

ST. PATRICK & IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISHES

Administrator
Fr. Patrick Beretta

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 17, 2016

Pastoral Associate
Seaneen Prendergast



There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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Office Manager
Julie Brinton

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.
Montana Tech Campus
Ministry Mass, I C

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

Lauds (Morning Prayer)
following Mass (W,Th,F)
following Devotion (Tu)

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

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Parish Notices

BAPTISM CLASS will be held Monday January 18th at the Newman Center (IC) at 6:30 pm.
Both Parents are to attend.

We had a great Trip to NCYC in Indianapolis!
Thank You so much for your generosity,
YOUTH GROUP

*Our Prayers & Sympathy
to the Family of*

*William Sharkey
May perpetual light shine upon him.*



ACA CAMPAIGN PROGRESS REPORT - 1/7/16

St. Patrick & Immaculate Conception

Goals: \$56,600

% of Goal: 60%

Donors Total: 138

Registered Households: 437

% Participation: 31.58%

Please Note. It is not too late to participate in ACA.

COLLECTION AMOUNT

Jan. 9 & 10 - Week 28

Envelopes	\$2,741.00
Loose	\$2,500.00
Other Income	\$10,420.00
Total	\$15,661.00
Total this Fiscal Year	\$241,085.26
Budget Amount	\$500,000.00
Needed to Make Budget	\$258,914.74
Weekly Goal	\$9,600.00
Weekly Average To Date	\$8,610.18

Thank You for your generous support!

PARISH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Award Year 2016-2017

Firm Deadline February 1st.

Parish Carroll College Scholarship award is available to students active in St. Patrick or Immaculate Conception Parishes.

This \$1,000 scholarship is applicable toward full-time tuition at Carroll College for the upcoming academic year.

Only one newly accepted student may receive the scholarship each year.

Applications available at the Parish Office.

Community Notices

SCIENCE AND FAITH: FRIENDS OR FOES?

Monday January 25th 7:00 pm
MT Tech Auditorium

Presenter: Ian Hutchinson
Professor of Nuclear Science and Engineering MIT.
Tech Campus Ministry

Is hosting this amazing opportunity.
It is open to the public - No Admission Fee

Catholic Women's CONFERENCE "Come to Me"



SAVE THE DATE
"SPA DAY FOR THE SOUL"
SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016
7:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.
CARROLL COLLEGE
HELENA MONTANA

Please join women from across Montana and beyond for a spiritual day featuring prayer, music, speakers, fellowship, and more! Will conclude with Mass.

Register online at ShowMyEvents.com

The cost of the Conference is \$55.00. Includes lunch.
For more information please contact Velma Burnett at
rvburnett@blackfoot.net, (406) 677-7772 or
(406) 439-7669.



GREENFIELD PRINTERS

Please see advertisement on back of the Bulletin!

Mon	Jan 18	St. Patrick	7:00 am	NO MASS
Tue	Jan 19	St. Patrick	7:00 am	Kezgan Shza rb Steve & Celine Maloney
Wed	Jan 20	St. Patrick	7:00 am	Robert Bennett rb Richard & Jeanne Lynch
Thu	Jan 21	St. Patrick	7:00 am	Naomi Monica Floch rb The LaFave family
Fri	Jan 22	St. Patrick	7:00 am	Hilzina LaFave/SI rb Mom & Dad
Sat	Jan 23	St. Patrick	4:30 pm	William Grimm rb The LaFave Family
Sun	Jan 24	IC	9:00 am	Kezgan Shza rb Peggy Broermann
		St. Patrick	11:00 am	Donizile Vega rb Mom & Dad
		IC	7:00 pm	George Stanich rb Peggy Broermann



JUBILEE continued...

The pope teaches us that to become a people of peace is more a matter of time than of space or power. To understand salvation-time is to do what is right and to trust the Lord that good fruit will come. This calls for the virtues of patience and of hope. Grasping after space, control or power over others does not lead to liberation and peace. Paradoxically, letting these natural and understandable desires go, and trusting in the Lord's grace and power, can lead to *shalom*.

This teaching of Francis is true also for the jubilee, which helps us to redeem time, to make it holy. The weekly Sabbath, the Sabbath year and the jubilee year consecrate time. The jubilee is thus a time of new beginnings, of new doors opening, of fresh opportunities to receive grace. How can we as disciples and communities better accept the offer of a fresh start from God and from others and in turn make this offer to others? In the spirit of ecumenical dialogue, as noted above, we can learn about the jubilee from other Christians. The Mennonite theologian John Howard Yoder, for example, wrote compellingly of the jubilee in terms of time, and of how Christians are to live in the world today. In his seminal text *The Politics of Jesus*, Yoder prudently pointed out that the jubilee is meant to be periodic renewal, not a perpetual social upheaval. Every 50 years, Israel was called to remember the bountiful providence of God and the gift of liberation from slavery exemplified by the Exodus. We still need these periodic reminders, circumstances and practices that invite and enable us to restore a measure of mercy to a fallen world.

Proclaiming and practicing jubilee together, in our own space and time, and in spirit of dialogue, propels the church toward conversion, witness and action.

Conversion. Francis appeals to Christians to firmly reject the false temptations of gossip, greed, violence and corruption and to move toward justice and mercy. Indulging in gossip makes the practice of forgiveness and reconciliation within the community that much more difficult. The jubilee therefore may also be a good time for Catholics to study deeply the ecclesial process of reconciliation laid out in Matthew 18. How can we help one another to make amends? Whom can we ask for help in restoring a broken relationship? The pope warns disciples against the lure of greed and encourages Christians to reject the idolatry of money that generates debt, exclusion and violence.

Giving in to these temptations weakens and disfigures the body of Christ.

The sacramental life of prayer and worship, particularly in the Mass, helps Catholics turn away from these temptations and toward the Lord. The jubilee can also become an opportunity to renew both personal and parish commitments to the sacrament of reconciliation. The sacrament is personal—between penitent and God, with the help of a priest but is best sustained within a life-giving community of Christians, who can invite, nurture and encourage the practice of forgiveness and the accompanying acts of penance and restitution. How can we increase our own resolve to regularly participate in the sacrament of reconciliation? How can we help our family, friends, and fellow parishioners to do the same? Are we as Catholics helping one another to practice forgiveness?

Witness. The jubilee is an invitation to witness the forgiveness rooted in the cross and resurrection. We can forgive because we have been forgiven. This too can become easier, or at least less hard, when we are part of a close community of Christians. The example, support, encouragement and even demands of other Christians are essential. The forgiveness shown by the Amish community in Nickel Mines after a shooting in the schoolhouse there is one instructive example of a communal orientation to the practice of reconciliation and mercy that has also inspired others.

Furthermore, Pope Francis reminds the church and individual Christians that we are to publicly proclaim the liberation of slaves which in our day includes exploited laborers, migrants, those forced into prostitution, child soldiers and victims of kidnapping. In this way, the church becomes a needed and timely sign of Christ's mercy to and in the world. The church can put a spotlight on the darkness of slavery and structural injustice and call for a greater justice. Coming together, Christians can take action to end such slavery by working for economic and labor justice, for example, the protection of vulnerable children and the just treatment of immigrants.

To be continued...

