



St. Richard Parish Announcements

for October 27, 2024

Together we have raised
\$289,767
66% of our \$442,000 goal



Total Gift	Yearly	60 Monthly
\$12,000	\$2,400	\$200
\$9,000	\$1,800	\$150
\$6,000	\$1,200	\$100
\$3,000	\$600	\$50

COMMITMENT WEEKEND

Next weekend is the last weekend we will be inviting families to join us by participating in **Because He First Loved Us**. Our parish goal is to raise \$442,000 at St. Richard. Gifts can be pledged over five years. Please pray about what sacrifice is right for you and your family.

Because of the dedicated support of our parishioners, this campaign will provide the resources for St. Richard to provide service and ministries through outreach programs, capital needs, and an endowment for future needs.

Please fill out a commitment envelope next week during Mass or scan the QR code below to make your gift.

*There is still time
to donate to the
Diocese capital campaign.*

*Scan the qr code or stop by the parish office
for a pledge form.*



REMEMBRANCE CANDLES



All Souls Remembrance Candles

Honor your loved ones by purchasing a memorial candle after Masses on **Sunday, October 27th**.

\$5 donation encouraged.

All proceeds go toward the St. Richard Parish Religious Education program supplies and events.

Candles will be placed in the St. Richard Cemetery on Friday, November 1st during the Day of the Dead Celebration. All are welcome to attend a short prayer service for our dearly departed.

Altar Server Training

Continues this Sunday, October 27th from 11:15-11:45am

There will be Altar Server Training for **both current and new** children who are interested in serving at Mass.

All those serving must have already received their First Holy Communion.

Additional sessions will take place in the following weeks.

Please meet in the Pearce Center and look for Lawrence Cronk. Thank you!





Please join us for an All Saints Day Party!

Location: St. Richard Parish - Pearce Center

Date: Sunday, November 3, 2024

Time: 2:30-6:00 PM ending with Adoration

Join us for games, prizes, costumes, and great food! Costumes are not required but if you feel so inclined, please dress as your favorite saint, angel, or creature of God. **Keep in mind no secular costumes are allowed.**

Feel free to bring a side dish or dessert to go with a spaghetti feast!

Contact: Celine Ament at 406-261-3852, if you have any questions or if you would like to volunteer to help!



40 DAYS FOR LIFE

40 Days for Life

Fall Campaign runs from Sept 25 - Nov 2

40daysforlife.com/whitefish

St. Richard Parish is sponsoring the following dates:

October 25th and November 1st **All dates are Fridays**

You can help protect mothers and children by joining us to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

CCW Holiday Craft and Bake Sale

The ladies of our CCW Ministry are starting to collect donations of baked goods, sweet treats, canning items, casseroles, soups, and art/craft items for the annual bazaar.

- **Frozen items can be placed in the Pearce Center kitchen freezer.**
- **Fresh Baked goods can be dropped off on Friday, November 8 between 10am-3pm during set up.**
- **Arts and crafts can be placed in the collection boxes downstairs during parish social hour.**

If you cannot help with goods, please consider a cash/check donation and/or volunteering to work at the bazaar.

Any questions? Email strichardscw@gmail.com.

Sweets/Baked Items:

Pies, Muffins, Cupcakes, Scones, Quick breads, Brownies, Cakes, Cookies, Bread, Fudge, Candy, Jams/Jellies, etc.

Baked goods should be wrapped in clear wrap or put in baggies. Cookies should be grouped in sets of 4 in sandwich baggies. Please label if nuts are included or if the item is gluten free.

Freezer Meals:

Casseroles, soups, stews, pastas, etc.

Casseroles should be FROZEN in disposable containers and labeled if they contain nuts or dairy or if gluten free. Soups should be in disposable containers or in baggies (lay flat to freeze) and labeled the same way. Please also label with approximate servings (ex: serves 4).

Arts and crafts:

Handmade items, knit, crochet, sewn, painted, wood & paper crafts, etc.

Craft items should be marked with prices. All items must be under \$45.



Holiday Craft and Bake Sale

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2024

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

St. Richard's Church - Pearce Center
1210 9th Street West (Hwy 2)
Columbia Falls, MT



ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS THE CCW MINISTRY AND THEIR WORK IN SERVING THE COMMUNITY.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) will begin the first week of Advent here at St. Richard Parish! What is it?! "CGS is a Montessori-based religious formation program for children, ages 3-6, seeking to create and facilitate a sacred, "hands-on" space for children called an Atrium, in which both the children and catechist can hear, ponder, and celebrate the most essential mysteries of the Catholic faith as revealed in the Scriptures and the Liturgy."

If you are interested in enrolling your children in CGS, please attend one of these mandatory parent meeting with info about registration and the weekly schedule.

