



February 2, 2025

**Presentation of
Our Lord**

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ST. ANTHONY PARISH

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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 Assistant Rebecca Ludger-Hebert
- Volunteer R. Ed. Coordinator / Bookkeeper Sarah Roberts
- Custodian George Loos
- Accompanists..... Jim Driscoll, Barb Ballas
- Bulletin Kate Likvan

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- Loyola Sacred Heart H.S. PrincipalPaul Richardson
- SJS Elementary/Middle Schl Principal/Interim...Paul Richardson
- President of Schools & MCS Foundation... Dr. Thomas Noonan

SUNDAY'S READING: WORSHIP BOOK #1120

THE PRESENTATION

This Sunday, the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time is a period that represents the ministry of Jesus following His baptism at the age of thirty. However, this week we pause to commemorate the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple, which occurred forty days after His birth.

Mary and Joseph, like many generations of Jewish parents, were required to present their new son to God following the dictates of the Mosaic Law. According to this custom, the first-born son was to be consecrated to the Lord (Exodus 13:2) and the mother to be purified in the temple. Additionally, an offering of two turtle doves or two young pigeons, along with a lamb, was required. Given that Mary and Joseph were a modest family, the lamb they offered was, symbolically, the Lamb of God—signifying Jesus' inaugural appearance in the Temple.

In Jewish tradition during the presentation, the mother participated in a ritual of purification. The priest also purified himself by bathing before entering the holy place. This practice is echoed in the liturgy of the Mass, where the priest washes his hands prior to the Eucharistic Prayer and the distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ.

CANDLEMAS

Baby Jesus was presented to God in the temple and presented back to the world. Jesus is the Holy One whose heavenly light shines even amid the world's darkness, as Candlemas celebrates.

Candlemas originated as a Christian festival in Jerusalem around 350 AD. It commemorates the presentation of Jesus at the Temple of Jerusalem and is celebrated 40 days after Christmas on February 2. The name Candlemas comes from the custom of blessing and distributing candles in procession before Mass. To honor this tradition, you can bring your home candles and Father Pascal will bless them after Mass.



The certainty that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. This is the heart of Christian hope."

POPE FRANCIS

HEALING MASS NEXT WEEK

St. Anthony's Healing Mass and luncheon will be on Tuesday, February 11. Mass starts at noon with an anointing of the sick and lunch to follow. Please call the parish office if you plan to attend.

DONATING BOOKS

The church's library is in need of books on or about cancer. If you have any books on this subject and would like to donate them, please drop off in the parish office. Thanks!

JOIN US AFTER MASS ON SUNDAY



JOIN US for coffee, donuts & BAGELS after the Sunday 11:15 Mass in the Parish Life Center

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Religious Articles Counter	\$ 40.00
Total	\$ 3,903.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL CONTINUES

For those who have not yet pledged support for the Annual Catholic Appeal, please do so to help us reach our goal as soon as possible. Thank YOU!

Our goal at St. Anthony is \$48,700.

So far we received \$12,571.95 from 16.05% of parish households.



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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION TIME CHANGE

God blesses St. Anthony's Parish through the 40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration Ministry occurring **Mondays 5am until Tuesdays 9pm** 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!

COLLECTION COUNTERS NEEDED

St. Anthony's is in need of two additional collection counters. If you have the availability to volunteer approximately once a month for an hour or two, your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Training will be provided. This opportunity is an excellent way to give back to the church while adding a refreshing change to your routine. If you are interested, please contact the parish office for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS FEB 1-9, 2025

Sat Feb 1	BLESSED VIRGIN FIRST SATURDAY
5:00 pm +	Kelly Keintz <i>by John & Judy Keintz</i>
Sun Feb 2	PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
8:00 am	Father Michael Drury <i>by Candace Torrens</i>
11:15 am +	Robert Trapani <i>by Larry Garde</i>
Mon Feb 3	STS. BLAISE & ANSGAR
12:10 pm +	Theresa House <i>by David House</i>
Tues Feb 4	WEEKDAY
12:10 pm	Tanya Kolbier <i>by Steve Hopkins</i>
Wed Feb 5	ST. AGATHA
12:10 pm +	Robert L. Gerlach <i>by Tom Gerlach</i>
Sat Feb 8	STS. JEROME & JOSEPHINE
5:00 pm +	David Lewis <i>by Maureen Lewis</i>
Sun Feb 9	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 am +	Frank E. Gerlach <i>by Tom Gerlach</i>
11:15 am	Connie Slagle <i>by the Harvey Family</i>

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.

ONLINE GIVING

If you'd like to give an offering online, scan this QR code with your phone and follow the prompts. We truly appreciate it!



DONATE A BLANKET FOR NEEDY FAMILIES

Family Promise would like to have a collection of blankets on hand to give to needy Family Housing Center families when they transition into their permanent housing. They are especially needed now due to the cold months ahead. Blankets can be any size. They can be new or used. If they are used, please make sure they are clean. If you have a blanket to donate, please leave it on the designated table at the back of the church next weekend or the following weekend. Bless you and thank you.

THE WORD AMONG US



**Jesus, as I go
about my day,
I will place my
trust in you.**

BRING LAST YEAR'S PALMS IN

Parishioners, you can bring in your palms for Ash Wednesday. Just leave them in the vestibule of the church or at the office during office hours.

ST. ANTHONY PRAYER CHAIN

For someone in need of prayer,
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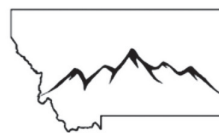
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