Blessed Trinity Catholic Community + Spirit of Christ Mission



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The Bulletin The FOURTH Sunday ~ April 21

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I am the Good Shepherd

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### 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 OFFICER HOURS Monday—Thursday 9-am—5 pm **Closed Friday**

SAT, Apr 20

5:00 pm: **Sunday Mass Vigil** 

Mass Intention for Jerry Lemieux

r/b Carol Lemieux

SUN, Apr 21: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12 / Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 28-29 / 1 Jn 3:1-2 / Jn 10:11-18

8:00 am: **Mass at Spirit of Christ** 

10:00 am: Mass at Blessed Trinity w/CLOW Byzantine Divine Liturgy @ Spirit of 6:00 pm:

Christ

MON, Apr 22 Acts 11:1-18 / Pss 42:2-3;43:3-4 / Jn 10:1-10

**TUE, Apr 23** Acts 11:19-26 / Ps 87:1-7 / Jn 10:22-30

WED, Apr 24 Acts 12:24—13:5a / Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8 / Jn

12:44-50

12:10 pm: **Daily Mass** 

7:00 pm: Choir

THU, Apr 25: St. Mark, Evangelist 1 Pt 5:5b-14 / Ps 89:2-3. 6-7. 16-17 / Mk 16:15-20

11:00 am: **Lectionary Scripture Study** 

12:10 pm: **Daily Mass** 1:00 pm: Seeing the Word

FRI, Apr 26 Acts 13:26-33 / Ps 2:6-11 / Jn 14:1-6 10:00 am: Mass at Village Senior Residence

**SAT, Apr 27** Acts 13:44-52 / Ps 98:1-4 / Jn 14:7-14

4:00 pm: Reconciliation 5:00 pm: **Sunday Mass Vigil** 

> Mass Intention for Bill Kopetski r/b Knights of Columbus Council 1021

SUN, Apr 28: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31 / Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 / 1 Jn 3:18-24 / Jn 15:1-8

8:00 am: **Mass at Spirit of Christ** 

Mass at Blessed Trinity w/CLOW 10:00 am:

**Blood Pressure Clinic** 11:15 pm:

# Congratulations! Anabelle Angela Flaherty

who was joyfully baptized into the Body of Christ in the Roman Catholic Church at

Blessed Trinity Catholic Community

at the Easter Vigil on the thirtieth day of March 2024. She was sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit in the **Sacrament of Confirmation** 

and nourished with the Holy Eucharist of the Body and Blood of the Risen Christ.



Alleluia!



# The Great Three Pays of Caster 2024:

### Reflecting on the mystery!

Our parish experience of the Sacred Triduum—
"The Three Days"—reflected a deep faith,
wondrous devotion and the value we place on
the "real presence" of Christ in both our daily
life and our shared worship!

THANK YOU, to every parishioner and family who gathered to "enter the mystery" on Holy Thursday evening, Good Friday afternoon, Holy Saturday Night for the Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday Morning. For each celebration our Church was full! The spirited, vibrant full participation of all who gathered was overwhelming and a true testament to our lively faith!

THANK YOU, to our extraordinary choir, musicians and cantors who led our song of praise in a manner which filled the universe with the voice of hope, joy, and ministry. THANK YOU, to all who shared in the various ministries throughout each of Great Three Days (Holy Oil Bearers, foot washers, readers, Eucharistic ministers, incense, cross, candle bearers, fire tenders, acolytes. You served with joy, dedication, and abundant care.

THANK YOU, to all who served the liturgical environment for these three days—the cross, the altar, the flowers, the joyful spirit!

Special THANK YOU to Bob Wachtel, who coordinated all the lighting for the Three Days. THANK YOU to Anabelle, her family, godparents and friends who gathered with us all to celebrate her initiation into the Body of Christ...her Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. "The church has given birth again!"

THANK YOU, to all who served the amazing brunch following the Easter Vigil (serving over 110 people!): Kathy Marshall, Carolina and David Bridges, Pat Wegner, Kathy Vaughan, Barb Shubert, Carol Buerman, Christina Hands, Stephan Licitra, Bob and Karen Deeds, Suzy Weiner and Sam Wieland.

# Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!





