

# Saint Mary Catholic Community

## Pastoral Office Hours

Monday—Friday:

8:30 AM—4:30 PM

## Fr. Tim's Office Hours

Tuesday—Friday:

10:00 AM—2:00 PM

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**Flocknote** (to receive news and updates from us): [Signup here](#)

### Livestream

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQR7D-gy6Z3TmeXSQ5Sk45w/>  
featured

[Click here to become a parishioner](#)

**Adoration:** Tuesday following  
12:10 p.m. Mass until 2:00 p.m.

### Reconciliation

#### Wednesday:

4:00—5:00 p.m.

#### Saturday:

3:00—4:00 p.m.

### Mass Schedule

#### Saturday Vigil Mass:

4:30 p.m.

#### Sunday Masses:

8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

#### Weekday Masses

Tues, Wed & Thurs 12:10 p.m.

### Friday Care Center Masses

March 15—10:30 AM Cooney

March 22—11:00 AM Hunter's Pointe

April 5—10:30 AM Mount Ascension

April 12—11:00 AM Touchmark

April 19—10:30 AM Cooney

- ⇒ **Mass on March 5th will be at 8:00 AM, instead of 12:10 PM. No Adoration on that day.**
- ⇒ **No Confessions on March 6th.**
- ⇒ **No Mass at Touchmark on March 8th due to Covid there.**

## Third Sunday of Lent March 3rd, 2024

**“While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing.”**

*John 2:13-25*

## Fourth Sunday of Lent March 10th, 2024

**“But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.”**

*John 3:14-21*



### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Saint Mary Catholic Community is to live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ through worship, service and community, taking seriously Jesus' command to “Do This in Memory of Me.”

*To ensure a safe environment, parents must accompany children to and from the rest rooms at all times. Thank you.*

# MASSES AT SAINT MARY

## Sunday, March 3rd—Third Sunday of Lent

*Exodus 20:1-3; 7-8; 12-17; 1 Corinthians 1:22-25; John 2:13-25*

**8:00 AM Mass**—for the People of the Parish

**10:30 AM Mass**—for the intentions of Fr. Tim  
rb: Helena Catholic Journey

## Monday, March 4th—No Mass

*2 Kings 5:1-15; Luke 4:24-30*

## Tuesday, March 5th—No Adoration

*Daniel 3:25; 34-43; Matthew 18:21-35*

**8:00 AM Mass**—for the intentions of Chris Lebsack  
rb: Helena Catholic Journey

## Wednesday, March 6th—No Confessions

*Deuteronomy 4:1; 5-9; Matthew 5:17-19*

**12:10 PM Mass**—for the intentions of Deacon Iver & Susan Johnson  
rb: Helena Catholic Journey

## Thursday, March 7th

*Jeremiah 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23*

**12:10 PM Mass**—for Harry Downs †  
rb: Pat Wall

## Friday, March 8th—No Care Center Mass

*Hosea 14:2-10; Mark 12:28-34*

**5:30 PM Stations of the Cross** followed by Soup & Bread

## Saturday, March 9th

*2 Chronicles 36:14-16; 19-23; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21*

**3:00 PM—4:00 PM Confessions**

**4:30 PM Vigil**—for deceased members of the Olson family †  
rb: Michael & Mary Foot

## Sunday, March 10th—Fourth Sunday of Lent

*2 Chronicles 36:14-16; 19-23; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21*

**8:00 AM Mass**—for the People of the Parish

**10:30 AM Mass**—for Lyla Tabaracci †  
rb: The Bennetts

## Monday, March 11th—No Mass

*Isaiah 65:17-21; John 4:43-54*

## Tuesday, March 12th

*Ezekiel 47:1-9; 12; John 5:1-16*

**12:10 PM Mass**—for Clif Caughron †  
rb: Michael & Mary Foot

## Wednesday, March 13th

*Isaiah 49:8-15; John 5:17-30*

**12:10 PM Mass**—for the intentions of Brian Smole  
rb: Boyd family

**4:00 PM—5:00 PM Confessions**

## Thursday, March 14th

*Exodus 32:7-14; John 5:31-47*

**12:10 PM Mass**—for the intentions of Betty Lahn  
rb: Ann McCormick

## Friday, March 15th

*Wisdom 2:1; 12-22; John 7:1-2; 10; 25-30*

**10:30 AM Mass at Cooney**—for the People of Cooney  
**5:30 PM Evening Prayer** followed by Soup & Bread in social center

## Saturday, March 16th

*Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33*

**3:00 PM—4:00 PM Confessions**

**4:30 PM Vigil**—for Mary Kerins †  
rb: Lois Tulon



Prayer  
Ministry  
Sacrifice

**As praying stewards:** Parishioners gathered for our Evening Prayer and Stations of the Cross. Family and friends gathered for the Vigil and Funeral Mass of Clif Caughron.

