St. Mary's Parish & St. Joseph's Mission

Mass Times:

Thursday: Daily Mass at 12pm ***Friday**: Daily Mass at 9am
with Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament following Mass

Sunday: 10:45am at St. Joseph's

(Florence)

12:30pm at St. Mary's

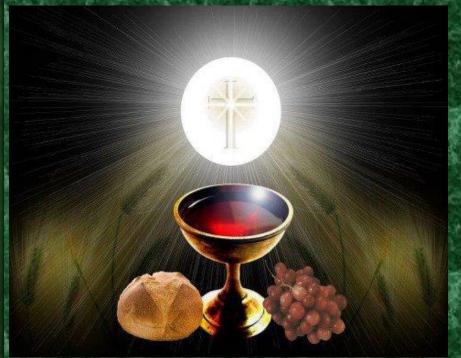






Irish Blessing

May your troubles be less, your blessings be more, and nothing but happiness come through your door!







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The Fourth Sunday March 14, 2021

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

10:45am	St. Joseph's
12:30pm	St. Mary's
11:30am	Confession
12:00pm	St. Mary's
6:30pm	Faith Formation
9:00am	St. Mary's
9:45am	Adoration
10:45am	St. Joseph's
12:30pm	St. Mary's
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WEEKEND LITURGIES:

Sunday 10:45am St. Joseph's Sunday 12:30pm St. Mary's

Note: The general dispensation for all the faithful from the obligation to participate at Mass on Sunday continues for those who choose not to attend.

WEEKLY READINGS:

Readings for the week of March 14, 2021

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]/Jn 5:1-16 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]/Jn 5:17-30 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47 Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/ Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53 Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 or Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

RITE OF RECONCILIATION:

Confessions can be heard at ST. MARY'S at **11:30 on Thursday's** BEFORE DAILY MASS, or by appointment.

Mass Intentions:

Sun. March 14	10:45am	Emmett Sullivan by Mary Sullivan
Sun. March 14	12:30pm	Community of the Parish
Thurs. March 18	12:00pm	Phillip Chaplin by Maxine & Wesley Ouitte
Fri. March 19	9:00am	Fr. Steve Tallman
Sun. March 21	10:45am	Phillip Chaplin by Mary Jane Chaplin
Sun. March 21	12:30pm	Community of the Parish

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY NOVENA

Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena to the Divine Mercy which would **begin on Good Friday, April 2, 2021**.

During the Solemn Novena leading to Divine Mercy Sunday, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy should be offered each day for the day's intentions



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is

held at St. Mary's Parish every Friday after the 9am Mass. You are invited to spend some time with Jesus.



PLEASE JOIN US IN DECORATING ST. MARY'S AND ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH FOR EASTER Easter Lily's In Memory/Honor Of.....

This year there is a special 'Easter Flower' Envelope included with your monthly offering envelopes. Please be sure to legibly write the name of the person for whom it's intended on the back of the envelope.

A suggested donation of \$ 10.00 per name is appreciated.





THE HOLY ROSARY

WEEKENDS: 20 MINUTES BEFORE MASS HOLY MARY MOTHER OF GOD, PRAY FOR US



STATIONS

Fridays of Lent: 7pm at St. Mary's 6:30pm at St. Joseph's

Faith Formation with Fr. David

You're invited to attend Faith Formation classes each Thursday during Lent beginning at 6:30pm in the St. Mary's Family Center. Come and learn about The Holy Mass. This is a great way to participate in Lenten devotions.











Faith Formation

~ LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE ~ THURSDAY, March 25TH at 6:00pm AT ST. MARY'S. YOU ARE INVITED TO GATHER TO ANNOUNCE YOUR NEED FOR THE HEALING LOVE OF CHRIST





HELP SAVE LIVES IN

MISSOULA through March 28th

Blue Mountain Clinic, 610 North California Street, Missoula

LEADER CONTACT INFO

Diane Rotering 406-274-3639



DRIVE THRU STYLE!

Each Friday of Lent, come and pick up a delicious Fish Fry dinner without leaving your vehicle! Mark your Calendars for the following dates: March 19th & 26th

5pm-7pm

See you there!



Saving America through the Rosary

The family is one of God's most beautiful and important structures in society. Sadly, this holy sacrament is mocked and profanes by many sinshomosexuality, transgenderism and cohabitation, to name a few. These great sins offend Our Lord, and as good, faithful Catholics, we need to offer reparation!

Join us in praying the rosary on Saturday, March 20th at 1:30pm in Legion Park in Hamilton.

This is close to the feast of Saint Joseph (March 19). St. Joseph is the patron saint of families and a most powerful intercessor.

