



**Looking Back—The Man at the Plough**  
James Tissot (1836-1902)

### A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

*I believe in One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.*

These have been words that I have been reflecting on a bit during my travels this week, attending Bishop Flemming's ordination in Great Falls and then the ordination of two priests for our diocese here in Helena.

Our Church is apostolic in that the fullness of the governing spirit is passed on from bishop to bishop by the laying on of hands and to them has been entrusted the deposit of the faith. They are the true successors of the Apostles, and every bishop has a lineage that goes back to one of the Twelve. The ordination of a bishop is a wonderful thing and it is a great privilege to be a witness of the Church's tradition as it moves forward through time and history as God's plan for the salvation of souls unfolds before our very eyes.

I am not wanting to deny that we have our fair share of difficulties in the Church, the Lord Himself knows our trials well, and certainly things in our nation and in the world are going off the rails, but nonetheless, in spite of all of this, the Lord is faithful to His promise to be with us always, and ordinations of bishops and priests are a sign of that promise.

When we come to Mass we step oh so briefly out of the cares and preoccupations of this world in order to step into heaven and taste something of the sweetness of the promises that Jesus Christ has made and receive in our Holy Communion a foretaste of that perfect union with the Lord that the Saints in heaven already now enjoy. And to attend the ordination of bishop is an added joy. It is an added joy because despite everything that causes us grief, inside and outside of the Church, we can see God continuing to carry out His designs in a way that is hidden from the world (for lack of faith) but is perceptible to us because we believe.

Having faith does not mean that we do not become anxious and concerned, we are human beings, we have an immortal soul that for a brief span of years animates our corruptible bodies and we live in a constantly changing world. And people generally speaking do not welcome or embrace change very easily. But, having faith ought to mean that we are not afraid. Peace is the gift of the risen Christ to us, and it should not be lost on us that just as the risen Christ appeared to the Apostles after His resurrection, so at Mass, after the sacrifice has been effected and right before we receive Holy Communion, the priest greets the faithful with the peace of Christ and that peace is shared between the faithful. Jesus is Lord. He always will be. No Fear.

God bless,  
Fr. Kevin Christofferson

# Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

26 June 2022

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

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### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Saturday

Immaculate Conception at 6:00 pm

Confessions are available at 5:00 pm

#### Sunday

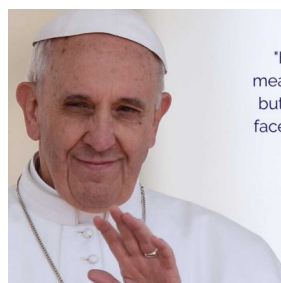
Sacred Heart at 8:30 am

Immaculate Conception at 10:30 am

#### Wednesday

Immaculate Conception at 12:10 pm

Confessions are heard on Wednesdays at 11:30 am and again after Mass during a period of Eucharistic Adoration.



"Having faith does not mean having no difficulties, but having the strength to face them, knowing we are not alone."

- Pope Francis



All Sunday homilies are available on YouTube and can be found by searching the full name Fr. Kevin Christofferson.

### ROSARY GROUP

St. Joseph Hospital Chapel

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



### DIVINE MERCY RADIO

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### Parish Offertory Progress Report

Fiscal Year ends June 30th

#### Immaculate Conception

\$ 182,613 of \$170,000 (%)

#### Sacred Heart/St. Joseph

\$37,942 of \$44,500 (%)

**Thank you for your generosity!**

## Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon:

*All peoples, clap your hands.  
Cry to God with shouts of joy!*

Collect:

*O God, who through the grace of adoption  
chose us to be children of light,  
grant, we pray,  
that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error  
but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever*

Readings:

First Reading: 1 Kgs 19:16b,19-21

Responsorial: Ps. 16:1-2,5,7-8,9-10,11;

R. *You are my inheritance, O Lord.*

Second Reading: Gal 5:1,13-18

Alleluia Verse: 1 Sm 3:9, Jn 6:68c: *Speak, Lord, your servant is listening;*

*you have the words of everlasting life.*

Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

Catechism of the Catholic Church:

*From the very beginning of the Church there were men and women who set out to follow Christ with greater liberty, and to imitate him more closely, by practicing the evangelical counsels. They led lives dedicated to God, each in his own way. Many of them, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, became hermits or founded religious families. These the Church, by virtue of her authority, gladly accepted and approved. (CCC 918)*

### Food Pantry Necessities

Peanut butter and cereal are a constant need; as well as oats, flour and rice. Fresh produce, including garden produce, are accepted. Pet foods are frequently in demand, and 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.



## St. Irenaeus of Lyons

June 28th

*Error never shows itself in its naked reality, in order not to be discovered. On the contrary, it dresses elegantly, so that the unwary may be led to believe that it is more truthful than truth itself.*



## Saints Peter & Paul

June 29th

This feast commemorates the martyrdoms of Peter and Paul under the Emperor Nero in the year 64 A.D.

Peter was crucified and because Paul was a Roman citizen he had the right to be beheaded with a sword.

### A Summer Prayer

Long warm days...  
The pace of life slows...  
A time for picnics and rest in the shade...  
Lord, help me to rest awhile  
in the cooling shade of your presence.  
Slow down my restless heart and  
fill me with  
gentle compassion for all your people.

### Liturgy Calendar & Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>

*Vigil of the Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time*

Repose of the Soul of Deacon Wes Vert, rb Tami Avison

#### Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>

*Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time*

Sick & Shut-Ins of the Parish/

The Intentions of the Parish Faithful

#### Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>

*Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles*

Repose of the Soul of Buffy McLean, rb Teri Daigneault

### 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, Traven & Marisa Hoyt, Heather Stocki, Betty Bjork, Bill Posivio, Mauri Morin, Zane & Carol Kelly.

*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 June

**Families:** We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.



### Please pray for our seminarians!

Dillon Armstrong, Kyle Tannehill, Kaleb Michell, Riley Helgoe, Brett Rotz, John Cooney, Jamie Severson, Hayden Petterson, Alex Olmes, Anthony Olmes, Alex Ramirez, and James Semling.