

# SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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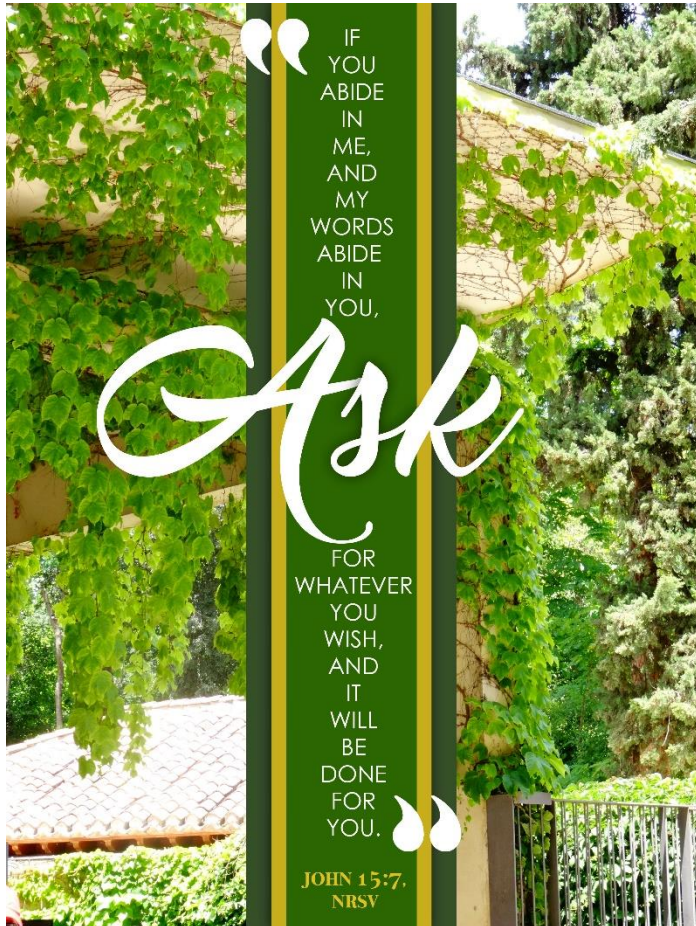
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## *Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024*

**Pastor:** Rev. Christopher Lebsock

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**Deacon Robert C. Miller (Senior Status)**

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**Caitlyn Van Horsen: 227-5334 x 114**

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**Kevin Cavanaugh: 227-5334**

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**Catholic Social Services - 442-4130**  
**630 N Last Chance Gulch, Suite 2200**

**\*\*Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.**

**Mass/Liturgy Schedule: Weekdays:**  
**Monday - 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.**  
**Mass with Holy Hour of Reparation**  
**Wednesday- 12:00 p.m. Mass**  
**Thursday - 6:30 a.m. Mass**  
**Friday -12:00 p.m. Mass ff by Adoration & Benediction**  
*Please consult the parish office for any changes in the weekday Mass schedule.*

**Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament;**  
**Friday, following 12:00 p.m. Mass**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
**\*\*Wednesday, following 12:00 p.m. Mass**  
**\*\*Wednesday, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. when Youth Group meets**  
**Saturday, 9:45 - 11:00 a.m. (at St. Helena Cathedral)**  
**or by appointment**  
**\*\*subject to cancellation due to scheduling conflicts**

**Weekend:**  
**SS. Cyril & Methodius - Saturday, 4:30 p.m.**  
**Sunday, 8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.**

**St. John the Baptist, Clancy - Suspended**  
**Our Lady of the Lake - Suspended**

**Parish Pastoral Council Members: Clifford Meis, Bruce Norum, Patty Dahl, Beth Emter, , Chris Van Horsen, Marlene McCluskey, Cherie Wing, Melissa Rocchio, Joe Molenda.**

**Finance Council Members: Phil Johnson, Kyle Eckmann, Brad Cook, Jackie Jandt, Tim Thompson, Sommer Nistler, Suzanne Severin**

