



St. Stephen's Parish

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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus calls on us to persevere. That perseverance will secure our lives - our eternal lives. Regardless of all that seems destructive and evil in the world, Jesus reminds us to ignore the “doomsday prophets”. In fact, He says: “Do not follow them”. He explains that there will be difficulties and trials ahead, but that we must have faith in Him and keep our eyes on the goal. We are meant for eternal joy and happiness in heaven, and this joy and hope must be reflected in our lives every day.



Saturday, November 15 (5:00 pm)
Barb Monnat by Howard & Catherine Nortz

Sunday, November 16 (8:30 am)
Martha Jane Campany by Patti Clemons

Monday, November 17 (8:15 am)
Bruce Buckingham by Richard & Elaine Hall

Tuesday, November 18 (8:15 am)
Louise Albertson by Norma Monnat

Wednesday, November 19 (8:15 am)
Gladys Pate by Yvonne Kirschner

Thursday, November 20 (8:15 am)
Judy Scoville by Liz Turck

Friday, November 21 (8:15 am)
Marie Nortz by Joe & Diane Csizmar

Saturday, November 22 (5:00 pm)
Franklyn Monnat (60th Anniversary) by Duane & Rosemary Schwendy and Family

Sunday, November 23 (8:30 am)
Bernard “Chibbie” Monnat by Lucille Davoy & Family

Pray for the Sick

Storm Fitzgerald, Mary Knight, Bruce Tabolt, Bruce Chapman, Peter VerSchneider, Carolyn Schwendy, Bill Gracey, Caitlin Taylor, Corbin Pominville, Susan Schwendy, Priscilla Boliver, Kristi Lehman Marques, Deb Hartshorn, Alice Moore, Julie Fuller, Venetha Houppert, Tom Pate, Duane Schwendy, Casey Kloster, John Lashbrooks, and all ill at home, in the hospital, or nursing homes.

Your Support for The Parish

Envelopes: \$2,830.00
Plate: \$ 695.00

MEETINGS

Rosary Society: November 17th at 6:30 pm



Sing praise to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and melodious song. With trumpets and the sound of the horn sing joyfully before the King, the LORD.

-Psalm 98:5-6

FREE LIVE EVENT WITH POPE LEO!!

This November, our young people are being invited into something truly special. For the first time, Pope Leo XIV will engage in a live digital dialogue with young people in the United States. This moment will take place during the 2025 National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC), and we want every young person in our diocese to have the opportunity to be part of it, whether individually or as a parish community. Registration to stream and download the event is FREE. We encourage your parish and/or families to register for FREE (<https://ncyc.us/ncyc-digital-experience-a-journey-with-pope-leo-xiv/>)

The live broadcast will be on Friday, November 21 at 10:15 a.m. by registering you will have the ability to download the broadcast for future use. Follow-up resources for schools, youth ministries, and families will be available. Can't join live? A same-day recording will be available to all who register, making it easy for any parish or family to participate on their own schedule.

For more information contact Pat Looby at plooby@rcdony.org.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Sponsor a child or elder today. Your small monthly contribution is life changing for someone in need. Just go to Unbound.org and change a life!! If you have any questions, PLEASE contact Deacon Peter. "What you do for the least of my brothers and sisters, you do unto me.

THANKSGIVING DAY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27

At this time of year as we count our blessings, we remember that Jesus did not come to end suffering, but to help us find peace and hope in His promise of new life in His kingdom.

In Jesus' name we offer God our praise and gratitude for the blessings we have. This Thanksgiving, reach out and invite a family member, a friend, or neighbor to attend Mass with you.

We invite everyone to Mass at 9 am Thanksgiving Day. Non-perishable food items will be collected for the food pantry.

A CHRISTMAS STORY CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

Please join us at St. Vicent De Paul's Oratory in Belfort on Wednesday, December 10th at 7 pm for this beautiful Advent service preparing for the birth of our Lord by listening to the Word and joining in song and prayer. Deacon Robert Uttendorfsky will provide the message.

FAMILY ADVENT WREATH MAKING



Children and their families are invited to join us on Sunday, November 23rd during religious education time to make advent wreaths. We will meet in the church at the start of class (9:30) and will then move to the church hall.

NOVEMBER IS ALL SOULS MONTH



It is our tradition to remember in a special way our beloved deceased who have gone before us. You are invited to write the names of your deceased friends and family members in the book on the stand at the front entrance of the church.

WINTER COAT & BLANKET DRIVE

In conjunction with this year's Maple & Mistletoe celebration, St. Stephen's will be hosting a winter coat and blanket drive to keep our Lewis County neighbors warm this winter. Items can be dropped off at the Parish Office during office hours or after Mass. If you know someone in need of warm winter items, please contact Father Don or a member of the parish staff and arrangements will be made to provide those in need with a coat and blanket. Donations will be collected now through the weekend of November 29-30. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

GIVING TREE



Last year our parish was very generous to many families in our community at Christmas. We look forward to sharing in our blessings and bring joy to others this Christmas Season. If you know of a family, child or adult who would benefit from our Giving Tree program, please contact the parish office. All names are kept confidential.