

### WEDNESDAY NOTES Our Faith in Action

The 4th grade will minister at Mass this Friday, March 7th, at 8:30 a.m. All are welcome to join us!

Our virtue this month is TEMPERANCE. Some ways we can practice temperance and urge our kids to do so are through practicing self-control, especially with the things our bodies need like food, drink, exercise, and rest. This is a great virtue to practice during the season of LENT.

#### **Parent Information**

Thank you to all who helped with the Home and School Carnival!

#### **Circle of Grace Lessons**

Please see the attached flyer with information about our yearly Circle of Grace lessons happening the week of March 17th.

#### **Lent Information**

Ash Wednesday Mass; Wednesday, March 5th at 8:00 am During the season of Lent, Wednesday Mass is at 6:00 pm. Therefore, we will do Stations of the Cross instead of Mass on Wednesdays.

#### Enrichment Day

Enrichment Day is April 11th. If you have a special job or talent to share with our students, please contact the school office!

#### Spring Pictures - March 13th

Disregard picture information from last week; they sent us updated info. All students will have their picture taken. Orders happen as they always have!

#### **Extended Care Breakfast**

As a reminder, extended care does offer breakfast every day. They offer different kinds of waffles and bagels with cream cheese. Breakfast is charged to your FACTs account.

#### Our Lady of Lourdes Summer Camp

The registration link for Our Lady of Lourdes Summer Camp is included in the email. Please see the attached flyer for more information! <u>Reach out to the office to ask about scholarship opportunities for camp!</u>

#### **Basketball Players**

If basketball players have a game on Friday, their "dress-up" wear for the game must include OLL uniform wear.

# TRENDING THIS WEEK

- Wednesday, March 5th
  Ash Wednesday
- Thursday, March 6th
  Spirit Day
- Friday, March 7th
  - 4th grade Mass
- Tuesday, March 11th
  MS Science Fair

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Thursday, March 13th
  Picture Day
- Friday, March 14th
  - 3rd grade Mass
- Saturday, March 15th
  - St. Patrick's Day Parade
    - 1:00 pm
- Monday, March 17th
  - St. Patrick's Day Breakfast
    - 7:00 am

### **EXTRA CURRICULARS**

- Basketball at GFCCHS
  - March 6th
    - Girls B 4:00
    - Boys B 5:00
    - Girls A 6:00
    - Boys A 7:00
  - March 8th
    - Girls B 10:00
    - Boys B 11:00
    - Girls A 12:00
    - Boys A 1:00

# Our Lady of Lourdes <u>SUMMER CAMP</u>

# PRE-K THROUGH 5TH GRADE

# **Early bird registration opens March 24th**

- Preferential registration for school and parish families.
- Educational/faith based camp
- Weekly camp themes
- Interested in being a camp counselor? Email summercamp@ollschoolgfmt.org

#### **Tuition:**

- Early bird tuition: register before April 16th and get \$50 off tuition per camper per week!
- \$250/week per camper
- \$200/week for half day Pre-K camper
- Tuition covers, two snacks per day and two camp t-shirts

#### **Dates and Themes:**

- June 23rd 26th: Wilderness
- July 7th 10th: STEM
- July 21st July 24th: Around the World
- August 4th August 7th: Art and Cooking
- August 11th 14th: Water

Camp runs... Monday-Thursday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

To register a camper, scan the QR Code:



\*<u>Tutoring for Elementary Students\*</u>

Robyn Good: Experienced Educator and Tutor Call or text: 406-590-4121 Email: rgood1612@gmail.com

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#### **Qualifications:**

Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education Current Montana Teaching Certificate for Grades K-8 Thirty years of teaching experience in various grade levels

#### **Experience:**

I recently retired after 25 years teaching various elementary grades at Our Lady of Lourdes School.

#### Goals:

To create a positive and supportive learning environment that fosters students' confidence and academic growth

To help students develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills To instill a love for learning and encourage students to reach their full potential

\*Tutoring available for students in Pre-Kindergarten - 4th Grade \*Customizable sessions

\*Located in the Haute Hive offices. 721 Central Ave. Great Falls (Free Parking)

\*References upon request

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\*Contact me today! I would love to visit with you about your child's needs.

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# **Miracles Are Meant For ME! Vacation Bible Camp**

## **Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Ann's**

### Mon - Fri, June 16 - 20, 2025 \* 9:30am - Noon

Our Lady of Lourdes gymnasium (parking lot entrance)

NAME:			MALE / FEMALE
DATE OF BIRTH:	PARISH:		
ADDRESS:		CITY:	ZIP:
PHONE NUMBER:		EMAIL:	

#### YOUTH CONDUCT STATEMENT

I understand and agree that fighting and/or obscene language of any kind is not acceptable behavior. If I should be found in such behavior. I also understand that my parents/guardians may be notified and that I may be sent home at my parents' or guardians' expenses.