RETROUVAILLE VIRTUAL WEEKEND

Stress in Your Marriage? - Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate the conflicts with their spouse. Retrouvaille is NOT just for couples whose marriage is on the verge of divorce or considered irrevocably broken; it is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. A VIRTUAL ONLINE marriage help program begins Thursday evening, April 22 . For more information about the program, contact the registration team: at 1-406-761-4830 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com



"Love is never defeated."

- St. John Paul II



PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

PARSH OFFICE: OPEN: Tues, Thurs, & Friday

9am-3pm

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Read/download the weekly bulletin ONLINE!

FACEBOOK: SEARCH FOR ST. MARY'S PARISH

PASTOR: Fr. DAVID SEVERSON

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SECRETARY: Terri Todd 777-5257 RELIGIOUS ED: Derek Wherley 370-5927 GROUNDS: Jim Gablick 214-5904

CHOIR COORDINATOR:

ST. JOSEPH'S Maggie Lee 361-9365

During these difficult times, it is important to continue to support your parish through weekly contributions.

Amidst this hardship, we are so grateful for the generosity you have shown.

Good stewardship is a challenge we face together for the good of the church.

YOUR GOOD STEWARDSHIP & SUPPORT IS ESSENTIAL TO KEEPING OUR PARISH OPERATING. "Please continue to mail your donation or give online." Thank you



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COLLECTION - Weekend of March 7th

Regular Offertory	\$ 4718.57
Bldg & Maintenance	\$ 80.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 135.00
Poor Box	\$ 8.49
Retire the Debt	\$ 475.00
TOTAL	\$5,417.06

ST. JOSEPH'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 14 10:45am

Lector: Dave Tobin

Sunday, March 21 10:45am

Lector: Bobbie Johnson

Sunday, March 28 10:45am

Lector: Sue Morris

St. Mary's Ministry Schedule

Sunday, March 14 12:30pm

Lector: Derek Wherley

Sunday, March 21 12:30pm

Lector: Elizabeth Wherley

Sunday, March 28 12:30pm

Lector: Dave Weber

NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO MASS ON SATURDAY UNTIL

FURTHER NOTICE.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Infant Baptism: Parents must be registered & active members of our parish. If they are members of another parish, a letter of permission from their Pastor is required. We also require preparation for this Sacrament. Contact one of the priests before infant's due date To arrange date and time for the Baptism. Baptisms are normally celebrated at Mass.

Holy Matrimony: Couples discerning this sacrament should contact one of our priests immediately after becoming engaged. NOTE: a minimum of 6 months of preparation is required before the celebration of this sacrament. Couples wishing to marry in the parish must be registered and active members of their parish. Couples from other parishes must obtain a letter of permission to marry outside of their own parish.

Anointing of the Sick: Anyone who has been diagnosed as terminally or gravely ill, is preparing for surgery, or has had their mental or physical health condition significantly change are encouraged to request this sacrament of healing. Call the parish office or one of the parish priests to schedule the celebration of this sacrament.

Adult Confirmation, Adult Baptism (RCIA), and Adult Reception into Full Communion with the Church:

If you, a family member, or a friend has not received the sacrament of Confirmation, or are interested in being baptized, or received into full communion with the Church, please contact the Pastor. An appropriate preparation process will be discerned on an individual basis.

LESSER KNOWN FACTS ABOUT ST. JOSEPH

Joseph may not have been an actual carpenter, in the common sense of the word—that is, laboring in his wood shop making chairs and tables all day.

The word used in Matthew 13:55 ("Is he not the carpenter's son?") is not always clear-cut and specific. The original Greek describes Joseph as a "tekton," which, in the ancient world, could have meant anything from being proficient with an axe, to weaving, building, fabricating, and joining. These *tektones* were highly skilled laborers, adept at all kinds of work. They were the handymen and craftsmen of the neighborhood. Joseph very well could have been a carpenter, as we normally think of and see in artistic renditions, but he also likely could have been a master craftsman, skilled with wood, stone, or any other material.

We do not know the moment of or circumstances surrounding Joseph's death, but many traditions hold that he died in the presence of Jesus and Mary.

Most biblical scholars believe Joseph died prior to the crucifixion because (1) was not present at the crucifixion and (2), in the Gospel of St. John, Jesus entrusts his mother to someone outside the family (19:27). Many traditions hold that Joseph, when he did die, did so in the arms or presence of Jesus and Mary. There are accounts of the death of St. Joseph, one of the more well-known ones being from the *Mystical City of God* by Venerable Mother Mary of Jesus of Agreda. Her writings are considered private revelation.¹

Most people have heard of the Seven Sorrows of Mary, but what about the Seven Sorrows of Joseph?

