

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 Fr. Bart if you or someone in your family is hospitalized or enters a care facility.

Holy
 Infant
 of
 Prague

The more
 you honor Me,
 the more
 I will bless you!



Dearest Jesus, little Infant of Prague, how tenderly you love us! Your greatest joy is to dwell among us and to bestow your blessing upon us. Though I am not worthy that you should help me, I feel drawn to you by love because you are kind and merciful. So many who turned to you with confidence have received blessings and had their petitions granted. Behold me as I come before you to lay open my heart to you with its prayers and hopes. I present to you especially this request, which I enclose in your loving Heart (*state your request*). Rule over me, dear Infant Jesus, and do with me and mine according to your holy will, for I know that in your divine wisdom and love you will arrange everything for the best. Do not withdraw your hand from me, but protect and bless me forever. I pray you, all-powerful and gracious Infant Jesus, for the sake of your sacred infancy, in the name of your blessed Mother Mary who cared for you with such tenderness, and by the greatest reverence with which St. Joseph carried you in his arms, help me in my needs. Make me truly happy with you, dearest Infant, in time and in eternity, and I shall thank you forever with all my heart. Amen.

Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi, Lex Vivendi!*"How we pray forms what we believe, which forms the way we live."***The Traditional Rite of Infant Baptism**

The Rite of Baptism was altered significantly after the Second Vatican Council. Some positive changes to the rite included the insertion of a Gospel reading, communal petitions, and the invocation of a litany of saints. The downside is in what they took out. Here are just a few samplings of prayers for the infant being baptized that are no longer in the rite of baptism:

"We beg you, Lord God, graciously hear our prayers. Guard your chosen one, N., with the never-failing power of the cross of Christ, with which she has been marked. Protect her so that, remaining true to the first lessons she has learned about the great glory you will confer upon her, she may, by keeping your commandments, attain to the glory of a new birth."

"Almighty and eternal God... look with favor upon this your servant, N., whom you have called to take his first steps in the faith. Take from him all blindness of heart. Free him from the snares of Satan which until now have held him. Open to him, Lord, the gate of your mercy. Then, seasoned by the salt, which is symbolic of your wisdom, may he be relieved of the corruption of evil desires; and, finding pleasure in the keeping of your commandments, may he serve you in your Church and make progress from day to day in the way of perfection..."

Then the priest blesses salt with a powerful exorcism and places a tiny bit in the infant's mouth saying, "N., receive the salt, which is a symbol of wisdom. May it bring you God's favor for life everlasting." And then, "God of our fathers, God, the author of all truth, we humbly ask you to look with favor on this your servant, who has had her first taste of blessed food in the form of salt. Satisfy her with the bread of heaven, so that she may be forever fervent in spirit, joyful in hope, and zealous in your service. We ask you, Lord, to lead her to the waters in which she will be born again, so that she with all who believe in you, may obtain the unending reward which you have promised." And there are many other prayers like these omitted in the new rite of infant baptism.

It seems to me that they changed the rite to be more **for the adults** gathered around than for the infant being baptized. Just like the new funeral rite is geared more towards the people gathered than the deceased. And just like the new Mass is geared more to the people gathered than to God. Alas! How self-centered we have become! As the saying goes, "We are our Rites."

The great thing about the traditional Rite of Baptism is that it isn't about us or for us; it is about the child being baptized, for the child being baptized. I hope you will consider requesting the traditional rite of baptism for your newborns—it's better for them. Do also consider the traditional funeral Mass, in preparation for your own death, and your loved ones—it's better for the faithful departed. *Pax. Fr Bart*

Fr will be away January 11—14. No daily Mass—Rosary & Liturgy of the hours at 9 am each day.

If you, or someone you know, is not attending Mass due to the COVID restrictions and health concerns, please let us know. Deacon Dave or myself would be happy to schedule a personal visit to keep in touch. --Fr. Bart

Thank you to all who participated in the Epiphany Celebration! There were over 180 dinners served, the Contreras brothers played wonderful music, and the choir sang for us.

Suffering: Called to Love in a Radical Way

Divine Providence has placed all of us here at this particular time in history. Resolve to deepen your interior life in 2021! Is there anything more common to human experience than suffering? At this retreat we will consider why God permits suffering in our lives and how we can use suffering for our good and the good of others. The PCCW Annual Women's Retreat will be held Saturday, January 23, 2021. Ladies, in the new year, let's gather for a day of prayer, worship, fellowship, and inspiring talks by Fr.

Bart Stevens. Save the date, go online and sign up, and invite your friends!

- Cost: Freewill Offering
- Lunch: Provided
- Time: 8:30 am—3:30 pm
- RSVP: saintanthonycatholicchurch.org

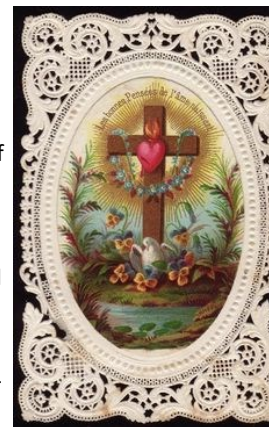


(Or sign up available in the Narthex.)

