

Jesus can Calm any Storm that Life may Bring Us.

“Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?”

(verse 40)

Mark 4:35-41



Next week's theme:
Faith Over Fear

Pastor:

Rev. Steve Zabrocki

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays - 3:30 pm or by appt

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Saturday - 5:00 pm

Sunday - 8:30 am, 10:30 am

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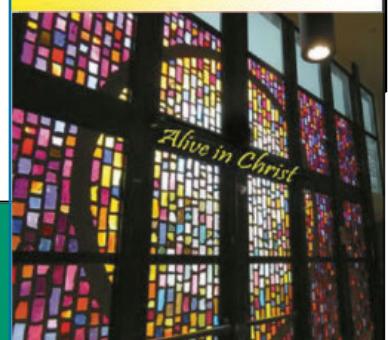
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Retired Deacon: Deacon Tim Birkle

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Communications Liaison: Margaret Twichel



Collection 6/16

Total Collection **\$24,256**

Year-to-date Collection (start: July 1, 2023)

YTD Total Collection..... **\$1,676,550**

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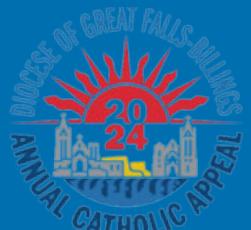
Our goal is still to have

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Thanks to the 29.5%

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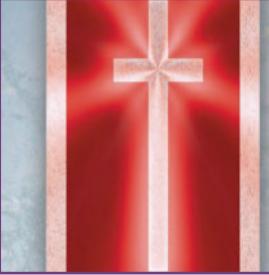


Word of Life

O God our Creator... we ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

USCCB, "Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty"





Volunteers
for weekend liturgies

Next Week's Readings: June 30, 2024

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 (98B)

2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Mark 5:21-43



Liturgical Ministers June 29-30

Sacristy Linens June: Linda Johnson
Sac/Holy Water June 28: Darlene Dibble

	Sat 5:00 pm	Sun 8:30 am	Sun 10:30 am
Asst Collect Collection		L Clawson	
Altar Serv Bk	K Brown	L Ray	J Bucholz
Altar Serv Cr	G Brown	A Hasiak	T Duncil
Altar Serv Ch	E Pertuit	R Hasiak	NEEDED
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Cup 2	K Weaver	Deacon Tim Birkle	J Gibson
Cup 3	S King	R Turley	K Studer
Cup 4	D Uselman	K Ackerman	M Bucholz
Plate 2	Fr. Pat Zabrocki	T Kane	S Bartholomew
Plate 3	K Lombardozzi	Fr. Pat Zabrocki	Fr. Pat Zabrocki
Plate 4	N Nielsen	D Dibble	J Miron
Greeter SG	A Anderson	B Junnila	B Gibson
CC	S Vance	G Burmeister	C/B Brinkel
Proclaimer 1	D Weaver	D Burmeister	MA Humphrey
Proclaimer 2	J Pierce	L Trythall	C Gragert
Sacristan	MS Fishbaugh	P Lowthian	M Zygmund
Usher Lead	B Goetz	B Duray	N Benge
Usher Altar	D Fishbaugh	C Hasiak	P Miron
Usher Ambo	W Ray	Z Bollenbach	K Benge
Children's Liturgy Lead		L Pauley	S Lind
Filming of the Mass	Jessica Brown		J Fehr

Food Bank Collection for June
Brian & Coral DeShaw



Breakfast Sandwich Ministry
June 25 Assembly -
John & Jean Grensten

June 24 - June 28 Ingredients -
English muffins: **Mike & Nicky Schlosser**
Canadian bacon: **Mike & Nicky Schlosser**
American cheese: **Julie & Ken Koerber**
5 dozen eggs: **Cassie LaGreca**



Plant Care
June 27
Sr. Katherine Franchett
Sr. Bernadette Helfert

Soup Ministry
June 24

7:00 - 7:30 am **Patty Fekety**
2:00 - 2:30 pm **Jan Winhofer**

Next week's MASS INTENTIONS:

