



Then [Jesus] summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness.

MATTHEW 10:1

Jesus Calls Together the Twelve

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Almost everyone who has picked up a Bible has heard of the twelve tribes of Israel. Named after the twelve sons of the patriarch Jacob, the twelve tribes feature prominently in the Hebrew Scriptures. The twelve tribes are freed from slavery in Egypt and enter the Promised Land together. They then choose from among themselves a king. What would Vacation Bible School be without stories of the twelve tribes?

But read beyond the familiar lore of VBS, and one quickly discovers that the twelve tribes did not remain united. First, the tribes in the North were conquered by the Assyrians. Later, the tribes of the South were decimated by the Babylonians. The family once called by God to become a holy nation was scattered by war and the political machinations of their own leaders. They became like sheep without a shepherd, no longer a flock.

And that is where Jesus steps in, as we read in today's gospel. As he looks at his people—God's chosen family—he sees how wounded and lost they are; how polarized they have become. Jesus knows what he needs to do. He calls together the Twelve—a significant number. Jesus saw himself as reuniting his people after a season of painful separation from one another.

Today, Jesus continues to call people to participate in the ministry of reconciliation. Can you imagine your name included among the “twelve” as one who will help heal a divided nation? ●



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Reflect

Do I unite people by my words and actions, or am I more of a divider?



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Mass Schedule – Forsyth

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule – Hysham

Sunday at 10:30 AM

Sunday at 12:30 PM

Office hours: By appointment – call 406.853.5252 or come to the rectory.

Religious Education: Contact Diane Wyrick for Forsyth at 406.351.2845 and Amber for Hysham at 406.342.5448.

Confession: Saturdays @ 2 PM.

Baptism: Adults and children under 7 (please contact Father Rob.)

Anointing of the Sick: If you are having surgery or are sick, please contact Father Rob to receive the Sacrament of Anointing.

Funerals: When anticipating or planning a funeral, please contact Father Rob before finalizing the arrangements.

Mass Intentions: If you would like to have a Mass offered and be listed in the bulletin, please contact Father Rob.

Homebound & Sick: If you or someone you know can no longer attend Mass due to physical inability, please contact Father Rob or Diane Wyrick at 406.351.2845 or Rosemary in Hysham at 406.740.1457 to receive Holy Communion and Anointing.

Immaculate Conception Prayer Chain: For requests, call Cherie Hesper at 406.351.9048.

Mass & Liturgy Schedule:

Sunday	06/14	8:30 AM	Mass Forsyth for Mary Heberle from the Pester Family.
Sunday	06/14	12:30 PM	Mass in Hysham for Bob Ouren (L) from Joan Thibault.
Tuesday	06/16	5:15 PM	Mass in Forsyth for the Poor Souls in Purgatory from Don & Carol Wigen.
Friday	06/19	9:00 AM	Mass in Forsyth for the Wigen Family from Don & Carol Wigen.
Saturday	06/20	4:00 PM	Mass at the Nursing Home for the Silvernagel Family from Don & Carol Wigen.
Sunday	06/21	10:30 AM	Mass in Forsyth for all the fathers in our Parish.
Sunday	06/21	12:30 PM	Mass in Hysham for all the fathers of the Parish.

- † Rosary every Monday at 8:15 AM, Tuesday at 4:45 PM and Friday at 8:30 AM.
- † Religious education for children Sunday at 9:30 AM.
- † Bible Study in Forsyth is Friday morning after Mass.
- † CCD & Sacramental Prep Classes on Sunday morning. Questions: Please contact Diane Wyrick in Forsyth and Amber in Hysham.
- † Mass times at St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church in Colstrip Sunday 8:30 AM.
- † CCW meeting the 2nd Sunday after Mass.

Announcements:

The Knights of Columbus will be having a meeting after Mass this Sunday (June 14th).

Great news! Both endowments at the Catholic Foundation have now been fully funded and got their first annual return. Forsyth received \$243.66, and Hysham \$630.44. These amounts will only increase as we grow the endowments and will be a perpetual source of income. A huge thank you to all those who have contributed so far!