Week at a Glance, April 27 – May 5, 2024

Sat, Apr 27	4:30 p.m. Mass: Intention – Repose of the Soul of Bertie Saunders rb Roger & Bertie Bisson Carroll College Search
Sun, Apr 28	Carroll College Search 8:00 a.m. Mass: Intention – Repose of the Soul of Ron Burnett rb Brian Kastle
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	9:00 a.m.: Faith Formation Classes for Kindergarten – 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade (LAST CLASS!!!!) 10:15 a.m. Mass: Intention – People of the Parish
Mon, Apr 29	No Scheduled Mass
Tue, Apr 30	No Scheduled Mass
Wed, May 1	10:15 a.m.: Adult Study Group No Scheduled Mass or Confessions 7:00 p.m.: Last Youth Group!!
Thur, May 2	6:30 a.m. Mass: Special Intention – Kate Menzia Hooper 7:00 a.m.: St. Joseph Men’s Group
Fri, May 3	12:00 p.m. Mass: Special Intention – Suzanne Johnson rb Kim & Joe Molenda Followed by Adoration
Sat, May 4	4:30 p.m. Mass: Special Intention – Suzanne Johnson rb Curt & Joan Maddock Followed by “Because He First Loved Us” Reception
Sun, May 5	8:00 a.m. Mass: Intention – People of the Parish Donuts after Mass
6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	9:00 a.m.: Pastoral Council 10:15 a.m. Mass: Intention – Repose of the Soul of Nick Jennings rb Jennings Family Followed by “Because He First Loved Us” Reception

Father is in Rome

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Mon, Apr 29 – Acts 14:5-18; John 14:21-26  
 Tue, Apr 30 – Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a  
 Wed, May 1 – Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8  
 Thur, May 2 – Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11  
 Fri, May 3 – SS. Philip & James – 1 Corinthians 15:1-8;  
 John 14:6-14  
 Sat, May 4 – Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21  
 Sun, May 5 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
 –Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

**CONTRIBUTIONS**  
April 20 & 21, 2024

Regular	\$ 6765.00
Loose	882.00
Online	3660.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!



Go to our website [www.sscyril.org](http://www.sscyril.org) and click on “Donate” or call the parish office



Riggs Street Pinochle will meet Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome! (Don’t know how to play Pinochle, come anyway, we will teach you!)



**PRAY FOR PEACE IN OUR COUNTRY:** The Helena Area Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus are praying the Rosary each Wednesday. **On May 1 the rosary will be at 5:30 p.m. at the Cathedral. All are welcome.** Please join them in spirit and pray the rosary wherever you are.

**The Novus Ordo Mass in Latin will be Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m.**

Please come and join us for a simple reception that will follow the 4:30 pm Saturday and 10:15 am Sunday Masses, May 4 & 5 to hear more about the Capital Campaign “Because He First Loved Us”. There will also be an opportunity for Q & A with Fr. Lebsock.

**THE WEDNESDAY STUDY GROUP IS BEGINNING A NEW PROGRAM ON THE JEWISH ROOTS OF THE EUCHARIST WITH DR. BRANT PITRE.** We would love to have new people join us! We start at 10:00 for visiting☺, then Morning Prayer at 10:15 and the video (which is on our FORMED subscription platform) begins at 10:30. We finish by 11:30. Please come and check this out!

Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in you will be glad and forever shout for joy. Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of your love enable them to return home safely, that with all those who love them, they may ever praise you for your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please pray for:

Gage Pierson, Navy; Eric Dalan, Marine Corps; Cody Gleich, Marine Corps; Tristan Lloyd, Army National Guard; Connor and Noah Cramer, MT National Guard; Natasha & Stephan Williams, Air Force; Alex Wise, Army Infantry; Lucas Robson, Navy;

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS**

Dillon Armstrong, Kaleb Mitchell, John Cooney, Riley Hilgoe, Brett Rotz, Anthony Olmes, James Semling, Jamie Severson, Carter Anderson, Shae Bills, Lane Buus, Matthew Keck,

**Vocations Prayer**

*Heavenly Father, please abundantly bless these men who are in formation for the priesthood of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant them gifts of wisdom, knowledge and most of all, generous hearts, that they may be enflamed with love for You and Your Church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**RESTORING A CULTURE OF LIFE**  
THE KLEFFNER RANCH  
**4/28/2024**  
**SETH GRUBER**  
4:30 PM • Pastor Roundtable with Seth Gruber  
5:30 PM • VIP Dinner  
6:30 PM • Main Event

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**PLEASE HELP US...**

If you or a family member is or will be in the hospital, please call the parish office at 406-227-5334 to let us know. We would like to be able to pray for you. We can also arrange for a visit from the parish and/or add you to the prayer chain. Thank you!!

