MASS SCHEDULE
Mary Queen of Peace
3411 3rd Ave South
Daily Mass
Tuesday through
Friday @ 9 am
Weekend Mass
Sat. 4:00 pm
Sun. 9:30 am
Sun. 5:00 pm Oct. – May
Sun. 6:00 pm June – Sept.
Reconciliation
1 hour before Mass
Or by appointment

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Readings for Next Sunday:
Epiphany
1st Reading
Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm 72
2nd Reading
Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6
Gospel
Matthew 2:1-12

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.

We Wish to thank our Parish’s Volunteers & Benefactors!

Parish Newsletter
Mary Queen of Peace
December 29, 2019

Holy Family
Ministers for January 4 & 5

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We are Gifted and We Are Called
Jesus gave His life to serve, not to be served. Putting other’s needs before our own needs is a sign of becoming a mature disciple, of following Jesus’ example. Humility is really a sign of a strength. By putting other’s needs first we declare to the world that we are putting our complete trust in God. When we align our thoughts and actions with God’s plan for us, the result is Joy and Peace.

When Herod had died, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, “Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead.” He rose, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel.
Mt 2:19-21
---PRAYER LINE----PRAYER LINE----

Would you like prayers for a special person, a need, an intention, or an illness? Your parish community is here to help and to support you with prayer. Our parish community has a network of prayer ministers who remember each day in their prayers the intentions/needs of those who request. “Ask and you shall receive.” To activate our prayer line, please call Marion Walton: 259-5784.

Thank you! As 2019 comes to a close, the Board and Staff wish to express our gratitude to all of you for making the Catholic Foundation of Eastern Montana an ever-increasing important asset for the Catholic Church in our diocese. 2019 ushered in our New Grant Program, something we prayed would be possible one day. Thanks to the generosity of donors, we were able to grant $45,000 to 12 different parishes, 2 Catholic schools, and one Catholic organization in our diocese. We hope to do more next year as our endowments grow because of your continued support. There is still time to make a difference for the Church through a gift to your Catholic Foundation in 2019. Donations are tax-deductible; some may also qualify for the 40% Montana Charitable Endowment Tax Credit! Mailed gifts must be postmarked by December 31st in order to count for the 2019 tax year. You may also give online before midnight, December 31st, at www.catholicfoundationmt.org. To make a gift of appreciated stock or for any other question, please call Judy Held, President, at 406-315-1765 or email judy@catholicfoundationmt.org. Together, we are making a huge difference for the future of the Catholic Church in our diocese!

Merry Christmas from your Billings Catholic Schools! Each year at the all-system Catholic Schools Week Mass in January we honor members of our extended BCS family and Catholic community with the BCS Awards of Excellence. Awards that may be given each year include the BCS Legacy award, outstanding alum and young alum, philanthropist and community partner, and volunteer, SFC or BCCHS educator, and support staff of the year. We need your help in selecting the recipients of these awards. Please visit the alumni tab on the BCS website at BILLINGSCATHOLICSCHOOLS.ORG to nominate worthy candidates for any of these awards. Nominations are due by Friday, January 10, 2020. The awards will be presented following the all-system CSW Mass with Bishop Warfel on Monday, January 27, 2020, at 9:00am in the Ralph Nelles Center at Billings Central Catholic High School. All are welcome. Thank you!

New Year’s Masses
12-31 5:30PM Vigil Mass—Mary, Mother of God
01-01 9:30AM Mass—Mary, Mother of God
(Holy Day Of Obligation)

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Pope's December Intention: The future of the Very Young. That every country determines to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

Special Request: Office of the Bishop
“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” ~1Paul 4:10. The Diocesan Stewardship Committee supports the faithful of Eastern Montana in their efforts to be good stewards of God’s graces. This committee is in the process of growing and restructuring. As your Bishop, I would like for you to prayerfully consider being part of this ministry within the Church. If you have a desire to help your fellow Catholics be the disciples God is calling them to be, I ask you to consider serving on this vital committee. For further information about the committee contact: Renee Riehl, Stewardship Committee Chairperson at rriehl@stmarycolumbus.org or call her at (406) 860-9554. You may also contact H. Thomas Dotterweich, Director of Stewardship for the Diocese at stewardship@diocesegbf.org or by calling (406) 727-6683.