**As ministering stewards:** Parishioners gathered for Lenten Soup & Bread, and a talk about "Why Peace is Achievable" by Dr. Jeanette Fregulia. Our Liturgy Commission met to begin planning for the Easter Triduum.

**As sacrificing stewards:** **01/21/24 & 01/28/24 & 02/04/24 & 02/11/24**

Pew/Mail:	\$4,735	\$3,972	\$5,157	\$5,707
Direct:	\$ 305	\$ 360	\$1,263	\$ 610
Online:	\$3,042	\$1,129	\$2,654	\$2,259
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,082</b>	<b>\$5,461</b>	<b>\$9,074</b>	<b>\$8,576</b>

### Stewardship Income

FY 23-4	7/1/23 – 01/31/24	\$293,889
FY 22-3	7/1/22 – 01/31/23	\$282,609
Difference		\$ 11,280

*Our fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30*

Total Monthly Income (January) \$38,102  
Average Monthly Expenses \$60,000

*Praise God and Thank You for your prayers, your share in ministry, and your sacrificial giving!*



## Parish Staff and Parish Councils at your service

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# *From Father Tim*

## *BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US Kickoff (Feb. 24-25)*

Throughout the past several months, myself and others have been working with a group of leaders in the parish to prepare for an exciting new opportunity to strengthen our Church. Today, I officially launch this initiative called – **BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVE US – A CAMPAIGN FOR CATHOLIC LIFE**. We have chosen to call it a Campaign for Catholic Life because, at its core, it is about and opening of the heart to the love of God and the invitation to re-commit oneself to the mission Jesus Christ gave each of us to “go and make disciples (MT 28: 19-20).”

We want this initiative to be an opportunity to share our faith with each other and also be a way for everyone to invest in the future of our faith. This historic initiative has at its center a mission to care for our retired priests, grow priestly vocations, restore our Diocesan Cathedral, strengthen our parishes, and importantly, help others discover Christ. In addition, we will be investing in our needs at St. Mary. At our parish, this campaign will help our parish to:

- ⇒ *Repave the parking lot*
- ⇒ *Endowment for future needs*
- ⇒ *Faith Formation and Outreach*

As you can see, the campaign is an exceptional opportunity for us to join together to raise the money needed to accomplish this ambitious mission. We are a part of the pilot parishes participating across the Diocese, and our goal here at St. Mary is \$838,000, 40% of which will remain here to be used for our specific needs. I am grateful that we have already received commitments, payable over the next five years, from just a few families who we have asked.

In the coming days and months, you may receive calls from a group of leaders inviting you to join the campaign by coming to an event or by visiting you personally to discuss your participation. Please answer their call as though I was calling. God bless each of you, and I look forward to providing you regular updates on our progress. And may our Lord continue to bless His work here at St. Mary.

*Fr. Tim*

### **Pope's Intentions for March 2024**

#### *For the new martyrs*

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.





I have loved you with an everlasting love!  
Jeremiah 31:3

# Faith Formation

## A Journey for Life

From Dawn

### WHAT ARE THE SCRUTINIES?

The Scrutinies are Rites celebrated on the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent, by those people who are preparing to be baptized at Easter, known as "The Elect". They are important and special rites of the Church. Whenever they are celebrated the Scripture readings of Year A of the liturgical cycle are used.

The Scrutinies are described by the Church as "rites for self-searching and repentance, which are meant to uncover, then heal, all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong and good. The Scrutinies are celebrated in order to deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the way, the truth and the life. These rites, therefore, should complete the conversion of the elect and deepen their resolve to hold fast to Christ and to carry out their decision to love God above all."

We have 4 elect this year and 1 candidate who has already been baptized.

You can see our group in the picture in the next column with Bishop Vetter at the Rite of Election. **Please keep Brenda, Savannah, James, Mike and Kelli in your prayers** throughout the rest of Lent and especially during Holy Week!

The 1st Scrutiny will be March 3rd at the 10:30am Mass, the 2nd Scrutiny will be March 10th at the 8am Mass and the 3rd Scrutiny will be on March 16th at the 4:30pm Mass.



