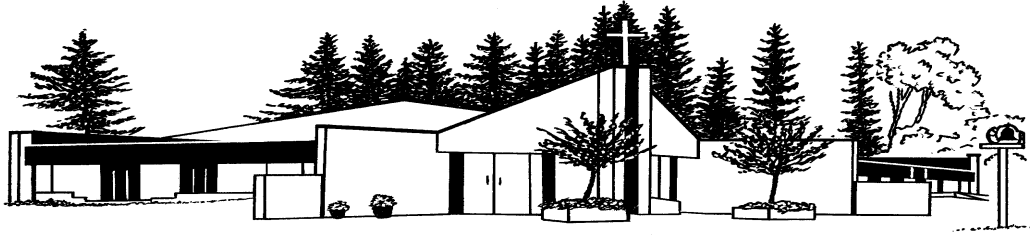


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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 11, 2018

Saturday, February 10, Mass for the February Intentions **5:00 pm**

Sunday, February 11, Mass for the Parish **9:30 am**

Monday, February 12, Mass for the Soul of Frank Aufdermaur rb Ron & Margarite Bauer.... **8:45 am**

Tuesday, February 13, Funeral Mass for Anna (Dollie) Mendenhall..... **11:00 am**

Ash Wed. February 14, Mass for the February Intentions **12:10 pm**

Mass for the Soul of Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen **6:00 pm**

Thursday, February 15, Mass for the Int. of Jane Super, rb Maria Super..... **9:00 am**

Friday, February 16 **NO MASS**

Ministry Schedule, February 17 & 18, 2018

MINISTRY	Saturday, 5:00 pm	Sunday, 9:30am
Plate Minister	Brenda Van De Hey	Leah McGraw
Cup Minister	Dean Van De Hey	Lois Zebro
	Patti Slack	Jamie Miller
		TJ Higgins
		Deacon Floyd
Lector	Jackie Jensen	Alan Ruby
	Maureen Neitzling	Andrea Wright
Greeter	Dave & Mary Jacobs	Arleen Hughes & Kathleen Cotner
Server	Bert Eickert	Mike Wright
	Abby Mitchell	Graham McGraw

PLEASE REMEMBER RISEN CHRIST PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb.	11	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
		Coffee Hour	after Mass
		Confirmation Class	10:45 am-12:30 pm
	13	KC Ladies dinner, Perkins	6:00 pm
		Knights of Columbus	6:30 pm
		Choir	7:30 pm
	14	ASH WEDNESDAY , Mass	12:10 pm and 6:00 pm
		Religious Formation, Attend Mass with your family	NO CLASS
	16-18	CYRO Ski Retreat	Lost Trail
	16	Stations of The Cross	7:00 pm
	17	Chaplet of Divine Mercy	4:40 pm
	18	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	
		Black and Indian Mission Collection	
		Chaplet of Divine Mercy	9:10 am
		Parish breakfast, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus	after Mass
		Evening Prayer	7:00 pm
	20	Choir	7:30 pm
	21	Religious Formation, grades K-6	4:00 – 5:15 pm
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12	6:30 – 8:30 pm
	22	Soup and Bread Supper	5:30 pm
	23	Stations of The Cross	7:00 pm
	24	Chaplet of Divine Mercy	4:40 pm
	25	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	
		Chaplet of Divine Mercy	9:10 am
		Confirmation Class	10:45 am-12:30 pm
		Evening Prayer	7:00 pm
	27	Choir	7:30 pm
	28	Religious Formation, grades K-6	4:00 – 5:15 pm
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12	6:30 – 8:30 pm
March	1	Soup and Bread Supper	5:30 pm
	2	Fish Fry Supper, sponsored by Knights of Columbus	5:30 pm
		Stations of The Cross	7:00 pm

THE MOST REVEREND GEORGE LEO THOMAS

Bishop of Helena

Invites you to

Chrism Day, Monday, March 19, 2018

Presentation by Fr. Mark Francis, CSV

St. Mary Catholic Community, Helena, MT, 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Mass of Chrism, Cathedral of St. Helena, 5:30 pm

*Dinner following at **Brondel Center**; \$14 per person.*

If you would like to attend the dinner,

Please respond to our parish office by Thursday, March 8

~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.

February 3 & 4, 2018

Sunday Envelopes	\$7202
Building Envelopes	510
Ash Wednesday	70
Mass & Stole Gifts	80
Total	\$7862

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!

BOOKS FOR LENT

There will be free books in the social area the first weekend in Lent which have been donated by a parishioner to help you grow in your spiritual life during this upcoming Lenten season. There are 3 major books. A brief explanation will be posted by the books; to hopefully guide you to reading what might be best for your Lenten journey. Please take one book per family initially since there are limited amounts and then a week or two later, feel free to take another if books are remaining. Each book provides food for thought and has merit.

THANK YOU

Thank you Helen Tobiason and all those who helped put together another successful rummage sale. This year the sale brought in \$1,147.05.

BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION

Next week, our parish will take up the 134th annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 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
Poat & Roberts Family, rb Chris Beyer
Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen
Karel & David Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
Gary Luther, rb Bruce & Carol Trimble
Ron Anderson, rb Andre Anderson

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

MOUNT ANGEL SEMINARY

Shannon Augare

ST. JOHN VIANNEY SEMINARY, DENVER

Matthew Christiaens

Tyler Frohlich

Codi Krueger

Nathan Scheidecker

Kyle Tannehill

POPE ST. JOHN XXIII NATIONAL SEMINARY, WESTON, MA

T. Aidan Toombs

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:

Jamie Miller, 257-9636 and Vicki Walbruch, 758-0170

POSITION OPENING

The Parish of St. John Paul II in Bigfork is hiring a custodian. This is a full-time position with benefits or possible part-time position. For more information contact the Parish office 837-4846

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Genesis 9:8-15
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1:12-15

I establish my covenant with you.
Baptism is the pledge of an irreproachable conscience.
Reform your lives and believe in the good news..

