

St. Patrick & Immaculate Conception Church

November 15, 2015

Administrator

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Masses

Saturday

4:30 p.m. St. Patrick

Sunday

9:00 a.m. I. C.

11:00 a.m. St. Patrick

7:00 p.m. I. C.

Weekday

7:00 a.m. St. Patrick (Tu-F)

Lauds (Morning Prayer)

following Mass (W,Th,F)

following Devotion (Tu)

Sacraments

For all Sacraments

please contact the

Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick

Communal Anointing following

7:00 am & 12:10 pm Mass on

1st Friday or please contact the

Parish Office

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

St. Patrick

or by appointment

with the priest

Exposition of the

Blessed Sacrament

St. Patrick Church

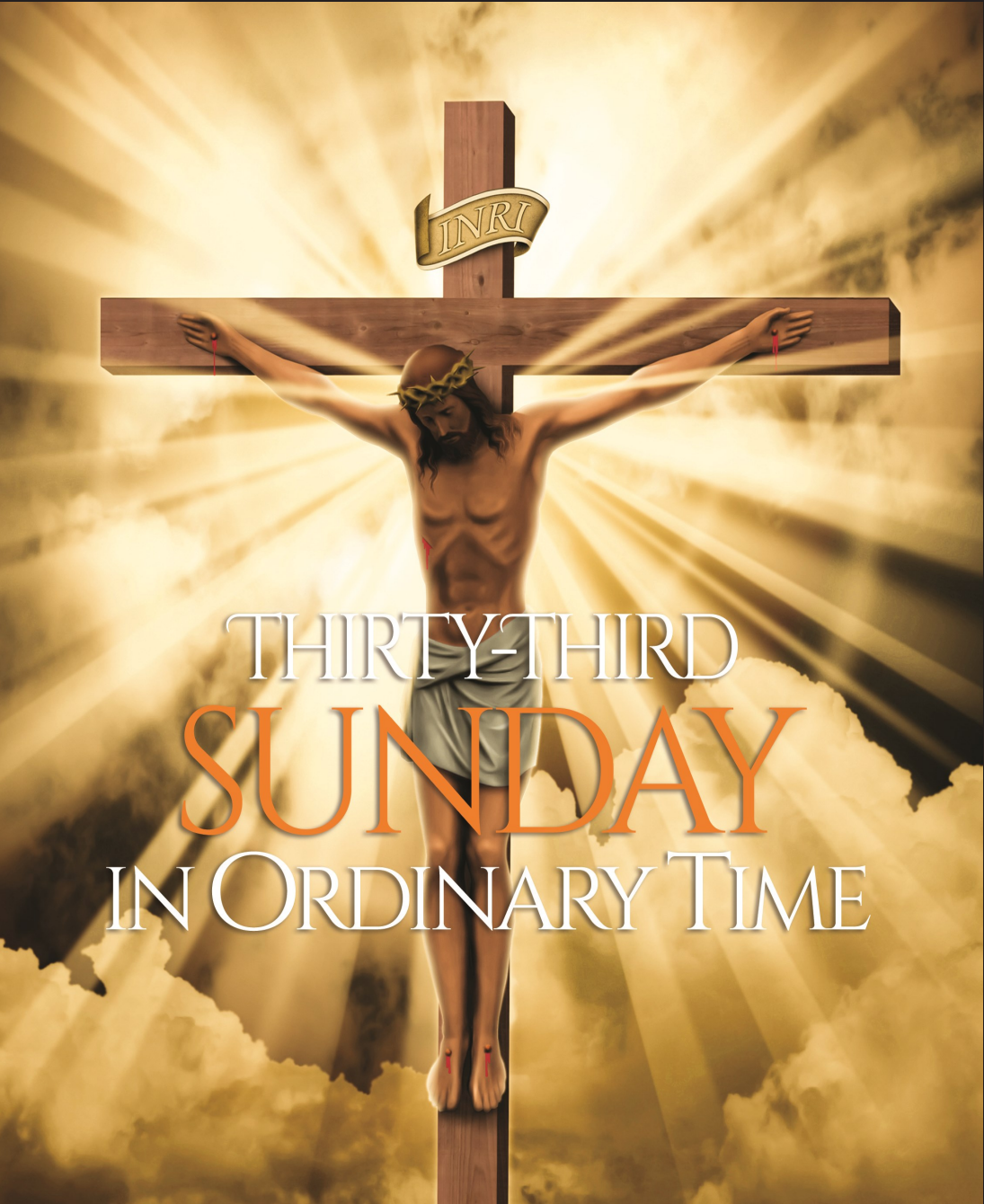
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

