



Holy Spirit

Catholic Parish and School

November 19th, 2023

33rd 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: 8:00-noon

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Holy Spirit Catholic School

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Reconciliation:

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

"Neither angels in heaven nor men on earth, nor devils in hell, no creature whatever can harm us, for no creature can separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus." ~ St. Lous De Montfort

Knights of Columbus Council #9395

Cinnamon Rolls and Burritos, Sunday November 19

Free-Will Offering; Please join us!

Coats for Kids, providing coats for deserving children

November 24, 9-12 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 906 Central Ave W

December 2nd, 9-12 at St. Vincent de Paul, 426 Central Ave W

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

Schedule for Thanksgiving Week at Holy Spirit

Sun - Tues 11/19-21: No Adoration

Sunday 11/19: Regular Mass Schedule

Monday 11/20: 8:30 daily Mass, Office hours 8-4

Tuesday 11/21: 5:15 daily Mass, Office hours 8-4

Wednesday 11/22: 8:30 Mass, Office hours 8-12, Confessions 5:30

Thursday 11/23: Thanksgiving Mass, 9am, Office closed

Friday 11/24: No 8:30 Mass, Office closed

Saturday 11/25: No 8:30 Mass, 2:00 confessions, 4:30 Vigil Mass

Sunday 11/26: Regular Mass schedule, Adoration 7pm

Parish Staff:

Fr. Doug Krings Pastor

Fr. Dave Wilkins Sacramental Minister

Dcn Pete Woelkers Deacon

Aubrey Rearden 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

Janet Knutson Funerals/Weddings

Joe Durocher Maintenance



Baptism Preparation Sessions

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

The next session will be

Sunday December 3 at 1:00pm at Peter and Paul

Sunday December 10 at 1:00pm at Peter & Paul



Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Baby Shower for Mary. Autumn from Echoz was very happy with the donations, participation and support from our parish. Holy Spirit Parish is a great place to be!

Weekly Happenings~

Mass Intentions:

Mass	Intention	Requested by
Sat 11/18 - 8:30am - 4:30pm	No Mass +Bud & Jeanine Handwerk +Dot Maronick	Fitzpatricks B & J Becker
Sun 11/19- 8:30am - 11:00am	+Ted Sokoloski +Hilda Wanger	G Sokoloski K Gaa
Mon 11/20-8:30am	+Joan & Greg Deffe	Deffe family
Tue 11/21- 5:15pm	+Marge Luoma	Luoma family
Wed 11/22 -8:30am	+Betty Rearden	Barochs
Thu 11/23- 9:00am	+Edward & Marie Mares	J Mares
Fri 11/24 - 8:30am	No Mass	
Sat 11/25- 8:30am - 4:30pm	No Mass +Linell Chiefsky	Fitzpatricks
Sun 11/26 - 8:30am - 11:00am	Parishioners +Duane Harper	S Hunt family

Coffee and Rolls

Sunday, Nov 19: Knights of Columbus
Sunday, Nov 26: No Coffee and Rolls

Calendar of Events Nov 11- Nov 19

Saturday:	Daily Mass - 8:30am Sunday Vigil Mass - 4:30pm	
Sunday:	8:30 & 11:00am Masses Knights of Columbus Rolls & Burritos Elem Formation - 9:45am Bible Study, 1pm No Adoration	Sts P&P hall
Monday:	Daily Mass - 8:30am	
Tuesday:	Daily Mass- 5:15pm	
Wednesday:	Mass - 8:30am Office closes at noon	
Thursday:	Thanksgiving Mass - 9:00am Office closed	
Friday:	No Mass Office closed	
Saturday:	NO Daily Mass Sunday Vigil Mass - 4:30pm	
Sunday:	8:30 and 11:00am Masses Bible Study, 1pm Adoration - 7pm	

Music

Our next Choir rehearsal: Wednesday November 29
at 5:30. All are welcome! Questions? Please call or text
Jen 406-799-0961 or Laura 406-868-4152.

