

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES OF OUR LADY OF LORETTO (LODGE GRASS), ST. CHARLES BORROMEO (PRYOR),
ST. DENNIS (CROW AGENCY), ST. FRANCIS XAVIER (ST. XAVIER), ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA (WYOLA)

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

OPENING SONG

I Heard the Voice of Jesus #464

SCRIPTURE READINGS begin on page 65

MASS PARTS Mass of Creation #885-889

CLOSING SONG

Bik baa éwahcheleetkaatak

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

9:00 AM Saint Dennis
10:30 AM Saint Charles Borromeo
12:30 PM Our Lady of Loretto
4:00 PM Saint Francis Xavier

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY

6:00 PM Saint Dennis

FRIDAY

6:00 PM Our Lady of Loretto

CONFESSIONS

Before mass and on request.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

TUESDAYS

6:00 PM Sewing Group
Meeting Room in Small Hall
(St. Dennis)

DIocese OF GREAT FALLS-BILLINGS



MARCH 16TH AND 17TH
ST. LEO CATHOLIC CHURCH
LEWISTOWN, MT

Keynote Speaker
Dan Harms



Mass celebrated with
Bishop Fleming



Breakout Speakers include: Father Martin Ezeihuaku,
Daria Haney, and Sean Khan



Please use the QR Code to sign up!
Cost: \$35.00 per registrant
For high school students and their chaperones
Priests attend free-please contact at jbrown@diocesegfb.org

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Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law, and she immediately began to serve Jesus and his disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew his identity and would have revealed it to those who were present.

On the morning after this busy day, Jesus retreated in prayer, but was pursued by Simon and others who brought news that many people were looking for him. At this point in Mark's Gospel, we begin to see a distinct role for the inner circle of Jesus' disciples—they act as intermediaries between Jesus and the people. Jesus reports to his disciples that they need to leave Capernaum to preach in other places.

Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons,

and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee.

Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness.

In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of prayer in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives.



Family Connection

We know from last week's Gospel that Jesus gathered and prayed with the community in the synagogue. Today we learn that Jesus also took the time to pray alone. Following the example of Jesus, we also pray together with our community, and we take the time to pray alone. Our children observe our prayer with others. We might want to take the opportunity to talk with them about our private prayer, however, so that through our example, they may learn to make private prayer an important part of their daily lives.

Gather as a family and talk about the ways in

which your family prays together (at Mass, grace before meals, bedtime prayers). Invite each member of the family to talk about his or her private prayer: When do you pray? Where do you pray? How do you pray? What do you pray for?

Jesus modeled for us a life of prayer. Read together today's Gospel, Mark 1:29-39. Talk about this Gospel with your family. Ask questions such as the following: What do you think Jesus was praying about in today's Gospel? What guidance have you received from God in prayer? Conclude by asking God to bless our times of prayer so that we can know and follow God's ways. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

Commitment Weekend

This weekend we officially kick-off the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal with our theme, "Go Make Disciples." Over the next 16 weeks we will be sharing more about the ministries and programs that are supported through the ACA and support the mission of this theme! We encourage you to prayerfully discern and commit to a gift to help reach our goal of \$1,700,000. Remember, you can simply commit to your gift right now. It can be paid any time prior to December 31, 2024 - whether in one lump sum, in several installments, or giving monthly. Additionally, our goal is 100% participation - we hope that each of our Catholic families will consider giving to the Appeal this year.

Go Make Disciples!

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**DIocese OF GREAT FALLS-BILLINGS
2024
ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

SACRAMENTAL PREP Confirmation & 1st Communion Classes

Sacrament classes for children who are at least 7 years old & baptized begin today (Sunday, Feb. 4th) at both St. Dennis and Our Lady of Loretto after Mass. Classes will run about 30 minutes. There is a sign-up sheet to begin the registration process at both St. Dennis & Our Lady of Loretto.

If your child is 7 or older but isn't baptized and you want them to enter the sacrament classes, then they must be baptized prior to Ash Wednesday, February 14th as the church does not allow baptisms during Lent which runs from Feb. 14th to March 30th this year.

NO BAPTISMS DURING LENT 2/14-3/31

HELP WITH BINGO CONCESSIONS

Typically, our volunteers provide a main dish and dessert while the church provides the other items. However, if you wish to volunteer but are unable to provide food, just let us know and we would still appreciate your handling the orders/sales for one of the nights.

See the sign-up sheet in the doorway for available dates or call 620-7500. Ahooh!

NO ONE DIES ALONE

Volunteer @ St. Vincent's Hospital

The Spiritual Care team at St. Vincent's is offering a learning session on Tuesday, Feb 6th from 1-3pm in the Lab Conference Room at the hospital.

This is for anyone interested in becoming a volunteer in their program that accompanies patients at the end of life who may not have family or loved ones present as they die.

Please RSVP by contacting Jane Nelson-Krizek, 406-237-3376.

CLOSING SONG



1. A E - HE-LE Bik baa é - wah-che - leet-kaa - tak. E HE-LE
I don't know anything by myself.



Ak-baa-tat-dí - a kon bii baa óo - wiiak. E A-HE - HE-LE
My God, he is the one who teaches me.



An baat - cháa - cheesh ko bii óo - wiiak. E HE-LE
His great power and wisdom is what he has taught me.



2. A E - HE-LE Bik baa é - wah-che - leet-kaa - tak. E HE-LE
I don't know anything by myself.



Ak-baa-tat-dí - a kon bii áa - lee - teek. A-HE - HE-LE
My God, he is the one who takes my hand.



A - la sáa - shii - ash ko bii hii - hchek. E HE-LE
It is his light that teaches me

Traditional Crow Indian hymn and music received by Maggie Brass , c1945.

Also attributed to Xaxua Ee, c1950.

Sung by Dorothy Hoops, c1970

