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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

5 pm - Assumption Church, Ferdinand

SUNDAY

8 am - St. Mary's, Cottonwood
10 am - St. Anthony, Greencreek

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday - No Mass
Tuesday, 6:30 pm - St. Mary's, Cottonwood
Wednesday, 8 am - St. Anthony, Greencreek
Thursday, 8 am - St. Mary's, Cottonwood
Friday, 8 am - Assumption, Ferdinand
First Saturdays, 8 am - St. Mary's, Cottonwood

RECONCILIATION

St. Mary's: Saturdays 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Or by appointment during the week

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ST. MARY'S

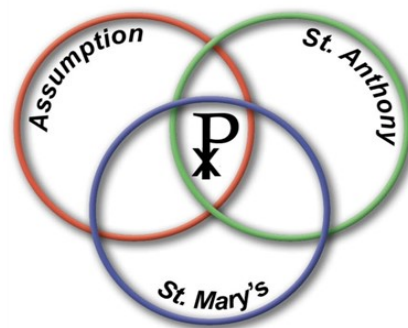
Every Tuesday: 7 am - 6:30 pm.
Tuesday Adoration until 8 pm if no Mass
Third Thursday: 7 pm - 7 am Friday
First Friday: 7 pm Thurs. - 7:50 am Saturday
7:50 am Benediction on First Saturday prior to Mass

TRI-PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

<u>St. Mary's</u>	<u>Assumption</u>	<u>St. Anthony</u>
Sarah Walsh <small>Term ends Jan 2019</small>	Ron Riener <small>Term ends Jan 2019</small>	Ken Stubbers, Pres. <small>Term ends Jan 2019</small>
Brandy McElroy <small>Term ends Jan 2020</small>	Tara Duclos <small>Term ends Jan 2020</small>	TJ Schmidt <small>Term ends Jan 2020</small>
Morna Lustig <small>Term ends Jan 2021</small>	Nicole Kinzer <small>Term ends Jan 2021</small>	Whitney Westhoff <small>Term ends Jan 2021</small>
Holy Cross		
Heath Klapprich - <small>Term ends Jan 2021</small>		

Preparation for Sacraments. BAPTISM: Preparation for Parents and Godparents is **required prior to Baptism.** Classes are available first Wednesday of each month at St. Mary's Church. Contact Tri-Parish office 962-3214 to register for class, it is necessary to do this, as if there is no one registered then there is not a class. **MARRIAGE:** The engaged couple needs to contact parish priest six months prior to the proposed wedding date. **NEW TO PARISH:** Please call 962-3214.

December 23, 2018 - Fourth Sunday of Advent



And Holy Cross Chapel

We are many parts, we are all one body.

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Each week we want to be praying for a religious from this area or serving this area. This week please pray for Father Paul Wander.

Save the date! All women are welcome to attend an Ignatius-style Retreat hosted by local Regnum Christi women. Father Bruce Wren will be retreat master. The retreat will be held at the Spirit Center at the Monastery of St. Gertrude. Mar. 7-9, 2019. Watch for more information coming soon.

A Servant's Reflection... "Christ is born to us today, in order that He may appear to the whole world through us." Thomas Merton
Will the world see Christ's presence and joy in your words and actions? Merry Christmas! Ryan

Pope's Tweet ... *"Advent is a time for us to prepare for the coming of Jesus, Prince of Peace. It's a time to make peace with ourselves and our neighbors."*

Father's Corner ... CHRISTMAS literally means "Christ Mass". Christmas goes from the evening of December 24th until the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord which is usually the Sunday after Epiphany - January 6th. Christmas celebrates the birth and Incarnation of Jesus Christ. Christmas is the celebration of God becoming human in the "Incarnation". This is in fulfillment of the promises God made in the Old Testament and next to the celebration of the Paschal Mystery, the celebration of the birth of Jesus is the most sacred time for us.

The Infancy Narratives of St. Matthew and St. Luke form the basis of the Christmas celebration Luke 2:1-20, Matthew 1:18-24. The actual liturgical celebration of Christmas cannot be fixed with certainty before the very early 4th century. The celebration of Christmas uniquely as the nativity of Jesus Christ probably originated in North Africa. The earliest surviving reference to December 25th as the liturgical celebration of Christmas is in the Philocalian calendar, which shows the Roman practice in AD 336. The Apostolic Constitutions (c AD 380) mandate the celebration of Christ's birth on December 25th, and Epiphany on January 6 (see Book V:III:XIII). The celebration of Christmas spread throughout the whole of the East and the West in the 4th century. By the fifth century, almost all of the Church was observing December 25th as the Feast of the Nativity and Epiphany on January 6th

In the octave (eight days) of Christmas, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Family and the love expressed in a family are some of the important aspects of Christmas. The eight day of Christmas is January 1st. This day is called the "Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God". It is the oldest of the Marian feast, and recalls the giving of Jesus' name, and his entry into the Mosaic covenant. It is also the beginning of the new calendar year. The New Year begins during the celebration of the new life giving in the birth of Jesus. As all births, He was born of His mother Mary.

