
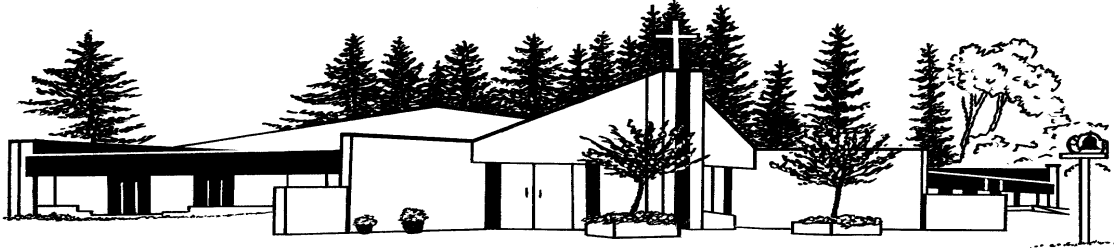


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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 27, 2017

Saturday, August 26, Mass for the Month of August Intentions **5:00 pm**

Sunday, August 27, Mass for the Parish **9:30 am**

Mass for the Soul of Caroline Nieskens, rb Arleen Hughes **6:30 pm**

Monday, August 28, Mass for the Int. of Matthew Dickinson, rb Super Family **8:45 am**

Tuesday, August 29, Mass for the Int. of Pam West, rb Don & Theresa West **8:45 am**

Wednesday, August 30, Mass for the Int. of June Pacheco, rb June Fennelly.. **12:10 pm**

Thursday, August 31, Mass for the Int. of Melvin Hanson, rb Hanson Family **9:00 am**

Friday, September 1 **NO MASS**

Ministry Schedule, September 2 & 3

MINISTRY	Saturday, 5:00 pm	Sunday, 9:30am
Plate Minister	Suzanne Johnson	Sandie Eckelberry
Cup Minister	Bert Eickert	Kathie Ackerly
	Deacon Floyd	Roger Ackerly
		Connie McCubbins
		Deacon Floyd
Lector	Joe Riska	Alan Ruby
	Carol Jellison	Pati Heath
Greeter	Dave & Mary Jacobs	Richard/Rosemary Brester
Server	Mike Wright	Keegan Siebenaler
	Abby Mitchell	Gabby LeDuc

DATES TO REMEMBER

Aug	27	TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
	28	Virtus training, St. Matthew's Parish	5:30-8:30 pm
Sept.	3	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
	4	Labor Day, parish office closed	No daily Mass
	5	Choir	7:30 pm
	10	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
	12	Pastoral Council	5:00 pm
		Knights of Columbus	6:30 pm
		Choir	7:30 pm
	14	Food and Fellowship, Julie's Restaurant	11:30 am

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Choir rehearsals will commence Tuesday, September 5th at 7:30 pm. Any new choir members should come at 7:15 to get set up and introduce yourself. If you have any questions, please call Maryruth at 752-1490.

SUMMER STRINGS RECITAL

Please join us on Friday, September 8th, 2017 at Saint John Paul II Church in Bigfork, MT for the Summer Strings Recital featuring world renowned violinist Wai Mizutani and friends. There is no cost for admission but there will be a free will offering in which all proceeds benefit the CYRO youth ministry program serving 4 parishes. The recital begins at 7:00 pm!

PROGRAM FOR LAY MINISTRY (PFLM)

There is a very exciting adult faith formation program starting in October! The Diocese of Helena has arranged for theology faculty from Carroll College to come to the Flathead Valley to lead classes on topics essential to our Catholic faith. Once a month, these professors and PhDs will spend a Friday night and all day Saturday exploring topics like scripture; spirituality; marriage and family ethics; Catholicism and other religions; and the true nature of Jesus, the Church, and the sacraments. This Program for Lay Ministry will enrich our faith and help us learn how to think with the Church. There are two years of monthly classes, and the first cycle will begin at St. John Paul II in Bigfork. Every class will be at a Catholic church in the Flathead Valley. This is something you need to register for online at ShowMyEvent.com. So do please look into this unique opportunity! If finances are a problem, talk to Fr. Stan.

YOUTH MINISTER POSITION OPENING

Risen Christ Parish is looking for a **Religious Formation Coordinator** to lead the 7-12 youth group beginning in September. This is a part time paid position. If you are interested or would like more information about the position, please contact the parish office or Fr. Stan. Applications are available in the parish office.



~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.

August 19 & 20, 2017

Sunday Envelopes	\$4329
Holy Day Envelopes	85
Total	\$4414

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:

Vicki Walbruch, 758-0170 and Mark Fredenberg, 756-6142



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

1. Are you interested in learning about the Catholic Church?
2. Are you an unbaptized person?
3. Are you a baptized person of another faith denomination?

