

ST. PATRICK & IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISHES

December 15, 2019

Pastor
Fr. Patrick Beretta

Deacon
Bernard McCarthy

Pastoral Associate
Seaneen Prendergast

Masses

Saturday

4:30 p.m. St. Patrick

Sunday

9:00 a.m. IC

11:00 a.m. St. Patrick

7:00 p.m.

Montana Tech Campus
Ministry Mass, IC

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 a.m. & 12:10 p.m. 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

St. Patrick

Parish Office

102 S. Washington Street

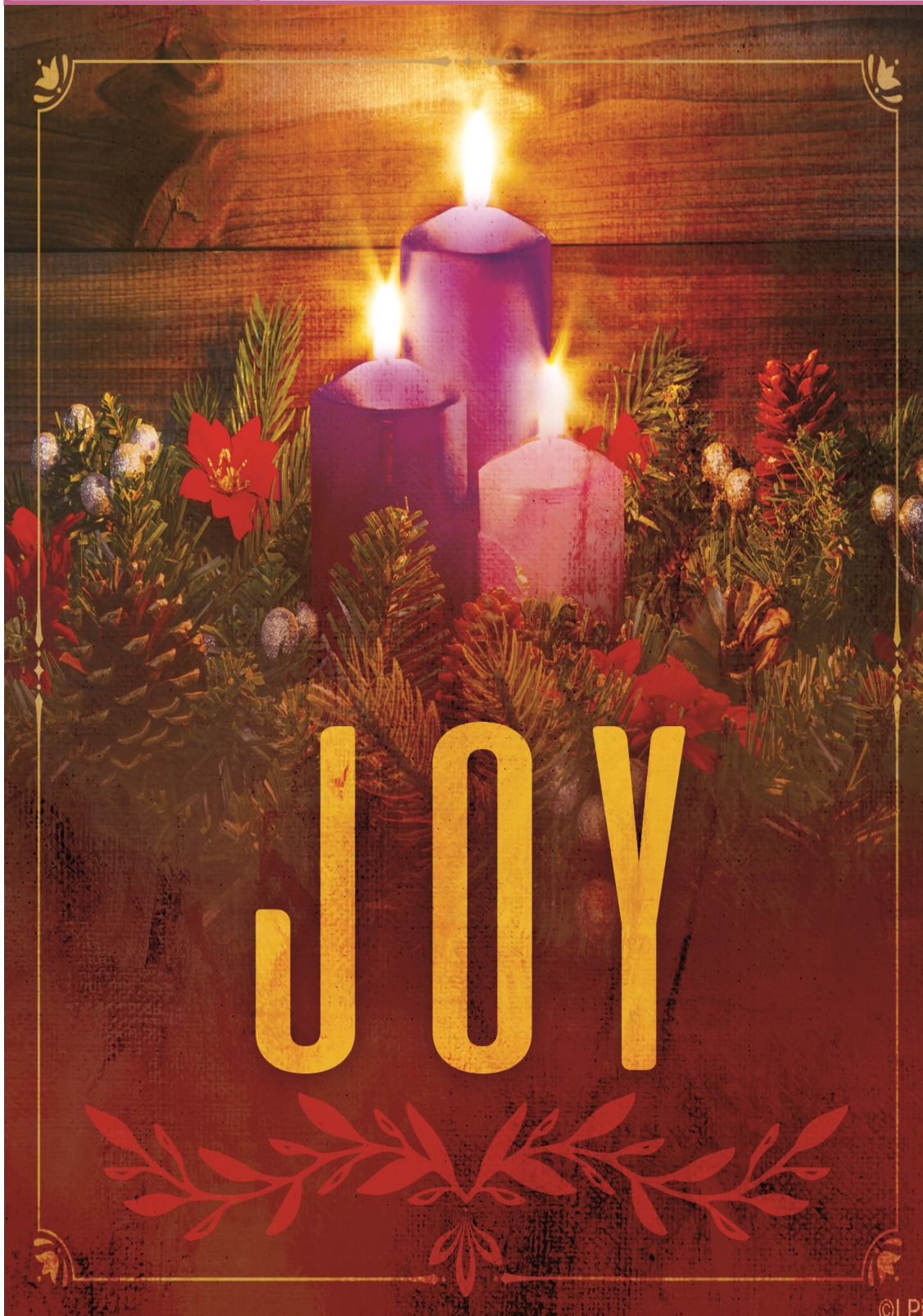
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PARISH EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

December 24, Christmas Eve

5:00 pm: Children's Mass, St. Patrick

11:00 pm: Mass of Midnight, 1C

December 25, Christmas Day

9:00 am: 1C

11:00 am: St. Patrick

January 1st, Solemnity of Mary,

11:00 am: St. Patrick

(This is a Holy Day of Obligation)



Congratulations on your
First Holy Communion

Jolie Faye Denny

12/14/19



Our Prayers & Sympathy
to the Family of

Aileen Rogers

May perpetual light shine upon her.



