

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

MARCH 2, 2025

Pastor C. Hightower, SJ Associate Pastors Paul Cochran, SJ and Pat Conroy, SJ



Prayer

May ---

**Pope Francis, Jen McElroy, Kimberly Williams,
Jodi Koehnke, Ross Grenfell, Sandra Brown, Jennifer
Andres, and Joann Mandell**
receive His healing and consolation.

May ---

**John Bass, Theresa Mangan, William Hickman,
and Art Mandell**
rest in peace in Our Lord's Loving arms.

**Ash Wednesday is March 5th Mass will be
celebrated at 8:00 am, Noon, and 7:00 pm**

Stations of the Cross at Noon
beginning March 14th

Reminder: our primary bulletin is our e - bulletin sent every Thursday at 1:00 pm through a platform Evangelus. If you do not currently receive you may click on the 'wing' icon located at the top of the page on our website!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2025

Saturday 3/1	Bob Hauck
Sunday 3/2	Adalia Kenck Edine Loran For the People
Monday 3/3	Christian Edward Fink
Tuesday 3/4	Bruno Friia*
Wednesday 3/5	<i>For the People*</i> Helen Stoll
Thursday 3/6	Martha Flume*
Friday 3/7	Doreen Campbell
Saturday 3/8	Brad Klemm
Sunday 3/9	The Selke Family* For the People Danny Hurd*
Monday 3/10	Sheila Combo

Mass Times: Saturday 5:00 pm,
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, & 6:00 pm.
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 am
A Communion Service on Wednesday

Eucharistic Adoration - Wednesday 8:30am to 2:30pm
& the First Friday of the month 9:00 am to 10:00 am
Reconciliation - Wednesday 1:00 - 2:30pm and Saturday
3:00 - 4:30pm or by appointment

MASS SCRIPTURES FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2025

Saturday 3/1	Sir. 17:1-15 Ps. 103 Mark 10:13-16	
Sunday 3/2	Sir. 27:4-7 Ps. 92 1 Cor. 15:54-58 Luke 6:39-45	EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORD.T.
Monday 3/3	Sir. 17:20-24 Ps. 32 Mark 10:17-27	ST. KATHERINE DREXEL
Tuesday 3/4	Sir. 35:1-12 Ps. 50 Mark 10:28-31	ST. CASIMIR
Wednesday 3/5	Joel 2:12-18 Ps. 51 2 Cor. 5:20-6:2 Matt. 6:1-6	ASH WEDNESDAY
Thursday 3/6	Deut. 30:15-20 Ps. 1 Luke 9:22-25	
Friday 3/7	Isa. 58:1-9a Ps. 51 Matt. 9:14-15	
Saturday 3/8	Isa. 58:9b-14 Ps. 86 Luke 5:27-32	
Sunday 3/9	Deut. 26:4-10 Ps. 91 Rom. 10:8-13 Luke 4:1-13	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
Monday 3/10	Lev. 19:1-2, 11-18 Ps. 19 Matt. 25:31-46	

Collections for February 23, 2025 Regular - 4662.00 Loose - 1611.73 Maintenance - 20.00 Online - 186.33
Thank you for your generosity!

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- **Cinnamon Roll Sunday this Weekend! - join us following the 8:00 am & 10:00 am Mass.**
- **Novena of Grace!** -We are delighted that Katherine A. Greiner, Ph. D an Associate Professor of Theology at Carroll College will be our presenter. **March 4th - 12th** Weekday Novena Mass at Noon & 6:00 pm Saturday & Sunday Novena at Noon. A livestream is planned for Noon Learn more on our website about our Novena and our 'SEEL' program <https://www.sfxmissoula.org/spirituality/> *A reminder that there will not be a Novena Mass on Ash Wednesday.*
- **St. Patrick's Mass - Join us on March 15th for Mass at 8:00 am followed by a Tea & Soda Bread reception in Reidy Hall.** Learn more about the days events at <https://www.friendsofirishstudies.com/st-patricks-day> *Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) Parade at 12 pm on Higgins, with family fun for all! Irish Whiskey Tasting at The Rhino Bar! Free Carousel Rides from 1 to 3 pm at A Carousel for Missoula, courtesy of Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) Friends of Irish Studies in the West Annual St. Patrick's Day Banquet with Silent & Live Auctions at the Holiday Inn Downtown (Park), from 6 to 9:30 pm. Pipers, dancers, Irish music galore, lashings of Irish fare at this gathering to regale you and yours!*
- **Open to Grace** - Some reflections from our **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** teachers: *"The best part is watching the wonder and awe in the child's faces." "I really enjoy watching the children grow and develop their relationship with Jesus."* If you would like to come be a part of the faith formation of the children in our parish and experience the joy it has to offer, we are looking for people to become trained catechists and serve in our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program. Having two or more volunteers enrolled in catechist training would be a huge step forward in growing our CGS program and being able to offer the Atrium experience to more children. There are two opportunities coming up for training, the first one being as soon as May with a March registration deadline. If you are interested in getting trained or being an assistant or if you would like to know more please contact: Shai Hill, Director of Faith Formation and Social Outreach shill@sfxmissoula.org or Michele Dexter, Director of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd mdexter@sfxmissoula.org Shai & Michele will be available to answer questions at Cinnamon Roll Sunday
- **Lenten Prayer Breakfast** -All are invited to join us at the annual Lenten Prayer Breakfasts that will take place on three successive Wednesdays, March 12, 19, and 26 in Reidy Hall from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. Join in some fellowship and in making lunches for the Poverello Center. All are welcome!
- **Woman's Scripture Study** - Thursday morning at 10:00 am in Reidy Hall with Fr. Pat Conroy March 13th - April 17th on the topic of Heroic Women in the Bible! Questions: Shill@sfxmissoula.org
- **Family Promise Volunteers Needed** - We will be hosting the families at the Meadowlark March 9-15. Please click the link below for all the details. Then check your calendar and if possible, sign up. We would love to have you join us in helping to support the Missoula homeless families. Training is provided.
- <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0444A4AC23A2FE3-55024779-volunteers>
- **Annual Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry!**- Knights of Columbus Lenten Family Fish Fry Dinner Fundraisers Come join the family fun: Beginning Friday March 7th At St. Anthony's Hall 5:30 - 7 pm Dinner served Additional dinner dates: March 14, March 21, March 28, April 4, April 11.
- **Employment Opportunities** - Missoula Catholic Schools (MCS) is looking for an assistant teacher for the Early Education Program. Please call MaryPat Hertz, Early Childhood Program Director, at 406-549-7648 or email marypat.hertz@mcsmt.org for more details. Missoula Catholic Schools (MCS) is looking for a Food Service Assistant at St. Joseph Elementary. Please email Kasha Shahabi at kasha.shahabi@mcsmt.org for more details.
- **Scout Troop 1960 - Up for Adventure? Give scouting a try!** -Students starting at age 11 or in the 5th grade. Troop 1960 meets Wednesdays 7:00-8:30pm in the St. Francis Xavier parish office basement (420 W. Pine) Troop 1960 Scoutmaster Don Fields troop1960missoula@gmail.com / 253.365.9619