
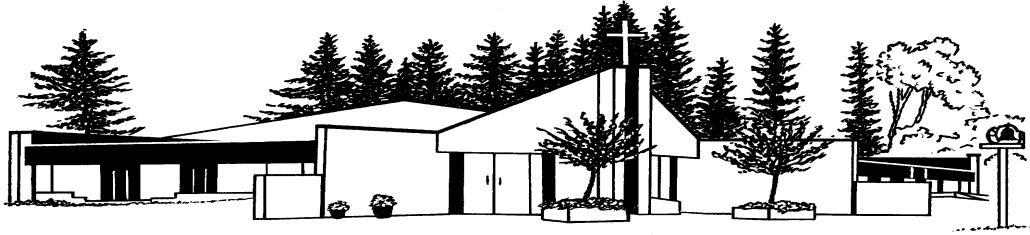

RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE NOVEMBER 26, 2017

Saturday, November 25, Mass for the November Intentions..... **5:00 pm**

Sunday, November 26, Mass for the Parish..... **9:30 am**

Monday, November 27, Mass for the Soul of James & May Mayo, rb Don West **8:45 am**

Tuesday, November 28 Mass for the Soul of Babe Alger, rb Tim & Diane Slobojan ... **8:45 am**

Wednesday, November 29, Mass for the Soul of Bill Wolfe, rb Kathleen Cotner **12:10 pm**

Thursday, November 30, Mass for the Soul of Eleanor McManus rb Fran Cavanagh **9:00 am**

Friday, December 1 **NO MASS**

Ministry Schedule, December 2 & 3, 2017

MINISTRY	Saturday, 5:00 pm	Sunday, 9:30am
Plate Minister	Jovita Kottraba	Tom Berquist
Cup Minister	Vicki Walbruch	Julie Berquist
	Deacon Floyd	Sandie Eckelberry
		Neil Heino
		Deacon Floyd
Lector	Leah McGraw	Mike Hanson
	Jackie Jensen	Alan Ruby
Greeter	Bob & Barbara Vine	Richard & Rosemary Brester
Server	Graham McGraw	Zachary Lapke
	Gabby LeDuc	Carter Lapke

DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov.	26	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNVERSE	
	28	Choir	7:00 pm
	29	Religious Formation, grades K-6.....	4:00 – 5:15 pm
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12	6:30 – 8:30 pm
Dec.	2	Chaplet of Divine Mercy	4:40 pm
	3	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
		Chaplet of Divine Mercy	9:10 am
		Coffee Hour	After Mass
		Evening Prayer	7:00 pm
	5	Choir	7:00 pm
		Pastoral Council	5:00 pm
	6	Religious Formation, grades K-6.....	4:00 – 5:15 pm
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12	6:30 – 8:30 pm
	7	Immaculate Conception Vigil,	6:00 pm
	8	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, Holy Day of Obligation	8:45 am
	9	Chaplet of Divine Mercy	4:40 pm
	10	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
		Chaplet of Divine Mercy	9:10 am
		Religious Retirement Collection	
		Valley Voices Concert at Risen Christ	3:00 pm
		Evening Prayer	7:00 pm
	12	KC Ladies Dinner at Perkins	6:00 pm
		Knights of Columbus Meeting	6:30 pm
		Choir	7:00 pm
	13	Religious Formation, grades K-6.....	4:00 – 5:15 pm
		Youth Ministry, grades 7-12	6:30 – 8:30 pm
	14	Food and Fellowship, Evergreen Applebee's	11:30 am
	16	Chaplet of Divine Mercy	4:40 pm

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.

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

If you are interested in lighting one of the Advent Wreath candles at the Saturday or Sunday Masses during Advent, please call Anne Mahoney at 406-257-2731.

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY AND EVENING PRAYER

During advent sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed 20 minutes prior to Saturday and Sunday Mass. Please sign up in the social area if you would like to lead the Chaplet.

There will also be Evening Prayer at 7:00 pm on Sunday evenings during advent.

~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.

November 18 & 19, 2017

Sunday Envelopes	\$3620
Thanksgiving Envelopes	45
Mass & Stole Gifts	140
Total	\$3805

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:

Anne Mahoney, 257-2731 and Judy Stack, 752-4411

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

VALLEY VOICES COMMUNITY CHOIR

The Valley Voices Community Choir, under the direction of our own Allyson Kuechmann, proudly presents: "Jingle All the Way". There will be two free performances!