*Pictured from left to right: Savannah, Mike, Jan (sponsor), Bishop Vetter, Brenda, Kelli and James.*

### "The Chosen"

**The Chosen Viewing and Discussion Group will meet on Thursday, March 7 and March 14th.**

**We will begin Season 3 on the 7th.**

**All are welcome!!!!**

### First Communion Class

**Sunday March 10th!**

Class will be held from 9:15am to 10:15am  
in the social center.

At least one parent needs to attend the  
class with their child.

**Contact Lori or Dawn for more  
information!**



# YOUTH MINISTRY AT SAINT MARY

From Dawn

## Important Dates for Youth Group

Wednesday, March 6th: MS & HS Youth Group from 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Wednesday, March 13th: MS & HS Youth Group from 6:30 to 7:30pm

### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Classes will meet on

**Sunday, March 3rd and March 17th from 9:15am to 10:15am in the Social Center.**

Note this is a change in date and time!

Candidates are asked to bring their sponsor or another adult with them to class.

Please contact Dawn at the Parish Office if you have any questions!

### CYC Convention and Eucharistic Congress

The CYC Convention will be Friday, March 22-24<sup>th</sup>. This will be held in conjunction with the Eucharistic Congress, which is open to all ages. Here is a link with all of the information about the event: <https://diocesehelen.org/eucharisticcongress/>

The cost is \$100 for High School Youth and \$50 for Middle School Youth, but we can assist with that cost for anyone who is interested in attending. **Note that high school students can register to come with our youth group, but parents/guardians would also need to attend the Eucharistic Congress for all other age groups.**

**Theme of Convention:**

**ENCOUNTER THE LORD - PREPARE FOR HOLY WEEK - PROCLAIM HIS LOVE**



### 2024 SUMMER SEASON CAMPS SCHEDULE

JUNE 16-JUNE 21 JUNIOR HIGH #1

JUNE 23-JUNE 28 HIGH SCHOOL #1

JULY 7-JULY 12 5TH/6TH GRADE BOYS

JULY 14-JULY 19 HIGH SCHOOL #2

JULY 21-JULY 26 JUNIOR HIGH #2

JULY 28-AUGUST 2 5TH/6TH GRADE GIRLS

Registration for camp opens January 1, 2024

Early Bird Pricing: Save \$20/camper when you register by January 31st!

### Legendary Lodge Scholarship fund!

If you would like to donate to the Legendary Lodge Scholarship fund, please contact Dawn! Every year, 25-30 youth from our parish attend Legendary Lodge Camps and many of them are only able to do that because of the financial assistance we are able to provide! Thank you so much for the generosity you always provide!

# Liturgical Life

Dr. Wendy Yuen

## *Jerusalem, My Destiny*

As Jesus embarked on his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, it marked the beginning of his final week of earthly life. Aware of his impending betrayal, crucifixion, and death, he embraced his destiny with unwavering resolve. But do we, in our own lives, possess such clarity of purpose? I often ponder this question for myself. Would it be preferable to have full knowledge of our destiny? Yet, instead of seeking foreknowledge, I find solace in seeking God's will for my life.

The essence of the Lenten season revolves around the church's profound identification with Jesus' death and resurrection, as articulated in Romans 6:1-4. It encapsulates the paradoxical nature of existence.

The Lent spans forty days, a number imbued with symbolic significance throughout the Bible, representing completeness and fulfillment. Consider the forty days and nights of rain during Noah's time, Israel's forty-year journey through the wilderness before entering the promised land, and Jesus' forty-day period of temptation.

The Lenten journey of forty days embodies a baptismal spirituality. Through repentance and a turning away from sin toward Jesus, we embark on a transformative path in our lives, aligning ourselves with God's divine agenda. This journey is not a singular event but a continual process of growth and renewal.

Rory Cooney, born in 1952, composed both the text and music for *Jerusalem, My Destiny*. A dedicated servant of the Church, Cooney's musical contributions have enriched liturgical worship across diverse communities. His commitment to music ministry was recognized with the prestigious "Pastoral Musician of the Year" award in 2014 by the National Association of Pastoral Musicians.

*Jerusalem, My Destiny* opens with a refrain, symbolizing our commitment to journey alongside Jesus toward Jerusalem. Each verse carries profound meaning: from acknowledging the call of the one true God to rise, to embracing the journey toward a new land, encountering Jesus as our savior, and finding a renewed vision and hope in him.

