We are Gifted and We are Called

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are grateful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop them and return with increase.

Taking a child he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it he said to them, “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me.”

Mk 9:36-37

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are a welcoming, evangelizing, worshipping parish community, encouraging all to step into a deeper spiritual encounter and loving experience with our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray for peace, love, truth, and social justice through active stewardship - notably through our advocate - Mother Mary. We proclaim the promise of the Kingdom of God and the grace - filled nourishment that comes when our humanness becomes one with God’s Divinity in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.
**SUNDAY EVENING MASS GOES TO 5:00PM—OCTOBER 7th**
Please note that October 7th begins the Winter/Spring season for Mary Queen of Peace’s Sunday evening Mass. MASS WILL BEGIN AT 5:00PM

If you or a family member are homebound, in the hospital or scheduled for surgery and would like the Sacrament of the Sick, please call Father José at the office @259-7611 #06.

**Funerals: Initial funeral planning; Contact Fr. Jose Marquez, 294-7606**

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**FROM BISHOP MICHAEL WARFEL:**
*SAFE AND SACRED* DO IT!
Volunteers & Employees with access to Children, Young Adults and Vulnerable Persons are required to complete annual training and background checks or not be allowed to volunteer or be employed.

**MQP RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**
All classes will be held in “Little Flower School”!
- Wednesdays 5:00-6:45pm for Pre-K to 6th
- Sundays after evening Mass for EDGE – 7th & 8th
- Sundays after evening Mass High School Youth Group
  *Tuesdays 5-6:45pm Sacrament Prep Overflow
  *Tuesdays 5-6:45pm Older Confirmation/RCIA Prep (4th-12th)

**Accepting registrations**
Registration forms are in the back of church on peach paper and on the website!
Contact Bill Kuzma for information or to volunteer: mqp.dre@gmail.com, 406-294-7607

**Fees for the year:**
- $20 per family (not for RCIA kids)
- $15 for sacrament prep children for their own Bible (first year please)
- $25 per sacrament prep children over age 10 for workbook costs

**Marriage Encounter**
Married couples – Consider doing something great for yourselves and your marriage. A Marriage Encounter weekend involves 15 – 20 couples. The focus of the weekend is the couple, not group sessions. **Upcoming Marriage Encounter Dates:** Sept. 28-30, 2018 in Helena, MT; Nov. 2-4, 2018 in U-Cross, WY; Jan. 25-27, 2019 in Billings, MT. Contact information Paul & Tracy McElvery at 307-689-2820 or visit: www.wwme.org.

**AIDSpirit USA GARAGE SALE**
AIDSpirit USA is collecting donation items in good condition for the annual garage sale which will be held October 5th and 6th at Central Christian Church, 1221 16th St. West. If you have items to donate please bring them to First Christian Church Oct. 3rd and 4th noon to 3:00pm or call 696-1164. No clothes please. Help AIDSpirit continue to be a life-giving presence to those affected by HIV both locally and globally.

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**Calendar of Weekly Events:**
- 9-24 Marian Charismatic Prayer Group 4:00 PM Upper Church Street
- 9-25-26&27 NO MASS-PRESBYTERAL MTG-GR FALLS

**Mary Queen of Peace Parish**

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| Year-to-date Income Total: | 59,650 |
| Year-to-date Total Expenses Budget: | 98,839 |
| **Over (Short)** | (39,189) |

**Follow Him**
God accept our gifts given to Care and Share this year and use them to increase acts of holiness throughout our vast diocese.

**Diocesan Victim Assistance:**
Confidential Line 406-750-2373, Email victimassistancecoord@gmail.com

Remember in your prayers the soul and family of: Tony Gomez whose funeral was on Wednesday, September 19, 2018.
PRAYER PETITIONS: Pope’s September Universal Intention: Young People in Africa. That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

Enrich your spiritual life; get to know Jesus better

Marian Charismatic Prayer Group: The Marian Charismatic Prayer Group meets every Monday at 4pm at Mary Queen of Peace (3411 3rd Ave. South).

Rosary Wednesday: There will be parishioner-led Rosary recital after every Wednesday morning Mass. Be part of a prayer devotion that makes a difference in our daily lives!

Eucharistic Adoration: Pope John XXIII was quoted as saying one ought to sit in Eucharistic Adoration in some church at least once a day. MQP offers Eucharistic Adoration, every Thursday following the 9:00AM Mass until 6:00PM.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group: The Divine Mercy Prayer Group meets the third Thursday of the month at 5:30pm at Mary Queen of Peace.

