## RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	OCTOBER 29, 2017
Saturday, October 28, Mass for the Deceased K	C's Council 8329 <b>5:00 pm</b>
Sunday, October 29, Mass for the Parish	9:30 am
Monday, October 30, Mass for the Soul of There	sa Beeler & Agnes Bauer, rb Bauers 8:45 am
Tuesday, October 31 Mass for the Soul of James	s & May Mayo, rb Don West 8:45 am
Wednesday, November 1, ALL SAINTS DAY,	Mass for the Parish
Thursday, November 2 MassFriday, November 3	9:00 amNO MASS

Ministry Schedule, November 1.4 & 5, 2017

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MINISTRY	Wednesday, 6:00 pm	Saturday, 5:00 pm	Sunday, 9:30am	
Plate Minister	Sandie Eckelberry	Patti Slack	Leah McGraw	
Cup Minister	Connie McCubbins	Maureen Neitzling	John McGraw	
	Deacon Floyd	Deacon Floyd	Jack Lavin	
			Anita Lavin	
			Deacon Floyd	
Lector	Joe Riska	Carol Jellison	TJ Higgins	
	Suzanne Johnson	Peg Gebhardt	Mike Hanson	
Greeter	Betty & Neil Heino	Dave & Mary Jacobs	Pat & Chris Arnone	
Server	Mike Wright	Bert Eickert	Graham McGraw	
		Abby Mitchell	Gabby LeDuc	

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

Oct.	29	THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDIANARY TIME		
		Rosary	9:10 am	
		Lector Training		
	31	Choir		
Nov.	1	ALL SAINTS' DAY, Mass 12:10 pm and 6:00 pm	Holy Day of Obligation	
		Religious Formation, grades K-6	4-5:15 pm	
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12	6:30 – 8:30 pm	
	2	All Souls Day	·	
	4	CYRO Jr. High Rally	Helena MT	
	5	THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		
		Coffee Hour	After Mass	
	7	Choir		
	8	Religious Formation, grades K-6	4-5:15 pm	
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12		
	9	Food & Fellowship, Evergreen Applebee's	11:30 am	
	10	CYRO High School Retreat	St. JPII Bigfork MT	
	12	THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		
	14	KC Ladies Dinner	6:00 pm	
		Knights of Columbus Meeting		
		Choir	7:30 pm	
	15	Religious Formation, grades K-6		
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12		

### Sacrament of Baptism by appointment

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

#### **Parish Office Hours:**

#### Monday through Thursday, 10:00-12:00pm and 1:00-3:00pm

To be sure your announcement gets into the bulletin, please have your information in the Parish Office by noon, Wednesday. The deadline for altar announcements is noon, Thursday.

#### 2017 HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE REVIEW

Saturday, November 11 after the 5 PM Mass

Join Pati & Paul Heath for food, fun and prayer as they talk about and review the recent Holy Land Pilgrimage to Israel. Light Israeli snacks and fruit will be served.

#### **ALL SAINTS DAY**

All Saints' Day is a holy day of obligation in the United States and a Mass will be celebrated Wednesday, November 1, at 12:10 pm and again at 6:00 pm. During Mass we remember the deceased among the faithful who await their entrance to eternal glory. All Saints and All Souls are the harvest homecoming of the church! Through the image of autumn's ingathering we celebrate the assembly of the saints and anticipate that day when the Lord of the Harvest will reap the ripened earth.

#### ~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.

#### October 21 & 22, 2017

Sunday Envelopes \$4003 Mass & Stole Gifts 10 **Total** \$4013

#### **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, 756-6142 and Anne Mahoney, 257-2731

#### **VIRTUS SAFE ENVIRONMENT CLASS**

The next Virtus Safe Environment class will be held at St. Matthew's on Thursday, November 9th, 2017 from 6-9 p.m. in the Music Room in the basement of the school off the cafeteria. This class is for staff and volunteers in the parish that will be working with youth or vulnerable adults.

Those that take the Eucharist to the homebound should also take this class. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact

Karen Weaver at 406 751-6813 or email at rickweaver1@msn.com.

You must preregister for the class but there is no cost.