As we enter our desert time, we scrutinize our lives to determine how we may become an instrument for the proclaiming and building of God's reign.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God in his words and made it present in his actions. His words begin with a call to conversion and a proclamation of the arrival of the kingdom. The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:15, Matthew 4:17). The call to conversion was at the same time an invitation to enter God's reign. Jesus went beyond the prophets' cries for conversion when he declared that, in him, the reign of god had begun and was in fact among the people (Luke 17:30-21; 12:32)..

The Challenge of Peace, 44



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 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



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.



OUR LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

**Evening Prayer—Vespers
Sundays During Lent — 7:00 PM**

**Chaplet of the Divine Mercy
Prayed 20 minutes before each Saturday and Sunday Mass**

**Stations of the Cross
Each Friday evening, 7:00 pm beginning February 16**

**Soup and Bread Supper
Each Thursday, 6:00 pm beginning February 22**

**Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
March 2 and March 23**

**Penance Service with Individual Confession
Date to be announced**

ENCOUNTER LENT



Join our faith community – and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States – in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the social area. During the 40 days of Lent, as companions on the journey, we will encounter our neighbor.

GUATEMALA MISSION

Our Bishop, George Leo Thomas, visited Mission Guatemala in mid January. Following the pastoral visit, he feels compelled to bring to your attention their needs. The aging infrastructures are 45 years old and need repair. There was an earthquake in Guatemala in July, causing further damage to the school and convent. In response to the infrastructure needs, our bishop is asking for special assistance for the Guatemala Mission during Lent this year. If you would like to donate to the Bishop's special request, please make checks payable to Risen Christ with Guatemala Mission in the memo line. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this request.

LENTEN SERVICE PROJECT, EMBRACING CRITICALLY ILL CHILDREN

Help us fill the Treasure Chests located throughout the hospital campus and bring a smile to a critically ill child. These "treasures" are given to a child when they are frightened, in pain, or when they just need to smile and feel loved.

Suggested donations include: ANYTHING PAW PATROL, superhero action figures, simple Barbie dolls, small baby dolls, matchbox cars, toy cars and trucks, baby rattles, BOOKS for all ages, travel sized games, small stuffed animals, crayons, markers, colored pencils, coloring or painting books for all ages - or any item a child might enjoy. For infection control purposes, all items must be NEW. Your donations are greatly appreciated! Please place items in the wagon located in the social area. Thank you for your support of this project!



February 14 – March 25
40 DAYS FOR LIFE®

HELP SAVE LIVES IN WHITEFISH!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 750,000 volunteers! **With God's help**, here are the proven results in 21 coordinated campaigns:

- **13,998 babies** saved from abortion
- **170 abortion** workers converted
- **94 abortion** centers closed

Here's how to take part:

- **Vigil location:** Outside All Families Healthcare at 737 Spokane Ave.
- **Vigil hours:** 24 hours continuous daily
- **Local contact:** Karen Trierweiler, 406-890-2297 or kals40dfl@gmail.com
- **Learn more** and get involved by visiting our campaign at the address below!

40daysforlife.com/whitefish

***Risen Christ participation date is Thursday, February 22, 2018
Midnight to Midnight
Please sign up for a time slot***

An email is required for an individual participant to sign up themselves. For those without emails, campaign leadership will need to sign them up so contact Karen at kals40dfl@gmail.com or 406-890-2297 (note: she works Mon.-Wed. and may not immediately respond).

The Nazareth Page
A gospel meditation for the home
February 11th, 2018 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 1:40-45

A certain president created a stir when he claimed that the crowd at his inauguration was the largest ever. Apparently, he enjoyed popularity. As it seems, many do. Today's gospel suggests that Jesus was ambivalent about popularity. Of course, he wanted to communicate a message from God, but not all the time. We might ask, "Why not? Isn't that part of why he came to dwell among us? To tell us the truth about God and to show us how to live as disciples of the truth"?

In today's gospel Mark describes Jesus healing a leper. Such a wonderful act would impress people. Leprosy was a dreaded disease at that time. Its victims were known in the locales where they lived. Their condition was visible and feared. Lepers were not allowed to live near others. They were forced to live outside the towns and villages and if anyone got close to them, they were told to ring a bell that would warn people of their presence. If someone healed a leper, they would immediately attract attention. So why did Jesus tell the healed leper to keep it quiet? Allow it to be something between just the two of them.

Well, the gospel lets us know that the leper thought otherwise and told everyone he met what Jesus had done. And yes, that ignited immediate interest in this miracle man. Jesus took off for the hills. He was not interested in courting *that kind of popularity*.

He was not in the business of entertainment. He did not want the cheers of the crowd. He wouldn't have cared how many followed him in Twitter. Rather, he sought followers who would do what he did. Help people who were starving for food and for respect. He wanted to help people to live better lives with hearts filled with gratitude and love.

I sometimes wonder how Pope Francis really feels when he is asked to appear before adoring crowds. My guess is that he would have much the same feeling that Jesus did when the masses pursued him. Why did you come here, he might ask? To be entertained? To be made to feel good inside? Maybe to get a selfie with me?

Christ came to teach us the way to the deep truth of our lives. He asked that we follow him. To where? Well, one place would be to the cross. Think about it. That might not be what some in the crowd wanted to hear. Do we?

David M. Thomas, PhD