

## Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.... Pentecost 2024 ~ The 50th day of Easter ~ May 18/19



NEXT SUNDAY IS THE FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY, BLESSED TRINITY PARISH NAME DAY!

WE HONOR THE PAST SERVE THE PRESENT PROVIDE FOR THE FUTURE

## BLESSED TRINITY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SPIRIT OF CHRIST MISSION LOLO

#### SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm Sunday Morning : 8:00 am at Spirit of Christ in Lolo 10:00 am at Blessed Trinity Friday Eucharist @ 10:00 am: First and third Fridays, Parish Mass at Village Health Care Center Fourth Friday, Parish Mass at Village Senior Residence

#### CHRISTIAN INITIATION

ADULTS seeking Baptism: Please call the parish office for further information regarding INQUIRY GATHERINGS, designed to meet the needs and questions of each inquiring person.

BAPTIZED ADULTS from another Christian tradition who wish to consider full communion with the Roman Catholic Church: Call the parish office for information.

PARENTS who seek Baptism for a newborn baby or an older child please call the parish office for scheduled Preparation Process. CONFIRMATION / FIRST COMMUNION / RECONCILIATION: Preparation process offered periodically throughout the year.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact parish office at least eight to six months prior to the expected date of the wedding. Preparation process is designed to support the couples love for one another and to assist in the formation of a stronger bond needed to live the commitment and covenant of Sacramental marriage. Preparation team includes trained sponsoring married couples, pastor and parish staff.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is Saturday at 4 pm or by appointment. Please call Fr. Ed @ 721-2405. Preparation Guide available. Sacrament is celebrated in the Chapel of Reconciliation. Communal Celebration during Advent and Lent

#### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Celebrated at the time of sickness, mental stress, prior to surgery and/or hospitalization. The sacrament may also be celebrated periodically during an extended illness.

The Sacrament is celebrated with family, friends, and/or parishioners present; or with the parish community at daily Mass or when necessary at Sunday Mass.

CONTACT PARISH OFFICE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS. ALWAYS CALL THE PARISH

PRIOR TO HOSPITALIZATION OR SURGERY. If a hospital or care center visit is desired, notify the parish office upon admittance.

#### HOLY COMMUNION

TO THE HOMEBOUND OR HOSPITALIZED Call the office 721-2405.

#### SACRAMENT OF THE DYING

HOLY VIATICUM: FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY The Last Rite of the Church for the dying is Holy Communion. The Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood can be administered during the dying process. When death already occurs the Prayers for the Dead are prayed. Always remember to be in dialogue with the parish during these times. At the time of death contact the parish as soon as possible. Prior to making any funeral arrangements please be in dialogue with the parish. When cremation is chosen, it ordinarily follows the funeral mass.



#### THE WEEK AHEAD PASTORAL OFFICE HOURS Monday—Thursday 9-am—5 pm Closed Friday

SAT, May 18

5:00 pm:

**Sunday Mass Vigil** Mass Intention for Carolyn Licitra, and Jim and

Barbara Dutt

**SUN, May 19: Pentecost** Acts 2:1-11 / Ps 104:1ab, 24ac, 29bc-30, 31, 34 / 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 / Jn 20:19-23

8:00 am:	Mass at Spirit of Christ
10:00 am:	Mass at Blessed Trinity
11:15 am:	Whole Parish Faith Formation
6:00 pm:	Byzantine Divine Liturgy @ Spirit of
•	Christ

**MON, May 20:** The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church *Gn* 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14 / Ps 87:1b-3, 5-7 / *Jn* 19:25-34

TUE, May 21 Jas 4:1-10 / Ps 55:7-11, 23 / Mk 9:30-37

WED, May 22 Jas 4:13-17 / Ps 49:2-3, 6-11 / Mk 9:38-40 12:10 pm: Daily Mass 7:00 pm: Choir

