
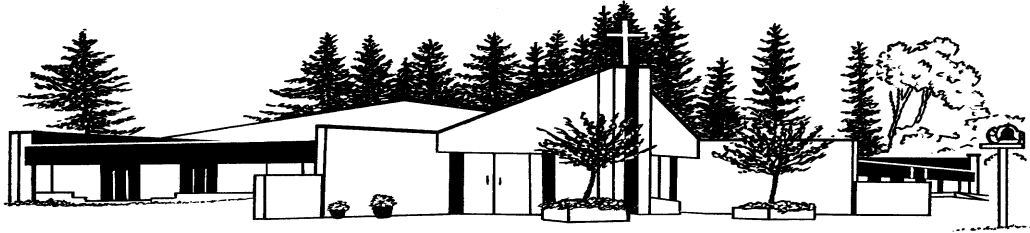


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MASS SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD **Sunday, March 25, 2018**
Saturday, March 24, Mass for the March Intentions..... **5:00pm**
Sunday, March 25, Mass for the Parish..... **9:30am**
Monday, March 26, Mass for the Souls of Lucille & Doug Hutches, rb the Family **8:45am**
Tuesday, March 27, Mass for the Soul of Frank Bibin, rb Paul & Pati Heath..... **8:45am**
Wed., March 28, Mass for the Soul of Maridona Norick, rb Tim & Diane Slobojan.. **12:10pm**

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, March 29
 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper..... 7:00pm
 Adoration Until 10:00pm

Good Friday, March 30
 Celebration of the Passion of our Lord..... 12:30pm

Easter Vigil Liturgy, March 31
 Saturday..... 9:00pm

Easter Sunday, April 1
 Easter Music 9:15am
 Commemoration of the Lord's Resurrection: Mass..... 9:30am
 Easter Egg Hunt After Mass



PLEASE REMEMBER RISEN CHRIST PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

DATES TO REMEMBER

March	25	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Chaplet of the Divine Mercy..... 9:10 am Evening Prayer..... 7:00 pm
	27	Choir 7:00 pm
	28	No Religious Formation SPRING BREAK
	29	HOLY THURSDAY, Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 pm
	30	GOOD FRIDAY, Celebration of the Passion of Our Lord 12:30 pm
	31	Sacrament of Reconciliation cancelled EASTER VIGIL, Mass 9:00 pm
April	1	EASTER SUNDAY, Mass 9:30 am Easter Egg Hunt..... after Mass
	2	Holiday, parish office closed
	2-5	There will be no daily Mass Monday through Thursday
	4	Religious Formation, grades K-6 4:00 – 5:15 pm Youth Ministry, grades 7-12..... 6:30 – 8:30 pm
	7	Chaplet of the Divine Mercy..... 4:40 pm
	8	SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY and SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER Chaplet of the Divine Mercy..... 9:10 am Confirmation Class 10:45 – 12:30

BULLETIN ON-LINE

To read our bulletin on-line, go to www.thecatholicdirectory.com. Click on Montana, find Kalispell, click on Risen Christ Parish and open the bulletin. The current bulletin will be posted there.

Ministry Schedule, Easter Triduum, March 29 – April 1, 2018

MINISTRY	HOLY THURSDAY March 29, 7:00pm	GOOD FRIDAY March 30, 12:30pm	EASTER VIGIL March 31, 9:00 pm	EASTER April 1, 9:30am
Plate Minister	Tom Berquist	Fr. Stan	Linda Zimmerman	Jovita Kottraba
Cup Minister	Deacon Floyd	Deacon Floyd	Deacon Floyd	Deacon Floyd
	Connie McCubbins		Don Zimmerman	Mary Grace Galvin
	Anne Mahoney		Maureen Neitzling	Jack Lavin
	Julie Berquist			Anita Lavin
Lector	Kathy Shanahan	Vicki Walbruch	Mary Reckin	Kim Wakefield
	Mike Santacroce	Alan Ruby	Dixon Rice	Jim Galvin
		Jackie Jensen	Vicki Walbruch	
			Mike Hanson	
			Mike Santacroce	
Greeter	John/Toni Gunnerson	John/Toni Gunnerson	Greeter needed	Mark/Susie Fredenberg
	Dave/Mary Jacobs		Greeter needed	
Server	Gary Hembd	Matthew Brockman	Matthew Brockman	Server needed
	Server needed	Kaitlyn Brockman	Gary Hembd	Server needed
			Mike Wright	

