



Holy Spirit

Catholic Parish and School

December 12th, 2021
3rd Sunday of Advent

Worship Centers:

Holy Spirit Catholic Church

201 44th St S; Great Falls, MT 59405

Parish Office:

Mon-Thur: 9:00-4, Fri: 9:00-noon

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Holy Spirit Catholic School

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Check out FORMED.org.

"Advent is the spiritual season of hope par excellence, and in this season, the whole Church is called to be hope, for itself and for the world."

~Pope Benedict XVI

Knights of Columbus Council #9395 **CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST TODAY!!**

Pancakes, French toast, scrambled eggs, ham, hash brown casserole, biscuits and gravy, coffee and juice.
Free Will Offering!



Mrs. Santa's Kitchen Bake Sale is Back!
Get ready to showcase all your wonderful goodies after the 4:30 Mass on Dec. 11th and the Sunday Masses TODAY!
Any baked goods donations are welcome!
Come, Shop, Eat, Enjoy!

Mass Schedule:

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30pm

Sunday 8:30 am (live stream) & 11:00 am

Week day Masses:

Monday 8:30 am

Tuesday 5:15 pm

Wednesday 8:30 am

*2nd Wed. Park Place, 2:30 pm (suspended)

*3rd Wed. Highgate, 1:30 pm (suspended)

Thursday 8:30 am

Friday 8:30 am

Saturday 8:30 am

Reconciliation:

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



Adoration:

Sunday 7 pm -- Tuesday 5 pm

Advent Penance Service
Monday 12/13, 6:00 pm
Opportunity for individual Confessions



Parish Staff:

Fr. Doug Krings	Pastor
Dcn Pete Woelkers	Deacon
Aubrey Rearden	Parish Administrator
	Worship
Cindy Eultgen	Christian Service
Nick Wingerter	RCIA, Adult Formation
Joel Corda	Music
Mary Moore-Wingerter	Administrative Asst. Elem. Formation
Molly Schmitz	Youth Minister
Tracy Tomich	Custodian



Baptism Preparation Sessions

If you are expecting a child or recently had a baby and would like that child baptized at Holy Spirit, You must attend our two Baptism Preparation Sessions.

Our next session is:

Sunday December 12at 1:00 pm at Peter and Paul

Weekly Happenings~

Mass Intentions:

Mass	Intention	Requested by
Sat 12/11—8:30 am —4:30 pm	Amy & Glenn Bliss (sp int) +Mr. & Mrs. Ed Mares	J Bliss C Willets
Sun 12/12—8:30 am 11:00 am	+Dennis Mora Dave Mohler (sp int)	L Goss S Mohler
Mon 12/13- 8:30 am	Robert Christiaens (sp int)	J & J Christiaens
Tue 12/14- 5:15 pm	+Maria Libertelli	T Brannon
Wed 12/15- 8:30 am	+Vern Kirkendall	Family
Thu 12/16– 8:30 am	+Darlene Davis Johns	classmates
Fri 12/17– 8:30 am	+Bob Patterson Michael & Mary Gonderio, Jim Jewett, Charlotte Kirkpatrick, Betty Klaue, Walter & Hattie Kojetin, Kevin Hepner, Clara MacKenzie, and Gene & Alice Meyer	Secords School Mass inten- tions
Sat 12/18- 8:30 am 4:30 pm	+Ted Olszewski & Mary Ann (s i) Dave Mohler (sp int)	M L Olszewski S Mohler
Sun 12/19– 8:30 am - 11:00 am	+Anne Trunkle +James Brannon	J Trunkle T Brannon

Readings for next week~ 4th Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Micah 5:1-4a
2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10
Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Bus Schedule

Sunday, Dec. 19: Tom Balyeat & Assistant Needed
Sunday, Dec 26: Sly Barros & Senan Greene

Calendar of Events December 11-19

Saturday:	Daily Mass—8:30 am Sunday Vigil Mass—4:30 pm Mrs. Santa’s Kitchen Bake Sale	
Sunday:	Knights of Columbus Breakfast! Mrs. Santa’s Kitchen Bake Sale Mass– 8:30 & 11:00 am Baptism Prep.—1:00 pm Adoration—6 pm	Sts. P&P
Monday:	Reconciliation Service—6 pm	
Tuesday:	Education Comm.—6 pm Christian Service—6 pm	Sts. P&P hall
Wednesday:	High School Bible Study—6:45 am Elem. Formation—4:30 pm Youth Group—6:30 pm	Schultes P & P P & P
Thursday:	RCIA—7 pm	Sts. P & P
Saturday:	Daily Mass—8:30 am Sunday Vigil Mass—4:30 pm Youth Group Lock in—8 pm	Sts P&P
Sunday:	Masses at 8:30 and 11:00 am Adoration-6pm	

