Holy Spirit
Catholic Parish and School

December 25th, 2016

***Worship Centers**: Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 201 44th St. South Holy Family Chapel, 2800 Central Ave.*
***Parish Offices:** 201 44th St. South Great Falls, MT 59405 Phone: (406)452-6491*
***Parish Office hours**: Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Friday 8:30 a.m. – Noon*
Fax: 452-6495 Email: hsparish@holyspiritgf.org Website: www.holyspiritgf.org
***School:** 2820 Central Avenue Phone: 761-5775*
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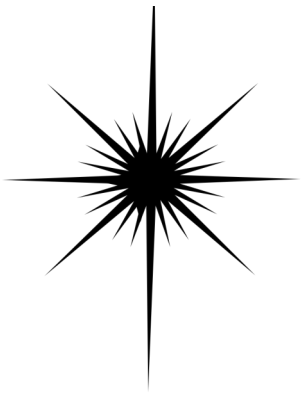
***WE,** the people of Holy Spirit Catholic Parish of Great Falls, Montana, created by God, centered in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, are sharing our journey of faith,*
***WE** are committed to upholding our faith, strengthening our families, and being a joyful people of prayer.*
***WE** strive to be the Lord's presence on earth by welcoming and ministering to all people with compassion and hope. Rev. March 1999*



Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.

Luke 2:11

Tax Reminder: From the Diocese – End of Year Charitable Giving

Charitable contributions are deductible in the year the gift is made. For charitable gifts to be credited for the current calendar **(2016)** please note the following:

Donations received by mail after **January 1, 2017 must be accompanied by a postmarked envelope dated no later than December 31, 2016. All donations received in the offering on Sunday, January 1st **are not** deductible for 2016.

**Transfer of stocks or securities must take place on or prior to December 31, 2016.

If you have questions regarding year-end giving, call the **Catholic Foundation of Eastern Montana office at 727-6683, ext. 120.**

Christmas – December 25th, 2016

Holy Spirit Parish Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday – 4:30 p.m.
Sunday – 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Daily Mass Schedule
Holy Spirit Day Chapel:
Tuesdays 5:15 p.m. & Thursdays 8:30 a.m.
Park Place (3200 15th Ave. S) Wednesdays 2:30 p.m.
Holy Family Chapel (2800 Central Avenue) Fridays 8:30 am

Reconciliation: Saturdays - 4 pm Holy Spirit or by appointment

Holy Spirit Chapel is open for Adoration Monday - Thursday from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Friday from 8:30 - Noon.

Mass Intentions:
Tues., 12/27- 5:15 p.m. - +Fr. Pat McGurk r/b E. Dahy
Wed., 12/28- 2:30 p.m., Park Place; +Dugan Family r/b B. Conry
Thur., 12/29 - 8:30 a.m., H.S. - Special Intention r/b R. Liston
Fri., 12/30- 8:30 a.m. - H F - +Theresa Trunkle Thornburg r/b T. Wassman
Sat., 12/31 - 4:30 p.m.– +Maxine O'Fallon r/b S. Dunson
Sun. 1/1 - 8:30 a.m. - +McCallum family r/b D. McCallum
11:00 a.m. - George & Colleen Campanella (sp. int) r/b G. Sokoloski

Readings for next week: Mary, Holy Mother of God
1st Reading: Numbers 6:22-27
2nd Reading: Galatians 4:4-7
Gospel: Luke 2:16-21

Coffee & Rolls Schedule
December 25: Merry Christmas! No coffee and rolls
January 1: 8:30 - Frazier-Harris family; 11:00 - VanSpyk family

Bus Schedule:
December 31: Chuck and Paula Paul
January 1: Driver and assistant needed!

What's Happening This Week...

