

Weekly Prayer

Sunday’s Readings

First Reading:
As long as Moses kept his hands raised up,
Israel had the better of the fight,
but when he let his hands rest,
Amalek had the better of the fight. (Ex 17:11)

Psalm:
Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. (Ps 121)

Second Reading:
Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed,
because you know from whom you learned it,
and that from infancy you have known
the sacred Scriptures,
which are capable of giving you wisdom for salvation
through faith in Christ Jesus. (2 Tm 3:14)

Gospel:
“Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones
who call out to him day and night?
Will he be slow to answer them?
I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done
for them speedily.” (Lk 18:7)

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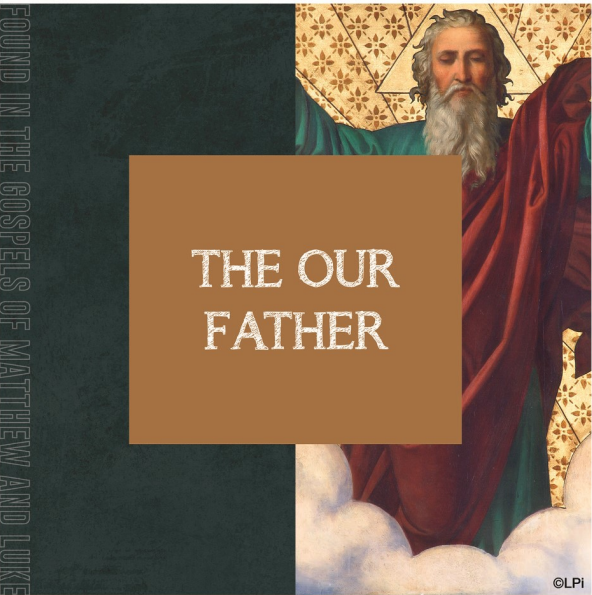
Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

We are all the widow in Luke’s Gospel. We are vulnerable. We feel small in the estimation of the world. We feel ignored. But Jesus is telling us to be bold in prayer, to bring our needs before the judge who will always hear our case.

Observances for the week of October 19, 2025

- Sunday:** 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday
- Monday:** St. Paul of the Cross, Priest
- Wednesday:** St. John Paul II, Pope
- Thursday:** St. John of Capistrano, Priest
- Friday:** St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
- Next Sunday:** 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Devotions, *Explained!*

The Our Father, also known as The Lord’s Prayer, is found in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Universally beloved in most traditions of Christianity, its words are those of Jesus Christ himself as he answers his disciples’ queries on how best to pray.

Prayer for Life of Mission

Dear God,
You are the one who finds a way in the darkness, and clears the path for those You love. Help us to trust in Your call, and to answer generously to the unknowns we face, knowing You will never leave us alone. Amen.

SAINT WILLIAM CATHOLIC CHURCH SHELBY

SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS MISSION

SUNBURST

OCTOBER 19, 2025

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTION

Saturday, October 25, 4:00 pm Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas (For the People of St. Thomas Aquinas Living and Deceased)

Sunday, October 26, 8:30 am Mass at St. Francis in Valier

10:30 am Mass at St. William (For the People of St. William Living and Deceased)

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

ST. WILLIAM

COLLECTION REPORT

Monthly Goal: \$6,000.00

October to Date: \$3,550.00

Month to Date Needed: **\$2,450.00**

Thank you for your generosity.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