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for the new garage door openers for the parish house, and especially to Dan Murnion, Nick Murnion, Wayne Pester, and Dave Wyrick for installing them!!

Bible School will be held Monday, June 15th to the 17th Jr. High Bible Camp begins on Sunday June 14th through the 17th. Registration Forms are available in the Parish Social Hall and at Picchioni's Grocery Store.

The CCW asks all those making pies for the Quigley to please bring them to Immaculate Conception Church at 7 AM on June 19th. Thank you!

Finance Update: Last Sunday Collection: 06/07/2026

Immaculate Conception – Forsyth		St. Joseph – Hysham	
Loose Cash	61.00	Loose Cash	100.00
Loose Checks	65.00	Loose Checks	175.00
Envelope Cash	30.00	Envelope Cash	10.00
Envelope Checks	2060.00	Envelope Checks	420.00
Other (Bathroom)	300.00	Other (Stipend)	0.00
Catholic Comm.	0.00	Building Fund	0.00
Special Collection (Stipend)	0.00	Special Collection	0.00
Capital Campaign	0.00	Capital Campaign	0.00
Current Operating Fund	0.00	Current Operating Fund	0.00
TOTAL:	\$ 2466.00	TOTAL:	\$ 705.00

Forsyth & Hysham Ministry Schedule for next Sunday: 06/21/2026

Forsyth:	Time	Service	Names
	Mass at 10:30 AM	Eucharistic Ministers	Phil Steinberger & Brian Sullivan
		Cross Bearer	Phil Steinberger
		Lector	Albert Martens
		Ushers	Phil Steinberger & Mike Blakesley
		Gifts	Teresa Montgomery &
		Col. Counters	Wayne Pester & Brian Sullivan
		Sacristan	Heather Pester
Hysham:			
	Mass at 12:30 PM	Eucharistic Ministers	Mark Manning & Del Warren
		Lector	Mary Mitchell

Dear Padre,

I struggle to relate to traditional devotions like the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Any advice?

Christ instructed his followers to love the Lord God with all our heart, soul, and mind. (See Matthew 22:37.) We seek a deeper union with God not only through reason and understanding but also through feelings and affections. However, as Pope Francis pointed out, “Many people feel safer...in the more readily controllable domain of intelligence and will” (*Dilexit Nos* [On the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ], 10). Descartes said of us, “I think, therefore I am,” but it can also be said that “I am my heart, for my heart is what sets me apart, shapes my spiritual identity, and puts me in communion with other people” (*DN* 14).

Moreover, the heart “is the place of encounter” with God (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2563). Pope Francis acknowledges that some people today may not find the Sacred Heart image to be meaningful (See *DN* 2.), but it’s “a summons to make room for an encounter with Christ...in whatever way we wish to picture him” (*DN* 57). “More than any other part of his body, the heart of Jesus” represents “his boundless love” (*DN* 48). Therefore, “any act of love or worship of his heart is thus ‘really and truly given to Christ himself,’ since it spontaneously refers back to him and is ‘a symbol and a tender image of the infinite love of Jesus Christ’” (*DN* 50). ●



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
June 15	June 16	June 17	June 18	June 19	June 20	June 21
Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Twelfth Sunday
1 Kgs 21:1-16	1 Kgs 21:17-29	2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14	Sir 48:1-14	2 Kgs 11:1-4,	2 Chr 24:17-25	<i>in Ordinary</i>
Mt 5:38-42	Mt 5:43-48	Mt 6:1-6,	Mt 6:7-15	9-18, 20	Mt 6:24-34	<i>Time</i>
		16-18		Mt 6:19-23		Jer 20:10-13
						Rom 5:12-15
						Mt 10:26-33

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A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Humility is really freedom from ourselves.... Those who exalt themselves generally think that nothing is more interesting than themselves; yet, deep down, they are quite insecure.... Dear friends, today let us pray that the Church will always be a school of humility for everyone, a home where all are welcome, a place where rivalries are set aside and where Jesus...teaches us to imitate his own humility and freedom.

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