Tuesday: That Man is You - 7 p.m. Sts. P&P
Thursday: RCIA - 7 p.m. Sts. P&P

Invitation: *Please join us to pray the Rosary at 4:45 p.m. on Tuesday at Holy Spirit, 8 a.m. on Thursdays at Holy Spirit, 8 a.m. on Fridays at Holy Family and 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays at Holy Spirit. The Knights of Columbus Council #9395 will lead the Rosary before the 11:00 a.m. Mass on the 5th Sundays of the month.*

*As a **Stewardship Parish** we are grateful to have parishioners give generously from their heart. This allows us to have **no fee** with **all our** sacramental and formation programming for our parishioners. It is through your generous **weekly** giving that we are able to offer quality religious formation opportunities to everyone from womb tomb.*

Would you like to receive a 40% CREDIT on your Montana income tax bill for 2016?
Did you know you can do this by making a gift to support Holy Spirit Parish? Hundreds of Catholics from our diocese make use of this great giving incentive to benefit the Church each year. Why not look into it for yourself? For more info, call Judy Held at (406) 727-6683, ext. 120, or email her at judy@catholicfoundationmt.org

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Dick Schlosser	Pastor
Dcn. Bill Medved	RCIA/Adult Formation
Dcn. Pete Woelkers	Deacon
Mark Meyer	Parish Administrator
Mary Dupuis	Worship
Aubrey Rearden	DRE/Youth Minister
Cindy Eultgen	Christian Service/Elementary Formation
Mary Wingerter	Administrative Assistant
Chuck Osterman	Maintenance

Liturgical Ministers for 12-31, 1-1

Holy Spirit Catholic Parish

★ Sub requested ~ see Web Terminal

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Bread Baker	E. Becker ★ M. Harris		
Holy Wash	S. Mohler	T. Dimke	
Sacristan	A. Jaeger	G. Matsko	T. Balyeat ★
Greeter	M. Haigh ★ A. & T. Nau V. Pedro	V. & G. Drake M. M-Wingerter J. Porter	J. Baje S. & D Nicholson P. Nicholson
Usher	A. Klundt S. Pedro	Michael Nickol S. Schnider	L. Francis M E Francis S. Pahut
Cross	Reid Moog	R. O'Neill	D. Blair
Alter Servers	Mae Kimmel Cadence Schnider	J. Donnelly E. Donnelly	R. Blair G. Jones
CLW		Cathie Mee V. Mee	D. Hayes **NOT FILLED**
Reader	T. Gilligan D. Maronick	B. Doughty P. Kaiser	D. McFadden J. Guter
Gifts	Baker Family M. Lacher	Longin Family	Donisthorpes Mike Stimac
Euch. Ministers	W. Baker M. Frenick C. Grau T. Hopkins S. Mayernik J. McKenna S. McKenna J. O'Connell W. Olmstead R. Olmstead Chuck Paul F. Polacek K. Reed T. Stukey B. Thelen	G. Drake R. Erickson A. Heppner C. Ingman E. Kelley S. Kohut K. Lakner Monique Nickol T. O'Neill M. O'Neill K. O'Neill N. Rooney M. Schulte J. Stenzel L. Stenzel	K. Baker C. Christiaens W. Fehres J. Ginnaty ★ L. Ginnaty ★ C. Good K. Jones Doug Nicholson R. Pahut E. Pahut Q. Pray B. Rasmussen R. Seilstad Marge Sitzmann Mike Stimac

Care for our Environment by Recycling

(Shifts run Fri. to Thurs.)

Weekend	Newspaper	Cardboard
4th (Dec. 23-29)	Matsko, J.	Schumacher & Nowak
5th (Dec. 30-Jan. 5)	K of C 9395	K of C 9395
1st (Jan. 6 - Jan. 12)	K of C 9395	Jernigan & Blair

School Newspapers—Monica Barlow

Call Parish Office for information on RCIA, Adult Formation or Marriage Preparation

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the way our parish prepares people to become Catholic. We meet every Thursday from 7 - 8:30 pm in the Sts. Peter & Paul Center.

