

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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September 10, 2017 ~ 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ministry Schedule for Sunday, September 17 (10:30 a.m.)

EM: Ginny Heintzelman
Lector: Nancy Leuthard
Ushers: Larry Heintzelman & Brian Marty
Servers: Caryn & Jade Marty, Berdine & Xavier Kleindl
Sacristans: Larry & Ginny Heintzelman
Music: Amy Blackwelder

Stewardship Report- Sept. 1 & 3, 2017

Weekly budget expenses from 2017-2018
Budget: \$1,634.62. *Thank you for your sacrificial offering.*

Adult:	\$1,240.00
Youth:	1.00
Loose:	44.00
Utilities:	500.00
Flooring:	545.00
TOTAL:	\$2,330.00

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Tuesday, September 12

+ Deceased Christian Mother's & Women

Sunday, September 17 – 8:30 a.m.

+ Ben Schneider

RECONCILIATION: Half an hour before Mass

Love your
neighbor
as yourself.

Ave Maria Church, Wheaton, Mass Schedule is as follows: Monday @ 8:30 a.m.; Wednesday @ 8:30 a.m.; Saturday @ 5 p.m.; Sunday @ 10:30 a.m. There is Mass at the Traverse Care Center on Thursday following the 9 a.m. Rosary.

Please remember in prayer: Jeanne Hofland, Rita Schuster, Delores Eul, Chelsie Leuthardt, Liz Ritter, Rose Anne Grossman Bowe, Evelyn Schwebach, and all who are ill. Please call when a name should be added or removed from the prayer list.

We welcome to our parish Chad & Lisa Burton & family. We are glad you are here!

If there is anyone who would like to be a Lector, Altar Server, Choir member, Eucharistic Minister, Usher, or Sacristan, please contact the office or let Fr. John Paul know. Thank you!

CATHOLICISM: We have someone already who is interested in becoming Catholic. If you or someone you know has interest, give us a call at the office (324-2680). Classes will start sometime this fall.

Christian Mothers & Women Dues envelopes are in back of Church for you to pick up.

FLOORING & TABLE PROJECT: If you would like to make a donation towards the flooring & table project, you can put your donation in an envelope, drop it in the collection, and mark it as such. The goal is to raise \$35,000 for both projects. So far, Guild and other donations have totaled \$14,820.85.

Fall Decorating: The fall decorating, outside and inside, will take place soon. If you have any items such as pumpkins, squash, gourds, apples, potatoes, flowers, plants, etc., that you'd like to donate to the decorating committee, please leave them at the back of Church. Thank you!

Faith Formation News: Faith Formation Classes will begin on Sunday, September 17th after Mass and snack.

The Faith Formation Fellowship Sign-up Sheet is in the back of Church. Please sign up to bring a snack or serve. Thanks!

Bloodmobile: Friday, September 22nd from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. Please give!

St. Mary's Guild will meet on Sunday, September 24th in the Hall after Mass.

Choir Practice will begin on Wednesday, September 27th at 5:30 p.m. All members are welcome!

Pictorial Directory: If you missed your photography appointment and want to be in the new directory, **or** if you have a photo you would like to submit for our directory, please call the Church office (324-2680) or Becky Draper (324-7321).

Lifetouch will include a submitted photo for a charge of \$10. There will be no charge for nursing home residents and military personnel in uniform. Those who submit a photo will also receive a free directory. Thank you for participating!

Also, as part of our new pictorial directory, all participants received \$5 off their purchase (with a *Feed the Need* food shelf item donation.) If you did not bring a food shelf item to your photo session, you can drop it off in the back of Church by September 24th. These items will be given to the Stevens County Food Shelf.

Catholic United Raffle: The Raffle will be held on Saturday, October 28th at noon. It is time to be thinking of a prize that you might like to donate to the CUF Raffle for the Fall Bazaar. Catholic United will again match up to \$1,000 for our Faith Formation program. We have always made enough to receive the entire matching grant each year, so we will try to get it again this year. Please e-mail Deb at the Church, stmarych@fedtel.net, or call Barb @ 324-7114 with any prize that you would like to donate. We will get the tickets out near the end of September. Thank you for your continued support of this cause!

Next Sunday, there will be a collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. By supporting this collection, you give people a hand up, not a hand out. Learn more about the CCHD at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

St. Charles Catholic Church, Herman, Fall Festival: Sunday, September 10th from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. The meal will be served at the Herman Community Center.

A First instruction class in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in Morris by appointment in the Board Room of the Stevens Community Medical Center. For more information or to register, contact Joan Jay at georgejay@hotmail.com or 589-4865. The class is approximately 1 ½ to 2 hours long. Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!