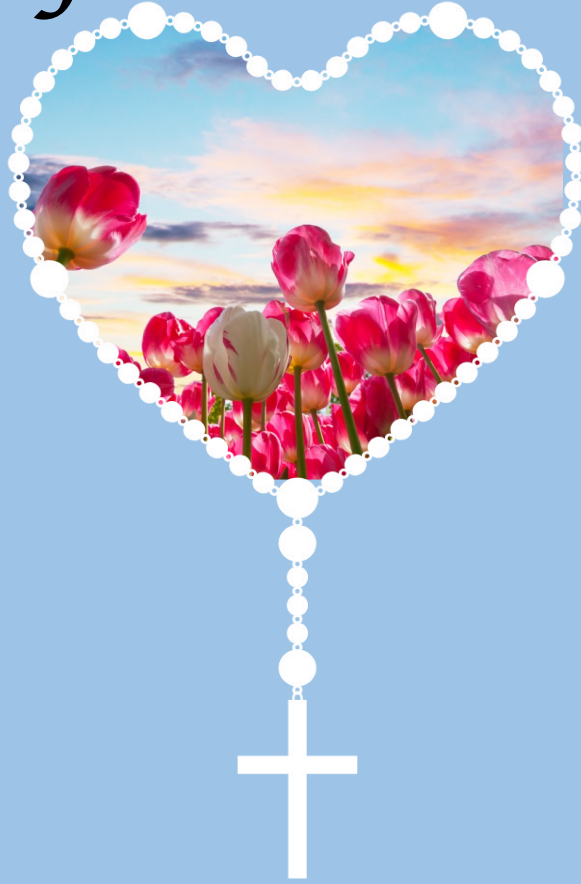


# Saint Mary Catholic Community



## May 10th, 2026 The Sixth Sunday of Easter

“And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him.”

**John 17:21**

## May 17th, 2026 The Ascension of the Lord

“Now glorify me, Father, with you, with the glory that I had with you before the world began.”

**John 17:5**

**Mass Schedule:** Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 PM | Sunday Mass 9:00 AM

Weekday Masses: Tuesday & Thursday 12:10 PM

Upcoming Care Center Masses: May 15th at Cooney, May 22nd at Helena Pointe

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

**Reconciliation:** Tuesday 3:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m. and Saturday 2:30 p.m.— 3:30 p.m.

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### 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.”

## Masses at Saint Mary

### **Sunday, May 10th—The Sixth Sunday of Easter**

*Acts 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Peter 2:20b-25; John 10:1-10*

