

Blessed Trinity Catholic Community + Spirit of Christ Mission



The Bulletin

LENT

The Fourth Sunday March 10, 2024

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**Sunday Whole Parish Faith Formation,
FOLLOWING 10:Mass-TODAY-March 10**

The Light of the World

*Living Faith at Home, Sharing faith with others,
Welcoming friends and neighbors to faith alive.*

We welcome Mr. Matt Reichert DIRECTOR OF THE OREGON CATHOLIC PRESS CENTER FOR LEARNING. Matt holds a BA in History and English from St. John's University, Collegeville and two Master of Arts Degrees in Education and Leadership from the University of Notre Dame. Matt is married and the father of four daughters.

Blessed Trinity+Spirit of Christ is grateful for a generous grant from the
FOUNDATION FOR THE DIOCESE OF HELENA to support this learning opportunity.

LENTEN COMMUNAL PENANCE:

This TUESDAY March 12, 7:00 pm

AS A FAITHFUL PEOPLE WE NAME OUR SINS

AND THE SINS OF THE WORLD.

WE REMEMBER our need to continue living our life
in accord with the Gospel.

WE LONG to hear the Word of God
and through it experience the healing love of Christ.



Let anyone without sin be the first to cast a stone.

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
9am — 5pm
Closed Friday**

SAT Mar 9

5:00 pm:

Sunday Mass Vigil

Mass Intention for Mark Bryn

r/b Knights of Columbus Council 1021

SUN Mar 10: Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23 / Ps 137:1-6 / Eph 2:4-10 / Jn 3:14-21

8:00 am:

Mass at Spirit of Christ

10:00 am:

Mass at Blessed Trinity

11:15 am:

Whole Parish Faith Formation

MON Mar 11 *Is 65:17-21 / Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b / Jn 4:43-54*

1:00 pm:

Monthly Grief Support Group

TUES Mar 12 *Ez 47:1-9, 12 / Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 / Jn 5:1-16*

7:00 pm:

Communal Penance Service

WED Mar 13 *Is 49:8-15 / Ps 145:8-9, 13c-14, 17-18 Jn 5:17-30*

12:10 pm:

Daily Mass

7:00 pm:

Choir

THU Mar 14 *Ex32:7-14 / Ps 106:19-23 / Jn 5:31-47*

11:00 am:

Lectionary Scripture Study

12:10 pm:

Daily Mass

FRI Mar 15 *Wis 2:1a, 12-22 / Ps 34:17-21, 23 / Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30*

10:00 am:

Mass at Village Health Care Center

5:30 pm:

Fish Fry @ St. Anthony's Parish Life Center

SAT Mar 16 *Jer 11:18-20 / Ps 7:2-3, 9b-12 / Jn 7:40-53*

4:00 pm:

Reconciliation

5:00 pm:

Sunday Mass Vigil

Mass Intention for Jerry Wirtz r/b Sandy Tritz

SUN Mar 17: Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jer 31:31-34 / Ps 51:3-4, 12-15 / Heb 5:7-9 / Jn 12:20-33

8:00 am:

Mass at Spirit of Christ

10:00 am:

Mass at Blessed Trinity

11:15 am:

Breakfast

6:00 pm:

Byzantine Divine Liturgy at Spirit of Christ



Lenten Penance Liturgy

TUESDAY, March 12 at 7:00 p.m.

WE GATHER AS A FAITHFUL PEOPLE

aware of our need to continue living our life in accord with the Gospel.

WE GATHER to hear the Word of God

and through it experience the healing love of Christ.

WE GATHER to name the sins of the world

and to acknowledge our own sins.

WE GATHER to support each other through our common prayer.

WE ALL NEED TO GATHER, TO BE PRESENT!

WE GATHER BECAUSE WE BELIEVE.

WE GATHER BECAUSE WE BELONG.

WE GATHER BECAUSE WE TRUST IN THE MERCY AND COMPASSION OF GOD.

WE NEED ONE ANOTHER TO BE PRESENT.