 THU, May 23
 Jas 5:1-6 / Ps 49:14-20 / Mk 9:41-50

 11:00 am:
 Lectionary Scripture Study

 12:10 pm:
 Daily Mass

FRI, May 24 Jas 5:9-12 / Ps 103:14, 8-9, 11-12 / Mk 10:1-12

10:00 am: Mass at Village Senior Residence

SAT, May 25 Jas 5:13-20 / Ps 141:1-3, 8 / Mk 10:13-16

- 4:00 pm: Reconciliation
- 5:00 pm: Sunday Mass Vigil Mass Intention for Ian

Mass Intention for Ian McDonald r/b Jim and Terrie McDonald



**SUN, May 19: The Most Holy Trinity** *Dt* 4:32-34, 39-40 / Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22 / Rom 8:14-17 / Mt 28:16-20

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Mass at Spirit of Christ Mass at Blessed Trinity Blood Pressure Clinic

## **The Fullness of EASTER...**

## Easter reaches its fullness today, the 50th day,

the Spirit's day, birthday of the church, great Pentecost! What began in cold ashes, what was washed with water and oiled with gladness and nourished with bread and wine, now is filled with breath and stirred aflame.

Breathe deeply today; let every breath be a prayer. Play the flute or the kazoo! Hang wind chimes to catch God's breath. Fly a kite. Be on fire today; live passionately. Read a love poem. Challenge someone to act on behalf of the common good. Take a stand against a grave injustice. Light seven candles on the dinner table (*note the seven candles around the Cross in church today, surrounding the beautiful etched glass image of the fire of the Spirit descending on the Apostles*). Wear red! Eat strawberries (if you're not allergic). Sing "Come Holy Ghost," or take today's worship aid home with you and throughout the week sing the refrain of the gathering song "By THE WAKING OF OUR HEARTS," or the hymn we sing as we are sent forth: "THE SPIRIT SENDS US FORTH;" or throughout the week, sing the refrain of the Psalm of today's Mass:

"Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth!" Fifty Days of Easter have been given for our delight and for our salvation.

# **Rejoice and be glad!**

# **RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT...!**

Blessed Trinity Catholic Community + Spirit of Christ Mission

# WELCOME BISHOP VETTER!

Bishop Vetter will visit SPIRIT OF CHRIST on PENTECOST SUNDAY, May 19 at the 8:00 am Mass. BRUNCH will be served following Mass.

Thank you!

The Knights of Columbus Mother's Day Breakfast was fabulously delicious! Thank you Knights for once again making this very special breakfast a great event that we look forward to each year. We appreciate you and all the good work you do! The \$400 proceeds from the breakfast are for our Parish Youth.

# Montana Catholics For Life

For Babies For Mothers For Families

"Created in the image of God with a dignity not of our own making, each person is a unique and unrepeatable masterpiece of God's creation." -Montana's Catholic Bishops regarding the abortion amendment, Constitutional Initiative 128 (CI-128).

Catholics recognize that a precious life begins at conception and understand that abortion is the taking of an innocent human life. This pro-life position expresses an essential truth and brings a critical perspective to our public discourse. Current and future laws that could stop, or even regulate, abortion would be deemed unconstitutional under CI-128. This effectively suppresses the voice of those who have a duty to stand up for the voiceless unborn and puts babies in dire jeopardy in Montana.



From Montana's Bishops Joint Letter & Video Stand for Life in Montana



Join our Bishops as we stand for every child's right to life, the dignity of each mother, and the sanctity of the family.

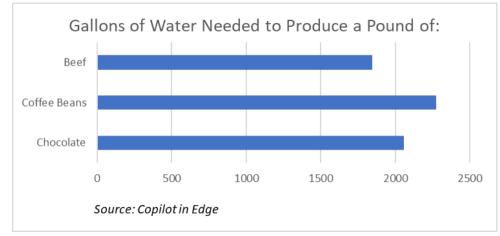




Our Planet's Pulse – Small steps we can take to help Mother Earth heal

Topic: Conserving water through what we choose to eat and drink.