Meetings will be held in the new Atrium in the Pearce Center (previously the reading library):

- **Sunday, October 27th or Sunday, November 24th after both Masses at St. Richard**
- **Sunday, November 10th after the Noon Mass at St. Charles Borromeo in Whitefish**



Material Making Session: Join us after both masses on Sunday, November 17th - all parishioners are invited! We have a number of small works to be completed: small painting works, cut-out works, sewing works, and calligraphy of prayer cards. Join us for lunch, fellowship and crafting as we put the finishing touches on the materials that children will pray with, to grow closer to God.

+ We humbly ask you to **pray for our little Atrium**, that it may be a place that draws both child and catechist, into a deeper relationship with Christ. Please consider donating to our Atrium, you can leave an envelope in the basket with "CGS Atrium" in the memo line or give to Colleen in the Parish Office.

**Can you help
with any of our
Wish List items?**

- Small statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
- Small statue of St. Joseph
- Small statue of Pregnant Mary
- Small glass bowls
- Colored pencils, colored craft paper, glue sticks
- Small house plants

+ Lastly, a **huge thank-you** to all who have supported the Atrium so far; we are grateful for the Diocesan grant we received and want to thank the Alexander Family - daughters Isla and Hazel for their work in clearing, cleaning and painting the Atrium, the Knights of Columbus for assembling furniture!



**Oktoberfest
Feedback
Survey**



Thank you for coming to St. Richard's Oktoberfest. We hope you had as much fun attending as we did organizing.

We want to hear your feedback so we can make next year even better. Please complete this quick survey and let us know your thoughts (your answers will be anonymous).

Unique Design Workshop #2

November 16, 2024
9-11AM
St. Richard Pearce Center

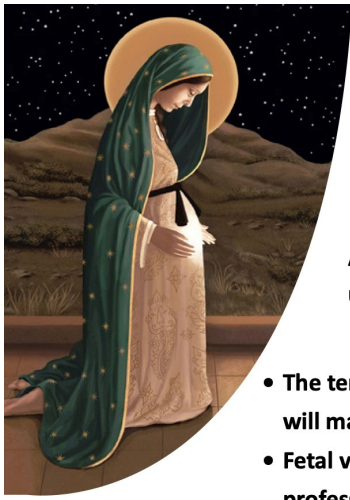
Scan QR code to register
or email Katie at
Katie@integratedlife.co

**Know and Love Thyself:
You are who you are.**

**A deep dive into the 4
temperaments. Discover
your strengths, triggers,
and ideal conditions to
contribute your best
self in service to others.**



**Deadline to register:
Thursday, Nov. 14th**



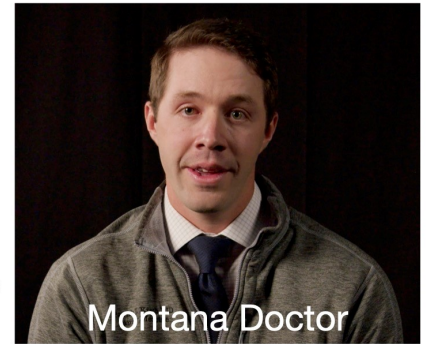
Montana Catholics For Life

Help to stop CI-128

Shareable Video Testimonial - Montana Doctor

As a practicing physician in Montana, Dr. Krach is an expert who understands the harmful implications of CI-128.

- The term “healthcare professional” is undefined. No one knows who will make Life-or-death medical decisions about abortions.
- Fetal viability is determined solely by an undefined “healthcare professional” - who makes the life-or-death determination.
- Parental Notification of abortion when girls are under 16 would become unconstitutional.
- A constitutional “right” to abortion is not needed. By law, Doctors in Montana already provide a woman with care when a child dies before birth or in cases of ectopic pregnancy.



These facts are not well-known. Please share Dr. Krach’s message as we pray, fast, and defend the sanctity of unborn life and the safety and dignity of mothers and families. You will find the Bishops’ letter, an updated Fact Sheet and more shareable video testimonials at the QR code or at <https://mcc-sa.org>.



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Shareable Video Testimonial - Advocate for Life

As an advocate for life and head of Abort Ignorance Montana, Tanaia clearly articulates the truth about CI-128.

- CI-128 would expand late-term abortion of babies who can feel pain and who can survive outside the womb.
- Late-term abortion is not a solution to medical emergencies as proponents of CI-128 often believe. Emergency C-Section procedures are available that give late-term babies a chance at life.
- CI-128 is advertised as freedom from government overreach, but it puts the government between parents and their minor children who seek abortion. The current parental notification law would be unconstitutional under CI-128 and place young girls at risk.



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