**9:00 AM Mass**— for the intention of all mothers

#### **Monday, May 11th—No Mass**

*Acts 11q:1-18; John 10:11-18*

#### **Tuesday, May 12th**

*Acts 11:19-26; John 10:22-30*

**12:10 PM Mass**— In memory of the Seipp & Avery Families  
rb: Glenda & Michael Seipp

**3:30 PM—5:00 PM Confessions**

#### **Wednesday, May 13th—No Mass**

*Acts 12:24-13:5a; John 12:44-50*

#### **Thursday, May 14th**

*Acts 13:13-25; John 13:16-20*

**12:10 PM Mass**— For the intentions of Alvin Lyljedahl  
rb: Lynda Camburn

#### **Friday, May 15th**

*Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6*

**10:30 AM Mass** at Cooney  
for the intentions of the people at Cooney

#### **Saturday, May 16th**

*Acts 13:44-52; John 14:7-14*

**2:30 PM— 3:30 PM Confessions**

**4:00 PM Vigil**- for Doug & I Gael Harris†  
rb: Steve McCue

### **Sunday, May 17th— The Seventh Sunday of Easter**

*Acts 6:1-7; 1 Peter 2:4-9; John 14:1-12*

**9:00 AM Mass**— for Tim Schroeder†  
rb: Mary Schroeder

#### **Monday, May 18th—No Mass**

*Acts 14:5-18; John 14:21-26*

#### **Tuesday, May 19th**

*Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a*

**12:10 PM Mass**— for the intentions of the Stulz and Schroeder Families  
rb: Mary Schroeder

**3:30 PM—5:00 PM Confessions**

#### **Wednesday, May 20th—No Mass**

*Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8*

#### **Thursday, May 21st**

*Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11*

**12:10 PM Mass**— for Lloyd and Rickie Kelly†  
rb: Steve McCue

#### **Friday, May 22nd**

*Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17*

**11:00 AM Mass** at Helena Pointe  
for the intentions of the people at Helena Pointe

**11:00 AM Funeral** for Don MacIntyre

#### **Saturday, May 23rd**

*Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21*

**2:30 PM— 3:30 PM Confessions**

**4:00 PM Vigil**- for Noreen Olson†  
rb: Michael & Mary Fout

## Mark Your Calendars!

- ◆ **Sunday May 10th:** 9:00 am Mass
- ◆ **Monday May 11th:** No Mass; 9:30 am Prayer Group
- ◆ **Tuesday May 12th:** 12:10 pm Mass; 1:00 pm Church History; 3:30 pm— 5:00 pm Confessions; 5:30 pm Pastoral Council
- ◆ **Wednesday May 13th:** No Mass
- ◆ **Thursday April 14th:** 12:10 pm Mass; 1:00 pm Sisters of Charity
- ◆ **Friday May 15th:** 10:30 am Mass at Cooney; 12:00 pm Prayer in Motion
- ◆ **Saturday May 16th:** 9:00 am Adopt a Highway; 10:00am-2:00pm Jubilee Garden Planting; 2:30 pm— 3:30 pm Confessions; 4:00 pm Mass
- ◆ **Sunday May 17th:** 9:00 am Mass, Blessing in the Jubilee Garden after Mass
- ◆ **Monday May 18th:** No Mass; 9:30 am Prayer Group; 1:00 pm Grief Group
- ◆ **Tuesday May 19th:** 6:45 am Men's Prayer Group; 12:10 pm Mass; 1:00 pm Church History; 2:00 pm Book Club; 3:30 pm— 5:00 pm Confessions; 5:30 pm Finance Council
- ◆ **Wednesday May 20th:** No Mass
- ◆ **Thursday May 21st:** 10:00 am-3:00 pm Quilters; 12:10 pm Mass
- ◆ **Friday May 22nd:** 11:00 am Funeral for Don MacIntyre; 11:00 am Mass at Helena Pointe; 12:00 pm Prayer in Motion
- ◆ **Saturday May 23rd:** 2:30 pm— 3:30 pm Confessions; 4:00 pm Mass



## Parish Staff at your service

*Father Tim Moriarty*

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*Dawn Brannman ~ Faith Formation Director/Youth Minister*

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*Pastoral Care Director: Vacant*

*Lori Mleko ~ Elementary RE Coordinator*

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Beginning in June

*Brandon Bloom ~ Maintenance Director*

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*Keaton Pettis ~ Communications Coordinator*

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## Parish Councils at your service

**Pastoral Council Members:** Starla Blank, Jan Buyske, Ed Glowienka, John Larson, Mary Munger, Casey Molloy, Jeff Tobin, Tyson Schulte, Marelee Cloninger, Leah Butkay, Lacey Galen, Kristi Irwin, and Alissa Voeller

**Finance Council Members:** Bruce Baumgart, Jana Gruber, Julie Johnson, Anna Miller, Lori Murphy-Moulet, Rick Duane, and Nancy Coleman

**Pastoral Office Hours:** Monday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. | Tuesday: 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM | Friday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

**Fr. Tim's Office Hours:** Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday: 10:00 AM—2:00 PM

**Office Address:** 1700 Missoula Ave. Helena, MT 59601

**Phone:** 406-442-5268 | **Website:** [www.stmaryhelena.org](http://www.stmaryhelena.org) | **E-mail:** [smcc@stmaryhelena.org](mailto:smcc@stmaryhelena.org)

## *From Father Tim*

“LET US GO REJOICING TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD.”

These are the words from Psalm 122 of Wednesday of the 5th week of Easter. There is a reason that the Easter season goes on for weeks— because the glory and magnitude of that Easter Day cannot be emphasized enough! Jesus Christ is truly risen— never to die again. And He wants all of us to be with Him in paradise.

Like this psalm says, let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord. All of us have different backgrounds, gifts, talents, and unique personalities that bring great fruit to the Church. All of our various gifts and talents are to build up the kingdom of God while on earth so that we can give the Lord glory and praise forever! We are One Body and One Spirit in Christ at Mass and in our various walks in life.