**Question**: Which takes more water to produce, a pound of beef, chocolate, or coffee? For the answer see the chart below:



A meal including:

Total

- a quarter-pound hamburger
- one 8 oz cup of coffee
- 1 square of 2.8 oz chocolate bar
- 462 gallons of water to produce
- 71 gallons of water to produce
- 2 gallons of water to produce
- 535 gallons of water to produce

That's enough water to fill a standard US bathtub 10 times.

Small steps we can take to help conserve water through diet:

If a meat eater, have more meatless meals

When purchasing animal protein choose humanely treated, local, organic, or kosher

Do your own research on what a more water-conscious diet could look like for you.

Donate to organizations like Catholic Relief Services (CRS) that educate in sustainable agricultural practices.

**<u>CRS has served 7.6 million people through agriculture and livelihood programming, with 157 agriculture projects in 2020</u> <u>across 47 countries<sup>1</sup></u>. Source: crs.org/agriculture** 



missoula food bank & community center

MISSOULA FOOD BANK For the month of April Blessed Trinity contributed 223 pounds of Huggies, personal care items, condiments, jelly, canned beans, meat, and veggies, granola bars, pasta, cereal, boxed potatoes, rice and cake mix, candy, stuffing mix, and a 12 lb turkey. Thank you parishioners. And thanks to Hal and Rose Pulling for gathering and delivering it all to the Food Bank. We are grateful for your continued help. THANK YOU! The collection baskets are at the church entrances.



## Whole Parish Faith Formation 2023-24 **The Vine and the Branches** Sunday, May 19

In October we heard Jesus ask us, his disciples "Who do you say I am?" To help us to more fully answer this question, each month we have explored Jesus' identity as expressed in the "I AM" statements found in John's Gospel. We have discovered Jesus in the Way, the Truth, and the Life, in the Bread of Life, in the Good Shepherd, in the

Sheepgate, in the Light of the World, and the in Resurrection and the Life. We have had several guides in this journey—Casey Dunning, Fr. Ed Hislop, Dr. Katherine Griner, and Matt Reichert. We explored the identity of Christ not only to know him better, but to find our own identity in Christ.

We wrap up our year of faith formation with the final "I AM" statement in John's Gospel—"I am the vine and you are the branches." Connected to each other through Christ we will explore our identity as members of the Body of Christ and our mission to bear fruit for the wine of the eternal banquet. This leads us to our journey with the universal Church and what it means to walk together. Come and be a part of this important conversation!

### All are Welcome!



## VIRTUS Safe Environment

Want to volunteer with children or vulnerable adults? Take the VIRTUS Safe Environment workshop online at www.virtusonline.org or contact Judy Cooney for more information.





Baptism Preparation jor Injants Coming Soon!

We will be holding formation sessions for parents who would like to have their child baptized soon. This preparation allows parents to gain a deeper understanding of the sacrament, your importance in your child's growth in faith, and the role of the parish community in order to more fully celebrate your child's baptism.

Please contact Judy Cooney (406) 880-0372 or judyc@blessedtrinitymissoula.com if you would like to take part in these preparation sessions. We would like to get a group of parents together so that you can share this part of your child's faith journey.





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# PENTECOST



## The Fire Within

Lord God, bestow upon your Church the Holy Spirit. Just as your Spirit arrived with a driving force on that first Pentecost, may your faithful be energized and renewed so that with intense faith, they might spread your fiery love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Sunday, May 19, 2024 The Lord, the Giver of Life

Today's readings: Acts 2:1–11; Psalm 104:1, 24, 29–30, 31, 34; Galatians 5:16–25 or 1 Corinthians 12:3b–7, 12–13; John:19–23 or John 15:26–27, 16:12–15. Today we rejoice in the sending of the Holy Spirit to the world. As proclaimed in the Gospel of John, Jesus had promised to send "the Advocate . . . the Spirit of truth." When the Spirit arrived, Acts records, it was with a driving wind that filled the house where the disciples were and appeared as tongues of fire.