Father Paul Wander

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Dec 24th 5 pm - St. Mary's
Dec 24th 7 pm - Assumption
Dec 24th 7 pm - St. Anthony
Dec 25th 12 am - Midnight Mass - St. Mary's
Dec 25th 10 am - St. Mary's

NEW YEARS DAY MASS

9 am - St. Mary's

Bishop Peter has dispensed the obligation to attend Mass on Jan. 1st, **Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God.** Although, you are strongly encouraged to attend Mass on January 1st for this Holy Day.

Debbie's rectangle ... For Youth Ministry:
Debbie has an eye appointment the first part of January. She is not planning a January schedule until she finds out if and when she needs surgery

Youth Ministry

Dec 28: HS hosts college youth at Habit. 5:30 pm.

Tri-Parish Calendar of Events

Dec 23: Santa at Greencreek Hall following Mass

Dec 24 & 25: *Merry Christmas!* See Mass times on front page of this bulletin

Dec 24: Tri-Parish Office is closed

Dec 26-28: Office will be open a few hours each day, no set schedule. Vicki will be in part time, if you need immediate assistance, her cell 208-792-1138.

Dec 26-28: Father Paul will be out-of-town

Dec 26; No RCIA class

Jan 1: Mass 9 am at St. Mary's, New Years Day.

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

Jan 2: No RCIA class

Jan 8: NC Deanery meets in Lewiston

Jan 9: RCIA, St. Mary's 7 pm. *"Why do I need the Church?"* Visitors are welcome to attend any class.

Jan 12: Greencreek Altar Society meets at Habit

Jan 16: RCIA, St. Mary's 7 pm. *"Mary and the Saints"*

Consecration to the Holy Family - The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Consecration to the Holy Family event during the week of January 6-13. Consecration includes a family rosary on Tuesday, January 8 at 6PM followed by Mass.

Please come: **Christmas concert** featuring the Idaho County Orchestra at 2 p.m. Sat. Dec. 29 in the chapel of the Monastery of St. Gertrude.

Retrouvaille ... a lifeline for troubled marriages. Weekend for couples to be held Feb. 15-17, 2019 at Immaculate Heart Retreat Center in Spokane, WA. 1-800-470-2230 or www.HelpOurMarriage.com Retrouvaille is a lifeline of hope and healing for struggling marriages.

Father Paul wishes to say "Thank you" to everyone who mailed birthday cards to his mother.

There will NOT be the normal Tuesday Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday, Dec 25th Christmas Day at St. Mary's.
On Tues. Jan 1st, Adoration is 10 am - 9 pm.

There will be a small one page bulletin next weekend after all - for weekend Dec 29/30.

Information Night - GROW - Adult Catechesis..

"Is not my word like fire?" Jeremiah 23:29

Join us at the Catholic Education Center, (CEC Building), Sunday, January 6th, 2019, 6-8 pm for an evening filled with information about GROW small groups. We will be presenting information, different books and curriculum to get groups started. Babysitting, drinks and snacks will be provided.

Holy Cross Raffle: If you would like to donate to the Annual Raffle held each year please contact Glenn Poxleitner, his cell 208-983-4190.

Christmas Books: The Knights of Columbus have purchased Matthew Kelly's book *"The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity"* as a Christmas gift for our Tri-Parish. The books will be at the back of each of the churches this weekend. The books are free and each family is encouraged to take one.

The Knights of Columbus have set up kiosk with books on various interesting topics. It is located in the Sacred Heart room at St. Mary's Church. All are welcome to come by and take a book.

Mass times change again for 2019 between St. Mary's and St. Anthony. Beginning Sunday, Jan 6 8 am Mass at St. Anthony; 10 am Mass St. Mary's

Collections for last weekend:			
	Budget	Received	Gifts/Other
St. Mary's	2757.69	3355.00	50.00
St. Anthony	1025.00	2066.00	609.00
Assumption	794.23	1027.00	15.00

St. Mary's Ministry

Dec 23, Sunday 8 am:

Greeters: Rod & June Behler

Lectors: Joe S., Eileen **Lead Rosary:** Bonnie

Servers: Grace/Steel, Olivia **Child Lit:** Morna

EM: Ryan/Eve/Noelle, Mike, Marlene F.