(Tu, W,Th,F)

Our Mother of Perpetual

Help Devotion

Tuesday after 7:00 a.m. Mass



THIRTY-THIRD
SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

“And then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in the clouds’ with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.” - Mk 13:26-27

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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Parish Notices

Dear friends on Sunday November 22, 2015 our parish will place an ad in the Montana Standard inviting Catholics who are no longer practicing to return to a full communion with the Eucharist and a parish family.

The "Welcome Back" meeting will take place at St. Patrick at 6:30pm on Tuesday December 1st.

It will be a warm and inspiring invitation to come home.

I count on you to please invite everyone you know who is in that situation to please join us that evening.

With prayers, thanks and best wishes,

Father Patrick

The **Eucharistic Adoration** schedule is in need of a permanent replacement for the following days and times:

Tuesday from 8am to 9am

Friday from 11am to 12noon

Not sure if you can make that commitment? What if you have a doctor's appointment at that time or are sick? Perhaps you will be on vacation, or have company sometime that will prevent you from participating in this special ministry.

No worries... substitutes are available through the coordinator.

Call **Becky Hyle - 494-3892** for more information.

OUR ANNUAL ADVENT BREAKFAST

Will be on Sunday, November 29th, 12:30pm

in the MAC. Tickets are \$15.00 per person and are on sale at the Parish Office now. The breakfast will be catered by Great Harvest and will feature eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, biscuits & gravy, mini cinnamon rolls, coffee & juice.

In addition to our Memorial/Special Intentions we now have **Spiritual Gift for Healing** mass cards now available at the Parish office.



The mission of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program is to collect new, unwrapped toys during October, November and December each year, and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts to needy children in the community in which the campaign is conducted.

There will be collection bins in the vestibule of St. Patrick and Immaculate Conception Churches. Please support this fantastic campaign to help those children in need in our community.

Community Notices

Laverne Combo Thanksgiving Dinner

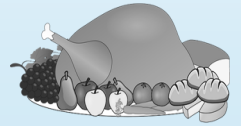
November 17, 2015

Butte Central High School Gymnasium

Deliveries Start 3:30 p.m.

Dinner starts at 5:00 p.m.

Please call the high school for reservations and deliveries at 782-6761. Deadline for Delivery orders - Friday, November 13th.



*Our Prayers & Sympathy
to the family of*

RAYMOND O'LEARY

May perpetual light shine upon him.

COLLECTION NOV. 7 & 8 - WEEK 19

Envelopes	\$3,420.00
Loose	\$2,178.00
Other Income	\$ 532.00
Total	\$6,130.00
Total this Fiscal Year	\$154,889.75
Budget Amount	\$500,000.00
Needed to Make Budget	\$345,110.25
Weekly Goal	\$9,600.00
Weekly Average To Date	\$8,159.09

Thank You for your generous support!



