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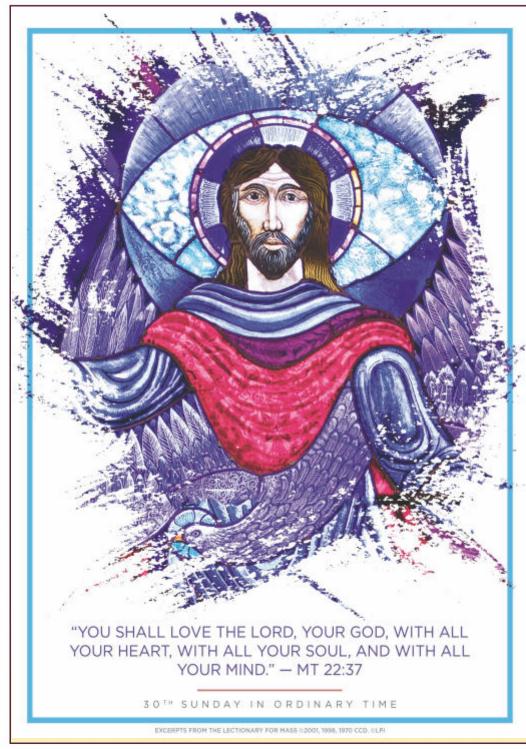
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October 25, 2020

Priesthood Sunday

30th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Prayer for Priests

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests.

Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments.

Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel.

Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.



Children's Ministry

For our Sacramental Preparation kids: We DO NOT have classes for the next two weeks (both in-person and online)! We look forward to seeing you again on November 11th. Please use these next two weeks to review the materials from the past four sessions.

Collection for the Billings Food Bank Next Weekend

The Billings Food Bank will receive our food donations from the October 31-November 1 collection. The items most needed are: canned vegetables and fruit, macaroni & cheese, cereal, tomatoes and sauce, pasta, one-can meals, rice, beans, peanut butter, canned meats, hamburger helper, single serve snacks & zip lock sandwich bags. If you prefer to make a monetary donation, please make your check out to 'Billings Food Bank' place it in the box next to the food collection bin. Thank you for helping to alleviate hunger in our community!

Remembrance Mass, November 5th

Our Remembrance Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, November 5 at 7:00pm. There will be no morning Mass that day. During the Remembrance Mass we incorporate the names of all who have died from our parish in the last year. Everyone is welcome to attend this special Mass.

Do you know...

That it's super easy to sign-up for text and email from St. Pius X on your phone? Just text SPXBLG to 84576 and you will receive our Flocknotes. We create these once or twice a month to keep you informed about important events and opportunities hosted by the parish. Many opportunities are in a virtual format. You may also join different groups that fit your interests. Do join and be connected to your parish!



Drive-by crew ready to hand off homemade caramel rolls to our faithful Live-stream parishioners during our Welcome, Body of Christ, Weekend on October 4, 2020.

Create a Page for the Parish Memory Book

On November 2, All Souls Day, we remember our faithful departed. One of the ways you can remember your deceased loved one is to pick up a scrapbook page in the Gathering Area this weekend or next to create a memory page to pay tribute to them. The page will be placed in the Parish Memory Book honoring your deceased loved one.

Bring the page back to the parish office or place it on the table in the Gathering area by Sunday, November 1 so your page can be included in the book during the month of November.

If you created a page in previous years, you are welcome to update, change, or create a new page.

Trick-or-Treat for Diapers!

Diapers! Especially sizes 4, 5 & 6 are needed to sweeten Family Promise's Community Diaper Bank! Family Promise of Yellowstone Valley has the only Diaper Bank in our community. Diapers are a basic need as well as food and shelter. All diapers distributed through



the mobile diaper bank are free to low income families and allow parents to continue employment by supplying diapers for childcare and to ease the stress that arises from a tight budget; diapers or important bills?

So far, the FPYV Community Diaper Bank has distributed over 80,000 diapers in 2020, a large increase from 2019. This program utilizes community donations to fill the van which offers curbside diaper bank hours in various locations in and around Billings.

St. Pius is happy to host a collection for disposable diapers on **October 31-November 1** in the church Gathering Area. Let's Trick-or-Treat for Diapers and help our youngest community members! This is a great way to respect life and fill a need for families.



