Infant Baptisms – Usually children under 7 are baptized on 1st Saturdays of the month. (If needed, on other days as well). The next class for parents/God-parents who haven't yet had baptismal prep, is at 10:30am at St. Dennis on Saturday, July **6**th. Please contact any of the priests to schedule a Baptism.

Sacramental Prep '24-'25: For children age 7 and older who've been baptized, we plan to start the next cycle of sacramental prep classes in early 2025. We will have more information about these classes, which are required preparation for First Eucharist/Communion and Confirmation, in the Fall.

Sunday School: Sunday school has now ended for the summer months, but will return in mid or late September.

Job Opportunity (Great Falls Catholic Schools): See diocesegfb.org for complete listing of *Director of Advancement* position.

Montana Catholics For Life

For Babies For Mothers For Families



From Montana's Bishops

Family is the domestic church, the first and best place for children to learn to live out the great dignity with which each person is created. Families should be encouraged to stand by each other throughout life. They are the foundation of a strong and healthy society. With loving support, families understand and persevere through life's challenges and know that a baby, even when unexpected, does not prevent a mother from living a fulfilling and happy life.

Parents have a right to know when their child needs their support, especially when abortion is concerned. CI-128 would eliminate parental notification of abortion that is currently required in Montana, effectively shutting parents out when a young mother needs her family most, and when a baby's life is at risk.

Removal of parental notification leaves an underage mother isolated and vulnerable to any person who would pressure her to have an abortion. This opens the door for coercion, exploitation, human trafficking, and other crimes. Families are vital to the lives of their children and deserve better. Please continue to pray and spread the word. Encourage people of goodwill to decline to sign the petition to place CI-128 on the November ballot.

Ioint Letter & Video Stand for Life in Montana

Join our Bishops as we stand for every child's right to life, the dignity of each mother, and the sanctity of the family.

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Regular Sunday Mass Schedule:

9:00 am - St. Dennis

10:30 am - St. Charles Borromeo

12:30 pm – Our Lady of Loretto

4:00 pm – St. Francis Xavier

Daily Mass Schedule:

6.00 pm @ Saint Dennis: Tues. Wed. Thurs. 6.00 pm @ Our Lady of Loretto: Friday

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St. Charles Borromeo Prvor

> St. Dennis Crow Agency

St. Francis Xavier St. Xavier

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Wyola

St Dennis Parish Hall:

Tuesdays: Sewing Group @ 6:00pm

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) June 2, 2024

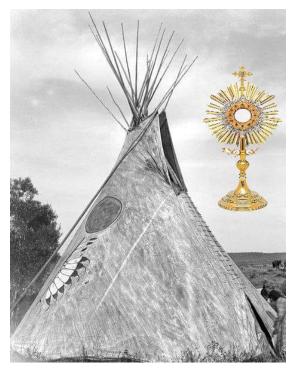
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Corpus Christi

This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next Sunday, however, are

designated as solemnities, special days that call our attention to the central mysteries of our faith. Today, on the first Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This feast invites us to consider what we believe about God, who has revealed himself to us in the Trinity, one God in three Persons. The Gospel for this Solemnity is taken from the Gospel of Matthew. In its conclusion, Matthew's Gospel quickly moves from the disciples' discovery of Jesus' empty tomb and Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to the commission that Jesus gives to his disciples in today's Gospel.

The final commission, as this part of Matthew's Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop. Throughout Scripture, many of the most important events happen on a mountaintop, and Matthew used this motif often. Peter. James. and John saw Jesus transfigured on the mountaintop, and Jesus taught the crowds from the mountaintop in the Sermon on the Mount. In today's Gospel, the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed them through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary. They see Jesus, and they worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach. It is a task for which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples; recall that Jesus had already sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal. Yet earlier,



the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this final commission, the eleven are told to go to all nations. The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people, and the task is to baptize and to teach.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity; this is one of the clearest attestations for Baptism in the name of the Holy Trinity found in Scripture. Other New Testament references to Baptism describe it as being celebrated in the name of Jesus. As we read this Gospel on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we are

reminded that this central mystery of faith is meant to be lived. As baptized Christians, we share in the life of the blessed Trinity and seek to invite others to share in God's love.

Family Connection

In the beginning of today's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples to make preparations for the Passover meal. Like

most meals, the Passover meal required planning and preparation. Our celebration of the Sunday Eucharist also requires planning and preparation. Certainly the ministers at the Eucharist prepare for their roles: the person presiding prays and prepares the homily; the prayers of petition are written; the music ministers prayerfully select music and practice it before Mass; Eucharistic ministers, lectors and altar servers prepare carefully for their roles. As the worshiping assembly, we can also prepare for the Mass through our prayer during the week, by reading the Scripture before Mass, and by making ourselves present to the Eucharistic celebration.

As you gather as a family, talk about some of the things that are required to prepare for your family meals. Plan together a special Sunday meal by choosing the menu, preparing the shopping list, and assigning duties for cooking, setting the table, preparing decorations, leading the prayers, and cleaning. Read together today's Gospel, Mark 14:12-16,22-26. Notice how Jesus instructed his disciples to prepare for their Passover meal. All meals require some kind of planning and preparation; so, too, our Sunday Eucharist requires planning. What might we do as a family to better prepare for our celebration of the Eucharist? Choose one or more ideas to begin to implement together as a family. Pray together that God will help your family make your celebration of the Eucharist the highlight of your week. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

<u>Bible Study Group(s) – Sign Up</u>: We're in the beginning stages of organizing a potential Bible study group to meet preferably twice a month. There are some already signed up. If you didn't know and are interested, please sign-up on the sheet near the doors (Name and Phone/email). Or contact Br. George at 313.949.5650 / franciscangy (at) <u>gmail.com</u>

<u>Lector & Altar Server – Sign Up</u>: A parish is seen to be healthy, when it is collaborative. It should have Lectors, Altar Servers (Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers etc.) from the faithful. Baptized persons who have also received their First Eucharist can do these needed services. If you would like to serve as Lector/Altar server at our Masses on Sundays and other Holy Days, please list your name and contact info on the sign-up sheet in the foyer. Necessary instruction/training will be given before you are scheduled to serve.