The Sacrament of Penance ("confession") will be available following the liturgy for those who desire. A preparation guide and reflection materials are available on the website: blessedtrinitymissoula.org On opening page click:

[Click to go to the Penance/Reconciliation Page](#)

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without sin
be the first
to cast a stone





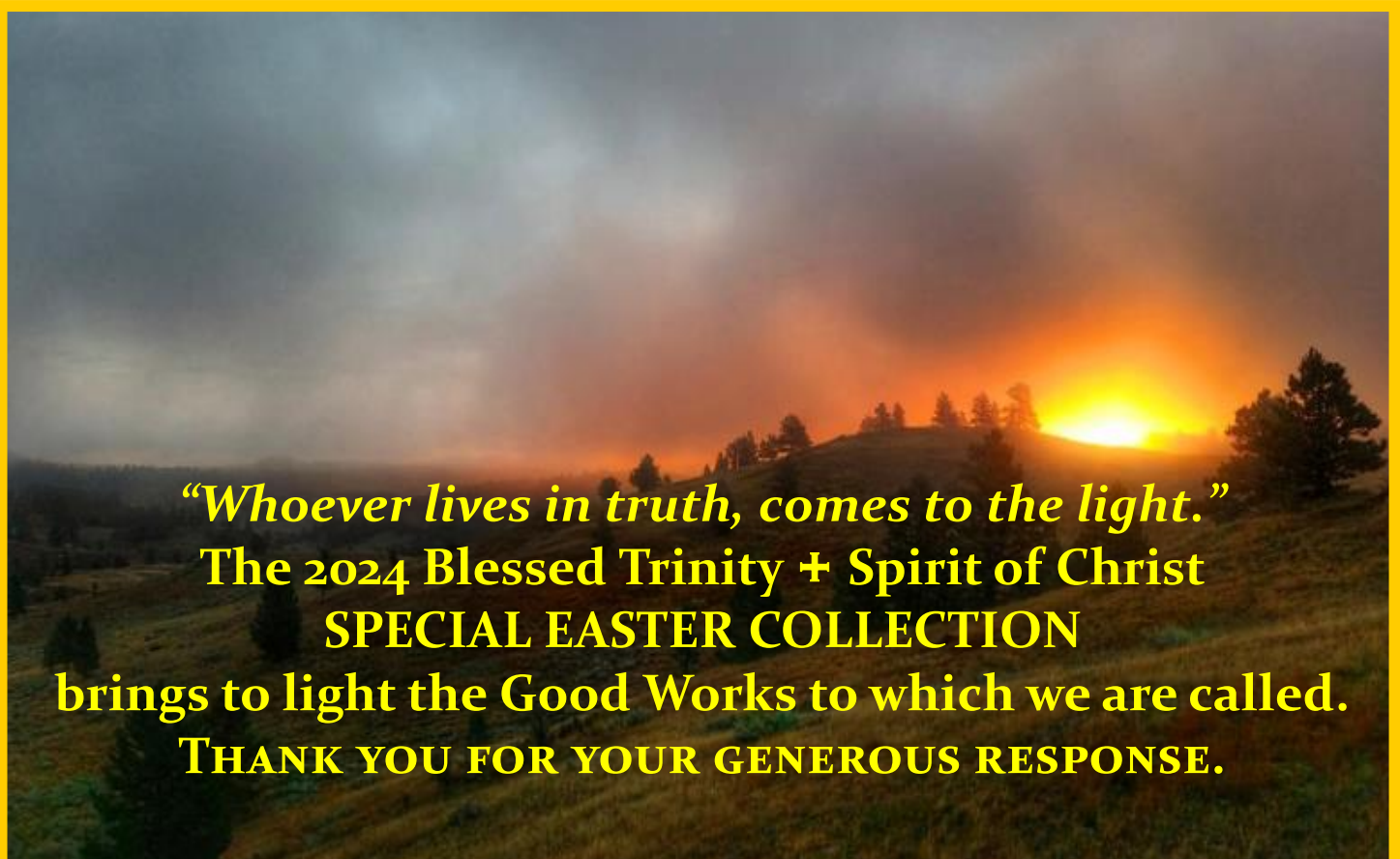
Shepherds of the Good Shepherd

We offer unique olive wood religious works from the holy city of Bethlehem in efforts to provide for the Christian community in the Holy Land. Your purchase -however- is an act of generosity toward many families who depend on our ministry.