~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 17 & 18, 2018

Sunday Envelopes	\$4997
Mass & Stole Gifts	80
Total	\$5077



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.

PALMS

If you would like to bring your palms from last year to the church, they will be burned in the Easter Fire at the Easter Vigil.

EASTER CELEBRATION

Please help us bring the joy of Easter to our church by donating toward the purchase of Easter Flowers. Anything you can give will be much appreciated. You can drop a specially “marked envelope” in the collection basket or bring your donation to the parish office!

FORTY CANS FOR LENT

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a canned food drive during Lent, **“FORTY CANS FOR LENT”**. Bring your canned food in any time before Easter. All proceeds will go the Veterans Food Pantry.

“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.”*

Saturday April 21, 2018 7 AM- 6 PM Civic Center, Helena Montana

Register online: ShowMyEvent.com. Be sure to visit helenacwc.com

Participants are able to save \$10.00 in registration fees if they register by March 21st.

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
Maridona Norick, rb Risen Christ Parish

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

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 and 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

EASTER SUNDAY

Acts 10:34, 37-43 They killed him, only to have God raise him up on the third day.
Colossians 3:1-4 You have been raised up in company with Christ.
John 20:1-9 They did not understand.

On Easter Sunday, the first day of the "new creation", Christian communities celebrate the risen Christ, "Christ among us". For almost 2000 years this day has been synonymous with newness, with hope for a better world as Christians have labored to realize this goal.

The resurrection of Jesus is the sign to the world that God indeed does reign, does give life in death, and that the love of God is stronger even than death (Romans 8:36-39).

◆ The Challenge of Peace, 50

ENCOUNTER OUR NEIGHBORS



We encounter Jesus this week in Jerusalem, a community he knew well. We prayerfully enter our own communities too, encountering those who are hungry and thirsty, those who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we meet in our daily lives? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

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

Parish scholarships are available. Contact Fr. Stan

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!



OUR LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

**Evening Prayer—Vespers
Sunday— 7:00 pm**

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

YOU ARE INVITED TO FULLY AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THE HOLY THURSDAY FOOT WASHING, March 29, 2018

"If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet. I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do." (John 13:15)

On Holy Thursday each year, we celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper, but John's Gospel text does not mention bread and wine. For John, Eucharist means being a servant of the reign of God; "the full meaning of tonight's celebration hinges on the foot washing....This gesture of humility and service expresses the responsibilities of those who share the Eucharist." (*Sourcebook for Sundays and Seasons*, p. 118)

Throughout history, both ancient and contemporary communities have reenacted this command of Jesus. This year, to respect fully this symbol, each parishioner, young and old, is encouraged to take a full and active part in washing and being washed. This is not a popular activity: not even Peter wanted to have his feet washed. But you are asked to prayerfully consider being a part of this ritual.



Please bring your Rice Bowls and food items
to the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, March 29, 7:00 pm.

LENTEN SERVICE PROJECT, EMBRACING CRITICALLY ILL CHILDREN

Bring Easter Joy to hospitalized children: Please help us to fill the wagon with Easter "Stuffies"! We are asking for donations of any and all stuffed bunnies, chicks, ducks, even bears to bring a smile to children hospitalized over the Easter holiday. All donations are greatly appreciated!