We all know that without Christ, we are nothing. Every breath that we take is a gift from God and we need to be mindful and thankful for all of the gifts and blessings that God has bestowed upon us in our lives. When we come together to celebrate the Eucharist (which means thanksgiving), we are indeed thankful to receive the powerful gift of Christ’s Body and Blood, Soul, and Divinity to give us the wisdom, strength, healing, and peace to follow the Lord in our daily lives. We had wonderful celebrations of First Communion at Saint Mary Catholic Community and Our Lady of the Valley Parish and Saturday, May 2nd and Sunday, May 3rd as our youth received Christ’s Body and Blood for the first of many times in their lives!

We celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Vetter at the Cathedral of St. Helena for many youth and young adults from the Helena Deanery, and family and friends came from all over to celebrate these great Sacraments with their loved ones. The Holy Spirit came upon those Confirmed in a beautiful and profound way! We all went to the house of the Lord to celebrate the love and power of God for our youth and for all of us!

Unity is a fundamental mark of the Church, as she was established by Christ the Bridegroom, to bring the power of the Gospel and the Sacraments to the ends of the earth. When we come together to celebrate the Eucharist, we represent a visible union of faith, worship, and a unity of not only ourselves, but a unity with the Pope and the Bishops worldwide as we are a One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. The power of love is in our midst as we are united to celebrate the beauty and mystery of the Eucharist. The strength that cometh from heaven to guide us on our pilgrim way back to Him. LET US GO REJOICING TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD!

**God bless all of you!**

*Fr. Tim*

### **Pope’s Intentions for May 2026**

**That everyone might have food**

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



**Prayer  
Ministry  
Sacrifice**

**As praying stewards,** we gathered together as community to celebrate and pray with all of our youth who received Confirmation and their First Holy Communion. We gathered for the Blessing of the Mary Statues and the RE children celebrated the May Crowning.

**As ministering stewards,** We gathered for the St. Francis Peace Through Justice Ministry “Human Trafficking in the Helena Area” Talk presented by Lewis and Clark County Sheriff Leo Dutton. We invite you to bring a plant in honor of a loved one who has died for the Jubilee Garden Planting Day on May 16th from 10:00 am– 2:00 pm. We also invite you to participate in the Adopt a Highway Clean Up and Picnic on May 16th beginning at 9:00 am in the Social Center.

**As sacrificing stewards,**

**Stewardship Gifts/Ordinary Collections:**

Total Donations (Two Weeks): 4/20/26 – 5/04/26 \$25,095.50

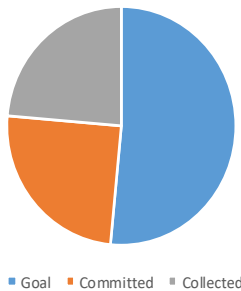
Monthly Income (Apr) \$44,550  
Average Monthly Expenses (Apr) \$45,000

## Upcoming Collection: May 2026

During the month of May, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work for their communities need. Your support for this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Envelopes can be found in the Gathering Space, or you can donate online on your personal giving portal.



HABEMUS PAPAM, ACA 2025-26  
80 Households with Commitments



<b>Goal</b>	<b>\$ 89,600.00</b>
Committed	\$ 43,159.92
Collected	\$ 41,134.92

**46.07% of Goal**

### Building a Culture of Life and Family across Montana

Funded in part by the Annual Catholic Appeal, Catholic Social Services provides confidential counseling throughout our state for expectant parents who need assistance to become new parents to their baby. Additional services include adoption placement, post-adoption support, Rachael’s Hope (post abortion help), Youth Mentoring and supportive aid to birthmothers. *Please help provide for these critical services. Let us share what we have in gratitude for the gifts of life and family*

## CRS Rice Bowl Collection

Thank you for your generous support of the CRS Rice Bowl collection (\$5,057.16) and for revealing Christ's love to those who are poor and marginalized. This collection helps Catholic Relief Services provide help and support for struggling communities both here and around the world.

## SMCC Food Share Donations

During the month of April, SMCC has donated 293 lbs of food to Helena Food Share!  
Thank you for your generosity!

## SMCC Solar Energy

As of Thursday, May 7th at 9:00 am SMCC solar panels have produced 200.16 MWh of energy worth \$24,283.37!



