

Schedules

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday 12/31	8:45am	FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY Mass - Pro Populo
	5:30pm	Vigil of the <u>Solemnity of the Mother of God</u> - Mass-Tobias Seraphim Swanson-(McCullough family)
Monday 1/1	9:00am	Mass for the <u>Solemnity of the Mother of God</u> -New Years day- For our Lady's Intentions for our Parish and Parishioners
Tuesday 1/2	5:30pm	No Mass
Wednesday 1/3	9:00am	No Mass
Thursday 1/4	9:00am	No Mass
Friday 1/5	9:00am	FIRST FRIDAY- Mass –Alice Brown † (Baeten family) <u>ADORATION ALL DAY and NIGHT – SIGN UP NOW!</u>
Saturday 1/6		FIRST SATURDAY 8:15am Holy Rosary 8:45am Benediction 9:00am Mass - For an end to Abortion (PCCW) 5:30pm Vigil Mass of The Epiphany of the Lord –Alice Brown † (Manders family)
Sunday 1/7	8:45am	Mass—The Epiphany of the Lord - Pro Populo

MINISTERS SCHEDULE

<u>Saturday Dec 30th-5:30pm</u> L1/L2- Melody Deyle C1-Judy Goldsby C2-Janet Erfle	<u>Sunday Dec 31st -8:45am</u> L1/L2-Tracey Chechet C1-Janet Hyams C2-Michelle Lopez	<u>Sunday Dec 31st-5:30pm</u> L1- Michelle Lopez C1-Justin Baeten C2-Margie Heger	<u>Monday Jan 1st-9:00am</u> L1-Van Hagestad C1-David Odermann C2-Bart Tschacher
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“St. Augustine said that there is no need to look outside for a sheep to offer to God. Each person has within him that which he can crucify.”

Quotable Fulton J. Sheen.

"It is so hard to admit that one is a sinner; it is so hard to climb the hill of Calvary and kneel beneath a cross and ask for pardon, forgiveness. Certainly it is hard.

But it is harder to hang there."

~Archbishop Fulton Sheen~

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Announcements

December 31, 2017 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

"...as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive." - COLOSSIANS 3:13

Forgiveness – one of the hardest things for people to do. It's amazing how long we can hold a grudge or be angry with someone. As we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family, take this opportunity to give the gift of forgiveness to someone - maybe someone in your family, maybe a friend, maybe a co- worker or neighbor or, maybe yourself. Pick up the phone or text someone right now.

Anyone interested in helping shovel walkways during the winter months along with the Tschacher family, please contact Father, or the office. We certainly would appreciate it! We have two snow blowers!

11th Annual **MARCH FOR LIFE**-Sunday, Jan 21st, 2018. 2:00-3:30pm. Gather at St. Patrick's-215 N. 31st St. Downtown. After sending off prayer, we will proceed with a silent, solemn walk a few blocks to the Yellowstone County Courthouse lawn. (217 N. 27th St). After a few songs, short talks and prayer, we will walk back and have coffee, cookies and fellowship at St. Patrick's Hall. BE A VOICE FOR THE VOICELESS!

Friends and family of Darrell Magnus would appreciate any and all prayers for him during this time.

Next week we will celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. Catholic families bless their home for the New Year. With blessed chalk the initials of the legendary names of the three kings are marked about the doorway. The number of the New Year is split at the beginning and end. The initials C, M, B. represent Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar and the crosses stand for saint. The letters also abbreviate the Latin words: Christ's Mansiomen Benedicat, 'May Christ Bless this house'. The family gathers at the main door. After marking the threshold, the presiding member of the household prays: May Christ Bless this house. May all who come to our home this year rejoice to find Christ living among us. Please grab a handout and a piece of blessed chalk in the Narthex.

A solemn blessing of Epiphany water will take place on the eve of Epiphany after the 5:30 Vigil Mass on Saturday January 6th. It will take approximately half an hour. Bring your empty containers to take home this water for your family!! It has powerful sacramental graces attached to it.

