

# December 22nd, 2019

4th Sunday of Advent

Worship Centers:

Holy Spirit Catholic Church

201 44th St S; Great Falls, MT 59405

Holy Family Chapel

2800 Central; Great Falls, MT 59401

Parish Office:

Mon-Thur: 8:30-4, Fri: 8:30-noon

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Holy Spirit Catholic School

2820 Central Ave, Great Falls, MT 59401 761-5775; Principal: Melissa Hallahan Email: mhallahan@holyspiritgf.org Website: holyspiritgfschool.org

Check out FORMED.org. Parish code: PGMYJZ

#### Mass Schedule:

Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:30pm Sunday 8:30 & 11am Week day Masses:

Monday 8:30 am; Holy Spirit
Tuesday 5:15 pm: Holy Spirit
Wednesday 8:30 am: Holy Spirit
\*2nd Wed. Park Place, 2:30 pm
\*3rd Wed. Highgate, 1:30 pm
Thursday 8:30 am: Holy Spirit
Friday 8:30 am: Holy Family Chapel
Saturday 8:00 am: Poor Clares

Reconciliation:

Saturdays 2-4 pm; Wednesdays 5:30-6:30 pm



Adoration:

Sunday 7 pm -- Tuesday 5 pm

Parish Staff:

Fr. Doug Krings Pastor

Fr. Garrett Nelson Adult Formation,

**RCIA** 

Deacon
Den Bill Medved
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Mark Meyer Parish Administrator Aubrey Rearden DRE, Worship,

Youth Minister

Cindy Eultgen Christian Service

Nick Wingerter On leave Kody Diekhans Music

Elem. Formation

Chuck Osterman Maintenance Mary Moore-Wingerter Administrative Asst.

## Christmas Mass times:

On Christmas Eve we will have the Children's Mass at 4:30 pm. We will also have an 8 pm and Midnight Mass, and a 9:00 am Mass Christmas day.



# Christmas and New Year's Schedule

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Sunday 12/22	Regular Mass schedule, children's choir practice noon, Adoration begins at 7 pm	
Monday 12/23	Mass at 8:30 am, children's choir at 10, regular Adoration schedule	
Tuesday 12/24	Adoration ends at 8 am, office closes at noon, 4:30, 8:00 and midnight Masses	
Wednesday 12/25	Mass at 9:00 am, office closed	
Thursday 12/26	Office closed, NO MASS	
Friday 12/27	Office closed, NO MASS	
Saturday 12/28	Regular schedule	
Sunday 12/29	Regular schedule, Adoration begins at 7:00 pm	
Monday 12/30	8:30 Mas, regular Adoration schedule	
Tuesday 12/31	Office closes at noon, regular Adoration schedule, 5:15 Vigil Mass for Mary, Holy Mother of God	
Wednesday 1/1/20	Office closed, Mass at 10 am for Mary, Holy Mother of God	
Thursday 1/2	Mass at 8:30	
Friday 1/3	Mass at 8:30 at Holy Family	

# Tax Reminder - Year End Charitable Giving

Charitable contributions are deductible (for those who itemize) in the year the gift was made. For your charitable gifts to be credited in 2019 please note the following:

Donations received by mail after 1/1/20 must have a postmarked envelope dated no later than 12/31/19.

Contributions given on line at holyspiritgf.org or for our endowments at catholic foundationmt.org/donation are deductible in 2019 as long as you make the gift before midnight of 12/31/19. Thank you for your generosity!

# Weekly Happenings~

#### Mass Intentions:

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Intention</u>	Requested by
Mon 12/23-8:30 am	+Paul Coolidge	P Coolidge
Tue 12/24-4:30 pm 8:00 pm midnight	+Members of the Hueth family +Jessica Marie Barros +Irene Brook	D & J Hunter S & D Barros J Brook
Wed 12/25-9:00 am	Parishioners	
Thu 12/26 - 8:30 am	No Mass	
Fri 12/27 8:30 (HF)	No Mass	
Sat 12/28- 4:30 pm	Elizabeth DeSaele (sp int)	C Eultgen
Sun 12/29- 8:30 am 11:00 am	+Ivan Cowles Parishioners	J Wike

**Readings for next week~** The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary

and Joseph

1st Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 2nd Reading: Colossians 3:12-21 Gospel: Mathew 2:13-15, 19-23