"I am the good shepherd.
The good shepherd lays down his life
for the sheep."
- John 10:11

**Visiting Blessed Trinity,
March 16 & 17th**

We remember VICTOR AND HUSAM HANNUNEH who have been with us in past years. They bring us the opportunity to purchase beautiful olive wood religious art, as well as the gift of being able to support the people who live in Bethlehem, especially during these days.



"Whoever lives in truth, comes to the light."

**The 2024 Blessed Trinity + Spirit of Christ
SPECIAL EASTER COLLECTION**

brings to light the Good Works to which we are called.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS RESPONSE.

THE GREAT THREE DAYS OF EASTER 2024

Blessed Trinity+Spirit of Christ

HOLY THURSDAY, March 28

Entering the Three Days...the beginning of Good Friday:

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER, 7:00 pm

The Word of the Lord; The Washing of Feet; The Holy Eucharist;
Procession of the Blessed Sacrament; Quiet Prayer in the Chapel

HOLY THURSDAY NIGHT PRAYER, 10:00 p.m.

This prayer at the end of the day continues the holiness of these days,
marked by vigilance and faithful prayer

GOOD FRIDAY, March 29

A day of fast (only one full meal) and abstinence from meat.

SOLEMN LITURGY

OF THE PASSION & DEATH OF THE LORD 12:10 pm

The Word of the Lord; Prayers for the World;
Veneration of the Holy Cross; Holy Communion.

THE 12:10 SERVICE IS THE MAIN LITURGY OF GOOD FRIDAY.

In keeping with the Church's tradition the Liturgy of the Lord's Death is celebrated in the afternoon of Good Friday. Good Friday should be a day of quiet and prayer. Consider taking Good Friday off from work.

REMEMBER GRADE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS MAY

TAKE THIS DAY AS A DAY OF RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE. THIS IS AN EXCUSED ABSENCE.

GOOD FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER OF THE LORD'S BURIAL, 7:00 pm

Vespers remembering the Lord's burial. The beginning of Holy Saturday

They buried the Lord and sealed the tomb.

Holy Saturday Morning, March 30

MORNING PRAYER OF THE LORD'S REST IN THE TOMB, 11:00 am

THE SOLEMN VIGIL MASS OF EASTER,

In the Holy Night, Saturday, March 30, 9:00 pm

We gather in the darkness: The new fire: Service of Light; Service of the Word; Sacraments of Initiation; Renewal of Baptism; Easter Eucharist. Breakfast follows.

EASTER SUNDAY MORNING MASS, March 31

Spirit of Christ/Lolo 8:00 am

Blessed Trinity 10:00 am



If you would like to view a SLIDE SHOW of the THREE DAYS OF EASTER at Blessed Trinity+ Spirit of Christ in years past go to the parish website: blessedtrinitymissoula.org, Scroll down and CLICK for slide show Presentation of the GREAT THREE DAYS OF EASTER at Blessed Trinity+Spirit of Christ



The House for the Church

at Blessed Trinity

MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

FULL PARISH GATHERING APRIL 21,

The Fourth Sunday of Easter following 10:00 am Mass

We will gather to remember our plans, respond to questions, ideas, concerns;
review progress on land sale, finances, capital campaign;
as well as the most current developments and cost estimates.

ALL are welcome + ALL are needed!

**Sign-up sheets for all
TRIDUUM LITURGICAL MINISTRIES
are in the front entrance of the Church.**



Thank you to those who have volunteered. Many more roles are needed. Please check to see how your family might be involved.

**WE WOULD LIKE TO COMPLETE THE SIGN-UPS BY
NEXT WEEKEND.**

**STILL NEEDED: GENEROUS FOLKS FOR THE
CHURCH LAUNDRY**

We are STILL in need of persons to help with the church laundry. If you are interested, willing or would just like more information, please contact Sister Mary Jo, (406) 721-2405, or by email:

maryjoq@blessedtrinitymissoula.org.





