

Saint Anthony Catholic Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Great Falls—Billings



Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5:30 pm
Sunday 8:45 am, 11:00 am

Daily Low Latin Mass Schedule:

Tuesday 5:30 pm
Wed – Sat 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday 7:45 – 8:30 am
Tues & Sat 4:00 – 5:00 pm
Before & After Daily Mass
OR By Appointment

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Please remember to contact Fr. Bart if you or someone in your family is hospitalized or enters a care facility.



CONSECRATION TO SAINT JOSEPH

O dearest Saint Joseph,
I consecrate myself to your honor and
give myself to you,
that you may always be my father,
my protector, and my guide
in the way of salvation.
Obtain for me a great purity of heart and
a fervent love of the interior life.
After your example may I do all my actions
for the greater glory of God,
in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus and
the Immaculate Heart of Mary!
O Blessed Saint Joseph,
pray for me,
that I may share in the peace
and joy of your holy death.
Amen.

Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi, Lex Vivendi!*"How we pray forms what we believe, which forms the way we live."***Why do Catholics Display the Crucifix?**

Yes, we serve a risen Lord; but we also serve the crucified one; as we serve the infant in the manger. Why so much emphasis on His death on the cross?

The Crucifix is a Picture of the Love of God

God demonstrates His love for us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5:8). Greater love has no one than this, that he lay his life down for his friends.

The Crucifix is the Foundation of the Gospel

"But we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles." (1 Cor 1:23). "When I came to you, brothers, proclaiming the mystery of God, I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified." (1 Cor 2:1-2).

The Crucifix is the Way of Discipleship

If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself daily, take up his cross and follow me. "Now those who belong to Christ have crucified their flesh with its passions and desires." (Galatians 5:24)

The Cross Exemplifies Every Virtue (by Saint Thomas Aquinas)

"Why did the Son of God have to suffer for us? There was a great need, and it can be considered in a twofold way: in the first place, as a remedy for sin, and secondly, as an example of how to act. It is a remedy, for, in the face of all the evils which we incur on account of our sins, we have found relief through the passion of Christ. Yet, it is no less an example, for the passion of Christ completely suffices to fashion our lives. Whoever wishes to live perfectly should do nothing but disdain what Christ disdained on the cross and desire what he desired, **for the cross exemplifies every virtue**. If you seek the example of **love**: Greater love than this no man has, than to lay down his life for his friends. Such a man was Christ on the cross. And if he gave his life for us, then it should not be difficult to bear whatever hardships arise for his sake." If you seek **patience**, you will find no better example than the cross. Great patience occurs in two ways: either when one patiently suffers much, or when one suffers things which one is able to avoid and yet does not avoid. Christ endured much on the cross, and did so patiently, because when he suffered, he did not threaten; he was led like a sheep to the slaughter and he did not open his mouth. Therefore, Christ's patience on the cross was great. In patience let us run for the prize set before us, looking upon Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith who, for the joy set before him, bore his cross and despised the shame.

If you seek an example of **humility**, look upon the crucified one, for God wished to be judged by Pontius Pilate and to die. If you seek an example of **obedience**, follow him who became obedient to the Father even unto death. For just as by the disobedience of one man, namely, Adam, many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one man, many were made righteous. If you seek an example of **despising earthly things**, follow him who is the King of kings and the Lord of lords, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Upon the cross he was stripped, mocked, spat upon, struck, crowned with thorns, and given only vinegar and gall to drink.

Do not be attached, therefore, to clothing and riches, because they divided my garments among themselves. Nor to honours, for I experienced harsh words and scourging's. Nor to greatness of rank, for weaving a crown of thorns they placed it on my head. Nor to anything delightful, for in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.