Cooney's musical composition skillfully employs text painting, accentuating pivotal words and themes. Notably, the repetition of three notes in the refrain underscores our determination to fix our eyes and set our hearts on Jesus. In the verses, the soaring melody on the word "Here" emphasizes the foundational truths we discover in Christ.

In this Lenten season, we are reminded of our destiny and hope. We journey with Jesus to the cross, confident in the promise of new life found in the Risen Christ. As we reflect on *Jerusalem, My Destiny* and its profound message, may we be inspired to walk faithfully in the footsteps of our Savior, embracing the transformative power of his love.



Thoughts  
from Deb

# Pastoral Care

## *Is Loneliness Becoming a National Epidemic?*

In 2023 the Surgeon General issued a health advisory declaring loneliness and social isolation a national epidemic. Over 25% of American adults are chronically lonely, while nearly 60% feel lonely more often than not.

The sense of loneliness and social isolation has been increasing for several decades, and was made worse by the pandemic. Loneliness and social isolation can have profound health effects. Studies have shown that chronic loneliness can increase the risk of dying by as much as smoking 15 cigarettes per day.

Join us on **Friday, March 15 at 10:30 AM** in the Saint Mary **social center** to discuss how we can help those lonely and isolated in our parish community. **Dr. Dave Krainacker** will give a **short talk on the topic, followed by a discussion** on how to help those in need.

Please join us if you would like to share your thoughts or know of someone who is lonely. This will take a community effort! **Snacks will be provided.**

**Any questions, call Deb in the parish office 406-442-5268.**

### *Virtus Thank You*

Thank you to everyone who are now caught up on your Virtus articles.

If you do not get email reminders for your bulletins, just plan on checking around the 7-10th of the month.

*If you are still having any issues in receiving them, give Deb a call in the parish office.*

### *Soup & Bread*

Thank you to everyone who brought soup or bread, to our "Lenten Soup & Bread Dinners."

Our last Soup & Bread nights will be **March 10th and 15th**. If you have not yet been able to attend, we would love to have you.

Great soups and conversation.

Free will offering will go to **Street Outreach ministry.**



### **URGENT NEED**

Volunteer needed to help with Communion at Edgewood.

If you are willing to share those visits with the current minister, please contact Deb.

***Loneliness and the feeling of being unwanted is the most terrible poverty.***

*Mother Teresa*



# SAINT MARY CARE FOR CREATION MINISTRY

## Living a Laudato Si' Lent - The World can Change a lot in 40 Days

March

1 Write or call your members of Congress on an ecological issue that is important to you.

2 Turn your thermostat down a few degrees and pray for those who do not have easy access to energy.

*“Once we start to think about the kind of world we are leaving to future generations, we look at things differently; we realize that the world is a gift we have freely received and must share with others.” (LS 159)*

**3 Third Sunday of Lent** Natural disasters create the social chaos that promotes human trafficking. To act for climate justice is to fight human trafficking.

4 Make sure your Easter chocolates are Fair Trade.

Go to: <https://www.fairtradecertified.org/blog/fair-trade-chocolate/> to discover your many options.

5 Read a book about the environment and climate change.

Check the list at: <https://www.earthday.org/13-must-read-books-on-the-environment-and-climate-change/>

6 Pray for those most affected by climate change – millions of fisher folk in the world whose livelihood is destroyed by warming oceans and ocean acidification.

7 Remember the words of Archbishop Oscar Romero (+1980) who said, “The ones who have a voice must speak for those who are voiceless.” How do we humans speak for the voiceless species of Earth?

8 Pray for those most affected by climate change – people who suffer from extreme heat and poor air quality.

9 Check your coffee, tea –are they Fair Trade? Saint Mary’s supports Cafe Mam, a family owned company built on principles of ethical sourcing, environmentalism, human dignity and sustainability. Order your fair trade coffee from them in the gathering space or the office.

*Learning to accept our body, to care for it and to respect its fullest meaning, is an essential part of any genuine ecology.” (LS155)*

**10 Fourth Sunday of Lent** Take a walk in your neighborhood. Do you know your neighbors? Not just the humans but trees, plants, birds, animals, bodies of water. Meet some you don’t know.

11 Pray for those most affected by climate change – children of future generations who will pay the price of our selfishness today. Do something positive today to create a sustainable world.

12 Take a nap; take a walk. Good self-care is part of integral ecology too!

13 Give a donation to an environmental organization. For ex. Catholic Climate Covenant.

14 Use only cold water and biodegradable detergent for laundry.

15 Feast of St. Louise de Marillac who asked on her deathbed, “Take good care of the poor.” How do you take good care of our poor Earth?