**FOOD SHARE UPDATE:** Thank you for the donations that came in this past week—we had 10 pounds to give to Food Share. Please think of them as you’re doing your grocery shopping and pick up a little extra something to donate☺

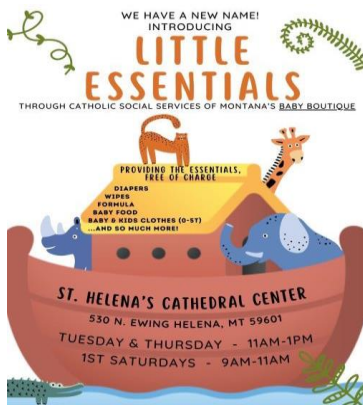
'Have you ever wondered how a 90 foot statue of ‘Our Lady’ ended up on the Continental Divide overlooking Butte, Mt?’ Please join the **Helena Catholic Journey Community** in welcoming a few of the men that made this impossible feat happen, as they share their story: Journey ‘Gathering’, Tuesday, May 21st at 7 pm at St Mary's Catholic Community Social Center. All are welcome.

**ANGEL FUND'S STUFF THE BUS FUNDRAISER!** Join us downstairs at the Brewhouse for a night of family fun to help purchase school supplies for local Helena-area students through Angel Fund's Stuff the Bus campaign. Save the date on **Wednesday May 1st**, the Brewhouse will host a **BINGO** Night to benefit the **Angel Fund's Stuff the Bus** campaign. Sign in is between 5:00 and 5:30 and play begins at 5:45. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. The Angel Fund will have a raffle item and prizes for each "winner"! <https://atthebrewhouse.com/>



Immaculate Heart Co-op, a local Catholic homeschool enrichment program, is currently registering students, ages 3-12, for the 2024/2025 academic year. Immaculate Heart Co-op is a structured program for homeschool families that provides a weekly opportunity for academic, spiritual, and social growth in a faithful and joyful Catholic community. Please join us Monday, May 13, at 7:00pm for an information night. If you are interested, please email [immaculatehearthelelena@gmail.com](mailto:immaculatehearthelelena@gmail.com) for more details.

**HOLY CROSS PARISH TOWNSEND** is holding their annual Bazaar on Saturday May 4, 2024, from 12-3pm. You are invited to enjoy their Ham dinner with scalloped potatoes and green beans, relish tray and peach cobbler dessert! Cost: \$30.00 for immediate family, \$15.00 for single adult, \$10.00 for students, Under 4 Free. There will also be a Silent auction, raffle, bake sale, craft sale and outdoor activities including free throw competition, corn hole and cake walk.



Walking With Moms is hosting a **diaper, wipe and clothing drive for the Little Essentials Baby Boutique at the Cathedral**. Little Essentials provides these to families in need, free of charge. Current needs are Wipes, Diaper Sizes 4, 5, 6, 4T-5T; Summer and Winter Clothing in Sizes 2T-3T and 4T-5T.

We will be accepting donations for this ministry throughout the month of April—a crib will be set up in the entry. Thank you for your support!

**Eternal Rest Grant unto Them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.**

Please remember in your prayers those of our parish and family members who have recently died.

**Frank Wenzel April 21, 2024**  
*"May the angels lead you into paradise..."*

When a member of your family dies and the funeral is somewhere else other than SS. Cyril & Methodius, please contact the parish office so that we may remember them.

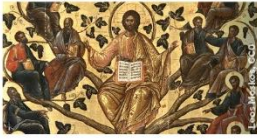
Together we have raised

# \$558,560

92% of our \$605,000 goal

Please scan the QR code to learn more at the **Because He First Loved Us** website [www.fdo.org/because-he-first-loved-us](http://www.fdo.org/because-he-first-loved-us)





April 28, 2024 | Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31 | 1 Jn 3:18-24 | Jn 15:1-8

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

**GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE**

“Where do they get their energy!” Maybe you’ve said that about your children as they run around the yard while you’re trying to wrangle them inside for bedtime. Jokes abound about how sugar and caffeine are what keep most adults going, but we know it’s proper nutrition, exercise, and rest that enable us to do well whatever it is we do. That is all relevant to us physically. What about spiritually? Bishop Barron, writing on the Gospel, says, “Jesus declares that he is the vine and we are the branches. He is the power and energy source in which we live.” (*Word on Fire Bible*, 548) Just as we see the effects of sugar and caffeine on people, we see the supernatural effects of Jesus’ love on, and in, people. As he nurtures us with his perfect love, and that flows into us who are grafted onto him, it changes us. It transforms us and converts us away from sin and toward God. We fill up on that spiritual fuel in the sacramental life of the Church and become a witness to it in how we go about our days - loving one another.