Butori Collision

*Please see advertisement
on the back of the bulletin!*

Mon Nov 16 St. Patrick, 7:00am NO MASS

Tue Nov 17 St. Patrick, 7:00am Julie Steuck rb Jim & Marg Leary

Wed Nov 18 St. Patrick, 7:00am Fr. Gregory Burke (Birthday) rb Carol Mulholland

Thu Nov 19 St. Patrick, 7:00am Bob Holland rb JD Lynch & Family

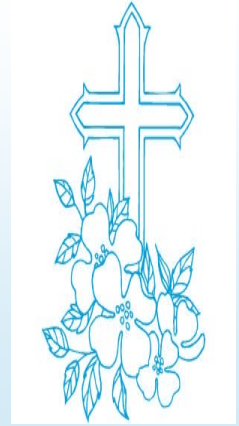
Fri Nov 20 St. Patrick, 7:00am Mildred Kochevar rb Frank Kochevar

Sat Nov 21 St. Patrick, 4:30pm Celestine Regan rb Ellen Kearns & Regan Family

Sun Nov 22 IC, 9:00am DJ O'Neill rb LaFave Family

St. Patrick, 11:00am Lynn Casagrande rb Mom

IC, 7:00pm Eileen McKelvey rb Neil & Dorothy Duddy



The Holy Souls of Purgatory - continued

These particular Holy Souls were allowed to leave purgatory to return to their families or religious orders to plead for Masses and prayers to be offered for them. The Church of the Sacred Heart's priest, curator and guide is Fr. Roberto Zambolin and he explains that "it is faith that is the key to understanding these relics". We know that the existence of purgatory is real as it is defined as a dogma of the Catholic Church (*Councils of Florence and Trent*). Therefore it is obligatory for all Catholics to believe and accept this fact. Further more the Church Councils defined that the souls in purgatory are able to be assisted by the faithful on earth (ourselves) by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

For centuries people have wrestled with the same big questions that we all are faced with at some point in our lives to the point of anxiety - the meaning of life, suffering, death, a person's true destiny and what lies beyond or put another way how to live the great mystery of faith. Our faith is the victory over the world. We believe that Jesus Christ rose from the dead. It is this faith in Jesus that helps us to overcome the world with its temptations and doubts. We have not seen yet we believe and we acknowledge that Christ is our Lord and our God. Living this mystery leads us to understand what the meaning of life is and to accept what we are here for and for anyone who professes to be a Christian the answer to the above is: To love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our soul and all our strength (*Deuteronomy 6:4-6*) or to praise God, to love God and to serve God or put even more simply: to love one another. And it is St. John of the Cross who reminds us that "at the evening of life, we shall be judged on our love". Our lives do have meaning. We spend our time on life's journey and for those who believe in Jesus Christ this is a journey of faith. And at the end of this journey is the greatest reward of all, our homeland in heaven, the reward of eternal life.

So why is there suffering in peoples lives? Suffering in this world only makes sense to those who follow and believe in Jesus Christ and is seen in the light of being a Christian.

Nobody suffered more than Jesus, through his passion, the agony, the condemnation, the torture of scourging, carrying the cross and finally the crucifixion. He did this for us. He died for our sins. Those who suffer in any way or form are following Christ's footsteps, with our wounds, afflictions, diseases, pains and torments. By sharing in Christ's sufferings we become heirs to the Glory of the eternal Kingdom. To share his suffering is to share His glory (*Romans 8:17*) and what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us (*Romans 8:18*).

Throughout life we all experience many "small deaths", as a child the death of a pet, parents experiencing their children leaving home or family members moving to far away places. But nothing truly prepares us for the death of a loved one. Every human being is created in the image of God and is both corporeal (physical) and spiritual (soul). The church teaches that body and soul are truly one nature united together and whilst our bodies are corruptible and decay our souls that are created by God alone and not by our parents are immortal (*CCC 362-366*). Death therefore brings to an end human life. The New Testament affirms that each person will be rewarded immediately after death in accordance with what they have done, for example by good works and by their faith and there is a destiny of the soul which can be different for some and for others. Each person therefore receives their eternal retribution (punishment for wrongdoing and sin) in their immortal soul at the moment of death in a particular judgement that refers to the life of Christ: either by entrance to heaven immediately or through a period of purification or by immediate and everlasting damnation (*CCC 1021-1022*). The Holy Souls then are the souls of those who have died in a state of God's grace and friendship. They are assured of eternal salvation but after death because they are imperfect they need to undergo a period of purification that will allow them to gain the holiness needed to enter the joy of heaven.

To be continued...