16 Make an act of contrition today for the ways in which you have harmed the earth, our common home.

*“There is a nobility in the duty to care for creation through little daily actions, and it is wonderful how education can bring about real changes in lifestyle.” (LS 211)*

# SAINT FRANCIS PEACE THROUGH JUSTICE MINISTRY

*“If you Want Peace, Work for Justice.” — Pope Paul VI*

## *Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi*

*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:*

*where there is hatred, let me sow love;*

*where there is injury, pardon;*

*where there is doubt, faith;*

*where there is despair, hope;*

*where there is darkness, light;*

*where there is sadness, joy;*

*O divine Master,*

*grant that I may seek not so much*

*to be consoled as to console,*

*to be understood as to understand,*

*to be loved as to love.*

*For it is in giving that we receive,*

*it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,*

*and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.*

*Amen.*



# 2024 LENTEN SCHEDULE

**February 16, March 1 & 15**

**5:30 PM Evening Prayer**

*(followed by Soup & Bread  
in social center)*

**February 23**

**5:30 PM Stations of the Cross**

*(followed by Soup & Bread in social center)*

**March 8 (revised)**

**5:30 PM Stations of the Cross**

*(followed by Soup & Bread in social center)*

## **Knights of Columbus #844**

The Helena Council #844 of the Knights of Columbus regular meeting time has changed beginning with this meeting. Our monthly business meeting begins at 6:30 PM at the KofC hall.

Catholic Men, if you're not a member but have interest, please checkout KofC.org to learn more.

You can sign up online and you'd be very welcome in our Council.

## *Pilgrimage to Ireland*

**with Fr. Joe Paddock  
May 27 through June 5, 2024**



Join Fr. Joe Paddock on a 10-day, once-in-a-lifetime trip to Ireland!


**Cost: \$4,799.00**

**Includes all necessary flights, airport taxes, security fees and fuel surcharges**  
Also includes transportation by luxury bus, and all breakfasts and dinners, guided tours and tour fees

*We will celebrate Mass together daily and plan to visit many towns and historical sites. Highlights include visits to St. Patrick's Cathedral, the largest church in Ireland, the monastic site of St. Kevin in Glendalough, Our Lady of Lourdes Church, the ruins of Glencolmille named after St. Columba, one of Ireland's three patron saints, and much, much more! You will also have opportunities to enjoy traditional Irish music and dance, shopping in the famous Grafton street area, the rugged coastal scenery of Giant's Causeway, a visit to the Bloody Sunday Memorial, the Slieve League on the Atlantic Coast, Silver Strand Beach, the Cliffs of Moher, Our Lady of Knock, and much more!*

For a full itinerary and to register, go to:

[https://www.proximotravel.com/trip-store/?action=view\\_trip&triptemplateid=1105](https://www.proximotravel.com/trip-store/?action=view_trip&triptemplateid=1105)

or scan the QR code to the right 



# Fish Fry



Friday Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>; March 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024

5pm-7pm

KC Hall - 1867 N. Washington St - Behind Pomp's Tire



\$15 a plate for fresh fish (Cod), coleslaw and potatoes

Homemade Clam Chowder \$6 - Mac & Cheese \$4  
Bring a non-perishable food item for Helena Food Share

Coffee, Soda, Beer, Wine & Mixed Drinks available

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!**

*"Kindness Makes Miracles"*



# Parish Mission

**Speaker:**  
**Mike Manhardt**

## Becoming One Strong Family

**Come join us!**

**March 6th, 7th & 8th**

**7pm until 8pm**

**at Our Lady of the Valley**

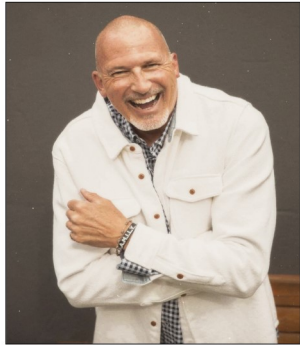
**Mike Manhardt** founder of One Strong Family: a grassroots effort that spreads a message of selfless, unconditional love through the trademarked acronym, "F.A.M.I.L.Y. - Forget About Me I Love You."

He has been a youth minister for over 30 years and for the last 6 years has taught Teen Confirmation Program at The Church of the Good Shepherd in Beverly Hills, California.

He is a board member of a non-profit that feeds the homeless called Feed My Poor, Inc.

