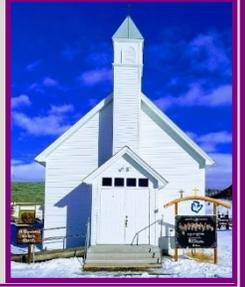


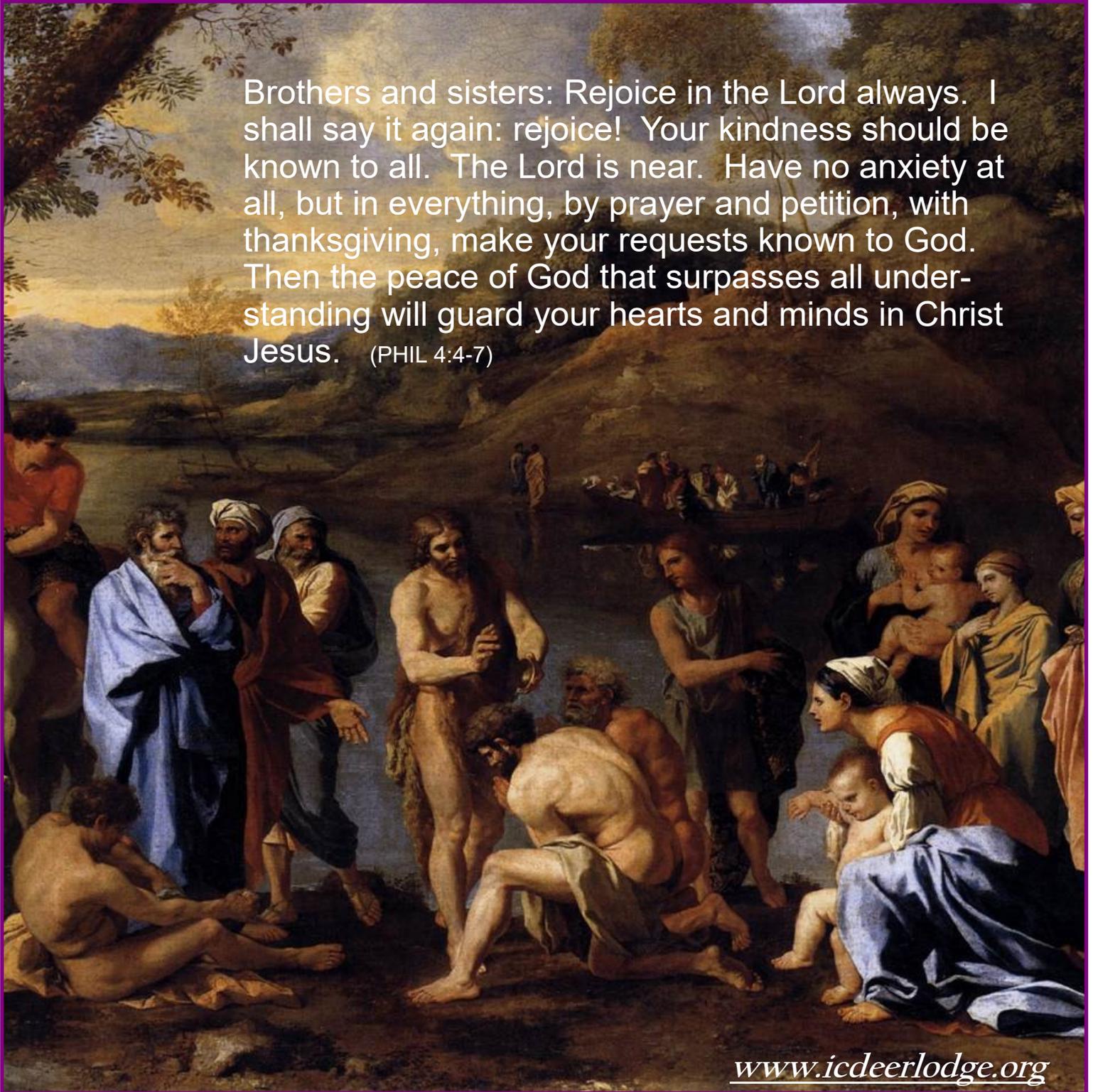


Immaculate Conception Catholic Church & St. Theodore Mission



Dec. 16th — 3rd Sunday of Advent

Brothers and sisters: Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. (PHIL 4:4-7)



MASS SCHEDULE MINISTRY SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Immaculate Conception —Deer Lodge

Confessions/Reconciliation
 Saturday 3:30 till 4:30 p.m.
 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday Mass 9:00 a.m.

St. Theodore—Avon

Sunday Mass 11:15 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday through Friday

8:00 a.m.—Immaculate Conception
 Rosary before daily Mass @ 7:40 a.m.
 (Monday—No Mass)

Funeral Masses will generally be held at 11:00 a.m. and the 8:00 a.m. Mass that day will be cancelled.

The Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation may also be scheduled by appointment.

THIS WEEKEND

(December 15th & 16th)

IC—Deer Lodge 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Mizner, T.
 EM Body: Brown, C.
 Blood 1: Witt, P.
 EM Blood 2: McCarthy, D
 Server 1: x
 Server 2: x

IC—Deer Lodge 9:00 a.m.

