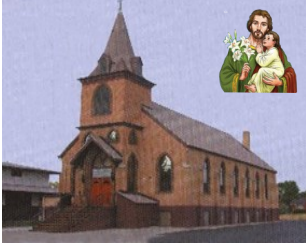


Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Aug 4—10, 2024



St. Joseph's Catholic Church
710 N Custer Avenue
Hardin, MT 59034
Father Callistus Igwenagu
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
St. Mary's Mission – Custer
Sunday Mass – 11:00 a.m.

Website: stjosephparishhardin.org
Email: stjosephparishhardin@gmail.com
Facebook: St Joseph Catholic Parish—Hardin

Pastoral Staff Volunteers
Parish Bookkeeper: Colleen Schaak
Parish Secretary: Deb Johnson/Celeste Geier
Bulletin: Patty Kepp
Website Editor: Julie O'Dell
Director of Religious Education: Celeste Geier

Mass Intentions

Sun., Aug 4: For the People
Mon., Aug 5: No Mass
Tues., Aug 6: †For Connie Medhus by Lowell Medhus
Wed., Aug 7: †For Nadine Fuchs by Larry & Deb Johnson
Thurs., Aug 8: †For Michael Steigleder by Jim & Sue Seykora
Fri., Aug 9:
Sat., Aug 10: †For Nadine Fuchs by Larry & Deb Johnson



Offertory Collections:
Sat., July 27: \$ 263.00
Sun, July 28: \$ 794.00

Month of June, 2024
Income: \$ 9,258.00
Expenses: \$ 9,864.72
\$ (606.72)

Mass Servers

	Commentator	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat., Aug 3	Patty Kepp	Larry Johnson	Celeste Geier & Larry Johnson
Sun., Aug 4	Sue Seykora	Paula Bowler	Angela Ramirez & Visencia Ramirez
Sat., Aug 10	Richelle Link	Celeste Geier	Larry Johnson & Julie O'Dell
Sun., Aug 11	Genne Taganahan	Angela Ramirez	Visencia Ramirez & Sue Seykora
Sat., Aug 17	Larry Johnson	Sue Seykora	Celeste Geier & Julie O'Dell
Sun., Aug 18	Visencia Ramirez	Genne Taganahan	Angela Ramirez & Visencia Ramirez

Reconciliation: Saturday from 5:00-5:30 pm
For Holy Communion and Anointing of the Sick, please contact Father Cally
Contact Numbers:
Father Cally, 406-665-1432: all questions
Patty Kepp, 406-665-5257: bulletin

Calendar

Tues., Aug 6: Parish Council monthly meeting, 6:00 pm, church basement
Wed., Aug 7 : Mass and Adoration, 5:30 pm
Thurs., Aug 15: Mass for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 5:30 pm, this is a Holy Day of Obligation
Sun., Aug 18: Fr Cally's 25th Priestly Anniversary celebration

Even diamonds start as coal – Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or do you feel helpless? Retrouvaille ('re-trō-vī) is designed to help marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. Our next program begins October 18, 2024. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com This is not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names are held in strictest confidence.

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

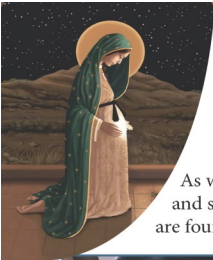
Parish Announcement from the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings
Abstinence every Wednesday regarding CI-128

As we continue to answer our Montana Bishops' call to defend life, we ask Christ to grant a conversion of heart so that we, and all Montanans, would better recognize and respect the infinite dignity of each human life and reject the radical abortion initiative CI-128.

Life, cherished and protected from conception to a natural death is a tenet of our Catholic Faith. Upon this tenet rests our insistence that each person must be regarded with the infinite dignity bestowed on them by our Creator.

Regardless of a person's life circumstances, past choices, or differences, their life is a precious gift. In defending life, especially the lives of those most vulnerable, we recognize and honor Christ in each and every person.

Along with prayer in our families and after each Mass, our Montana Bishops are now inviting all the faithful to adopt some form of abstinence on Wednesdays. Giving up meat for the day is the traditional form of abstinence, but prayerfully sacrificing a comfort or pleasure of one's own choosing is in keeping with the observance as we seek God's mercy and His special protection for the unborn. This optional observance will continue until the threat of CI-128 is addressed, possibly until voting in November.

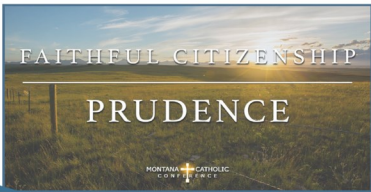


As we continue to answer our Montana Bishops' call to defend life and reject the radical abortion initiative CI-128, please watch and share the videos below. May they bless us and all who watch them as we promote the beauty and sanctity of life. Both videos are found at the link and QR code below.



Into Life Series: Vulnerability: An Identity Crisis

In this powerful video, the Sisters of Life talk about the realities that can lead a woman who is unexpectedly pregnant to choose abortion, which stems from an experience of profound vulnerability. When we strive to listen and accompany women in a time of fear and doubt, we can better understand the pressures and temptation she faces in this moment of crisis. Through presence and love, we can create space to reflect and find faith in herself and in her capacity for motherhood. "This is precisely at the heart of what it means to be pro-life: to see the goodness, the beauty, the capacity of each of the women who come to us. To reflect back to her [the] truth of her identity, so that she can make an act of faith in herself and incorporate motherhood into her self-identity."



Faithful Citizenship Series: Prudence

In this video, MCC Executive Director Matt Brower shines a light on the virtue of prudence, which allows us to discern "the good", and the best way of achieving it. He discusses cultivating prudence through humble effort, understanding the principles given to us by the Church to aid us. He explains how we can then begin to examine the intrinsic evils and the goods brought forward by political candidates and expressed in legislation to sharpen our discernment when it comes time to vote.

Find these, and more life-affirming resources at montanacc.org/montana-bishops-defend-life, or by scanning the QR code.



The Parish Pastoral Councils, the parishioners of St Joseph's Church, Hardin and St Mary's Church, Custer

Cordially Invite You
to the 25th Anniversary Celebration of the Priestly Ordination of their Parish Priest

Rev Callistus Igwenagu
(Father Cally)
on Sunday, August 18, 2024
9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
St Joseph's Catholic Church
710 N Custer Ave, Hardin, Montana
Reception immediately following the Holy Mass

Please RSVP to:
stjosephparishhardin@gmail.com or to
Jim Seykora (406)665-5555
Celeste Geier (406)679-1679
Nancy Krebs (406)679-2308
Jill Cybulski (406)749-3014