New Year's Resolutions?

The most important resolution for Catholics, according to Mother Angelica, is to grow in holiness. Far more important to our lives than better physical health through diet & exercise is nurturing our spiritual health. Here are some suggestions for spiritual resolutions:

- ⇒ Eucharistic Adoration (available every Friday at Saint Anthony)
- ⇒ Increase your Marian Devotion: Pray the Rosary Daily, Wear the Brown Scapular
- ⇒ Resolve to complete the Devotion of the 5 First Saturdays and/or 9 First Fridays
- ⇒ Bring back Regular Penances; penitential practices chosen for personal mortification
- ⇒ Keep the Friday Fast
- ⇒ Sacramental Confession monthly (or more frequently)
- ⇒ Go to Mass one extra Day of the Week
- ⇒ Make more time for Spiritual Reading (Bible and/or lives of the saints)
- ⇒ Choose a new Patron Saint to learn about and Emulate the Virtues of
- ⇒ Share your Catholic Faith
- ⇒ Start or join an accountability group
- ⇒ Make Good Stewardship a Lifestyle



Don't try to take on all of these suggestions at once! Choose one new item to incorporate until it becomes a true habit. Then go on to another.

May you experience the blessings of a fresh new relationship with

Next Ladies Bible Study - *Epic: The Early Church*, by Ascension Press, encourages growing closer to Christ through a deeper understanding of his Church. Beginning Wed, January 13th, in the first Hall classroom. All ladies are welcome to join!



Parish Council of Catholic Women

President Judy Goldsby 855-0053

January Altar Cleaning St Joan

January 10 Coffee & Rolls St Joan
 January 17 Coffee & Rolls St Bridget
 January 24 Coffee & Rolls St Louise

Monthly Meeting on 2nd Monday, January 11th, 6:30 pm

Knights of Columbus - Fr Shevlin Council #6455



Grand Knight, Michael Temporal

Knight of the Month - Dallas Contreraz
 Knight Family of the Month - Tony & Jessica Contreraz

Monthly meeting on 3rd Monday, January 18th, at 7:00 pm

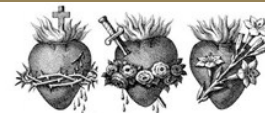


The Holy League, in fidelity to its mission as a Roman Catholic solidarity movement:

- Provides a Holy Hour format which incorporates: Eucharistic adoration, prayer, short spiritual reflections, the availability of the Sacrament of Confession, Benediction and fraternity;
- Encourages consecration to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and the Purest Heart of Joseph;
- Promotes the Precepts and Sacraments of the Church; especially through devotion to the Most Blessed Sacrament and the praying of the Most Holy Rosary;
- Creates a unified front, made up of members of the Church Militant, for spiritual combat;
- Strives to have a regular monthly Holy League Holy Hour available to men in every Roman Catholic parish. St Anthony Holy League will meet next on Tuesday, January 19. All men are invited to attend and join them for Mass, Adoration & fellowship after.

Brothers in Christ—The Exodus 90 challenge which kicked off on **January 4** can transform your life! It's not too late! For more information/enrollment in Exodus 90, please contact Jim Borer—JimB8104@protonmail.com or 406.679.2974.

St. Vincent de Paul is once again asking for your help for our Clothing Essential Program. Although we have had a mild winter, we are still in need of sleeping bags, blankets, men's jeans size 42 and 44 all lengths, ladies pants sizes 12 and 14, winter boots, tennis shoes, and heavy winter coats. You can drop them off at St. Vincent de Paul or bring them to the donation box located in the Hall entry. Thank you for your consideration, and your invaluable support of our program. Continued Blessings to all of you throughout the New Year.



Act of Confidence

*Heart of Jesus, I adore Thee,
 Heart of Mary, I implore Thee,
 Heart of Joseph, meek and just,
 In these three Hearts I place my trust.*



Religious Education students will be taking the Safe & Sacred Environment Training on January 27th

If you still haven't investigated the parish subscription (which is free to our parishioners) to "Formed" let's walk through the process: Go to: www.formed.org on your computer. Click **sign up**. Click on **belong to a parish or organization**. Click on **Saint Anthony, Laurel, MT**. Enter **your name and email address**. You will then be taken directly to the website. **Sign In** and enjoy! Any questions? Call the office and speak with Kathy or Michelle.

The parish subscription to Augustine Institute's **Formed** programming is nearing the annual renewal date. If you have enjoyed and found value in the wonderful Catholic programming at **FORMED**, consider a financial contribution for renewal of the Saint Anthony Parish subscription for 2021. Please pick up an envelope marked **Formed** in the Narthex and make your donation directly to the office.

PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

Men's Holy League—please contact Joseph Kalinowski, by email montana_skis@yahoo.com
Exodus 90—Contact Jim Borer, 406-679-2974 or JimB8104@protonmail.com
Seven Sisters Apostolate—please contact the Seven Sisters Anchoress, Brooke Speidel, call/text 307-575-2547 speidelbunch@gmail.com
Parish Meal Train— please contact Kassi Knudsen for details at kassan-draknudsen@gmail.com or (406) 465-3490.