Coffee & Rolls Schedule~

Dec 22: Holy Spirit School

Dec 29: 8:30 Clark/ Hannula; 11:00 Gallegos

Bus Schedule~

Dec 28: Dave Stukey and Therese Griffith

Dec 29: Roger and Kathleen Seilstad (SWAP REQUESTED)

#### Calendar of events~

Sunday:	Children's Choir Adoration
Monday:	Children's practice, 10:00 am Adoration
Tuesday:	Office Closes at NOON Adoration ends at <b>8:00 am</b> Masses at 4:30, 8, and midnight
Wednesday:	Merry Christmas! Mass at 9:00 am Office closed through Friday
Sunday:	Adoration

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

Please join us to pray the Rosary at 8 am Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays; 4:45 pm on Tuesdays; 8:00 am on Fridays at Holy Family Chapel; 4:00 pm on Saturdays; and 8:00 on Sundays. The Knights of Columbus Council 9395 will lead the Rosary before 11:00 Sunday Mass on the 5th Sundays of the month.

# Liturgical Ministers for December 28, 29

4:30 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM			
★ Sub requested ~ log in to Web Terminal and accept the sub					
	Bread Baker	Holy Wash			
	M Frazier-Harris R McNamee	S Mohler			
	Sacristan				
A Klundt	G Matsko	A Rearden			
	Greeters				
Schuler family	D McGuire, D Koth P & H Stubbs	S Wilson, D Linn ★ L Korst, H Houghton ★			
	Ushers				
F Handwerk M Thompson ★	P Bahnmiller M Nickol	L & M Francis			
	Cross Bearer				
G Moog	N McKelvey	N Stimac			
	Altar Servers				
L Moog L Fitzpatrick	N McKelvey R Stevens	T Devlin ★ P Devlin			
	Readers				
K Leggett C Tucker	C McKelvey T Rausch	M McFadden T Lorang			
	Gift Presenters				
Frazier-Harris family	Nickol family	Francis family			
	Ministers of the Eucharist				
M Miner ★ A Trunkle H Fehres K Reed M Ouellette T Hopkins T Rigor R Kuka R Kuka M Handwerk B Minnerly T Ewalt T Grau T Gilligan R McDunn	P Woelkers J Fauque J Fauque L Stenzel J Stenzel K McGuire K Puckett  J Schulte M Schulte L Durocher J Durocher H Smith V Smith S O'Rourke S Bahnmiller	P. Woelkers T Balyeat C Rearden D Rearden D Miller H Fehres W Fehres S Fehres R Silstad V Flick C Huber G Boysun H Boysun T Paul C Paul			



Weekend	Newspaper	Cardboard
3rd (Dec. 20-26)	OPEN	R. Shipley
4th (Dec. 27-Jan 2)	D & P Birkenbuel	C. Nowak
1st (Jan. 3 - 9)	K of C 9395	C. Jernigan
2nd (Jan. 10-16)	K. Weinheimer	OPEN

School Paper: OPEN



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

#### For all who seek to become Christian believers

Call Fr. Doug at the office, ext 203, or come Thurs. at 7 pm in the RCIA room (Sts. Peter and Paul Center) all year round.

#### **Youth Ministry**

Aubrey Rearden 452-6491 ext. 207 aubrey@holyspiritgf.org Cell Phone: 868-6713

Youth Group Sunday Nights Beginning September 22, 2019
Youth Group 6:30-8:30 pm

Youth Group this Sunday, November 17, 2019...See you there @ 6:30!



**High School Bible Study** is back up and going. Join us every Wednesday **morning** from 6:45-7:30am @ Schulte's Coffeehouse.

# **Elementary Faith Formation**

Kody Diekhans 452.6491 pianokody@holyspiritgf.org Cell 799.2626 Elementary Formation (Pre-K - 6th Grade) & Sacramental Prep (2nd Grade)

### NO FORMATION THIS WEEKEND We will see you again on Sunday, January 5th for our Epiphany Party!!

Please find registration forms and calendars in the entryway by the front doors of the building!

#### **Sacramental Preparation**

Kody Diekhans 452-6491 ext. 206 pianokody@holyspiritgf.org Cell 799.2626

Sacramental Preparation for receiving Reconciliation, Confirmation, and First Eucharist began Sunday September 22nd. This is geared toward children in 2nd grade, those who have not received these sacraments, or those children who have not been confirmed. If you have questions, please call Kody or Aubrey.

1st Reconciliation will be held in January. Please contact Kody with any questions.