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October 13, 2020

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Faith,

On Saturday morning, October10, 2020, I dedicated the Billings Adoration Chapel located on the campus of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Billings. The Board members for the Adoration Chapel have worked toward the construction of the chapel for several years. The chapel is now finished and dedicated for the special purpose of adoring the Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

Adoration of the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is a centuries old tradition in the Church. It is an affirmation of faith that Christ truly is present in the form of bread and wine. After the Lord suffered His passion and death, rose from the dead and ascended to heaven, he provided a means that allowed Himself to remain physically present to us. This came about through His institution of the Eucharist sacrifice when the Lord took bread and said "Take this. All of you and eat it. This is my body. Take this all of you and drink from it. This is the chalice of my blood". That He instituted this Sacrament provided a way by which he could remain present with us in a concrete manner. While in and through His divinity Christ is ever-present and available to all, His humanity is substantially present now only in heaven where He ascended in glory to the right hand of His Father and in the Eucharist. Adoration provides us an intimate encounter with Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. It was not merely as an afterthought that the Lord did this, but as an essential aspect of the Eucharist he was providing to people of faith.

Pope St. John Paul II wrote in his last papal encyclical which he devoted to the Eucharist: The worship of the Eucharist outside of the Mass is of inestimable value for the life of the Church. This worship is strictly linked to the celebration of the Eucharistic Sacrifice. The presence of Christ under the sacred species reserved after Mass – a presence which lasts as long as the species of bread and of wine remain – derives from the celebration of the sacrifice and is directed towards communion, both sacramental and spiritual (Ecclesia de Eucharistia. #25).

There is need to enroll members from area Catholic parishes to spend time with the Lord in adoration at the Billings Adoration Chapel. I am making this special appeal for members of local parishes to sign up to spend an hour with the Lord through Eucharistic adoration at least once a week. Not only is doing so an incredible means to grow personally in faith, but it also provides an opportunity to pray for the Diocese and the Church in general and our nation during a time of discord and turmoil.

Please consider becoming a Eucharistic Adorer. Your pastor will have information how to sign up.

In Christ,

Michael W. Warfel

Bishop of Great Falls-Billings

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An Invitation to Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Please consider becoming an Adorer for an hour a week or as often as you wish. The Chapel is safe and secure and located in a quiet neighborhood behind St. Thomas Church. For more information or to sign-up email Kathleen at adorationchapelbillings@gmail.com. Or mail your contact information to: Adoration Chapel Billings, P.O. Box 50113, Billings, MT 59105-0013

In and Around Our Parish Community

Sandwiches Anyone?

Did you know that besides serving a warm lunch, St. Vincent de Paul also provides sack lunches that our friends can take with them. Typically these include peanut butter and jelly or a meat and cheese sandwich, bottled water, soft fruit or a fruit cup, and a sweet treat like a granola bar. Feel free to be creative with your own healthy choices as well. If you would like to provide sandwich making materials or make them from home please give us a call at 252-1855 or visit our website at www.svdpmt.org. Thank you for considering this ministry.

Reach Out to Tumbleweed

Tumbleweed has found creative ways to serve youth during the pandemic and we are grateful for your continued support!

- ⇒ Tumbleweed started the Hot Meals program again! These are served to 25-30 youth and young adults during their Front Door Service hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:00am-1:00pm. If you'd like to participate, please sign-up on their website at www.tumbleweedprogram.org/get-involved/volunteer.
- ⇒ Another way you can help is by donating items for the food pantry. Tumbleweed makes 20-30 food boxes weekly. They would be most grateful for donations of foods most needed. Please visit their website to make an online donation or for information on pantry items or check out the Amazon Wish List at www.tumbleweedprogram.org/get-involved/provide-goods.



Virtual Marriage Enrichments: "Keeping marriage a priority" on October 27 at 7:30pm MDT. This is a two-hour event. Pre-registration is necessary at Steve.Heidi.Prentup@wwme.org. Registration is closed three days prior to the event.

Diocesan Fundraising Raffle

Support the ministries and mission of the diocese of Great Falls-Billings by entering to win the *Grand prize* of a 2021 Keystone HideOut 24BHSWE camper or \$15,000 cash; winner's choice. *Second prize*: 2021 Honda Pioneer 1000-5 Deluxe Utility Terrain Vehicle. *Third prize*: (two awarded) Montana Ultimate Barbeque packages of a Traeger Pro Series 34 Pellet Grill, Yeti Cooler and BBQ Supplies & Accessories. Also included, a processed half-beef from Bishop Warfel's herd of cattle.

Drawings are held each month November 2020 –February 2021 for Early Bird cash prizes of \$500.

Drawing for prizes will be May 15, 2021. A limited number of tickets are available for \$20 each at the St. Pius X parish office. Proceeds support Catholic parishes, schools and youth ministries throughout the diocese. All prizes purchased through an anonymous donor. Winners responsible for taxes. For complete rules and information go to diocesegfb.org or call (406) 727-6683.



Join your prayers in others during the Election Novena from October 26 to November 4 at https://www.usccb.org/2020-election-novena.

