

# MARY QUEEN **OF PEACE**



# **DECEMBER 10, 2023 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

# MASS SCHEDULE

### Mary Queen of Peace

Office & Mailing Address: 120 S 34th, Billings, MT 59101 Church: 3411 3rd Ave South **P**: (406) 259-7611 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)

### 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 Holv Eucharist.

# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

A VOICE OF ONE CRYING OUT IN THE DESERT: "PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD. MAKE STRAIGHT HIS PATHS. EVERY VALLEY SHALL BE FILLED AND EVERY MOUNTAIN AND HILL SHALL BE MADE LOW."

-LUKE 3:4-5



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## PARISH MINISTRY STAFF

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### **Pastor**

**Fr. Jose Marquez** (406) 259-7611 jmarguez@marygueenofpeacebillings.org

Sacramental Minister Fr. Tom C. Harney (406) 259-7611

Accountant Celest Kessler (406) 294-7605 ckessler@maryqueenofpeacebillings.org

**Religious Education** Daphne Sutton (406) 294-7607 mqp.dre@gmail.com

**Music Ministry** Ann Hefenieder Pat Oertli Amy Aguirre aguirreamyd@gmail.com Jessica Duray

> We Wish to thank our **Parish's Volunteers** & Benefactors!



### **Readings for Next Sunday:**

#### **3rd of Advent**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11

Psalm Luke 1

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

**Gospel** John 1:6-8,19-28



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

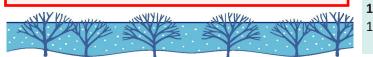
If you or a family member are homebound, in the hospital or scheduled for surgery and would like the Sacrament of the Sick, please call Father José at the office @406-259-7611 #06.

# 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. <u>To activate our</u> prayer line, please call the office at 406-294-7605.

### Please Note:

- 12-23-2023 4pm Mass is 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent
  12-24-2023 9:30am Mass is 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent
- 12-24-2023 5pm Mass is Vigil of Christmas
- 12-24-2025 Spin Wass is Vigil of Christmas
- 12-24-2023 11pm Mass is Vigil of Christmas
- 12-25-2023 9:30am Mass is Christmas



# **MASS INTENTIONS**

- 12-12 6:00pm MQP Parishioners
- 12-13 5:30pm **+**Crystal Badura & Family
- 12-14 9:00am Linda Gustin By Anisia Begger
- 12-15 9:00am +Carlyle Emter By Carolene Emter
- 12-16 4:00pm **+**Brenda Cossette By Simon Family
- 12-17 9:30am MQP Parishioners
- 12-17 5:00pm +Dennis Molm By Molm Family

### **Faith Formation Information**

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd--Pre-K to 6<sup>th</sup> grade Tuesdays 6-7:30pm--Good Shepherd 3-6 years old Wednesdays 6-7:30pm--Good Shepherd 1st to 6<sup>th</sup> grade Youth Group—7-12<sup>th</sup> 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: <u>mqp.dre@gmail.com</u>, 406-294-7607

### Saint Vincent de Paul Saturday Brunches



MQP and Saint Cyril and Methodius parishes continue to serve brunches to our friends in need on the third Saturday of every month. **Our NEXT date is December 16th. TACO TIME!** This

month the food items needed are small flour tortillas, shredded cheese, soft fresh fruit i.e. grapes, bananas, small oranges and homemade/baked sweet treats. **Drop off your food items at the parish center. Please note**: Grace will pick up items on **Friday, December 15th by Noon**. Grace Reif is the MQP contact person (406-281-0495).

### **Calendar of Weekly Events:**

- 12-9&10 Holiday Cookie sales after Masses
- 12-12 Las Mananitas, 6:30AM
- 12-12 6:00PM Mass-The Feast of Our Lady Of Guadalupe
- 12-13 "Light is on for You" 4:30 5:30 PM Confessions, 5:30 PM Mass, 6:00 -7:00 PM Confessions
- 12-13 Penance Service 11am
- 12-14 Eucharistic Adoration After 9:00AM Mass

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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.