# **Holy Spirit School**

Melissa Hallahan, Principal, mhallahan@holyspiritgf.org Jackie Wike, Robin Verzuh Administrative Assistants Colette Longin, Development Director, clongin@holyspiritgf.org

Please mark your calendar for The BALL...Building A Lasting Legacy, our joint dinner/auction night out happening on Saturday, February 1st, 2020. This year, we plan to also do a more casual night on Friday evening where children are welcome! Full preparations for this event are underway, and we hope you will plan to join us.

Sign up for Amazon Smile and the all new BoxTops app, and name Holy Spirit Catholic School your beneficiary! If you are already shopping, don't let your money go to waste! We get a small percentage back of all sales (Amazon Smile)...or funds (through Box Tops) to use in the classroom!

We are almost halfway through the school year...we are still registering for the 2019-2020 school year! We invite you to come see for yourself why we're known for our tradition of excellence in education. Our smaller classes mean teachers can accommodate all learning levels and give special attention where needed, while supporting the spiritual growth of their students...and fostering and encouraging the same principles your family values at home. Call for a tour today!

#### **Christian Service**

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

Mission: To share God's love through action, education, and community building

#### Needed:

Those who wish to attend Mass, but do not have family or friends to drive them, sign up to ride our bus at 4:30 pm and 11 am Masses. Drivers and assistants are needed. Please call Cindy at 452-6491 ext. 208 if you can help.





# Your generosity to those in need provided through St. Vincent de Paul:

139 Christmas Food Baskets 227 wrapped gifts for children

<u>Christian Service Commission</u> Meetings begin on Tuesday, January 21 at 6:30 pm in the conference room. A startup team is forming for one year. Are you a 'big picture' person? Interested folks please call Cindy 452-6491.

#### Do you know someone who

- ....has become hospitalized?
- ....is homebound?
- .....hasn't been to Mass because of illness?

Please have them contact us! We want to stay in touch & bring the sacraments to those who are unable to come to Mass. Ministers are interested in visiting with you! Please call the office 452-6491.

#### **Parish Nurses Mission:**

To promote health and education within our faith community by focusing on prevention and health promotions.

**Prayer Shawls** can be given to someone or if you would like to knit one, directions & yarn are available in the office.

COMING UP

Women's Day of Prayer: Sun. Feb. 23

## Fellowship Lunch Every First Tuesday, of the Month!

At noon in the parish hall. All are welcome to

come for soup, bread, dessert, and conversation! Free will offering. Next date is January 7. See you there!

#### Stewardship



On Page 153 in The Joy of the Gospel, our Holy Fathers says: "The Saviour was born in a manger, in the midst of animals, like children of poor families..." As we light the 4th candle on our Advent wreaths our

Gospel reminds us of the story of a young woman and a man who were betrothed and the young woman was pregnant. Joseph is encouraged to take Mary into his home, as his wife. He is also instructed to name the child and by doing that Joseph is claiming Jesus as his child by Mary. Christianity, according to Jesus, carries with it an upside down theology. Children are important. The poor are considered ahead of the rich. God finds a way where there seems to be no way. God, born as a poor child in a manger, is worshipped and adored as a King. Poverty comes in many forms: economic, spiritual, physical, and mental to name a few. We all have the poor in our families, our churches, our town. When we listen, truly listen like Joseph did, the Lord will show us how to minister to those who are our own poor within our families and among our friends.

If you want to know more about the Family Promise program at Monsignor House Holy Spirit, or you want to use the home for a meeting, please give Kathie Malby a call at 781-5033 and leave a message. She will return your call as soon as she can.

#### Worship

Aubrey Rearden -Worship Coordinator 452-6491 ex. 207 <u>aubrey@holyspiritgf.org</u> Mary Wingerter—Ministry Scheduler

#### CHRISTMAS EVE & DAY MINISTRY SCHEDULES

The ministry schedules for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day are available to sign up for on the table outside the sacristy. Please be sure to add your name to one of the liturgies if you are willing to serve. \*\*Please note: We will be having a Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve in addition to our 4:30 Children's Mass & 8:00pm Mass\*\*

#### NEW MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Your new ministry schedule is ready! You should have received an email with your scheduled ministries. All ministers who don't have email will be mailed a schedule.

