

**Saint William Catholic Church-Shelby
Saint Thomas Aquinas Mission-Sunburst**

**February 14, 2021
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Monday, February 15, 5:30pm, Mass at St. Margaret in Cut Bank

Tuesday, February 16, 5:30pm, Mass at St. William († Joseph Campros by Hugh Brown family)

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

Wednesday, February 17, 4:15pm Adoration at St. William

5:30pm, Mass at St. William († Teresa Dumas by Joe and Lore Sisk)

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

Thursday, February 18, 12:10pm, Mass at St. Margaret in Cut Bank

5:45pm, Mass at St. Francis in Valier

Friday, February 19, 10:30am, Mass at St. William († David McDonough by Brooke and Jabez Rogers family)

Saturday, February 20, 5:30pm, Mass at St. William († Paul Amestoy by the Rapkoch family)

Sunday, February 21, 8:30am, Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas († Lou Adornato by Lori and Dennis Mayernik)

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

10:30am, Mass at St. William († Ron Christenson by the Aikins family)

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

Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the Lenten Season is this Wednesday.

Ashes will be distributed at 5:30pm Mass.

See That You Tell No One Anything.—In *Regnum Christi* 2006, explain how the leper comes to Jesus with deep humility and great faith. In other words, he is a spiritual man. He is also a man of prayer; in fact, his prayer so moves the heart of Jesus that he is healed of his infirmity. But Jesus asks something of him that the man does not understand, that does not seem to make sense given the circumstances. Which one of us, if freed from a debilitating and oppressive sickness, would not want to tell everyone the story? Yet Jesus asks only one thing in return for the miracle performed: obedience. On occasions it can seem that I do not grasp what Jesus is trying to accomplish in my life, where he is leading me or why he asks certain things of me. The man believed in Jesus enough to be healed of leprosy. Once healed why would he not trust him when Jesus asks for his obedience?
Fr. Peter



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go to the Diocesan website, www.diocesehelena.org or the Diocesan Youtube channel. Bishop Vetter has many online messages available for us, from teaching on the Sacraments to story time for children. Also special messages to keep abreast of information as things develop. Don't miss out on the many ways our Bishop ministers to us.

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 on Sunday before Mass 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.



Last year at this time, I was reveling in the first Super Bowl championship in 50 years for the Kansas City Chiefs; my favorite football team since the 3rd grade. It was a great moment and will always be a great memory for me and Chiefs fans everywhere. The Chiefs had another great year in 2020, as they were able to successfully defend their AFC Championship from the year earlier and advance to Super Bowl 55 against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Things didn't quite end the way they did the year before, as the Chiefs were blown out by the hometown team. For the first time in Super Bowl history, the Super Bowl was played in the home stadium of one of the teams, the Buccaneers as the Super Bowl is scheduled in particular cities years before the game takes place.

It was a rough night for the Chiefs, basically in all areas, offense, defense, and special teams. The Buccaneers were the far better team, as they dominated the offensive and defensive lines and highly deserve to be Super Bowl champions. I was group texting with a few friends from Butte during the game, as various comments were made by individuals during the contest. At the end of the game, one of the 'texters' stated that 'he will be back,' referring to Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes. I did not respond to the text, but I thought to myself, 'there are no guarantees.' Years ago, Hall of Fame quarterback Dan Marino was playing for the Miami Dolphins in the Super Bowl against the San Francisco 49er's – with Hall of Fame quarterback Joe Montana – at Stanford Stadium in Palo Alto, California. It was a rough night for the Dolphins, and at the end of the game one of the TV commentators said (regarding Marino) that 'he will be back' to the Super Bowl. That was the first and only Super Bowl appearance for Marino in his Hall of Fame career.

In life, there are no guarantees. We simply do not know what life has in store for us, for our country, and for the world. We, as people of faith do know one thing – that God loves us, and He wants us to be with Him for all eternity. God loves us so much that He sent His Son Jesus Christ into the world; born in a stable to our Blessed Mother; raised a faithful Jew by His parents Mary and Joseph; baptized by John the Baptist in the Jordan River as He began His public ministry; cured the sick; raised the dead; brought sight to the blind; proclaimed the kingdom of God and eventually suffered and died on the Cross for proclaiming the truth; that He is The Christ, the Son of the Living God! And we, as disciples of Christ, who have been Baptized in the paschal mystery of Christ – His passion, death, and resurrection – are guaranteed life in this world and eternal life with Him if we deny ourselves, take up our Crosses and follow Him! Jesus Christ is the Way; the Truth and the Life, and the one and only way to salvation! If we humbly follow Him – moment by moment; step-by-step; trusting in His providential plan and lovingly bringing the Gospel message of Christ to everyone around us; trusting in Him unceasingly, we will be saved! That is a guarantee! And another guarantee to us is that Christ is always with us, and will never abandon us, and the gates of hell will not prevail against the Church – founded by Jesus Christ, the Son of God himself! In this world of uncertainty, COVID and chaos, may we humbly follow Christ and be at peace. Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

God bless all of you! Fr. Tim.

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK
February 14, 2021

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BELOVED—SESSION 1: DOES MARRIAGE MATTER?
Happy Feast of St. Valentine! This Valentine's Day, remind yourself of the beauty of the Sacrament of Marriage with the Beloved series, presented by the Augustine Institute.



HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE
With Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Mark Giszczak

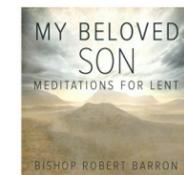


FORMED NOW! HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE
Are you looking to take your spiritual life deeper this Lent? There's no better place to start than the Lord's Word. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Giszczak as they explain how to study and devote yourself to Scripture!

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MY BELOVED SON: MEDITATIONS FOR LENT BY BISHOP ROBERT BARRON
Lent is a season of discipline where we focus on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. In five riveting homilies, join Bishop Barron as he describes the spiritual disciplines we undertake during Lent.



Black and Indian MissionThe Black and Indian Mission Office is comprised of three distinct but inter-related organizations, each with its own purpose and history, but all seeking to fulfill the one Mission to the Missions! Founded by the Catholic bishops of the United States, each organization cooperates with local diocesan communities to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ. The Black and Indian Mission Collection exists to help local African American and Native American Diocesan Communities throughout the United States spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and respond to real and pressing needs on the ground.



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~ Bishop Austin Vetter



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