Liturgical Ministers for Dec 18, 19

4:30 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
★ Sub requested ~ log in to Web Terminal and accept the sub		
		Holy Wash
Sacristan		
S Mohler	J Gort	T Balyeat ★
Greeters		
Ushers		
Cross Bearer		
Altar Servers		
Readers		
A Klundt	C McKelvey	C Christiaens
Musicians		
Laura McCain	Joel Corda	Joel Corda
Ministers of the Eucharist		
A Klundt T Gilligan	C McKelvey J Bahnmliller	C Christiaens W Newman

Care for our Common Home!
Thank you for Recycling cardboard, aluminum,
& mixed paper.

Weekend Newspaper Cardboard

2nd (Dec 10—16)	K. Weinheimer	A. Fisher
3rd (Dec 17—23)	OPEN	C. Nowak
4th (Dec 24—30)	D & P Birkenbuel	R. Shipley
5th (Dec. 31—Jan 6)	K of C 9395	K of C 9395



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

For all who seek to become Christian believers

Call Nick at the office, ext 205, or come Thurs. at 7 pm in the RCIA room (Sts. Peter and Paul Center) all year round.

Youth Ministry

Molly Schmitz 452-6491 ext. 207 molly@holyspiritgf.org



High School Bible Study will meet on December 15, at 6:45 am at Schultes. Youth Group meets on December 15 at 6:30 pm at Sts. Peter and Paul. Youth Group will also have a lock in party on Saturday 12/18 beginning at 8:00 pm. Contact Molly at the parish office 452-6491, ex 207. Thank you!

Elementary Faith Formation

Elementary Formation (Pre-K - 6th Grade)
& Sacramental Prep (2nd Grade)

*Mary: mwingenter@holyspiritgf.org
406-452-6491, ex 201*

Elementary Formation: Happy Advent!
We will meet December 15 at 4:30 pm at Sts. Peter and Paul.
No Formation on December 22 or 29.

Sacramental Preparation

Mary Moore-Wingenter, mwingenter@holyspiritgf.org
406-452-6491

1st Reconciliation will be in mid-January. I will send out a letter with more information after the holidays.

Holy Spirit School

Melissa Hallahan, Principal, mhallahan@holyspiritgf.org
Jackie Wike, Robin Verzuh Administrative Assistants
Jenifer Thomas, Development Director
761-5775 www.holyspiritgfschool.org

We are truly blessed for our wonderful students here at Holy Spirit Catholic School. As the Advent season continues our students have put together a few service projects that benefit many different community members. Our Kindergarteners are having a toy drive for the Children's Receiving Home, the 4th and 5th graders are hosting a book drive for various community groups, and the whole school is donating items to make Christmas baskets for the Service members who must work away from home during Christmas at the missile alert facilities. The Giving Spirit is filled in each child's heart at our amazing school.

Please consider joining our team of substitute teachers at Holy Spirit Catholic School. If interested, contact the front office at 761-5775.

Volunteers and Christian Service

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

November Parish Relief Report:



Recycling: 300 lbs. cardboard reported
St. Jude: 106 lbs.
St. Vincent de Paul: 323 lbs. of food 54 bags
Yellow Envelopes: \$ 3259
Electronic Deposits: \$ info next week
Disbursements: \$ 3127.98
Emergency Housing, Water, Electricity, Rent
Great Falls Community Food Bank \$1377.41
Emergency Food

Christmas Caroling for Anyone, A family or two, Individuals, etc. Groupings of 4-5 homebound parishioners in the same neighborhood have been created in three zip codes 404, 404, & 405. Church books are available with songs. Please call Cindy at the office for an assignment near you!

Still Wondering what is Christian Service?



This week: Tues. Dec. 14 @ 6 PM
All are welcome to this gathering!
Please RSVP for Pizza dinner.



Grief Support Group. In the parish hall. All are welcome!
Tuesday Dec 21 at 4 :00 pm

Stewardship

Monsignor House Reflection: Gaudete Sunday...Pink Candle Sunday...3rd Sunday of Advent...we have several ways of thinking about today. All of the descriptors point to the 1/2 point of this holy season that prepares us for the celebration of Christmas. We prepare by receiving the graces of the sacrament of Reconciliation, some fasting, praying the scriptures that lead us to understand the message of salvation or giving, giving, giving to those in need. There are many ways in which our Parish shares in our call to give and your generosity, Holy Spirit community, blesses each and every person who is the recipient of your compassion and charity. Thank you for the donations of dishes, small stuffed toys and slippers for the Family Promise program. It is with great joy that we come to celebrate the 3rd Sunday of Advent and remember the family we share with in the Monsignor House.

