony Church Hours

Open Sun – Fri 6:00am – 6:00pm Sat 6:00am – 7:00pm

### Parish Office Hours

Open Mon - Fri 8:00 am – 4:00 pm CLOSED 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm  
(970)522-6422



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](http://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)466-1006 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, & Bobbie Zen.

**St. Anthony Finance Council Members:** Les Archuleta, David Lorenzo, Ron Marostica, Kristin Nichols, & Adam Rose.

### Let us remember those who are sick and suffering:

Addison Stevens, George Hernandez, Don Sypert, Paula Abbott, Michael Salmon, Pat Simpson, John Loos Sr., John Feather, Mike Roelle, Bob Mogus, Kolbe Godsey, Jan Cristello, Maddox Piel

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

#### Previous offertory collections

12/21/25 offertory: \$12,067 12/21/25 maintenance: \$1,705

Christmas offertory: \$11,008

12/28/25 offertory: \$4,255 12/28/25 maintenance: \$3,405

1/1/26 Holy Day offertory: \$1587

1/4/26 offertory: \$7,609 1/4/26 maintenance: \$3776



Catholic Daughters will be meeting **Monday, January 12 at 6:00pm in the Knights of Columbus Hall.** We will be finishing up the planning for our 100th anniversary.



Do you know someone that needs help with healing from separation and divorce? A weekly **Healing from Separation & Divorce** program will start **January 13, 2026**, from 7-8:30 pm. Topics include self-image, loneliness, stress, forgiveness, children, & more. This 12-week healing program will meet over Zoom so no travel is required. Register at: [Divorceministryteam@gmail.com](mailto:Divorceministryteam@gmail.com).



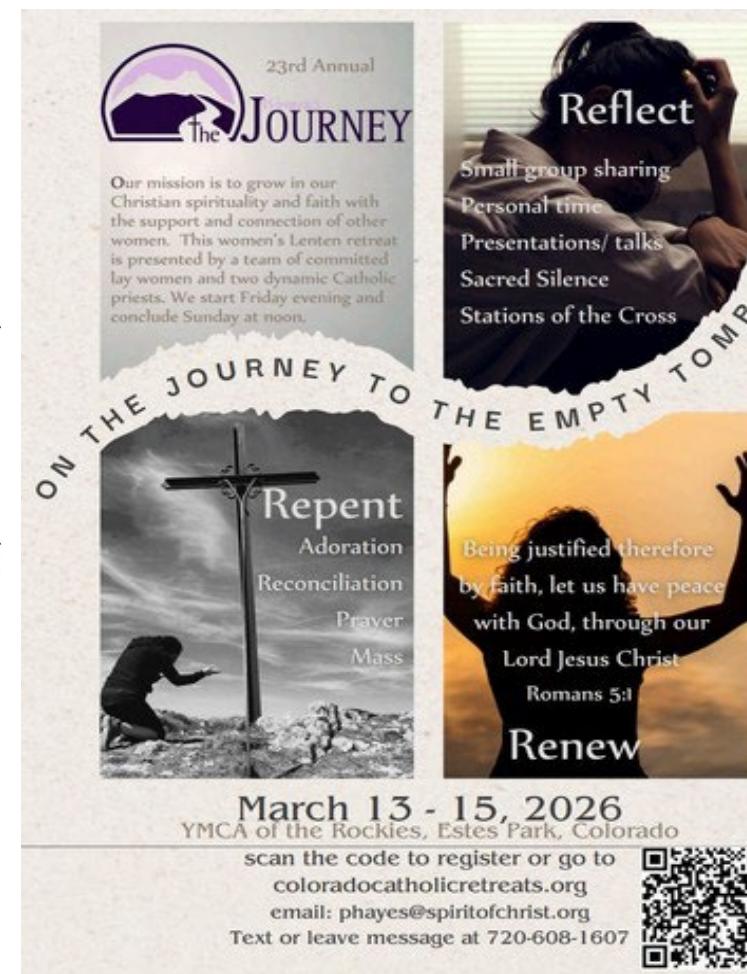
Ladies, you are invited to join the **Women's Ministry** **Saturday, January 17**

from 8:30-9:30am in Hagus Hall. We are pleased to announce that local artist & fellow parishioner Mary Catherine Unrein will share with us her witness of the **"Transformative power of Sacred Art"**. Coffee & tea will be served.

### Eucharistic Adoration

January's Adoration falls on a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have Adoration the first

Thursday in February, beginning after 8:00am Mass Thursday, **February 5** & ending with the start of 8:00 am Mass Friday, **February 6**. Please watch for the sign up sheet.



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[www.saintcatherinesiliff.org](http://www.saintcatherinesiliff.org)

#### PREVIOUS OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

12/21: \$1562 12/25: \$2351 12/28: \$645

1/1/26: \$515 1/4/26: \$1076

### Sunday, January 18 8:00am

#### SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### CHILDREN'S MASS

**Is 49:3, 5-6 / 1 Cor 1:1-3 / Jn 1:29-34**

*Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians*

**Mass intentions for the repose of the soul of Millie Egbert**  
**Sacristans: Husses**

**Lector: Children**

**Servers: Aly, Joey, and Tayten**

**EMHC: Jeri, Sonny, and Tim**

**Gift Bearers: Children**

St. Catherine Finance Council: Tim Anderson, Randy Gerk, & Tom Huss

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[www.sacredheartpeetz.org.org](http://www.sacredheartpeetz.org.org)

#### PREVIOUS OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

12/21: \$1398 12/24: \$2431 12/28: \$1700

1/1/26: \$281 1/4/26: \$1063

### Sunday, January 18 10:00am

#### SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Is 49:3, 5-6 / 1 Cor 1:1-3 / Jn 1:29-34**

*Vocation Intention - Spirituality Year Seminarians*

#### Mass for the Presiding Priest's Intentions

**Sacristan: Melinda**

**Lector: Melinda Beyer**

**Servers: Henry Sinnet, Colton & Grayson Sintler**

**Gift Bearers: Derek Weimer 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 Gardiner, & P. Schumacher**

The Lord was Baptized, not to be cleansed Himself, but to cleanse the waters, so that those waters, cleansed by the flesh of Christ which knew no sin, might have the power of Baptism. St. Ambrose of Milan

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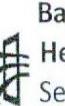
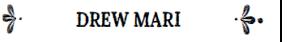
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