Liturgical Ministers for Nov 25, 26

4:30 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
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		Holy Wash
Sacristan		
S Mohler	K Rosendale	W Newman
Greeters		
M Handwerk	D Koth L O'Neill	S Barros D Barros
Gift Presenters		
Fitzpatrick family	O'Neill family	M Lague
Altar Servers		
C Polacek J Polacek	D Schuler ★ C Schuler ★	R Gaa T Hansen
Readers		
K Nyman-Wendt K Goulet	R McNamee C Morris	T Balyeat C Christiaens
Music		
L McCain	J Jonasen	J Jonasen
Ministers of Eucharist		
F Polacek T Jones A Klundt S McKenna L Hazelton T Grau C McCain K Reed R Huntsinger	P Woelkers D Wilkins S Greene D Azar S O'Connell T O'Connell L O'Neill L Durocher J Durocher	P Woelkers K Krattiger S Harrington R Seilstad ★ C Huber M McFadden ★ V Flick S Dalen ★ J Moonan

Worship

Aubrey Rearden –Worship Coordinator
452-6491 ex. 1 aubrey@holyspiritgf.org

The schedule for December will be out next week. If you haven’t logged into Ministry Scheduler with your unavailable dates, please do that soon. Watch the bulletin for training sessions for ministries in the next couple weeks. All Liturgical Ministers need to attend the session for their ministry. Our ministers and volunteers are scheduled from January 1 to December 31 of each year. If you are interested in continuing your ministries in **2024**, you need to fill out a Time and Talent form. This is the only method we have to insure all our information is up-to-date. If you haven’t turned in a form yet, please complete yours and get it to the parish office this week.

Readings for next week Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
1st Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26. 28
Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

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. **We will not have OCIA November 22nd.** Happy Thanksgiving!

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

If you are looking for a way to get involved in youth ministry please contact Brien in the Parish Office. We always feed the youth, so if you'd like to prepare a meal, that is always helpful. If you would like to share your faith with the young people, you are welcome to come be a part of our regular gatherings.

November Calendar:
22: No Youth Ministry (Thanksgiving)
29: Continuing our grade specific series

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

We will have Formation on **November 19 at 9:45am at Sts. Peter and Paul.** No Formation on November 26 (Thanksgiving).
On December 2nd, our 2nd graders have a 1st Reconciliation retreat. And on December 3rd, they will make their 1st Reconciliation. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

Holy Spirit School
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Kelly Lopes, Robin Verzuh Administrative Assistants
Jenifer Thomas, Development Director
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Gala 2023 was a huge success! Thank you to all who sponsored, volunteered, donated, attended, and gave. This fundraiser helps bridge the gap of tuition costs and classroom needs.

A huge THANK to our amazing Gala sponsors this year. Sean Sturges of D.A. Davidson, The Next Best Thing Childcare, Allstate: Tammy Quintrell-Stubbs Agency, Terry Liggett Construction, Holy Spirit Catholic Parish, Diocese of Great Falls-Billings, Atlas Neurology, Leavitt Group, Staradio, Taylor Auto Max, Knight of Columbus Council #9395, and Associated Veterinary Services. These businesses are amazing supporters of our school's mission to bring affordable and excellent Catholic education to Great Falls.

HSCS students and staff are collecting non-perishable food for the Great Falls Community Food Bank for our November

Service Project. We are also having a bit of healthy competition between U of M Grizzlies and MSU Bobcats fans. If you would like to get in on the fun and support your favorite team, please bring your food to the school. We will be collecting all month long.

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

October Food Collection Totals:
St. Vincent de Paul: 406 pounds
St. Jude's: 433 pounds
Thank you for your support for these ministries!

Our Grief Support
Group usually meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month. However, the November & December meetings will be the 3rd Tuesday.
The next meeting will be Tuesday November 21st. Mark your calendar! All are welcome!



St. Vincent de Paul Holiday events!!
The Christmas Giving Tree and the Holiday Food Bags are here!
All items are due back to the church by December 13th.



