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Mass Intentions

Sun., May 11:	For the People
Mon., May 12:	No Mass
Tues., May 13:	No Mass
Wed., May 14:	No Mass
Thurs., May 15:	No Mass
Fri., May 16:	†For Connie Medhus by Lowell Medhus
Sat., May 17:	For CES donors by the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings



Offertory Collections:	Annual Catholic Appeal
St. Joseph's	to date: \$ 11,385.00
Sat., May 3: \$ 820.00	
Sun., May 4: \$ 1,172.00	
St. Mary's	St. Joseph's,
Sun., May 4: \$ 122.00	Month of March 2025
	Income: \$ 9,602.08
	Expenses: \$ 8,365.71
	\$ 1,236.37

Mass Servers

	Commentator	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat., May 10	Richelle Link	Celeste Geier	Celeste Geier
Sun., May 11	Visencia Ramirez	Liesel Ferido	Visencia Ramirez & Candy Wells
Sat., May 17	Julie O'Dell	Patty Kepp	Patty Kepp & Julie O'Dell
Sun., May 18	Juvi Mula	Sue Seykora	Angela Ramirez & Candy Wells
Sat., May 24	Patty Kepp	Celeste Geier	Celeste Geier & Patty Kepp
Sun., May 25	Genne Taganahan	Sheila Mae Pocdol	Angela Ramirez & Sue Seykora

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
St. Mary's Mission – Custer
Sunday Mass – 11:00 a.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday from 5:00-5:30 pm
For Holy Communion and Anointing of the Sick, please contact Father Cally
Contact Numbers:
All questions—Father Cally, 406.665.1432
Bulletin—Patty Kepp, 406.665.5257

Weekly Calendar
Sun., May 11: *Happy Mother's Day*
Mon., May 12: Catholic Daughters monthly meeting, 6:00 pm, church basement
Wed., May 14: Religious Education class for those making their 1st Communion and Confirmation, 3:45 pm
Mon., May 19: Knights of Columbus monthly meeting, 6:00 pm, church basement
Tues., May 20: Parish Council monthly meeting, 6:00 pm, church basement



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



Who is Pope Leo XIV?
A bio of the first American pope
Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost was [elected](#) Pope Leo XIV on Thursday, May 8 — the first pope from the United States.

Smiling and waving while wearing more traditional papal garb than his predecessor — and appearing to hold back tears at certain points — Leo blessed the cheering masses assembled in St. Peter's Square, proclaiming in confident Italian: "Peace be with you all!"

An Augustinian and a canon lawyer, Prevost spent over a decade ministering in South America before being called back to the U.S. to head the Midwest Augustinians and was later elected prior general of the Augustinian order, serving in that role for a dozen years. He later returned to South America after Pope Francis in 2014 appointed him bishop in Chiclayo, Peru. Francis later called him to Rome in 2023 to head the highly influential Dicastery for Bishops.

Prevost, 69, was born on Sept. 14, 1955, in Chicago. He is of Italian, French, and Spanish descent. He studied at an Augustinian minor seminary in Michigan and later earned a bachelor of science degree in mathematics from Villanova University in Pennsylvania.

He officially entered the Order of St. Augustine in 1978, making his solemn vows in 1981. He was ordained to the priesthood in June 1982 after studying theology at the Catholic Theological Union of Chicago.

After being ordained, he earned a doctorate in canon law from Rome's Pontifical College of St. Thomas Aquinas (also known as the Angelicum) in 1987.

Prevost returned to Chicago for a short time in 1987, serving as pastor for vocations and director of missions for the Midwest Augustinians (Province of Our Mother of Good Counsel). He was then sent to Peru, where he served the Augustinians in various capacities including as a regional ecclesiastical judge and teacher of canon law in the diocesan seminary for Trujillo, Peru, for 10 years.

After being elected the head of the Augustinian Province of Chicago, Prevost returned to the U.S. in 1999. He was elected prior general of the Augustinians in 2001 and then reelected in 2007, serving as head of the order until 2013.

Pope Francis appointed Prevost as apostolic administrator of Chiclayo, Peru, in 2014, and he was ordained titular bishop of Sufar that same year.

While serving the Church in Peru, Francis made Prevost a member of the Dicastery for the Clergy in 2019 and then a member of the Dicastery for Bishops in 2020. In 2023, Francis made Prevost prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops. In that capacity, Prevost played a key role in the selection process for diocesan bishops around the world and in the investigation of allegations against bishops.

In 2023, Prevost [spoke to Vatican News](#) about what he considered to be the "portrait of a bishop."

"We are often preoccupied with teaching doctrine, the way of living our faith, but we risk forgetting that our first task is to teach what it means to know Jesus Christ and to bear witness to our closeness to the Lord," he told Vatican News.

"This comes first: to communicate the beauty of the faith, the beauty and joy of knowing Jesus," he added. "It means that we ourselves are living it and sharing this experience."

Pope Francis made him a cardinal in a Sept. 30, 2023, [consistory](#).

* Tags: Catholic News; Cardinal Francis Prevost; 2025 Conclave, Pope Leo XIV, US Pope