

Weekly Prayer

Sunday’s Readings

First Reading:
The rash one has no integrity;
but the just one, because of his faith, shall live. (Hb 2:4)

Psalm:
If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

Second Reading:
For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice
but rather of power and love and self-control. (2 Tm 1:7)

Gospel:
“If you have faith the size of a mustard seed,
you would say to this mulberry tree,
‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’
and it would obey you.” (Lk 17:6)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The Apostles beg Jesus for increased faith, but they don’t really want faith. They want a magical feeling of certainty that requires no effort. Real faith must grow and sprout roots in fertile soil. Real faith requires attention and work. Are we willing to work?

Observances for the week of October 5, 2025

- Sunday:** 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
- Monday:** St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin
- Tuesday:** Our Lady of the Rosary
- Thursday:** St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest
- Saturday:** St. John XXIII, Pope
- Next Sunday:** 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Devotions, *Explained!*

This popular phrase is an affirmation of God’s faithfulness amidst the trials of life, a theme that is presented again and again in Scripture: come what may, God will be with us.

Prayer to Respect Life

Dear God,
Help us to hear Your voice,
especially when You speak on
behalf of the voiceless,
the overlooked, and the forgotten.
Keep our ears attuned, and work
through us in a way that loves,
blesses, assures, supports, and
strengthens LIFE.
Amen.

SAINT WILLIAM CATHOLIC CHURCH SHELBY

SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS MISSION SUNBURST

OCTOBER 5, 2025

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTION

Tuesday, October 7, 5:30 pm Mass at St. Margaret in Cut Bank

Wednesday, October 8, 5:30 pm Mass at St William († Nanna Flesch by James and Sandy Dickinson)

Thursday, October 9, 5:00 pm Adoration at St Francis in Valier

5:45 pm Mass at St. Francis in Valier

Friday, October 10, 10:30 am Mass at the Hospital Chapel († Yvonne Seidlitz by John and Diane Abrahamson)

Saturday, October 11, 4:00 pm Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas

Sunday, October 12, 8:30 am Mass at St. Francis in Valier

10:30 am Mass at St. William († Jeff Bomar by Pat and Jeanne McDonough and Family)

12:30 pm Mass at St. Margaret in Cut Bank

ST. WILLIAM

COLLECTION REPORT

Monthly Goal: \$6,000.00

September to Date: \$5,576.00

Month to Date Needed: **\$424.00**

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

COLLECTION REPORT

Monthly Goal: \$2,400.00

September to Date: \$1,652.00

Month to Date Needed: **\$748.00**



Upcoming Diocesan Events

October:

Oct. 10 – Bishop's Gala, Carroll College-Helena

Oct. 10-12 – CYC Board Meeting #2, Helena

Oct. 17-19 – Diaconate Formation Weekend, Helena

Oct. 25 – Junior High Rally, Great Falls

CATHOLIC RADIO

89.7 FM CONRAD, 97.1 FM
GREAT FALLS, 107.9 FM BELT,
105.5 FM LEWISTOWN, 105.9 FM
KALISPELL, 97.5 FM & 1240 AM
& 100.9 FM BILLINGS, 101.9 FM
MISSOULA, 98.5 FM BUTTE,
90.7 FM POLSON

Sacrament preparation and Anointing of the Sick:

Call the Parish office at 406-434-2988 or Fr. Peter at 406-475-1274.

Marriage: Call Fr. Peter Mikwabe at least 6 months before desired date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

St. William before Sunday Mass and St. Thomas Aquinas by appointment

Ministry to the Sick and Shut-Ins: Call Marlene Howery at 406-434-2273.

Religious Education: Call Tressa Keller at 406-460-0932 or Brooke Rogers at 406-409-9248.



ACTS OF FAITH

Jesus used the parable of the dutiful servant to explain that we can never put God in our debt or make the claim that God owes us something. We must regard ourselves as God's servants, just as Jesus came "*not to be served, but to serve*" (Matthew 20:28). Service of God and of neighbor is both a voluntary or free act and a sacred duty. One can volunteer for public service or be compelled to do service for one's country. Likewise, God expects us to give him the worship and praise which is his due. And he gladly accepts the free-will offering of our lives to him and his service. What makes our offering pleasing to God is the love we express in the gift of self-giving. True love is sacrificial, generous, and selfless. How can we love others selflessly and unconditionally? God himself is *Love* (1 John 4:16) and he fills our hearts with the boundless love that gives what is good for the sake of others. *If we love one another, God abides in us, and his love is perfected in us* (1 John 4:12). God honors the faithful servant who loves generously. He is ever ready to work through and in us for his glory. We must remember, however, that God can never be indebted to us. We have no claim on him. His love compels us to give him our best! And when we have done our best, we have simply done our duty. We can never outdo God. Does the love of God compel us to give our best? Fr. Peter



St. Teresa of Avila - Episode 1 (subtitled)

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UPCOMING EVENTS

THE BISHOP'S OFFICE
Diocese of Helena

2025-2026

diocesehelena.org/family

August 22-24	CYC Board #1 (Legendary Lodge) diocesehelena.org/cycboard
September 15-18	Clergy Days (Butte)
October 10	Bishop's Gala (Carroll College) diocesehelena.org/bishopsgala
October 10-12	CYC Board #2 (East Helena)
October 16-17	Catholic Educators Conference (Helena) diocesehelena.org/educatorsconference
October 25	Junior High Rally (Butte) diocesehelena.org/juniorhighrally
November 19-23	NCYC (Indianapolis) diocesehelena.org/ncyc
December 5-7	CYC Board #3 (Deer Lodge)
January 2-3	Youth Ministry Retreat (Fairmont) diocesehelena.org/youthministryretreat
January 23-25	High School Ski Retreat (Whitefish) diocesehelena.org/skiretreat
February 1-4	NFCYM Exchange Conference (Louisville) nfcym.org/exchange
February 6-8	CYC Board #4 (Butte)
March 20-22	Eucharistic Congress (Carroll College) diocesehelena.org/eucharisticcongress
July 7-12	Justice Outreach Project (Browning) diocesehelena.org/jop
June 28-30	Family Camp (Legendary Lodge) legendarylodge.org
August 14-16	Young Adult Retreat (Legendary Lodge) diocesehelena.org/youngadultretreat
August 10-11	Planning Days (Legendary Lodge) diocesehelena.org/planningdays

St. William Sunday 10/12/25	Usher Jabez Rogers	Lector Jeanne Keck	Eucharistic Ministers Emily McDermott and Jeanne McDonough	Church Cleaners McDermott Family
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