# THIRD QUARTER Financial Statement for BLESSED TRINITY AND SPIRIT OF CHRIST

July 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024

### Stewardship: Presence + Ministry + Treasure

Giving TIME, SERVICE, RESOURCES, to be a loving community of FAITH!

#### STEWARDSHIP INCOME

Remarks

Stewardship Envelopes & Loose Collections \$ 234,339 Christmas Collection 12,976

Easter Collection 85 Total Easter 2024 will be included in the

FOURTH QUARTER REPORT. Actual Easter collection received March 31 was \$13,422

Holy Days Collections 6,458

TOTAL STEWARDSHIP INCOME \$ 253,858 Your continued Stewardship

commitments are appreciated!

**OTHER INCOME** 

Stipends & Memorials \$ 10,472 Interest on Savings – Bank and Foundation 6,168

Misc. Income 20,028 Fundraisers. Etc.

TOTAL OTHER INCOME \$ 36,668 TOTAL PARISH INCOME \$ 290,526\*

**ACTUAL EXPENSES** 

Salaries and Benefits \$ 136,908 Liturgy 8,228 Parish Hospitality 10,532 Administrative Expenses 33,098

Diocese of Helena Assessment 26,626 (total yet to be paid \$5,474)

Buildings & Grounds Expenses 46,000 Insurance, utilities, and Repairs

TOTAL ACTUAL EXPENSES \$ 261,392

Net Income (Deficit) \$ 29,134 Please ensure your generous

Stewardship continues.

THANK YOU.

\*In addition, we have received a significant gift from the estate of a parishioner: A home in Arizona which we have recently sold. Following real estate expenses, etc. we have received a total of \$294,767. This amount is designated for our proposed renovation and improvement project. These funds have been placed in a three-month Certificate of Deposit at APR 4.50%).

Your INCREASED STEWARDSHIP OFFERING each Sunday continues to be important.

Please be generous. THANK YOU!



Whole Parish
Faith Formation 2023-24

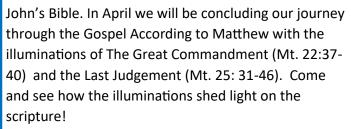
# The Vine and the Branches Sunday, May 19

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.

All are Welcome!

# Seeing the Word Thursday, April 25, 1:00 pm

Seeing the Word meets monthly to reflect of the illuminations of the St.



Please contact study facilitator Louise Yamasaki (406-251-5363) for details. Books are available from Judy Cooney in the parish office.



Lectionary Scripture Study Thursdays Mam



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Children's Liturgy of the Word Sunday, April 21 &28, 10 am

Children ages 3-10 are invited to participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10 am Mass. They are dismissed at the beginning of the liturgy of the word. We gather in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel to hear the readings and Gospel from the Children's Lectionary. A reflection on the Gospel is given at their level of understanding, followed by prayers of the faithful. Children return to the main assembly during the offertory procession. Parents and/or older siblings are invited to accompany young children if desired.



### Baptism Preparation for Infants

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.





### MISSOULA FOOD BANK Need of the Week: small bottles of shampoo

and conditioner! Nothing feels better than being clean- help us put a smile on the faces of our customers! Bottles must be sealed.

PROTEIN PRODUCTS are always welcome: canned meats, peanut butter, and beans. Also, anything that provides some variety for the things we purchase regularly, canned soups and canned vegetables in particular.

Baskets are in the church entries. Thank you!



### Missoula Works Sewing Venture's Releases New Product!

Missoula Works Sewing Ventures is excited to announce the launch of our newest bag, the "South Hills Venture Pack" is a sister to our "North Hills Venture Pack." The South Hills Venture Pack features two exterior water

bottle pockets, a gusset closing interior, and a zipper pocket on the triangle closure flap. The

medium bag has a padded laptop sleeve and is perfect for the commute to work or on a weekend trip. The bag is available in multiple colors and features fun accent fabrics.

Purchase yours today through our website:

www.missoulaworksventures.org





Blessed Trinity will have its monthly blood pressure clinic

## Sunday April 28

following Mass. Our Parish Nurses will be available at that time to check blood pressures so be sure to stop by!



