Our First Reading from Second Kings, chapter 4, features Elisha. You may recall that Elisha was plowing in a field when the prophet Elijah called him to follow him. Something happened at that moment and Elisha chose to do it, which is what brought him to this point in his journey (as reported in today’s Holy Scripture). We often address the fact that each of us is called as well. Our calling, like Elisha’s and like those of Christ’s Apostles, is really not that much different.

Christ said, “Follow Me,” and the Apostles basically dropped everything, ceased pursuing what they were doing — in some cases with good jobs and vocations — and followed Christ. We are called to follow the Lord from the moment of our Baptism, but how many of us actually take that calling seriously?

It is not just a question of hearing the call; the key is whether we are listening for it? It is there, but we must be aware of it in order to respond.

Elisha’s call and our calls are signs of God at work. God has a plan for each of us. We are the means by which God’s work is continued in our parishes, in our communities, and in the Church. God’s ministry on earth will be carried out and accomplished. None of us is the entire ministry; we can all be replaced. However, by the same token in God’s eyes we are absolutely necessary. Are we ready to respond? Are we ready to be disciples of the Lord?

Parade Day
St. Anthony’s Church, O’Reilly Hall, Parish Center and the Shepherd Staff office will all be closed during the Parade July 11, 2017 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Adoration
Adoration at St. Anthony’s will also be closed on Parade day July 11, 2017 from 7:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Shepherd Staff office will be closed Monday July 3rd & Tuesday July 4th in observation of the Fourth of July.

God Bless & Happy Fourth of July!
OUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
Collections for June 24 & 25, $6,889.69

Thank you for your generosity. Fr. Kevin

LIVING AND GIVING IN CHRIST: JUNE 28, 2017

St. Anthony of Padua
Goal Pledged to date Paid to date Participation Pledged
$87,067 $43,021.00 $30,179.00 8% 49%

Our Lady of Fatima
$73,370 $63,942.50 $49,777.50 25% 74%

St. Patrick’s
$154,383 $96,526.00 $64,681.00 27% 63%

Thank you so much for responding to our request for your participation in Living and Giving in Christ. Your gift makes it possible for the Diocese to provide for the ministerial needs of the People of God in Wyoming.

INFANT BAPTISM CLASS: Class will be held Monday July 17, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the O’Reilly Hall. Please call the Shepherd Staff office to sign up for the Baptism Class at 307-266-2666.

BAPTISM GUIDELINES AT ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA PARISH

As a Catholic Christian Community we bring forth these guidelines regarding the Sacrament of Infant Baptism. Since this is a sacrament of initiation (introduction) to the Catholic Community the following must take place. The Parents must be registered at St. Anthony of Padua Parish and be consistently seen attending Mass in this church.

- If this is the first child, Parent(s) and Godparents must attend Baptismal Preparation class.
- Godparents must be Baptized, Confirmed, and practicing Catholics. One Godparent can be of a Protestant denomination. If for good reason Godparents are from out of town, or another Catholic church in town, a letter from their pastor is required to state they are practicing members in good standing.
- A visitation with the priest or deacon is necessary before scheduling a date for the Baptism of the child.
- Those not registered in our parish must have written permission from their pastor to have their child baptized in our church.

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REGLAS Y REQUISITOS PARA LOS BAUTISOS

Como comunidad cristiana y católica les recordamos los requisitos para el sacramento del bautismo ya que este es el sacramento de iniciacon y introducon a la comunid cd católica, lo que sigue debe llebarse acabo.

- Los padres deben de estar registrados en una de estas comunidades de fe en Nuestra Señora De Fatima, Iglesia San Patricio, o Iglesia San Antonio y demostrando que asisten a las Misas regular mente.
- Si es su primer hijo a los padres deben de atender las clases de preparación para el bautismo, en el primer lunes del mes 7:00 pm a 9:00 pm en el centro pastoral 642 S. Wolcott. Por favor llame a la oficina para inscribirse en la clase 307-266-2666.
- Los padrinos deben de estar bautizados tener la primera comunión la confirmación practicando la fe católica y tener 16 años de edad.
- Un padrino puede ser de otra denominación protestante si acaso tiene una buena razón. Si los padrinos son de otro pueblo o de otra Iglesia Católica de aquí de Casper, se requiere una carta de su pastor indicando que practican su fe Católica y están bien con la Iglesia.
- Una visita con El Sacerdote o con El Diacono es necesaria antes de poner la fecha para el bautismo. Bautisos se lleban acabo el cuarto Sabado de cada mes en la Misa a las 10:00 am.
- Estos requisitos se lleban acabo para asegurarnos que continúan en su crecimiento Católico y partispan en la fe Católica y en la comunidad de la Iglesia.