From that house, the disciples went into Jerusalem fearless as they preached the Gospel in numerous languages they had never before spoken. In the years that followed the descent of the Holy Spirit, the disciples were persecuted, arrested, and stoned. Still, they kept their hearts focused on bringing Christ to others. Christians receive the Holy Spirit during the sacrament of baptism, as the celebrant prays that God bestows "new life" by "water and the Holy Spirit." The Spirit will assist the baptized throughout life to fulfill their responsibility as "members of Christ, Priest, Prophet and King," as the presider says in the anointing after baptism.

In your prayer life, be attentive to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and you, too, could be fearless in witnessing to the light of Christ in your life. As we recite in the Nicene Creed, the Holy Spirit is "the Lord, the giver of life." When you open yourself to the Spirit, your life can be transformed And just as the tranformation of the disciples changed lives, so will your transformation.



## THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

## Monday, May 20 Mary, Mother of the Church

When Pope Francis decreed that the Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church, would be celebrated on the day after Pentecost, he reflected on the tradition of honoring Mary as both Mother of Christ and Mother of the Church. He also wrote of the opportunity for the memorial to draw the faithful to expand their perspective of the Church. The memorial, the decree states, "might encourage the growth of the maternal sense of the Church in the pastors, religious and faithful, as well as a growth of genuine Marian piety." How would acquiring a maternal sense of the Church influence the ministry of those who are ordained? How would it influence the laity? *Today's readings: Acts 1:12–14; Psalm 87:1–2, 3, 5, 6–7; John 19:25–34.* 

## **Friday, May 31** Visitation of the Blessed Virgin

Today, we remember two miracles. The first is Mary, pregnant by the power of the Holy Spirit, and her older cousin Elizabeth, also pregnant in her old age. These women, and the sons carried in their wombs, had a mission to fulfill. Faith led Mary and Elizabeth to accept their mission. We, too, have a mission and purpose. As the month of Mary concludes, ask for Mary's intercession to help you be true to your mission. *Today's readings: Zephaniah 3:14–18a; Isaiah 12:2–3, 4bcd, 5–6; Luke 1:39–56.* 

## **Thursday, June 13** Memorial of St. Anthony of Padua

St. Anthony of Padua brought many hearts to God through his gift of evangelizing and knowledge of Scripture. He took seriously the words from Isaiah, "the spirit of the Lord God is upon me / because the Lord has anointed me. / He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly, / to heal the brokenhearted." At our baptism, we too were anointed and entrusted with converting hearts and announcing the Good News. *Today's readings: Isaiah 61:1–3d; Psalm 89:2–3, 4–5, 21–22, 25 and 27; Luke 10:1–9.* 

## Monday, June 24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist

John allowed the Spirit to act through him. From his mother's womb, he recognized the presence of the Lord. As John prepared the way for the messiah, he minimized himself to allow people to see Jesus. How do you prepare the way of the Lord? Do you seek attention or are you able to minimize yourself to allow the Spirit to work through you? *Today's readings: Isaiah 49:1–6; Psalm 139:1b–3, 13–14ab, 14c–15; Acts 13:22–26; Luke 1:57–66, 80.* 

## Saturday, June 29 Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul

Today we remember the lives of St. Peter and St. Paul. These apostles and martyrs are examples of obedience and resilience; they persevered in evangelization even when their lives were in jeopardy. Pray for Pope Francis and all who continue to spread the Good News, regardless of the challenges they face. *Today's readings: Acts 3:1–10; Psalm 19:2–3, 4–5; Galatians 1:11–20; John 21:15–19.* 

## Wednesday, August 28 Memorial of St. Augustine

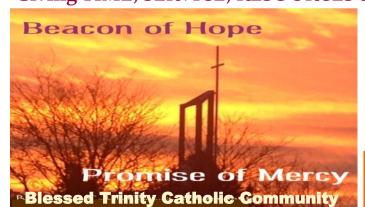
On the Memorial of St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, we might consider how open we are to continue our conversion and live as God calls us. After many years of a worldly life, Augustine was baptized when he was nearly thirty-three years old. In *The Confessions of St. Augustine*, he wrote of his conversion, "I have loved you too late. You were with me, but I was not with you." Pray to St. Augustine to help you notice the presence of God and to grow in faith. *Today's readings: 1 John 4:7–16; Psalm 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; Matthew 23:8–12.* 



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## Stewardship: **PRESENCE MINISTRY TREASURE** Giving TIME, SERVICE, RESOURCES to be a LOVING community of FAITH!



