



**First Sunday of
Advent**

December 1, 2024

**TODAY'S READING:
WORSHIP BOOK #1003**

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am and 11:15 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

MONDAY - WEDNESDAY MASSES - 12:10 PM
Rosary: Mon - Wed 11:50 am - 12:10 pm
First Floor, Room 103 • Parish Life Center

THURSDAY - SATURDAY MASSES - 12:10 PM
11:40 am • Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet
Prayed before Mass
Father Wang
Parish Life Center • First Floor, Room 103

CHAPEL

MONDAY - THURSDAY - 8 AM - 4 PM
Parish Life Center • St. Anthony Adoration Chapel

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

MONDAY 4 AM - TUESDAY 8 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY - 3:50 - 4:30 PM or by appointment

ST. ANN'S, BONNER

Weekend Mass: Sunday, 9:45 am
Weekday Mass: Thursday, 10:00 am

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor.....Reverend Pascal Kasanziki
Administrative AssistantLinda Greiner
Volunteer R. Ed. Coordinator / Bookkeeper Sarah Roberts
CustodianGeorge Loos
Accompanists..... Jim Driscoll, Barb Ballas
Bulletin Kate Likvan

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Today the Church begins the season of Advent. It is also the beginning of a new year in the Church calendar: the liturgical year C (cycle C).

Advent means “coming.” It is a season of preparation to celebrate the incarnation of God (God made flesh) into the world: mainly the birth of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Advent is a month-long preparation for this great event. Jesus Christ came into the world more than two thousand years ago, but He promised a “second coming at the end of time.” We do not know the day and hour of Christ’s second coming when He will come again to judge the living and the dead and establish an unending kingdom. So Advent is the season to prepare our hearts to celebrate joyfully Christmas (the first coming) while still vigilant for the second coming.

We must be ready everyday for the first and second coming. Nothing makes us wiser than embracing that truth. Most people say that death and taxes are the only two certainties! But that is not true. Many people can escape taxes, but death is a common denominator that nobody can escape.

The season of Advent reminds us that as Christians we are in between “the already” and “the not yet.” However, Jesus Christ is present in our midst, in the here and now of our existence. Every day He is knocking on the door of your heart asking permission to come in and be your Lord and Savior. He does not grsb your soul forceably, but He wants to love it and impregnate us with His life.

Advent is a season of grace to open the door of our hearts to His presence, His love, His grace, His very life. It is a single relationship we can foster as a way of being ready to celebrate joyfully the first coming and ready ourselves for the second coming. But how do we prepare ourselves?

By praying unceasingly, reading and meditatng on the Holy Scriptures, dedicatng times to encounter and be fed with Jesus in the sacrament of the Eucharist; practicing the sacrament of reconciliation (sacrament of love); makng an effort to reconcile with our brothers/sisters, relatives especially in this polarized world in which we live; and by being aware that we are saved by the grace, mercy and love of God.

Happy Advent to all of you!

Fr. Pascal Kasanziki, Pastor

REGISTRATION UPDATE FOR LEGENDARY

We are busy gearing up for another life-changing summer at Legendary Lodge, where we encounter God's goodness through the joy of Christ-centered community, outdoor adventures, and the beauty of our Catholic Faith.

Over the past few seasons, we've watched all sessions fill quickly. To ensure that as many young people as possible from the Diocese of Helena secure a spot, we will be opening registration in two phases.

Registration Opens at legendarylodge.org

January 3rd at noon for families who live within the Diocese of Helena

January 8th at Noon for families who live outside the Diocese of Helena

The Legendary Lodge aim is for camp to complement and support the vital work of parish life.

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Fund to Other Entities	\$ 14.00
Total	\$ 5,054.85

Thank you for your generosity!

CATHOLIC JOURNEY WEEKENDS 2025

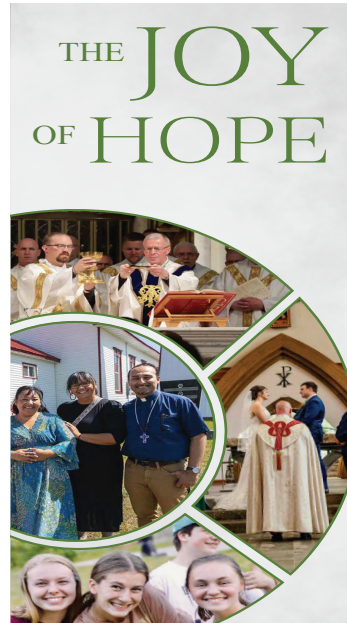


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pccassidy@ctkmsla.org

Men's Weekend
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Contact Jeff to apply
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QUESTIONS?