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 **November 21st.**



Emilie Center needed items: As you are prepping for the holidays or making room for new items, please remember the Emilie Center. We are in need of pots, pans and skillets; sheet sets (twin, especially queen & king); towels; blankets; gloves and winter boots. We accept all clothing in good clean condition (we are always needing men's & children's); household items like small appliances and essential furniture. Donations accepted Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday, from 9-3. Of course, financial donations are welcome as well. Please call the Center at 406-771-6695 if you have questions. The Center is located at 1920 10th Ave S.



Family Promise of Great Falls is looking for some volunteers to help in their organization. If any of these positions sounds like something you can help with, please contact Tiffany at tiffanyw@familypromisegf.org.

In-Office Supportive Services: Volunteers would help write thank you note, organize information, gather information and be an all-around organization help.

Event Volunteer Manager: Volunteer would assist Outreach and Operations Specialist with creating and implementing Volunteer Program Management system.

Specialized Volunteers: Volunteers will assist in creating solutions to common office problems.

Furniture Acquisition/Distribution: Volunteers will report to the Executive Director, and assist the director with all furniture exchanges.

Community Support Volunteers: Volunteers will be the voice of Family Promise in the community.

Family Promise is also collecting food for the shelter families for Thanksgiving. Any donations should be taken directly to the Family Promise Office, 1019 Central Ave.

Family of Faith

A Family of Faith Monthly Devotions:

- November is the month of Remembrance for the Holy Souls. Throughout the month engage with your family in these special ways:
 - During your prayer before meals, add the Church's prayer for the deceased: "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!"
 - Remember a deceased love one by doing an activity they loved to do in this life together as a family.
- This month's focus is on God's eternal plan for salvation, the patriarchs, and the covenants.
- Talk to your children this month about sin and death, but also God's Providence, forgiveness, and mercy.
- Next parents' meeting for Family of Faith will be December 3rd, 10-10:45 in the Sts Peter and Paul Center, Adult Ed. Rm

Did you know that free and professional charitable estate planning services are available to you through the Catholic Foundation of Eastern Montana? Sometimes the hardest part



of planning is knowing what questions to ask and who can help you. You are not alone if you don't know where to start. Do you have a vision about what you could do for the Church through your Will? It may be worth determining *how* to include the Catholic Church in your plans. Just talk to Father or contact Judy Held, President of the Catholic Foundation of Eastern Montana, at judy@catholicfoundationmt.org or 406-315-1765.

The Ursuline Retreat and Conference Centre cordially invites you to the annual Serenity Retreat directed by Fr. Tom Haffey, December 1-3. This year's retreat will be a meditation and insight of the book *The Spirituality of Imperfection*, and its spiritual application to all recovering people. The cost of the retreat is \$95 (\$125 with accommodations) and includes meals. For more information or to register, please call 452-8585.



The University of Providence presents
Lessons and Carols

*Wednesday December 6 at 7:00pm
Trinitas Chapel at the University
Enjoy a night of carols along with the telling
of the Christmas story.*

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 3pm 9/3-12/17/2023
Contact Tom Grau, 406-761-6963.

**Join us for our Burritos and Rolls, Sunday November 19th.
Free - will offering!**

Milestones

Congratulations to **Ewan Michael Wilson**, son of **Mike and Brittany** and brother to **Ellason, Evie and Everett**; and to **Colin Lee Regan**, son of **Pat and Shelby** and brother to **Ellie**, who were baptized this week.

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Holy Spirit Catholic Parish

Father Doug Krings

One Minute Meditations

St. Margaret of Scotland

A Hungarian princess, St. Margaret grew up in luxury and privilege, but she never lost sight of those in need and her duty to serve them. After the Battle of Hastings, her family fled to Scotland where King Malcom III sheltered them and eventually married Margaret. Although a queen, her private life was austere, dedicated to prayer and serving the poor—even washing beggars' feet. She is remembered for her life of piety, kindness, and generosity.

