

Mass Schedule

Tuesday

6:00 pm Mass

6:30 pm

Catholicism 101

Wednesday

4:00 pm

Adoration and
Confessions

6:00 pm Mass

Sunday

11:00 am Mass

5:00 pm Mass



**26th Sunday in
Ordinary
Time**
**September 27th
Readings**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

October 6th

Baptism Preparation

at 5:15 pm in the
Conference Room

October 11th

**Eucharistic Minister
Training**

after 11:00 am Mass
Second Sunday Potluck

October 18th

Lector training after
11:00 am Mass

1st Reading: Ezekiel 18:15—28

The LORD spoke through Ezekiel: "Hear now, house of Israel: ... If he turns from the wickedness he has committed, and does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life."

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:1—11

Paul quoted an ancient hymn: "Who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every other name."

Gospel: Matthew 21:28—32

Jesus said that outcasts enter God's reign because of faith but not the righteous who lack repentance: "Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you."

27th Sunday in Ordinary ~ October 4th Readings

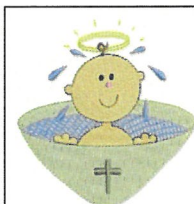
Isaiah 5:1—7, Philippians 4:6—9, Matthew 21:33—43



Baptism Preparation Class

**Tuesday, October 6, 2026, at 5:15 pm
in the Conference Room**

Please call the office to register 406-458-6114



Email prayer requests to Jeaneen
jeaneen1966@gmail.com

ADVENT TEA

Saturday, November 28th at 3:00 pm



**LOW
GLUTEN
HOSTS**
are available.

Hearing Devices

are available for anyone
interested in using them.
They are in the drawer
on the gift table.



September 27, 2026

Our Lady of the Valley

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My parish App



Fr. Cody Williams, Pastor

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cwilliams@olvmt.org

Deacon Steve Barry, (Senior status)

OFFICE HOURS: Monday — Friday

10 am — 3 pm

Parish Office Staff

Office Manager:

Kelly Bond

Bookkeeper:

Lisa Richard

Maintenance/Custodial:

Lee Baerlocher

Youth Ministry

PreK-6th grade

Becky Tooke

406-461-2995

7th grade through 12th grade

David Casey

406-443-4750

Music Ministry

Rebecca Kagerer

Liturgical Ministers

Coordinator

Dennis Mayernik

OCIA Leaders

Dennis O'Reilly

406-266-1181

Carleen Layne

406-594-6489

Finance Council Members:

Bob Bennett, Ann Glueckert,

Jim McKeon, Mary Ellen

Morrison, Jeanne Saarinen,

Jim Sebestyen,

Larry Thomas, chair

Pastoral Council Members:

Tessa McGree, Rachel Molm,

Kevin Ochs, **John Ries, chair**

Hazel Yuhas

Baptism Preparation Class

Offered: January, April, July, &
October (contact Parish Office)

Marriage Preparation

6 months' notice required
(contact Parish Office)

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE September 27th — October 4th

Sunday 27 th	9:45 am	PreK – 5 th grade RE
	11:00 am	Mass † for Joe & Jackie Campeau
	5:00 pm	Mass † for the people
Monday 28 th	5:30 pm	Music Rehearsal
Tuesday 29 th	6:00 pm	Mass † for Dan Pesusich
	6:30 pm	Catholicism 101 in Social Center
Wednesday 30 th	4:00 pm	Adoration & Confessions
	5:30 pm	Knights of Columbus Rosary at OLV
	6:00 pm	Mass † for Moe Wosepka
	6:30 pm	6 th grade through 12 th grade RE
Thursday 1 st	8:00 am	Soul Core in the Social Center
Sunday 4 th	9:45 am	PreK – 5 th grade RE
	11:00 am	Mass † for Vivian Bruski
	5:00 pm	Mass † for the people

The link to join 11:00 am streaming Mass is at olyvt.org

Ministry Schedule

October 4th

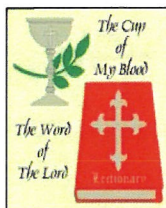
11:00 am Mass

Lectors: Bill Kearney, Deidre Casey

EMs: JoAnne Canney, Shirley Timmerman, Al Williams, Kathie Williams, Terri Temple

Greeter: Mike & Betty Evans

Altar Servers: Isaac Casey, Miriam Casey



5:00 pm Mass

Lectors: Jonna Brenton, Jim Shea

EMs: Linda Juvik, Mary Vogl, Karolyne Redding, Larry Thomas, Dan Gengler

Greeters: Sheila Hill

Altar Servers: Joey Ochs, Allyne Ochs

Please register

Parish Registration and Information Update

Register or Update Your Information

You can use this QR code to easily register at our parish.

Also, you may use the same QR code to update your existing information.



