

Saint Anthony Catholic Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Great Falls—Billings



Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5:30 pm
 Sunday 8:45 am, 11:00 am

Daily Mass Schedule:

Tuesday 5:30 pm
 Wed – Sat 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday 7:45 – 8:30 am
 Tues & Sat 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Before & After Daily Mass

OR By Appointment

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Please remember to contact the office if you or someone in your family is hospitalized or enters a care facility.

Feast of the Holy Family



"The Messiah wanted to start his redemptive task in the bosom of a simple, ordinary family. The first thing that Jesus sanctified with His presence was a home. Nothing extraordinary happened during those years in Nazareth where Jesus spent the greater part of His life."

"The Holy Family would have devoutly recited the traditional prayers which were said in every Jewish home... How keenly and fervently, and with what a spirit of recollection, would Jesus have repeated the verses of Sacred Scripture which all Hebrew children had to learn. He would often recite these prayers learned from His parents' lips."

"When they contemplate these scenes, parents should frequently consider the words of Pope Paul VI, recalled for us by Pope Saint John Paul II, *"Do you teach your children the Christian prayers? Do you prepare them, in conjunction with the priests, for the sacraments that they receive when they are young..."* [In Conversation with God; Francis Fernandez]

*Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi, Lex Vivendi!***How to Receive Holy Communion
on the Tongue**

Although permission was given in 1969 by the Vatican to the bishops of the United States to allow people to receive Holy Communion in the hand, it is still the norm in the Universal Church for Catholics to receive our Lord on the tongue, and if we are physically able, to receive while kneeling.

There are many good reasons to receive Holy Communion on the tongue. First of all, it is humble. It sometimes happens that a grown man or woman becomes so weak and frail that they are no longer able to feed themselves; someone has to put food in their mouths. To be fed this way by someone else is humbling. The same goes for infants and babies—they can't feed themselves. Receiving Holy Communion on the tongue may seem a bit strange, kind of awkward and perhaps even embarrassing—which is all to say—humiliating or humbling. It expresses our total dependency on God, like an infant that can't even feed himself.

Receiving on the tongue expresses reverence. The action signifies that what we are receiving is so sacred, we receive it in an extraordinary way, an uncommon way, a way very different than how we receive ordinary food. *Lex orandi, lex credendi: the way we pray forms the way we believe.* That means the way we receive our Lord in Holy Communion forms our faith in the Eucharist. In every place where communion in the hand has become the norm, faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist has plummeted. One powerful way to restore faith in the Eucharist, therefore, would be to go back to receiving Holy Communion kneeling and on the tongue.

Perhaps you are thinking that you would like to give Communion on the tongue a try, but you are not sure how. Here are some tips on how to do it:

- Tilt your head back slightly, open your mouth about half-way and stick out your tongue.
- Wait for the priest to place the sacred Host on your tongue. Don't move your head or mouth towards the host; just be still and wait. Some people take their eyes off the Host at the time to help them not lunge for it.
- Better to let the Host dissolve on your tongue to minimize the chance of getting a piece of the Eucharist stuck in your teeth.

If you would rather continue receiving Holy Communion on the hand, you have every right to do so. When you receive the Host in your hand, carefully grasp it with your thumb and pointer finger. Keep your other hand under the host while you bring it to your mouth. Finally, check to see if there are any particles of the Host in the palm of your hand and consume them as well.

*Pax,**Fr Bart***Catholic Women's Retreat****OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL***"Our Guidance & Hope in Times of Confusion"***SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2019**

8:30 am - 3:30 pm

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Ladies, in the new year, let's gather for a day of prayer, fellowship, and inspiring talks by **Fr. Bart Stevens** and **Fr. Garrett Nelson**. Most of us are familiar with the image of Our Lady of Good Counsel, but have you heard the miraculous story behind the Madonna image? It's truly an inspiring message of people with great personal courage, who remain faithful and devoted to Our Lady in very challenging times. Invite a friend and join the women of the parish to start 2019 off right!



Cost: Freewill Offering

Lunch: Provided by Saint Anthony PCCW

Ladies, You are Invited!

Saint Bernard will be hosting the Sisters in Faith High Tea on January 26, 2019, from 1—3 pm.