Homeschool Co-Op—please contact Janecek_Sienko@yahoo.com or call/text Jodi at 406-438-5805.

Prayer Shawl—if you would like to gift a shawl to someone in need, please contact the office staff.
More ministry details on our website.

Saint Anthony Stewardship Report

Fiscal Year-to-Date Income	\$ 148,480.87
Fiscal Budget	\$ 114,750.00
Income week of January 3	\$ 8,429.65
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,250.00
Thank you for your continued support!	
Care & Share	
2020 Assessment	\$ 32,160.00
Paid as of 11/30/2020	\$ 26,279.00
Remaining Pledges	\$ 2,548.00
Balance	\$ 3,333.00

Donations to Care & Share must be mailed directly to the Diocese.

Prefer online donation?
 Secure online giving is available on our website!
 Go to: www.saintanthonycatholicchurch.org

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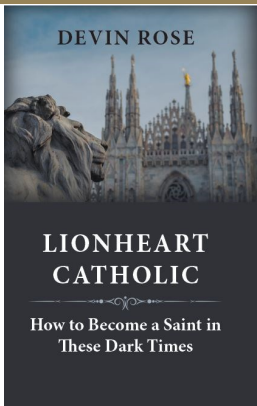
Charity Fundraising Raffle

The Diocesan First Annual Family Recreation Charity Fund Raising Raffle —information posters are up in the Narthex. There are amazing prizes to be won! **Tickets: \$20 each**, are available in the office at St Anthony. **Early Bird cash prize drawing of \$500, next drawing will be Jan 15.**



Will you be traveling? Check out: www.masstimes.org for a listing of churches and Mass times around the world.

Diocesan Victim Assistance:
 Confidential Line 406-750-2373
 Email victimassistancecoord@gmail.com



Would you like to find a simple way to keep some of the New Year's resolutions that you have made? Here is one book that can help.

Lionheart Catholic: How to Become a Saint in These Dark Times by Devin Rose, Catholic husband and father, creator of the Pray app for novenas and founder of Lionheart Catholic.

Sound familiar?

- Are you **stuck** confessing *the same sins again and again* in Confession?

Break through your spiritual plateau with this simple practice called mental prayer. Hardly any Catholics, even priests, know about it anymore, yet all the saints practiced it and overcame their habitual sins through it. And you can too.

- Are you **fearful** that your children will *leave the Catholic Faith* when they grow up?

Keep your children Catholic with this simple, everyday practice that speaks louder than words.

- Do you **long** for your loved ones to become Catholic, or return to the Church?

Lionheart Catholic helps Catholics who don't know the Faith that will lead their loved ones into the Church, following the powerful but simple ideas that St. Francis de Sales and St. Edmund Campion perfected 400 years ago.

Get your FREE copy of *Lionheart Catholic!* **Just pay for shipping and the author will cover the cost of the book. Read the reviews and get your copy at www.lionheartcatholic.com/get-the-book**

Overcome sin. Find purpose and joy. Renew the Church.

Join **Bishop Michael Warfel** and others for the 14th Annual **Billings MARCH FOR LIFE**, marking the sad anniversary of 1973 *Roe v. Wade* Supreme Court decision, which ushered in an era of abortion on demand. Since then, an estimated *65 million innocent human beings* have been legally killed in the U.S., all in the name of "choice"!



Date: Sunday, January 24, 2021

Time: 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Place: Yellowstone County Courthouse (217 N. 27th St., Billings)

We won't be gathering inside St. Patrick's this year; however, we will still do a **March** for a few blocks. Those who have difficulty walking are welcome to stay at the courthouse during this part. All are welcome! Signs will be provided. Questions? Call Amy at 855-3737

Weekly Mass Schedule

Please Note: *The Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (5:15 pm), is prayed on Tuesdays and the Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held on Thursdays and Fridays. The Church is open from 7 am—7 pm daily, allowing parishioners opportunity to pray before the Blessed Sacrament. Fr Bart will hear confessions according to the regular confession schedule or by appointment.*

Date	Time	Auxiliary		Mass Intention	Offered By
Monday, January 11	9:00 am	Rosary & Liturgy of the Hours			
Tuesday, January 12	9:00 am	Rosary & Liturgy of the Hours			
Tuesday, January 12	5:30 pm	NO Mass			
Wednesday, January 13	9:00 am	Rosary & Liturgy of the Hours			
Thursday, January 14	9:00 am	Rosary & Liturgy of the Hours			
		Eucharistic Adoration	5 pm	Benediction	All Visitors Welcome!
Friday, January 15	9:00 am	Latin Low Mass		Peter Wassell	Stevens Family
		Eucharistic Adoration	5 pm	Benediction	All Visitors Welcome!
Saturday, January 16	9:00 am	Latin Low Mass	✠	Larry Estill	Manders Family
	5:30 pm	Saturday Vigil Mass	✠	Eileen Lewis	Manders Family
Sunday, January 17	8:45 am	Solemn Sunday Mass		Pro Populo	
	11:00 am	Sunday Mass		Gene Mickolio	Mike & Kathy Manders