Lector: Cutler, A.
 EM Body: Fox, M.
 EM Blood 1: Doyle, D.
 EM Blood 2: McMahon, J.
 Server 1: x
 Server 2: x

St. Theodore—Avon 11:15 a.m.

Lector: Phyllis Treinen
 EM: Patrick Riehl
 Server: x

NEXT WEEKEND

(December 22nd & 23rd)

IC—Deer Lodge 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Phillips, R.
 EM Body: Phillips, K.
 Blood 1: O'Hara, J.
 EM Blood 2: Schalk, L.
 Server 1: x
 Server 2: x

IC—Deer Lodge 9:00 a.m.

Lector: Cutler, A.
 EM Body: Powell, J.
 EM Blood 1: Bilodeau, C.
 EM Blood 2: Isaacson, K.
 Server 1: x
 Server 2: x

St. Theodore—Avon 11:15 a.m.

Lector: Becky Beard
 EM: Patrick Riehl
 Server: x

Upcoming Events: (Mark your Calendars)

Sun. Dec. 16th, 10:00 am, Religious Education in Saint Mary's Center
 Mon. Dec. 17th, Fr. Joe's Day Off
 Tue. Dec. 18th, 9:00 am, Money Counting @ Rectory
 Tue. Dec. 18th, 6:00 pm, Knights of Columbus Meeting
 Wed. Dec. 19th, Fr. Joe at Warm Springs all Day
 Thu. Dec. 20th, 7:00 pm, RCIA in Card Room
 Fri. Dec 21st, 5:00 pm, Confessions, IC Church
 Mon. Dec. 24th, 5:00 pm, Christmas Vigil Mass (DL)
 Tue. Dec. 25th, 9:00 am, Christmas Day Mass
 Tue. Dec. 25th, 11:15 am, Christmas Day Mass (Avon)
 Wed.—Fri. Dec. 26th-28th, Christmas Break, No Morning Masses
 Sat. Dec. 29th, 5:00 pm, Feast of the Holy Family (DL)
 Sun. Dec. 30th, 9:00 am, Feast of the Holy Family (DL)
 Sun. Dec. 30th, 11:15 am, Feast of the Holy Family (Avon)
 Tue. Jan. 1st, 10:00 am., Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God (DL)
 Wed. Jan. 2nd, Fr. Joe at Warm Springs all day
 Thu. Jan 3rd, 9:00 am, Money Counting @ Rectory
 Thu. Jan 3rd, 7:00 pm, RCIA in Card Room of St. Mary's Center

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

The week of Dec. 15th through Dec. 21st

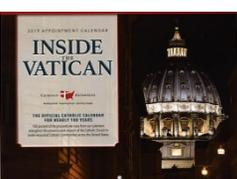
Sat. 5:00 pm Vi Yokum rb Judy Shelton
Sun. 9:00 am Pro Populo (for the People)
Sun. 11:15 am Avon Memorials
Mon. No Mass Fr. Joe's Day Off
Tue. 8:00 am Kathleen Janney rb Bryan Bradshaw
Wed. 8:00 am Bernice Verlanic rb Verlanic Family
Thu. 8:00 am Mary Anne Hansen rb Dwight & Jane O'Hara
Fri. 8:00 am Kay Porter rb Goddard Family

Avon Memorials:

In Memory of Bruce Thomas RB Bill & Marilyn Thomas
 In Memory of Bob Thomas RB Bill & Marilyn Thomas
 Peace, Comfort & Healing for Dan Antila
 RB Bill & Marilyn Thomas
 Peace, Comfort & Healing for Beta Newman
 RB Bill & Marilyn Thomas

Be Brave Be Bold Be Catholic

The 2019 Extension Calendars



are in. Pick up yours from the back of the church. Please only take one per family until after the first of the year. So be sure to pick yours up soon.



Special Christmas Confession Time this coming Friday evening from 5:00 pm till 6:00 pm or longer if necessary. If you haven't been to confession in a while, this may be a good time to receive this very special sacrament and cleanse your soul for Christmas.



Knights of Columbus will be meeting Tuesday evening starting at 6:00 PM with a social hour. Dinner will be at 7:00 PM, followed by our meeting at 8:00 PM. Topics will likely include membership challenges and Spring projects.



Progress is slow on matching our grant of \$100,000. With \$38,317 raised so far we are over 1/3 of the way to meeting our matching grant goal. Unfortunately we will likely have to pause construction in January because we will

be out of money and need to wait until the matching grant funds start to catch up. It looks like we may have enough to get the drywall and heating installed, but carpeting and other finishing touches will have to wait.

Each month we feature one of the special charities of the Catholic Church. These charities depend heavily on the generosity of the people in all the individual churches across the United States. If you receive envelopes, you will get a special envelop to remind you of this collection. If not, you will need to watch for these announcements, posters and other displays with donation envelopes throughout the year. These charities will also be available in the on-line giving drop down box in case you want to make a donation that way.