Saturday, December 9th/7 pm at Flathead High School and
Sunday, December 10th/3 pm here at Risen Christ Church!

THANK YOU

Dear Members of the Risen Christ Faith Community, Thank you for the masses offered and the card in remembrance of Babe Alger. We appreciate your support and prayers.

Colleen & George Hutchens, Tom and Terrie Alger, Mary & Jim Hamil

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 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

Ron Anderson, rb Andre Anderson

Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen

Karel Barrett, rb Ken Barrett

Bob Cotner, rb Kathleen Cotner

Gary Luther, rb Bruce & Carol Trimble

Dave Barrett, rb Risen Christ Parish

Judy Carr, rb Reta Sweeney

FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Jim Neumayer, rb Gillingham Family

Helen Harris, rb Gillingham Family

Polly Parisot, rb Gillingham Family

Retrouvaille

Ursuline Centre – Great Falls, Montana

February 2-4, 2018

In marriage, communication is more than just talking. At some point, did you stop sharing about the things that were important to you? Did your spouse?

Improving a marriage takes time and a conscious effort to learn about your spouse.

Growing closer in a marriage does not happen automatically. Retrouvaille is a marriage program dedicated to helping couples grow closer and develop a stronger bond. You give your heart and soul to everything you do, between your work and your family. Are you giving your heart and soul to your marriage? Sometimes the distance between a husband and a wife can seem so wide that it cannot be repaired. Retrouvaille is a marriage program designed to bring couples closer together

For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit our website:

www.retrouvailleMT.org or www.HelpOurMarriage.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

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Isaiah 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7	Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down!.
1 Corinthians 1:3-9	It was God who called you to kinship with his son.
Mark 13:33-37	Be on guard!

Two decades ago God was declared "dead." Today we have merely placed God in a box that we open for an hour on Sundays. When we are not in relationship with God, we deny our past, jeopardize our future and make pointless our present.

The Old Testament provides us with the history of a people who portrayed God as one who intervened in their lives, who protected them and led them to freedom, often as a mighty leader in battle. They also appear as a people who longed constantly for peace. Such peace was always seen as a result of God's gift which came about in fidelity to the covenantal union. Furthermore, in the midst of their unfulfilled longing, God's people clung tenaciously to hope in the promise of an eschatological time when, in the fullness of salvation, peace and justice would embrace and all creation would be secure from harm. The people looked for a messiah, one whose coming would signal the beginning of that time. In their waiting, they heard the prophets call them to love according to their covenantal vision, to repent, and to be ready for God's reign.

♦ The Challenge of Peace, 38

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's Gospel, Saint Matthew offers a compelling vision of the end-time, when the people of all nations are brought before the Lord to give an account of their lives and actions. Interestingly, the sheep, the righteous ones, are rewarded for having acted with love and compassion without having recognized the face of Christ in others. Good stewards recognize those in need of their care as gifts from "god. They know that they are instruments of Christ's active, loving presence in the world. How will we treat others this week: our family members, neighbors, customers, strangers? What accounting will we make to the Lord for their care?

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Thank you for your generous support last week to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish we raised \$ 666.25 to support those on the margins living in poverty. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click "How to give!" on the left.



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.

SPARROW'S NEST OF NORTHWEST MONTANA

"When the Night Comes"

