Catholic Communities in Christ

St Mark’s, Belt; Holy Trinity, Centerville; St Mary’s Raynesford (Montana)

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Masses for Sunday and week XX of Ordinary time (18 August – 24 August 2018)

Sat 18 Aug 1:00pm, Raynesford For Walt and Vicky Johnson by Lois Hill

Sat 18 Aug 5:00pm, Belt Father Rodney’s Intention

Sun 19 Aug 8:30am, Belt Carmen and Tuck Friedl by Josie Kleffner and Patrick

Sun 19 Aug 11:00am, Centerville Special Intention for Maria Winslow by Mousel and Winslow

Mon 20 Aug 8:00am, Belt Father Rodney’s Intention

Tues 21 Aug 8:00am, Belt Father Rodney’s Intention

Fri 24 Aug 8:00am, Belt Father Rodney’s Intention

Message from Father Rodney:

One of the many titles of Jesus is Teacher. Jesus is a Teacher. We could imagine that in those days, there are no organized classrooms like what we have today nor the Internet, so there were no web or online classes. People who come from different points of the city or town gather in market places or in the temples around a teacher. They listen. They ask questions. They follow. And they remain faithful.  Jesus teaches His disciples with words but most of the time through actions - He heals the sick, He forgives sinners, He casts demons, He feeds the hungry, He calls dead back to life, He prays. All of these acts are teachings of Jesus that He wants His disciples to learn.

Jesus, our teacher wants us to abide in Him. He wants us, like a patient student learning his lesson, to remain in Him. Our teacher, Jesus, abides in us in the Eucharist. I would like to point out that in our parish, we have a monthly First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - an opportunity for us to abide in Jesus. Sadly, not a lot of people come to the First Friday adoration.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament according to the Catechism is the worship of Jesus Christ present in the Eucharist. It's beginning can be traced at the early history of the Church. Saint Justin, for example, writes about the deacons who carry the Blessed Sacrament for those who are not present in the liturgy. Our parish is blessed with people who are dedicated in this devotion. Like Mary of Bethany, sitting at the foot of the Lord, we listen to Jesus every time we spend an hour or two before the Blessed Sacrament. Those who are devoted to attend our monthly Adoration will tell you that it is like listening to a teacher. You come to Him, spend time in silence and just listen to His gentle words.

Abide in Him. How I hope that if you haven't come to our First Friday Adoration, you will try to join us this first Friday of September, which is the 7th - the day before our Blessed Mother's birthday. It will be an extra special First Friday leading to the First Saturday, which is also the Birthday of our Blessed Mother. Our first Friday adoration begins after the daily mass and end with a benediction at 3pm, perhaps we can make a special First Friday Adoration Service as our birthday gift to our Blessed Mother, I hope you will all mark your calendar now for that day.

"Abide in me," says the Lord. Let us pray that we may become a good listener to the words of Jesus and that we may always come to follow Him with a heart that remains faithful. In the words of Saint Teresa of Avila, we pray - "Lord, make us your teachable servants today

St Mark School of Religious Formation/Education ENROLLMENT for school year 2018-2019 will be this weekend, August 18/19 and next weekend August 25/26 after mass. We need volunteer catechist, please contact Religious Formation Director Miss Katrina Paulson c/o Parish office

Share your Vegetables at Church

If you are one of the blessed people to have a good yield in your vegetable garden this year and you love to share your harvest to those who were not fortunate this year, you may bring your vegetables to share at church and share it after mass.

Blood Drive

The Raynesford Community Center is hosting a “Blood Drive” on Tuesday from 1pm to 6:30pm. Donate a blood and help save lives. For appointment please contact Miss Lois Hill at 738-4248

Altar Server

Altar server training for St Mark Parish will be on Saturday September 15th and Sunday September 16th immediately following mass, for more info please contact Debbie and David Vogt c/o the parish office.

Relic of Saint Pio visits Montana

The Saint Pio Foundation is displaying relics of St. Padre Pio at Corpus Christi Parish on Friday, September 14 from 7 am to 5 pm. This will be the only stop in Montana. This is a great opportunity to venerate the official relics of this great saint on occasion of the 50th anniversary of his passing. A Mass in honor of St Padre Pio will be celebrated at 5:30 pm by Bishop Warfel. For more info please call the Corpus Christi Catholic Parish at (406) 453-6546.

Ministry to the Homebound

**If you or someone you know is in need of this ministry, please contact the parish office.**

If you are a minister interested to be part of this ministry, please contact Marilyn Enderson c/o the parish office or you may come to the upcoming Homebound Ministry meeting on September 4, 6pm at St Mark Parish.

Offerings for the past week . Thank you for your generosity to our parishes. St Mark $2,201 Holy Trinity, $938. St Mary’s, $609.