

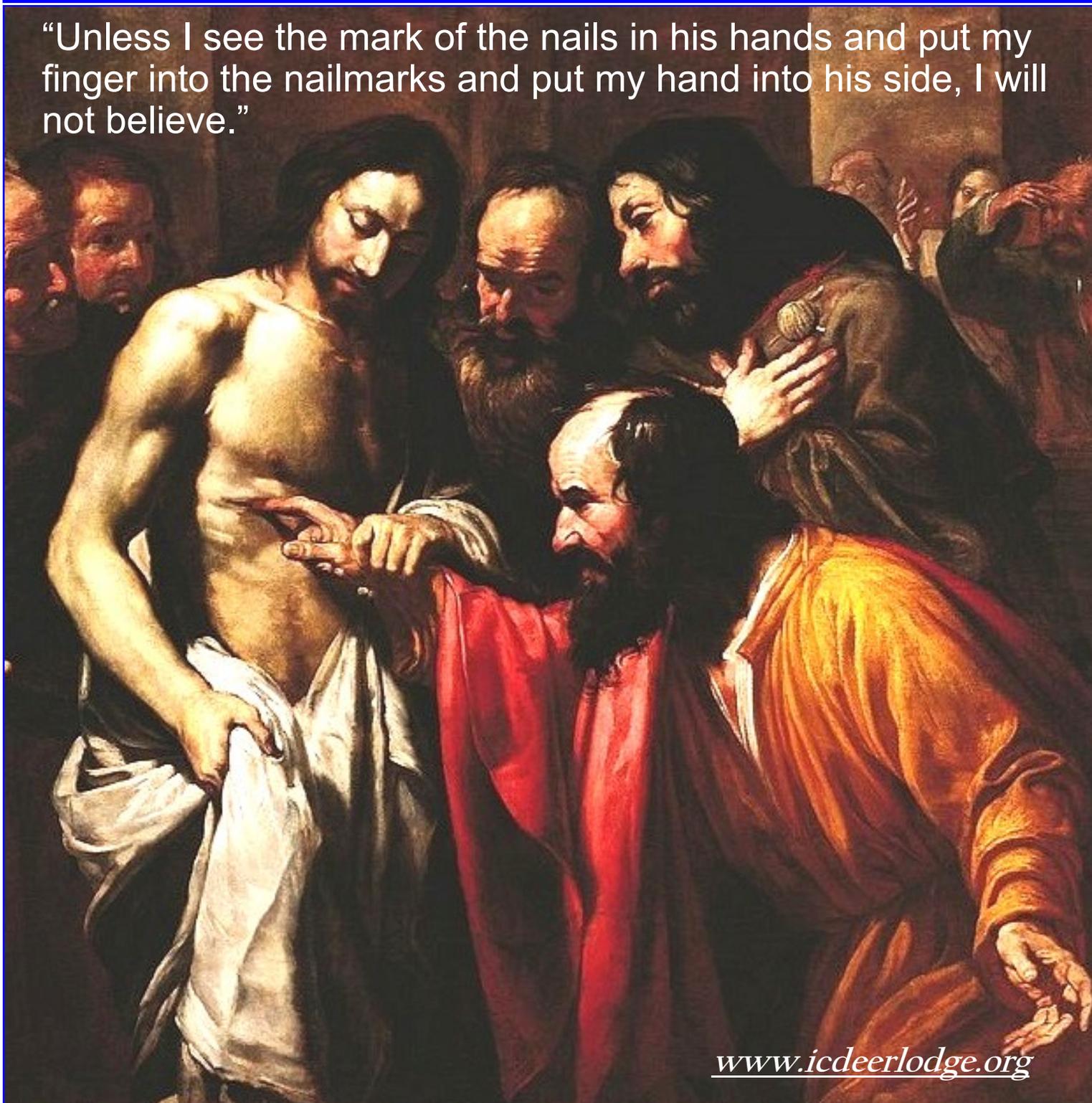


Immaculate Conception Catholic Church & St. Theodore Mission



Apr. 19th – 2nd Sunday of Easter

“Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”



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

(Apr. 18th & 19th)

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St. Theodore

All Masses have been suspended until further notice. The Bishop will be reevaluating the suspension as pandemic events unfold in the coming weeks.

NEXT WEEKEND

(Apr. 25th & 26th)

5:00 p.m.

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9:00 a.m.

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None

None

St. Theodore—Avon 11:15 a.m. St. Theodore—Avon 11:15 a.m.

Lector: x

EM: x

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Upcoming Events: (Mark your Calendars)

Sat. Apr. 18th, 5:00 pm, Bishop's Saturday Service
 Sun. Apr. 19th, 11:00 am, Bishop's Sunday Service
 Sun. Apr. 19th, Religious Education (**Suspended**)
 Mon. Apr. 20th, Fr. Joe Off
 Tue. Apr. 21st, No Money Counting @ Rectory
 Wed. Apr. 22nd, Fr. Joe at Warm Springs (**Suspended**)

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



The week of Apr. 18th through Apr. 24th

Sat. 5:00 pm Bishop's Vigil Mass

Sun. 11:00 am Bishop's Morning Mass

Mon. in Pvt. Fr. Joe's Intentions

Tue. in Pvt. Deanna Schroeder rb Thomas & Judy Hogan

Wed. in Pvt. Mickey Sullivan rb Kathy Isaacson

Thu. in Pvt. Walter Thompson rb Rosary Warriors

Fri. in Pvt. Catherine Owens rb Rose Heisdorf

Fr. Joe will be celebrating private daily masses for the intentions listed above.

