

# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

"This is what you shall tell the Israelites:  
I AM sent me to you." (Ex 3:14)

### Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful. (Ps 103)

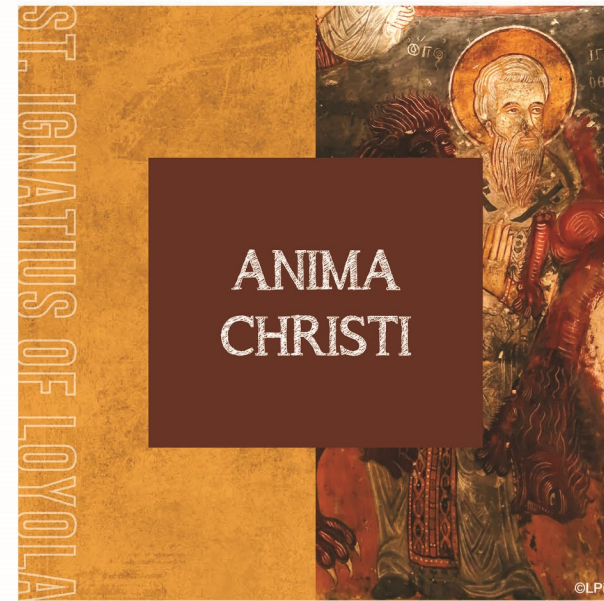
### Second Reading:

These things happened to them as an example,  
and they have been written down as a warning to us,  
upon whom the end of the ages has come. (1 Cor 10:11)

### Gospel:

"But I tell you, if you do not repent,  
you will all perish as they did!" (Lk 13:5)

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## Devotions, Explained!

Traditionally said after or before receiving the Eucharist, the Anima Christi dates to the 14th century and was a favorite prayer of St. Ignatius of Loyola.

## Prayer of Lent

Dear God,

As I fast, may Your presence be my sustenance.  
As I pray, continue to reveal Yourself to me.  
As I give to others, may I know You even more deeply.

Amen.

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MARCH 23, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus Christ is the ever-vigilant gardener. He desires us to bloom, that we will do what we were created to do, that we will bear the fruit that God intended. Will we let him cultivate our ground and prune our imperfections? Will we let him save us?

## Observances for the week of March 23, 2025

**Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Lent

**Tuesday:** The Annunciation of the Lord

**Next Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Lent



## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Monday, March 24, No Masses

Tuesday, March 25, 5:30 pm Mass at St. Margaret in Cut Bank

Wednesday, March 26, 12:10 pm Mass at St. William ( † Rita Roland by John and Diane Abrahamson)

Thursday, March 27, 5:00 pm Adoration at St. Francis in Valier  
5:45 pm Mass at St. Francis in Valier

Friday, March 28, 10:30 am Mass at the Hospital Chapel ( † Jean (Genore) Kalbfleisch McNamer by Pat and Jeanne McDonough and Family)

Saturday, March 29, 5:30 pm Mass at St. Margaret in Cut Bank

Sunday, March 30, 8:30 am Mass at St. Francis in Valier  
10:30 am Mass at St. William (For the People of St. William Living and Deceased)  
12:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas (For the People of St. Thomas Living and Deceased)

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There will be a **Lenten program** starting March 11th for anyone interested. We will listen to a podcast from various well known speakers and share fellowship and prayer. We will show the same podcast on Tuesday at 12:00 p.m. and at 6:30 p.m. We are meeting in the parish hall, upstairs in the last room at the end. Everyone is welcome.

### **Sacrament preparation and Anointing of the Sick:**

Call the Parish office at 406-434-2988 or Fr. Peter at 406-475-1274.

**Marriage:** Call Fr. Peter Mikwabe at least 6 months before desired date.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

St. William before Sunday Mass and St. Thomas Aquinas by appointment

**Ministry to the Sick and Shut-Ins:** Call Marlene Howery at 406-434-2273.



### GOD'S MERCY AND FORGIVENESS

We need to live lives of repentance, because we never know when we will meet a tragedy of our own. Let us repent while we have the chance. Let us turn to Christ, acknowledge our faults and failings and receive from him mercy, forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. There is no better way to take these words of Jesus to heart than to go to sacramental confession; and there is no better time to go to confession than during Lent. We are unable to predict when a tragic accident may happen to us. Our end may come swiftly – without warning and without giving us an opportunity to repent. Repentance helps us in life and in death. It helps us to live as forgiven people and helps us to face death without fear. When we repent, we are saying: "I've been going in the wrong direction – I must turn my life around." Repentance begins with an admission of our sin and inadequacy. We cannot see Jesus in all his fullness unless we look at Him through the lens of repentance. Scripture says repentance results in forgiveness, renewal, and redirection. Repentance is a statement of regret for the inner condition of our souls, with a determination to have that condition changed. Fr. Peter

Bishop Vetter is asking for special focus on Operation Rice Bowl this Lent to help alleviate the current lack of humanitarian funding.



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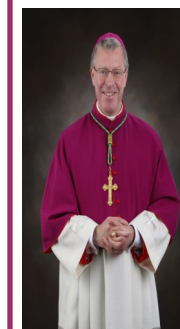
### A Bible Study on the Annunciation

In this video, Dr. Ben Akers leads us through a brief study of Luke 1:26-38, highlighting some of the key Old Testament passages evoked by Gabriel's words. The reflection concludes with some thoughts on how we can imitate Mary's Yes in our own life, especially in this time of suffering.

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<b>St. William Sunday</b>	<b>Usher</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>Church Cleaners</b>
<b>3/30/25</b>	Jabez Rogers	Jeanne Keck	Emily McDermott and Jeanne McDonough	Katsy Arves