#### **FOR OUR YOUTH**

CYRO WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY, Tuesdays, 7:00 am at Wheat Montana, Kalispell Jr. High Rally: "Humbled and Exalted", November 4<sup>th</sup> in Helena MT. Register on DOHYOUTH.ORG

**High School Fall Retrea**t, November 10-11, St.John Paul II Church, Bigfork MT Open to all High School Juniors and Seniors. See Katie Louden to register

# **MASS INTENTIONS**

FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 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
Ron Anderson, rb Larry & Betty Visocan
Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen
Karel Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
Gary Luther, rb Bruce & Carol Trimble
Ron Anderson, rb Andre Anderson
Babe Alger, rb Risen Christ
Father Charles Roman, rb Ken & Rita Madsen
Dave Barrett, rb Ken Barrett

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Bob Cotner, rb Kathleen Cotner
Gary Luther, rb Bruce & Carol Trimble
Dave Barrett, rb Risen Christ Parish

#### FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Jim Neumayer, rb Gillingham Family Helen Harris, rb Gillingham Family Polly Parisot, rb Gillingham Family

#### 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.

#### THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Malachi 1:14, 2:2,8-10 You do not keep my ways.

1 Thessalonians 2:7-9, 13 We wanted to share with you not only God's tidings but our very

lives.

Matthew 23:1-12 If you exalt yourself, you shall be humbled.

How easy it is to fall into the trap of knowing what is best for others by virtue of our own expertise. True servanthood as taught by Jesus in this gospel passage comes from serving people because of their need, not ours.

Jesus was perhaps closer to the Pharisees in his religious vision than to any other group of his time. The 1985 *Notes* (on the correct Way to Present the Jews and Judaism in Preaching and Catechesis of the Roman Catholic Church) suggest that this affinity with Pharisaism may be a reason for many of his apparent controversies with them. Jesus shared with the Pharisees a number of distinctive doctrines: the resurrection of the body; forms of piety such as almsgiving, daily prayer, and fasting; the liturgical practice of addressing God as Father; and the priority of the love commandment. Many scholars are of the view that Jesus was not so much arguing against "the Pharisees" as a group, as he was condemning excesses of some Pharisees, excesses of a sort that can be found among some Christians as well.

#### A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

There is one word or command that summarizes today's Gospel: Love. For Jesus there is no distinction between these two commands of loving God and neighbor. One naturally flows from the other. In fact, for Jesus, these commands constitute a way of life for Christian stewards; a unique approach to life and to their relationship with others. Our neighbors include everyone with whom we come into contact: family members, friends, people we don't like, strangers and particularly those most in need of our love and compassion. Love is always for doing well and helping others grow closer to the Lord. What are ways in which we might do better at following Christ's love command?

#### **HEART LOCKER**

The Heart Locker takes in clothing for our homeless teens. Risen Christ parishioners have been very generous in delivering good, clean used clothing. If you have items to deliver, the location is 514 E. Washington St. right behind Taco Bell (use the door to the far left). The hours that donations are accepted are: Mondays and Tuesdays from 8 A.M. to 10 A.M. and Wednesdays from 3 P.M. to 6 P.M. The Heart Locker is not open on school holidays. If you have difficulty delivering your items, please bring them to church and let the secretaries know, and the clothing will be delivered. Risen Christ Parish's donations have been greatly appreciated through the years.

#### 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



# SPARROW'S NEST OF NORTHWEST MONTANA POSTER CONTEST

"When the Night Comes" Poster Contest Deadline

Sparrow's Nest of Northwest Montana is looking for artwork to promote our annual fundraiser "When the Night Comes".

Sparrow's Nest of NW MT is a non-profit and 501 (c)(3) with a mission of providing safe and supportive housing for unaccompanied homeless high school students in the Flathead Valley. Our annual fundraiser "When the Night Comes" is soon approaching. It will be held at St Peter Lutheran Church in Whitefish, 201 Wisconsin Avenue, on December 9<sup>th</sup> from 7pm to 7am. We will stay out all night in solidarity with those who are homeless in our community.

Entries will be accepted from Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> until Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Contestants of all ages are welcome to submit their creations online at <a href="mailto:sparrowsnestnwmt.org/poster-contest/">sparrowsnestnwmt.org/poster-contest/</a>. A winner will be notified on November 9<sup>th</sup> and shall receive a \$200 prize.

