Mass Schedule and Intentions

Monday, January 13, No Masses

Tuesday, January 14, 5:30 pm Mass at St. Margaret in Cut Bank

Wednesday, January 15, 5:30 pm Mass at St. William († Connie Kimmet by the Tokerud Family)

Thursday, January 16, 5:00 pm Adoration at St. Francis in Valier
5:45 pm Mass at St. Francis in Valier

Friday, January 17, 10:30 am Mass at the Hospital Chapel († Kendra Bruget by John and Diane Abrahamson)

Saturday, January 18, 5:30 pm Mass at St. Margaret in Cut Bank

Sunday, January 19, 8:30 am Mass at St. Francis in Valier
10:30 am Mass at St. William († Brady Fleming by Wally and Marlene Howery)
12:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas (For those who have suffered a miscarriage, loss of a child or infertility)

ST. WILLIAM

COLLECTION REPORT

Monthly Goal: $6,000.00

January to Date: $2,218.00

Month to Date Needed: $3,782.00

Thank you for your generosity.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

COLLECTION REPORT

Monthly Goal: $2,400.00

January to Date: $1,175.00

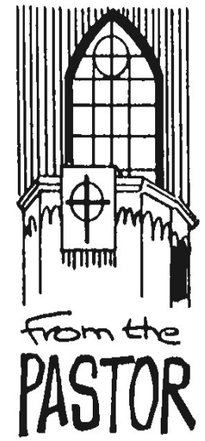
Month to Date Needed: $1,225.00

Thank you for giving.

Potluck for Fr. Peter's Birthday!

Wednesday, January 22 at 6:00 p.m.
There will be a slide show presentation
by Kevin and Elaine Mitchell,
Keith and Mary Jean Brophy
on their trip to Africa.
All are welcome!

<u>Sacrament preparation and Anointing of the Sick</u>:
Call the Parish office at 406-434-2988 or Fr. Peter at 406-475-1274.
<u>Marriage</u>: Call Fr. Peter Mikwabe at least 6 months before desired date.
<u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u>:
St. William before Sunday Mass and St. Thomas Aquinas by appointment
<u>Ministry to the Sick and Shut-Ins</u>: Call Marlene Howery at 406-434-2273.



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

As we celebrate the baptism of the Lord, it is a good time to recall our own baptism. The baptism of John was simple; it just washed away sin. Baptism in the name of Jesus is much more powerful. It makes us members of the Body of Christ, members of the Church, a Temple of the Holy Spirit, adopted children in the family of God, and people who now carry on the mission of Jesus in the world. There's an important analogy that can help us understand the importance of sacramental baptism: Baptism is to the Christian Life what a wedding is to a marriage. Baptism is the sacrament that fundamentally changes our purpose, mission, identity, and destiny. Every day from the moment of our baptism we must choose to either live out that mission or we will end up denying it. Many powerful changes take place within us through the waters of Baptism. To help us understand all those changes, the Church surrounds the moment of Baptism with various prayers and symbols that help us to appreciate and celebrate the various effects of the sacrament. It is worth studying these prayers and symbols to deepen your knowledge of the graces being offered. We are given an opportunity to have a renewed awareness of those baptismal commitments which we took ourselves or on that day when our parents or godparents spoke on our behalf. We should reaffirm our devotion to Christ and our intention to come closer to him every day. Fr. Peter

CCW MEETING MINUTES:
CCW met on Monday, January 6th.
The Care Center sent a nice note thanking the parishioners who gave gifts. The residents were very pleased and thankful for the gifts.
Thanks to all who brought cookies for the Mrs. Claus Christmas Cookie sale. We donated $500 of the profits to Little Flower Parish to help with repairs needed for the Churches.
A "Happy Birthday, Father Peter" potluck will take place on January 22 at 6pm. The Mitchells and Brophys will present a slide show on their trip to Tanzania. Please bring a salad or hot dish. Rolls and dessert will be provided.
Thanks to all who bring food and help with funerals. You are very much appreciated.
We will begin preparing for the May Day Basket Project next meeting.
The next CCW meeting will be February 3rd.

Check out the Diocese website at <u>diocesehelena.org</u> where you can view all the news and events that are happening in our Diocese. If you would like to view a livestream Mass from the Cathedral, go to the Cathedral website at <u>sthelenas.org</u>, where it is easy to access todays Mass or, a virtual tour of the Cathedral. To view Bishop Vetter's Friday messages, story time and special messages go to <u>diocesehelena.org/video-and-livestream</u>. There are a great many videos of Bishop Vetter, from his journeys around the Diocese to his work with seminarians, and more.