Avon Memorials:

Deceased Members of Sue Hiltz & Bob Miller Families
 RB Sue Hiltz

Peace, Comfort & Healing for those affected by the virus
 RB Sue Hiltz

Make a Holy Moment

The prayer chain is running well with our ability to send out **flocknote** messages to the 25 people we have registered with cell phone numbers. Christ Dubay takes care of notifying those that don't have cell phones. To get the prayer chain working for you or your loved ones, call her at 406-310-9329.



PRAYER CHAIN

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Once again the FDOH is coming through for the parishes of our Diocese. They have decided to pay out the quarterly endowment distributions a little earlier than planned so parishes will have the money to help make ends meet. Immaculate Conception received \$865 and St. Theodore received \$74. This is a good reminder how a gift to the Foundation can be gift that keeps on giving. The FDOH also has annuities and other programs that can provide tax savings for people as they enter their golden years. Jeanne at the FDOH would love to take your calls (406-389-7051) and answer any questions you may have about their programs.

flocknote

We are trying not to overuse the **flocknote** system so that you are not inundated with too many texts or emails. One of the limits of the system is that text messages can not be longer than 160 characters, which makes it a real challenge sometimes to get the full context of the message across. We will continue to use the system to get out what we think are important messages to our "flock". You can always opt out by texting back "Stop" if you think you are getting too many messages from us.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of your Body and Blood. I love You and desire to receive You. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Never let me be separated from You.
Amen.

Even if you cannot attend a Mass, you can still receive Communion spiritually by reciting the prayer above. There are numerous opportunities to watch Masses on the Internet or TV. By making this a holy moment in your home, you can enter into the mystery of the Mass with all the Saints and Angels in Heaven.

This will probably go down in recent history as one of the strangest Easter seasons for the Catholic Church. There have been pandemics throughout the ages. 25-50 million people died after a initial 6th century outbreak of a plague that had two centuries of recurrence. The Black Death of 1347-1351 killed 75-200 million people. Through all of these the Catholic Church was a cornerstone of care for the suffering, with many Saints recognized for their compassionate care of the suffering while often succumbing themselves to the plagues. As horrific as these events were and are, the Catholic Church survived them all and continues to be a beacon of Christian light for the world. Let us make sure we are that light.



If you have been watching any of the Bishop's Masses, there are usually at least 2 guys working 2-3 cameras, multiple microphones, computers and the mixer "behind the curtains". Fr. Jeff Fleming said that Dan Bartleson and Cody Tredik are the two main technicians, but He and Fr.

Ned Schiedecker help out on the weekdays with the less technical productions. The daily Masses are being celebrated in the St. Joseph chapel on the south side of the Cathedral. The "wizard" in the red circle below operates the long shots and computer mixer that helps to make it look like a truly professional production. Thank You to all those that are doing such a wonderful job making these celebrations almost feel like we are there.



We just received \$2,200 from Catholic Home Missions (CHM). They moved up the distribution date for their grants to help the struggling parishes during the pandemic. CHM supports hundreds of mission parishes in the US. CHM is one of the entities we support during the Lent and Easter seasons. If you didn't get an envelope you can donate through online giving or send in a check with CHM in the comment line. If you can, please help support their efforts in keeping the Catholic faith alive and growing in the rural areas like us of our country.

We have been receiving a few more checks in the mail and a number of people have made extra donations to help keep our parish viable. We are missing out on the loose cash donations we received each week when we took up the collection. We should be OK until the big annual expense items like insurance and the diocesan assessment come due in July. The Governor said that he will evaluate again the stay at home mandate every two weeks. So we need to pray that on the April 24th review the restrictions for gathering will be lifted and we can start celebrating together. Thank you all who have kept your donations coming during these trying times.



If you watched the Bishops Holy Week services you were in good company. If 2-3 people in a family watched on Sunday, that could mean 20-30,000 people were watching the various services:

- Holy Thursday—Live=855, Total=3k
- Good Friday—Live=893, Total=3.5k
- Easter Vigil—Live=750, Total 3.4k
- Easter Sun.—Live=1.7k, Total=9.9k

In the *flocknote* survey that we did, we got the following numbers for participation at the various services:

- Holy Thursday—34 in 19 families, avg. 1.8 people
- Good Friday—37 in 21 families, avg. 1.8 people
- Easter Vigil—39 in 20 families, avg. 2.0 people
- Easter Sunday—97 in 33 families, avg. 2.9 people



About 10 respondents to the survey said they watched EWTN, Bishop Baron or other options during Holy Week. There are many ways to stay close to God.

The Bishop will continue his daily masses at noon and Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 11:00 am. Go to www.diocesehelena.org to join in the in the live services or watch the recorded services at your convenience.

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We have had a number of vendors that didn't commit to continuing with having an ad space in the bulletin. Most spaces cost around \$100/yr. If you have a business or know of someone that may be interested in having an ad with us, have them call Fr. Joe to make arrangements. The ad spaces help to pay for the copier annual maintenance contract. Each bulletin costs approximately \$0.20 to print each week for a weekly total of \$20.



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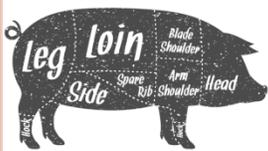
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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

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

April Month to Date 1/1/20 - YTD

\$ 3,069	Immaculate Conception	\$ 16,577
\$ 760	St. Theodore	\$ 5,702
Online Giving for Apr.:		\$ 4,720 YTD: \$ 25,887