

DATES TO REMEMBER

June	25	TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION
		Coffee Hour After 9:30 am Mass
	25-30	Justice Outreach Project Browning, MT
July	2	THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	4	Independence Day Holiday, office closed No Mass
	9	FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	11	Pastoral Council Meeting 5:30 pm
	13	Food and Fellowship, Sykes 11:30 am
	15	Parish Picnic After Mass

PARISH PICNIC

Our annual Parish Picnic will be held on **July 15**, following Saturday evening Mass. A sign-up sheet will be available in the social area after Mass. We need to know how much food to prepare.



We will be serving the 3 B's: **brats, burgers, beans**. Salads and desserts are **potluck**. There will also be **BINGO** with prizes. Consider bringing your lawn chairs/blankets for additional seating. Feel free to bring your visiting friends and relatives.

DAVID ASTLE SCHOLARSHIP

At this time, applications are being accepted for the awarding of the David Astle Scholarship. The scholarship is awarded to a graduating Flathead Valley high school student of Irish Catholic descent planning on attending Carroll College, or a current Carroll College student of Irish Catholic descent from the Flathead Valley.

The amount of the Scholarship is \$1000 for one year.

Deadline for applications is July 21, 2017.

Interested students may get applications by calling Mike Kelly at 250-9895.

PARISH WEBSITE

The new parish website is up and running! Please visit us at risenchristkalispell.org

MY PARISH APP

Have you downloaded My Parish App? What are you waiting for? All you need is a smart phone or tablet. This is a great way to stay connected to everything going on in the Parish. There are many features to take advantage of. Daily readings, weekly bulletins, audio homilies from Bishop Robert Barron, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Fr. Larry Richards & Father Stan's written homilies are just a few. Download today and explore! It's easy. Either visit myparishapp.com, search for **myparish** on your phone's app store, or text APP to 88202.

To download the app on an ipad, search **myparish** in the app store. If it shows "no results", go to the top left corner where it says ipad only, click on it and change to iphone only. It will allow you to download it from there.

~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.

June 17 & 18, 2017

Sunday Envelopes	\$3176
Building Envelopes	20
Mass & Stole Gifts	95
Total	\$3291

PROGRAM FOR LAY MINISTRY (PFLM)

Theological Foundations

Gather with Carroll College Theology Faculty for this enriching faith formation series experience as we endeavor to "*Think with the Church*". Engage in fellowship, excellent instruction and gain a theological foundation through this unique offering.

This course is primarily offered for personal enrichment. Always discuss ahead of time with your pastor if you feel called to volunteer or engage in parish ministry in the future.

Cycle one and two will be held in the Kalispell Deanery with Cycle One at St. John Paul II Parish in Bigfork. Cycle one will begin October 21-22, 2017 with monthly meetings, completing on May 26-27, 2018.

This course may also be taken for credit through Carroll College. For credit information, contact Dr. John Ries, (406) 447-4334.

Registration is conducted exclusively online at www.showmyevent.com. Credit card payment is due at the time of registration. Refunds are granted only if requested prior to the first class of each yearly cycle.

Fees are \$600 for Cycles One and Two (full payment for course)

\$300 at the start of each Cycle. Payment must be submitted before the start of the Cycle. Commitment to attend both Cycles is expected.

\$150 at the start and mid-way through each Cycle. Payment must be submitted before the start of the Cycle. Payment for 2nd half of a Cycle must be made before January of the Cycle year. Commitment to attend both Cycles is expected.

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.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16 Elisha promises a son.
Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 You are dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.
Matthew 10:37-42 The one who welcomes you welcomes me.

Central to continuing the work of Christ is the capacity to see Christ in each person one encounters.

As disciples of Christ we must constantly ask ourselves how deeply the biblical and ethical vision of justice and love permeates our thinking. How thoroughly does it influence our way of life? We may hide behind the complexity of the issues or dismiss the significance of our personal contribution; in fact, each one makes economic decisions. Some, by reason of their work or their position in society, have a vocation to be involved in a more decisive way in those decisions that affect the economic well-being of others. They must be encouraged and sustained by all in their search for greater justice.

♦ Economic Justice for All, 333

REGISTER NOW FOR LEGENDARY LODGE CAMPS

Legendary Lodge camps affirm the great Truths of the Catholic faith for campers during a week-long adventure of fun and fellowship. Salmon Lake is the setting for creating memories, building friendships, and experiencing God's profound love.

Scholarships are available for any youth seeking to go to camp this summer. For more information, contact Lois Synness at: lsynness@diocesehelena.org (406) 389-7068

To learn more, and register for camp, head to our new website:

legendarylodge.org

FOURTH ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT

Legendary Lodge on Salmon Lake, July 21-22, 2017

Sister Noreen Walter, SCL will direct our retreat:

Living, Loving and Learning – Paying Attention To God in Our Daily Lives

Open to women 21 and up. Limited to first 80 registrants @ \$100.00 per person.

For information: stewardship@diocesehelena.org. Register: showmyevent.com

SAVE THE DATE

October 6th (5-9 pm) and October 7th (8-12 noon), St. Ann's Church – Butte, MT

IMMACULEE ILIBAGIZA, "HEALING & HOPE RETREAT"

***Rwandan Genocide Survivor, *Author of "Left to Tell"**

For information, go to www.immaculee.com

Click on Shop/Events - Retreats

**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 2017
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
Gerald Luther, rb Bruce and Carol Trimble
Jim Konen, rb John & Connie Babb
Tom Konen, rb John & Connie Babb
Ron Anderson, rb Larry & Betty Visocan
Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen

FINANCE COUNCIL

Our Finance Council members are:

Roger Ackerly, Peg Gebhardt, Christopher Gill and Loren Vranish

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



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 Ronald McDonald House in Spokane. Please put them in the carton near the literature table.