Retirement Fund for Religious



Last Chance to renew or sign up for The Word Among Us. Those that are currently receiving the WAU can pick up the invoice for the new year and either pay the invoice or send it back with a cancel notice. Those that wish to sign up to receive a new subscription should let Fr. Joe know and he will get an invoice sent out to you. If you purchase the WAU on your own it will be \$34.95. If you do it through the parish it will cost \$25 for the year, so you save \$10.

We get approximately 10-18 loose checks each week in the collection. We have to make a copy of the checks, endorse the checks, and then post it in our records. We have 3-5 people that put cash in their envelopes each week, the rest, 20-30, use checks that we have to open, endorse and post. This means that we could potentially have 30-48 fewer checks to handle each week if people would start using on-line giving. People generally give the same amount each week or month. Why not show a little faith in our on-line giving system and give Fr. Joe a call for help in getting started. Or better yet, just write "VOID" on a check, specify an amount and whether you want it to be weekly or monthly and Fr. Joe will take care of the rest.



Why are our participation numbers not at 100%? It is certainly your right to choose not to give to the ACA which supports many programs that directly benefit our parish. The Diocese and our Parish are like a large family of which we are all members. When we don't participate and support one another, we acting like a dysfunctional family. We all need to go on Dr. Phil to learn to get over past problems, to forgive and seek to reestablish nurturing relationships. We are the body of Christ, and when parts of the body are not working in unison, the body is ill and dying. If you have a concern, let Fr. Joe know so we can work through it and mend the wounds that are keeping us from functioning at 100% both at the Diocesan and Parish levels.

Be sure to clip out the schedule of events for the upcoming Christmas and New Years weeks. The Church will be a very busy place.



We have some partial temporary power hooked up in the convent remodel. We won't be able to have full power to the building until the Spring because we will have to install a new power pole in the back yard of the rectory and run a buried power line from a new power distribution box that will be mounted on the back of the convent. There are distance limitations because of power line weight that forced us to come up with an alternative to running new lines directly to the old panel. That would have required a pole with guy wires in the middle of the playground yard of Head Start.

Do **whatever** *He* tells you
~ Mary, Mother of God

Believe in Him

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Church	Goal	So Far	Participation
St. Theodore	\$3,800	\$5,975 157%	14/23 61%
Immaculate Conception	\$31,800	\$20,145 63%	46/116 40%

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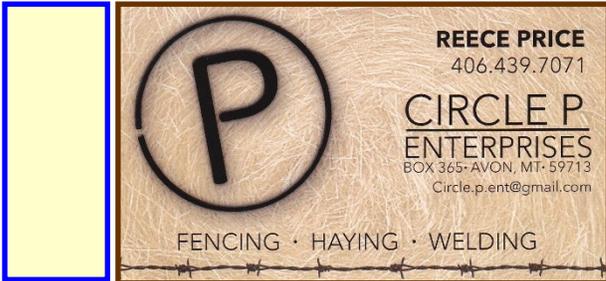


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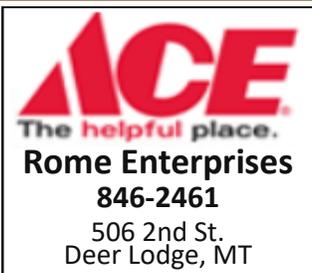
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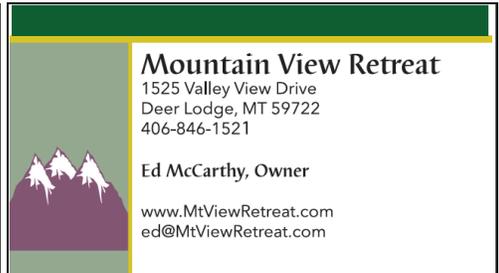
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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Infant Baptism: Parents must be registered & active members of this parish or of another parish with family here in the parish (i.e., parents). Letter of permission from Pastor if parents are from outside the parish. Two Godparents who are registered and active members of their parish, one male and one female. Contact the Pastor before infant's due date to arrange date and time.

Holy Matrimony: Couples discerning this sacrament should contact the Pastor immediately after becoming engaged. NOTE: the diocese requires a minimum of 6 months advance notice regarding the intention to marry. Couples wishing to marry in the parish must be registered and active members of the parish, or individuals who have moved away whose parents are still active in the parish. Couples from other parishes must obtain a letter of permission to marry outside of their own parish.

Anointing of the Sick: Individuals who have been diagnosed as terminally or gravely ill or are preparing for invasive surgery should request this sacrament. Confession ordinarily proceeds receiving the sacrament of the sick, call the church office at 846-4114 to make arrangements.

Adult Confirmation, Adult Baptism (RCIA), and Adult Reception into Full Communion with the Church: If you, a family member, or a friend has not received the sacrament of confirmation, or are interested in being baptized into the Faith, or received into full communion with the Church, please contact the Pastor. Process will be discerned on an individual basis based on preparedness.

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OFFERTORY COLLECTION

December 1st & 2nd, 8th & 9th 7/1/18 - YTD

\$ 4,176	Immaculate Conception	\$ 49,422
\$ 1,197	St. Theodore	\$ 11,137

Online Giving for Dec.: \$ 3,165 YTD: \$ 54,354