Next week we will take up the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in

the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

### Thank you, Blessed Trinity

To: Blessed Trinity Parish Community

The Flaherty Family thanks everyone in the Parish for all the support, encouragement, thoughtful gifts and especially all the prayers for Anabelle Flaherty at her Easter Vigil Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation. It was an exceptional experience to walk with her in her faith journey. We know that she will remember this night all her life. We are all so grateful to Fr. Ed, Sister Mary Jo and Judy Cooney for all the time spent in preparation for Anabelle. It was a wonderful faith filled journey for all of us as well. We are more recent parishioners and so very much appreciate being included and accepted as parishioners in this strong and faith-filled Blessed Trinity Parish. God's continued Blessings to all.

Anabelle Flaherty, Brendan Flaherty (Dad), Erynn Flaherty (Auntie and god-mother), Bryan and Linda Flaherty (Grand Parents)



# LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

# **Preparation for Pentecost**

Seminar on living in the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

Saturday, May 4

9 am - 4 pm (lunch provided)

St. Anthony's Parish Life Center

For more info, call 406-241-7282



### Montana's FIRST-EVER Statewide **Fishing Tournament**



June 1st-June 9th

17 Lakes, 5 fish species, 9 days of fishing! Big and small fish pots and other competitions available,

Visit www.cssmt.org/fishing-for-families/ to register and view information about the event, including rules, lakes, fish species, and prizes.

- Register by May 24th. Entry fees- Scan this QR code to \$40 for adults, \$20 for youth.
- Participants can fish on any of the tournament website! 17 lakes between 8:00am on June 1st and 8:00pm on June 9th. Prizes will be awarded to top finishers.
- This fundraiser supports the charitable ministries of Catholic Social Services of Montana.

be taken to the



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Our Shepherd

God the Father,
you are our shepherd,
who offer us green pastures,
and life-giving water.
Through love and kindness,
you lead your flock
to a restful place.
With your tender touch,
you cast away our fears.
There is nothing we want
but to remain by your side.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



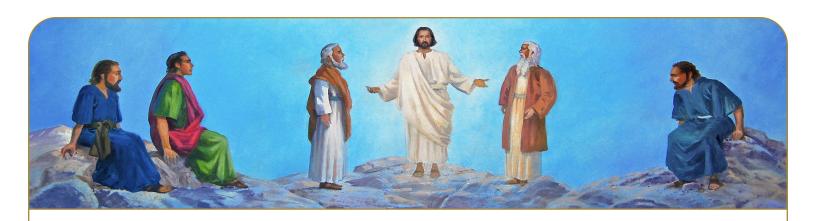
# Sunday, April 21, 2024 The Good Shepherd

Today's readings: Acts 4:8–12; Psalm 118:1, 8–9, 21–23, 26, 28, 29; 1 John 3:1–2; John 10:11–18. When you see the Good Shepherd depicted in art, do you see yourself as the lamb? Do you see yourself as one to be protected, guided, and comforted? Or do you think the lamb reflects only a child? Imagining yourself as the lamb will provide insight into who God is for you. "I am the Good Shepherd, and I know mine, and mine know me," Jesus says. This portrayal reveals the intimacy of our relationship with God. God knows us and has given us the capacity to know him.

The shepherd is willing to lay down his life for his sheep. The Good Shepherd has already done this for us,

dying on the cross so that we may have eternal life. A hired hand, however, does not have this connection to the sheep; he would not sacrifice his life for the flock. This man "sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away."

Our Shepherd is with us—in our loneliness and sorrow as well as in our joy. Spend a few minutes in quiet, imagining yourself with the Good Shepherd in a green pasture. Let him hear not only your voice but your deepest desires. Seek to expand your quiet prayer time this week so that you might hear the Good Shepherd's voice. Remember your relationship with the Good Shepherd grows as you make space for him in your life.