INCREASING DISASTERS, INCREASING RESILIENCE

Located in Southeast Asia between the Pacific and Indian Oceans, Indonesia has beautiful beaches, diverse cultures and the world's fourth largest population. Many of the country's more than 17,000 islands are in the Ring of Fire, where volcanic eruptions and earthquakes are common. Climate-related disasters such as cyclones are also becoming more frequent and destructive. Find out how—with the support of Catholic Relief Services and generous communities like yours—Evita and her disaster preparedness group are working to keep their community safe.

Visit rsricebowl.org to learn more.
And read this week's **Story of Hope**.



This week we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to **reveal Christ's**

love to our brothers and sisters in needs. This collection makes grants to six Catholic Agencies that provide relief and support for struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters, both here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Knights of Columbus

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St. Anthony Parish

Lenten Fish Fry Dinner

at St. Anthony Parish Life Center,
217 Tremont, Missoula

Fridays of Lent

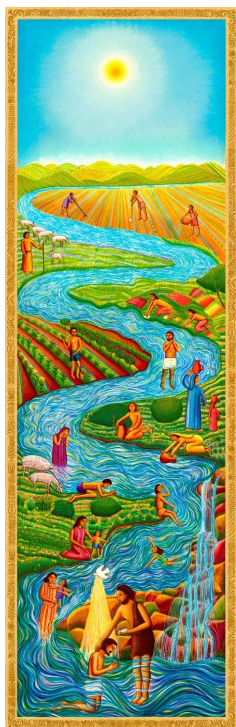
5:30pm till 7:00pm.

Adults \$15

Children \$9



Join the parish for Stations of the Cross at 5:10 pm followed by Mass.



Whole Parish Faith Formation 2023-24

This Sunday!

The Light of the World

Featuring Matt Reichert

Sunday, March 10

11:30–1:00 pm

At baptism, we received the light of Christ. How do we show this light in the context of family life? How do we keep this light burning both within our homes

and within our community? What do we do if we feel the light going out? How can our small light shine in a time of increasing darkness? Come to discuss these and other important questions so that together we can grow in faith and light.

We welcome Matt Reichert, Director of the Center for Learning at OCP as we explore the identity of Christ as “Light of the World.”

We are grateful to the Foundation for the Diocese of Helena for a grant to bring Matt Reichert to our parish.

There is no cost to attend, but a goodwill offering will be accepted to help with additional costs.



Invite those you feel would be
interested in this topic to join you.

All are welcome and needed!

Children's Faith Formation
During Whole Parish Faith Formation
Sunday, March 10, 11:30–1:00

Safe Environment Lessons coming in April!



Children's Liturgy of the Word Sunday, March 17, 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 (during which pets and grandparents receive much attention). Children return to the main assembly during the offertory procession. Parents and/or older siblings are invited to accompany young children if desired. We will not be having Children's Liturgy during Palm Sunday (March 24) or Easter Sunday (March 31).

Seeing the Word

Thursday, March 21, 1:00 pm



Seeing the Word meets monthly to reflect on the illuminations of the St. John's Bible. In March we will be meditating on the illumination Peter's Confession in Matthew 16: 13-23. Come to reflect on this pivotal moment in the Gospel!

Please contact Louise (406-251-5363) for details. Books available from Judy Cooney at the parish office.



Youth Group Wed., Apr. 17, 7–8:30 pm

Due to travel, spring break, and Easter we will not have a regular meeting in March. However, check out the Triduum sign up sheets before you go! When we meet again in April will have food, fun, and friends.

O u t r e a c h



Introducing the Outreach Team

In October, the Whole Parish Faith Formation session highlighted Casey Dunning, Executive Director of the Missoula Interfaith Collaborative. During that session, all were invited to indicate an interest in one or more of the three main initiatives of MIC. In the weeks following, several parishioners have come together with S. Mary Jo Quinn, staff coordinator, to form the parish Outreach/Social Concerns Core Team. This team is entrusted with the ongoing oversight of our parish participation in and support of MIC and the many other outreach ministries in which Blessed Trinity and Spirit of Christ Mission are engaged. One of our first endeavors is to help all parishioners learn more about the three principal initiatives of MIC: Family Promise, Housing Advocates Network (HAN), and Missoula Works (including the Get It Done crew and Ventures). The following article is the first in a continuing series of reflections by parishioners in the efforts of MIC.



