



Holy Spirit

Catholic Parish and School

September 10th, 2023

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship Centers:

Holy Spirit Catholic Church

201 44th St S; Great Falls, MT 59405

Parish Office:

Mon-Thur: 8:00-4, Fri: Closed 6/9-8/11.

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Holy Spirit Catholic School

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Reconciliation:

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

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, 2:00 pm

*3rd Wed. Highgate, 1:30 pm

Thursday 8:30 am

Friday 8:30 am

Saturday 8:30 am



Adoration:

Sunday 7 pm -- Tuesday 5 pm

Parish Staff:

Fr. Doug Krings

Pastor

Fr. Dave Wilkins

Minister

Sacramental Minister

Dcn Pete Woelkers

Deacon

Aubrey Rearden

Director

Parish Administrator

Worship

Kimberly Gaa

Christian Service

Nick Wingerter

Catechesis & Evangelization

Mary Moore-Wingerter Administrative Asst.

Abbie Greff

Elem. Formation

Brien Rosendale

Youth Minister
Pre-Marriage

Tracy Tomich

Custodian

Time and Talent Weekend is September 16 and 17!

We will have our Ministry and Volunteer Booklet available as well as the Time and Talent forms. Please prayerfully consider ways you can minister/volunteer in our parish!



Revelation Bible Study begins October 1st at 1pm in the social hall. Please sign up in the back if you are interested!

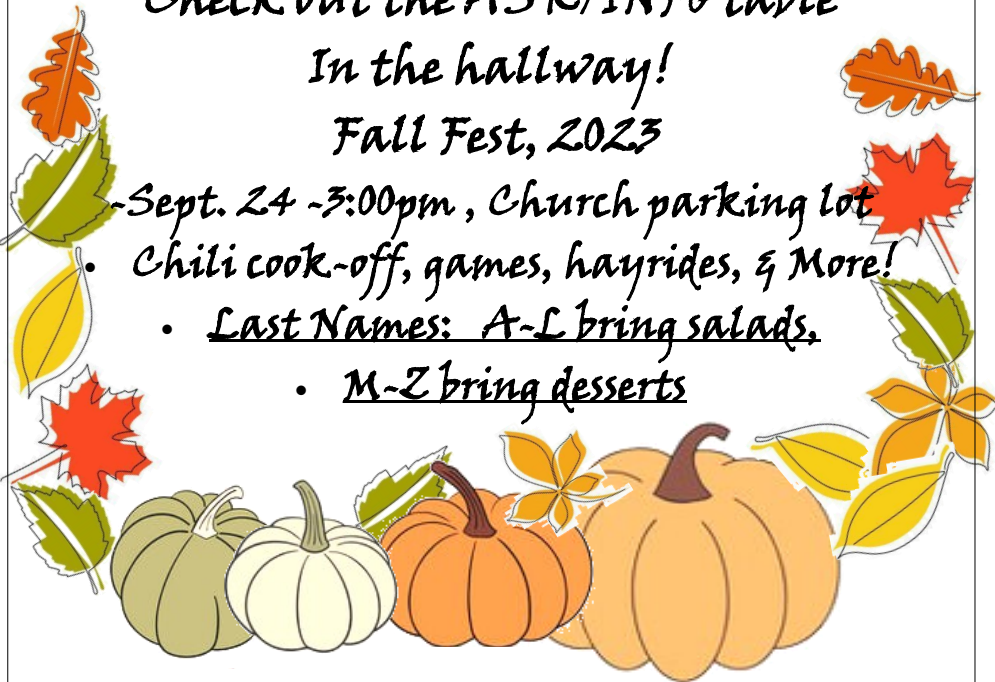
Coffee and Rolls service begins again in October! There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church. Please check your schedule and sign up to help!



**Check out the ASK/INFO table
In the hallway!
Fall Fest, 2023**

-Sept. 24 -3:00pm, Church parking lot

- Chili cook-off, games, hayrides, & More!
- Last Names: A-L bring salads,
- M-Z bring desserts



Baptism Preparation Sessions

Holy Spirit Parish offers Baptism Preparation sessions for anyone interested in having their child baptized in our parish.

