

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

JANUARY 22, 2023

Pastor C. Hightower, SJ Associate Pastors: Steve Lantry, SJ John Martin, SJ
Paul Cochran, SJ Victor Cancino, SJ



Open House!

Join us February 4th & 5th following all the Masses for a look at the progress in Reidy Hall. As Fr. Hightower expressed you are welcome to write your name on the wall prior to the dry wall being installed.



MASS SCRIPTURES FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2023

Saturday 1/21	Heb. 9:2-3, 11-14 Ps. 47 Mark 3:20-21	ST. AGNES
Sunday 1/22	Isa. 8:23 -- 9:3 Ps. 27 1 Cor. 1:10-13, 17 Matt. 4:12-23	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORD.T.
Monday 1/23	Heb. 9:15, 24-28 Ps. 98 Mark 3:22-30	
Tuesday 1/24	Heb. 10:1-10 Ps. 40 Mark 3:31-35	ST. FRANCIS DE SALES
Wednesday 1/25	Acts 22:3-16 Ps. 117 Mark 16:15-18	THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE
Thursday 1/26	2 Tim. 1:1-8 Ps. 98 Mark 4:21-25	SIS. TIMOTHY AND TITUS
Friday 1/27	Heb. 10:32-39 Ps. 37 Mark 4:26-34	ST. ANGELA MERICI
Saturday 1/28	Heb. 11:1-2, 8-19 Luke 1 Mark 4:35-41	ST. THOMAS AQUINAS
Sunday 1/29	Zeph. 2:3; 3:12-13 Ps. 146 1 Cor. 1:26-31 Matt 5:1-12a	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORD.T

Prayers

May ---

**Jim Bigelow, Bruno Augusto,
Dianne Keller, Arthur Porter and Cecil Evans**
receive His healing and consolation.

May ---

Connie Levesque, and Amy Rauch
rest in peace in Our Lord's Loving arms.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2023

Saturday 1/21	Sandro Facinelli
Sunday 1/22	Tony Keller Russ McKinnon Donald Cochran Shane Pelletier
Monday 1/23	LaWana Whaley
Tuesday 1/24	Shane Pelletier
Wednesday 1/25	Angela Barone* and Theresa House
Thursday 1/26	Elizabeth J. Cosgrove
Friday 1/27	Catherine Pulkrabek
Saturday 1/28	Joe Sterling
Sunday 1/29	Nancy & George Paul Sheryl Burrows

Collections for January 15, 2023 Regular Offering - 6160.00 Loose - 1402.00 Family Promise - 100.00
Solemnity - 720.00 Online Offering - 4219.00 **Thank you for your generosity!**

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday of the Word of God

- Pope Francis established **Sunday of the Word of God** with his Apostolic Letter, *Motu proprio 'Aperuit illis'*, which was published September 30th, 2019 and establishing that “the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God”.

There is a clear relationship for Christians between Christ, the community, and Sacred Scripture. The study of scripture allows the believer to grasp and understand the intention of the author and the audience to whom the piece was written. Catholics do not take scripture literally, but we do understand it to be the inspired Word of God. Therefore, studying the Word is just as important as praying with the Word.

Take some time this coming week to have a conversation with friends or family about scripture. What is their interpretation? and how does both praying with and studying scripture increase their faith.

- In celebration of the Sunday of the Word of God, the USCCB is offering a **5-video Sunday Seminar Series about Sacred Scripture in the life of the Church**. The videos, along with discussion/reflection questions, will be available in English and Spanish, beginning January 22 at <https://catholic.bible/sunday-of-the-word-of-god/>. Through these videos, USCCB aims to “bring people into an encounter with the Scriptures, particularly the Gospel” with the hope that God’s people will be “inspired and challenged to see, understand, and engage with scripture in a new, prayerful way.”

- **Spring Session of Women’s Scripture Study** just around the corner will be lead by Fr. Hightower February 9th - April 6th on the topic of the Sacraments. The 1st session will be a teaching Mass. Thursday’s 10:00 am - 11:30 am. More information to follow.
- **Called to the Truth Missoula Deanery Junior High Retreat** - St. Anthony Parish Friday, Feb. 3, 6:00 pm - Saturday, Feb. 4, 7:00 pm Cost: \$35 payable to St. Anthony Parish (scholarship available) Please bring a snack to share. Register: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfky7At7SGq1SHPSt30A7aGve6IUz1Tgh2m2RCdffur4O5kA/viewform>
- **Eucharistic Congress** - Bishop Vetter invites you and your family to attend the 2023 Eucharistic Congress and high school CYC Convention on March 25-26 at Carroll College in Helena. As part of the continued Eucharistic revival in the United States, this will be a weekend of formation, fellowship, and worship for the whole family, all centered around the Real Presence. Registration is now open on our website: <https://diocesehelena.org/eucharisticcongress/>
- **Legendary Lodge Summer Camp** <https://legendarylodge.campbrainregistration.com/LegendaryAdventureCamp> registration opens on February 1. legendarylodge.org/adventure-camp This is the week-long backpacking trip with Fr. Kirby. There are two camps this year: July 9-14 and July 16-21.
- **Justice Outreach Project** - diocesehelena.org/jop JOP is scheduled this year for June 25-30, which is the same week as High School Camp 1 at Legendary Lodge. So, if you have youth who want to do both, make sure that they sign
- **Not too Late! Confirmation 2023** - The Sacrament of Confirmation is offered to those baptized in the Catholic faith in the 6th through the 12th grade. **Register with Heidi Gengo hgengo@ctkmsla.org** Fr. Kirby Longo klongo@ctkmsla.org and Fr. C. Hightower, SJ will be teaching the Class hightowersj@sfxmissoula.org **High School Class: 6-7 Jan. 22, 29 & Feb. 5, 13, 26 at Christ the King** and the **Middle School Class: 5-6 March 5, 12, 26, April 16, 23, 30 at St. Francis Xavier**