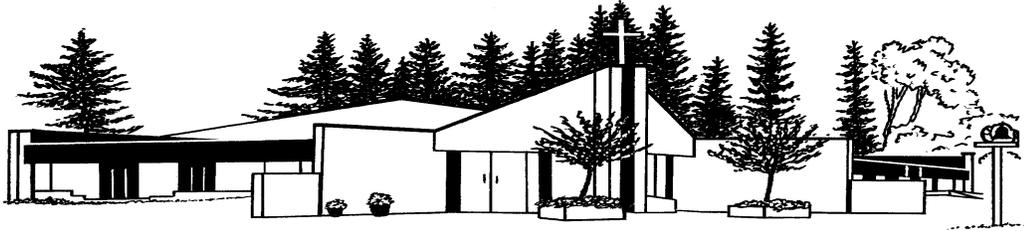


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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 11, 2018

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

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

Monday, March 12, Mass for the Int. of Al & Nancee Olszewski, rb The Super Family **8:45 am**

Tuesday, March 13, Mass for the Int. of Father Stan, rb Chris & Carolynn Moritz **8:45 am**

Wed. March 14, Mass for the Int. of Theresa Surynt, rb The Super Family **12:10 pm**

Thursday, March 15, Mass for the Int. of Aaron Smith, rb The Super Family **9:00 am**

Friday, March 16 **NO MASS**

Ministry Schedule, March 17 & 18, 2018

MINISTRY	Saturday, 5:00 pm	Sunday, 9:30am
Plate Minister	Maureen Neitzling	Lois Zebro
Cup Minister	Suzanne Johnson	Jamie Miller
	Sandi Waverek	Tom Berquist
		Julie Berquist
		Deacon Floyd
Lector	Dixon Rice	Paul Heath
	Jackie Jensen	Pati Heath
Greeter	Lee & Vicki Walbruch	Dan & Tammy Newton
Server	Zachary Lapke	Matthew Brockman
	Carter Lapke	Kaitlyn Brockman

PLEASE REMEMBER RISEN CHRIST PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

DATES TO REMEMBER

March	11	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT Catholic Relief Service Collection Daylight Savings Time Begins Chaplet of Divine Mercy 9:10 am Evening Prayer 7:00 pm
	13	Fr. Stan's Birthday KC Ladies dinner @ Perkins 6:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:30 pm Choir 7:00 pm
	14	Religious Formation, grades K-6..... 4:00 – 5:15 pm Youth Ministry, grades 7-12 6:30 – 8:30 pm
	15	Soup and Bread Supper 5:30 pm Penance Service with Individual Confessions 7:00 pm
	16	Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm
	17	Chaplet of Divine Mercy 4:40 pm St. Patrick's Dinner After Mass
	18	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT Chaplet of Divine Mercy 9:10 am Breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus After Mass Confirmation Class 10:45 am-12:30 pm Evening Prayer 7:00 pm
	19	Chrism Day, Cathedral of St. Helena No daily Mass
	20	Pastoral Council 5:00 pm Choir 7:00 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	Lenten Fish Fry sponsored by Knights of Columbus 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm
	24	Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 4:40 pm
	25	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 9:10 am Evening Prayer 7:00 pm

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER



Connie and Deacon Floyd McCubbins are sponsoring a St. Patrick's Day dinner after Mass on Saturday, March 17, 2018. There will be a signup sheet on the table in the Social Area through March 15 so that we can get an idea of how many to serve. Menu is Corned Beef, Cabbage, Irish Red Potatoes, and Carrots. Old fashioned Irish Music will be provided by Maryruth Fallon and the Good Times Chorus. There will be a Goodwill Offering that will go towards the Kitchen Project. We are looking for some volunteers to help with setup, serving, and cleanup. Please contact Connie at 250-5904 or Deacon Floyd at 270-2632 if you would like to help or donate.

~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.

March 3 & 4, 2018

Sunday Envelopes	\$4657
Building Envelopes	315
Ash Wednesday	15
Mass & Stole Gifts	65
Total	\$5052

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Moral Relativism, Saturday, March 24, 2018 following 4:30 pm Mass.