The next sessions will be

Sunday September 10 at 1:00pm at Peter and Paul

Sunday September 17 at 1:00pm at Peter and Paul



Weekly Happenings~

Mass Intentions:

Mass	Intention	Requested by
Sat 9/9–8:30am -4:30pm	+Alan Reavley Parishioners	J & L Stenzel
Sun 9/10-8:30am -11:00am	+Gene & Alice Meyer Jeremy & Megan Hudson (S. I.)	Meyer children D Hudson
Mon 9/11–8:30am	+Leonard Eckhart	S & M Herzog
Tue 9/12 - 5:15pm	+Neal Gray	M Gray
Wed 9/13-8:30am	+Dave Osterman	T Mycke
Thu 9/14-8:30am	+John Moore	C Morris
Fri 9/15 - 8:30am - 11:00am	+Brett & Lawrence Herzog Funeral Mass, Lorraine Peck	S & M Herzog
Sat 9/16– 8:30am - 4:30pm	Anonymous (sp int) +Dot Maronick	E & D Martin Ramseys
Sun 9/17– 8:30am - 11:00am	+Pat Conroy Parishioners	J Conroy family

Readings for next week 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Sirach 27:30-28:7
2nd Reading: Romans 14:7-9
Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Bus Schedule

Sunday, Sept 10 : Cece Fuhrman & Senan Greene
Sunday, Sep 17: Roger & Kay Seilstad

Calendar of Events Sep 9-Sept 17

<u>Saturday:</u>	Daily Mass - 8:30am Sunday Vigil Mass - 4:30pm	
<u>Sunday:</u>	8:30 & 11:00am Masses Baptism Prep. - 1pm Adoration - 7pm	Sts. P&P
<u>Monday:</u>	Daily Mass - 8:30am	
<u>Tuesday:</u>	Daily Mass - 5:15pm	
<u>Wednesday:</u>	Daily Mass - 8:30am Coffee & Conversation, 9am Mass at Park Place - 2:00pm OCIA—7pm	hall Sts P&P
<u>Thursday:</u>	Daily Mass - 8:30am	
<u>Friday:</u>	School Mass - 8:30am Funeral Mass for Lorraine Peck - 11	
<u>Saturday:</u>	<i>Time and Talent Weekend!</i> Daily Mass - 8:30am Sunday Vigil Mass - 4:30pm	
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Liturgical Ministers for Sep 16, 17

4:30 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
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		Holy Wash
		J Knutson
Sacristan		
C McCain	D Azar	M Francis
Greeters		
Munstersteigers	Schuler family	Ryan family
Gift Presenters		
Polacek family	Greff family	Francis family
Altar Servers		
E Johnson A Mohler	L Donnelly A Donnelly	T Hansen T Hansen
Readers		
C McCain K Shipley	S Bahnmitter F Fitterer	S Dalen C Tucker
Music		
L McCain	J Jonasen	J Jonasen
Ministers of Eucharist		
M Maxfield T Gilligan S McKenna T Jones K Reed P Hilgendorf T Grau F Polacek D Stukey	P Woelkers L Fitterer S Greene T O'Neill J Stenzel L stenzel K Donnelly M Nickol C Morris	P Woelkers R Seilstad T Balyeat S Harrington C Huber J Moonan C Christiaens M Francis V Flick

Financial Report

Offertory Update

Beginning this month we will publish the previous month’s actual collection amounts alongside our 2023-2024 budgeted collection amounts. At a glance you will be able to see where we are in regard to meeting our budget each month. Our fiscal year began July 1, 2023. Thank you for your continued support of our parish through not only your treasure but time and talents. It is only through your continued generosity we are able to offer life giving ministries, programs, and outreach within our parish/ school community and the community of Great Falls. If you have questions or would like more information please contact Aubrey Hiller-Rearden in the parish office.

July 2023

Collection:
Actual: \$72,474.73
Budgeted: \$84,583.34
Amount over/(under): (\$12,108.61)

Mortgage/Building Loan:
Current Balance: *\$1,049,591.34*
Monthly Payment: \$11,081.94
Actual Contributions: \$4,464.00
Amount Over/(Under): (\$6,617.94)

Call Parish Office for information on OCIA or Adult Formation

For all who seek to become Christian believers

Call Nick at the office, ext 4, or come **Wednesdays**. at 7 pm in the Adult Education room (Sts. Peter and Paul Center) all year round.

Youth Ministry

Brien Rosendale
452-6491 ext. 6; brien@holyspiritgf.org

Youth Ministry will begin **September 20th at 6:30pm**. Watch your mail for all the details.

Elementary Faith Formation

Elementary Formation (Pre-K - 6th Grade)
& Sacramental Prep (2nd Grade)
Abbie Greff, abbie@holyspiritgf.org, 452-6491 ext 209

Our Elementary Formation program is gearing up for another year beginning on **October 1**. If you are interested in helping with our Young Church, there is no better way than to be a Catechist. Please contact Abbie if you are interested.