He is the founding member of FiveHive Studios where they use A.I. technology process to create filmmaking faster and more affordable.

He was an associate producer of the film "Sound of Freedom."



Michael Manhardt's visit to Helena is being Co-Sponsored by "Beyond 227: In Memory of Father Stu."

# Following God's Pedagogy



An Introduction to Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

**Sr. Mary Michael Fox, OP**

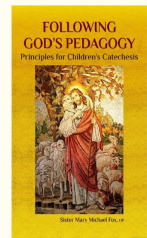
author & catechetical consultant



Tuesday, March 5th

6:00 - 7:30 pm

Cathedral of St. Helena



CGS is a method of educating the child in Christ based on Scripture, the Catholic liturgy, and the pedagogical principles of Maria Montessori. Learn more at [cgsusa.org](http://cgsusa.org)



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC Diocese of Helena

Details & Updates: [diocesehelena.org/faith-formation](http://diocesehelena.org/faith-formation)

# DIOCESE OF HELENA EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS



**MARCH 22-24, 2024**

**CARROLL COLLEGE | HELENA, MT**

ENCOUNTER THE LORD | ENTER INTO HOLY WEEK |  
PROCLAIM HIS LOVE

FEATURED SPEAKERS INCLUDE

DR. JOHN BERGSMA | CHIKA ANYANWU | CHRIS MUELLER |  
SR. FAUSTINA MARIA PIA, SV | SR. ANTONIANA MARIA, SV

LEARN MORE & REGISTER AT: [diocesehelena.org/eucharisticcongress](http://diocesehelena.org/eucharisticcongress)

# Helena Catholic Women's CONFERENCE

"COME TO ME" MATTHEW 11:28



*Sr. Deirdre Byrne*



*Mother Mary Paul*



*Kendra Von Esb*

## Mary Our Mother

Friday, April 12, 2024 ~ Cathedral of St. Helena

5:30 pm Mass & Rosary offered for families  
All are welcome

Saturday, April 13, 2024

Women's Conference, Adoration,  
Confessions, Vendors, Fellowship  
Helena Civic Center



visit [Helenacwc.com](http://Helenacwc.com)





## COVID REMEMBRANCE:

WE REMEMBER THEM and WE CELEBRATE

March 12, 2024 | 7:00 PM | Social Center

An evening to *remember* and *celebrate*... An evening to share stories... An evening to share hope. COVID impacted all our lives... we are survivors.

Join us for a time of reflection, prayer, and healing as we support each other through our loss and our growth because of the pandemic.

Come for delicious desserts and community to *remember* and to *celebrate*.

Ed Glowienka will emcee the evening, Katherine Greiner will share a reflection, and Colleen Mockler will provide music.

*We Remember and We Celebrate!*

RSVP by clicking [here](#) OR call the Parish Office at 406-442-5268.

Pictures from: Lenten Soup & Bread with invited guest, Mark Nay & talk on "Why Peace is Achievable" by Dr. Jeanette Fregulia





Saint Mary Catholic Community is participating in the **Because He First Loved Us** Campaign for Catholic Life along with every parish in the Diocese of Helena. This extraordinary effort seeks to raise \$30 million for parishes, including ours, as well as meeting the pressing needs of our Diocese by supporting formation of our seminarians, providing a secure retirement to our retired priests, restoring the Cathedral of St. Helena, and importantly, leading others to discover Christ.

Saint Mary Catholic Community's goal is \$838,000. Of this amount, 40% will remain at our parish for the following needs:

#### **Faith Formation and Outreach**

Twenty percent of our campaign funds will be used to support our Faith Formation ministries and develop new strategies and tools for additional outreach to our local Helena community. These funds will be used to strengthen the OCIA program, RE program, sacramental preparation, and growing families in our faith. Our future generations are the source of our priests, religious and lay ministries and our response to Christ's call to "go out into all the world and spread the Good News!"

#### **Endowment for Future Needs**

Twenty percent of our campaign funds will be placed in our parish endowment account to provide for our generations of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren.

#### **Capital Projects: Parking Lot Reconstruction and Other Urgent Needs**

Saint Mary Catholic Community has a beautiful expansive campus. However, the parking lot has been in need of full rehabilitation for a number of years and regular maintenance will no longer suffice. A reconstruction of our parking lot ensures that Saint Mary can safely accommodate parishioners, visitors, and staff now and into the future. Sixty percent of funds raised in this campaign will become the seed monies for the parish's urgent capital needs.