Sunday by Sunday" is an ongoing program that meets Wednesday nights in the conference room to study the upcoming scriptures for the weekend Mass. For more information call Tom 761-6963 or Marilyn 315-1504, or Deacon Bill. No sign-up is necessary.

Young Adult Ministry

Aubrey Rearden 452-6491 ext. 207 aubrey @holyspiritgf.org
Cell Phone: 868-6713 (call or text)

Something exciting is brewing in Young Adult Ministry... Please call, text, or email Aubrey with your name, email, & cell phone number ASAP so she can add you to the list of invitees.

Youth Ministry

Aubrey Rearden 452-6491 ext. 207 aubrey@holyspiritgf.org
Cell Phone: 868-6713
Youth Group Sunday Nights 6:30-8:15pm
@ Sts. Peter & Paul Center

LIFE TEEN Leading Teens Closer to Christ

EDGE Catholic Middle School Ministry

Youth Group!

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped out with our Youth Group Christmas Party last Sunday. Special thanks to Wheels of Thunder for a great time, Wayne Fehres for the fabulous photo booth, and our Adult Youth Ministry team!

NO Youth Group Sunday December 25th or January 1st, see you on the 8th of January!!!

CITY WIDE HIGH SCHOOL SEARCH
JANUARY 13-15, 2017
STS. PETER & PAUL CENTER

Information & registration was mailed out for the upcoming Search weekend. *Search is a weekend for high school youth to motivate, develop, and strengthen their personal relationship with Christ.* Registration (forms available in the book rack) are due by **Wednesday January 4** to the Youth Ministry office. Contact Aubrey for more information.

Bibles & Brew High School Bible Study *Every* (even on Christmas Break) Wednesday morning 6:45-7:30am @ Schulte's Coffeehouse.

Elementary Faith Formation

Pre-K thru 6th gr.
Sun. 9:30—10::45 am or Wed. 6:30—7:30 pm
Cindy Eultgen 452-6491 ext. 208 cindy@holyspiritgf.org

Classes resume Wednesday Jan. 4 and Sunday Jan. 8, 2017

Sacramental Preparation

Cindy Eultgen 452-6491 ext. 208 cindy@holyspiritgf.org

Our next meeting for Sponsors and Parents:
Sunday, January 22 at 1 pm in the Parish Hall

Holy Spirit School

Jim Wichman - Principal - Melissa Hallahan, Vice-Principal
Judy Flint & Robin Verzuh, Administrative Assistants
761-5775 www.holyspiritgf.org

Our Open Houses are scheduled! Mark your calendars for Sunday, January 29th, 12pm-3pm and Wednesday February 1st, 5pm-8pm! Come check out why HSCS may be a great fit for your child and your family. Our parish is also invited to the Sunday Open House so you can see firsthand how the school benefits as a mission of the church!

Holy Spirit School is always looking for new students/ families! We have small class sizes, full-time Art, Music and PE teachers and a dedicated staff that really KNOW their students! We have Science Club, Junior Toastmasters and field trips for all ages, among many other opportunities for learning and engaging. Our students regularly compete in sports, often bringing home championships! We pray together, worship together, and complete community service projects together. We build future community leaders, and our students make regular appearances in every local high school's top 10 at graduation! We'd lov for you to be part of our TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE! Come check us out...call 761-5775 to schedule a tour!

Interested in making HSCS a beneficiary of your charitable donations? There are many ways to make that happen! Through the HSCS Endowment Trust, Scholarships, Dare to Dream, and more, you can make a difference in a child's life! Visit us online to donate, or for more information call Colette at the school.

Christian Service

Cindy Eultgen 452-6491 ext. 208 cindy@holyspiritgf.org

Do you want to make a difference here in Great Falls and across the world?