Holy Spirit School

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

Holy Spirit Catholic School is off to a great start! We have seen a 14% enrollment growth this year so far. It is wonderful the community we build with our families, and it is always great to add new faces.

We started our first Service Project of the year by collecting cereal for the Great Falls Community Food Bank. Cereal is a most needed item at the food bank and HSCS is charged with filling that need. Our students are excited to give local students a needed boost before school with a healthy start to their day! We have collection barrels at the school and a box at the church. We will be collecting all through September if you want to help fill the need.

Holy Spirit Catholic School has an opening for a **School Bus Driver**. We offer great benefits, a family-centered work environment, and an amazing tuition discount. If you or know of anyone interested, please contact Principal Melissa Hallahan at 406-761-5775 for more information.

Christian Service

Kimberly Gaa, 452-6491 ext 7
kimberly@holyspiritgf.org



*Coffee and Conversation
Wednesdays at 9am in the hall.
All are welcome to join us!*

Echoz 2023 Fall Fundraiser

Steadfast
Speaker: Kelly Lester
Thursday, October 12, 2023
Central Assembly, 2001 Central Ave
Doors open at 5:30pm, program begins at 7pm.
Tickets \$10

40 days for Life: Sept 27 - Nov 5
Kick off Rally: Tuesday, Sept 26 at 5:30 at 211 9th St S (sidewalks outside Planned Parenthood)
Midway Event: Sunday Oct 15th at 2pm Our Lady of Lourdes
Closing Ceremony: Sunday Nov 5 at 2pm at Mt. Olivet.
Holy Spirit will take Thursdays for prayer hours at Planned Parenthood. This is in pairs.
Please see the flyers on the bulletin board for more information.

Parish Council of Catholic Women

Great Falls/Lewistown Vicariate
Council of Catholic Women
Fall Meeting
Inviting all ladies to Holy Spirit Catholic Church
201 44th St S, Great Falls
September 16, 2023, 10:00am-1:00pm
Refreshments provided
Bring a friend, Bring your enthusiasm, Bring your ideas.

Courtesy Announcements

St. Ann's Soup Kitchen Fundraiser
This ministry is 100% supported by donations and needs your financial support. The Stadium Sports Bar, 1121 5th St S, is donating \$1 for every pint, glass of wine, or mixed drink purchased from 6-9pm on September 19th. Please stop by the soup kitchen at 715 3rd Ave N and meet the devoted volunteers, enjoy a delicious lunch and drop off a free will offering.



Practical Christianity Classes

Learn to: “Live in Peace with God”

Classes dates:

9/5: Salvation History

9/19: Sacraments

10/3: Scripture

10/17: Sin

11/7: Prayer

11/21: Vocation

Time - 7pm to 8:15pm

Ursuline Centre 1st floor West Room

Everyone is welcome!

Sponsored by Cum Christo



Inviting all Married Couples and Priests!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is an experience for married couples and priests who value their relationships and desire a richer, fuller life in their marriage and priesthood. Attend a Marriage Encounter Experience and learn the tools needed to keep your marriage and priesthood strong and thriving. Worldwide Marriage Encounter is hosting a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Virtual Experience on Thursday evenings starting October 5th through November 16th. Zoom access is required and you must be available to attend all 8 sessions. For more information visit our website at:wwme.org or call 888-574-5653.

Catechism Corner

What is the effect of Baptism? (CCC 1262-1274)

In Baptism we die to sin with Christ. We emerge from the waters a new life in the Holy Spirit. In our Baptism all of our sins, original and personal, are forgiven. This does not, however, resolve the unnatural effect of original sin, namely *concupiscence* or the innate inclination to sin. Our Lord tells us that he “makes all things new” (Rev. 21:5). So we are made a new creation in Baptism, adopted children of God who have been grafted into the divine nature. As a gift on this joyful occasion, the Blessed Trinity grants sanctifying grace, which justifies us for salvation. This grace enables us to live according to the theological virtues in accordance with the Divine Will, to cooperate with the Holy Spirit, and to grow in goodness. Additionally, Christ initiates us into His Body, the Church, through the sacrament. This initiation inaugurates the evangelical offices of every Christian: to live as priests, prophets, and kings. As such it is the birthright of every Christian to proclaim the Gospel in all places and all times. This sacrament binds all Christians together in fraternal charity, even those who remain separated by doctrinal error. Finally, through Baptism Christ bestows on us an indelible mark of belonging to him. It is this sacramental character that enables and commits the Christian faithful to participate fully and actively in the liturgy. The mark of faith is the seal of eternal life and is the expectation of the beatific vision of God. By grace God calls all who trust in Him by faith to the waters of Baptism, and thus inaugurates the great adventure towards Christ in eternal life.

