

Weekly Prayer

Sunday’s Readings

First Reading:
Along both banks of the river,
fruit trees of every kind shall grow;
their leaves shall not fade, nor their fruit fail. (Ez 47:12)

Psalm:
The waters of the river gladden the city of God, the holy dwelling of the Most High! (Ps 46)

Second Reading:
Do you not know that you are the temple of God,
and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? (1 Cor 3:16)

Gospel:
Jesus answered and said to them,
“Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.” (Jn 2:19)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

“You are the temple of God,” Paul tells us. But in today’s Gospel we see how easily even temple areas become corrupted. Jesus, purge the greed and selfishness from our hearts. Make them fit dwellings for your Holy Spirit.

Observances for the week of November 9, 2025

- Sunday:** The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica;
- Monday:** St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
- Tuesday:** St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; Veterans Day
- Wednesday:** St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
- Thursday:** St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
- Saturday:** St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday:** 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Devotions, *Explained!*

Simbang Gabi is a Filipino tradition of nine early-morning votive Masses offered in anticipation of Christmas. Celebrations follow Mass, where delicacies like baked rice cakes and breakfast rolls are enjoyed.

Prayer of Missionary Zeal

Dear Lord,
Give us eyes to see the depth of grace You provide to Your Church. May that goodness ignite in us fire to share the truth of Your mercy with every soul we encounter. Amen.

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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTION

Saturday, November 15, 4:00 pm Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas (For the health and healing of Wendy Deaton by Kathy Gliko and Family)

Sunday, November 16, 8:30 am Mass at St. Francis in Valier

10:30 am Mass at St. William († Alan Schlepp by Virginia Kalbfleisch)

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

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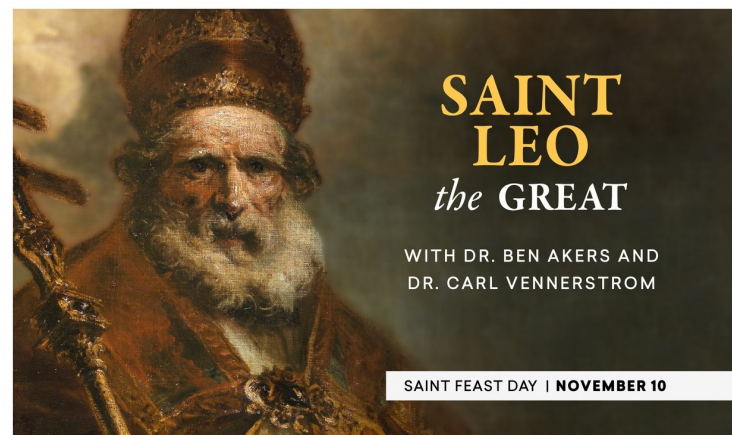
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St. Leo the Great | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Carl Vannerstrom as they discuss St. Leo the Great, who served as pope during the tumultuous time of the Council of Chalcedon.

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

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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.

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

John 2:13-22

When I was 22, I entered St. Peter’s Basilica for the first time. It floored me. I could hardly take it in, its grandeur, majestic arches, vibrant colors, and the light that danced through its high windows. Somehow, amidst such splendor, I felt an overwhelming sense of belonging, as if I had finally come home.

Jesus reorients how we Catholics see sacred buildings. In today’s Gospel he says, “**Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up**” (John 2:13-22). His riddle implies, shockingly, that his own body is now the fundamental dwelling place of God and humanity. The temple in Jerusalem has been superseded.

In our churches today — whether they mirror the basilica’s grandeur or embrace humble simplicity — we experience architectural symbols of Christ’s risen body. It is no accident we call them “churches”: they make visible in brick-and-mortar Christ’s body which is made up of the living stones we call Christians. Each church building, like St. John Lateran in Rome, or St. Peter’s, or any other, is meant to be a vibrant sign of Christ’s resurrected body. We should cherish and protect our churches as places where heaven touches earth, where we, as a community, are raised to the fullness of life in Christ. — *Father John Muir*

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The Pope’s Monthly Intension for November

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community and be open to the beauty of life.

St. William Sunday	Usher	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Church Cleaners
11/16/25	Lyle Kimmet	Marlene Howery	Elaine Mitchell and Kevin Mitchell	Pat and Jeanne McDonough