Catholic Marriage Prep Class
Casper Marriage Preparation Dates through 2017
ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUESTED
REQUIRED ADVANCE REGISTRATION for those outside the Casper Deanery may be made by calling: 307-797-1117.
YOU ARE INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND
GOD’S PLAN FOR A JOY-FILLED MARRIAGE - Saturdays in Casper - 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Held at Our Lady of Fatima Church, 1401 CY Avenue. For more information, call 307-797-1117.
Sept. 9, 2017

YOU ARE INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND
LIFE SKILLS - Saturdays in Casper - 9:00 a.m. to approx. 2:00 p.m.
Held at St. Patrick’s Parish, 4th and Country Club. For more information, call 307-797-1117.
July 29, 2017
Oct. 21, 2017

REQUIRED
NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING -
For more information, contact Shepherd’ Staff office at 266-2666.

**Please note, there are no classes in December or August of 2017. Please plan ahead. **

The latest winner in the Knights of Columbus Council 9917 6th Annual Gun-A-Week Raffle is #354739 - Sylvia Tilton of Cheyenne WY. Additional information is available at www.kofc9917.org.
Catholic Family Movie Nights!
Please join us for a potluck meal, fellowship, and watching family friendly, inspirational movies.

Thursday July 20th - Patterns of Evidence: Exodus
Thursday August 17th - Star of Bethlehem

The festivities will be held in the O’Reilly Hall at St Anthony’s Catholic Church

Potluck begins at 6pm, Movie starts at 7pm
For more information please call; Church office 307-266-2666 or Thomas Allsteadt 970-396-9886

1st Holy Communion & Confirmation Certificates are ready to be picked up in the Sheperd Staff office Mon-Fri 8am -12pm or 1pm -3pm.

We would love to bring you or your loved ones Eucharist!
Please call the Sheperd’s Staff office (307) 266-2666 if you or loved one have not been able to attend weekly Mass. We have Eucharistic Ministers who love to bring you or your loved ones the Eucharist and a weekly bulletin. We will arrange a time that is convenient for you.

CaYAC is a community of young adults (20’s, 30’s, +) who seek to grow closer to Christ and his Church through friendship, prayer, formation, and service. Joins us on Thursday nights at 6:00 PM at St. Anthony’s Church. You can also find us on Facebook!

Pope Francis (@Pontifex) 6/28/17

God looks with love upon every one of us.

2017 Mexican Fiesta
July 29, 2017 Mary Queen of Peace parish will sponsor the 64th Annual Mexican Fiesta at South Park (6th Ave. South and South 29th St.) in Billings, Montana. Fiesta includes an authentic Mexican meal served on site, children’s games, raffle items and silent auction as well as entertainment in the form of music, cultural dancing, and singing. The 21st Annual Fiesta Car Show featuring over 100 classic, stock and custom cars is also a part of the festivities. Admission is free and activities in the park are from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. There will be a mini food court under the big tent this year, with seating available. Fiesta will host a variety of other food vendors on the grounds as well.

The celebration will continue in the evening from 8:00 pm to 1:00 am with a dance at the Radisson Billings Hotel Convention Center 5500 Midland Road. Music will be provided by both a live band, featuring recording artist Juan Antonio Tapia from Brownsville, Texas, and a Dee Jay. Tickets for the dance will be $25 for singles, $40 for couples and tables of 10 for $190.

For more information about the Fiesta or for table reservations for the dance call: Jessica Contreraz (406) 670-7667, and for Fiesta Car Show information call: Jay Krug (406) 348-4033

Remembering Parishioners Who Died in June

Janet Rosalie Kraen-Mackler, 77, died May 27. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Anthony Church, June 3 with Fr. Kevin Barrett officiating. You may send your message of prayerful condolences to: Family of Janet Rosalie Kraen-Mackler, c/o Newcomer Funeral Home, 710 East Second Street, Casper 82601. Donations in memory of Janet may be sent to: Casper college Foundation, 125 College Drive, Casper 82601 designated for the Kraen Family Scholarship, or to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38015.