Did you know that every cup of Equal Exchange coffee supports a trade system that empowers farmers, strengthens communities, and benefits the environment? Join the movement equalexchange.coop

Find out more and volunteer: Be a part of a chain that helps small farmers with less 'middle person' to support a just system and provide scholarships for students in Guatemala & Pakistan. *Lean about Fair Trade products*, share your knowledge with parishioners. Contact Cindy at the parish office 452-6491 ext. 208

November Parish Relief Report:

Kids Kids N Kans: for St. Martin de Pores: 180 lbs **Parish Relief :** Yellow envelope $ 1107 Electronic contributions $164

Dispersed $ 2,245 for gasoline, water bill, utility repair, rent, electric, Echoz Pregnancy Center, Family Promise, St. Martin de Porres, Rocky Boy and St. Martin de Porres Taco Feed.

Wood Bin for St. Vincent de Paul: 60 bags total 436 lbs

EQUAL EXCHANGE FAIRLY TRADED

Fair Trade Coffee, Tea, and Chocolate Sales: $ 314.75

Fellowship Lunch—1st Tuesday of the month! All are welcome to enjoy delicious soups, breads, and dessert. Free will offering. Join us Tuesday, **January 3 at noon** in the parish hall!

Fellowship Dinner—Saturday, January 21 after the 4:30 pm Mass. Meal provided by a different chef or group of chefs every month. Free will offering. All are invited!

Are you looking for a meaningful way to share your faith with others? Visit and bring communion to those who cannot make it to church, who are homebound and/or hospitalized. Please call Cindy 452-6491, ext 208

Stewardship

Family Promise of Great Falls

All parishioners TRAINING (all who have trained at a another time do not HAVE to attend. Please know you are welcome though) ***All who are involved with Family Promise and all who are interested are invited to come and learn about the program. It will take about 11/2 hours. Sharon Odden, Director of Family Promise Great Falls is our presenter.*** Please plan to attend. **Tuesday January 10th, 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.**

Merry Christmas! We have one family in the program who is celebrating Christmas with the 1st Baptist Church and their support Church LDS 5th Ward. They are housed, warm, fed and gifted. In Matthew's Good News Jesus says: "as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me." Our community entered into the giving tree and food donations with gusto. Joy will be on the faces of many this Christmas because of Holy Spirit's generous heart! For more information about the Monsignor House and the Family Promise program please call and leave a message for Kathie, 781-5033.

"And the Word became flesh" John 1:14

Jesus is God's ultimate gift of love to us. The countless other blessings that God showers upon us are nothing compared to the gift of His only Son. The only appropriate way for us to respond to such generous love is with our own generous love. When we dedicate our lives to sharing all the gifts God has placed in our hands, the peace of Christ truly will control our hearts and we will know Christmas joy every day.

Worship

Mary Dupuis 452-6491 ex. 206 mdupuis@holyspiritgf.org

Liturgical Tidbits: *Midnight Mass* Christmas is the only day on our church calendar that calls for Midnight Mass. Easter has its Vigil. But the pivotal celebration at Christmas is the Mass at Midnight, or as it is properly called, "Mass during the Night."

Actually, we have four Masses for Christmas, each with its own prayers and Scriptures: the Vigil Mass on the evening of December 24, Mass during the Night and Mass at Dawn for those times of day, and Mass during the Day for December 25. We may mix and match the Scriptures if we wish. There's no fixed time when these Masses must be celebrated not even the one we call midnight. The titles are a simple convenience to identify the four. A parish might celebrate "Midnight Mass" at ten in the morning or eight at night. Parish staffs laugh at callers who ask, "What time is Midnight Mass?" But the question isn't as stupid as it sounds. If we attend any Mass Christmas Eve or Christmas Day, it's possible we'll hear the Scriptures of the Mass during the Night. As a matter of fact, at Holy Spirit, we hear the Midnight Mass readings at all Masses. That's a plus, because the Gospel of the Mass during the Night alone relates Luke's immortal story of the birth of Jesus. It's the good news people want to hear when they come to Mass on Christmas. ***Paul Turner***

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Liturgical Ministers ~ schedules for Feb and March will be made soon. Log in to the Web Terminal to mark your unavailable dates, or contact Mary Dupuis at the office. Thank you!