If Saint Mary Catholic Community reaches the \$838,000 goal, everything raised after that will then be flipped, where Saint Mary will receive 60% of the funds raised and the Diocese will receive 40%.

We are grateful for the ongoing commitment of our parish community.





# SEMINARIANS

FOR THE DIOCESE OF HELENA

2023-2024

Dillon Armstrong	John Cooney
Kaleb Mitchell	Riley Helgoe
Brett Rotz	Anthony Olmes
James Semling	Jamie Severson
Carter Anderson	Shae Bills
Lane Buus	Matt Keck

- Please continue to pray for our Seminarians -

## We Pray for all those serving in the Military

Natasha Walker	Nathan Mill
Marcus Peter	Christopher Casne
Andrew Welch	Tyler Eierdam
Ed Eve, Jr	Colby Smith
Jack Cotter	Cody Gleich
David Beatty	Andrew McGuffey
Jackson Haddon	Nicholas T Nelson
Stephen Ceo	Tristan Anne Driessen
Lucas Robson	

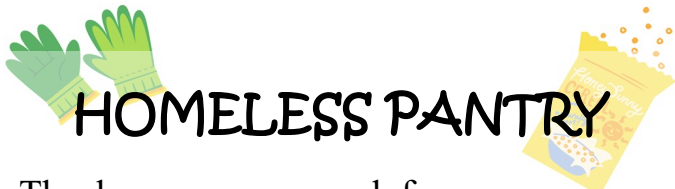
*By the grace of God may peace reside in every human heart and in all the world. If you would like to add or remove a name, please call the Parish Office on 406-442-5268.*

## Prayers for the Deceased

*Eternal rest grant unto them,  
O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
Please remember in your prayers those who have recently died:*

**Clif Caughron**

When a member of your family dies and the funeral is somewhere other than Saint Mary, please call the Pastoral Office so that we may remember them in the Prayer of the Faithful.



Thank you so very much for your response to our parish's Homeless Pantry.

Through your generosity, we were able to keep the pantry stocked through the summer!

The Homeless Pantry continues to be a huge success with lots of individuals in need using it.

Now winter is here! We will still accept donations of food and toiletries, but we also need scarves, warm hats, bottles of water, gloves, socks.

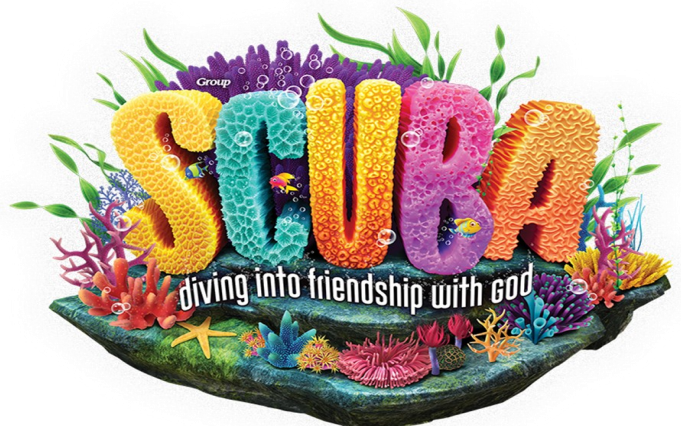
**Thank you for your generosity!**



## VBS

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JULY 8-12, 2024



## Our parish is a supporter of a number of outreach organizations in town, including:



### Catholic Social Services : 406-442-4130

Guided by a commitment to respect for life, CSSM serves the varied needs of mothers, babies and children by building and strengthening families in Montana.



### De La Salle Blackfeet School: 406-338-5290

Provides a quality, innovative and faith-based education to students on Blackfeet Reservation, that they may become successful learners and able participants in the shaping of their community.



### Family Promise: 406-465-9467

Helps homeless and low-income families achieve sustainable independence through an interfaith network of hospitality.



### Friendship Center: 406-442-6800

Supports victims of domestic violence and/or sexual abuse with a broad range of support at no charge.



### God's Love: 406-442-7000

Supports homeless in our community and helps provide food and shelter.



### Good Samaritan Ministries: 406-442-0780

Supports family life in our community and enhance human dignity with services to meet the physical health, social, emotional and spiritual needs of individuals and families.



**Guatemala Mission:** Established in 1964, our diocesan mission at Santo Tomás la Unión, Guatemala is comprised of a school, a clinic, and the mission headquarters. The mission provides essential services to poor people in the coastal highlands of the country.