Participant' Signature: Date:	
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Parent's/Guardian's Names: (print)

Please Print All Information Requested in the following sections.

#### MEDICAL INFORMATION (required of all participants)

Specific medical problems including allergies:							
Current or continuing medications:							
Medical, dietary and/or access needs:							
In case of emergency, please notify: _							
Relationship:	Phone (home)	(w	ork)				
Do you have medical insurance: YES _	NO Insu	rance group/certificate #					
Insurance company/agent:		Primary insured name:					

MEDICAL CONSENT/ RELEASE (required of all participants)

I, the undersigned, hereby grant permission for my child to attend the "Miracles Are Meant For Me" Vacation Bible Camp at Our Lady of Lourdes in Great Falls, Montana from June 16 - 20, 2025. Attending the "Miracles Are Meant For Me" Vacation Bible Camp may include riding our school bus with a licensed & insured driver and chaperones to arranged activities.

If necessary, and if I cannot be contacted or respond, I hereby grant permission for my child to be evaluated, diagnosed and/or medicated in accordance with standard medical practice by licensed medical personnel. I relieve my Catholic Parish \_\_\_\_\_\_, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, the Diocese of Great Falls/Billings, and chaperones from any responsibility in the event of an injury. Furthermore, I agree to accept all financial responsibility as a result of treatment for such injuries. My child agrees to abide by all rules and regulations attached to this event. I understand that the parishes and/or the Diocese of Great Falls/Billings will not be held liable if my child fails to cooperate with regulations.

I understand that a picture of my child and/or work or projects created by my child (e.g. still pictures, motion pictures, audio recording, or video recording, or other reproduction of your child's image) may be published by the Parish or the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings to advance the mission and purpose of the Catholic Church.

Parent/Guardian Signature: Date:

#### Parent Letter Advising of Training Dates



#### RE: Safe Environment Program

March 3, 2025

Dear Parent,

Out of concern for all God's people and in response to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, we will be presenting a safe environment curriculum for our children and young people, which is supported and mandated by the Bishop of the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings.

"Dioceses will establish 'safe environment' programs. They will cooperate with parents, civil authorities, educators, and community organizations to provide education and training for children, youth, parents, ministers, educators, and others about ways to make and maintain a safe environment for children. Dioceses will make clear to clergy and members of the community the standards of conduct for clergy and other persons in positions of trust with regard to sexual abuse." - Article 12 of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People

We have taken many steps in recent years to do our part to ensure that your children are in a safe place when they participate in our program. All of our staff and volunteers have received the required background checks and training. The goal of our age-appropriate lessons is to equip our children and young people by arming them with essential knowledge and skills grounded in the richness of our faith. This program helps children and young people to understand their own and others' dignity in mind, body, and spirit.

The program for children at Our Lady of Lourdes will be held:

The week of March 17, 2025. Please contact your child's teacher for specific dates and time.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Kody J. Diekhans

Kody Diekhans, Principal

"The Diocese of Great Falls-Billings and I take very seriously the responsibility of ensuring that our parishes and schools are safe, open, welcoming, and protective of all people, especially our children. It is a shared responsibility with you. The U.S. Bishops' **Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People** and our own safe environment policies require that all children in our parishes and schools receive age-appropriate safety training on an annual basis. We are using either the *Circles of Care* or the *Circle of Grace* program which help children and young people understand their own sacredness, the sacredness of others, and how to seek help through their relationships with trusted adults. Boths programs are strongly rooted in our Catholic moral teaching. It is NOT a sex education program. These are not easy subjects to talk about, but our program can aid parents in discussing these sensitive issues directly with their children. Parents can review the content of this curriculum by contacting your parish's director of religious education, the school principal, or the diocesan safe environment coordinator. In Christ,

Jeffrey Fleming Bishop of Great Falls-Billings"

# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish & St. Ann's Cathedral Vacation **B**ible Camp



# "Miracles are Meant for ME!"

June 16 ~ 20, 2025 \* 9:30am - Noon Our Lady of Lourdes gymnasium (enter from parking lot door)

*Registration Fee:* **\$10** *per child* 

Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Lourdes. Kindergarten (older 4yr olds & 5yr olds) ~  $6^{th}$  grade Sign Up Now ~ Registration & fee due 6/10/25

*Registrations are available at both parishes.* Please call Georgia Miller, 406-781-1830, or Mary Jo Stebbins, 406-590-4751, for more information or to register.

Call Mary Jo to see what donations are needed, 406-590-4751.

Families of our campers are invited to our end of camp BBQ on Friday, June 20, at **NOON**. Please RSVP by Tues, June 17, how many from your family will attend the BBQ so we have enough, 406-590-4751.