

Weekly Calendar

Tues., July 14: Bible Study, 6:00 pm, church basement

Wed., July 15: Mass and Adoration, 5:30 pm

There is no “Growing in Faith” program during the summer months.

Mass Intentions

- Sun., July 12: For the People
- Mon., July 13: No Mass
- Tues., July 14: Healing of Brianne Uffelman by Colleen Schaak
- Wed., July 15: †For Connie Medhus by Lowell Medhus
- Thurs., July 16: Healing of Brianne Uffelman by Colleen Schaak
- Fri., July 17: Healing of Brianne Uffelman by Colleen Schaak
- Sat., July 18: Healing of Brianne Uffelman by Colleen Schaak

The Offertory Collections for all weekends during the month of July will be posted in the bulletin on August 2nd.

Pastoral Staff Volunteers

- Parish Bookkeeper: Colleen Schaak
- Parish Secretary: Celeste Geier, 406.679.1679
- Bulletin: Patty Kepp, 406.665.5257
- Website Editor: Julie O’Dell, 406.665.5178
- Director of Religious Education: Celeste Geier

Mass Servers

	Commentator	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat., July 11	Julia Ramirez	Richelle Link	Celeste Geier & Kent Harrington
Sun., July 12	Cherinda Hopes	Sue Seykora	Nancy Krebs & Visencia Ramirez
Sat., July 18	Celeste Geier	Julia Ramirez	Kent Harrington & Richelle Link
Sun., July 19	Visencia Ramirez	Genne Taganahan	Nancy Krebs & Sue Seykora
Sat., July 25	Julia Ramirez	Celeste Geier	Kent Harrington & Julie O’Dell
Sun., July 26	Genne Taganahan	Cherinda Hopes	Visencia Ramirez & Sue Seykora

- Monday
July 13
Weekday
Is 1:10–17
Mt 10:34–11:1

Tuesday
July 14
St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin
Is 7:1–9
Mt 11:20–24
- Wednesday
July 15
St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Is 10:5–7, 13b–16
Mt 11:25–27

Thursday
July 16
Weekday
Is 26:7–9, 12, 16–19
Mt 11:28–30

Friday
July 17
Weekday
Is 38:1–6, 21–22, 7–8
Mt 12:1–8
- Saturday
July 18
Weekday
Mi 2:1–5
Mt 12:14–21

Sunday
July 19
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 12:13, 16–19
Rom 8:26–27
Mt 13:24–30 or 13:24–30



Choir members needed.
Also, those who can play an instrument.
Contact Julie O’Dell @ 406.665.5178

Month of Mar., 2026	Month of April, 2026
Income: \$ 8,979.45	Income: \$ 8,510.75
Expenses: \$ 9,649.08	Expenses: \$ 8,481.53
Loss \$ 669.63	Profit \$ 29.22

God is good all the time: All the time God is good!

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Mission is not so much about “departing,” but instead “remaining” in order to proclaim Christ through hospitality and welcome, compassion and solidarity. We are to remain...so as to look upon those who arrive from lands that are distant and violent; to remain and open our arms and hearts to them, welcoming them as brothers and sisters, and being for them a presence of consolation and hope.



HOMILY, ROME, OCTOBER 5, 2025

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Charity Sport Shoot to benefit Catholic Social Services of Montana

July 25, 2026 Billings Rod and Gun Club

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Dear Padre,

I look at what’s going on in our world today, and I start to lose faith. How can I keep my faith strong in a time that seems faithless?

Evil isn’t a new phenomenon. The Book of Judges, for example, presents a faithless time that may rival what’s happening in our world today. Judges’ twenty-one chapters are so full of vandalism and war, murder and assassination, fratricide and suicide, that it makes a grim statement on the worst of humanity. Judges reminds us of humanity’s need for salvation. In *A Catholic Guide to the Bible*, author Oscar Lukefahr writes, “Left to itself, humanity degenerates into a frightful caricature of what we ought to be. We see such lessons repeated in recent history.... In the Book of Judges, we see our need for God.” It’s easy to lose faith when our focus is on how bad the world is rather than on how we can do our part to make it holy. Pope St. John Paul II wrote in *Crossing the Threshold of Hope*, “Awareness of our own sinfulness, including that which is inherited, is the first condition for salvation; the next is the confession of this sin before God, who desires only to receive this confession so that he can save man. To save means to embrace and lift up with redemptive love, with love that is always greater than any sin.” Don’t lose Christian hope! While Christ already triumphed over sin and death, the reality of evil remains until God’s kingdom is fully realized on earth as it is in heaven. (See 1 John 5:18–20.) ●





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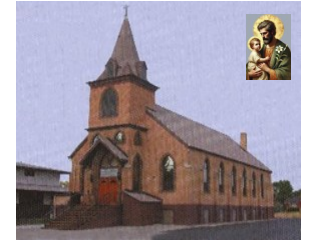
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Reconciliation: Saturday from 5:00-5:30 pm
For Holy Communion and Anointing of the Sick,
please contact Father Cally

All questions—Father Cally, 406.665.1432



Mass Schedule

St. Joseph's Church—Hardin

Sunday Mass - 9:00 a.m.

Saturday Mass - 5:45 p.m.

Daily Mass - 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday—Friday

Exceptions: Wednesday Mass

and Adoration—5:30 p.m.

First Friday Healing Mass—5:30 p.m.

St. Mary's Mission—Custer

Sunday Mass - 11:00 a.m.

Good News!

July 12, 2026

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Isaiah 55:10–11 / Romans 8:18–23 / Matthew 13:1–23 or 13:1–9

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

The Father is the reckless Sower. He sows not only in the good soil, where a harvest might be anticipated, but also in the difficult soil, where nothing seems to take root. He sows with abandon, seemingly wasting good seed, for no other reason than to experience the joy of creation and the endless possibilities of expecting to be surprised.

There is nothing wrong with well-laid-out plans and careful, methodical use of the resources available. However, planning should not exclude the possibility of the creative manifestation of the power of God in an unanticipated manner. Our planning should not restrict and constrict but rather enable and encourage. We have all experienced the unexpected flower that somehow lives surrounded by pavement. Or the hardy tree that clings to the side of the mountain. They should not be there. It should not be possible. Nothing can grow there. Yet, there they are, doing the impossible and proclaiming the improbable.

Thankfully, we serve a God who sees more than we are ever able to see. Who imagines for us more than we have ever dreamed possible. Who not only sows but also tends and waters, enabling stupendous growth, until it is time for the abundant harvest. ●