

# MARY QUEEN OF PEACE



**MARCH 10, 2024**  
**4TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Mary Queen of Peace

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### 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)



## 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God. - Jn 3:20-21

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### **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

### **Pastor**

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# Pray, Fast, Alms

**Readings for Next Sunday:  
5th Sunday of Lent**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading**  
Jeremiah 31:31-34

**Psalms 51**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**  
Hebrews 5:7-9

**Gospel**  
John 12:20-23



**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.**

*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.*

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



**Save the date for Chris Stefanick!**  
**Thursday, March 21 @ 6:30pm**  
**The Ralph Nelles Center at**  
**Billings Central Catholic High**  
**School**  
**3 Broadwater Avenue, Billings**  
Founder and president of Real Life Catholic and "one of the

most engaging defenders of the Christian faith on the scene today." His reality TV show, videos, and radio spots reach millions of people. He is a regular on EWTN.

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**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 March 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, March 15th by Noon.** Grace Reif is the MQP contact person (406-281-0495).



Charitable Gift Annuity rates increased this year! It is a good time to consider making a significant gift for our parish while locking in a guaranteed, lifelong stream of income for yourself (and receiving tax benefits at the same time). You can fund a Charitable Gift Annuity with most any asset, including appreciated stock or mutual fund shares, or a one-time charitable rollover from your IRA. Contact the Foundation to discuss this option: [forever@catholicfoundationmt.org](mailto:forever@catholicfoundationmt.org) or 406-315-1765.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- 03-12 9:00AM Sick of Mary Queen of Peace by Marion Schaaaf
- 03-13 9:00AM † Crystal Badura & Intentions of her family
- 03-14 9:00AM † Georgia Amundson by MQP Parish
- 03-15 5:30PM † Jason Kruser by Celest Kessler
- 03-16 4:00PM † George & Loretta Metzger by Mary Henman
- 03-17 9:30AM † John King by Clint & Kathy King
- 03-17 5:00PM Parishioners of Mary Queen of Peace

The Diocese of Great Falls-Billings is hosting a Diocesan Youth Event, **Saints and Sacraments**, in Lewistown, Montana on March 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at St. Leo's Catholic Church. All high school youth are invited. Keynote Speaker, Dan Harms, from the Diocese of Richmond kicks off the event. Bishop Fleming will celebrate the closing Mass on Sunday morning. Cost is \$35.00 for all high school youth and their chaperones. Please see the Diocesan Facebook page and/or website for information and registration.

*Seminarian Support*

**Giving is Safe, Simple & Secure!**

One of the areas that your gifts to the Annual Catholic Appeal support is for our men in formation, also known as our Seminarians. This begins with our Vocations Team, who assist with praying with and for them, answering questions to help them discern what God is calling them to do with their lives. If they continue their path towards priesthood, the Diocese (with your help through ACA gifts) will provide graduate level seminary education including books, tuition, room and board, and even some of the travel expenses. While in Seminary, we have a Vocations team member who supports them throughout, up to and including Ordination. These are key pieces of support to these men. By helping to ensure that they are not having to be concerned about the financial aspects of their formation, these men can fully devote their focus on their formation and education! Our Seminarian program is growing, and therefore, so is the need for financial resources - but we want to ensure this is funded so we can continue to have holy priests to serve our Diocese.

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*Go Make Disciples!*

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience:** The readings this week are all about pushing the boundaries, for example, having confidence in ourselves as husband and wife and as parents. On a 1 to 10 scale what is your confidence in everyday decisions big and little? If asked your main priorities in life, would you and your wife agree? This could be an argument waiting to happen, but with the skills taught on a Marriage Encounter Experience, decisions and discussions such as these become easier when the playing field is focused on sharing our feelings and accepting those of our spouse. We encourage you to learn more, by watching: <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=635747607124827> OR visit the website: [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) OR apply today by calling 307-215-9444. The next Experience will be at Elk Mountain, April 12-14.

