## RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENTFEBR	UARY 25, 2018
Saturday, February 24, Mass for the February Intentions	5:00 pm
Sunday, February 25, Mass for the Parish	9:30 am
Monday, February 26, Mass for the Int. of Mary Burke, rb The Super Family	8:45 am
Tuesday, February 27, Mass for the Soul of Wayne Wade, rb Tim & Diane Slob	ojan <b>8:45 am</b>
Wed. February 28, Mass for the Int. of Aaron Klug, rb Sherry Frost	12:10 pm
Thursday, March 1, Mass for the Soul of James Mills, rb Randy & Rayne Beach	9:00 am
Friday, March 2	NO MASS

Ministry Schedule, March 3 & 4, 2018

MINISTRY	Saturday, 5:00 pm	Sunday, 9:30am
Plate Minister	Linda Zimmerman	TJ Higgins
Cup Minister	Don Zimmerman	Lilia Hattel
	Deacon Floyd	Neil Heino
		Kathy Shanahan
Lector	Suzanne Johnson	Betty Heino
	Vicki Walbruch	Jack Fallon
Greeter	Shannon Sommers & Kay McIsaac	Pat & Chris Arnone
Server	Ron Boespflug	Zachary Lapke
·	Olivia McRae	Carter Lapke

PLEASE REMEMBER RISEN CHRIST PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Feb.	24	Chaplet of Divine Mercy	4:40 pm
	25	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	
		Chaplet of Divine Mercy	9:10 am
		Confirmation Class	
		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	
	3	Chaplet of Divine Mercy	4:40 pm
	4	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	
		Chaplet of Divine Mercy	9:10 am
		Coffee Hour	After Mass
		Confirmation Class	.10:45 am-12:30 pm
		Evening Prayer	7:00 pm
	6	Choir	
`	7	Religious Formation, grades K-6	
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12	6:30 – 8:30 pm
	8	Food and Fellowship	11:30 am
		Soup & Bread Supper	5:30 pm
	9	Stations of the Cross	7:00 pm
	10	Chaplet of Diving Mercy	4:40 pm
	11	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	
		Catholic Relief Service Collection	
		Chaplet of Divine Mercy	9:10 am
		Evening Prayer	7:00 pm

## **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.

## **THANK YOU**

Thank you to those who provided delicious salads and desserts for the recent funeral luncheon. You and those who served are greatly appreciated and are an important part of our parish family.

## **FISH FRY**

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Please join us for the Lenten Fish Fry, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, prior to Stations of the Cross on March 2 and March 23, at 5:30 pm.

## ~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 17 & 18, 2018

Sunday Envelopes	\$1916
Building Envelopes	5
Ash Wednesday	1102
Mass & Stole Gifts	35

Total \$3058

## **BOOKS FOR LENT**

There are free books in the social area which have been donated by a parishioner to help you grow in your spiritual life during this Lenten season. Each different book provides food for thought and has a brief explanation posted near it; to hopefully guide you to reading what might be best for your 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 there are any remaining.

## LENTEN MISSION AT ST. MATTHEW'S

You are all invited to St. Matthew's 2018 Lenten Mission at St. Matthew's Church, **Sunday, March 4**<sup>th</sup>-**Tuesday, March 6**<sup>th</sup>. Confession will be from 6 pm-7 pm and the Mission Talk is 7 pm- 8 pm featuring Jewish convert to Catholicism Bob Fishman. Bob will take you on a vivid journey through the Bible, showing you how to find Jesus and Mary in the Old Testament. He will take an in-depth look at Mary the Mother of God, and conclude with the Passover, illustrating how the Jewish tradition directly points to the sacrifice of the Mass. Refreshments to follow in the Dorian Center.

## **BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 134<sup>th</sup> annual Black and Indian Mission Collection last weekend. Your prayerful support enables people to come to know Jesus Christ in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities all over the U.S.A. Spreading the Gospel couldn't happen without your support!

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

## FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2018

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## FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

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
Willard Grenier, rb Ken Barrett
Willard Grenier, rb Risen Christ Parish

## FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Curtis Gomes, rb Risen Christ Parish Dr. Jon Torgerson, rb Risen Christ Parish

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Ron Anderson, rb Andre Anderson
John Boysun, rb the Babb Family

## **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

## 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

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Exodus 20:1-17 The law is given to Moses.

1 Corinthians 1:22-25 Christ is the power and wisdom of God.

John 2:13-25 Jesus was well aware of what was in the human heart.

Jesus sends a message to today's church which must be a model for the world and its institutions. Today's gospel might serve as an examination of conscience for the church at all levels.

To share in Christ's glory, each person must be willing to be baptized in Christ's passion and drink his cup of suffering. That is Jesus' message to his disciples. By this willingness to suffer with Christ and with one another in him, we commit ourselves to the new covenant, to new relationships which transcend every consideration of race, sex, family, nationality, economic or social standing.