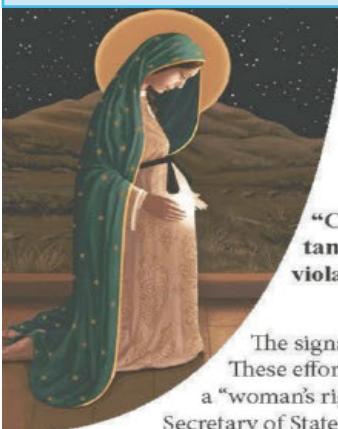
Tuesday, 6/25, 9:00 am
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Wednesday, 6/26, 9:00 am
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Thursday, 6/27, 9:00 am
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Friday, 6/28, 10:00 am
Friday, 6/28, 10:00 am
Saturday, 6/29, 5:00 pm
Saturday, 6/29, 5:00 pm
Sunday, 6/30, 8:30 am
Sunday, 6/30, 8:30 am
Sunday, 7/1, 10:30 am
Sunday, 7/1, 10:30 am

† Bill & Marion Walton by the Family
† Mark Ball by the Knights of Columbus #13050
Intentions of the St. Thomas Staff by Dennis & Lynda McKnire
† Mose & Dina Moriconi
† Matthew Leuthold by Tim & Jane Leuthold
† Joseph & Charlotte Donlin by Tim & Jane Leuthold
† Margaret Helfrich by the Family
Intentions of Lynda McKnire by Dennis McKnire
† Phil Ganson by Janet, Nancy, & Greg
† Trish Matteson by Tim, Ben, & Jen
Intentions of the St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Family
Intentions of Joanie Jacobsen by Joyce Hollowell
Intentions of the Arroyo Family by Kathy Lombardozzi
Intentions of Judy Smith by Kathy Lombardozzi

The rosary is prayed together prior to daily Mass on weekdays.



Please continue prayers for Neve Aune, Dan Ball, Ed Becker, Joe Cleary, KC Colby, John Diekhans, Justin Gordon, Rozanne Grove, Larae Hall, Bev Hayward, Joanie Jacobsen, Geri Jones, Daryl Ann Jorgensen, Jesse Karls, Sheila Llewellyn, Mike Metzger, Rowan Moon, Lisa Peterson, Judy A. Smith, Bea Tice and Marlene Wagner.



Montana Catholics For Life

For Babies For Mothers For Families

"Constitutional Initiative 128 (CI-128) would greatly expand the practice of legalized abortion in Montana abolishing the limited restrictions currently in place and opening the door to a host of practices that violate fundamental rights to life and dignity."

—Montana's Catholic Bishops on the Abortion Amendment, CI-128

The signature gathering efforts to place Constitutional Initiative 128 (CI-128) on the November ballot have concluded. These efforts included substantial out-of-state funding, signing events, and vague messaging that often framed CI-128 as a "woman's right to make her own healthcare decisions." In the coming weeks, amidst likely legal challenges, the Montana Secretary of State will confirm whether the signature gathering was successful or not.

During the signature verification and count, our Catholic bishops will continue messaging the great threat that CI-128 poses to unborn children, expectant mothers, and families. Regardless of the outcome, the Church will fulfill her duty to boldly speak out and stand up for the infinite dignity of life from conception until a natural death.

Let us remain prayerfully vigilant, continuing with the Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be after each Mass. Let our prayer intention be for the defeat of CI-128 but even more so for a change of heart. We pray for a transformation in our hearts and the hearts of all people, especially expectant mothers and those who would promote abortion over loving each new life as a precious and unrepeatable gift.



From Montana's Bishops

Joint Letter & Video
Stand for Life in Montana



Join our Bishops as we stand for every child's right to life, the dignity of each mother, and the sanctity of the family.