Katie Lynn O’Keefe, 28, died in a vehicle accident, June 16. A Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated at St. Anthony Church for Katie, June 23, in the presence of an overflowing crowd with Fr. Kevin Barrett as the main celebrant. Your message of prayerful condolences may be sent to: Family of Katie Lynn O’Keefe, c/o Bustard’s Funeral Home, 600 CY Ave., Casper 82601. Donations in memory of Katie may be sent to: Southridge Elementary Parent Teacher Organization, 1600 W. 29th Street, Casper WY 82604.

Richard “Dick” Davis Vassar, 81, died June 25, 2017. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Anthony Church, June 26 with Fr. Lucas Simango as principle celebrant. You may send a message of prayerful condolences to his family at the following address: Family of Richard “Dick” Vassar, c/o Bustard’s Funeral Home, 600 CY Ave., Casper 82601. Donations in memory of Dick may be made to Meals on Wheels of Casper and the 70th Birthday Fund, c/o Our Lady of the Mountain Church, P.O. Box 992, Jackson, WY 83001.

Francis “Tim” Wolfe, 57, died June 20. A Memorial Service for Tim was held at Bustard’s Funeral Home, June 27 with Fr. Hugo L. Blotsky, O.S.B., officiating. You may send a message of prayerful condolences to his family at: Family of Francis Wolfe, c/o Bustard’s Funeral Home, 600 CY Ave., Casper 82601. Donations in memory of Tim may be made to St. Anthony Church, 604 South Center Street, Casper 82601, and NOWCAP, 345 North Walsh Drive, Casper 82609.

Offer Masses for Deceased: The primary benefit of a Mass of Christian burial is asking for the infinite merits of the Sacrifice of Jesus to be applied to the soul of the deceased, and secondarily for the good of relatives and friends. One of the spiritual work of mercy in Catholic Tradition is “To pray for the living and the dead.” Masses and other prayers are offered for the deceased to support them on their pilgrimage to their Eternal Home. A corporal work of mercy is “To bury the dead.” Here at St. Anthony Church one of our ministries is to extend the Lord’s mercy and compassion to our deceased parishioners, and to offer the Lord’s mercy and compassion to their grieving loved ones. You may request Masses for the deceased. The suggestion donation per Mass is $10.00 according to the policy of the Cheyenne Diocese.

St. Anthony Building Fund: Contributions to this Fund will be used to replace the roof of the parish hall, to renew the interior of Shepherd’s Staff, and to replace some computers in Shepherd’s Staff.

St. Anthony Funeral Luncheon Fund: Donations to this Fund will be used to help defray expenses of funeral luncheons for deceased loved ones of parishioners held in our church. Some families will make a financial donation to our church for the funeral luncheon of their deceased loved one. Other families are not in a position to give a financial gift.

Memorial Brick for the Grotto of the Blessed Mother: You may purchase a brick for the Grotto to honor or to memorialize a loved one. Your gift will leave a lasting legacy and add a beautiful dimension to the Grotto on the grounds of St. Anthony Church.

Memorial Brick for the Ten Commandments and Statue of Life: The Knights of Columbus are getting close to installation of the Ten Commandments monument and the Statue of Life sculpture on the south side of the Church. The purchase of bricks is providing the financing for the Knights to install benches at that location. The benches will allow for parishioners and others to sit and pray or meditate at that location. The engraving may be your name, a loved one or a prayer. Forms are still available at the Shepherd’s Staff office or at the Church.
PARISH STAFF:  Pastors: Office & Residence
Fr. Kevin Barrett, 266-2666
Fr. Hugo L. Blotsky, 266-2666
Deacon Dave Johnson, 266-2666
Deacon Michael Burke, 266-2666
LaVonne Carlson, 266-2666
Sheila Wiggins, 266-2666
Dina Boutté, 266-2666
Jesus Saldivar, 266-2666
Trina Medina, 266-2666
O’Reilly Hall, 266-2666