ROSARIES

We have available for sale rosaries of fine quality hand made by one of our parishioners. They are available in the parish office for a suggested donation of \$7.00-\$10.00. **All proceeds will go to Sparrow's Nest of Northwest Montana.**

DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL PARISH INPUT

The Helena Diocese thanks all the parishes, including Risen Christ, who have returned the results of their Parish Input Process to the Pastoral Planning Office. The Diocesan Pastoral Council met May 20-21 to review the planning recommendations that came from all our parishes.

Following is the response for Question 2 from our Parish.

What are the needs of our parish as we look to the future?

- Kneelers in either a section of the church or the entire area.
- Upgrade and expand the kitchen area and purchase a new stove.
- Obtain new office printer/copy machine.
- Resurface and stripe church parking lot.
- Street church signage should be updated and electrified.
- Power assisted openers for the heavy bathroom doors.
- Storage building or expansion of church for additional storage to include separate janitorial area and larger common area.

Look for the response to Question 3 in next week's bulletin.

There will be a **follow-up process coming to the parishes in the fall** to help prioritize the initiatives that were heard around the diocese to provide direction for the Council as they move closer to outlining a Pastoral Plan to guide the next five years. There will be posters; announcements and a script for the process provided in late summer to facilitate this next portion of the Parish Input Process.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT ***Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

Jesus minces no words with his disciples: If we acknowledge Jesus publicly, Jesus will remember us before God, our Father. If we deny Jesus, he will forget us. It is very rare that a Christian will denounce Jesus publicly. But we can deny Jesus in more subtle ways. There are many people who conveniently forget all about Jesus Christ and the work of his Kingdom in their daily lives, in moments of weakness, spiritual immaturity or when times get tough. Good stewards strengthen their confession of Christ by praying and attending Mass regularly.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Today we have a collection for Peter's Pence, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

The Nazareth Page

A gospel reflection for the home

June 25, 2017 – 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 10:26-33

Most of the gospels we hear each Sunday give us little cause for questioning. They are straight-forward. We listen to (or read) their words and we nod our heads in agreement. "Yes, I can understand this or that point. It makes sense. I agree."

But sometimes, like in today's gospel, we might think that the gospel is a bit confusing. Jesus is telling us that loving our parents or our children seems not that important. Maybe even harmful. Pope Francis has written that family is *very important*. Maybe he's not familiar with this gospel.

Of course, he knows it well, but he would also ask that we carefully reflect on what it is saying so that we don't misunderstand it. Jesus is talking about priorities. It's like he is making a list of what should be first in importance, and then second, and so forth.

Although it's not in this Sunday's readings, we might recall what Jesus taught about the two great commandments. Number one commandment was that we should love God above all else. Number two was that we should love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Jesus found both these commandments in his Jewish Scriptures, in what we call the Old Testament.

Then he went on to explain that these two commandments are closely connected. When he gave his last set of instructions at the Last Supper, he said that the two commandments are really one large commandment. He joined them together when he said, "Love one another as I have loved you."

In practical everyday life, we love God in part by loving each other. Parents love their children and children love their parents. And family love can spread out into the whole world. But it all starts with God lovingly creating each of us. God is the first to love us. Without God loving us, we simply would not even be. Without God's love for you, you wouldn't be reading these words because there would be no "you."

So, love God with all your heart and then love others (including yourself). St. Ignatius Loyola composed a set of meditations for people seriously interested in developing their spiritual lives. The first meditation focuses on God's love as the origin of all creation, ourselves included. That was to be the foundational belief for all who seek to better know God and God's ways with us. Family plays a decisive role in God's plan. But there's something deeper than family and more important than us. That's God's love, which created us.

David Thomas, PhD

SACRAMENTS

Infant Baptism:

The parents must be registered members of the parish. Contact the parish office, 752-4219, Someone will contact you to begin the process of baptismal preparation.

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist:

Preparation for these Sacraments is ordinarily in the second grade in our Religious Formation program. Preparation also includes conferences with parents. Contact Heidi Durbin, 253-4886.

Confirmation

Risen Christ children prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation as late high school students, with the rite being celebrated as needed. Candidates are enrolled in the Religious Formation program. Contact Fr. Stan Rog, 752-4219.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process of inquiring, faith-sharing, instruction, and liturgy for those who seek to become Catholics. All who are interested in inquiring about the Catholic faith are welcome. Contact Fr. Stan Rog, 752-4219.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Children (RCIC):

The process of initiation is adapted to meet the needs of unbaptized children or children who have been baptized but have had no formation in the faith. These are children of catechetical age, who have attained the age of reason and are capable of receiving and nurturing a personal faith. Contact Heidi Durbin, 253-4886.

Funerals:

Contact, Diane Slobojan, 756-6061, Consultation with a priest will be arranged.

Marriage:

Preparing for marriage is preparing for the rest of your life! Couples who plan to marry in the Diocese of Helena must contact the parish no less than six months before the proposed wedding date. Every effort will be made to accommodate the couples' plans. However, the date of the wedding will not be confirmed until after the initial stages of the preparation have been completed.

Home Bound Visits

If you, or someone you know, would like to have a home visit, have Communion brought to your home or have the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please call Father Stan Rog, or leave word at the Parish Office. Someone will be in touch with you.

Contact the parish office at 752-4219