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September 23 - November 1

The 12th Billings **40 Days for** Life campaign is underway. Help them witness to the sanctity of every human life by scheduling an hour per week (if possible) to be a peaceful, prayerful presence in front of Planned Parenthood in Billings Heights. They need at least two people praying at all times from 8:00am to 8:00pm in front of this facility during the 40 days of the campaign. For more information or to sign-up for a prayer shift in front of the clinic, contact Amy at 855-3737 or 962-3260 or contact Alvina at 259-3168 or 860-5553. You may also sign-up online at www.40DaysForLife.com/Billings.

Stewardship Report: October 18, 2020

 Envelope Donation
 \$7,550.00

 Loose Checks
 \$850.00

 Loose Cash
 \$27.00

 Electronic Fund Transfer
 \$7,165.00

 Total Collection
 \$15,642.00

 Weekly Average Needed
 \$20,770.00

Parishioner Envelopes & EFT Annual Parish Budget Contributions needed to-date Contributions received to-date Budget Income (Shortfall)

98 **\$1,080,000.00** \$332,320.00 \$285,641.42 (\$46,678.58)

This Week's Meetings on the Campus of St. Pius X

Sat., Oct. 24 & Sun., Oct. 25 at church

- Saturday: Reconciliation, 3:30pm, Fellowship Hall
- Saturday: Mass, 5:00pm
- Sunday: Masses at 8:30am (Live-streamed) & 11:00am
- Diaper Collection for Family Promise's Diaper Bank

Monday, October 26

NO daily Mass

Tuesday, October 27

• Mass, 8:30am, Sanctuary (also Live-streamed)

Wednesday, October 28

- Mass, 8:30am, Sanctuary (also Live-streamed)
- NO Children's Ministry classes

Thursday, October 29

Mass, 8:30am, Sanctuary (also Live-streamed)

Friday, October 30

Mass, 8:30am, Sanctuary (also Live-streamed)

Sat., Oct. 31 & Sun., November 1 at church

- Saturday: Reconciliation, 3:30pm, Fellowship Hall
- Saturday: Mass, 5:00pm
- Sunday Masses: 8:30am (Live-streamed) & 11:00am
- Food Collection for the Billings Food Bank
- Diaper Collection for Family Promise's Diaper Bank (final weekend of collection)

CCW Fleece Blankets

CCW will go ahead with the Fleece Blanket project by having ladies work on the blankets at home. If you would like to donate fleece, 2 1/2 yards of print and 2 1/2 yards of a matching solid color can be dropped off at the Parish Center during business hours until Oct. 30.

October Special Collections

- ⇒ World Mission Sunday: Thank you for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, continuing the commitment of World Mission Sunday, by visiting MISSIO.org.
- ⇒ Peters Pence Collection, Month of October:

 Thank you for your generous support for the Peter's Pence collection. Your contributions will be combined with those from people around the world to help Pope Francis provide essential relief to people in need. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Visit <u>usccb.org/nationalcollections</u> for additional information.

Scripture Reflection:

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 22:20-26 Psalm 18:2-4, 47, 51 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10 Matthew 22:34-40

For some reason, it is easier to genuflect in reverence to the presence of Christ in the tabernacle of a church, than to genuflect in reverence to the same presence of Christ in another person's soul. We wrongly believe that God divides himself, placing himself in one place in preference to another. It doesn't work that way. Love of God and love of neighbor are intimately and inseparably connected because the essence and spark of God's very presence is in all creation. God's presence is just as real in the one who is good, as in the one who is bad, and the one who is just, and the one who is unjust.

Our brains get in the way of truly contemplating the awesomeness of this truth. We like to separate things into boxes, the sheep from the goats and the deserving from the undeserving. But, with God there are no distinctions such as this. Our human classifications, subdivisions, and definitions hold no power or have any weight in God's eyes. Sadly, we relate to God and to each other as if they do.

We cannot be deaf to the world's pain. It is not about having, hording, accumulating, acquiring, securing, storing, protecting, owning, claiming, or any of the other human terms we use to distinguish mine from yours. We put so much power in these words and that power, even though we may not always realize it, can cause those words and the distinctions they carry to wound and hurt others. We have the whole order of things wrong, but we are so set on preserving this order that we are absolutely afraid to do it any other way. We go through hoops trying to convince ourselves why the perils of the person seeking a new place to call home are not our perils that we turn our back and justify closing our doors. It makes perfect sense to us. Yet, it makes no sense in terms of our faith. It doesn't square with any of the words found in Sacred Scripture or in any time-tested teaching of the church.