**GO EVANGELIZE**

**PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT**

“Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.” These words from John in our second reading provide the perfect bridge between the ministry of Paul, about whom we heard in the first reading, and Christ’s message in the Gospel. With Jesus as “the power and energy source in which we live,” we not only can profess the truth, but live it. We not only give our own account of Christ working in us, as Paul did, who came to them speaking out “boldly in the name of the Lord,” but we stand beside one another, as Barnabas did, vouching for Paul to the Apostles. We are united in baptism, in love, in profession of faith, and in communion with one another. When we consistently act in a Christian manner toward others and keep God’s commandments, John says, we “remain in him, and he in [us], and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.” In other words, those who remain in Christ “will bear much fruit” - a tangible sign that easily answers the question, “where does he/she get her energy?”

**PRAY** Is there anything in your life that is an obstacle to Jesus being the power and energy source in which you live? Are your days fueled more by anger, frustration, or ambition than his love? Pray this week in thanksgiving to God for where he has given you conversion of heart, and ask him for the grace to see where improvement is needed and the will to make it happen.



## We’re Here For You.

Mental and behavioral health complications can stand in the way of living a productive, joyous, and peaceful life. These complications present themselves in a number of ways and are not always easy to recognize or understand for the person experiencing them. It can affect their life and the

lives of those around them. Catholic Social Services of Montana counselors are here to listen, talk, and help navigate these complications. Counselors utilize time-tested, successful methods to ensure consistent progress can be made towards living a healthier life. All counselors are licensed in the state of Montana to provide these services. You can call 406-442-4130 or see their page on the [www.cssmt.org](http://www.cssmt.org) website.

### Mass Ministers for 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, May 4 & 5, 2024

- 4:30 p.m. EMHC - Mary Y, Jo W, Mary W  
Reader – Lynn M  
Greeters – Coleen S, Joyce N  
Servers – Caleb E, Andrew E, Maxwell K
- 8:00 a.m. EMHC – Dave A, Marlene M, Cami R  
Reader – Mike L  
Greeters – Tim Q, Barb Q  
Servers – Tristin N, Kelton N
- 10:15 a.m. EMHC – Darwin E, Kevin S, Ty S  
Reader – Charley W  
Greeters – Nate H, Toni H  
Servers – Will C, Tate C, Dyllon V

LITTLE CHILDREN,  
LET US LOVE,

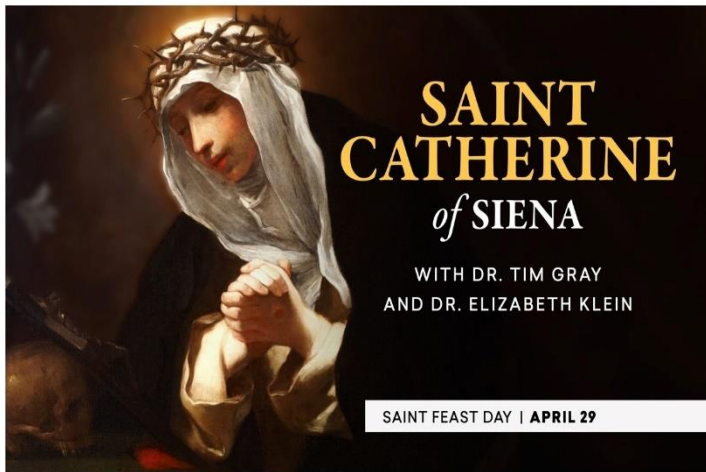


NOT IN WORD OR SPEECH, BUT IN  
TRUTH AND ACTION.

1 JOHN 3:18, NRSV



Bring your family for a meal and fellowship on Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>  
 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. here at SS. Cyril & Methodius down in the Mavsar Center.  
 There will be games, outdoor activities and crafts for the kids!  
 Sloppy Joes for dinner and you are invited to bring a side dish to share with other families.  
 RSVP via the QR code is appreciated for a headcount, but not required



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### Who is St. Catherine of Siena?

In light of St. Catherine of Siena's feast day, join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Elizabeth Klein, as they celebrate this holy woman: a nurse and mystic with papal influence who became a doctor of the Church.



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### Guard What Has Been Entrusted To You - A Sermon for the Feast of St. Joseph

Guard What Has Been Entrusted To You A Sermon for the Feast of St. Joseph by Bishop Jacques-Bénigne Bossuet.



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