Dec 24, Christmas Eve 5 pm:

Sign-up sheet on southwest entrance bulletin board

Dec 25, Christmas Midnight Mass 12 am:

Sign-up sheet on southwest entrance bulletin board

Dec 25, Christmas Day Mass 10 am:

Sign-up sheet on southwest entrance bulletin board

Dec 30, Sun. 8 am:

Greeters: Heath & Tara Klapprich and Family

Lectors: Judy, Ryan **Lead Rosary:** KC's

Servers: John/Levi, Pierce **Child Lit:** Lisa

EM: Doug, Roger, Chris, Morris/Julie

St. Anthony Ministry

Dec 23, Sunday 10 am:

Greeters: Norm & Julie Sonnen and Family

Sacristan: Arlene **EM:** Adam, Norm, Cliff

Lector: Joe **Servers:** Laney/Lee/Nate

Dec 24, Christmas Eve 7 pm:

Greeters: Justin & Elizabeth Nuxoll and Family

Sacristan: Rhonda **EM:** Teresa, Bo, Rhonda

Lector: Connie **Servers:** Ryan/Tyler/Matthew

Wednesday, Dec 26: No Mass

Dec 30, Sunday 10 am:

Greeters: Andy & Molly Terhaar and Family

Sacristan: Julie **EM:** Eric, Colin, Curt

Lector: Norm **Servers:** Levi, Luke, Kylie

Wednesday, Jan 2: Lector: Donna

Assumption Ministry

Dec 22, Saturday 5 pm:

Greeter: **Servers:** Quirt, Eli, Owen

Lector: Gwen **EM:** Ken, Luke, Ron

Dec 24, Christmas Eve 7 pm: Msgr Andy

Candles: Tim Kinzer Family **Violin:** Molly

Holy Family brought in: Wyatt Williams Family

Clarinet: Mary **Servers:** Evan, Hannah, Connor

Lector: Ron **EM:** Molly, Carri, Virgil

Dec 29, Saturday 5 pm:

Greeter: Kathy **Servers:** Cody, Julia, Lane

Lector: Dorothy **EM:** Shirley, Tim, Dorothy

Mass Intentions for the Week:

Dec 22, Sat. ASSUMPTION 5 pm:

+Joe Seubert, bd 12/22 +Wayne Goeckner, da 12/23

Dec 23, Sun. ST. MARY'S 8 am:

+Dolores T. Seubert, bd 12/23 +James Seubert

+Jamie Seubert

Dec 23, Sun. ST. ANTHONY 10 am:

+Andrew & Frances Schmidt by Ron & Doris

+Ryan Crea by Ron & Doris

Christmas Eve Mass St. Mary's 5 pm:

For All Families

Christmas Eve Mass Assumption 7 pm:

Tri-Parish Parishioners and their families

Christmas Eve Mass St. Anthony 7 pm:

Tri-Parish Parishioners and their families

Christmas Midnight Mass St. Mary's 12 am:

Lasting Peace in the World

Christmas Day Mass St. Mary's 10 am:

All Deceased Family Members mentioned on the

Donation Envelopes for Christmas Flowers

Dec 29, Sat. ASSUMPTION 5 pm:

+Ryan Crea, da 12/29, by Colin & Debbie

+Willard Lorentz, bd 12/26, by Mary

Dec 30, Sun. ST. MARY'S 8 am:

Ryan & Heather Uhlenkott and Family by Michael

Dec 30, Sun. ST. ANTHONY 10 am:

+Clarence Wassmuth, bd 12/26, by his family

+Ed Schumacher by Greg & Nancy

Happy Birthday

Dec 23: Judy Arnzen, Patty Hinkelman, Miranda Klapprich, Travis Mader, Wyatt Williams

Dec 24: Blake Aiken, Paul Forsman, Steve Sonnen, Clark Tacke

Dec 25: Kate Lustig

Dec 26: Amelia Uhlenkott

Dec 27: James Gehring

Dec 28: Colt Kehler, Leo Rehder, AJ Roeper, Logan Schumacher, Matt Schwartz, Dorothy Kelly, Bernie Tipton, Claire Turnbull

Dec 29: Vic Gehring, Polly Hollandsworth, Oliver Lustig, Josie Remacle