<https://life.onecamino.com/public/home>



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Resurrection Cemetery

Fall Clean-up

Please remove all grave decorations before

October 5th

Redecorating can begin

October 30th

Thank you!

The Cemetery Staff.

Ministry Training Coming Soon!

October 11th after 11:00 am Mass
Eucharistic Ministers

October 18th after 11:00 Mass
Lectors

If these times do not work for you,
please contact Father Cody.

Our Parish Stewardship

Comparative Cumulative Annual Offering

FY 2027 \$ 83,591

FY 2026 \$ 77,115

Offering up by \$ 6,476

Income Streams Year Amount

Week 12 offering FY 2027 \$ 3,512

FY 2026 \$ 2,274

ACH (AUG) FY 2027 \$ 7,545

FY 2026 \$ 7,833

Give Central (AUG)

FY 2027 \$ 3,256

FY 2026 \$ 2,251

Extra Giving (AUG) FY 2027 \$ 0

FY 2026 \$ 0

Other Monthly Accumulative for August

Building \$ 3,193

Rent \$ 1,900

Stipends \$ 570

VBS \$ 251

Helping Hands \$ 20

Wolf Creek \$ 100

To donate through **Give Central**
use the QR code

Questions? Call the Parish



This renewable generation Project received funding through the **NorthWestern Energy** As of Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 9:00 am OLV has produced **70.9 MWh of energy** CO2 Emission Saved **105k lb.** Equivalent Tree planting 830

Father Cody's Column

Prayer part 6



The Hail Mary

Unlike the Our Father, which is clearly found in Scripture, the Hail Mary is a product of tradition. The first part of the Hail Mary is found in Scripture. The first part – “Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you” – is found in Luke 1 when the Archangel Gabriel comes to meet Mary and announce that she will give birth to the Messiah. The next part comes from Mary’s visit to Elizabeth when Elizabeth exclaims: “Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb.” Let’s take a moment to appreciate this introduction as taken from Scripture.

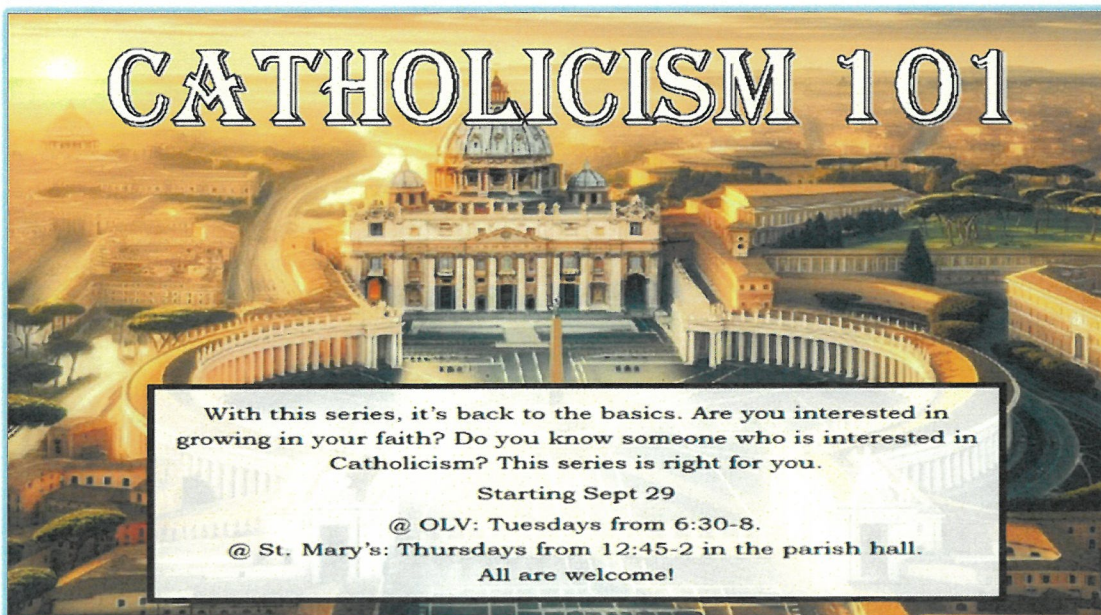
The first line begins the prayer. Just like the Our Father, we begin our prayers by knowing whom we are addressing as we begin the prayer. Most people hear these first few words and assume the prayer is addressed to Mary. This is not quite accurate. We are speaking to Mary and reflecting on what she has done to help bring us salvation but the prayer is actually addressed to God. The final line makes my point: “pray for us.” We are asking Mary to pray for us through this prayer. The prayer is actually addressed to God through Mary.