We are in need of 60 chair cushions or throw pillows for our Liturgy of the Word for children Room. They are for the children to sit on. They can be used or new. Please drop off donations at the parish office.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need help decorating our churches for Christmas on

DECEMBER 23rd

St. Patrick at 10:00 am

Immaculate Conception at 5:00 pm

If you would like to help, please call the parish office.

Youth Group

Mason Jars mixes will be on sale December 21-22 after each mass.

The price is \$15.00 per jar.

Collection Amount

December 7-8 Week 23

Envelopes	\$2,769.00
Loose	\$2,694.00
Other Income	\$1,137.00
Weekly Total	\$6,600.00
Total to Date	\$153,663.27
Budget Amount	\$500,000.00
Needed to Make Budget	\$346,336.73
Weekly Average	\$6,681.01

Thank You
for your generous support!

From Your Catholic Foundation

Are you beginning to think about the year-end charitable giving for the Catholic Church? Your Foundation can help.

Our goal is to help Catholics like you through the maze of gift options available to support your Catholic faith. Contact Jeanne Saارين, Executive Director of The Foundation for the Diocese of Helena, Inc. Inc.,

(406) 389-7051 or jsaarinen@diocesehelena.org through the end of the year for help with:

*Qualifying a gift for the 40% Montana Charitable Endowment tax Credit.

*Making a gift from your IRA.

*Transferring appreciated stocks to the Church.

*Catholic Charitable Gift Annuity-make a gift and you receive the income for life.

*And much more! If you want to claim a gift on your 2019 taxes, don't wait until the end of December to do IRS and stock gifts as they take longer to process. If by giving online by credit or debit card, it needs to be charged on or before December 31. Your catholic foundation's mission is to serve and strengthen the people, parishes, ministries, and apostolic mission of the Diocese of Helena.

Learn more at www.fдох.org.

Tue Dec 17 St. Patrick, 7:00 am Mike O'Brien rb The Family

Wed Dec 18 St. Patrick, 7:00 am Joe & Maureen Yelenich rb John Yelenich

Thu Dec 19 St. Patrick, 7:00 am Danette Kane (2nd ann.) rb The Family

Fri Dec 20 St. Patrick, 7:00 am Andy & Pat Bartoletti rb The Bartoletti Family

Sat Dec 21 St. Patrick, 4:30 pm John Nelson rb Helen Nelson & Family

Sun Dec 22 IC, 9:00 am Pat Schmechel rb Ed & Joy Metesh & Family

St. Patrick, 11:00 am Living & Deceased Members of McGee & Cunningham Families rb The Cummings Family

IC, 7:00 pm Bill & Mary Carol Hogart rb The Hogart Family



THANK YOU
To all those
who helped
with the
CHRISTMAS
PARTY

Edward Jones

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pregnancy and birth would be like and now that too has changed. Now here comes the call for the enrollment and yet another new set of plans. Each of us has our plans. Each of us has our idea or dream or image of how we want our life to unfold. However, our plans seldom unfold according to how we think they should. In fact, often when we evaluate our lives, we realize that life is different from what we expected—our plans rarely come to pass. Whether or not your life has unfolded according to your plans, trust that God knows his plans.

It is important to realize God does indeed have a plan for each of our lives. However, we often try to be in control. We have our expectations; we have our plans. This limits God's ability to navigate in our lives. Mary teaches how to give room to God for what he wants to unfold. God's plans for us are more akin to dancing that destination. In other words, God's ultimate plan for us is to live with him forever in heaven. His ultimate plan for us is to

experience the joy, freedom, and happiness for which he created us. However, in the midst of the journey of life, his plan unfolds one day at a time. Like a couple dancing in the joy of a song, the lead partner is always watching what the other is doing in the dance. A good lead dancer responds to how the other moved. Based off how she moved, the leader responds anew and then waits to see how the dance unfolds. God's plans for us are constantly adapting to where we are in life and how we ourselves have responded to his latest prompting. All of what is in his heart is only for our best: for our joy, freedom, and happiness.

**Spend sometime today with Mary and
ask her about God's plan for your
life.**



PLANS

"A decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled." Luke 2:1

THE ADVENT STORY

deepens as soon as news of a census descends upon Nazareth. Just when Mary and Joseph are adjusting to the fulness of married life, the emperor of Rome decrees a census. Mary & Joseph must deal with this unexpected demand. Mary must face a chapter in life that was not in her plans.

Mary wasn't expecting Gabriel's annunciation. She wasn't expecting Joseph's initial response to divorce her. She certainly wasn't expecting having to travel at eight-and-a-half months pregnant. Going to Bethlehem was not in her plans. In fact, none of this was in her plans. Mary likely had plans about what her life and marriage would look like, but all that changed.

Adapting well, Mary made new plans for what her