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Monday, June 24

Breakfast Sandwiches Ministry
Soup Ministry Drop-Off
Prayer Group, 4:00 pm, Reconciliation Rm

Wednesday, June 26

Youth Group, 9am-12pm, Church
Billings Catholic Schools Board Retreat,
8:00 am - 4:00 pm, St. Benedict Room

Thursday, June 27

Mom's Ministry Park Dessert Night
6:00 - 7:00 pm, Rose Park (1717 21st St W)

Saturday, June 29

Molly Joanne Gannon BAPTISM, 2:45 pm

Sunday, June 30

**5th Sunday Pancake & Sausage Breakfast
after the Sunday Masses in the Parish Ctr-**
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A SPECIAL SUMMER SESSION BIBLE STUDY ON: THE EUCHARIST

This is an open group, please feel free to attend. Meeting: At 6:30pm on Tuesday evenings in the St. Benedict Room

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In "Eucharist: Sacred Meal, Sacrifice, Real Presence", Bishop Barron offers inspiring insights into the mystery of Christ's presence in our lives as it is given in the holy Sacrament of the Eucharist, the "source and summit of the Christian life". This fresh look at the Eucharist brings to light its reality as sacred meal, the sacrifice necessary for communion with God, and the Real Presence of Christ.

Bishop Barron clearly explains that the Eucharist is not a symbol, but is truly the body, blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ. This intimate gift from the Lord brings us into greater unity with the Trinity and offers us a foretaste of heaven to come.

A study guide is available for \$20.00. The guide provides a deeper understanding, as well as the questions we will review at each session.

Dates: 3 Sessions - 30-Minute Videos

- 7/16 Session 1 – Introduction/Sacred Meal**
- 7/23 Session 2 - Sacrifice**
- 7/30 Session 3 – Real Presence**

Each week we will view and discuss the video. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Please contact Mary Gillespie to sign up and let her know if you want a study guide ASAP.
Mary can be reached at (631) 988-9750 or megg0920@yahoo.com.

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Joyce



A big thank you to all the people who answered the call to help with the library! We have a team in place now!

Our rotation for Family Promise is coming up soon: June 27 - 28 - 29! As always, we need meal-makers, evening hosts to help with homework, read stories, do crafts, etc., and overnight hosts. All takes place at First United Methodist Church, 2800 4th Ave N. It's a fantastic ministry that is very successful in getting homeless families independent and in their own homes again. Need more information? Please call parishioner Theresa Slyngstad at 716-725-9983 or email her at tsly83@gmail.com.



Youth Group will meet at the church **Wednesday, June 26 at 9:00 am** to attend Mass together.

After that, we'll have juice and donuts, break open the Gospel for the day and upcoming Sunday, and do an activity. Pick-up time will be noon. Questions? Reach out to me so we can work it out together. **See you there!**

Melissa

Sponsor Couples Needed for Marriage Prep Program! Do you believe in the sanctity of marriage and have been married for at least 5 years?

Consider becoming a mentor couple to help engaged couples prepare for marriage in the Catholic Church. Training and resources provided. Please contact Paul Duncil at 406-656-5800 ext. 315 for more information.



St. Thomas Moms' Ministry

Upcoming events:

- June 27 - Park Dessert Night @ Rose Park 6pm
- **No playdate July 6**

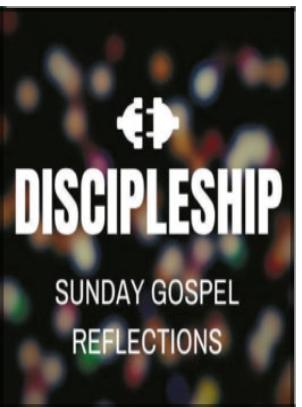
Scan the QR code to join our Facebook group and get more info!



Faith over Fear

“Do not be afraid, just have faith.”