Knights of Columbus, Council 9395

Knight of Columbus #9395 wishes to thank every participant in the Santa-Baby Jesus statue raffle. $500 was raised toward a memorial for the unborn. The winner is Brandy Bowman.

Courtesy Announcements

MONTH ONE-Developing Baby-Spiritual Adoption Program. Your spiritually adopted baby has been quite active over the past month. Already your baby is 10,0000 times bigger than at conception. Your baby has developed the foundations of his/her brain, spinal cord, and nervous system by the 20th day. His/her heart began to beat on the 21st day. His/her heart is pumping blood through its own circulatory system and the blood type can be different from his/her mother's. Your baby is most vulnerable during the next month of being aborted. Pray that the Lord of Life might move the heart of his/her mother to give him/her the most precious gift of all--the gift of life.

The Mini Mustang Basketball Camp will be held on December 29th in the Central Catholic gym. K-5th Grade is 9:00 am to Noon and 6th-8th Grade is 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Cost is $30.00. Call for information/registration 216-3344. There is also a Track and Field camp planned on Dec. 27th. 1st-3rd graders will be from 12:00-2:00 p.m.; 4th-8th graders will be from 2:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Cost is $25.

Once Upon a Nativity...Self-guided tour of over 700 nativities from around the world. Open now until Jan 9th, Mon-Sat 10 am to 7 pm at the Columbus Center, 1601 2nd Ave No, Guided tours are available. For more info call Carol Olthoff, 799-8109.

Mass in Spanish every Sunday evening at 4 pm at Holy Family Church at 2800 Central Ave. Misa en español cada Domingo a las 4 pm en la iglesia "Holy Family," al lado de la escuela "Holy Spirit" en 2800 Central Avenue. Comunicarse con Miriam Chirivi para cualquier pregunta. Email: mielcared@me.com

Calling all 4th Dayers! Big Sky Cum Christo is accepting applications for the Teams and Candidates for the 2017 upcoming set of weekends being held at St. Thomas Camp in Monarch. Mens' weekend Apr. 27-30th. Websitee bigskycumchristo.org or contact John at 406-750-4774 or Vicky O'Hara 406-899-4529. DeColores!

Faith, Hope and Love . . . Are these present in your marriage? Have you given up hope that they can be? In 1 Corinthians 13:13 Jesus tells us the greatest of these is Love. Living in a marriage that is missing love can be difficult. If you have given up hope that your marriage can and will get better, ask your spouse to consider attending a Retrouvaille program. Retrouvaille is an international Christian-based ministry that offers a three-stage program to help couples improve their marriages. First, a weekend program is attended, followed by post-weekend meetings. Finally, an on-going monthly small group of couples gather for support and growth. If improving your marriage is important to you, reach out today. For more information about Retrouvaille program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit our website: **www.retrouvailleMT.org** or www.HelpOurMarriage.com

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Message of Pope Francis for Fiftieth World Day of Peace – January 1, 2017

(Excerpts - Introduction & Ending)

Nonviolence: a Style of Politics for Peace

At the beginning of this New Year, I offer heartfelt wishes of peace to the world's peoples and nations, to heads of state and government, and to religious, civic and community leaders. I wish peace to every man, woman and child, and I pray that the image and likeness of God in each person will enable us to acknowledge one another as sacred gifts endowed with immense dignity. Especially in situations of conflict, let us respect this, our "deepest dignity", and make active nonviolence our way of life.