Young Adults
Over 30 young adults representing Mary Queen of Peace, St. Pius, St. Thomas, St. Pat’s and St. Bernard, gathered for a Citywide Catholic Young Adult Christmas Party at the Columbia Club, Saturday, Dec. 14th. Pictured here 4th from the right is John Gizicki and his wife Andrea, 2nd from the right were among those from our Parish. Thanks to the Knights of Columbus and the Columbia Club for donating the space for this event. Stay tuned for more Citywide Catholic YA events in 2020!

Today’s Gospel reminds us that the first formational years of Jesus as a babe-in-arms were spent in a strange land. The members of the Holy Family were foreigners, outsiders, immigrants. The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. God took on our humanity. He is in solidarity with our own trials and difficulties. On the feast of the Holy Family, we honor the special place of the family within society. We are invited, too, to recall those families who share in the struggles of the Holy Family in a particular way. We pray for immigrants, asylum seekers, and refugees. We pray for all parents who sacrifice their own well-being and comfort so their children may have a better life.
December 29, 2019

**Mary Queen of Peace Parish**

**Stewardship Report**

**Fiscal Year: July 1, 2019 thru June 30, 2020**

**Weekend of December 15, 2019**

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**Marriage Troubles**? If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring; if you have grown cold and distant; even if you are divorced or separated, or are thinking about it, Retrouvaille can help, as it has helped tens of thousands of others. Our next program February 21 - 23, 2020 at the **Ursuline Centre, Great Falls**. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com) Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names held in strictest confidence.

**Ministers Needed for Mary Queen of Peace**

*Mary Queen of Peace Parish* is seeking additional ministers in the following areas: Altar Servers, Extra-ordinary Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Lectors, Ministers to the Homebound, and Sacristans. If you are called or you know good candidates contact Fr. Jose.

**Saint Vincent de Paul Saturday Brunches**

A big thank you to all who served at our first brunch for friends in need (which will be on the **second Saturday of every month**) at Saint Vincent de Paul. Our **NEXT date is Jan. 11**. It will feature biscuits, sausage gravy, scrambled eggs and mixed fruit. We will post sign-ups each month requesting food and/or workers. [Call Grace Reif](tel:406-281-0495) is the MQP contact person.

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](tel:259-7611 #06).

**Funerals:**

Initial funeral planning:

Contact Fr. Jose Marquez, 294-7606

**“Your toil is not in vain when it is done in the Lord”**

Participation in the Annual Catholic Appeal of our Diocese calls us to share our many gifts and blessings with other parishes throughout the 94,500 square miles and 38,000 Catholics and innumerable others of our diocese. Together we will strengthen our Church and our faith by prayerfully considering a contribution to this year’s Appeal. Together we will grow as a family of faith, overcoming obstacles and challenges, firm in the knowledge that “your toil is not in vain”.

**Mary Queen of Peace Parish**

**2019 Care and Share Report**

**Care and Share March 2019 thru February 2020**

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<td><strong>2019 Care and Share Balance</strong></td>
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**Marriage Encounter**

Make your marriage a priority in 2020! Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and resolve to show your spouse how much you love them each and every day. These weekends are a powerful time for you to focus on one another, reconnect and grow closer. **Upcoming date: Billings, MT Jan 24-26, 2020**. For more information and to apply visit [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or call Paul and Tracy 307-689-2820.

"We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and its first chapter is New Year’s Day." — Edith Lovejoy Pierce

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**Calendar of Weekly Events**:

12-30  NO Marian Charismatic Prayer Group
12-31  5:30PM Vigil Mass-Mary, Mother of God
01-01  9:30AM Mass-Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)
01-02  Baptism Class 7:00pm MQP Office 2nd floor Part I
01-03  “Light is on for You” 4:30 – 5:30 PM Confessions, 5:30 PM Mass, 6:00 – 7:00 PM Confessions
01-03  Baptism Class 7:00pm MQP Office 2nd floor Part II
01-04/05  Food Bank and Collection for the Needy All Masses

**Saint Vincent de Paul**

**Weekday Mass**

9:00AM  Monday
9:00AM  Tuesday
9:00AM  Friday
9:00AM  Saturday
9:30AM  Sunday
12:30PM  Monday
12:30PM  Tuesday
12:30PM  Friday
12:30PM  Saturday
12:30PM  Sunday
5:30PM  Monday
5:30PM  Tuesday
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5:30PM  Sunday

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**Weekly Expense Budget**

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