Discussion beginning at 6:00 pm at St. John Paul II Catholic Church, Bigfork, MT

By: Dr. John Ries and Dr. Katherine Grenier, professors of theology at Carroll College.

Pizza and beverages provided! Please **RSVP** by email (fvycatholic@gmail.com) or text 479-841-1509 by March 21 if you are able to come.

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 has been extended and must be in to the parish no later than April 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.

SPARROW’S NEST OF NORTHWEST MONTANA

Current Events

* “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.

Five Guys Fundraiser Night

Tuesday March 13, 2018, 5-7 pm

A portion of each meal purchased will go to Sparrow’s Nest of Northwest Montana. Come eat great food for a great cause!



MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 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
John Boysun, rb the Babb Family

FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Curtis Gomes, rb Risen Christ Parish
Dr. Jon Torgerson, rb Risen Christ Parish
Angie Riska, rb Risen Christ Parish
Teri Burgess, rb Risen Christ Parish

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

“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.

*Caitlyn VanHorssen and our parishioner, **Amy Eickert** will speak on “The Greatest Adventure: Living Life with Passion and Jesus.”*

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

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 OF LENT

Jeremiah 31:31-34
Hebrews 5:7-9
John 12:20=33

I will forgive their evil and remember their sin no more.
Christ's obedience is the source of salvation.
Anyone who serves me, the Father will honor.

For men and women of faith, peace will imply a right relationship with God, which entails forgiveness, reconciliation, and union.

◆ The challenge of Peace, 27

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:

Judy Stack, 752-4411 and Vicki Walbruch, 758-0170

EASTER EGG HUNT



Donations for the Easter Egg Hunt are appreciated!
Please bring wrapped candies to the church by Wednesday, March 28. **We do not need eggs.** We have plenty from previous years..

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

Legendary Lodge Registration is now open at www.showmyevent.com
Registration fee is \$345.00

CYRO Search Retreat April 13-15!!

Don't miss this incredible experience! Any high school youth, grades 10-12 are encouraged to participate. Visit www.showmyevent.com and click on "CYRO Search 2018" to register today!



FOUNDATION FOR THE DIOCESE OF HELENA

The Foundation for the Diocese of Helena awarded Catholic Social Services of Montana a grant in the amount of \$2500.00. This grant will be used for Baby Boutique resources to assist families struggling to provide for their babies and young children.

To learn more about the Foundation, its grants program and endowments, please call the parish office or Jeanne Saarinen at the Foundation 406-389-7051, or jsaarinen@diocesehelena.org. For more information on how you can help CSSM with this ongoing and expanding ministry, contact us at 1-800-BABY-DUE (222-9383) or email senja@cssmt.org.

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 2nd & 4th 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!

NEWS FROM USCCB - CONSCIENCE PROTECTION ACT

Congress needs to hear from us! Health care providers and trainees, churches, and others are being forced to participate in abortion or provide coverage for it in their health care plans. Federal conscience laws prohibit such coercion, but these laws continue to be violated – mostly because they don't provide victims with the ability to defend their rights in court.

In the next week, Congress will decide whether to improve enforcement of these laws by enacting the conscience Protection Act. No one should be forced to participate in abortion.

Call and email your U.S. senators and representatives through www.bit.ly/support-cpa, and forward the action alert to others. Members of Congress can be reached by calling the U.S. Capitol Switchboard at (202)224-3121.

RISEN CHRIST GIFT SHOP

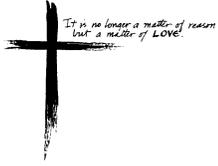


The Risen Christ gift shop is open. You can view the catalog, place an order, or make a purchase of gifts available. There are Scapulars and Miraculous Medals available, including Saint Christopher. Please see Andrea Wright or Connie McCubbins before or after weekend Masses, or the office during the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



OUR LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

**Evening Prayer—Vespers
Sundays during Lent — 7:00 pm**

**Chaplet of the Divine Mercy
Prayer 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 ANDRISE

 We encounter Andrise, a teacher in Haiti who knows the importance of forming young people who will give back to the community – and their country. Reflect on the role teachers have played in bringing you closer to God and your community. How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit: crsricebowl.org for more.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