Rules and additional information can be found on their website, <u>sparrowsnestnwmt.org</u>, Facebook page, call at 406-309-5196,

or email at admin@sparrowsnestnwmt.org..

You can also find a copy of the information in the social area.



"From Conflict to Communion"
Lutheran-Catholic
COMMON COMMEMORATION
OF THE REFORMATION

# **Ecumenical Vespers**

Saint Helena Cathedral, Helena

#### Monday October 30, 7:00 pm

The Catholic and Lutheran Communities of Montana gather with our Bishops to embrace a very special moment between Lutherans and Catholics throughout the world. Occasioned by the joint document of the two churches, "From Conflict to Communion," we gather in prayer, memory thanksgiving and confession. With our common faith in Christ we look ahead to common witness and a continued journey forward for the sake of our shared mission to the world.

# All are Welcome!

To download the Document, Conflict to Communion, prepared by the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and the Lutheran World Federation go to https://www.lutheranworld.org/sites/default/files/From%zoConflict%zoto%zoCommunion.pdf To download the Study Guide for Conflict to Communion http://www.strasbourginstitute.org/wp-content/uploads/zo15/05/FCTC-Guide-3-13.pdf

# The Nazareth Page A gospel meditation for the home October 29, 2017 – 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Matthew 22:34-40

Today we hear one of the shortest gospels of the year. But don't be fooled by its brevity. Its message is very large. And extremely important.

It seems that Jesus attracted people with questions. Or more precisely, with disputed questions. Maybe they were hoping for an argument. People do that sort of thing, even today. Their question had to do with right and wrong, with commands and laws. In the Jewish religion during the lifetime of Jesus, there were hundreds of laws. There were laws about table manners, when one could and could not work, dietary laws and so forth. They might have wondered if Jesus favoured a "law and order" approach. Was he strict or lenient? Where did he stand on the many laws that were found in Jewish scriptures?

It seems that it didn't take Jesus long to respond to their inquiry. He quoted two commands that were found in their holy books. First, we were to love God with *all* our heart, with *all* our soul and with *all* our mind. And the second command was like the first, we were to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. That's it. Just two.

Some might have thought that if there were only two commandments, it would be easy to follow them. But those who understand *the full implications* of those two commands knew that following *those two* would be extremely difficult. After all, fully loving God and loving our neighbour (whoever might be our neighbour at a given moment) as much as we love ourselves, well, that was very demanding.

Fast forward to today. Most would agree that really *loving* another is no easy accomplishment. Especially when "the neighbor" includes whoever is next to us – where we live, where we work, where we shop, where we drive, where we worship, wherever we are. Maybe you have heard it said that it is easy to love everyone, if you exclude individual persons. But that's the point Jesus is making. You can't exclude the person next to you because that person (or group) is your "neighbor."

Obviously, this has a marriage and family dimension in it because those relationships are often "our closet neighbour." I wonder if those who questioned Jesus about commands felt satisfied or troubled by his answer. How would you feel?

David M. Thomas, PhD

#### LOVING OUR NEIGHBORS

Nurturing Vocations • Enriching Faith Communities • Building the Culture of Life & Family • LOVING OUR NEIGHBORS
Forming Our Faith • Assisting Our Parishes & Missions • Honoring the Past & Serving the Future • Ensuring Our Future

...a spark of Divine Light is within each of us.

~ Pope Francis







#### LOVING OUR NEIGHBORS is 10% of our Goal - \$204,000

De La Salle Blackfeet School - Browning \$25,000 Guatemala Mission \$120,000 • Priest & Parish Emergency Assistance \$59,000

Loving our Neighbors helps children in grades 4 - 8 at the De La Salle Blackfeet School, and supports medical care and education at our Guatemala mission. This outreach also funds unanticipated building repairs in our 95 parishes and missions, and unexpected costs for our Priests.

A well lighted path reveals the abiding presence of God in both those who give and those who receive.

Support 38 ministries and services at iocesehelena.org







Let your light shine.

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a  $\ell$  iq $\ell$ t on my path. ~ Psaim 119:105