The next part of the prayer focuses on the words that Archangel Gabriel spoke to Mary. These words are mysterious. What does “full of grace” mean? What does “the Lord is with you” mean? These first few lines give us the context of both this prayer and the Rosary. We are reflecting on the events that God has done to bring us salvation. Mary being one of the key players. She was the one who was given a special grace to bear God’s son. Mary is the one who found favor with God. Mary had a special grace to have God with her.

The second part clarifies the beginning and draws us into a deeper mystery. By repeating the words that Elizabeth spoke to Mary, we are also both calling to mind the event and drawing close to this event. As Mary came to visit Elizabeth while Jesus was in her womb, so are we reminding ourselves and desiring for God to come and visit us and draw close to us. These two parts of Luke 1 paint a beautiful picture of the context of this prayer. Jesus came into the world to be with his people through Mary. So, we are reflecting on this moment and asking Jesus to draw close to us through this prayer and these events.

The first half of the prayer is rather old and draws upon tradition. Luke kept these stories in his Gospel to fill in the details for us so that we might come to know the origin of Jesus and his birth. The earliest Christians found these passages useful for their understanding of Jesus and would continue to reflect on them. We follow in their footsteps when we pray this prayer. We too are reflecting on the life of Jesus and Mary and allowing these events to impact our lives and draw us into the mystery of God. The Hail Mary, and in extension the Rosary, are prayers through which we reflect on Scripture and allow the events of Jesus’ life be made present to us.

Fr. Cody



CATHOLICISM 101

With this series, it's back to the basics. Are you interested in growing in your faith? Do you know someone who is interested in Catholicism? This series is right for you.

Starting Sept 29

@ OLV: Tuesdays from 6:30-8.

@ St. Mary's: Thursdays from 12:45-2 in the parish hall.

All are welcome!



Please join us for young adult fellowship with **Devotions on Draft** on **September 30th at 6:30 pm** with guest speaker Fr. Marc Lenneman. We will meet at the parish rectory. Please email helenacatholicya@gmail.com to register and receive the address.



Many of you have received emails from someone pretending to be Father Cody. He will never email you asking you to "run an errand" for him.

He will call you directly. Always verify any request with him or the office staff.

Fraud Awareness

We are seeing texts and/or emails from fraudsters pretending to be the parish priest or claiming to be from local parish personnel.

Please review the information below for tips to identify potential fraud in email or text/messages.

Email Fraud/Phishing

- Be cautious of messages from unknown senders
- Look out for poor spelling and grammar
- Be wary of suspicious links or attachments
- Verify any requests for personal information

Text Fraud

- Be suspicious of texts from unknown numbers
- Don't click on links in unexpected messages
- Look for a sense of unsensitive information
- Be cautious of unusual offers or incentives

HOW TO SPOT FRAUD



Unfamiliar sender



Requests for sensitive information



Urgent or threatening language

Suspicious links or attachments



CSSM
CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES
of Montana



Increase your knowledge about how to identify, understand, and respond to mental health crises with

Mental Health First Aid

Mental Health First Aid is an evidence-based, early-intervention course that teaches participants about mental health and substance use challenges.

Save your spot and RSVP by sending an email to session leader, Phillip Quinn, at phil@cssmt.org.

Our Lady of the Valley, Helena

November 6th, 2026, 8:30am – 4:30pm

Attendance, lunch, and materials provided at no cost.



Phillip Quinn, M.Ed., LPC, serves as a Mental Health Counselor for Catholic Social Services of Montana, providing therapy to clients across Montana. Before CSSM, he spent 14 years with Intermountain, serving clients and supervising clinicians. He is a Certified Instructor for Mental Health First Aid, leading sessions and providing resources across Montana.



This session is provided in part thanks to the generosity and support of Catholic Extension Society.

Pray for more vocations

SEMINARIANS FOR THE DIOCESE OF HELENA

Riley Helgoe
THEOLOGY IV

Carson Gorton
PHILOSOPHY II

Anthony Olmes
THEOLOGY III

Jake Smith
PHILOSOPHY II

James Semling
THEOLOGY III

Liam Aippersbach
PHILOSOPHY I

Jamie Severson
THEOLOGY III

Ryan Frampton
PHILOSOPHY I

Carter Anderson
THEOLOGY II

Peter Fiocchi
PROPAEDEUTIC YEAR

Shae Bills
THEOLOGY II

Nathan Olmes
PROPAEDEUTIC YEAR

Matt Keck
THEOLOGY II

John Cooney
PASTORAL YEAR

Please continue to pray for our Seminarians

Please Contact Father Cody if you missed the Altar Server Training. Contact information is on the front of the bulletin.



Current Vatican News

To read the latest Vatican news, choose one of the following options:

- Online users may click the link:

[News from the Vatican - News about the Church - Vatican News](https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html)

- Or visit: www.vaticannews.va/en.html



Pope's Intention for September For care of water

Let us pray for just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.