*Please contact:**Alice Kenat at 248-2420 or**Cynthia Finch at 245-8646**for more information.*

The Knights of Columbus cordially invite all members of the parish to join them for a 5th Sunday Breakfast in the Hall, beginning at 10:30 following Mass on December 30th. The menu includes sausage gravy over biscuits and more! Freewill donations accepted.



The Christmas Season Mass Schedule is as follows:

Monday, Dec 24th 6 pm Vigil Mass
 12 am Midnight Mass (Incense)
 Tuesday, Dec 25th 10 am Christmas Day
 (1 hour later than usual)
 9 am daily Mass time)
 NO 5:30 pm Mass
 (Solemnity of Mary — Holy Day of Obligation)
 Monday, Dec 31st New Year's Eve Vigil
 6 pm High Mass (Incense)
 Tuesday, Jan 1st 9 am New Year's Day

Please note: 2019 Donation Envelopes have been labeled with names and placed in the Narthex for our parishioners. Please take your box home. If you do not see your name please contact the office to be sure that your information is updated and correctly listed in ParishSoft.

NO RE classes December 26—January 2. See you January 9th!



Saint Anthony Stewardship Report

Fiscal Year-to-Date Income	\$ 98,315.13
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget	<u>110,160.00</u>
	(\$ 11,844.87)
Income Week of December 16 & 23	\$ 9,114.71
Weekly Budget (x 2 weeks)	<u>8,160.00</u>
	\$ 954.71

Thank you for supporting your Saint Anthony parish!

A Friendly Reminder—Year End Charitable Giving

Charitable contributions are tax deductible (for those who itemize) in the year the gift is made. For your charitable gifts to be credited in 2018, please note: Date on donation checks — and the postmark date—must be before midnight on December 31. Contributions given online are deductible in 2018 as long as you make the gift online before midnight on December 31.

Prefer online donation?

Secure online giving is available on our website!

Go to www.saintanthonycatholicchurch.org

Care & Share 2018

Assessment	\$35,889.00
Less Contributions	\$26,332.36
& Outstanding Pledges	<u>\$ 3,348.00</u>
Remaining Balance	\$ 6,208.64

Come and join us! Saint Anthony Parish will be celebrating an **Epiphany Dinner** after the 11:00 am Mass on **Sunday, January 6th**. If you would like to bring in your Christmas tree to help us decorate the Hall with a festive atmosphere please drop them off during the week prior to the 6th. There is a sign up poster in the Narthex for all to contribute a dish, especially if you would like to bring your own family's favorite Christmas dish. There will be live music to entertain us. We will have King's cakes and prizes. **Everyone please come!** Even if you don't bring a dish we want to celebrate the season with our parish family!



Carroll College is again offering a prospective student from Saint Anthony Parish a Carroll College scholarship, in the amount of \$1,000. The recipient must be a student planning to attend Carroll for the first time in the fall of 2019. If you would like more information about the scholarship please contact the office. (Due March 1, 2019)

Lector Schedule

<u>Saturday, December 29th</u>	<u>Sunday, December 30th</u>
5:30 pm Melody Deyle	8:45 am Michael Speidel
	11:00 am Van Hagestad
<u>Monday, December 31st</u>	<u>Tuesday, January 1st</u>
6:00 pm Rita Baeten	9:00 Baylie Redman

Parish Council of Catholic Women



PCCW President Tracy Chechet 426-8526
 January 6 St Louise
 January 13 St Gianna
 January 20 St Joan
 January 14 Council Meeting Hosted by St Joan
 January Altar Cleaning St Louise

Monthly meeting held 2nd Monday, January 14 at 6:30 pm

Ready to get involved in the parish?