This tradition comes from a popular story about two Franciscans caught in a storm. According to the story as narrated in *Annals of Saint Joseph* (19th-century), in response to the fathers' prayers, St. Joseph appeared and helped them reach a safe harbor. He "advised them daily to recite the Our Father and Hail Mary seven times, in memory of his seven dolors or griefs, and of his seven joys, and then disappeared." The Seven Sorrows of St. Joseph below are from the 19th-century devotional *The Glories of the Catholic Church*.

- 1. "[...] at finding that his honored Lady and amiable spouse had conceived, and at the idea of being obliged by the law to forsake her. (St. Matt. i. 18, 19.)"
- 2. "[...] at not being able to find lodging in the city of Bethlehem for the King and Queen of heaven, and at seeing Jesus lying shivering on a little straw in a manger, between two animals—His only shelter from the cold, there being no room for Him in the inn. (St. Luke ii. 7.)"
- 3. "[...] at seeing the divine infant suffer and shed so much of His precious blood in the painful ceremony of His circumcision, when he was but eight days old. (St. Luke ii. 21.)"
- 4. "[...] at hearing, on the day of the purification, the prophecy of holy Simeon, that the child should be an object of contradiction and persecution, and that a sword of sorrow should pierce Mary's heart. (St. Luke ii. 34, 35.)"
- 5. "[...] his flight into Egypt with the child and His Mother, in the darkness of the night, and in the depth of winter, to escape the persecution raised by Herod against the adorable infant. (St. Matt. ii. 13.)"
- 6. "[...] on his return from Egypt, hearing that Archelaus, more cruel still, reigned in Judea in the room of Herod his father, he was afraid to go thither, and being warned in sleep retired into Galilee. (St. Matt. ii. 22.)"
- 7. "[...] in the celebrated pilgrimage to Jerusalem, not finding the child Jesus, his only solace, among his acquaintance, he sought Him three days, sorrowing for His loss. (St. Luke ii. ² 45, 46, 48.)"

From the same 19th-century text, *The Glories of the Catholic Church*, we also learn of the Seven Joys of St. Joseph:

- 1. "[...] the embassy of the angel sent from heaven to console him in these words: 'Joseph, Son of David, fear not to take Mary thy wife, for what is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.' (St. Matt. i. 20.)"
- 2. "[...] the tidings of great joy brought by an angel to the shepherds, that a Savior was born in the city of David, while a multitude of the heavenly army was praising God, and saying, 'Glory be to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of good will.' (St. Luke ii. 10, 13, 14.)"
- 3. "[...] giving the child the name of Jesus, 'which was called by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.' (St. Luke ii. 21.)"
- 4. "[...] when he saw the wise men from the east come to pay their homage to the new-born King, 'and falling down they adored Him, and opening their treasures they offered Him gifts, gold, frankincense and myrrh.' (St. Matt. ii. 1, 2, 11.)"³
- 5. "[...] when he heard in the temple from the lips of holy Simeon, that the child was to be 'the resurrection of many in Israel.' (St. Luke ii. 34.)"
- 6. "[...] in the land of Egypt, when he saw the idols fallen and broken before the infant God, and heard from the angel that 'they were dead that sought the life of the child, and that he might return with safety into the land of Israel.' (St. Matt. ii. 20.)"
- 7. "[...] the finding of Christ in the temple, disputing in the midst of the doctors, after sorrowing for Him three days. (St. Luke ii. 46.)"



Source(s): Various articles by Philip Kosloski from aleteia.org
Image: Anonymous painting of St. Joseph with Jesus, accessed from http://fatherjulian.blogspot.com/2013/06/st-joseph-upgraded.html

¹Private revelation "refers to all the visions and revelations which have taken place since the completion of the New Testament" (Ratzinger, Theological Commentary from "The Message of Fatima," para. 4). Messages revealed through private revelation contain nothing contrary to faith or morals. "Because they do not require divine and Catholic faith, private revelations do not impose an obligation of belief of the sort that public revelation does" (Jimmy Akin, "Revelation: Public and Private," Catholic Answers, 2000). "Such a message can be a genuine help in understanding the Gospel and living it better at a particular moment in time; therefore it should not be disregarded. It is a help which is offered, but which one is not obliged to use" (Ratzinger, Theological Commentary from "The Message of Fatima," para. 6).

²Corrected from "Luke i."

³Some sources omit this joy and, instead, include a later one in between numbers six and seven as "Life with Jesus and Mary at Nazareth."