



# St. Richard Parish Announcements

for April 20, 2025



## Knights of Columbus News



**RAFFLE WINNERS:** Congratulations to the raffle winners for April: Ivan Benko and Bethany McManus!  
**SCHOLARSHIPS:** Our council is offering a \$1000 scholarship to high school graduates of St. Richard Parish. Applications are available in the parish office and completed applications, including transcripts, must be returned by **Friday May 2, 2025** at 6 pm. Any questions concerning the requirements, please contact the scholarship chairman, Gerry Nolan, at (406) 890-3691.

### **SAINT GABRIEL CATHOLIC RADIO - 107.1 FM - KOFC:**

The Knight's Radio Board of Directors is pleased to announce that **Saint Gabriel Radio** (*The Herald of Good News in the Flathead Valley*) has successfully conducted trial tests and is ready to go on the air on Easter Sunday to welcome the resurrection of our Lord!

We thank our patron Saint, Maximillian Kolbe, and the Holy Spirit for gaining the graces needed to persevere through obstacles over the past year and a half. We also thank the numerous benefactors who supported this mission of evangelism by donating funds to cover the equipment and services costs. It is only through their generosity that we have the First Catholic Radio Station in the Flathead Valley. Saint Gabriel Radio is a Relevant Radio affiliate and will broadcast their content 24/7, including the Most Holy Sacrament of the Mass and the Family Rosary Across America at 6 PM nightly. Locally produced content will also be aired. The mission of St. Gabriel Radio is to spread the Good News of the Gospel to the Flathead Valley. The station will begin broadcasting on 107.1FM under the callsign KOFC-LP on Easter Sunday, God willing. Pray for us!

Please feel free to contact us at [knightsradiokofc@gmail.com](mailto:knightsradiokofc@gmail.com) and give us feedback. We want to hear from you.

-Mike McNamara, President - Knight's Radio

You are re-entering  
Missionary Territory.

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Listen to  
**St. Gabriel Radio**  
**107.1 FM**  
**KOFC-LP**

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Let Christ be your  
Copilot!



## CCW Scholarship Opportunities

St. Richard CCW is offering 2 scholarships to registered members of the parish who are currently enrolled in a post-secondary education program (4 year, 2 year, or trade/technical school).

*St. Richard Council of Catholic Women Scholarship—\$1000*

*Barbara Furnia Memorial Scholarship—\$1000*

More information and the application can be found on the display board in the church vestibule.

**Deadline for applications is June 1, 2025.**

## Legendary Lodge Annual Clean-up Day

**SAVE THE DATE! Saturday, June 7th - Caravan leaves at 8:00 am**

This is our 10th year in helping the Legendary Lodge Summer Youth Camp staff prepare the lodge for its summer season. Fall, winter and spring have left their mark on our diocesan camp, so we take one day before the opening of the season to spruce up, clean up and fix up the property. Any able-bodied adult is welcome to help. Caravan will leave St. Richard parking lot at 8 a.m. (carpooling available), arrive at camp around 10 a.m.; work, pray and eat together for the day, then arrive back in the Flathead by about 7 p.m.

Please consider taking a day to travel and work with us. It's an enjoyable day and helps to ensure that our Catholic kids from our parishes and around the diocese will have a safe and memorable experience this summer!

**Sign up sheets are in the vestibule and in the rectory office. Questions? Call Deacon Doug at 406-253-8744.**



## Columbia Falls Food Bank

Case lot sales going on now at local grocery stores.  
Please donate if you can!

Cereal	Peanut Butter	Jam/Jelly
Canned Goods	Pasta	Soups
Canned Beans	White Rice	Canned Fruit



Enrollment Now Open for the  
2025-26 School Year!

Secure your child's spot at the fastest-growing school in the valley, where faith, integrity, and knowledge are at the heart of everything we do. Rooted in Catholic teachings, we provide a nurturing environment that fosters academic excellence and strong moral values.

☀ Spaces are limited—enroll today! ☀



Scan the QR code to learn more about us and apply.

Visit [stmattsaints.org](http://stmattsaints.org) or call 406-752-6303

## An Evening FOR THE SEPARATED & DIVORCED

SUPPORT & HEALING



Are you or someone you know struggling with the pain of separation or divorce?

**You are not alone.** We invite you to *An Evening for the Separated & Divorced*, a free event offering hope, healing, and community for those facing separation or divorce.

**Date:** April 22 **Time:** 7 pm EDT **Location:** Virtual via Zoom

### Presenters:

- Carolyn Klika, Catholic Divorce Healing Coach, Abounding Joy Ministry
- Bob Babecka, Witness to Marriage

### Topics Include:

- ✓ Coping with anger, guilt, shame, loneliness, fear, identity & more
- ✓ Healing spiritually & emotionally

### REGISTER TODAY

Sign up at: [www.aboundingjoyministry.com/events](http://www.aboundingjoyministry.com/events)

→ You will receive the Zoom link or access recording afterward

For questions, contact [Carolyn@AboundingJoyMinistry.com](mailto:Carolyn@AboundingJoyMinistry.com)  
Co-sponsored by the Archdiocese of Atlanta, Witness to Marriage & Abounding Joy Ministry



## Experience Italy With Fellow Catholics!!!

Fellow Catholics, Shannon and Lon Smith, are offering a trip to Italy for Kalispell Deanery parishioners. This will be a private sightseeing excursion to Rome, Assisi, Venice and Florence. There will also be elements of a pilgrimage for those families/individuals who decide to take advantage of the opportunities provided. The trip will be offered **Spring Break (March) 2026**.

The tour will be hosted by Explorica Tour Company that has been offering trips around the globe for 25 years. They provide reasonably priced travel and insurance for these types of experiences. The company also supplies a tour

guide that travels with the group 24/7. Safety is Explorica's first concern when developing their travel plans. Shannon and Lon Smith have extensive expertise as group leaders for this type of travel. They have a combined 13 years of experience and have guided over 16 trips. As group leaders we will promote travel that is focused on Catholic values and emphasize the unique Catholic encounters that can be experienced when visiting Italy.

If you are interested in this travel opportunity, please email or call. The purpose of this announcement is to gauge interest. All are welcome to come along, families, students, anyone looking for adventure.

Thank you for considering traveling with us!

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**OUR FIRST TRAVEL MEETING IS THURSDAY, APRIL 24 AT 7:00PM IN THE BASEMENT OF ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH(DORAN CENTER). SEE YOU THERE!!**