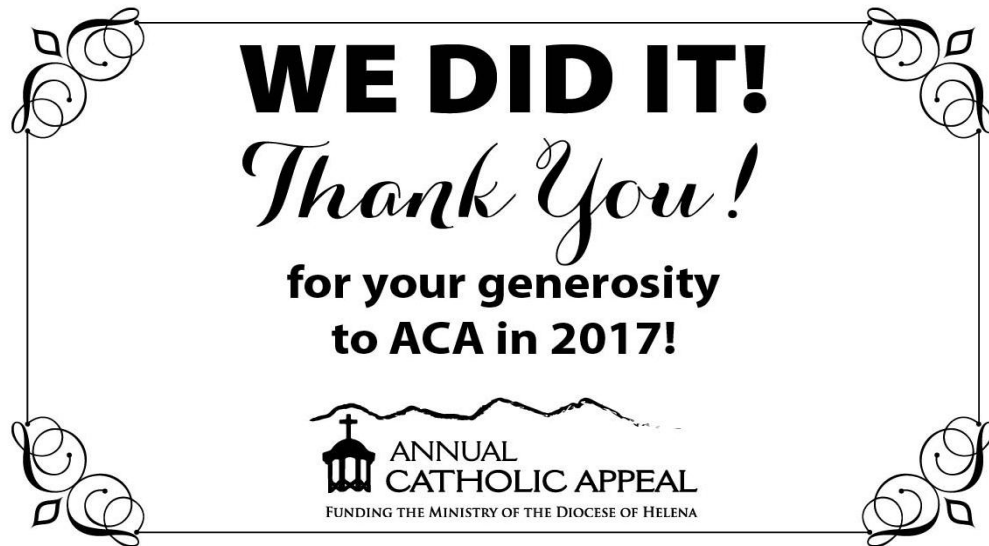
Sparrow's Nest of NW MT is a non-profit and 501 (c)(3) with a mission of providing safe and supportive housing for unaccompanied homeless high school students in the Flathead Valley. Our annual fundraiser **"When the Night Comes" is soon approaching. It will be held at St Peter Lutheran Church in Whitefish,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

If you would like to participate in the sleep out or volunteer for this event, please visit our website, sparrowsnestnwmmt.org, call **406-309-5196**, or email us at admin@sparrowsnestnwmmt.org.
for all the details and to sign up,



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.



St. Matthew's 6th Annual "Cookie Carousel"

Friday December 1st 5pm-9pm

This year we are a passport location on the Downtown Art Walk & Holiday Stroll
Saturday December 2nd 9:30am to 6pm, School Gym 602 S. Main Street Kalispell
Homemade Christmas Cookies and Candies; FREE Holiday Photo Booth!

Bring your camera or phone and take a selfie for Christmas!

-Visit with St. Nick

-Treats for Children 1pm-4pm Saturday

-Carousel Coffee Shop

Join us for a very EXCEPTIONALLY FUN time.

For more information call the office at 752-6303.

ENGAGEMENT ENCOUNTER

"Three to Get Married"

An overnight retreat for engaged couples will be held at Saint John Paul II
Catholic Church in Bigfork on Friday, January 26th, 2018.

Registration deadline is Monday, January 8th, 2018.

Online registration is available at: <https://www.showmyevent.com>
under the name "Three to Get Married".

For more information please call the Parish Office at 837-4846.

The Nazareth Page
A gospel meditation for the home
November 26th, 2017 – Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Matthew 25:31-46

One of our sons recently told me that he was interested in becoming a football referee. He was disgusted with what he called “terrible officiating” that he witnessed as a fan. As he saw it, the players and the fans deserved better. Accurate judgment on the part of umpires and referees is an important part of the world of sports. Nothing angers a fan more than “a bad call.”

In today’s gospel we are given the rules that will be applied to what we might call “the final game!” It’s also called “the Last Judgment.” It’s worth our close attention because we will be among those judged.

The scene is memorable. All those who ever lived are gathered in one place where the King will give a judgment as to who will enter the Kingdom of God that will last forever. The terms of judgment are quite surprising. In a sense, they relate to everything that was done during the lifetime of all those gathered. What might be most surprising is that the criteria of judgment mentioned nothing about religious activity, but focused rather on social actions.

And those actions seemingly may not have been thought about as that important. Like feeding the hungry, giving a drink to a thirsty person, providing clothing to someone who needed it, visiting the lonely and imprisoned, welcoming strangers. Many of these actions happen in some form every day, especially in families.

The “punch line” is one that makes most of us squirm. When you did any of these kinds of action to even the least among you, you did it to me. And who’s the “me” being referred to? It’s the judge, the Son of Man (a biblical reference to the Messiah, Jesus Christ). It’s God! Not surprisingly, no one seemed aware of this. Some were surprised and delighted to learn this while some were devastated because they often ignored those in need.

One of the take-aways from this description of the Last Judgment is that the game of life is always on. There are no time-outs or even two-minute warnings. And that even the smallest play can be very important in determining the final outcome.

David M. Thomas, PhD