Join the **Knights of Columbus!**

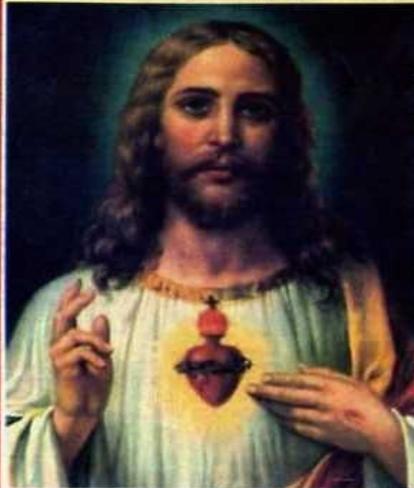
Knight of the Month - Bob Lanaghan
 Knight Family of the Month - Jason & Mandy O'Connor



Monthly meeting held 3rd Monday, January 21 at 7:00 pm
 January 30, 5th Sunday Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast

The Nine First Fridays of Reparation to The Sacred Heart of Jesus

Reparation for the outrages and offenses against the Sacred Heart of Jesus and against Him in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar!



"Behold this Heart which has loved mankind so much... and in return, I receive nothing but ingratitude from the greater number through the contempt, the irreverence, the sacrileges and the coldness shown towards Me in the Sacrament of love..."

The devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus was officially recognized and approved by Pope Clement XIII in 1765, seventy-five years after the death of **Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque** to whom Christ appeared and revealed His Sacred Heart as a symbol of His love for mankind. In 1794, Pope Pius VI issued a decree approving the devotion and granting indulgences to those who practice it. On June 11, 1899, in what he referred to as **"the great act"** of his pontificate, Pope Leo XIII solemnly consecrated all mankind to the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**.

The Nine First Friday Devotion: The First Friday of each month was designated by Our Blessed Lord Himself as a day to be consecrated to **honouring His Most Sacred Heart**. The object of this devotion is to make the Sacred Heart more ardently and more perfectly loved, and to make **proper reparation** for the outrages, indifference, and neglect against Him in the **Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar**.

The Great Promise: Is simply one blessing beyond compare, a **death in a state of grace, in God's friendship.**(*see the 12th promise below)

Just TWO conditions are necessary to fulfill Our Lord's request:

- 1. Confession** – to ensure one is in a State of Grace.
- 2. Holy Communion** – to receive worthily on nine consecutive First Fridays with the intention of making Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The following First Friday devotions are efficacious in honouring the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus:

1. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
2. Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
3. Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



The Twelve Promises of The Sacred Heart of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque:

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will give peace in their families.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. I will be their refuge in life, and especially in death.
5. I will abundantly bless all their undertakings.
6. Sinners will find in My Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls will become fervent.
8. Fervent souls will rise speedily to great perfection.
9. I will bless those places where the Image of My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and venerated.

10. I will give Priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.
11. Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names eternally written in My Heart, never to be blotted out.
12. * In the abundant mercy of My Heart, I promise that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays for nine consecutive months, **the grace of final repentance**; they will not die in My displeasure nor without receiving the Sacraments;

My Divine Heart shall be their secure refuge in that last hour.

NB* The Promise is not a substitute for living the Commandments, for carrying out one's duties in life, from prayer or from the Sacraments.**

Weekly Mass Schedule

We gather to pray the Holy Rosary 1/2 hour before every Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Tuesday is excepted: we pray the Perpetual Help Devotion 15 minutes before Mass and follow Tuesday's Low Latin Mass with the Marian Movement of Priest's Cenacle group meeting. We pray the holy rosary and share a reading from the Blue Book with discussion after. Please join us! We need to pray for our Priests and our Pope!

Date	Time	Auxiliary	Intention	Offered By
Monday, 31st	6:00 pm	New Year's Eve Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary	Pro Populo	
Tuesday, 1st	9:00 am	Solemnity of Mary HDO	Dennis & Kim Devoust & Family	
Wednesday, 2nd	9:00 am	NO Daily Mass		
Thursday, 3rd	9:00 am	NO Daily Mass		
First Friday, 4th	9:00 am	Daily Mass	End of Abortion	PCCW
		First Friday	24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration!	Sign up now!
First Saturday, 5th	9:00 am	Daily Mass	In Reparation for the Crime of Abortion	Saint Anthony Parish
	5:30 pm	Saturday Vigil Mass	✠ Bruce Phillips	Chris & Jahna White
Sunday, 6th	8:45 am	Solemn Mass	Pro Populo	
	11:00 am	Sunday Mass	All Supporters of Billings Catholic Radio	KJCR

