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Heidi Durbin, Religious Formation Coordinator, Grades K-6				
Katie Louden, Youth Minister, Grades 7-12				
Maryruth Fallon, Music CoordinatorDiane Slobojan, Pastoral Care Minister				
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Mike O'Neil, Maintenance, 253-1464				

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	JANUARY 21, 2018
Saturday, January 20, 2018, Mass for the January Intentions	5:00 pm
Sunday, January21, 2018, Mass for the Parish	9:30 am
Monday, January 22, Mass for the Int. of Eve Stevens, rb Chris & Carol	ynn Moritz 8:45 am
Tuesday, January 23, Mass for the Int of Fr. Philip Krogman, rb Sandr	ra Emory 8:45 am
Wed. January24, Mass for the Int of Bridget Dickinson, rb Super Famil	
Thursday, January 25, Mass for the Int. of Annie Clark, rb Chris & Caro	5
Friday, January 26	NO MASS

Ministry Schedule, January 27 & 28, 2018					
MINISTRY	Saturday, 5:00 pm	Sunday, 9:30am			
Plate Minister	Joe Riska	Sandie Eckelberry			
Cup Minister	Jovita Kottraba	Ron Bauer			
	Vicki Walbruch	Margarite Bauer			
		Leah McGraw			
		Deacon Floyd			
Lector	Paul Heath	Alan Ruby			
	Pati Heath	Kim Wakefield			
Greeter	Kay McIsaac	Neil/Betty Heino			
	Shannon Sommers				
Server	Bert Eickert	Zachary Lapke			
	Abby Mitchell	Carter Lapke			

Sacrament of Baptism by appointment Sacrament of Reconciliation is Saturday, 3:45-4:30pm, or by appointment.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Jan.	21	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
		Breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus	after Mass
	23	Deanery Choir 6:30, regular rehearsal to follow	6:30 pm
	24	Religious Formation, grades K-6	4:00 – 5:15 pm
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12	6:30 – 8:30 pm
	26	CYRO Junior High Night	
	27	Parish Potluck	After Mass
	28	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
	30	Choir	7:30 pm
	31	Religious Formation, grades K-6	4:00 – 5:15 pm
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12	6:30 – 8:30 pm
Feb.	2	Set up for Rummage Sale	
	3	Rummage Sale	9:00 am – 3:00 pm
	4	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
	6	Pastoral Council	5:00 pm
		Choir	
	7	Religious Formation, grades K-6	4:00 – 5:15 pm
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12	
	8	Food & Fellowship	
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The deadline for bulletin announcements is noon on Wednesdays and the deadline for altar announcements is noon on Thursdays.

PARKING SPACES FOR SENIORS

Please leave the parking spaces bordering the building and the row just west of that, for seniors or others who have trouble navigating our icy parking lot.



RISEN CHRIST RUMMAGE SALE

The Annual Risen Christ Rummage Sale will be held on **Saturday, February 3, 2018**. We can use any and all donations. Bring donated items on Friday, February 2 between 10:00 and 2:00. There is a sign-up sheet in the social area for those willing to help with set up on Friday

between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm and to help with the sale on Saturday between 8:30 am and 3:00 pm. If you have questions, please contact the parish office, 752-4219, or call Helen Tobiason, 212-0063.

PARISH POTLUCK

There will be a Parish Potluck supper Saturday, January 27 after Mass. Please come join us to share great food and conversation.



~OUR GIFT TO GOD ~

"Above all, let your love for one another be constant, for love covers a multitude of sins. Be mutually hospitable without complaining. As generous distributors of God's manifold grace, put your gifts at the service of one another each in the measure he has received." (1 Peter 4:8-10)

Thanks to everyone who so generously supports our parish. Your financial support enables us to continue the on-going work of our ministry.

January 13 & 14, 2018

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FOR OUR YOUTH

CYRO WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY, Start your day in an unbelievable way! For all High School Youth, Grades 9-12 Tuesdays, 7:00 am at Wheat Montana, Kalispell

SAVE THE DATES

CYRO High School Ski Retreat

February 16-18 at Lost Trail Resort!

Contact Fred Woelkers or your youth minister for registration and for more details.

The 41st Annual Diocesan CYC Convention, March 9-11, 2018!

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Spirituality vs. Religion - "Why do we need religion; isn't being spiritual enough? Friday, January 26, 2018, 6:30 at Brannigan's Irish Pub in Kalispell. Speaker is Father Joe Paddock Sponsored by Flathead Valley Catholic Young Adult Ministry



THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will be prayed 20 minutes prior to Saturday and Sunday Masses during Lent. Please prayerfully consider leading one during this time and sign up in the social area.