COLLECTION REPORT

Monthly Goal: \$2,400.00

October to Date: \$1,045.00

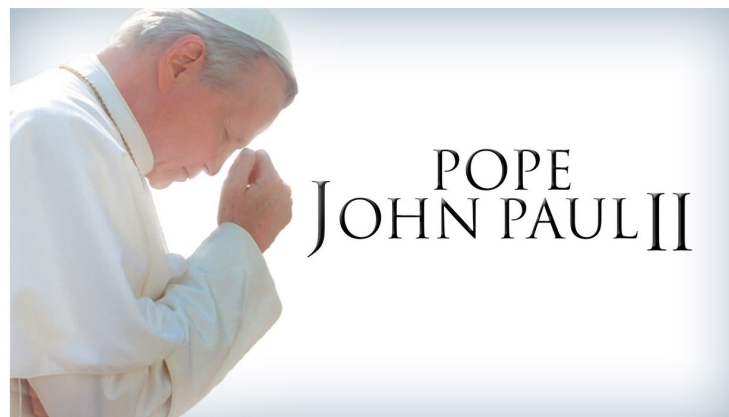
Month to Date Needed: **\$1,355.00**

Thank you for giving.



Mass Schedule Change on November 2nd

St. Margaret will have Mass at 10:30 a.m. and St. William will have Mass at 12:30 p.m. due to St. Margaret's Fall Dinner. Everyone is welcome to attend St. Margaret's Fall Dinner.



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Pope John Paul II

Starring Jon Voight and Cary Elwes, this epic film follows Karol Wojtyla's journey from his youth in Poland through his late days on the Chair of St. Peter.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

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.



THE POWER OF PRAYER

A defenseless widow is taken advantage of and refused her rights. Through sheer persistence she wears down an unscrupulous judge until he gives her justice. Persistence pays off, and that's especially true for those who trust in God. Jesus illustrates how God as our Judge is much quicker to bring us his justice, blessing, and help when we need it. But we can easily lose heart and forget to ask our Heavenly Father for his grace and help. Jesus told this parable to give fresh hope and confidence to his disciples. In this present life we can expect trials and adversity, but we are not without hope in God. The Last Judgment will reveal that God's justice triumphs over all the injustices perpetrated by his creatures and that God's love is stronger than death (Song of Songs 8:6). The just can look forward with hope to that day when they will receive their reward.

Jesus ends his parable with a probing question for us. Will you and I have faith—the faith that perseveres to the end—of time when Jesus returns in glory to judge the living and the dead? Faith is an entirely free gift that God makes to us. If we want to live, grow, and persevere in the faith until the end, then we must nourish it with the word of God and ask the Lord to increase it (Luke 17:5). As we celebrate the world mission Sunday reflecting the theme of the holy Father “Missionaries of Hope Among all peoples” let us pray for all church missions. When trials and setbacks disappoint us, where do we place our hope? Do we pray with expectant faith and confidence in God's merciful care and providence for us? Fr. Peter

2026 Summer Camp Season
CAMPS SCHEDULE

June 14-19 Junior High #1	July 12-17 High School #2
June 21-26 High School #1	July 19-24 Junior High #2
July 5-10 5/6th Grade Boys	July 26-31 5/6th Grade Girls

Registration for **families who live within the Diocese of Helena** opens **Jan 5th**. Opens for all other registrants Jan 9th.

Join us for Family Camp!
June 28-30
Registrations open March 2nd, 2026

Camp Rates
Early Bird (Register before Jan 25th)
\$425
Standard Rate:
\$450

Support your parishioners' mental health
Catholic Social Services of Montana therapists are here to provide Catholic-based counseling over telehealth statewide or in-person in Bozeman and Helena. **To get started, called (406)442-4130x2, or send a message at www.cssmt.org.**

- Our counselors are Catholic and welcome faith as a part of the counseling experience, although it does not have to be.
- They are available for in-person counseling, but can also meet with you online via a computer or mobile device.
- They specialize in many areas, including grief, trauma, anxiety, depression, relationship/marriage, and CBT, just to name a few.
- The first session is free. Insurance, private pay, Medicaid, Medicare, and EAP are accepted for additional sessions. Discounts and scholarships are available.

Keep an eye out! We hope to launch new programming to further support the mental health needs of our neighbors, soon!



St. William Sunday	Usher	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Church Cleaners
10/26/25	Pat McDonough	Jabez Rogers	Marlene Howery and Kevin Mitchell	McDermott Family