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU

From the Worthy Knight's and Ladies of Risen Christ Parish

We want to thank everyone who helped in anyway make the Saint Patrick's Day dinner a great success. There were approximately 94 at the dinner party! The free will donations for the kitchen project surpassed everyone's expectations! This was one of the best and most successful dinners ever put on at Risen Christ Parish!

Thanks to Deacon Floyd & Connie McCubbins; for putting on, cooking and hosting the Saint Paddy's Day dinner party!

Thanks to Jamie Miller, Gary Hembd, Floyd McCubbins, Jerry Bristow, Ron Bauer and Mike Wright; for setting up the tables & chairs!

Thanks to George & Colleen Hutchens, Rose Hall, Andrea Wright, Margarite Bauer, Connie McCubbins; for decorating the tables and social area! Thanks to the Hutchens & McCubbins for their decorations!

Thanks to all those who helped prepare dinner & desserts: Roger Ackerly, Kathy Ackerly, Rena Desmond, Ron Bauer, Margarite Bauer, Connie McCubbins, Floyd McCubbins, George Hutchens, Rose Hall!

Thanks to all those who served dinner; Roger Ackerly, Kathy Ackerly, Tammy Newton, Floyd McCubbins, Connie McCubbins, Andrea Wright and Mike Wright.

Thanks to all those who served coffee, cake, fudge; Father Stan, Floyd McCubbins, Connie McCubbins, Ron Bauer, Colleen Hutchens, Andrea Wright and Margarite Bauer!

Thanks to Maryruth Fallon and all the St. Paddy's day Good Times Chorus! Great Irish music and jigs! It was great fun!

Thanks to all those who helped clean up the social area and kitchen; Dick & Norma Frisk, Ron & Margarite Bauer, George & Colleen Hutchens, Floyd & Connie McCubbins, Roger & Kathy Ackerly, Father Stan, Mike & Ande Wright, Jamie Miller, Jerry & Sharon Bristow, Jim Ott. There were many more who helped clean up and we apologize if we missed anyone.

Thanks to Pepsi for all free soft drinks! We are so grateful for the support and enthusiasm! Thanks from Father Stan and all of Risen Christ Parishioners!

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.



THANK YOU, CATHOLIC WOMENS CONFERENCE

Thank you Risen Christ Parish for your donation for the Matthew Kelly books for the CWC event in Helena. Thank you so much for your support as well as all the ways the you serve the Lord.

Bless you! Amy Eickert

THANK YOU FROM FLATHEAD FOOD BANK

Every day because of gifts like yours, we are given the ability to create wonderful possibilities in the lives of people. Because of you we will continue to provide emergency food, build hope and work to build a future in the lives of individuals, families, children, and seniors in our community who are dealing with difficult life circumstances.

Sincerely, Lori Botkin, Executive director, Flathead Food Bank

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

ATTENTION ENGAGED COUPLES!!! The next Catholic Engaged Encounter weekend is April 27-29, 2018 in Great Falls. Sign up now!! Information and registration is available online at WWW.GREATFALLSCEE.ORG. Call Brenda & Bill Chafin at 406-771-8658 or Terry and Dave Stucky at 406--452-3542 for more information. A Wedding is a Day: A Marriage is a Lifetime!



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.



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.

Sacrament of Baptism by appointment

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



MARRIAGE MATTERS

Do you need a common sense approach to inviting more joy into your marriage? “Every Day in Love” is an upbeat series of 4 three-hour sessions which offer positive and affirming insights and fun couple exercises to help couples love smarter, not harder. *Couples are highly encouraged to attend all 4 sessions, but each session can stand alone and will be registered for individually.* Join us for the first session, **Loving Smarter**, April 14th after the 4:30pm Mass at St. John Paul II Catholic Church. Social, and dinner (pizza, salad, beer) from 5:30pm – 6pm, followed by the program until approximately 9pm.