*Pax,**Fr Bart***Upcoming Parish Events**

- Mar 10 Continue Seven Sundays (#6) of St Joseph
- Mar 10 Homeopathy Study Group meeting in the Hall at 10:30
- Mar 11 PCCW Meeting
- Mar 11-19 Novena to St Joseph
- Mar 13 Men's Community Lenten Breakfasts at 6:30 am on Wednesdays; fifth one will be held at First Congregational
- Mar 13 Sacrament Parents' Meeting with Fr Bart
- Mar 15 Stations of the Cross at 6 pm with Lenten Soup Potluck Supper
- Mar 16 OCIA Class in the Hall classroom with Deacon Dave at 3:30 pm
- Mar 17 St Joseph & St Patrick Parish Celebration at 10:30 am

On March 17th plan to join the parish at the Hall after the 8:45 am Mass for our celebration of St Patrick and St Joseph. This a joint effort of the parish Liturgical Committee and PCCW ladies who are presenting special traditional foods for our enjoyment during the coffee & rolls fellowship hour. Freewill donations accepted.



The beautiful Easter flowers that will adorn our sanctuary are a special part of the celebration of Easter at St Anthony Catholic Church. We invite all parishioners to share in the experience through a memorial gift by using the Easter Flowers Memorial.

Donations toward the cost of Easter flowers in the Church may be made in memory of a beloved family member or friend. On Easter Sunday the 11 am Mass will be offered for all the memorials. The suggested donation is \$20.00 per remembrance by envelope (available in the Narthex) or remembrances may be scheduled online for \$25 for each. Please place your envelopes in the collection before March 29th. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

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ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

700 3RD AVENUE, LAUREL, MT

Fri. April 26, 2024

6 pm—9 pm

Sat. April 27, 2024

9 am—4 pm

\$40
per couple

To register,
Either call the Parish at 406-628-7182
or email paduaoffice@gmail.com

CHILD CARE AVAILABLE



**PCCW Officers:**

President — Stephanie Swecker, 855-8416

Coffee & Rolls Schedule:

March 3 Coffee & Rolls St Louise
 March 10 Coffee & Rolls Homeschool
 March 17 St Patrick/St Joseph Celebration
 March 24 Coffee & Rolls St

March Altar Cleaning St Bridget
 PCCW Meeting Monday, March 11, 6:30 pm
 Hostess: St Louise

Knights of Columbus -

Fr Shevlin Council #6455



Grand Knight — Dale Blom

Knight of the Month - Ron Gary

KC Family of the Month -

Lee & Sherry Deming

Knights Council Meeting, Tues, Mar 26, 7 pm

A big thank you to all who helped prepare breakfast casseroles and serve the hungry at St Vincent DePaul. For more information and to volunteer next time, contact Joseph & Lise Kalinowski at montana_skis@yahoo.com.

Each Friday Fr Bart leads Benediction at 5:00 pm (note correction from 5:45) and the Stations of the Cross at 6 pm. All parishioners are invited to gather for a delicious meatless soup and bread Lenten supper afterwards.



Save the date for Chris Stefanick! Coming on Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 6:30pm to The Ralph Nelles Center at Billings Central Catholic High School

Seminarian Support

One of the areas that your gifts to the Annual Catholic Appeal support is for our men in formation, also known as our Seminarians. This begins with our Vocations Team, who assist with praying with and for them, answering questions to help them discern what God is calling them to do with their lives. If they continue their path towards priesthood, the Diocese (with your help through ACA gifts) will provide graduate level seminarian education including books, tuition, room and board, and even some of the travel expenses. While in Seminary, we have a Vocations team member who supports them throughout out, up to and including Ordination. These are key pieces of support to these men. By helping to ensure that they are not having to be concerned about the financial aspects of their formation, these men can fully devote their focus on their formation and education! Our Seminarian program is growing, and therefore, so is the need for financial resources - but we want to ensure this is funded so we can continue to have holy priests to serve our Diocese.



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 Office @ (406) 604-1854

Subscriptions for the Magnificat monthly magazine with daily liturgical readings are up for renewal. The discounted parish rate is \$35 per subscription. New subscribers contact Kathy, 697-2992.