**SAVE THE DATE! -FREE!! PCCW ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT
Saturday January 27th. "The Eucharist". Plan to come and bring a friend!**

Cum Christo Renewal weekend **February 9-11, 2018**, at St. Anthony's Church, Laurel, MT. Applications/Info. are available at <http://www.bigskycumchristo.org>

Give your marriage the gift of new life this next year! **Retreat is Feb. 2-4, 2018 in Great Falls.** **Retrouvaille of Montana** is offering a program led by Catholic lay ministers which gives hope for troubled marriages and helps put the pieces back together again rebuilding a loving relationship. 75-85% of the couples are successful in reconciling their marital problems! For more information on this weekend and registration, please call: 406-761-4830. RetroMT@gmail.com .

World Wide Marriage Encounter is offering a Marriage Encounter weekend in Billings on the weekend of **January 26-28**. Bishop Warfel will be a team priest on this weekend. This is a great opportunity for married couples. Couples who have made the weekend can attest that the time spent on a weekend truly enhanced their relationship. If anyone would like additional information please call Paul and Tracy McElvery at [307-689-2820](tel:307-689-2820)

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ST. ANTHONY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ~ ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Faith of our Fathers– Every Sunday after Mass at 10:30am. Grab a coffee and donuts and come learn a deeper understanding of the faith! No sign up is needed, just come!

ALL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES WILL START BACK UP ON THE 10th OF JANUARY. NO SUNDAY CLASSES ON THE 31st.



"LEARNING ABOUT LIFE" is required by the diocese to be implemented by our parish. **All classes will participate.** We are **SAVING THE DATE** for January 31st. Please be looking for an email and a letter and respond as soon as possible. Its appreciated!

TNT-Truth the Necessary Thing–Wed nights at 7:00pm. This popular theology class is always exciting and enlightening. **A GREAT BIBLE STUDY!** An in-depth look @ the upcoming Sunday readings. Draw deeper into your faith this Advent season and ready yourself to know, love and serve HIM who is coming!

BIBLE STUDY - A Women's Book/Bible Study. Come study with us every Tuesday morning at 9:30am at the Parish Hall. **Our new book will be "Searching & Maintaining Peace" by Fr. Jacques Philippe.**

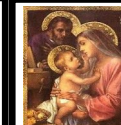
The new schedule has been mailed out to Eucharistic & Lector ministers. Let Marti know if you don't receive yours. Be sure and try to get a replacement if you cannot make it for your date. It is on the website too!

Be a gift to God! Lovely veils have been donated for our parish women to use and put back. Read our beautiful handout explaining why we should take up this gift of veiling for God. It's explained beautifully. If you wish to purchase one for \$10 please contact Laura Pivonka @ (406)651-4400 or call the office.

There are new 2018 giving envelopes to pick up in the Narthex. **PLEASE** save us a stamp and pick yours up today! We have an abundance of orphaned dishes in the kitchen by the microwave that are wanting to go home. Please take the time to come look and see if you are missing something out of your kitchen!



Ready to get involved in the parish
Please join us! Knight family of the Month
Dominic & Mary Kunda
Meeting held the 3rd Monday at 7:00pm



Parish Council of Catholic Women
Jan.-Altar- St. Bridget
Coffee & Rolls– 1/7-St. Joan, 1/14-St. Bridget
1/21-all parish potluck, 1/28-St. Gianna

Stewardship Giving	
December 24th Weekly Donations	\$ 3473.00
Weekly Budget	3778.00
	(\$305.00)
Christmas Offering	4,419.00
Donations FYTD 17-18	\$93,589.40
FYTD Budget	102,006.00
	(\$8,416.60)
Care & Share 2017	
Assessment	\$38,608.00
Collections as of 12-25-17	32,861.00
Outstanding Pledges @ Diocese	3,390.00
Balance Due by Feb 2018	\$2357.00

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