## Parish Prayer Chain

Prayer is a powerful way we practice loving God and loving our neighbor as ourselves. If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, call the Parish Office to have your prayer request put on the email prayer chain. Your request can include the person's name or be anonymous. To join the prayer chain, please call the Parish Office (406) 442-5268. If you'd like to be a part of the parish prayer chain and don't have access to email, please call Keaton at the parish office to sign up with your telephone number. As prayers are received at the parish, you will receive a phone call, making it possible for you to participate in this important prayer ministry.

## Hospital Communion Ministry

With concern for your privacy, should you be admitted to St. Peter's Health, you will be invited to disclose your religious affiliation and your interest in having a member of Saint Mary Catholic Community contact you during your hospital stay. If you'd like to receive Communion from a Pastoral Care Minister or Father Tim Moriarty, it is important that you answer the questions that enable the hospital Chaplain to contact Saint Mary for you. The nurse completing your intake will ask if you'd like to visit with the Chaplain, Kim Pepper (a member of Our Lady of the Valley Parish), or disclose your religious affiliation and will then inquire if you'd like someone from your faith community to visit you. The Pastoral Care Ministry of Saint Mary Catholic Community would love to provide you with comfort during your hospital stay.  
Please let the hospital staff know if a visit would be helpful for you.



St. Peter's Health

# FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY



Congratulations and Blessings to our youth who received their First Communion on Saturday, May 2nd and to our youth who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, May 3rd! May God Bless each of you abundantly!!!!

**Thank you so much to all of our amazing Catechists and Assistants! We are so grateful for you!!!!**



**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:** Renee Barns, Dawn Brannman, Lori Mleko, Lacey Galen, Sandra Gibsonhare, Mary Heidlebaugh, Sarah Sandau, and Molly Somerville

**Religious Education:** Alissa Voeller, Camille Patterson, Maria Foot, Lois Menzies, Katie Meyer, Angie Bonney, Sara Wunderlich, Vicki Hentz, Kathleen Hunthausen, and Deacon Michael

**Snacks:** Deb Larson and Mary Buswell

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** MC Pancich, Ann Marie Bushong, Alissa Voeller, Bizz Browning, Ondrea Dukart, Viki Garmin, Molly Somerville, Jennifer Glowienka, Morgan Handy, Mo Leo, and Kathleen Hunthausen



VBS 2026

August 3-7 from 1:00-5:00 pm

Children entering Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Register here: <https://forms.gle/2seaQnGAqF4mapC97> or scan the QR code



## Director of Pastoral Care

Saint Mary Catholic Community is seeking a qualified Director of Pastoral Care to support the operations of Saint Mary Catholic Community. This position reports to the Pastor and serves the parish by overseeing and coordinating ministries that provide spiritual, emotional, and physical care to individuals and families. Rooted in Catholic teachings and the mission of the Church, the Director ensures that all programs reflect compassion, mercy and the dignity of every person. Candidates should have a Bachelor's degree or equivalent education/experience in Theology, Pastoral Ministry, Social Work, Nursing or a related field. Strong organizational and communication skills are essential. This is a salaried position, working 32 hours per week, with benefits. Annual salary will depend on experience. For a complete job description and list of qualifications for the position, please see our website at [www.stmaryhelena.org](http://www.stmaryhelena.org). Apply by sending your cover letter, resume and three professional references to [finance@stmaryhelena.org](mailto:finance@stmaryhelena.org).

This position will remain open until filled.





# St. Francis Dinner

Thursday, May 21, 2026  
5:45 p.m.- 8:30pm



**A humble dinner of soup and pasta to benefit Good Samaritan Ministries**

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Come learn about our ministries  
and raise support for GSM's mission.  
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**Knights of Columbus Hall  
1867 Washington St.  
Helena, MT**

