



**Immaculate Conception
Catholic Church &
St. Theodore Mission**



May 25th – 6th Sunday of Easter

"My peace, I give to you."



John 14:23-29

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EVENT CALENDAR

Upcoming Events: (Mark your Calendars)

Mon. May 25th through May 30th, Fr. Joe @
Priest Retreat @ Carroll College in
Helena

Tue/ May 26th, No Money Counting

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Week of May 24th to May 30th

Sat. 5:00 pm xxxxx

Sun. 9:00 am For the People

Masses Monday—Friday Fr. Joe will be in
Helena at a Priest Retreat at Carroll Col-
lege

St. Theodore Mission Sunday Masses:

Sun May 25th & June 1st 11:15 am

Special Intentions rb Anne Marie
Thomas

Be Bold—Be Catholic

**The schedule for the Bishop's vis-
it on June 3rd is as follows:**

9:45 am arrive at Prison

10:00 am visit with inmates at RAC

11:00 am tour prison,

1:00 pm Mass at IC Church

1:45 pm Catered Lunch at SMC

**3:00 pm meet residents IVY nursing
home and bless new flower
planter**



**How
many
Knights
does it
take to
change
a light
bulb?**

On Tuesday night before our regularly sched-
uled meeting, it took 4 Knights just about one
hour to change out the candelabra lights in all
the fixtures in the SMC, including the Card-
room. That was just over 200 new LED lights.
Rich Owens purchased the lights for us after a
night of sweating in the SMC during the Black
Tie Dinner. The LED lights will produce signifi-
cantly less heat as well as saving power.
Thank You Rich for your generous donation.
Hope to see you next year if you come down
from Alaska to visit. The next project for the
Knights is a flower box for the IVY.



The Fr. McGurk tree is in full bloom. Must be His spirit at work. Watch out for Honey Bees.

Congratulations to our 2025 High School Graduates

**Jacob Hansen Ian Denty
Desi Beckman Sara Spring
Brody Hunter**

Following Bishop's Orders Continued: Fr. Joe will be taking the opportunity to do some limited Catechesis during his Homilies going forward to further explain what the Bishop is asking us to do and how it relates to the 2,000 year old culture of our Catholic Traditions. I don't think there are many people that really enjoy change and the Catholic Church is probably on the top of that list. Everything we do has to go through extensive review by Bishops, Cardinals, and the Pope to give consideration to what impact it may have on the people effected. Our Priests and Bishops have some limited options for modifying a Liturgy, but not without very good reasons.

Orders from the Bishop



As the Ordinary for our Diocese, the Bishop has the Authority to institute additional standards in how each parish celebrates the Mass. This is done to help create Unity in our Diocese with all the parishes so that we are doing things as much as possible in the same manner. So we stand, sit, kneel, and respond in unison which helps to demonstrate Unity among the people. It is more powerful when we are speaking the same prayer together with everyone using the official words written in our Missals. This creates a focus on Unity in our congregation. These are the special actions that the Bishop would like us to do in our regular liturgies going forward:

- 1) When we enter or leave the Church we face the Tabernacle and genuflect on our **right** knee or bow reverently out of respect for Jesus in the Tabernacle.
- 2) Unless praying as a group, we stay as quietly as possible out of reverence of our Lord and to allow others to focus on their private prayer.
- 3) When we approach the Altar for Communion, we should bow while the person ahead of us is receiving Communion so when we step forward we are ready to receive the Lord.
- 4) We are to remain standing while we receive Communion. We did our kneeling during the "Lamb of God" and kneeling down to receive interrupts the smooth flow of the Communion line and creates a disunity with people doing their own thing. It also makes thing harder for the priest.
- 5) We receive Communion on either the tongue or hands and say "AMEN" not thank you. Intinction (dipping the Host in the Precious Blood is not allowed.
- 6) At the end of Mass we will recite the Saint Michael the Archangel prayer.



Please be sure to check your calendars and make sure you have your dates down. Please get a substitute



| DOW | Date | Lector | EM Blood 1 | EM Blood 2 |
|-----|------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Sat | 5/24 | Thompson, K | Thompson, P. | Hogan, L. |
| Sun | 5/25 | Cutler, Al | Phillips, K. | Krach, R. |
| Sat | 5/31 | Cook, P | Cook, A. | Hunter, L. |
| Sun | 6/1 | Dumont, S | Hollenback, C. | Hollenback, J. |
| DOW | Date | Lector | EM Blood | Avon |
| Sun | 5/25 | Senecal, Wri | Senecal, Wristi | |
| Sun | 6/1 | Price, Betsy | Riehl, Patrick | |

| Day | Last | First |
|-----|---------|---------|
| 24 | Denty | Matthew |
| 28 | Spring | Natalie |
| 28 | Thomas | Alivia |
| 1 | Crist | Rita |
| 1 | Bignell | John |
| 1 | Thomas | Andrew |
| 2 | Denty | Ian |
| 3 | Hogan | Tom |
| 3 | Miller | Ida |

May—June Birthdays



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.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

May 18th—June 1st

Immaculate Conception

St. Theodore Mission

Collection Online Tot YTD

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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.