



The Immaculate Conception
Giovanni Battista Tiepolo (1767-1769)

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

December 8th
Holy Day of Obligation

Mass at Immaculate Conception at 5:30 pm

Did You Know?

Contrary to popular belief, the "Immaculate Conception" does not refer to Christ's virginal birth. Rather, it refers to the Blessed Virgin Mary who was conceived without sin.

In the Constitution *Ineffabilis Deus* of 8 December, 1854, Pius IX pronounced and defined that the Blessed Virgin Mary "in the first instance of her conception, by a singular privilege and grace granted by God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Saviour of the human race, was preserved exempt from all stain of original sin."

Reference: NewAdvent.org

Second Sunday of Advent

4 December 2022

Sacred Heart, Ronan
Immaculate Conception, Polson
St. Joseph Mission, Charlo

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This week's office hours:

Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday 2-5 pm;

Friday 10 am-12 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 4th

Celebrant: Fr. Paul Cochran, S.J.

Immaculate Conception at 11:00 am

Confessions are available at 10:00 am

No weekday Masses until further notice

Mass times for other locations nearby:

St. Ignatius Mission at 9:00 am & 5:00 pm on Sundays

St. John Paul II at 4:30 pm on Saturdays;
8:30 am & 10:30 am on Sundays

Daily Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Monday through Friday at 12 pm (noon)

Immaculate Conception

Please contact Marilyn Marnin if you can help lead in prayer during the week. Help is requested especially on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Prayer cards are available.

406-696-9293

Adoration & Rosary

Fridays at 8:30 am

Sacred Heart

Rosary before Mass

Sundays at 10:30 am

Immaculate Conception



Rest in peace,
our sister in Christ,

Carol Ann Kelly
(1938-2022)

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING
December 11th: Wadsworth Family



**Saint Nicholas,
Bishop of Myra**

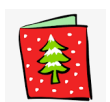
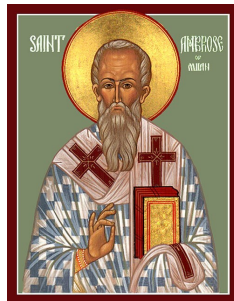
Feast Day December 6th

Saint Nicholas of Myra (traditionally 15 March 270 – 6 December 343), also known as Nicholas of Bari, was an early Christian bishop of Greek descent from the maritime city of Myra in Asia Minor (Greek: Μύρα; Modern-day Demre, Turkey) during the time of the Roman Empire. Because of the many miracles attributed to his intercession, he is also known as Nicholas the Wonderworker. Saint Nicholas is the patron saint of sailors, merchants, archers, repentant thieves, children, brewers, pawnbrokers, unmarried people, and students in various cities and countries around Europe.

Reference: Wikipedia

Saint Ambrose
Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Feast Day December 7th

And let them remember that prayer should accompany the reading of Sacred Scripture, so that God and man may talk together; for "we speak to Him when we pray; we hear Him when we read the divine saying."



Notice: Fr. Kevin's mail is being forwarded to him at his current location. If you wish to send him a card or letter, please mail to the church address at:
P.O. Box 1477, Polson, MT 59860.



Food Pantry Necessities

Peanut butter and cereal are a constant need; as well as oats, flour and rice. Clients tend to prefer healthy options for food that are not so loaded with sugar. The Food Pantry will also accept money donations as well. Charitable donations may be left in the basket at the entrance of the church.

Second Sunday of Advent

Entrance Antiphon:

*O people of Sion, behold,
the Lord will come to save the nations,
and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard
in the joy of your heart.*

Collect:

*Almighty and merciful God,
may no earthly undertaking hinder those
who set out in haste to meet your Son,
but may our learning of heavenly wisdom
gain us admittance to his company.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy
Spirit,
God, for ever and ever*

Readings:

FIRST READING: Is 11:1-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

SECOND READING: Rom 15:4-9

ALLELUIA: Lk. 3:4,6

GOSPEL: Mt 3:1-12

Catechism of the Catholic Church:

We can therefore hope in the glory of heaven promised by God to those who love him and do his will. In every circumstance, each one of us should hope, with the grace of God, to persevere "to the end" and to obtain the joy of heaven, as God's eternal reward for the good works accomplished with the grace of Christ. (CCC 1821)

Humbly asking for your prayers

Marcy Bishop, Maryalice Rouselle, The Clay Family, Virginia Rubel, Michael Conrad, Ellen Holland, Kaylee Martin, Dave Evertz, Steve Ducharme, Kate Shrider Olsen, Don Herbst, Bill Nash, Donna Jacobs, Derrie Edge, Madge Vert, Bob Mahon, Heather Stocki, Marshall and Betty Bjork, Vicki Weiss, Jason Avison, Floyd Smith, Nash Niemeyer, Richard Call, Bryan Weiss, Teresa Cullis.