The parish summer garage sale fundraiser will be held June 21/22 & June 28/29. As you prepare for spring cleaning, start thinking about what you would like to set aside to donate!

**Religious Education—****Sacrament student families:**

Please turn in forms and documents requested in the Sacramental Preparation packet to Fr Bart at the parent meeting on Wednesday. Contact Rita in the RE office if you have any questions.

St Anthony Homeopathy Study Guild will be meeting today, Mar 10, between Masses. This is a change from the third Sunday due to the parish celebration on the 17th. Parish members are invited to come and learn with us!

**PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS**

Men's Holy League—Contact Joseph Kalinowski at montana_skis@yahoo.com

Men's Book Club—Sundays-Contact Chris White at 406-445-9106

Women's Book Club—Wednesdays-Contact Chris Lohrenz at 406-581-4125

Seven Sisters Apostolate—Contact Brooke Speidel, Seven Sisters Anchoress, at speidelbunch@gmail.com or call/text 307-575-2547

Parish Meal Train—Contact Briana Leslie, brianacollins04@gmail.com; 847-340-2742

Homeschool Co-Op—Contact Jamille Winrow at jamille.winrow@gmail.com.

St Anthony Art Guild—Wednesdays—Contact Meredith Bergin at 406-855-2430 by text or at meredithbergin@proton.me

St Anthony Homeopathy Study Guild—3rd Sundays—Contact Michelle Lopez at the office.

Prayer Shawl—if you would like to gift a hand-knit shawl to someone in need, please contact the office staff.

More ministry details on our website.

Will you be traveling?

Look up **Reverent Catholic Mass** at <https://reverentcatholicmass.com> to find parishes listed and shown on a map of the US. To stay informed about parish events follow the St Anthony website.

Diocesan Victim Assistance:

Confidential Line 406-750-2373

Email victimassistancecoord@gmail.com**Stewardship at St Anthony****Fiscal Year-To-Date Income (Week 37)**

Offertory—taxable	\$ 202,536.65
Income-Other taxable	\$ 5,441.57
Budget-Related Donations-nontaxable	\$ 13,990.00
Total Budget-Related Income	\$ 221,968.22
FYTD Budget Income Needed	\$ 214,600.00

Offertory Week of March 3	\$ 7,281.38
Designated Donation	\$ 233.91
Total Income for Week	\$ 7,515.29
Weekly Budget	\$ 5,800.00

Projects/Almsgiving/Camp

FYTD Non-Budget Income	\$ 26,125.55
FYTD Expenses paid out	\$ 15,885.85
Balance due upon completion—	
New West church doors	\$ 9,890.60
(Spring project by Lynnrich)	
Balance due on Diocesan loan—	
Church windows	\$ 13,994.02

Annual Catholic Appeal 2024 (153/36 = 24%)

Total Pledged	\$20,131.08
Total Paid	\$ 12,946.00
Pledge Balance	\$ 7,185.08

Prefer to make your donation online ?

Go to:

www.saintanthonicatholicchurch.org
 Or scan to give:

**Scholarship Opportunities**

St Anthony Knights of Columbus are offering two \$500 scholarships for eligible graduating seniors who must be attending a post-secondary educational institution this fall. Applications can be picked up at the office and are **due by May 1**.