The Joys of Family Promise

In this season of Lent, we are called upon to pray, give alms and fast. The Family Promise program at the Meadowlark on South 3rd St West has provided me many opportunities to do two of those things, and a different take on the third. Family Promise makes use of a lot of volunteers. They provide shelter for families in a difficult spot, a nutritious dinner every weekday, support to help families find housing, activities for the children, and other services. As a retired person, I have found time to help serve dinner and other activities. This is a really well-run program, very worthy of support.

But what do I get out of it? Working with other volunteers has helped me expand contacts with other really goodhearted, amazing people from different churches. There is lots of time to chat while preparing food, serving, and cleaning up. Every person coming through the line for dinner gets a prayer, as do the other volunteers. Kind words, smiles, words of appreciation, the sharing of bad (or was that Dad?) jokes, the satisfaction of a job well done, all add to the good feeling at the end of the evening. Please join me in serving at Family Promise.

As the good St Francis of Assisi observed, "Preach the Gospel at all times. If necessary, use words."

For more information on Blessed Trinity's many and varied volunteer opportunities at Family Promise, contact Cathy Burleson at 406-721-4686. Our next rotation is April 7-13. Sign-up begins March 17th.

Rick Aldred, Core Team



More Outreach



Schedule Mowing with the Get-It-Done Crew!

Spring will be here before we know it! When you hire the Get-It-Done Crew, you are also supporting the Missoula Works mission of providing employment opportunities, leadership training, and empowerment to those who have faced barriers to employment. Call 406-926-3400.

MISSOULA FOOD BANK



missoula food bank
& community center

NEED OF THE WEEK: lightweight, simple can openers!

Have an extra can opener lying around, waiting for something to sink its teeth into? Our neighbors are in need of small can openers to help them access the nutrition they need! New and used are both happily welcomed!



WOW!

For the **month of February** Blessed Trinity contributed **294 pounds of food, diapers, paper products, and personal care items.** Thank you parishioners. And thanks to Hal and Rose Pulling and Michael Knepp 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.

Office Coordinator St. Mary Cemetery, Missoula, MT

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Helena is seeking a qualified administrative professional to support the operations of St. Mary Cemetery in Missoula. This position reports to the Cemetery Manager and is responsible for providing an advanced level of administrative support for the cemetery, including overall office management, reception and clerical support, and service to the public.

Candidates should have an associate degree and at least two years of administrative experience, or the equivalent education and experience. Strong organizational and communication skills are also essential.

This part-time position is a .50 FTE, working approximately 20-25 hours per week. The hourly pay range will be \$16 – \$18 per hour, depending on experience. This position does not include benefits.

For a complete job description and list of qualifications for the position go to www.diocesehelena.org/employment.

Apply by sending your cover letter, resume, and three professional references to chall@dohtmt.org. This position will remain open until filled, with a first look on **March 20, 2024.**

Breakfast!

Next Sunday, March 17

**Breakfast is sponsored by the
Knights of Columbus.**



**All proceeds will go to the
St. Patrick House.**



Lunch Bunch

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**Stone of
Accord
Wednesday
March 20, 1 pm**



The Lunch Bunch gathering will be celebrating St Patrick's Day on Wednesday March 20th at 1pm at Stone of Accord Restaurant which is located at 304 N. Reserve. Reservations could not be made so there will be a limit of 20 people. Please contact Joan Dodge at kingsburyinmt@gmail.com or 406 239 0930 if you wish to attend. If you do attend, please bring lots of blarney to share.