### Habitat for Humanity: 406-449-4663

Self-described "Christian housing ministry" is devoted to building simple, decent, affordable housing in the Helena area. ([www.helenahabitat.org](http://www.helenahabitat.org))



### Helena Community Gardens: 406-529-1364

Makes gardening accessible to low-income families, people with disabilities and the elderly, increasing access to healthy locally grown food. Our Jubilee Garden, which donates fresh organic produce to Helena Food Share, is a member of the Helena Community Gardens family. ([www.helenagardens.org](http://www.helenagardens.org))



### Helena Food Share: 406-443-3663

Creates a hunger free community with emergency food boxes monthly and weekly produce and breads.



### Options Clinic: 406-422-1011

Guided by a commitment to respect for life, Options offers a wide range of health care services to men and women free of charge. ([www.optionsfriends.org](http://www.optionsfriends.org))

*If the good work of any of these organizations resonates with your desire to serve, please feel free to contact them—and please mention that you are from Saint Mary Catholic Community.*

## CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

*The Church's social teaching shows us how to build a just society and live lives of holiness in the 21st century.*

Each person is **SACRED**, made in God's image, equal in dignity.

Each person is **SOCIAL**, called to participate in family and community.

All people have **RIGHTS** and **RESPONSIBILITIES**. The right to life and its necessities, the responsibility to respect the rights of others and work for the common good.

We care for people who are **POOR** and vulnerable, before all else.

Workers have rights. **WORK** has dignity. We are partners with God in creation.

**SOLIDARITY** is our call. We are our brothers' and sisters' keepers.

We are for **CREATION**. We live in interdependence with all God has made.

## Mark Your Calendars!

- ◆ Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays: 12:10 PM Mass
- ◆ Fridays: Mass *at rotating sites in local care centers*.  
**Coming up:** March 15 10:30 AM at Cooney; March 22 11:00 AM at Hunter's Pointe; April 5 10:30 AM at Mount Ascension
- ◆ Wednesdays: Confessions 4:00 PM—5:00 PM
- ◆ Tuesdays: Eucharistic Adoration after the 12:10 PM Mass until 2:00 PM
- ◆ Saturdays: 3:00—4:00 PM Confessions; 4:30 PM Vigil
- ◆ Sundays: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Masses  
**Livestream Masses available [here](#)**
- ◆ Sunday March 3: 9:15 AM—10:15 AM Confirmation class in St. Ann's; 10:30 AM First Scrutiny; 10:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word in social center
- ◆ Monday March 4: 9:45 AM Monday Morning Prayer Group in St. Ann's; 1:00 PM New Grief Group in St. Ann's
- ◆ Wednesday March 6: 3:45 PM—5:00 PM RE in social center; **No Confessions**; 6:30 PM—7:30 PM Youth Group in social center
- ◆ Thursday March 7: 10:00 AM—3:00 PM Quilters in St. Ann's; 1:00 PM The Chosen Discussion Group in social center
- ◆ Friday March 8: 5:30 PM Stations of the Cross followed by Soup & Bread in social center
- ◆ Saturday March 9: 3:00 PM—4:00 PM Confessions
- ◆ Sunday March 10: 8:00 AM 2nd scrutiny; 9:15 AM—10:20 AM First Communion in social center; 10:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word in social center; 1:00 PM—2:30 PM Confirmation in social center
- ◆ Monday March 11: 9:45 AM Monday Morning Prayer Group in St. Ann's; 1:00 PM New Grief Group in St. Ann's
- ◆ Tuesday March 12: 1:00 PM New Grief Group in St. Ann's; 7:00 PM Covid: We Remember Them event in social center
- ◆ Wednesday March 13: 4:00 PM—5:00 PM Confessions; 3:45 PM—5:00 PM RE in social center; 6:30 PM—7:30 PM Youth Group in social center
- ◆ Thursday March 14: 1:00 PM The Chosen Discussion Group in social center
- ◆ Friday March 15: 10:30 AM Mass at Cooney; 10:30 AM—12:00 PM (Noon) Loneliness presentation by Dr. Dave Krainacker; 5:30 PM Evening Prayer followed by Soup & Bread in social center
- ◆ Saturday March 16: 3:00 PM—4:00 PM Confessions; 4:30 PM 3rd Scrutiny



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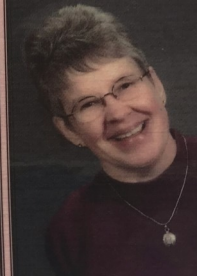
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