Mark 5:21-43 (verse 36b)



Adults -

1. Jairus had faith in the healing and life-giving power of Jesus. The hemorrhaging woman who had suffered for twelve years also had faith in Jesus. When have you approached Jesus in faith, trusting in his life-giving power? How did Jesus respond?
2. Jesus addressed the woman with the personal, relational, and familiar term “Daughter” and tells her that her faith saved her. He also encourages Jairus, the synagogue official, to not be afraid, but to have faith. What does it mean to you to have faith?
3. How do you participate in the healing and life-giving work of God? How can you better partner with God in transforming the world’s suffering?

Obstacles: Being impatient with yourself as you try to deepen your faith. Not recognizing that our faith matures and flows throughout our life.

Teens -

1. When Jairus came to Jesus, asking Him to save his daughter, many were telling him that his daughter had already died and that he should not bother Jesus. How was Jairus showing us to have complete faith in God over what the world is telling us?
2. Have you ever been faced with a situation that you remained strong in your faith while others lacked faith? If so, how did that make you feel?
3. Throughout your life you are going to be faced with many difficult situations and choices. How can you use Jesus’ message to Jairus of “Do not be afraid, just have faith,” to help you through these times?

Obstacles: Forgetting to lean on Jesus and have faith that he will take care of everything when difficult situations arise in your life.

Children -

1. Have you (or someone you know) ever been sick and not been able to go to school or do something you wanted to? Who took care of you (them)? Have you ever prayed to get well or prayed for someone who was sick? What happened after you prayed? Did you feel that Jesus was with you (them)?
2. How does being aware of God’s power to heal bring hope for our world? What does it mean to have faith? How does having faith bring you hope?
3. Today we heard of two people who needed Jesus to heal them. We all need healing whether it is spiritual, emotional, or physical. What type of healing do you or someone you love need right now? Take time to pray for Jesus to heal you and your loved ones where you need it most.

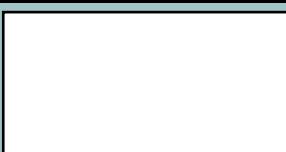
Obstacles: Lack of faith in Jesus’ power to make a difference in our life.

Around the region—

St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral in Billings is hosting a 60th anniversary of ordination for Fr. John J. Houlihan on Sunday, 6/23, after the 10:30 am Mass. The members of St. Patrick's have cordially invited everyone to a reception in his honor. The reception will be meat, cheese, fruit and desserts. This is a special day for our beloved Fr. Houlihan and we are all welcome to help celebrate this occasion with him and the parishioners at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral.

St. Pius X is seeking a full-time Children's Ministry Coordinator for their youth, preschool through grade 5. You'll have an assistant to help and training. Questions? Call Karyn Haider at 406.281.8500 or email khaider@stpiusxblgs.org. Send a resume and cover letter with references to either Fr. Martin Ezeihuaku, MSP, or Karyn Haider, St. Pius X Catholic Church, 717 18th Street West, Billings, MT 59102, by June 30.

Director of Advancement, Great Falls Catholic Schools, sought. The Catholic schools in Great Falls include Our Lady of Lourdes School, Holy Spirit School and Great Falls Central High School. The Director of Advancement serves as the senior fundraising professional with primary responsibilities for raising charitable gifts, donor relations and stewardship, overseeing all special events, and developing grants. For a detailed job description, please contact the diocese at 406-727-6683. The complete listing can be found on the website, diocesegfb.org. Send resume, cover letter and 3 references with contact information to Christina Vierra McGill, christinav.mcgill@gmail.com.



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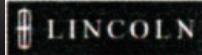
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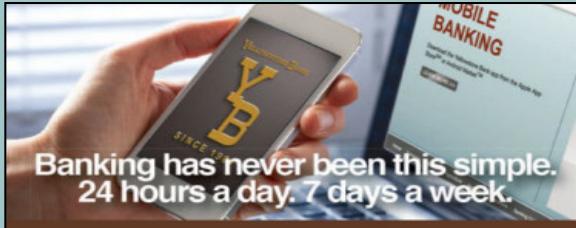


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