

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE



DECEMBER 17, 2023
3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASS SCHEDULE

Mary Queen of Peace

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www.maryqueenofpeacebillings.org

Daily Mass

Tuesday - Friday 9:00am

1st Friday 5:30pm

Weekend Mass

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 9:30 am

5:00pm September - May

6:00pm June - August

Reconciliation

1 hour before Mass

Or By Appointment

Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm

(Closed Monday)



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Diocese of Great Falls-Billings: www.diocesegfb.org

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.



PARISH MINISTRY STAFF

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Readings for Next Sunday:

4th Sunday of Advent

1st Reading

2 Samuel 7:1-16

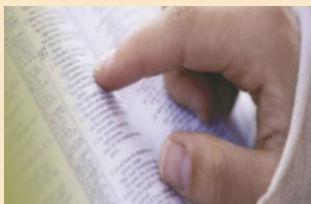
Psalm 89

2nd Reading

Romans 16:25-27

Gospel

Luke 1:26-38



FUNERALS: Initial funeral planning: Contact Fr. Jose Marquez, 406-294-7606

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 @406-259-7611 #06.



PRAYER REQUESTS

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 ministers who remember each day in their prayers the intentions/needs of those who request. "Ask and you shall receive." Our parish community remembers each day in their prayers, the intentions/needs of those who request. **To activate our prayer line, please call the office at 406-294-7605.**

Please Note:

- 12-23-2023 4pm Mass is 4th Sunday of Advent
- 12-24-2023 9:30am Mass is 4th Sunday of Advent
- 12-24-2023 5pm Mass is Vigil of Christmas
- 12-24-2023 11pm Mass is Vigil of Christmas
- 12-25-2023 9:30am Mass is Christmas

Be the Gift that Saves Lives

Join us at St. Pius X for our Blood Drive on Tuesday, December 19th in our Fellowship Hall from 12:30-5 p.m. Please call Renee' O'Dea at 406-670-8895 or Bob Holbrook at 406-671-5694 to schedule your appointment.

Offertory for weekend of December 3, 2023

Envelopes, Visitors, Loose	\$5,414
Other	\$1,797
YTD Offertory	122000
YTD Other Income	\$37,227
YTD Total Income	\$159,227

MASS INTENTIONS

- 12-19 9:00am †Mike Gustin By Anisia Begger
- 12-20 5:30pm †Crystal Badura & Family
- 12-21 9:00am †James D. Helgeson By Michael Helgeson
- 12-22 9:00am Gary Weickum By Carol Mathison
- 12-23 4:00pm †Thomas LeDuc By Skip LeDuc
- 12-24 9:30am †Josephine Karner By Christine Tyler
- 12-24 5:00pm MQP Parishioners
- 12-24 11:00pm †Vanessa Contreraz By Celest Kessler
- 12-25 9:30am MQP Parishioners

Faith Formation Information

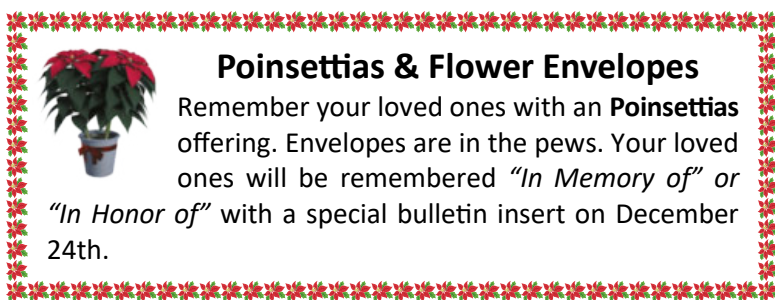
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd--Pre-K to 6th grade
 Tuesdays 6-7:30pm--Good Shepherd 3-6 years old
 Wednesdays 6-7:30pm--Good Shepherd 1st to 6th grade
 Youth Group—7-12th grade TBD w/volunteers
 OCIA—Thursdays 6:30pm after Benediction
 Registration forms entrance of church and on MQP website.
 Contact Daphne Sutton for info. or to
 volunteer: mqp_dre@gmail.com, 406-294-7607

Emmanuel

In the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium, the children hear that name Emmanuel in the book of the Prophet Isaiah (7:14) and in the gospel of Matthew (1:23). The children ask: Who are you, Lord? They come to know him as Emmanuel, which means *God with us*. How does it feel to know that God is with us?