PLEASE REMEMBER RISEN CHRIST PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2018

FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Howard and Lorraine Carter, rb Kimberly Carter Jim Thomas, rb Bobbie Thomas Poats & Roberts Family, rb Chris Beyer Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen Karel & David Barrett, rb Ken Barrett Gary Luther, rb Bruce & Carol Trimble Jason Falcon, rb Denny & Bev Falcon Ron Anderson, rb Andre Anderson Catherine Callahan, rb Risen Christ Parish Jan Corino, rb Donna Corino James Mills, rb Risen Christ Parish

FINANCE COUNCIL

Our Finance Council members are: Roger Ackerly, Peg Gebhardt, Christopher Gill, Loren Vranish Wally Walbruch and John Gunnerson

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Your Pastoral Council is always interested in your concerns. Take your questions about the future of the parish, your hopes and needs, to a Pastoral Council member: Vicki Walbruch, 758-0170 and Mark Fredenberg, 756-6142

"Come to Me" Catholic Women's Conference SPA DAY FOR THE SOUL Join women from Montana and beyond for prayer, speakers, music, fellowship and more! Our "Spa Day" includes mass. <u>SAVE THE DATE</u> Saturday April 21, 2018 7 AM- 6 PM Civic Center, Helena Montana <u>Register online: ShowMyEvent.com</u> Be sure to visit helenacwc.com

THE PASTORALS ON SUNDAY

A week-by-week resource from the Pastoral Letters of the Bishops' of Rome, of the Second Vatican Council, and of the Bishops' Conference of the United States

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Deuteronomy 18:15-20God will raise up a prophet for you.1 Corinthians 7:32-35I should like you to be free of all worries.Mark 1:21-28Jesus teaches with a new kind of authority.

The Church, which has undergone much criticism for "interfering" in temporal affairs, is manifesting her role as the visible Christ who teaches with a "spirit of authority." In this capacity she labors to cast out the unclean spirits of war, poverty and injustice.

FATHER STAN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Please join us on Friday, February 9th at 6pm in the social area to celebrate an early "Over the Hill 50th birthday party" in honor of our beloved priest Father Stan. We wanted to do this prior the Lenten Season and frankly this works best for the Dye's, your host and hostess. There is a sign-up sheet in the social area and as you are well aware we only have so much seating available so it's on a first come sign-up basis and must be cut off at our maximum capacity. So, if interested please sign up early so we can also know food amounts needed. It's our goal to provide Father and the parish with an evening of laughs, our signature tidbits, along with some surprises, as well as, some simple comfort food. If you cannot attend and would like to write a wish or sentiment, you can grab a blank card in the social area and drop it in the birthday box for Father Stan to read at his leisure after the party. Hope to see you there.

ST. MATTHEW'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL BLUE & GOLD ANNUAL AUCTION

The 43rd Annual Auction will be held on February 3, 2018. Silent and Live Auction, Event starts at 5:00 pm., Dinner served at 6:30 pm It is going to be a lot of fun. You can purchase your tickets by calling St. Matthew's school office at 406-752-6303. We hope to see you there!

RETROUVAILLE, A Lifeline for Marriages

Ursuline Centre – Great Falls, Montana - February 2-4, 2018

2 weeks to Sign Up for Retrouvaille – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? When was the last time you said "I Love You"? Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit our website: www.retrouvailleMT.org or www.HelpOurMarriage.com

CARROLL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Carroll College is pleased to offer a prospective student from our parish a scholarship, named in memory of the deceased priests of the Diocese of Helena and the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings. This \$1000 scholarship is funded by Carroll College, but the recipient is



chosen by our parish. Carroll requires that the recipient be a student planning to attend Carroll for the first time in the fall of 2018. Risen Christ Parish will match this amount which will go to a prospective applicant. The completed application must be in to the parish no later than February 1, 2018. Applications may be obtained in the parish office or online at http://www.carroll.edu/finaid/forms.cc..

For questions contact Tina Wagner by phone at 406-447-5466 or email; twagner@carroll.edu.

JOB OPENING AT ST. MATTHEW PARISH

Part-time Marketing Position, 15 hours a week, 10 months (Sept.-June) **Pay** \$9.00-\$12.00 per hour

Job responsibilities: Elevate our existing brand; Promote school and parish events; Update school and parish websites; Communication strategies with the community, school and parish; Liaison with local newspaper and radio stations / press releases; Coordinate social media for school and parish

Help us educate the community about St. Matthew's. Please call the school for more information or if you are interested call 406-752-6303.