We have it all reversed. We know that we do because when Jesus speaks about such things and the words of the Old Testament prophets ring out again, we start to feel uncomfortable and anxious. What we do, directly or by omission, to one of the least of these little ones we do to God. It is quite possible that some of what we are doing personally, economically, politically, globally, and even religiously is doing more harm than good. Let's ponder that a bit.



Mass Intentions & Readings

Monday, October 26

Ephesians 4:32-5:8, Psalm 1:1-4, 6, Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday, October 27

Ephesians 5:21-33, Psalm 128:1-5, Luke 13:18-21

8:30am Mass: † Lura Thelen

Wednesday, October 28, Sts. Simon and Jude Ephesians 2:19-22, Psalm 19:2-5, Luke 6:12-16

8:30am Mass: † John Sengar

Thursday, October 29

Ephesians 6:10-20, Ps. 144:1-2, 9-10, Luke 13:31-35

8:30am Mass: † TJ Miller

Friday, October 30

Philippians 1:1-11, Psalm 111:1-6, Luke 14:1-6

8:30am Mass: † Jim Ruff

Saturday, October 31 Halloween

Philippians 1:18-26, Psalm 42:2-3, 5, Luke 14:1, 7-11

5:00pm Mass: Int. of Mike & Bonnie Thomas

Sunday, November 1 All Saints

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14, Psalm 24:1-6, 1 John 3:1-3,

Matthew 5:1-12

8:30am Mass: † Int. of Mary Nelson

11:00am Mass: Int. of St. Pius X Parishioners

In thanksgiving for the lives of Marjory Blehm and Bruce Vanica. Please keep their families in your prayers.



Ministry Schedule: Oct. 31 & Nov. 1, 2020

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Greeter: Erik & Erin Beiergrohslein

Usher: Richard King, Clayton & Roxanne Kuntz,

Nancy Wandler

Sanitizers: Dan & Clare Dooley, Keith & Karen Schott

Lector: Bob Reid-1, Carol Schaff-2

Sacristan: Joyce Stoppel Altar Minister: Vicki Langlinais

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Tom Landry

Sunday, 8:30 AM

Greeter: Shannon Behounek, Lisa Wood

Usher: Don Judice, Steve Komar, Fred Reichert, Herb

Tate

Sanitizers: Joan Kimball, Steve & Kim Komar,

Jerome Ries

Lector: John Pankratz-1, Rod Hart-2

Sacristan: Jan Kirk Altar Minister: Kim Komar

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Tom Landry

Sunday, 11:00 AM

Greeter: Markus Hulquist, Magdalen Wojtowicz **Usher:** Roland Barnes, Nichole Geiger, Joe Larimer,

Tim Trimble

Lector: Jennifer Sanchez-1, Annette Behm-2

Sacristan: Donna Dierenfield Altar Minister: Lynn DeMeyer

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Tom Landry

Remembrance Book

During the month of November, the Remembrance Book will be placed near the baptismal font. Placing the book by these waters gives us hope that our beloved dead now share in Christ's Resurrection. You are welcome to write the names of your deceased loved ones in the Remembrance Book so others may read, remember and pray for them.

Everyday Stewardship: Recognize God in your Ordinary Moments Calculating Love

Have you ever Googled the word "love"? If you did you may have come across something called the Love Calculator. It is a website where you can supply two names, and the percentage chance of a successful relationship is calculated. Curious, I entered my name and my wife's. Twenty percent! I hope my wife doesn't read this! I then decided to add my name and God. A whopping thirteen percent! Then for the last attempt, I put in my name and Jesus. A very disappointing zero percent! Am I that unlovable? Of course, then I read the small print at the bottom of the page: "Please note that this site has no serious intention whatsoever." Shocking!

The truth is, the modern world increasingly seems to have no real idea what love is or how to determine when love is real. That makes the seemingly simple words of Jesus about loving God and your neighbor very complex indeed. How can you love God with your all your heart, soul, and mind when you have no idea what the act of loving means? And then, what constitutes loving a neighbor? To make it more complicated, Jesus commands you to love them like you love yourself. I bet you can agree with me that there are a lot of people out there who do not even come close to loving themselves. Knowing what love is in modern times is just not that easy. How is a well-meaning person able to find out the true meaning of love? — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* ©LPi

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Mass Schedules

Weekend

Saturday at 5:00 PM Sunday at 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

Weekdays

Tuesday—Friday

Mass at 8:30 AM—Sanctuary Rosary - 8:00 AM, before daily Mass

LIVE Stream

Sunday, 8:30 AM and Daily Masses at 8:30 AM on our website at www.stpiusxblgs.org. Click Live-Stream on the homepage.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Sat. 3:30-4:30 PM

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