

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

APRIL 6, 2025

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



Prayer

May ---

Deanne Huseeth, Kathy Barkus, Jodi Koehnke, Sandra Brown, and Jennifer Andres
receive His healing and consolation.

May ---

Marge Lubbers, and Dorothy Anders
rest in peace in Our Lord's Loving arms.

Stations of the Cross at Noon

Lenten Reconciliation Service - 4/7 Noon & 7:00 pm

Reminder: *No Daily 8:00 am Mass on Holy Thursday, Good Friday or Easter Monday*

The Holy Triduum -

Holy Thursday - 7:00 pm*

Good Friday - 3:00 pm Stations, Service at 7:00 pm*

Vigil of Easter - 9:00 pm*

Easter Sunday - 8:00 am, 10.00 am*& Noon

*Live Stream planned

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 APRIL 2025

Saturday 4/5	Mary Mata
Sunday 4/6	For the People* Geraldine Berdan Edine Lorán
Monday 4/7	Ruth Card
Tuesday 4/8	Edine Lorán
Wednesday 4/9	<i>No Intention</i>
Thursday 4/10	Jack McNulty
Friday 4/11	Edine Lorán
Saturday 4/12	For the People*
Sunday 4/13	Phil & Mary Baerlocher Linda Novelli* Zelda Fellin

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 APRIL 2025

Saturday 4/5	Jer. 11:18-20 Ps. 7 John 7:40-53	
Sunday 4/6	Isa. 43:16-21 Ps. 126 Phil. 3:8-14 John 8:1-11	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
Monday 4/7	Dan. 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 Ps. 23 John 8:12-20	
Tuesday 4/8	Num. 21:4-9 Ps. 102 John 8:21-30	
Wednesday 4/9	Dan. 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Dan. 3	
Thursday 4/10	John 8:31-42 Gen. 17:3-9 Ps. 105 John 8:51-59	
Friday 4/11	Jer. 20:10-13 Ps. 18 John 10:31-42	
Saturday 4/12	Ezek. 37:21-28 Jer. 31 John 11:45-56	
Sunday 4/13	Palm Sunday Isa. 50:4-7 Ps. 22 Phil. 2:6-11 Luke 22:14--23:56	PALM SUNDAY
Monday 4/14	Isa. 42:1-7 Ps. 27 John 12:1-11	MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK
Tuesday 4/15	Isa. 49:1-6 Ps. 71 John 13:21-33, 36-38	TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

Collections for March 30, 2025 Regular - 5915.00 Loose - 1689.54 Lenten Project - 5.00 Palm Sunday - 5.00
Easter Flowers - 50.00 Catholic Relief Services - 238.00 Novena of Grace - 195.00 Online - 4642.66

Thank you for your generosity!

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

New Director of Spirituality Named:

We are pleased to announce that John Neuman has been selected as the new Director of Spirituality at St. Francis Xavier Parish, replacing Luke Larson who is retiring. John, his wife Missy, and their children are members of the parish and John is currently enrolled in the diaconate program for the Diocese of Helena. John has been pursuing the diaconate for the last three years and will be ordained a deacon in two years' time. John has also been a member of the Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life (SEEL) here at the parish for several years, serving most recently as one of its many directors. John is excited to be following in the footsteps of Luke who has shepherded the program since 2017. Welcome John!

- **Easter Egg Hunt** - Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 19th at 11:00 am sharp! Something special this year - treats for parents as well so you are invited to linger and meet fellow parishioners! We are always grateful to accept wrapped treats for our 'hunters' you may bring to the parish office or place in the Easter Basket in the church. Thank you!
- **Lenten Project** - In this Jubilee Year and Lenten Season our theme of this year's Lenten Project is '**Renew Your Faith and Spread Your Wings**' in our community. Instead of donating money to a particular Charity or organization, we are challenging each of you to donate your gift of time during Lent. Live the message – *"I will give them an undivided heart and put a new spirit in them"* (Ez. 11:19) . In doing so you will lift not only your spirit but the spirit of others. There will be an information sheet and purple pledge cards located in the entryways of the church. Please grab a few and fill them out with your completed volunteer hours or pledged hours for the week. Simply drop them in the offering basket each week as your gift of time! Or, feel free to email Katy at kmckinnon@sfxmissoula.org with pledged or completed hours.
- **Concert: Joseph Haydn's 'The Seven Last Words'** - **April 16th at 7:00pm** here in the church performed by the Regal Ensemble to learn more and for tickets regalensemble.com or call 406.375.5001 You may contact Katy as we have a few complimentary tickets in the office.
- **Homebound Overnight Youth Retreat - All 8th - 12th graders welcome!** April 25th -26th Friday 6:00 pm to Saturday at 2:00 pm here at St. Francis Xavier Contact Shai for more information slafleur@sfxmissoula.org
- **2025 BASH - A - Thon April 11th** Noon to Midnight at Sister Rita Mudd Center Free Admission a 12 hour marathon of friendly basketball competitions between students, alumni, parents, and even an opportunity for our St. Joseph 8th graders to get into the action! More information contact Debbie Twite debbie.twite@mcsmt.org
- **Kindergarten Round Up** - April 28th 8:30am - 10:00 am at St. Joseph register by calling 406.549.1290 or email sjs.secretary@mcsmt.org
- **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.
- **The Vocation Chalice Ministry** - We are excited to bring the Vocation Chalice Ministry to St. Francis Parish. This ministry invites a family, couple, or individual each week to take home a consecrated chalice as a focal point for daily prayers dedicated to vocations. Each participating family, couple, or individual will receive the Vocation Chalice and a special blessing at the Mass of their choice, along with prayer materials to guide them through the week. At the end of the week, please return the chalice to the Parish Office by Thursday at noon, allowing the next family to share in this special prayer tradition. If you're interested in participating or learning more, please contact John Neuman at jneuman@sfxmissoula.org.