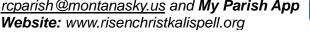
### RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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#### Father Stanislaw Rog, Parish Administrator Deacon Floyd McCubbins, 270-2632, deaconfloydmc@yahoo.com

Heidi Durbin, Religious Formation Coordinator, Grades K-6 Katie Louden, Youth Minister, Grades 7-12 Maryruth Fallon, Music Coordinator....Diane Slobojan, Pastoral Care Minister

Sandy Carter, Office Manager, Kelli Gillingham, Office Assistant Mike O'Neil, Maintenance, 253-1464

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	<b>JANUARY 28, 2018</b>
Saturday, January 27, 2018, Mass for the January Intentions	5:00 pm
Sunday, January 28, 2018, Mass for the Parish	9:30 am
Monday, January 29, Mass Int of Al & Nancee Olszewski, rb Super Family	8:45 am
Tuesday, January 30, Mass for the Int of Fr. Philip Krogman, rb Sandra Emor	y <b>8:45 am</b>
Wed. January 31, Mass for the Int of Sarah Moser, rb Super Family	12:10 pm
Thursday, February 1, Mass for the Int. of Tim & Diane Slobojan 54 <sup>th</sup> Weddir	ng Anniversary 9:00 am
Friday, February 2	NO MASS

Ministry Schedule, February 3 & 4, 2018

MINISTRY	Saturday, 5:00 pm	Sunday, 9:30am
Plate Minister	Bert Eickert	Mike Hanson
Cup Minister	Neil Heino	Anita Lavin
	Deacon Floyd	Jack Lavin
		Lilia Hattel
		Deacon Floyd
Lector	Betty Heino	TJ Higgins
	Suzanne Johnson	Leah McGraw
Greeter	Lee Walbruch	Fresa Tobiason
		Connie McCubbins
Server	Jamie Miller	Mike Wright
	Olivia McRae	Graham McGraw

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

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

1	00	FOURTH CUMPAY IN OPPINARY TIME	
Jan.	28	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.15
		Confirmation Class	•
	29	Liturgy Committee	•
	30	Choir	
	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	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
	3	Rummage Sale	9:00 am - 3:00 pm
	4	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	•
		Confirmation Class	10:45 am-12:30 pm
	6	Pastoral Council	
		Choir	•
	7	Religious Formation, grades K-6	
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12	
	8	Food & Fellowship, Wheat Montana	
	11	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
		Coffee Hour	after Mass
		Confirmation Class	
	13	KC Ladies dinner, Perkins	•
	10	Knights of Columbus	
		Choir	
	14	ASH WEDNESDAY, Mass1	
	14	Religious Formation, Attend Mass with your family	
	40.40		
		CYRO Ski Retreat	
	17	Chaplet of Divine Mercy	4:40 pm
	18	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	
		Black and Indian Mission Collection	
		Parish breakfast, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus	satter Mass

#### **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.

#### ~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 20 & 21, 2018

Total	\$4210
Mass & Stole Gifts	20
Holyday Envelopes	5
Sunday Envelopes	\$4185

#### **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!



#### **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.

#### **DINNER CLUB RESURRECTED**

Sign up in the social area all returning and newly interested parishioners. I will pick up the sheet the first weekend of February. You may call Vicki Walbruch, 471-1034 as well for more information.

The deadline for bulletin announcements is noon on Wednesdays and the deadline for altar announcements is noon on Thursdays.

PLEASE REMEMBER RISEN CHRIST PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

# FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2018

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FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

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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
James Barrett, rb Shirley Barrett & Family & Friends

# FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2018

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Jim Thomas, rb Bobbie Thomas
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#### **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:

Jovita Kottraba, 752-6694 & Jamie Miller, 257-9636

#### 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

#### FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Job 7:1-4, 6-7 Job laments the sorrows of life.

1 Corinthians 9:16-29, 22-23 I am ruined if I do not preach the gospel.

Mark 1:29-39 Jesus went about preaching the good news and

expelling demons.

Jesus' ministry was holistic; for he recognized that to reach people he must give relief to their minds and bodies. The church recognizes that our ministry must be centered in the realities of the human condition.

The words of Jesus would remain an impossible, abstract ideal were it not for two things: the actions of Jesus and his gift of the spirit. In his actions, Jesus showed the way of living in God's reign; he manifested the forgiveness which he called for when he accepted all who came to him, forgave their sins, healed them, released them from the demons who possessed them. In doing these things, he made the tender mercy of God present in a world which knew violence, oppression, and injustice.