To the Ends of the Earth, 57

## **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:

Mark Fredenberg, 752-6142 and Jovita Kottraba, 752-6694

## **VIRTUS (Safe Environment Class)**

The next Virtus Training class is March 1st (Thursday) in the school music room at St. Matthew's Parish from 6-9 p.m. with Karen Weaver as facilitator. Please email Karen at <a href="mailto:rickweaver1@msn.com">rickweaver1@msn.com</a> and she will let you know how to register.

## **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**

The 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Diocesan CYC Convention, March 9-11, 2018!

SEARCH RETREAT April 13-15, 2018

Register by March 16 at showmyevent.com or see Katie

## **RISEN CHRIST GIFT SHOP**



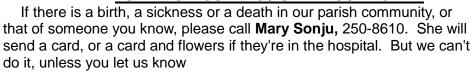
The Risen Christ gift shop is open. You can view the catalog, place an order, or make a purchase of gifts available. There are Scapulars and Miraculous Medals available, including Saint Christopher. Please see Andrea Wright or Connie McCubbins before or after weekend Masses, or the office during the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





# NEIGHBORS IN NEED WINTER WARM UP CENTER—VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Neighbors In Need Winter Warm Up Center continues with construction and all work is by volunteers. We could use your help! Volunteers are needed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of each month from 8:15 to 12:15. The Center is located at the Gateway Mall and you can use the WEST entrance. Help with basic construction work is needed and tools are provided, unless you'd rather use your own. Any help you can give is greatly appreciated including carpentry, sheet rocking, painting, or even just hold a board straight. If you have any other questions, please call Pati Heath (249-8149) or just show up. Thanks for your generous help!

#### SPARROW'S NEST

The Kalispell house is currently 40% completed!! Electricians and plumbers are nearing completion for the rough-in.

## **Current and Upcoming Events**

- During February, artist Randi Siu is donating 40% of the proceeds from her Appasionata series at the Hockaday Museum of Art. For every \$25 signed print sold, \$10 will go to the Sparrow's Nest.
- Herberger's Community Days are March 1st 3rd. You can purchase coupon booklets from Sparrow's Nest for \$5 each and save much more than that in coupons.
- "Buy the Foot" is a campaign where you have the opportunity to sponsor a square foot of the Kalispell home for \$50. To donate send checks to "Buy the Foot" P.O. Box 8384; Kalispell, MT 59901.



## 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, 5:30 pm beginning February 22

> **Knights of Columbus Fish Fry** March 2 and March 23, 5:30 pm

**Penance Service with Individual Confession** March 15, 2018, 7:00 pm, following Soup and Bread Supper

#### **ENCOUNTER MAJD**

We encounter Cesia in Nicaragua, where, despite a lack of economic OCRSRICE opportunity, young people pursue their dreams by building businesses to better their lives. How can you work to improve the lives of others this Lent? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

## **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!

# The Nazareth Page

## A gospel meditation for the home February 25<sup>th,</sup> 2018 – Second Sunday of Lent Mark 9:2-1

On my fiftieth birthday I climbed to the top of Pike's Peak, a well-known mountain in Colorado. I could have used a tram to the top or comfortably drive in a car, but I wanted the full experience and the joy that could only come by reaching the summit on foot. I was not disappointed. I still savour that moment when I stood atop that 14,000-foot mountain. It was one of the memorable "ups" in my life.

This Sunday's gospel is about ups and downs. Jesus took his closest disciples up to the top of a mountain. Then after experiencing wonder at the top, they came down. The disciples, especially the rambunctious Peter, wanted to stay at the top longer. He wanted the pure joy that he experienced with Jesus transformed, standing there with two of the great Jewish figures of the past, Moses and Elijah, to last and last. But that was not to be.

Jesus wanted them to have that special moment with him, but it was even more important that they return to their ordinary lives, the lives they experienced with its moments of difficulty, suffering, loss, uncertainty and everyday routines. Not only was it impossible for them to stay in a cloud of ecstasy, it would not be good for them. It could result in them being totally wrapped up in that experience of delight. Like children who don't want to leave the ice cream store or adults who are stuck in their addictions.

Our lives are given to us by God to make the best out of the ordinary and not to have "the best" all the time, which, if we are honest, is always a kind of delusion. God created the best setting for us to live our lives. In that setting life is never perfect. It has, as we say, its ups and downs. That not only makes life interesting, but it also gives us challenges (the downs) to work with them and to change them for the better, to create something good and wonderful out of them.

We also have a few up moments; Times with family and friends that are deeply enjoyable; Perhaps during a delightful vacation; Perhaps when stirred to a feeling of deep reverence and peace during a religious ceremony. Perhaps while simply enjoying life by yourself in the comfort of your home. I recall an ancient rabbinic teaching that goes like this: God will hold us accountable for every pleasure sent that we don't enjoy. Wow! God wants us to have those up moments. The point is to truly allow yourself those enjoyments. Accept them with gratitude. And move on. Like those disciples did when they returned to everyday life with expectations that there would be further ups and quite a few downs. Just like us.

David M. Thomas, PhD