Christ the King

What does it mean to say Christ is King? Do we give Him our Sundays only, or the whole week? Set aside ten minutes for God. Offer Him the events of your day and say, "Your will be done."

"No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and [the world]" (Luke 16:13).



Thanksgiving can inspire gratitude in action

St. Mother Teresa said, "It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving." At Thanksgiving, we bask in the glow of our blessings but it's also a chance to share them with others. This is "gratitude in action."

Be generous with your time. God can't be outdone in generosity. He gives life in His image and likeness. He gave the gift of Himself in Christ's offering on the Cross. In that spirit, how can you give of yourself? Prayerfully consider where and to whom you can give your time and attention.

Be generous with your patience. Ours is the God of second chances,

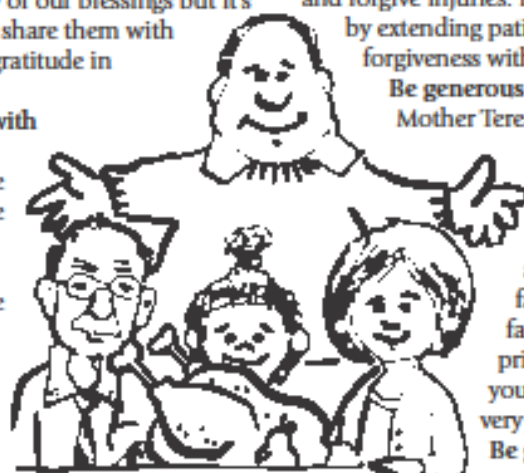
generous with His mercy. Decide to generously give others the benefit of the doubt, allow room for good intentions, and forgive injuries. Love as God loves by extending patience and forgiveness without limit.

Be generous with your family.

Mother Teresa said, "If you want to bring happiness to the whole world, go home and love your family." Make your family your top priority and give your loved ones the very best of yourself.

Be generous with your joy. Holidays can

be difficult for people without connections. Look for someone at church, at work, or in the neighborhood who might need a place to celebrate the holiday. Share holiday love and joy.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics pray for the dead?

The practice of praying for the dead is an Act of Mercy and has Scriptural roots: "Thus he made atonement for the dead that they might be absolved from their sin" (2 Maccabees 12:45-46). Someone who dies in God's

friendship with sin on his soul must be purified before entering heaven. We can literally help souls get to heaven. Rest assured: if the person we've prayed for reaches heaven, the graces of those prayers are used to help other souls.



Dealing with loss and those left behind

Christians know that death leads to marvelous new life, but it is still difficult to lose someone we love. We take comfort knowing that we remain connected in the Communion of Saints, the spiritual solidarity binding the faithful on Earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the saints in Heaven. Still, finding or offering comfort after a death can be challenging:

Pray. Pray that the souls who have died may find their place in Heaven. Perhaps arrange to have that prayer included in the intentions during Mass in your parish. Including them in your daily prayers also helps to

keep their intentions alive.

Be present. Attend the visitation or funeral. Such customs are part of honoring and praying for the deceased person and showing compassion to the living.

Offer material support. Bring a meal to the family. Mass cards, notes and phone calls can also offer comfort.

Contribute. Consider making a donation of time or money to organizations such as a local Hospice that provide grace and dignity to those dying.



from Scripture

Matthew 25:31-46, Showing mercy to the "least"

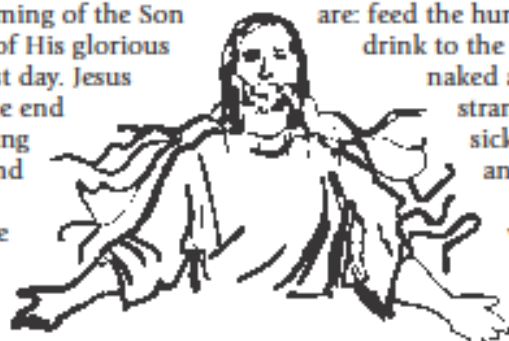
In this Gospel reading, Jesus describes the coming of the Son of Man, that is, of His glorious return on the last day. Jesus will appear at the end of time as the King of the nations and the Judge of history. Everyone who has ever lived, from the first to the last, from the greatest to the least, will stand before Christ. All of us will be judged on how we loved, especially how we treated "the least" who are suffering among us.