This week, we are taking up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to respond to **Jesus in disguise**. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support to struggling communities and to work toward peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

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, March 22, 2018
Midnight to Midnight***

Please sign up for a time slot on the website

<https://40daysforlife.com/media/volunteer-login.pdf>

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
March 11, 2018 – Fourth Sunday of Lent
John 3:13-21

Today's gospel is about life and death. It is also about light and darkness. These ideas can appear as abstract or poetic or words that can easily sail over our heads. We think that we've heard this all before. Even the sentence that begins, "For God so loved the world ..." can come in one ear and out the other. For some, this gospel is not one that causes one to really sit up and listen. But that has changed for me this year when I read today's gospel because of my experience of last year's total eclipse of the sun.

I experienced that eclipse at the side of a highway in eastern Idaho. Like the millions who looked to the midday sky in total amazement, I viewed what truly can be called "a once in a lifetime" event. As an experience of nature, it was both baffling and beautiful.

While reading this Sunday's gospel, it all came back to me. I pondered anew what Jesus was saying to Nicodemus. That he was the light of the world. That he also showed in that light, the deepest truth of all: that each of us is created by God to live forever with God in the light. In that sense, there is no darkness in heaven. Nor is there darkness (in that deeper sense) in this life when truly believing in God.

So how does this connect with my experience of that total eclipse of the sun? Why am I a little more appreciative of the difference between light and darkness? Let me describe how it was for me when light turned into darkness on that day and then came back.

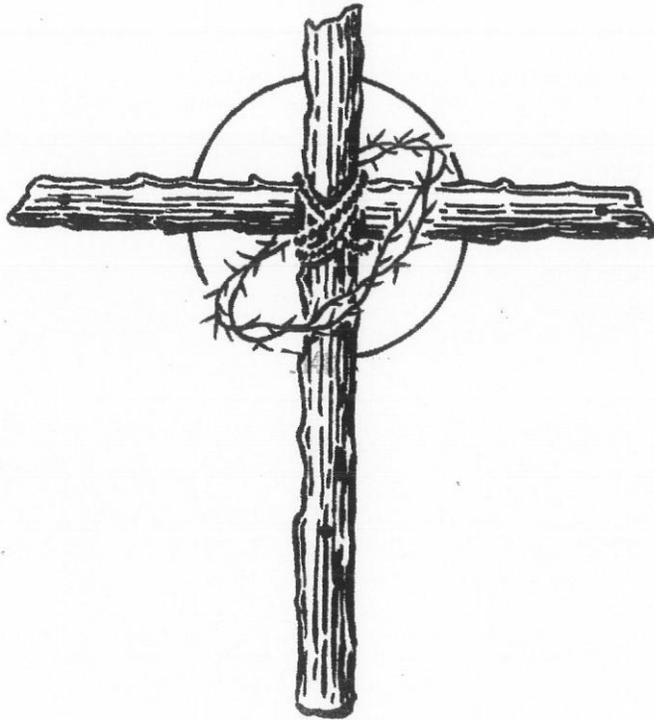
It took what seemed an eternity for totality to be reached after we first observed, through those special dark glasses, the crescent edge of the sun being covered by the moon. As the moon moved in front of the sun or as the sun slid behind the moon (it was impossible to tell exactly what was going on) the sun slowly grew darker, although not by much. But then, in an instance, it all became dark and an instant later, the glow from around the blackened sun appeared. Like so many others, I had no words at that moment. It was the most AWESOME sight I had ever witnessed in nature. Light gave way to darkness and (literally) everything seemed to change.

The whole scene around us took on a range of colors that I had never seen before. The horizon all around us looked like it does at sunset. It was a genuine mystical moment. Of course, the darkness did not last. Light returned, and we were "back to normal." But we weren't the same. The understanding of light and darkness changed, just as it did for Nicodemus when he met Jesus. He saw the light that brings life in a new way.

David M. Thomas, PhD

St. Matthew's 3rd Grade Presents:

Living Stations of the Cross



Thursday March 22, 2018

St. Matthew's Gym

1:30 and 6:30 PM