#### Music

Kody 452-6491 ex. 206 <u>pianokody@holyspiritgf.org</u> Cell 799.2626

#### CHOIR PRACTICE: NO CHOIR PRACTICE, MERRY **CHRISTMAS!!**

#### Parish Council of Catholic Women

Our Lady of Snows Circle sends a big thank you to all the parishioners who brought all their beautifully wrapped baked goods and also to those who purchased them. Our Nativity set was won by Deb Hudson. Again, thank you for your interest in buying tickets. We had a great Mrs. Santa bake sale and having Santa there for the kids, young and old, was so nice. Every year at

Christmas we give stockings filled with fruit and fun items for our parishioners who ride our parish bus and we also adopt a family who can use a little help.

#### Milestones

Welcome to Jayce and Dedra Blood, with their son Maverick; and Rafael and Kimberly, with their children Elise, Oliver, and Phillip who recently registered in our parish. Also welcome to Mack Anthony Greff, son of Anthony and Abigail; and Samuel Jacob Golik, son of Jacob and Kristi who were baptized this weekend. Welcome!

#### **Courtesy Announcements**



Thank you! As 2019 comes to a close, the Board and Staff wish to express our gratitude to all of you for making the Catholic Foundation of Eastern Montana an ever-increasing important asset for the Catholic Church in our diocese. 2019 ushered in our New Grant Program, some-

thing we prayed would be possible one day. Thanks to the generosity of donors, we were able to grant \$45,000 to 12 different parishes, 2 Catholic schools, and one Catholic organization in our diocese. We hope to do more next year as our endowments grow because of your continued

There is still time to make a difference for the Church through a gift to your Catholic Foundation in 2019. Donations are tax-deductible; some may also qualify for the 40% Montana Charitable Endowment Tax Credit! Mailed gifts must be postmarked by December 31st in order to count for the 2019 tax year. You may also give online before midnight Dec. 31st at www.catholicfoundationmt.org. To make a gift of appreciated stock or for any other questions, please call Judy Held, President, at 406-315-1765 or email judy@catholicfoundationmt.org. Together, we are making a huge difference for the future of the Catholic church in our diocese!

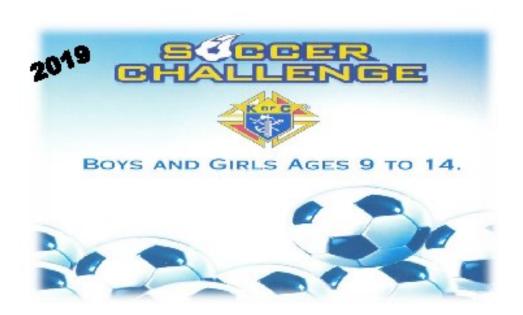
You are invited to join Bishop Michael Warfel, Seminarian John Pankratz, and the diocese of Great Falls-Billings on a 10-day pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi for the occasion of John's diaconate ordination in St. Peter's Basilica!! In addition to the classic Italian Pilgrimage, you will be invited to the ordination festivities including the ordination Mass, a reception at the North American Pontifical College, and John's first Mass assisting as a deacon! Please consider joining us for this special week and please keep John and his classmates in your prayers!! Trip dates: Sept 25-Oct 4, 2020; Cost \$3,548 - all inclusive (airfare, hotels, some meals, guides/tours) For more information or to sign up: www.catholicpilgrimoffice.com/pankratz. Contact Mary Pankratz, mtpankratz1@gmail.com.

Marriage troubles? If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring; if you have grown cold and distant; even if you are divorced or separated, or are thinking about it,



Retrouvaille can help, as it has helped tens of thousands of others. Our next program begins February 21, 2020. For more information about an upcoming Retrauvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com. This is not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names are held in strictest confidence.

> Saint Michael Radio ~ \*FM 97.1 "Sharing the Splendor of Truth"



The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district, and state completion. International champions are announced by the K of C international headquarters in New Haven, CT, based on scores from the state-level competitions.

All boys and girls 9 to 14-years-old are eligible to participate and will compele in their respective age divisions.

- Each contestant receives three practice kicks followed by 15 consecutive kicks from the 12-yard penalty line.
- All age groups kick from the same distance.

All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event.

Participants are required to furnish written parental consent on proviced form.

# REGISTRATION & CONSENT FORM available at location of event and at Holy Spirit Catholic School:

Contact: Rich Heffley, Activity Director at 406-952-4897

Ken McGuire, Youth Program Director at 455-1342

Date of Competition: December 28th, 2019 (Saturday)

Time of Competition: 10:00 to 12:00 Noon

Location: Sts. Peter & Paul Center Gym, 200 44th St South, Great Falls

Sponsored By: Knights of Columbus, Council #9395