The specific criterion for judgment is the basis for the

Corporal Works of Mercy, which are: feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked and welcome the stranger, care for the sick and imprisoned, and bury the dead.

In the end, we will be judged on our response to the suffering of others. Do we, like the

"blessed," respond with compassion and mercy, or do we, like the others, turn a blind eye and do nothing? The goal is to see Christ in others and to minister to their needs accordingly.



Feasts & Celebrations

November 1 – All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation). In the early Church, there was a great desire to celebrate each of the martyrs. Because there were more martyrs than days of the year, Pope Gregory IV designated November 1 as All Saints Day. Celebrate the Saints by attending Mass.

November 10 – Pope St. Leo the Great (461). A native of Rome, St. Leo was elected pope while on a mission in Gaul. As pope, he defended the faith from heresy and promoted ecclesiastical unity.

November 18 – St. Rose Philippine Duchesne (1852). Born in Grenoble, France, she joined the Society of the Sacred Heart and came to America as a missionary. She opened the first free school for girls west of the Mississippi river, and the first Catholic school for Native Americans.

November 26 – Solemnity of Christ the King. God promised His people a king who would triumph over their enemies. Jesus is our King. In Baptism and Confirmation, we are brought under His kingship.



Q & A How does the Church decide who is a saint?

There are many people in Heaven who are saints but whose names we may never know. They are uncanonized saints. Canonization is the formal process by which the Church identifies and determines whether someone has become a saint.



In its simplest form, official Church procedures detail three steps to recognizing a saint. First, the bishop of the diocese where the person

died begins an extensive investigation. The results are passed to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints. If the Congregation approves, the prefect presents the cause to the pope. With the pope's approval, the petitioner becomes "venerable" and is called "Servant of God."

Next, "beatification," may come after further investigation and a miracle has proven to be attributed to the Servant of God's intercession after his or her death. Then the person can be called "Blessed."

Finally, canonization may follow additional investigation and a second miracle also proven to have occurred after the beatification and as a result of the candidate's intercession. After canonization, the "Blessed" is called "Saint."

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Distribution Dates, Times and Locations:

- Black Friday - November 24th, 23 9:00am to 12:00 Noon - Knights of Columbus Hall, 906 Central Ave West, GF
- Saturday - December 2nd, 23 8:00am to 12:00 Noon - St Vincent de Paul's Thrift Store 426 Central Ave West, GF



Knights of Columbus Celebrates One Million Coats Donated Through Its Coats for Kids Program

Knights of Columbus Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly celebrated the donation of one million coats through the Knights' Coats for Kids program, *"The Coats for Kids program has become synonymous with the Knights of Columbus mission of charity, as first established by our Founder, Blessed Michael McGivney, more than 140 years ago,"* said Supreme Knight Kelly. *"The generosity of our donors and the work of our local councils to distribute one million coats to some great kids in need is proof that where there's a need, there's a Knight."*

Since Coats for Kids launched in 2009, Knights have distributed coats in 49 U.S. states and all 10 Canadian provinces — including on U.S. military bases and Native American and First Nation reservations in the U.S. and Canada, with eight reservations located within the state of Montana and five of these reservations serviced by Council #9395 from Great Falls.

Knights of Columbus councils have distributed over 100,000 coats to children in need each year since 2017 and are on pace to distribute 200,000 coats in 2023.

If you are able, please consider a donation to the Coats for Kids program by making a private contribution to the local council, Mother of Perpetual Help, Council #9395, affiliated with Holy Spirit Catholic Parish in Great Falls.

This year Council #9395 will be hosting its ninth consecutive annual kids coats giveaway event in Great Falls.

Moreover, 100 percent of your donation will support the purchase of coats for children in need.