RCIA may be the place for you. This is learning and loving process in which conversion of the heart brings you to Jesus Christ whom God has sent for the salvation of all.

"Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi, where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and you will see.'" John 1:38-39

The Rite of Christian Initiation is suited to a spiritual journey of adults and consists of four continuous periods.

If you would like more information about the RCIA, please contact Fr. Stan or the parish office, 752-4219.

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2017

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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
Gerald Luther, rb Bruce and Carol Trimble
Ron Anderson, rb Larry & Betty Visocan
Karel Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen

FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Sue LaFemina, rb Arleen Hughes

VIRTUS (Safe Environment Class)

The next Virtus Training class is **Monday, August 28th** in the Doran Center (basement of St. Matthew's Parish) from 5:30-8:30 PM with Karen Weaver as facilitator. Light refreshments and bottled water will be provided.

Please email Karen at rickweaver1@msn.com or call 752-6788 ext. 6813 to register or for more information about the class. If you wish to become Virtus trained but cannot come on the 28th, please let her know that as well. You must **PRE REGISTER** for the class so contact her as soon as possible.

ST. MATTHEW'S PRESCHOOL

WE ARE NOW ENROLLING FOR 2017-18 CLASSES!!

M W F 8:30-11:30 (KIDS TURNING 4 BY SEPT.10)

T TH 8: 30-11:30 (KIDS TURNING 3 BY SEPT.10)

SMALL CLASS SIZES WITH CERTIFIED TEACHERS IN A
CATHOLIC ENVIRONMENT

Call today to reserve your child's spot!

406-752-6303



Sacrament of Baptism by appointment

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

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.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jeremiah 20:7-9 The word of the Lord has brought me derision.
Romans 12:1-2 Be transformed by the renewal of your mind.
Matthew 16:21-27 You are not judging by God's standards but by human ones.

Making judgments and decisions while influenced by greed, bigotry, paranoia and parochialism has set into motion a course in which human rights and welfare are ignored, and in which the world may ultimately perish. These are the consequences of judging by human standards.

The serious distortion of national economic priorities produces by massive national spending on defense must be remedied. Clear-sighted consideration of the role of government shows that government and the economy are already closely intertwined through military research and defense contracts. Defense-related industries make up a major part of the U.S. government; they often depart from the competitive model of free-market capitalism. Moreover, the dedication of so much of the national budget to military purposes has been disastrous for the poor and vulnerable members of our own and other nations. The nation's spending priorities need to be revised in the interests of both justice and peace.

◆ Economic Justice for All, 320



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.

The Nazareth Page
A gospel thought for the home
August 27, 2017 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matt. 16:13-20

Years ago, one of our sons asked me to drive him to a school dance. He wasn't old enough to drive himself. "Just drop me off at the door, Dad, and don't tell anyone that you're my dad."

I smiled. I know that parents can be an embarrassment. Or his friends might get the wrong idea about me. So the "drop off" went quickly and I remained in the shadows.

In today's gospel Jesus says to his disciples, right after Peter had correctly identified him as "the Christ, the Son of the living God," that they should not tell anyone that he was the Christ. What's going on? Did not Jesus, the Son of God, come to us so that we might know the true nature of God? He asked his disciples about their view of him and Peter had answered correctly. You would think that the next thing would be Jesus saying that they (the disciples, led by Peter) should now go to the ends of the earth telling everyone that Jesus was the Christ, the Messiah sent by God. But instead he said, "Don't tell anyone." What's going on?

Here's what I think. Peter got the words right, but Jesus could look into his heart and knew that Peter (and the other disciples) didn't yet understand the full meaning of his messianic mission. If left on their own, right after Peter's correct (though partial) answer to Jesus, they would likely misrepresent his message. They would have some of the right words, but were likely to twist them into something incomplete. Mostly, they would miss the whole matter of his suffering and death.

Many people who lived at that time expected the Messiah to come either as a mighty king who would defeat the Roman legions in Israel, or, in even more spectacular fashion, the Messiah would come from heaven breathing lightning and thunder and dramatically establish his reign over all the earth. In both cases, the Messiah would come with tremendous power and might and put the "bad people" in their place. The coming of God's kingdom, they thought, was all about some kind of worldly power.

But that was not God's intent. The power of God was not to be shown in strength of arms or conquest of nature, but in the power of love, of giving oneself in serving others. We believe that Jesus came "for us and our salvation." He wanted all to have a deep relationship with God who loved us, all of us. My son didn't want his friends to have a false impression of me so he asked me to just drop him off and leave. Jesus did the opposite. He wanted his disciples to stay around to get the full meaning of his mission, a mission that eventually involved some very unexpected moments.

David Thomas, PhD