The **Ursuline Centre** is offering a one-day women’s fly fishing clinic Sept. 23 and Oct 14 led by instructor and guide Shalon Hastings. The clinic includes both classroom and on-the-water instruction, and includes intro to equipment, knot tying, casting instruction, entomology, rig setups, line mending and more. Visit www.ursulinecentre.com or call 406-452-8585 for information or to register.

Need more movement? Join us next door M-Th at 9:30am, or at 4:30pm on Monday. Our Fall Sale is now available. Jazzercise is an inclusive woman-owned fitness company dedicated to helping people live healthier, happier lives. We believe that working out is about more than looking great—it’s about feeling great. The program fuses dance cardio and strength training into one heart-pounding sweat session. For more information find us on Facebook at Jazzercise Great Falls or sign up at jazzercise.com. Parishioners receive 20% off!



Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Fall Workshop
Saturday Sept 30th, 8:45am - 3:00pm; St. Pius X, Billings
Lunch and snacks provided.
RSVP by 9/20th to Patty @ 406-665-5257
Please see the flyer on the bulletin board

The Emilie Center is looking for Volunteers!
We are open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9am-3pm
You can choose a day(s) to volunteer.
Please come down to 1920 10th Ave S to see what we are about,
call Pam at 406-788-2564 or call the center 406-771-6695.

Knights of Columbus, Council # 9395

Into the Breach: A call to battle for Catholic men, urging them to embrace masculine virtues in a world at crisis.
Sts. Peter and Paul, rm #6
Sundays at 3:00pm, 9/3/23-12/17/23
Contact Tom Grau, 406-761-6963

**Knights of Columbus Cinnamon Rolls & Burritos!
Sunday Sept. 17!**

Council # 9395 is happy to announce the Family of the Month for August, 2023 is Brien & Katherine Rosendale. The Knight of the Month for August is Joe Filipiak.

Music

September Choir Rehearsals: Wednesday Sept 20th at 5:30pm. All are welcome! Questions? Please call or text Laura 406-868-4152 or Jen 406-799-0961.

Milestones

Congratulations to **Bernadette Ann Rosendale**, daughter of **Brien and Katherine** and sister to **Veronica**, who was baptized this weekend.
Also WELCOME to **Kurtis and Sofia Angevine**, with their children **Lilian and Abigail**, who recently registered at Holy Spirit.

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September 2023

Holy Spirit Catholic Parish
Father Doug Krings

One Minute Meditations

St. Padre Pio

Born to farmers in 1887, in southern Italy, Francesco Forgione joined the Capuchin Friars at the age of 15, taking the name "Pio." In 1918, St. Pio received the five wounds of Our Lord's Passion, called the stigmata, in his body. Renowned for his preaching, holiness, and charity, thousands flocked to him for Confession and spiritual direction. Amidst his suffering, he continued to labor for the spiritual and physical well-being of others, founding a hospital that still operates today.



Perfect is possible

Jesus said, "... be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Matthew 5:48). Perfection to Jesus means loving God with all our hearts, praying for our enemies, and taking care of the poor. Love and service is the true measure of perfection.

"Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor" Romans 12:9-10.



Seven virtues for successful Catholics

Practicing virtues – habitual and firm dispositions to do good – leads to long-lasting interior freedom, joy, and peace. The following seven virtues, with God's grace, can help you do that:

Faith enables our belief in God and all that He has revealed through Scripture, Tradition, and the Church's teachings. Reciting the Creed, especially at Mass, is an act of faith.

Hope is the desire for Heaven and trust in God's promises to us. Trusting in the Lord even in trials and asking for forgiveness for sins are acts of hope.

Charity enables us to love God above all things and our neighbors as ourselves. True love is when we wish – and act for – the authentic good of others.

Prudence is the virtue that helps us to discern our true good in every circumstance and to choose the right means of achieving it.

Justice helps us respect others' rights and give to each his due. We owe God our worship. We are made in His image, so we owe each other respect.

Fortitude strengthens us to follow Christ in the world, even if it's unpopular and uncomfortable.

Temperance properly orders our desire for pleasure, so that we appreciate earthly goods in moderation and value heavenly goods most. Observing the one-hour fast from food before receiving the Eucharist is an act of temperance.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics attend Mass on holy days of obligation?

