



St. Joseph's Catholic Church

710 N Custer Avenue
Hardin, MT 59034
Father Kiran Kumar
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Mass Schedule

St. Joseph's Church – Hardin
Sunday Mass – 9:00 a.m.
Saturday Mass – 5:45 p.m.
Weekday Mass – 8:00 a.m. M-F
St. Mary's Mission – Custer
Sunday Mass – 11:00 a.m.

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Pastoral Staff Volunteers

Parish Bookkeeper: Colleen Schaak
Parish Secretary: Deb Johnson
Bulletin: Patty Kepp
Website Editor: Julie O'Dell
Religious Education: Celeste Geier & Bethany Fuchs

Mass Intentions

Sun., Aug 28: For the people
Mon., Aug 29: For Eleanor Kincheloe by Colleen Schaak
Tues., Aug 30: For Connie Medhus by Lowell Medhus
Wed., Aug 31: For Eleanor Kincheloe by Colleen Schaak
Thurs., Sept 1: _____
Fri., Sept 2: _____
Sat., Sept 3: _____



Offertory Collections: Month of July, 2022
Sat., Aug 20: \$ 500.00 Income: \$ 6,408.00
Sun., Aug 21: \$ 1,049.32 Expenses: \$ 6,094.90
Annual Catholic Appeal to date: \$ 11,277.44 \$ 313.10

Reconciliation: Saturday from 4:45-5:30 pm
For Holy Communion and Anointing of the Sick, please contact Father Kiran
Contact Numbers:
Father Kiran, 665-1432: all questions
Patty Kepp, 665-5257: bulletin

Calendar

Wed., Aug., 31: Mass, Adoration, Rosary & Novena Prayer to St. Joseph, 5:30 pm
Fri., Sept., 2: First Friday of the month Mass & Adoration, 5:30 pm
Sat., Sept., 3: Rosary Novena #1 of 9, led by the Catholic Daughters, 5:20 pm
Mon., Sept 12: Catholic Daughters monthly meeting, 6:00 pm, church basement
Tues., Sept 13: Parish Council, 6:00 pm, church basement



These items have been donated. If you would like them, please stop by the

Mass Servers

	Commentator	Lector
Sat., Aug 27	Bethany Fuchs	Celeste Geier
Sun., Aug 28	Sue Seykora	Visencia Ramirez
Sat., Sept 3	Patty Kepp	Katie Fuchs
Sun., Sept 4	Candy Wells	Angela Ramirez
Sat., Sept 10	Christy Morse	Larry Johnson
Sun., Sept 11	Visencia Ramirez	Sue Seykora
Sat., Sept 17	Richelle Link	Celeste Geier
Sun., Sept 18	Angela Ramirez	Candy Wells

The common theme of today's readings is the need for true humility which leads to a generous and blessed sharing with the needy. The readings also warn us against all forms of pride and self-glorification. They present humility not only as a virtue but also as a means of opening our hearts, our minds, and our hands to the poor, the needy, the disadvantaged, and the marginalized people in our society – a personal responsibility for every authentic Christian. Today's Gospel teaches us that we must act with humility and see ourselves as the servants of the community rather than those whom the community might feel honored to serve.

Scripture lessons: The first reading, taken from the book of Sirach, reminds us that if we are humble, we will find favor with God, and others will love us. The second reading, taken from Hebrews, gives another reason for us to be humble. Jesus, the Incarnate Son of God humbled Himself, taking on human flesh and living our lives that he might die to save us. He invites his followers to learn how to live from him because he is "meek and humble of heart." Paul reminds us that Jesus was lowly, particularly in his suffering and death for our salvation (Heb 2:5-18), so we should be like him in order to be exalted with him at the resurrection of the righteous. Paul also seems to imply that we need to follow Christ's example of humility in our relationships with the less fortunate members of our society. In today's Gospel, Jesus explains the practical benefits of humility, connecting it with the common wisdom about dining etiquette. Jesus advises the guests to go to the lowest place instead of seeking places of honor, so that the host may give them the place they really deserve. Jesus' words concerning the seating of guests at a wedding banquet should prompt us to honor those whom others ignore, because if we are generous and just in our dealings with those in need, we can be confident of the Lord's blessings.

Life Message: We need to **practice humility in personal and social life:** Humility is based on the psychological awareness that everything I have is a gift from God and, therefore, I have no reason to elevate myself above others. On the contrary, I must use these God-given gifts to help others. True humility requires us neither to overestimate nor to underestimate our worth. We must admit the truths that we are sinners, that we do not know everything, and that we do not always act properly. Nevertheless, we must also recognize that we are made in the image and likeness of God, and that we are called to help build the kingdom of God with our God-given gifts. We are of value, not because of those gifts, but because we are loved by God as His children, redeemed by the precious blood of His son Jesus. The quality of humility that Jesus is talking about also has a sociological dimension because Jesus is inviting us to associate with the

so-called "lower classes" of the society — even the outcasts. Jesus invites us to change our social patterns in such a way that we connect with and serve the homeless, the handicapped, the elderly, and the impoverished — the "street people" of the world — with *agape* love.

Catholic Social Services of Montana presents:



Billings, MT – October 7th, 2022

Hosted at the Big Horn Resort

with honored guests

Bishop Michael Warfel

and

Bishop Jeffrey Fleming

The benefit will offer a Dueling Pianos show by Fun Pianos, a silent auction, dancing, singing, food, and a lot of fun! For more information, visit www.cssmt.org/news-events/

Tickets- \$30 for children, \$40 for adults, and Group Discounts Available!

Catholic Social Services of Montana's ministries serve both the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings and the Diocese of Helena. For more details, visit www.cssmt.org.

Rediscover Your Marriage - Retrouvaille simply means "rediscovery". The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Retrouvaille is not a spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Our next program begins October 28, 2022. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names held in strictest confidence.

VOLUNTEER
Commentators and Lectors
NEEDED
Saturday evening Mass
Sunday morning Mass
Contact Father Kiran