HOUSEKEEPING

We want everyone to feel welcome, especially those who are new to our parish, and any visitors.

- Enjoy singing and following along with the liturgy sheet that you received at the door.
- Please remember to silence your cell phones.
- If you have little ones who love to play and be active, there is a social area where they can be freer to express themselves. From there you will be able to participate in the entire Mass.

RISEN CHRIST GIFT SHOP

The Risen Christ gift shop is open. You can view the catalog, place an order, or make a purchase of gifts available. There are Scapulars and Miraculous Medals available, including Saint Christopher. Please see Andrea Wright or Connie McCubbins before or after weekend Masses, or the office during the week.

CAMPBELL SOUP AND GENERAL MILLS LABELS

Please continue to save your Campbell Soup and "Big G for Education" labels for the St Paul's Indian Mission School in Hays MT and leave them in the box in the entry. For all Campbell Soup Company products, submit proof of purchase only (UPC code). For General Mills products, submit the box tops for education label.

POP TOP TABS

Gabby LeDuc is collecting pop top tabs from aluminum beverage cans. This will benefit the Ronald McDonald House in Spokane. Please put them in the carton near the literature table.

RISEN CHRIST PRAYER LINE

Call **Lavine Heuscher**, 752-4007, to ask the Risen Christ Prayer Line to pray for individuals or community intentions or to join this important

ministry.

FORMING A COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITY

If there is a birth, a sickness or a death in our parish community, or that of someone you know, please call **Mary Sonju**, 250-8610. She will send a card, or a card and flowers if they're in the hospital. But we can't do it, unless you let us know

We have available for sale rosaries of fine quality hand made by one of our parishioners. They are available in the parish office for a suggested donation of \$7.00-\$10.00. All proceeds will go to Sparrow's Nest of Northwest Montana.

HEART LOCKER

The Heart Locker takes in clothing for our homeless teens. If you have items to deliver, the location is 514 E. Washington St. right behind Taco Bell (use the door to the far left). The hours that donations are accepted are: Mondays and Tuesdays from 8 A.M. to 10 A.M. and Wednesdays from 3 P.M. to 6 P.M. The Heart Locker is not open on school holidays. If you have difficulty delivering your items, please bring them to church and let the secretaries know, and the clothing will be delivered. Risen Christ Parish's donations have been greatly appreciated through the years.









The Nazareth Page A gospel meditation for the home January 21st, 2018 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 1:14-20

Fishermen can be difficult people to live with. They can be moody. Set in their ways. Their success at fishing is dependent on their knowledge of the waters, their reading of the weather and most fisherman have their own secrets about how to be good at what they do. They are practical men who are proud of their profession and likely to be quite devoted to doing it well. In other words, they are self-directed. No one tells a fisherman what to do.

Thus, we read in today's gospels the story of how four fishermen, seemingly only on an invitation from Jesus (who was NOT a fisherman), dropped their nets, left their boats, said good-bye to the sea and trailed after this stranger. Can you believe it? Seems like a fish story, doesn't it?

Welcome to speed-discipleship in Mark's gospel. First, a word about that. Mark's gospel is the shortest of the four gospels and most scholars say it was the first gospel written down. It described the life of Jesus as if Jesus was in a hurry. It's a gospel with lots of quick action and continued movement. The calling of the fishermen is a good example of this. One minute they are thinking about their recent catch of trout and the next, they are on the road for parts unknown.

Such a complete change is often called religious "conversion." Some Christian groups emphasize the exact moment when one hears the call of Jesus to convert. And when one responds to that call. Catholics take a different approach and are more attentive to the on-going call of Christ to follow him. In that sense, Christ calls us to follow him day after day, year after year. What's important in all situations is to be open to receive Christ's invitation.

What's different for us is that Jesus does not invite us to follow him as he did along the Sea of Galilee with those fishermen. For us, his call comes through people we know like our parents, religious leaders like priests and deacons, trusted friends, it really could be anyone. God can be quite creative when it comes to conversion matters. And most religious conversions are not major happenings with all the bells and whistles. They are simple, down-to-earth moments when we open our eyes and ears and sense that God wants this or that from us. Maybe a lift for neighbor's doctor's visit, maybe an accepting presence to a child's worries, maybe a donation to a hungry stranger. The point is to be ready to drop your nets (sometimes at a moment's notice) and do what God asks of you.

David M Thomas, PhD