Calendar of Weekly Events:

- 12-20 "Light is on for You" 4:30 – 5:30 PM Confessions, 5:30 PM Mass, 6:00 -7:00 PM Confessions
- 12-21 Eucharistic Adoration After 9:00AM Mass



Poinsettias & Flower Envelopes

Remember your loved ones with an **Poinsettias** offering. Envelopes are in the pews. Your loved ones will be remembered "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" with a special bulletin insert on December 24th.



Endowing the Future of Our Faith

What offers you great rates, secures your future income, and grows the faith? A Charitable Gift Annuity with the Catholic Foundation of Eastern Montana! By locking in a payout rate and receiving tax benefits today, you will be securing more than just your income—you will be securing the future of our parish. Contact the Foundation to discuss this option: forever@catholicfoundationmt.org or 406-315-1765.

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Thank you to all who made the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe a special celebration. **Our thanks go out to:** Celebrants of the Mass: Fr. Jose. Makers of the music: Spanish Choir and Serenaders. Makers of the Meal: CCW, Parishioner cooks. Makers of the Silent Auction: CCW, Parishioners. Thank you to the MQP CCW for lower hall organizing and decorating

MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 23 & 24

Ministers	4:00pm	9:30am	5:00pm
Altar Servers	Needed	Needed	Needed
Crucifer	Needed	Needed	Needed
Greeters	Needed	Needed	Mike Harrington
Lector 1	Grace Reif	Marion Schaaf	Celest Kessler
Lector 2	Grace Reif	Joe Seibert	Celest Kessler
Euch. Ministers	Fayette Latterell Janet Simon Mary Rose Simon	John Mota Marion Schaaf Bill Kennedy	NEEDED Celest Kessler
Sacristan	Mary Rose Simon	John Mota	Celest Kessler

This Christmas, give your marriage the gift of Natural Family Planning

Learn how to observe, record, and interpret a woman's natural signs of fertility. Discover God's beautiful plan for married love. **3-part series taught online, begins Sunday, January 7 at 3:00 pm.** Ben and Rita Pehl, Certified Volunteer NFP Teaching Couple at Sacred Heart Parish in Terry MT. More information, Ben & Rita(402-640-9494), www.fertilityscienceinstitute.org.

St Anthony PCCW Annual Retreat

St Anthony PCCW would like to share the information for our annual retreat.

- Fr Bart will speak to the ladies in the morning.
- After lunch the Virtual Pilgrimage program will presented in the church, open to all.
- We will collect registrations for the Pilgrimage presenter to have enough materials.
- Registrations online at www.saintanthonycatholicchurch.org



Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage Experience™ Saturday, January 27th 1:00 PM

Our Lady of Lourdes Hospitality North American Volunteers will present a 2-hour Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage Experience™ at St. Anthony Catholic Church. ★ Immerse yourself in the Message of Lourdes ★ Touch the Grotto Rock ★ Receive a Eucharistic blessing and pray a Candlelight Rosary ★ Receive a bottle of Lourdes Water ★ Prepare a petition ★ Plenary Indulgence is granted. Encounter the healing grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ through His Immaculate Mother. Invitation to all! Admission is free. More information, St. Anthony, Laurel (406)628-7182 .

PRAYER PETITIONS: Pope's December Intention: For persons with disabilities. We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

Communal Penance Services

Dec. 19, Tues. St. Patrick Co-Cathedral 7pm



FORMED Pray with us in this special documentary that guides Catholics on a spiritual pilgrimage to the Holy Land and the places associated with Christ's birth.



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Mental Health Services

NEW Counseling Program Available!

Catholic Social Services of Montana is excited to announce the launch of its new mental health counseling program. We are actively accepting new clients. Below are more details:

- We have licensed counselors available to talk or listen.
- No topic is too big or too small for us to address. If we can't tackle it, we'll work with you to provide a referral.
- You can meet with us from your computer, cell phone, or any other online mobile device. If you live in or want to travel to Helena, you can meet in-person with us.
- We're Catholic. Faith can be a part of our conversation if you'd like, but that is not required. We are here for everyone.
- Your first session is free. If you choose to schedule another session, we accept insurance and private pay and offer reduced private pay rates if you meet qualifying standards.

To get started, you can call (406)442-4130 or visit www.cssmt.org.

Retirement Fund for Religious Collection

Our women and men religious offer gratitude. A sister shares, "I thank the Lord for all who give. I don't think we would make it without them." Thank you for giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious last week. Your donation makes a difference in the lives of elderly women and men religious.



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