Saint Anthony PCCW offers a prospective high school senior female student a \$250.00 college scholarship. The recipient must be a student from Saint Anthony Parish planning to attend college for the first time in the fall of 2024. If you would like more information about the scholarship please contact the office. **Applications due May 1, 2024**

The five vicariates of the Great Falls/Billings Diocesan Council of Catholic Women are awarding **one** \$500 scholarship to a graduating high school senior girl. Applications are available by contacting St Anthony parish office at 628-7182 or by contacting Toni Ziegler at (406) 654-1187. **Deadline to apply is May 20, 2024**

Greetings from Carroll College! We are pleased again to offer a prospective student from your parish a **Carroll College Scholarship**, named in memory of the deceased priests of the Diocese of Helena and the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings. As a reminder, the scholarship which is funded by Carroll College, is \$1,000. **Applications due March 15, 2024**

8th Annual Good Friday Cross Walk

*An outdoor Way of the Cross with Pro-Life
Meditations on the Passion of Christ*



A pro-life event where we “Walk in the footsteps of Jesus”

Good Friday, March 29 at 12:30 pm

Starting in the St. Pius parking lot

(18th & Broadwater, or 717 18th St. W.)

We'll walk behind a wooden cross, stopping 14 times along the way, reading, praying, and meditating each time on a Gospel passage from the Passion narratives.

We'll end up outside the Planned Parenthood on 18th, *where chemical abortion pills are dispensed and surgical abortions are referred for*, praying for our culture and a universal respect for ALL innocent human life!

There will be several blocks' worth of walking, sometimes over uneven or perhaps snowy ground, so wear comfortable shoes or boots!



“I’m calling on every Catholic in America to return to Our Lady and join in prayer.” ~ Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke

Will you join the 60,000 parishioners (and counting) around the Country praying the novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe? Through Saint Juan Diego’s humble and courageous cooperation with grace, Our Lady’s intercession transformed the world and brought millions of souls to Christ. It is this same maternal care and protection that we seek today—a care and protection that she will grant us, should we earnestly ask for it.

Cardinal Raymond Burke is inviting Catholics to join in praying a nine-month novena seeking Mary’s intercession beginning on March 12 and culminating in a consecration to Our Lady of Guadalupe on her feast day Dec. 12. Each month, you’ll receive emails from His Eminence with encouragement and spiritual direction along the journey of this novena, leading up to the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Go to www.novena.cardinalburke.com to listen to the Cardinal’s message and sign up to participate.

If you are a Catholic homeschooler looking to complement your homeschool experience, St. Anthony Catholic Church in Laurel hosts a Catholic Homeschool Co-op for Pk-12th grade. The Co-Op will have open houses in April where prospective members can observe the Co-Op. If you are interested in attending or have more questions you can contact Jamille at jamille.winrow@gmail.com.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Please Note: Low-Gluten hosts are available—please let Fr Bart know your need prior to Mass. The Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (5:15 pm), is prayed on Tuesdays and the Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held on Thursdays and Fridays. The Church is open from 7 am—7 pm daily, allowing parishioners opportunity to pray before the Blessed Sacrament. Fr Bart will hear confessions according to the posted confession schedule or by appointment.

<u>Date/Observance</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Auxiliary</u>		<u>Intention</u>	<u>Offered By</u>
Monday, March 11	9:00 am	Rosary & Liturgy			
Tuesday, March 12	9:00 am	Rosary & Liturgy			
	5:30 pm	Daily Mass		Stombaugh Family	Stevens Family
Wednesday, March 13	9:00 am	Daily Mass	✠	Daniel White	Stevens Family
Thursday, March 14	9:00 am	Daily Mass		Maureen Vach & Family	Kojder Family
	10:00 am	Eucharistic Adoration	5:00 pm	Benediction	All visitors welcome!
Friday, March 15	9:00 am	Daily Mass	✠	John Sippola	Chris & Jahna White
	10:00 am	Eucharistic Adoration	5:00 pm	Benediction	All visitors welcome!
Saturday, March 16	9:00 am	Daily Mass	✠	John Frank Michelotti	Peter & Kathy Michelotti
	5:30 pm	Saturday Vigil Mass	✠	Judy Busenbark	Mike & Kathy Manders
Sunday, March 17	8:45 am	Solemn Mass		Pro Populo	
	11:00 am	Sunday Mass	✠	Kevin Hanley	Wayne & Meg Erlenbush