Cornerstone Prayer Group: We meet the first Tuesday of the month after 9am Mass in the lower parish hall.

THAT MAN IS YOU (TMIY) meets Thursdays, 6-7:30am at the KC Hall, continental breakfast, no matter where you are on your faith journey, join us. Dan Nease, 406-672-0500.

ST. THOMAS PCCW RUMMAGE SALE
Sale on Friday October 5th, 9am to 5pm and Saturday, October 6th, 9am to 3pm in the St. Thomas Community Center, 2055 Woody Drive. Coffee and pies will be sold. If you have rummage to donate, please call Delores Lemke at 252-8808 to make arrangements for pick-up or delivery.

Generational Healing of your Family Tree
Mary Queen of Peace Parish hosting: Healing of Your Family Tree ★Three-day retreat weekend at the Billings Hotel & Convention Center ★Friday evening October 5th thru October 7th with a celebratory Mass on Sunday morning ★Presenter: Fr. Brendan Walsh, SAC; from County Tipperary, Ireland, 23-years in healing ministry, specifically in the areas of inner healing and intergenerational healing ★In attendance will be our very own, Bishop Michael Warfel ★Sacramental prayers, healing services, Masses, talks, and community fellowship ★Cost is only $99 a person (meals included; room reservations not included) ★Please join us! Limited seating! Call Matt now (294-7601) or Celest (294-7605) ★Come and Witness the Power of the Holy Spirit to Heal your Family Tree!

Sisters of Charity and Community Crisis Center
Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth need community help with donations for the Community Crisis Center in Billings. Your kindness was appreciated last year and it will make a difference again this year. The Community Crisis Center is a secure facility open 24 hours per day, 7 days a week. The Center triages clients and refers them to the appropriate services at the point in their life when it is most needed. The Crisis Center bridges the health care gap for people who need access to integrated mental health, chemical dependency and social services. Because of their service, the number of people accessing emergency care at the hospitals and incarcerations at the jail has reduced. Collection will take place Saturday, September 29th and Sunday, September 30th, boxes will be present. See list of items posted on bulletin board. We hope you can help. Thank you.

40 Days for Life – Sept. 26 – Nov. 4
Mary Queen of Peace is responsible to fill the time slots every Monday afternoon of the campaign from noon to 6 pm. If you can help out, please call the MPQ 40 Days for Life coordinator, Grace Reif, at 281-0495. If you can’t help during MQP’s assigned time, please call Amy (855-3737) or Alvina (860-5553) to see what other shifts need to be filled throughout the week; there are always lots of times that we could really use more help! And remember, everyone can also fast and pray for this effort! For more information, go to www.40DaysForLife.com or contact Amy Seymour at 855-3737.

LIFE CHAIN on Respect Life Sunday (Oct. 7th)
Join pro-life people in the Billings area that Sunday at 2:00 pm for our 11th annual Life Chain - an international peaceful, prayerful, public witness while standing 90 minutes, praying for our nation & an increased respect for ALL human life. Please come to King Ave & 24th St W.

Healing a Wounded Heart
Join the two Dioceses of Montana for Healing a Wounded Heart: A Culture of Life Conference October 26th and 27th. We’ll meet at St. Bernard Church in Billings, Montana beginning Friday the 26th at 5:30PM till 9:00PM with a variety of speakers including Bishop Michael W. Warfel, Msgr. Kevin O’Neil, Archbishop Samuel J. Aquila of Denver, Sr. Nancy Kehoe, Bob Hurd, Dr. Ray Guarendi, Dr. Neal Sorensen and Maj. Jeff Matsler. Topics will cover mental health, ministry of those in the last stages of life, discussions on papal encyclicals Humanae Vitae Laudato si’ and much more! The conference continues Saturday from 8:00AM till 4:00PM.
Register today at www.montanalive.org or call 406-318-0321.

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St. Agnes Parish in Red Lodge Craft Show
Attention all Crafters: St. Agnes Parish Craft Fair, Saturday October 20, 2018, 9:00am-4:00pm. Reserve Space/Tables: contact Betty, 446-2465, stagnescraftfair@gmail.com, 50 Aspen Place Red Lodge 59068. Deadline: October 13, 2018.

SOCCER CHALLENGE
The four Billings Knights of Columbus councils are hosting The Soccer Challenge for all Boys and Girls ages 9 to 14 on September 30th, 1:00pm at the practice field behind St. Francis School and St. Thomas Parish on Colton Ave. Boys and girls are scored on where in the net their penalty kicks land. It is not a More information contact: Andy Mikes at 406-652-5594.