

Saint William Catholic Church-Shelby
Saint Thomas Aquinas Mission-Sunburst
September 26, 2021
Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Monday, September 27, NO MASS at St. Margaret

Tuesday, September 28, NO MASS at St. William

NO MASS at St. Margaret

Wednesday, September 29, NO MASS at St. William

NO MASS at St. Margaret

Thursday, September 30, NO MASS at St. Margaret

NO MASS at St. Francis

Friday, October 1, 12:10pm, Mass at St. William († Pam Faulhaber by Wally and Marlene Howery)

Saturday, October 2, 5:30pm, Mass at St. William († Don Baney by Don and Barb Donahue)

Sunday, October 3, 8:30am, Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas († Leo Kimmet by Shirley Kimmet and family)

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

9:00am, Mass at St. Michael the Archangel in Conrad

10:30am, Mass at St. William († Jimmy Kalbfleisch by Ward & Michelle VanWichen)

10:30am, Mass at St. Margaret in Cut Bank



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC
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Bishops Itinerary for Shelby and Sunburst on—October 4:

St. Thomas Aquinas—noon-2pm lunch and meet/greet, parishioners, staff and councils

St. William—5:30 Mass, 6:00pm Dinner Reception and meet/greet with parishioners, staff and councils

Bring your family, a warm welcome, open hearts and thoughts to share with Bishop Vetter!

St. William families, please bring a salad or dessert to the Dinner Reception after Mass on October 4, CCW will provide the main course.

If you are unable to attend the Masses in our area,

the Cathedral of Helena is livestreaming at 11:00am each Sunday, and a daily Mass at noon.

Go to Youtube.com and in the search bar type: Cathedral of St. Helena Montana

The link for Sunday and the daily Mass are there, just scroll down. There are a variety of items for viewing, such as Bishop Vetter's Friday message and story time. You can also subscribe to the Diocese Youtube channel.

Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation and Anointing of the Sick: call the Parish office 434-2988

Marriage: Call Fr. Tim Moriarty at least 6 months before desired date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: St. William before Saturday and Sunday Masses and St. Thomas Aquinas by appointment

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

Parish Needs and Information or for an emergency: Call or text Parish Secretary Diane Abrahamson 406-450-0683.



Reflection – September 21, 2021

Today is the Feast of St. Matthew, one of the original Apostles. It is believed that Matthew was born in Galilee, the son of Alphaeus. Matthew was a tax collector by trade, which was a hated profession by the people at the time of Christ.

In today's Gospel from Matthew it states: "As Jesus passed on from there, He saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax office; and He said to him, "Follow me..." Matthew had to be filled with the fire of the Holy Spirit as the Lord said to him, "Follow me..." He had to know that He was the Messiah, the One to follow. Why else would he immediately give up his profession and the life that he knew and follow the Christ without reservation?

St. Matthew wrote his Gospel around 41 and 50 A.D. It was the first of the three synoptic Gospels – as well as Mark and Luke – that told the story of the time of Christ on earth in very similar accounts. Matthew wrote his Gospel in Aramaic to convince his people that Jesus was – and is – the Messiah. According to legend, Matthew escaped the Holy Land to either Parthia, Persia or Ethiopia to avoid persecution. Some are uncertain how St. Matthew died, although it is general Church tradition that all of the Apostles except John died martyrs for the faith.

In today's reading from Ephesians (4:1-7, 11-13), St. Paul states: "I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love..." So Paul called himself a prisoner for the Lord, because he totally surrendered his life to Christ; and in that surrender he was filled with the peace and joy of Christ to go proclaim the Gospel with great zeal! St. Matthew did the same, completely abandoning his past life to follow the Lord and become an Apostle.

We are all called to totally surrender to the Lord in our life, without fear or reservation, regardless of the calling that we have received – marriage, priesthood or religious life or single life. When we surrender to the Lord, we WILL be at peace. Is there anything holding us back from that total surrender? May all of us pray for the grace for total surrender to the Lord in our lives – just like St. Matthew and St. Paul did before us; that we bring the joy and peace of Jesus Christ to everyone we meet! St. Matthew and St. Paul, pray for us!

God bless all of you!

Fr. Tim.

SEMINARIANS
FOR THE DIOCESE OF HELENA
2021-2022

 Den. Matthew Christensen Theology II St. John Vianney Seminary	 Den. Tyler Frohlich Theology IV St. John Vianney Seminary	 Kyle Tammill Theology III St. John Vianney Seminary	 Dillon Armstrong Theology I St. John Vianney Seminary	 Kaleb Mitchell Philosophy II St. John Vianney Seminary
 John Cooney Philosophy II St. John Vianney Seminary	 Riley Helges Philosophy I St. John Vianney Seminary	 Brett Ratz Philosophy I St. John Vianney Seminary	 Alex Olmes Spirituality Year St. John Vianney Seminary	 Anthony Olmes Spirituality Year St. Paul Seminary
 Alex Ramirez Spirituality Year St. Paul Seminary	 James Semling Spirituality Year St. Paul Seminary	 Jamie Severson Spirituality Year St. John Vianney Seminary	 Bishop Justin A. Vetter Theology of Sacred Theology of Sacred	 Fr. Marc Lemmenan Vocations Director

Please pray for our seminarians and for more priestly vocations.

To send encouragement or ask for prayers, please write our men at their respective seminary:

St. John Vianney Theological Seminary 1300 South Steele St. Denver, CO 80210

The St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity 2260 Summit Ave. St. Paul, MN 55105

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Jesus tells his disciples that there should not be any rivalry, jealousy, or suspicion if all hold the same belief. Since the present-day divisions in Christianity are substantive, rising from differences over the basic tenets of faith. However, Jesus' instruction invites all Christians who accept him as Lord and Savior to work together for the common welfare of all, especially the poor, the sick and the marginalized. There is no reason for any Christian denomination to be jealous of another denomination because of the greater good they do for people for God's glory. True love seeks the highest good of our neighbor while envy results from the selfishness and pride contrary to true Christian love. Fr. Peter.

You can still purchase a raffle ticket for an ATV and \$12,000 cash, to benefit Legendary Lodge youth camp at the Diocese of Helena website! Go to: www.diocesehelena.org And follow the prompts.



ST. WILLIAM
COLLECTION REPORT
Monthly Goal: \$6,000.00
September to Date: \$5,376.00
Month to Date Needed : \$624.00

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS
COLLECTION REPORT
Monthly Goal: \$2,400.00
September to Date: \$1,705.00
Month to Date Needed: \$695.00