Please contact our Stewardship Office:

Phone: 406-389-7062

Email: contact@diocesehelena.org

FAMILY PROMISE VOLUNTEER UPDATE

Family Promise is an organization that helps support our homeless families. Last week we requested volunteers to provide food and assist at the Meadowlark Family Housing Center for our turn to help out the week of December 22-28, Christmas week!

THANK YOU for the tremendous response to our request! Volunteers have stepped up to help us almost fill our Christmas week sign up. We have the best volunteers!

We only need to fill 2 more positions during our week: **Two evening hosts or reception desk attendants**, one for **Friday, December 27 (8-10pm)** and another for **Saturday, December 28 (8-10pm)**.

If you are interested in helping and would like more info, please contact the office. Training is provided. We would love to have you join us to help support the Missoula homeless families. Hope to see you there!

KNIGHTS' FOOD DRIVE THIS WEEKEND

This weekend is the Knights of Columbus Food Drive. We are collecting non-perishable food and monetary donations in the back of the church before and after all the Masses for the Poverello Center. If you didn't bring any food to donate, they also take monetary donations. They are most grateful for your help. Thank you for your generosity!

MASS INTENTIONS NOV 30 - DEC 8, 2024

Sat Nov 30	ST. ANDREW
5:00 pm	+ Theresa House <i>by David House</i>
Sun Dec 1	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
8:00 am	+ Brady Bilile <i>by Dick & Denise Giuliani</i>
11:15 am	+ Peter & Rose Haas <i>by Steve Haas</i>
Mon Dec 2	WEEKDAY
12:10 pm.	Eileen Smith <i>by Stephanie Smith</i>
Tues Dec 3	WEEKDAY
12:10 pm	+ Theresa House <i>by David House</i>
Wed Dec 4	ST. JOHN DAMASCENE
12:10 pm	+ Jim & Arlene Hopkins <i>by Steve Hopkins</i>
Sat Dec 7	ST. AMBROSE
5:00 pm	Connie Slagle <i>by the Harringtons</i>
Sun Dec 8	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
8:00 am	Father Michael Drury <i>by Candace Torrens</i>
11:15 am	+ Bob King <i>by the Harvey Family</i>



ST. ANTHONY PRAYER CHAIN

For someone in need of prayer,
please contact
Gayle Stout at 406-543-5503.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Monday, December 9 is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. It is a holy day of obligation and Mass will be held at 12:10 in the Church.



**JOIN US for Coffee
& donuts after the
SUNDAY 11:15 MASS
in the Parish Life Center**

REMEMBERING A LOVED ONE



Altar Bread and Wine Week of December 1 Holiday Blessings for Andrew & Mary Balogh

From
Mary Ann Likvan

MASS INTENTIONS OR BREAD & WINE OFFERING

Mass intentions are available if you'd like a Mass said for a loved one. You can also make a donation for the altar bread & wine for a week of Mass services for a suggested donation of \$25 - \$50 in the name of someone you'd like to remember or as a remembrance of birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, weddings, etc. Just call the parish office to reserve your intention.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

God blesses St. Anthony's Parish through the 40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration Ministry occurring Mondays 4am until Tuesdays 8pm in the Adoration Chapel in the Parish Life Center.

Scheduled or substitute adorers are always needed! Come...pray...and remain in His Presence. For information about joining in this prayerful ministry, please contact the parish office or Leslee Tschida at 406-240-2861. Thank you!

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please contact the parish office or make an appointment to meet with Father Pascal.

DONATION TABLE IN THE CHURCH LOBBY

You may have noticed a table and bookcase in the back of the church with different religious items on it. These are used items donated by parishioners either from estates or their private collections. Father Drury donated some of his religious items and carvings as well.

Since we don't know which of these items are blessed, we are asking for a donation for what you'd like to own. Please give an amount that represents what the item means to you. Any price tag you may find on an item was there when we received the item. Enjoy looking through the various pieces and hopefully you'll want to give one or more of these items a new life. New items are added all the time.

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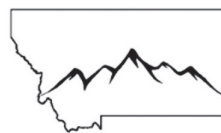


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