**Questions?  
Call Good Samaritan at  
406-442-0780 ext 111**

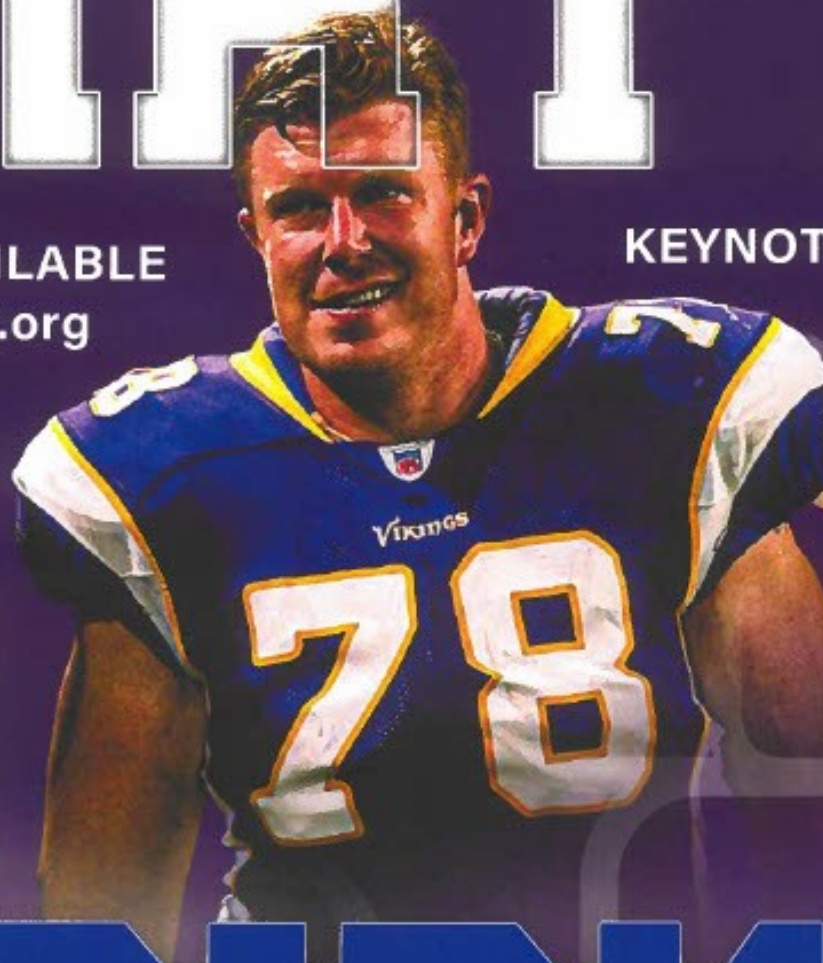
# BEYOND 227

Continuing Fr. Stu's Mission

# MATT

TICKETS AVAILABLE  
[Beyond227.org](http://Beyond227.org)

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



# BIRK

JUNE 12TH, 2026  
HELENA CIVIC CENTER

## Prison Ministry

“Lord, ... when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?” (Matthew 25:39) “Visiting the imprisoned” is one of the seven Corporal Works of Mercy—and it’s happening right here in Helena! A dedicated group goes to Montana State Prison each month to minister to inmates. Come hear what prison ministry is really like, ask questions, and learn simple, practical ways you can help. Join a panel of prison ministry members for a discussion at: Our Lady of the Valley Parish on Tuesday, May 12 at 7:00 PM. Sponsored by Helena Catholic Journey Community. All are welcome—bring a friend!



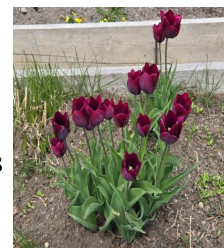
## Plant a flower for a loved one... INVITATION TO REMEMBER

MAY 16- 17 at Jubilee Garden

In conjunction with **LAUDATO SI ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND** parishioners are invited to bring a plant in honor of a loved one who has died. If you have had a loss this past year or would like to honor a loved one or perhaps your loved ones are buried in another community, you can honor them in our Jubilee Garden.

Bring a plant that has meaning for you and your loved one, please only annuals. A small shovel would also be handy. Bring to the garden following week-end liturgies.