Mass Intentions:
- St. Anthony’s School:
  - Principal: Cyndy Novotny
  - Phone: 234-2873
- Prayer-line:
  - Pastor: Barbara Haigler
  - Phone: 277-9777
- Holy Cross Center:
  - Sunday: Joseph Haack, 577-1041
  - Monday: Michelle Smith, 234-2945
  - Tuesday: Maria Antonovich, 262-2003
  - Wednesday: Sheila Wiggins, 262-2003
  - Thursday: Fr. Hugo L. Blotsky, 262-2003
  - Friday: Fr. Kevin Barrett, 262-2003
- SHEPHERD’S STAFF OFFICE HOURS:
  - Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
  - Friday: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
  - Monday thru Friday Office closed: 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE:
- Saturday: 8:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:15 pm
- Sunday: 8:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:15 pm
- Hispanic Mass: 1st Sunday of the month: 2:30 pm
- Daily Mass: Wed, Thurs, Fri: 6:30 am
- Saturdays During the Year of Mercy: 8:00 am
- Communion Service: Tuesday: 6:30 am
- Holy Day of Obligation Masses: 6:30 am & 5:15 pm
- Life Care: 1st Thurs of Month: 2:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
- Saturday: 3:00 pm-4:30 pm: Wed: 7:00 pm-8:00 pm
- Sunday: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm: 1st Wed. 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration:
- Blessed Sacrament Chapel:
  - Monday: 7:00 am to 11:00 pm
  - Tuesday: 12:00 am to 12:00 am
  - Wednesday: 12:00 am to 10:00 pm
  - Thursday: 7:00 am to 10:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Please visit with the Priest or Deacon at least seven months prior to the marriage date.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Infant Baptism Prep Classes are the 1st Monday of the month from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the O’Reilly Hall. Baptisms are held on the 1st Saturday of the month at 9:30 am, except during Lent.

Latino Baptism: Las clases son el primer lunes del mes a las 7:00 pm en el centro pastoral, 642 S. Wolcott, excepto durante la Cuaresma. Bautizamos se celebran el primer sábado del mes a las 9:30, excepto durante la Cuaresma.

Quinceañera: If you are planning on doing a Quinceañera at St. Anthony of Padua Parish, please contact the Shepherd’s Staff at 266-2666 during working hours.

Funeral: Every Catholic has the right to the special grace of a Funeral Mass. If anyone would like to plan a funeral, please call The Shepherd’s Staff @ 266-2666.

Evening Prayer with the Rosary: Monday through Friday @ 5:30 pm in Church.

First Friday of the Month: Votive Mass to the Sacred Heart with anointing of the sick @ 6:30 am.

Knights of Columbus: Meetings are 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 6:00 pm. Parish Center. Rick Young at: 267-6868.

Announcements: 5 minutes before weekend Masses.

Parish Council: Meets monthly, the 1st Friday each month in the Shepherd’s Staff.

Finance Committee: Meets quarterly.

Parish Council, Finance Committee, & Trustees: Names are posted in the Vestibule of the Church.

Mass Intentions: Are you looking for that special, one of a kind gift to give to a loved one? Come into the Shepherd’s Staff to schedule a Mass to be celebrated for your loved one!

Readings for the Week of July 2, 2017
- Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16/Es 89:2-3, 16-19Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42
- Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-12/Mt 8:23-27
- Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-13/Mt 8:28-34
- Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-6, 8-9/Mt 9:1-8
- Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-6/Mt 9:14-17
- Next Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 5-8, 11-13

Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Las lecturas de la semana del 2 de julio de 2017
- Domingo: 2 Re 4, 8-11, 14-16/Sal 89, 2-3. 16-19
- Rom 6, 3-4. 8-11/Mt 10, 37-42
- Martes: Gn 19, 15-29/Sal 26, 2-3. 9-12/Mt 8, 23-27
- Miércoles: Gn 21, 5. 8-20/Sal 34, 7-8. 10-13/Mt 8, 28-34
- Jueves: Gn 22, 1-19/Sal 115, 1-6. 8-9/Mt 9, 1-8
- Mt 9, 1-13
- Sábado: Gn 27, 1-5. 15-29/Sal 135, 1-6/Mt 9, 14-17
- Domingo siguiente: Zac 9, 9-10/Sal 145, 1-2. 8-11. 13-14
- Rom 8, 9. 11-13/Mt 11, 25-30

BULLETIN NOTICES:
Deadline for the bulletin is 12:00 pm on Monday. You may drop notices by the Shepherd’s Staff, mail them to 604 S.Center, or e-mail them to secretary@stanthonyscasper.org
Thank you very much.