Needs and thanks for the Monsignor House: Thank you for remembering to donate toilet paper, paper towels and napkins for the Monsignor House. We appreciate any cleaning products you can provide too. If you have questions regarding the Monsignor House, feel free to call Kathie Malby at 406.781.5033. Please leave a message and she will return your call as soon as she can.

Worship

Aubrey Rearden –Worship Coordinator
452-6491 ex. 207 aubrey@holyspiritgf.org
Mary Wingerter—Ministry Scheduler

We have training dates scheduled!

On **12/12: 9:45 am** is **Altar Servers**

If you missed the training session for your ministry, please contact the office and we will schedule a make-up time. We need to have new ministers trained before we can schedule them.

December's schedule is completed. Please log into Ministry Scheduler to see your scheduled times. Sign up sheets will be available soon for Christmas Masses. Please consider helping with these beautiful Masses as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Catechism Corner

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Is the Old Testament still relevant to our faith? (CCC 120-123, 128-130)

Jesus the Master Teacher and the apostolic proclamations have never revoked the Old Testament writings, which are the inspired Word of God (121), and vigorously oppose the idea of setting them aside (123). The Old Testament canon, all 46 books recognized as inspired by God, have one purpose and mission: to orient and prepare us for the coming of Jesus. Deemed “imperfect and provisional,” (122) the Old Testament contains, though in hidden and incomplete terms, the truth of humanity’s salvation history. Through the people of Israel, God’s chosen race, God reveals Himself through creation, His plan for salvation through covenants and law, His royal lineage through the nation, tribe of Judah, and house of David, and His holy intentions through His prophets. In the Old Testament, the formative teaching of God is presented that all nations would see that, in the fullness of time, Jesus had been prefigured from the beginning (128,130). Therefore, to understand the proclamations and revelation of the New, one must also study the announcements of the Old (129).

Courtesy Announcements

Father Jay Peterson is leading a pilgrimage to Rome!
May 31-June 8, 2022.

Father Jay invites you to join him on a pilgrimage to Rome. The program includes visits with Travel Illume’s local expert guides and daily liturgy in historical venues. The hotel selected is first-class and in an ideal location. A day excursion to Assisi, birthplace of St Francis, is planned as well. The program includes a group flight out of Great Falls with the option to use your own frequent flyer miles. Come join us for a memorable and inspiring journey! For information and registration visit: travelillume.com/trc/xvu. We encourage you to register by Nov 30, 2021 to ensure your place.

A gift before year-end will last forever! Your year-end support of our Holy Spirit Parish and School Endowments is needed and very appreciated! Every donation given to our endowments at the Catholic Foundation of Eastern Montana increases the distributions our parish and school receive *this year, next year, and forever!* And remember, no gift is every too small.

- Holy Spirit Greatest Needs Endowment
- Holy Spirit Building and Maintenance Endowment
- Holy Spirit School Greatest Needs Endowment
- Margaret Wynn Scholarship Endowment (School)

You may give online at www.catholicfoundationmt.org. Just select “Parish endowments” or “Catholic school endowments” in the drop-down menu. Or to earn the **40% Montana Endowment Tax Credit** on your gift, please contact Judy Held, Foundation President, at 406-315-1765 or judy@catholicfoundationmt.org. She is happy to help you to support Holy Spirit in this everlasting way while gaining additional tax benefits.

Even diamonds start as coal– Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or do you feel helpless? Retrouvaille (re-trō-vī) is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. Our next program begins February 25, 2022. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration teams, at 1-800-470-2230 or visit HelpOurMarriage.com. Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names held in strictest confidence.

Milestones



Welcome to **Cody and Brianna Dobson**, with their daughter **Caroline**, who recently registered at Holy Spirit. Welcome!

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



Holy Spirit Parish is asking for donations of RED poinsettia plants to use as decorations for our Christmas Masses.

These donations can be made in memory of a loved one or just as a gift from your family. Please have any poinsettias to the church by

Thursday December 23 at noon.

Poinsettias can be placed on the tables in the social hall, please drop the form below in the basket on the tables.

This Poinsettia is donated by:

In loving memory of:

Congratulations to *Carson Polacek* for earning his Eagle Scout Badge through the Boy Scouts of America.

And Thank You to Carson for fixing the fence at Father Doug's house. What a great project!

Also a big Thank You to Johnson Madison for donating the materials needed for this project.