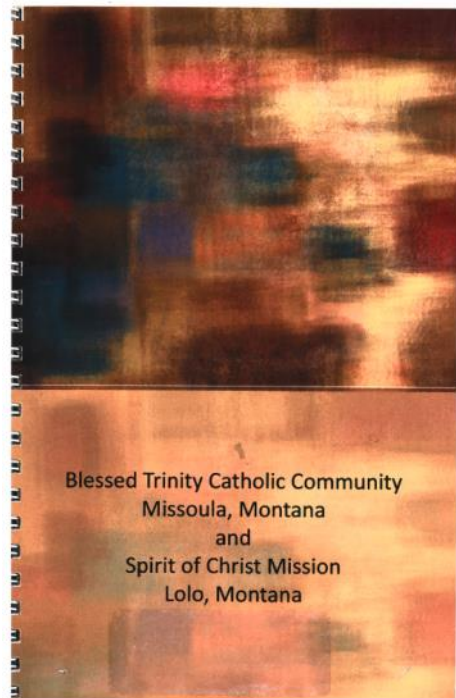


Employment opportunity at St. Francis Xavier

Dear Friends of St. Francis Xavier Parish,

We are pleased to announce that we will be seeking a Director of Faith Formation to oversee all of our religious education programs for the upcoming fiscal year and beyond. The qualified candidate will be an educator who can also manage an ever-growing faith formation program, oversee staff, and coordinate volunteers. We are seeking an energetic, creative individual who wishes to share the Catholic faith. Please take time to review the **job description**, share with anyone who you think might be interested, and reach out to myself at hightowersj@sfxmissoula.org or Colin McCormack at cmccormack@sfxmissoula.org if you have any questions or to submit your resume.

Blessings,
Fr. C. Hightower, S.J.



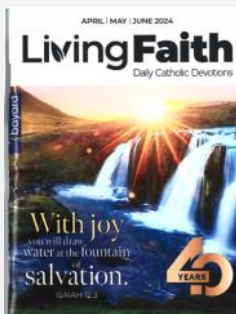
Do you want to be in “the pictures”?

Have you wished you knew the names of those with whom you worship each week? Many have expressed an interest in creating a **new parish directory**. Are you one of these?

We are in the beginning stages of assessing interest. If you are willing to have your family picture in the new parish directory, please put your name on one of the sign up sheets at the parish entrances or contact the parish office by **March 25th**.

It is necessary that we have as complete a number of family/couples/individuals as possible

to make a good decision about parish interest before we go forward. Thank you!



Living Faith

April
May
June

is available at the church entrances.



Job Opening


Missoula Catholic Schools Business Office is currently looking for a full-time Payroll/Accounts Payable Clerk.

If interested please email:

lisa.vancanagan@mcsmt.org.

DIOCESE OF HELENA

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS



MARCH 22-24, 2024
CARROLL COLLEGE | HELENA, MT

ENCOUNTER THE LORD | ENTER INTO HOLY WEEK |
PROCLAIM HIS LOVE

FEATURED SPEAKERS INCLUDE

DR. JOHN BERGSMA | CHIKA ANYANWU | CHRIS MUELLER |
SR. FAUSTINA MARIA PIA, SV | SR. ANTONIANA MARIA, SV

LEARN MORE &
REGISTER AT: diocesehelena.org/eucharisticcongress

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Light of the World

Lord God,
when we were unfaithful,
you remembered us.
Your love is so great
that you sent your Son
to be the Light of the World.

May I keep my eyes fixed upon your light,
and never surrender to the dark,
O Christ.
Who lives and reigns with you,
in the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Sunday, March 10, 2024

Light of Hope in the Darkness



Today's readings: 2 Chronicles 36:14–16, 19–23; Psalm 137:1–2, 3, 4–5, 6; Ephesians 2:4–10; John 3:14–21. Hope and joy are recurring themes in the readings and prayers on the Fourth Sunday of Lent. Midway through Lent, just as we begin to weary in our resolve, the readings remind us of God's love and the eternal life that awaits, and the prayers relate the Christian response of joy. The entrance antiphon begins, "Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her," recalling for us that Lent is also a season for joy.

The liturgical color varies from the season's violet to rose today to visually encourage us. This day points to the

reconciliation that is ours because of Christ's death and resurrection. And we have merited none of this. Only by the mercy of God do we live in Christ. As the reading from Ephesians states, "It is the gift of God; it is not from works so no one may boast."