#### A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's Gospel we hear proclaimed the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. He teaches. He heals. And all are amazed. By their baptism, Christian stewards realize they are called to do the same in their lives. They are called to be the light of Christ each day. As we bring closure to the beginning of this new year, now is a good time to ask the Lord to fill our hearts with courage and faith, so that we too may publicly minister in his name; that we may be liberated from our insecurities and fear so that we can share the Gospel authoritatively and work to heal at least one wounded relationship in the coming months ahead.

#### **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. 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.

#### <u>RETROUVAILLE, A Lifeline for Marriages</u> Ursuline Centre – Great Falls, Montana - February 2-4, 2018

Stress in Your Marriage? - There is less than a week left to sign up for Retrouvaille. Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness and simply shut down. Others experience conflict and arguments in their relationship and don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouses about it. 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 <a href="http://www.carroll.edu/finaid/forms.cc">http://www.carroll.edu/finaid/forms.cc</a>. For questions contact Tina Wagner by phone at 406-447-5466 or email; <a href="mailto:twagner@carroll.edu">twagner@carroll.edu</a>.

# "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.

SAVE THE DATE
Saturday April 21, 2018 7 AM- 6 PM
Civic Center, Helena Montana
Register online: ShowMyEvent.com
Be sure to visit helenacwc.com

#### MARIAN APPARITIONS OF THE 19<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY IN FRANCE

Please join us February 9-11, 2018 at the Sycamore Tree Catholic Retreat Center in Swan Valley, Montana for the Marian Apparitions Retreat Weekend. In this weekend retreat, we will look at the three apparitions that occurred in the 19<sup>th</sup> century in France and their influence and significance that extends into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

Suggested Offering: \$185

Based on one person/one cabin: 2 nights lodging-Meals-Speaker stipend (Scholarship may be available)

RSVP to Michelle Jenkins at 406-754-2429 or by email at email@sycamoretreeretreat.org

#### 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, and if you must leave Mass with your child, please go to the social area where you will be able to participate in the entire Mass and your children will be more comfortable.

#### **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.





#### 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

#### 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



#### 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.

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

The 43<sup>rd</sup> 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!

# The Nazareth Page

# A gospel meditation for the home January 28<sup>th,</sup> 2018 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 1:21-28

The worlds described in much of contemporary literature and cinema contains all kinds of creatures. Some look like exotic and terrifying animals (often greatly enlarged) from an earlier era. Some look like they are part-machine and part-human. Some are small and slithery (often millions of them) and some are gigantic and very scary. Some stories come from ages long past and some from the distant future. All those worlds seem populated by a few good creatures and lots of evil ones. The goal is always the same: survival! Somehow the evil forces must be overcome, conquered, destroyed ... or else! Fear abounds until a hopefully victorious conclusion.

You might be surprised to learn that people during the time of Jesus had created a world much like what I have just described. They believed that the world was filled with all kinds of spirits. Some were benevolent or angelic and others were the opposite. Belief in evil spirits or demons was commonplace. Unravelling what might be purely superstitious from reality was difficult. One thing was certain. The spiritual world as then imagined readily created fear and anxiety among many.

A primary goal of Jesus was to dispel unwarranted fear among those he lived with and taught. He never wanted people to be unduly scared or frightened. If there was real danger, yes, deal with that. But be careful about creating fear where that was not necessary. For Jesus, the dominance of fear made it difficult for people to believe that God loves them and that they and their lives are good. Fear can blind us to goodness.

Thus, right at the beginning of Mark's gospel someone appears with what's described as "an unclean spirit" who seems to contest the presence and the message of Jesus. Such people can ruin a good party (to say the least) or disrupt a peaceful gathering. They can block anyone hearing "the good news" that Jesus was bringing. Jesus immediately recognizes the danger and drives out the evil spirit. God and evil are not equally powerful. God conquers evil in the end.

There is a personal message in this gospel and it has to do with the power of fear which can prevent us from living with trust in the good life that God is creating in us. Think of it this way: If we fill our minds with the thought that evil is winning in our world today, if we grow despondent that good will survive, if we think that all is lost, then what does that say about God's presence among us? Can fear itself destroy us? And what messages do we communicate to the young? Hopelessness? I hope not.

David M. Thomas, PhD