## MINISTERS FOR MARCH 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	Nic Tognetti	Mary Kay Lynaugh	Celest Kessler
Lector 2	Nic Tognetti	Joe Siebert	Celest Kessler
Euch. Ministers	Mary Rose Simon Janet Simon Fayette Latterell	John Mota Marion Schaaf Bill Kennedy	Celest Kessler Bill Kuzma
Sacristan	Mary Rose Simon	John Mota	Celest Kessler

### Calendar of Weekly Events:

- 03-10 CCW meeting 10:30am lower hall
- 03-14 Eucharistic Adoration After 9:00AM Mass
- 03-15 "Light is on for You" 4:30 – 5:30 PM Confessions, 5:30 PM Mass
- 03-15 6:00 -7:00 PM Stations of the Cross, Confessions, Soup & Bread
- 3-17 St. Patrick's Dinner, Parish Center 10:30AM-2:00P

### Catholic Social Services of Montana

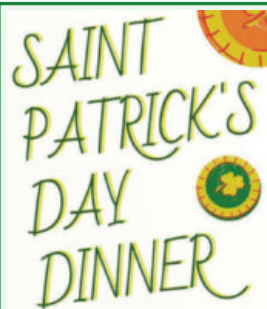
**Baby Boutique:** @ Riverstone Health Building. Do you have a couple hours available on Monday or Thursday 11-1 to volunteer at the Baby Boutique? We welcome more volunteers. Contact the parish office and Deb Carroll would be happy to visit with you. Pray with us: "May Catholic parish communities strive to provide compassionate, tangible support to expectant moms needing assistance."

### Catholic Relief Services Collection

This week, we are taking up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to **help Jesus in disguise**. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support to struggling communities with relief and support and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Good Friday Cross Walk

*An outdoor Way of the Cross with Pro-Life Meditations on the Passion of Christ -*  
Good Friday, March 29 at  
12:30 pm Start: St. Pius parking lot

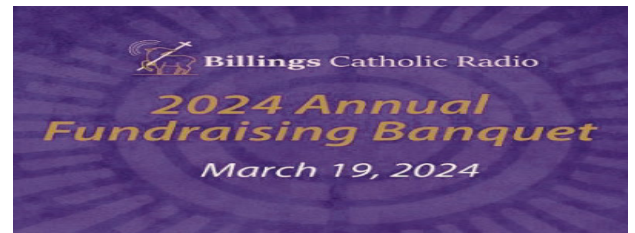


### Come Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with us!!!!

Mary Queen of Peace Building committee is cooking and serving a St. Patrick's Day dinner!!! Wear green, wear a smile .....and feast on a dinner of:  
**Corned Beef and Cabbage with homemade Irish soda bread OR A Tasty Butte Pasty with coleslaw.**  
March 17th, serving from 10:30-2pm....Come early the pasty's go fast!!!. Mary Queen Peace Parish Center (former Little Flower School) 120 South 34<sup>th</sup> Street

### PRAYER PETITIONS: Pope's March Intention:

For the new martyrs. We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.



### FAITH OVER FEAR

Billings Catholic Radio is devoted to being a channel of God's goodness, bringing our Catholic community together. Join us at our annual fundraising banquet March 19<sup>th</sup>. Organize a group from your parish or individual seats and support Billings Catholic Radio! **Visit:** [billingscatholicradio.com/fundraiser](https://billingscatholicradio.com/fundraiser) or 294.5250.

### Diocesan Chief Financial Officer Position

The Diocese of Great Falls-Billings is seeking to fill the position of Chief Financial Officer. For specifics about this position, view the entire Job Description go to the Diocese Web Site at: <https://diocesegfb.org> • Office and Ministries • Human Resources • Career Opportunities.

### Offertory for weekend of February 25, 2024

Envelopes, Visitors, Loose	\$5,962
Other	\$2,562
<b>YTD Offertory</b>	<b>\$208,255</b>
<b>YTD Other Income</b>	<b>\$81,502</b>
<b>YTD Total Income</b>	<b>\$289,757</b>

### Billings Catholic Young Adult Events

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry-volunteer Friday,  
Mar 22<sup>nd</sup>, 5:15pm-7:30pm, 2216 Grand

### St Patrick's Day Dinner Cake Walk



For added fun, our St Patrick's Day Dinner will feature a **Cake Walk** for all ages. Bakers of the parish Christine is asking for cakes, cupcakes or quick breads for our cake-walk. Homemade hits the spot. Call the office and let us know if you can help (406-294-7605).



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