Some accept the gift of faith, but as the Gospel states, "The light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light." At baptism, we received the light of Christ and, with that light, join Christ in dispelling darkness. This week, be aware that you carry the light of Christ within you and can bring others to it.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, March 11 Blind Faith

John tells the story of a man pleading for Jesus to cure his dying child. The miracle of the cure convinced this man and the others present that Jesus was the Messiah. But what about those of us who have never witnessed such a miracle? Take some time to journal about your faith in Jesus. On what do you base your belief? How much do you trust in the Lord? *Today's readings: Isaiah 65:17–21 Psalm 30:2, 4, 5–6, 11–12a, 13b; John 4:43–54.*

Tuesday, March 12 Journeying Together

Asking for or accepting help shows courage because it implies that we are not self-sufficient. Recognizing our dependence on God and one another is a virtue. Being in relationship with others requires listening. Today, await the answer when asking someone how he or she is doing. Then really listen. Similarly, make sure that you leave space and time in your prayer for God's voice to bubble up inside of you. *Today's readings: Ezekiel 47:1–9, 12; Psalm 46:2–3, 5–6, 8–9; John 5:1–16.*

Wednesday, March 13 Blind Faith

While the Lord is a just judge, people are not always so fair or righteous. Are you your worst critic? The idea of self-compassion might seem hedonistic or selfish, yet it can be hard to give what we do not possess. If we desire to extend God's kindness to others, we need to express compassion toward ourselves. Examine how well you practice patience and mercy toward others. To improve, begin with yourself. *Today's readings: Isaiah 49:8–15; Psalm 145:8–9, 13cd–14, 17–18; John 5:17–30.*

Thursday, March 14 Taking a Pause

During every Mass, we encounter Christ in the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. He is present especially in the consecrated bread and wine, in the Scriptures, in the ministers, and in the assembly. God does not want us to continue wandering in the desert; he beckons us to the promised land of eternal life. This week, meditate on a part of the Mass. Practice being truly present during Mass to allow space for conversion and transformation. *Today's readings: Exodus 32:7–14; Psalm 106:19–20, 21–22, 23; John 5:31–47.*

Friday, March 15 Genuine Encounter

What does it mean to truly know someone? Have you followed a famous figure or professional contact and felt that you knew everything about him or her without having even met the person? Or perhaps you met the individual and encountered someone different than you had imagined. In today's Gospel, the inhabitants of Jerusalem think that they know Jesus, but their knowledge is on a surface level. They do not know the One who sent him. When you read the Scriptures, invite the words to fill your heart so that you can know the Lord. *Today's readings: Wisdom 2:1a, 12–22; Psalm 34:17–18, 19–20, 21, 23; John 7:1–2, 10, 25–30.*

Saturday, March 16 The Body of Christ

Many things can distract us as we seek to become closer to God and spread the Good News. How can you stay rooted in a life of discipleship? What are some of the things you can do in your community to continue the ministry of Jesus? Can you read to children at the library? Or volunteer in a soup kitchen? Does your community have a cleanup day for which you could sign up? Strive to be walking testimonies of Jesus' love. *Today's readings: Jeremiah 11:18–20; Psalm 7:2–3, 9bc–10, 11–12; John 7:40–53.*



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 3-3-24 is:		Last year at the same time:
Amount Received:	186,877.18	162,959.11
Budget needed::	<u>168,805.44</u>	<u>141,516.00</u>
Over or (Under) budget	18,071.74	21,443.11

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PROGRESS TO DATE:
\$383,532 RECEIVED / 98.1% OF THE \$390,803 PLEDGED. 61% OF PARISHIONERS HAVE PARTICIPATED THUS FAR.

THANK YOU!

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 3-3-24 is:		Last year at the same time:
Amount Received:	26,826.00	23,374.00
Budget needed::	<u>29,838.60</u>	<u>30,132.00</u>
Over or (Under)	(3,012.60)	(6,758.00)

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.

Randy Biehl, Grand Knight	406-788-0743
Rich Karsky, Financial Secretary	406-251-3277
Jerry Heivilin, Membership Chair	406-251-4831
Father Ed Hislop, Chaplain	406-721-2405



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