### THIS WEEK AT HOME

## Monday, April 22

### In Silence

"The sheep follow him because they recognize his voice." The Gospel of John portrays the Lord as intimately connected to his followers. They know his voice, and he has come so that "they might have life and have it more abundantly." Only by pausing our busy lives can we hear God's voice. Consider where you might have even a few minutes in a day to listen to God. *Today's readings: Acts 11:1–18; Psalm 42:2–3; 43:3, 4; John 10:1–10.* 

### Tuesday, April 23 Listen

In today's Gospel, we hear that people continue to badger Jesus to prove he is indeed the Son of God. "How long are you going to keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly," they say. These people are among those who do not recognize the shepherd's voice. Once the sheep are in the flock, Jesus says, "No one can take them [sheep] out of the Father's hands. The Father and I are one." In coming chapters of the Gospel of John, we will hear Jesus yearn for that same unity with humankind. *Today's readings: Acts 11:19–26; Psalm 87:1b–3, 4–5, 6–7; John 10:22–30.* 

### Wednesday, April 24 Obeying the Spirit

Today's account from Acts shows Barnabas and Saul sailing to Cyprus to spread the Good News. They wasted no time in responding to the Holy Spirit, who told the community, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." How does your community help people discern their gifts and their mission in the Church? Is there anyone you can meet with in your parish to help you discern your calling to serve the Church and the world? *Today's readings:* Acts 12:24—13:5a; Psalm 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8; John 12:44–50.

# Thursday, April 25 Feast of St. Mark

On the Feast of St. Mark, Evangelist, we hear in the Gospel, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature." St. Mark is believed to be the disciple referred to in Acts as "John who is called Mark" (12:25). He was the son of Mary of Jerusalem, who opened her home to the disciples. It is believed that he met Peter, Paul, and other disciples in his mother's home and then joined them in evangelizing. Today's readings: 1 Peter 5:5b-14; Psalm 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mark 16:15-20.

### Friday, April 26 Always Loving

With Thomas voicing confusion, Jesus lovingly replies, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." Thomas had followed Jesus for years and still questioned where the Lord was leading the disciples. Believers live with questions. Whether your faith is new or lifelong, you may at times be unsure of the spiritual path you are to follow. Jesus offers assurance that he is not only the way but the truth and the life. *Today's readings:* Acts 13:26–33; Psalm 2:6–7, 8–9, 10–11ab; John 14:1–6.

### Saturday, April 27 In Silence

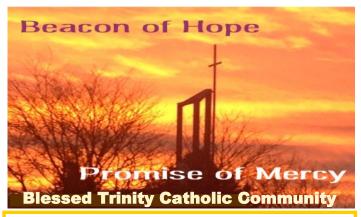
"Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us," Philip tells Jesus. There is a Philip in all of us, looking for reassurance of the presence of God in our lives. Sometimes we ask God for a sign to calm our fears. Jesus directs Philip and us to look not only to his words but his works. Where do you see the work of God in your community? Is there someone who needs reassurance that God is present during struggles? *Today's readings: Acts 13:44–52; Psalm 98:1, 2–3ab, 3cd–4; John 14:7–14.* 





## 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 4-4-24 is: |            | Last year at the same time: |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| Amount Received:              | 212,187.18 | 182,972.61                  |
| Budget needed::               | 192,250.64 | <u>161,171.00</u>           |
| Over or (Under) budget        | 19,936.54  | 21,801.61                   |

| Year-to-date as of 4-14-24 is: |            | Last year at the same time: |
|--------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| Amount Received:               | 215.320.18 | 185,540.61                  |
| Budget needed::                | 196,939.68 | <u>165,102.00</u>           |
| Over or (Under) budget         | 18,380.50  | 20,438.61                   |

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PROGRESS TO DATE: \$385,244 RECEIVED / 98.4% OF THE \$391,378 PLEDGED. 61% OF PARISHIONERS HAVE PARTICIPATED THUS FAR.



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| Year-to-date as of 4-7-24 is: |            | Last year at the same time: |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| Amount Received:              | 30,267.00  | 25,894.00                   |
| Budget needed::               | 33,982.85  | 34,317.00                   |
| Over or (Under)               | (3,715.85) | (8,423.00)                  |

| Year-to-date as of 4-14-24 is: |            | Last year at the same time: |
|--------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| Amount Received:               | 30,949.00  | 32,300.00                   |
| Budget needed::                | 34,811.70  | <u>35,154.00</u>            |
| Over or (Under)                | (3,862.70) | (2,854.00)                  |

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.

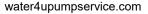
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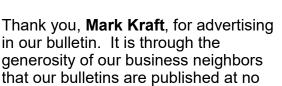
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### **Pastoral Staff**

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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