To better reflect our ACTUAL financial status, YEAR TO DATE numbers will be reported each week, *compared with the previous year*.

Year-to-date as of 5-5-24 is:		Last year at the same time:
Amount Received:	239,982.03	200,272.64
Budget needed::	<u>211,006.80</u>	<u>176,895.00</u>
Over or (Under) budget	28,975.23	23,377.64
Year-to-date as of 5-12-24 is:		Last year at the same time:
Year-to-date as of 5-12-24 is: Amount Received:	243,292.28	Last year at the same time: 202,875.64
	243,292.28 <u>215,695.84</u>	

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PROGRESS TO DATE: \$385,999 received / 98.5% of the \$391,688 pledged. 64% of parishioners have participated thus far. THANK YOU!



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	Last year at the same time:
38,742.00	34,906.00
<u>37,298.15</u> `	37,665.00
1,443.75	(2,759.00)
	Last year at the same time:
39,868.00	35,106.00
<u>38,127.10</u>	<u>38,502.00</u>
	<u>37,298.15</u> 1,443.75 39,868.00

**THANK YOU!** 

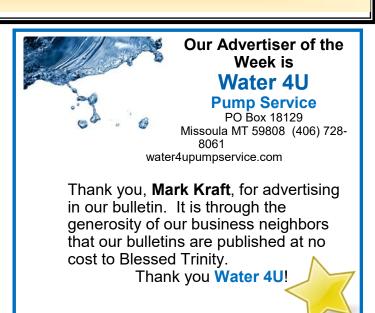
Stewardship is making the time to GROW IN FAITH; taking time to be PRESENT. Stewardship is SEEING THE FACE OF CHRIST in the longing and hope of every person. Stewardship is MAKING AN OFFERING ACCEPTABLE TO GOD; giving HOPE, extending MERCY; first and foremost CARING FOR THE MANY IN NEED.

## KNIGHT'S CORNER



Become a Knight! Join our band of Merry Men! Knights meet at 7:00 pm, the first Thursday of each month in the Blessed Trinity Social Hall.

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## **Pastoral Staff**

Pastor: Father Ed Hislop 721-2405 (office), 721-1675 (home) Deacon: **Jim Kaney** Pastoral Assistant/Liturgy coordinator: Sister Mary Jo Quinn, SCL Faith Formation: Whole Parish Catechesis / Sacramental Preparation / Youth Ministry: Judy Cooney Christian Initiation/Catechumenate / Re-Membering Church: Pastoral Staff Liturgical Music: Sister Mary Jo Quinn, SC, Director, and Daniel Hampson Pastoral Care of the Sick and Homebound: Pat Logan / Parish Nurse Ministry: Terry Halls @ Blessed Trinity, Bernadette Roy @ Spirit of Christ / Social Outreach: Pastoral Staff Ecumenical Outreach & Evangelization: Sister Mary Jo Quinn, SCL Family Promise Blessed Trinity Coordinator: Cathy Burleson Spirit of Christ Liaison: Sister Mary Jo Quinn, SCL Office Administration: Carol Lemieux. Financial Services: Jim McDonald Blessed Trinity/Spirit of Christ Pastoral Council Chairperson: Carolina Bridges Spirit of Christ Council Representatives: Gerry Gilmore, Don Sax Finance Council Chairperson: @ Blessed Trinity, Don Collette and representing Spirit of Christ, Gerry Gilmore

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