*Our memorial plot in the Jubilee Garden serves as a memorial/healing garden. It is a place of beauty, remembrance, and hope. All are welcome to visit the garden throughout the growing season.*



## Saint Francis Peace Through Justice

### How To Do Peace

**Peace always begins in the heart of each person.** One cannot promote peace if there are anger, bitterness or other forms of violence in the heart and mind. Personal violence spills over, hurting others, breaking relationships, starting wars – small and large. The following “Vow of Nonviolence” was written by Eileen Eagan and Fr. John Dear and published by Pax Christi in the Lenten reflection booklet “Peace Compels Us.” Its’ simplicity follows Jesus’ words, **“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons and daughters of God.”**

**“I vow to carry out in my life the love and example of Jesus:**

- by striving for peace within myself and seeking to be a peacemaker in my daily life;
- by refusing to retaliate in the face of provocation and violence;
- by persevering in nonviolence of tongue and heart;
- by living conscientiously and simply so that I do not deprive others of the means to live;
- by actively resisting evil and working nonviolently to abolish war and the causes of war from my own heart and from the face of the earth.

**God, I trust in Your sustaining love and believe that just as You gave me the grace and desire to offer this, so You will also bestow abundant grace to fulfill it.” AMEN**

*St. Francis Peace Through Justice Ministry*

# Blessing of Graduates

All graduates from High School, College or Advanced Degree programs are invited to receive a Blessing at the 4pm Mass on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>!



## Care for Creation

### Between Rupture and Belonging: Listening to Our Earth, Listening to Each Other

#### Recent presentation at Saint Mary's by Mauricio Lopez Oropeza

Mauricio Lopez Oropeza works with the Vatican, in the Amazon and around the globe on caring for creation by implementing the spirituality and actions described in Laudato Si. He sees caring for creation as more than an environmental issue. **Creation is God's "divine project". It is the ongoing revelation of God.** We are cocreators in a spiritual, communal endeavor.

**Synodality is the ideal way for human cocreation to occur. It is defined as walking together; laity and clergy holding prayerful, truthful conversations which value all voices in respectful speaking and listening while consciously and continually seeking the inspiration, guidance, and transformative power of the Holy Spirit.**

Synodality was utilized by the apostles as a way to function after Jesus ascended to heaven and was no longer there in the flesh to lead them. It fosters full participation and coresponsibility. It creates true community based on right, loving relationship with God and all of our neighbors. "We listen until we hear the voice of God." With God, we love and listen to the cry of all of the people until we recognize the will of God.

Mauricio posed the question, "**What does it mean to be sent to each other?**" He used the parable of Jesus healing the blind man, Bartimeus, to encourage all Catholics around the world to wake up and make serious changes to protect and care for God's creation. Our current level of consumption cannot continue. In other words, we are called to engage in a process of ecological conversion and to practice ecological spirituality. Mauricio stated, "**You cannot be a follower of Jesus Christ in the Catholic church unless you follow Laudato Si. It is part of the magisterium. It is not optional. It is an essential part of our faith.**"

*"We are not human beings having a spiritual experience.  
We are spiritual beings having a human experience."*

A video tape of Mauricio Lopez's presentation is available on the parish website.

## Adopt a Highway

Saint Mary Catholic Community has adopted a two-mile stretch of US Highway 12 W. The next cleanup will be on May 16<sup>th</sup>. The cleanup will be followed by a blessing of the Ten Mile Watershed and a picnic lunch a short distance from the cleanup area. Anyone age 10 and up can participate in the cleanup. Those 10 to 15 years of age will need a Volunteer Release of Liability signed by a parent or guardian. If cleaning the highway isn't your thing but you want to participate in the watershed blessing and picnic, we will need additional help getting the picnic area set up. **Please meet at Saint Mary's at 9:00am on May 16th for the required safety briefing before departing as a group for the cleanup area. Pastries, coffee and juice will be available during the briefing.**

Please wear sturdy shoes, long pants and layer clothing for changing weather conditions. Suggested items to bring with you are: sunscreen, bug spray, gloves, sunglasses, hat and a water bottle. Snacks and additional water bottles will be available during the cleanup. At noon, there will be a blessing of the Ten Mile Watershed followed by a picnic lunch at the Ten Mile Picnic Area located approximately four miles from the cleanup area

south on Rimini Road. Lunch and drinks will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. All are invited to attend even if you do not participate in the highway cleanup. This is a great way to care for our community, share in fellowship with other parishioners, and spend some time in a beautiful area of God's creation. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to the Parish Office or sign up at the kiosk. See you there!

## Laudato Si Anniversary Weekend 5/16-17

### From Hope to Action

(International Theme Focusing on Ecological Conversion)

~ MASSES: Listen for prayers for God's creation and creation themed music. The prayer cards in the pews are yours to take home.