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A very simple, yet generous, way to share your gifts with our parish (without writing a check at all) is to name our church the owner and/or beneficiary of an existing life insurance policy you have which your beneficiaries no longer need. In addition, a gift of a paid-up policy would likely qualify you for the 40% Montana Endowment Tax Credit. To learn more, contact the Catholic Foundation of Eastern Montana: <u>forever@catholicfoundationmt.org</u> or 406-315-1765.

This Christmas, give your marriage the gift of Natural Family Planning. Discover God's beautiful plan for married love. Learn how to observe, record, and interpret a woman's natural signs of fertility. The first class in a 3-part series will be taught <u>online</u> on Sunday, January 7 at 3:00 p.m. The class will be taught by Ben and Rita Pehl, from Sacred Heart Parish in Terry, MT. Ben and Rita are a Certified Volunteer NFP Teaching Couple through the Couple to Couple League. There are also other options for learning NFP. Contact Ben and Rita for more information (402-640-9494) or visit www.fertilityscienceinstitute.org.



Retirement Fund for Religious Collection

**Support a lifetime of service.** Women and men religious have spent their lives serving others in prayer, ministry, education and care for those in need—usually for little or no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. As they age, they require essential care and medications. Please support them by giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your donation makes a difference for nearly 25,000 senior men and women religious. Please give generously.

**PRAYER PETITIONS:** <u>Pope's December Inten-</u> <u>tion:</u> 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.



### MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 16 & 17

Ministers	4:00pm	9:30am	5:00pm
Altar Servers	Needed	Needed	Needed
Crucifer	Needed	Needed	Needed
Greeters	Needed	Needed	Mike Harrington
Lector 1	Doug Mitchell	Mary Kay Lynaugh	Bob Tambo
Lector 2	Doug Mitchell	Steve Repac	Bob Tambo
Euch. Ministers	Maggie Bargar Marian Leligdowicz	Paul Tweden Pam Berckmoes	Bob Tambo Bill Kuzma
Sacristan	Maggie Bargar	Paul Tweden	Celest Kessler

### **Christmas Cookies**



All Ladies of Mary Queen of Peace are preparing their Festive Holiday Cookie Trays filled with tradi-

tional Christmas cookies such as <u>Sugar</u>, <u>Gingerbread/Molasses</u>, <u>Snickerdoodle</u>, <u>Peanut Butter</u>, <u>Oatmeal Raisin</u>, <u>Spritz</u>, plus baker's specialties. All proceeds for church operations. Orders are welcome.

If interested in baking, please call Celest 294-7605 and let her know what you would possibly be baking.

Selling December 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> after all the Masses.



### **Communal Penance Services**

Dec. 12, Tuesday: St. Pius X	7:00PM
Dec. 13, Wednesday: Mary, Queen of Peace	11:00 AM
Dec. 14, Thursday, St. Bernard's	7:00 PM
Dec. 19, Tuesday, St. Patrick Co-Cathedral	7:00 PM



LET'S PREPARE - Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe - DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> On Tuesday, December 12th, MQP will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

As parish community we are all invited to participate in all aspects of the feast.

You can Create one of the RAFFLE baskets, please let Pam, 259-1648.

This year, You, your Family, or your Group can prepare a crockpot of Chili for the feast <u>Chili</u> <u>Cook Off</u> after Mass. The only competition is to create your favorite Chili recipe to share with our community. Chili is a many splendored thing: Pork, Beef, Bean, and many more variations. To compliment the Chili bring: salad, dessert, cornbread, cinnamon rolls, tortillas, crackers, shredded cheese, sour cream, onions, jalapenos, corn chips.

If you can be available to set up in the beginning and put away at the conclusion. Most of all your attendance is requested at Mass and at the Meal for family, fellowship, and fun. SEE THE SIGN-UP AT THE ENTRANCE OF CHURCH