



Immaculate Conception Catholic Church & St. Theodore Mission



May 31st – Pentecost Sunday

Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them.



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

(May 30th & 31st)

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St. Theodore—Avon 11:15 a.m.

Lector: x
 EM: x

NEXT WEEKEND

(June 6th & 7th)

8:00 p.m.

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8:00 a.m.

x

None

None

St. Theodore—Avon 11:15 a.m.

Lector: x
 EM: x

We will be looking for volunteers to be lectors from those attending each service. Eucharistic Ministers will not be needed during the covid-19 pandemic.

Upcoming Events: (Mark your Calendars)

- Sun. May 31st, Religious Education (Suspended)
- Mon. June 1st, Fr. Joe Off
- Tue. June 2nd, 9:00 am @ Office, Money Counting
- Wed. June 3rd, Fr. Joe at Warm Springs (Suspended)
- Fri. June 5th, Fr. Joe at MSP (Suspended)

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

The week of May 30th through June 5th

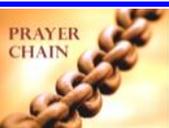
- Sat. 5:00 pm Norine Goddard rb A. Kinney
- Sun. 11:00 am Pro Populo (For the People)
- Mon. Fr. Joe Off
- Tue. 8:00 am Joe Moriarty/Spec. Int. rb Mark Stelling
- Wed. 8:00 am Catherine Owens rb Glen & DeDe Cook
- Thu. 8:00 am Gloria Deitrich rb Sam & Linda Hogan
- Fri. 8:00 am Mark Stelling & Janet Ray rb Andrew Cook

With new June 1st rules, daily Mass in Chapel will be open to those who wish to attend.

Avon Memorials:

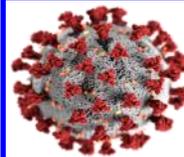
Deceased Members of Sue Hiltz & Bob Miller Families, & Danny Antila on birthday anniversary RB Sue Hiltz
 Peace, Comfort & Healing for Millie Johnson
 RB Sue Hiltz

Make a Holy Moment



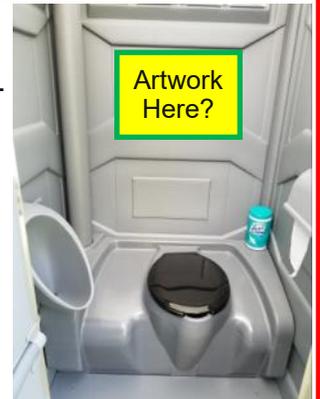
The prayer chain is getting a real workout in these trying times. If you want to get added to the **flocknote** chain so you too can be notified of prayer needs, let Fr. Joe know. Chris Dubay takes care of notifying those that don't have cell phones. To get the prayer chain working for you or your loved ones, call her at 406-310-9329.

HELP! Do you recognize this weed that is taking over in the Peace Park and front yard of the rectory? More importantly, do you know how to get rid of it? If yes to either question, give Fr. Joe a call to help work out a solution.



Next Sunday we should be able support everyone who wants to attend services at Avon. This means we will not have minimum 6 foot social distancing, so if you are uncomfortable with this, you should remember that the Bishop is still relieving people from the Sunday Mass requirement. You can stay at home and watch livestream Masses or attend IC in Deer Lodge where we will still be enforcing social distancing.

Thanks to Jim Quigley, we have a brand new Porta-Potty at the Avon Church. We will be responsible for maintenance and clean-up. Since it is ours, how about we paint or decorate it a little to make it truly ours. Do we have any artists out there that would like to take this on as a project?



Mike Richards volunteered to mow the South side of the Church every week when he mows his own lawn. We have 4 places around our Church property that need special attention when it comes to mowing because of the steep slopes. Fr. Joe can't get to them with the riding mower and his Rheumatoid Arthritis makes it very painful for him to mow these sections. In the past we have outsourced mowing these plots for around \$250/mo. If we can get people to take on the other 3 sections, we can save this money while giving people a way to help keep our Church grounds looking beautiful. The plot below is the Peace Garden slopes. It should only take about 4 passes with a push mower and a few minutes of trimming. It should be done every other week to stay looking good.



The space between the old church and old convent has thick green grass because of all the water and sun it gets. It needs to be mowed and trimmed at least every 2 weeks to keep it from becoming overgrown. Watch out for a few sprinkler heads that stick up.



The grass in the space in front of the Rectory doesn't grow that fast because of all the shade it gets, but it still needs to be mowed about every 3 weeks. It is the toughest section to mow because of the steep slopes, so you need to be extra careful. If you want to volunteer to maintain one of the areas or share the responsibility with someone else, let Fr. Joe know. The parish's push mower and trimmer are available to use, just get with Fr. Joe and he will show you how to get into the shed and how to use all the equipment.



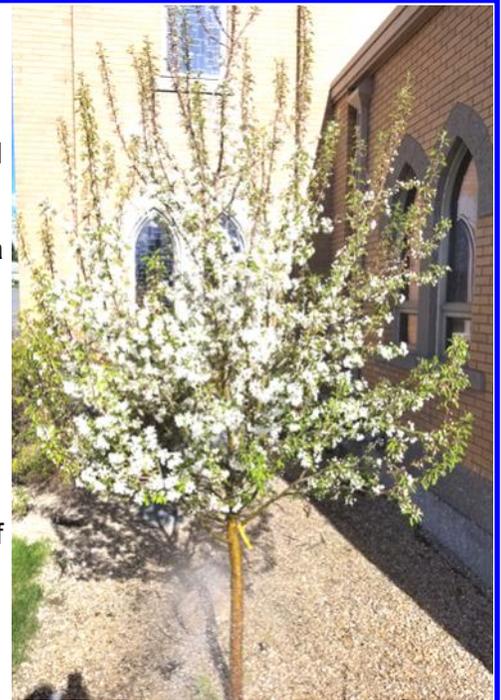
We have a Flower Fairy! Someone took the initiative to clean out one of the concrete circles in the Peace Garden and plant a selection

of flowers. It will be fun to watch them grow throughout the Summer. We have one more concrete circle still available for cleanup and planting. The soil probably needs some help because even the grass that is now in the circle is pretty pathetic. One of the other circles had strawberries in it last year, but it too needs some tender loving cleanup care. Everything gets watered every other day and Fr. Joe will promise not to mow whatever you plant if you let him know that you are planting something.



We are growing grass the old fashioned way. Grass seed in some good soil covered by burlap to keep the moisture in. Hopefully in a couple of weeks we will have shoots of grass popping up through the burlap and developing good roots. The soil here is extremely rocky and mostly clay, so it is a real challenge to grow grass, so some prayer may be in order also.

Our tree that was planted in honor of Fr. McGurk is starting to bloom. In a few days we should have lots of white blossoms. The bees are enjoying a feast of nectar so don't get too close lest you disturb them and make them mad. We have lots of space on the property where future trees could be planted. If you are interested in working on this as a project, let Fr. Joe know.



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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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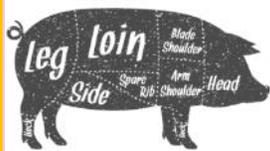
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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

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

4th & 5th Weekends in May 1/1/20 - YTD

\$ x,xxx Immaculate Conception \$ 22,842
\$ xxx St. Theodore \$ 6,992

Online Giving for May: \$ x,xxx YTD: \$ 34,552