~ JUBILEE GARDEN:

- Spring Planting Day: Saturday 5/16 10:00-2:00

- Invitation to Remember: Sunday after mass or any time throughout the weekend, you are invited to plant a flower, annuals, please, in the Memorial plot to remember and honor a loved one who has died.

~ SAINT FRANCIS PEACE THROUGH JUSTICE ADOPT A HIGHWAY AND PICNIC:

- Highway/Watershed Cleanup Orientation: 9:00 am Saturday 5/16, Social Center.

- Picnic: 12:00 Saturday 5/16, Rimini picnic area. Please RSVP at the Parish Office.

~ CARE FOR CREATION WATERSHED BLESSINGS:

- Ten Mile Creek Watershed and Flowing Water Blessing Saturday 5/16 along Ten Mile Creek at the beginning of the picnic. Reflection and Music: Tom Osborne, Hydrologist and Parishioner.

- Living Water, Jubilee Garden, and Ground Water Blessing after Mass on Sunday 5/17, Jubilee Garden. Reflection and Tours: Dave Krainacker and Nina Heinzinger Music: Tom Osborne



## A New Ministry in the Diocese of Helena

In the month dedicated to our Blessed Mother, we invite you into a video series produced by the Foundation to discuss a new ministry. Last year, the Foundation for the Diocese of Helena awarded St. Richard's Parish in Columbia Falls our Faith in Action DREAM BIG grant to create "Little Ones Ministry" for families who have experienced a miscarriage, stillborn or infant death.

Videos will be released on Facebook and Instagram on Monday and Thursdays throughout the month of May. The videos may also be accessed on our YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/@FoundationforDioceseofHelena/videos](http://www.youtube.com/@FoundationforDioceseofHelena/videos)

Bishop Vetter reminds us we don't need to suffer alone. This miscarriage ministry is designed to walk in faith with those who experience the devastating loss of a child.

For more information contact St. Richard Parish at (406) 892-5142.



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## Prayer in Motion

Prayer in Motion Classes have resumed. Class begins at 12 noon in the Social Center and lasts about 45 minutes. Please join us for gentle, prayerful movement. No experience necessary. Standing and seated options are available.



## Declaration of Dependence – A Providential Call for America

In honor of America's 250th year, Billings Catholic Radio and the Fulton Sheen Institute invite you to a dynamic live event on the life and message of Venerable Fulton J. Sheen. Through engaging storytelling and rich insight, Dr. Peter Howard—one of the world's leading Sheen scholars—will show how Sheen's timeless witness can help us renew our "declaration of dependence" on Christ. Register by May 15 and save! [BILLINGSCATHOLICRADIO.COM](http://BILLINGSCATHOLICRADIO.COM)



## Still Water Hospice

Hospice Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are an essential part of hospice care. No matter what your abilities and interest are, there are volunteer opportunities for you! Please call (406) 916-4500 for more information.



## For the Security of Our Parish

The signs on the church have been removed, but the church doors will still be locked 10 minutes after all weekend Masses due to recent safety concerns, so get here early!



## **SAFE ENVIRONMENT – PROTECTING GOD’S CHILDREN**

The Diocese of Helena is firmly committed to the health, protection, and safety of our children, youth, and vulnerable adults.

To report allegations of sexual abuse, contact the Diocese of Helena Victim’s Advocate at (406)-459-0513 or [VictimAssistant@diocesehelena.org](mailto:VictimAssistant@diocesehelena.org).

To obtain information about the Diocese’s implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People through our Safe Environment policies and programs, visit:

<https://diocesehelena.org/safe-environment>

### **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, and 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.

### **Blessing Box**


Thank you all for your continued support for Saint Mary’s Blessing Box. With winter having arrived, we are in need for gloves/mittens, hats, scarves, and small blankets. And, of course, we still need food items that can be consumed without utensils as well as hygiene items.

Please, do not put canned goods in the Blessing Box; canned goods should be given to Food Share.


Blessings to you all in 2026!

**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.

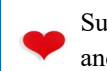
**Family Promise: 406-465-9467**

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


**Friendship Center: 406-442-6800**

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 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.


**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)

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

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

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O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
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