This is the fiftieth Message for the World Day of Peace. In the first, Blessed Pope Paul VI addressed all peoples, not simply Catholics, with utter clarity. "Peace is the only true direction of human progress – and not the tensions caused by ambitious nationalisms, nor conquests by violence, nor repressions which serve as mainstay for a false civil order". He warned of "the danger of believing that international controversies cannot be resolved by the ways of reason, that is, by negotiations founded on law, justice, and equity, but only by means of deterrent and murderous forces." Instead, citing the encyclical Pacem in Terris of his predecessor Saint John XXIII, he extolled "the sense and love of peace founded upon truth, justice, freedom and love". In the intervening fifty years, these words have lost none of their significance or urgency.

On this occasion, I would like to reflect on nonviolence as a style of politics for peace. I ask God to help all of us to cultivate nonviolence in our most personal thoughts and values. May charity and nonviolence govern how we treat each other as individuals, within society and in international life. When victims of violence are able to resist the temptation to retaliate, they become the most credible promotors of nonviolent peacemaking. In the most local and ordinary situations and in the international order, may nonviolence become the hallmark of our decisions, our relationships and our actions, and indeed of political life in all its forms.

"All of us want peace. Many people build it day by day through small gestures and acts; many of them are suffering, yet patiently persevere in their efforts to be peacemakers". In 2017, may we

January 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:30 & 11 a.m. Masses 	**2** Parish office closed.	**3** 5:15 p.m. Mass HS Fellowship lunch noon, Social Hall That Man is You 7 p.m. Sts. P&P	**4** 2:30 p.m. Mass Park Place Elem. Formation 6:30 p.m. Sts. P&P Y.M. planning Mtg. 6:30 p.m. Sts. P&P Sunday by Sunday	**5** 8:30 a.m. Mass HS RCIA 7 p.m. Sts. P&P	**6** 8:30 a.m. Mass HF	**7** 4 p.m. Confession, 4:30 Mass
8 8:30 & 11 a.m. Masses *Elem. Formation 9:45am Sts. P&P *Parish Nurses 9:45am Conf Rm **Youth Group 6:30 pm Sts P&P	**9** PCCW 1:00, conf. Rm.	**10** 5:15 p.m. Mass HS Pastoral Council 7 p.m. Family Promise Training, 7 p.m. Social hall That Man is You 7	**11** 2:30 p.m. Mass Park Place Elem. Formation 6:30 pm Sts. P&P	**12** 8:30 a.m. Mass HS RCIA 7 p.m. Sts. P&P	**13** 8:30 a.m. Mass HF SEARCH Sts. P&P	**14** 4 p.m. Confession 4:30 Mass SEARCH Sts. P&P
15 8:30 & 11 a.m. Masses NO Elem. Formation SEARCH Sts. P&P	**16** Martin Luther King Jr. Day	**17** 5:15 p.m. Mass ,HS Worship Comm. 7 p.m., conf. Rm. Formation Comm. 7 p.m. Sts. P&P That Man is You 7	**18** 2:30 p.m. Mass Park Place Elem. Formation 6:30 pm Sts. P&P Sunday by Sunday 7 p.m. Conf Rm	**19** 8:30 a.m. Mass HS RCIA 7 p.m. Sts. P&P	**20** 8:30 a.m. Mass HF	**21** 4 p.m. Confession 4:30 Mass Fellowship Dinner after 4:30 Mass, Social Hall Stewardship Pair
22 8:30 & 11 a.m. Masses Stewardship Fair Elem. Formation 9:45am Sts. P&P Confirmation presentation 1 pm Social hall Youth Group	**23**	**24** 5:15 p.m. Mass HS That Man is You 7 p.m. Sts. P&P	**25** 2:30 p.m. Mass Park Place Elem. Formation 6:30 pm Sts. P&P	**26** 8:30 a.m. Mass HS RCIA 7 p.m. Sts. P&P Christian Service Comm. 6:30 p.m. conf. Rm.	**27** 8:30 a.m. Mass HF	**28** 4 p.m. Confession 4:30 Mass
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