Please help to keep the list current by contacting the Parish Office. Also, out of respect for a person's privacy, please make sure that all individuals wish to be publicly identified.

Grace be to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for you all; Making a remembrance of you in our prayers without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 1:2

The Holy Father's prayer intention for December



Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations: We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

Please pray for our seminarians!

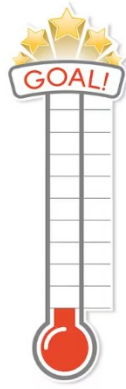
Dillon Armstrong, Shae Bills, Lane Buus, John Cooney, Riley Helgoe, Alex Olmes, Brett Rotz, Jamie Severson, Deacon Kyle Tannehill, Carter Anderson, Matt Keck, Anthony Olmes, Jack Peed, James Semling, and Kaleb Mitchell.

Building Fund Progress Tracking:

Our Lady of Life sculpture:
\$9,630 of \$12,000 = 80% of goal

Nativity set:
\$940 of \$2,700 = 35% of goal

Thank you for your generosity!



Our Lady of Life



*Artist Rendering

Immaculate Conception Parish is raising funds to purchase a beautiful bronze sculpture of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The sculpture represents the Blessed Virgin Mary and Christ Child, as well as all mothers and children, born and unborn, illuminating the sanctity of life.

The sculpture will be permanently installed in the "Mary Garden" located on the south side of the church.

Our Lady of Life sculpture is a 5'7" x 19" life-size bronze by Sondra Jonson of S L Jonson Studios in Nebraska.

Bronze is considered the best material for outdoor sculptures and is expected to last many years.

The estimated installation date is July 2023.

"Blessed is the fruit of your womb."

-Luke 1:42

Our Lady of Loreto -- Feast Day December 10th

On Dec. 10, the Church celebrates the feast of Our Lady of Loreto. Loreto refers to the Holy House of Loreto, in the house in which Mary was born, and where the angel Gabriel appeared to her at the Annunciation.

According to tradition, a band of angels stopped up the house from the Holy Land, transporting it first to Tersato, Dalmatia in 1291, Recanati, Italy, in 1294, and finally to Loreto, Italy, where it has remained for centuries.

Sacred Heart New Outdoor Nativity Set



Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatatzin

Feast Day
December 9th



Our Lady of Guadalupe

Feast Day
December 12th



It is this flight that has made Our Lady of Loreto the patron of people involved in aviation. The long life of the house led to her patronage of builders and construction workers.

Our Lady of Loreto is the first shrine of international renown dedicated to Mary. Popes especially have always had a special connection to the Shrine of Loreto, and it is under their direct authority and protection.

Reference: Saintsfeastfamily.com

ROSARY GROUP

St. Joseph Hospital
Chapel

Monday at 6:00 pm
Friday at 9:00 am



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Retrouvaille

A Lifeline for Married
Couples

HelpOurMarriage.org

Parish Offertory Progress Report

Fiscal Year beginning July 1st

Immaculate Conception

\$64,664 of \$175,000 (37%)

Sacred Heart/St. Joseph

\$15,187 of \$44,500 (34%)



Thank you for your generosity!



Christmas Season Mass Schedule

Sacred Heart, Ronan - Immaculate Conception, Polson - St. Joseph Mission, Charlo

Vigil Mass of the Nativity of the Lord

Saturday, December 24th

Sacred Heart at 5:00 pm

Christmas carols will be sung 30 minutes before Mass begins

Immaculate Conception at 7:00 pm

Children's Nativity program will begin 30 minutes before Mass begins

Celebrant: Fr. John Robertson

Mass of the Nativity of the Lord

Sunday, December 25th

Immaculate Conception at 10:00 am

Christmas carols will be sung 30 minutes before Mass begins

Celebrant: Fr. John Robertson

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Sunday, January 1st

Immaculate Conception at 11:00 am

Celebrant: Fr. Victor Cancino, SJ

Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, January 8th

Immaculate Conception at 11:00 am

Celebrant: Fr. John Robertson