\$20 per couple per session \$25 at the door

For Additional Information and To Register visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c48aba72da2ff2-every>

Or call Dawn at the JPII office (406)837-4846

Every Day in Love at Home (Online Option)

Stream the videos (Use code LENT2018 for a discount!):

<https://livinginlove1.vhx.tv/.../every-day-in-love-program-pa...>

Order your workbooks: <http://livinginlove.org/materials-order-form-every-day-in-.../>

What are the sessions about?

Session 1: Smart Loving

A proactive common sense approach to inviting more joy into our lives every day. This upbeat, three-hour session offers positive and affirming insights and fun couple exercises to help us love smarter not harder by prioritizing being in love. Gain clarity and freedom from our common “dumb loving” mistakes and fill out a special “gift registry” that will help you discover what makes your husband or wife feel most in love!

Session 2: The Passionate Couple

Take your relationship to the next level! This session offers a paradigm shift from just getting along to being passionately in love, not just for our own sake but for the sake of those around us. It offers keen insights that bridge the gap between how men and women prefer to achieve intimacy and empowers us to be a joyful sacramental couple.

Session 3: Talking with Purpose

This session offers simple strategies to help us avoid misunderstanding and teaches a powerful skill that can achieve an emotional connection so that we can feel close in any situation. Learn practical approaches for reconciling hurts and freeing ourselves from outside pressures. The issue is not the issue; we are the issue!

Session 4: Living the Dream

Learn a fool proof process that can help a husband and wife to come together on any issue while still nurturing the tender atmosphere of being in love. This session can help us absolutely avoid ever having an argument and unleashes an aura of deep respect in our marriage. It will also guide us in discerning and directing our lives intentionally so that we can live in love the way we always dreamt we would.

The Nazareth Page
A gospel meditation for the home
March 25 2018 –Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Mark 14:1-15:47

On this Sunday we hear the longest Sunday gospel of the year. It recounts the passion and death of Jesus Christ. Scholars suggest that this might be the first recorded part of the life of Jesus. They call Mark's Gospel "a passion narrative with an introduction." Much of Mark's gospel is written to give an accurate account of the life and death of Jesus. The underlying theme is that what many expected when God came to save his people was inaccurate. God would not come as a great king restoring political power to the Jews. God would not come on a cloud with lightning bolts and other demonstrations of power to destroy God's enemies. No, God came as one who appeared quite ordinary. He was a human like all others. Except as we read today, he was also the Son of God.

Most will be familiar with the various elements of the story. We hear about the Passover meal, the agony in the garden, the betrayal by Judas, the humiliation he suffered at the hands of the religious leaders, the strange encounter with Pilate, the humiliation and mockery he endured at the hands of soldiers, the cowardly response of Peter (supposedly, the Rock), the crucifixion itself, his death and his burial in a rock cave.

Here, I want to mention something not often noticed. It is the role of women in the story. Perhaps, in contrast to that of the men. Let's start with the men. The one to hand over Jesus to the authorities was a man named Judas. The ones who fell asleep in the garden while Jesus prayed (although asked to stay awake) were Peter, James and John. The one who denied he even knew Jesus was that same Peter. The priests and members of the Jewish council who asked for his death were all men. Pilate was a man who issued the order to have him crucified. The soldiers who placed a crown of thorns on his head were all men. One good fellow was Simon from Cyrene (In Egypt), likely a pilgrim in Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover. He was pressed into service to help Jesus. There is no indication that he willingly did this. Finally, a courageous Joseph of Arimathea, went to Pilate to request the body of Jesus after Jesus had died.

Now for the women, and no one will be surprised that they are hardly mentioned. But they are there, especially at the most trying time during his passion and death. Specifically, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of the younger James and Joses and Solome. And Mark adds, "There were also *many other women* (my italics) who had come up with him to Jerusalem." The two Marys are mentioned as being there where he was buried. John's Gospel will add Mary, his mother, at the foot of the cross along with an unnamed disciple assumed later to be John. So, I ask, "Where were all the men?"

David M. Thomas, PhD