Throughout the year, the Church celebrates six feasts that honor a central mystery of our faith with extra enthusiasm. These days are so important that all Catholics are required to attend Mass to celebrate. They are listed on the US Conference of

Catholic Bishops' website, <http://www.usccb.org>.

All Sundays are also holy days of obligation. We live the third commandment to honor the Sabbath by attending Mass every Sunday.

Celebrating these holy days is a reminder that we belong firstly to God.

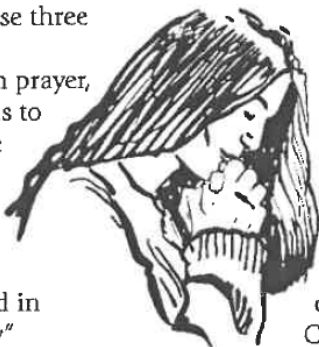


Finding time for powerful prayer

If you struggle to find time to pray, try these three tips:

Prioritize. Much unseen good depends on prayer, and it's as critical to our souls as breathing is to the body. Jesus corrected St. Martha because she lost sight of *"the one thing...needful"* (Luke 10:41-42). Reserve time for daily prayer. Treat it as an important appointment – because it is.

Set boundaries. Jesus dismissed the crowd in the evening and *"went up into the hills to pray"*



(Matthew 14:23). Give God your undivided attention in prayer for whatever time you can. Be fully present, minimizing distractions. Let the world wait while you spend time with the One who loves you most.

Activate your work. Few of us have the luxury of being able to spend all day in prayer but we can make a morning offering, giving our day to God's service. Entrust all the events, tasks, and concerns of the day to God's mercy and providence. This way, our work is made holy and can help bring souls to Christ.

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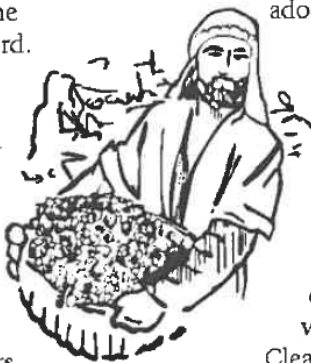
Scripture

Matthew 20:1-16a,
The generous landowner

In this Gospel reading, Jesus told a parable in which He compared God's kingdom to a vineyard in the charge of a generous landlord. In the parable, the landlord hires groups of workers at various times of the day. All agree with the landlord to work for a "fair wage."

The vineyard is God's kingdom and God is the generous landlord. Some Bible scholars propose that the earlier groups of workers represented the Jewish people, who had followed God's laws for thousands of years, while the Gentiles were the latecomers. The workers also stood for

those whom God calls at various stages of life: from infancy, adolescence, adulthood, and old age.



Then the landlord paid the laborers, beginning with the five o'clock workers. It must have shocked Jesus' listeners to hear that the landlord paid those who worked one hour as if they'd worked for twelve hours.

Clearly, God's idea of a "fair" wage is not the same as ours. What is important is not how many hours we've served God, but if we answered Him when He called us.

Q & A

What's the proper way to show reverence before I receive Communion?

In days past, everyone approached the altar, knelt at the altar rail and received the host on our tongues. That was prescribed as a posture of reverence to show respect and adoration for the Body and Blood of our Lord.

The bishops in the United States have decided that we may approach the altar and stand to receive Communion. When we approach, we are to bow as a gesture of reverence before we receive the consecrated host from the priest, deacon, or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion.

Today we can receive the host either on the tongue or in the hand. To receive in the hand, we place one hand, palm up, on top of the other to form a "throne." We can also receive Holy Communion in the form of precious Blood. When Holy Communion is offered under both kinds we repeat the bow of our heads before receiving each one.

Genuflection is appropriate at other times. For example, we genuflect before the tabernacle containing the Blessed Sacrament.

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Feasts & Celebrations

September 1 – St. Giles (710). Shrouded in mystery, St. Giles was a hermit who lived near the Rhône River in France. His fame as a miracle worker drew crowds and disciples to him. Eventually, St. Giles became abbot of a monastery.

September 8 – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mary's birth brought her parents joy, and we are joyful too – because Mary brings salvation to all of us with the birth of Jesus.

September 14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (c.326). St. Helena, mother

of Emperor Constantine, discovered what is believed to be the Cross of Christ while on pilgrimage in Jerusalem. Constantine built the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher on the site.

September 28 – St. Wenceslaus (929). Raised by his devout grandmother, St. Ludmilla, "The Good King" St. Wenceslaus worked to end Christian persecution in Bohemia, encouraged German missionaries, built churches, and cared for the sick and poor. He was martyred by a group of dissatisfied nobles, led by his brother, Boleslaus.

