
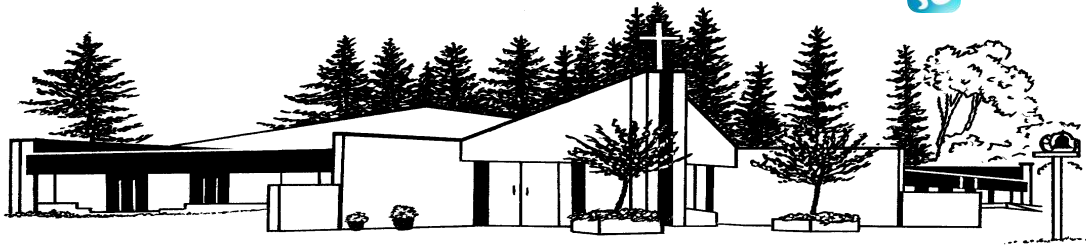


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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY	April 28, 2019
Saturday, April 27 , Mass for Monthly Intentions	5:00 pm
Sunday, April 28 , Mass for the Parish	9:30 am
Monday, April 29	No Mass
Tuesday, April 30 , Morning Prayer for Fr. Stan, 8:45 am	No Mass
Wednesday, May 1 , Mass for the Soul of Robert Menke, rb Paula Swaim	12:10 pm
Thursday, May 2 , Mass	9:00 am
Friday, May 3	No Mass

Ministry Schedule, May 4 & 5, 2019

MINISTRY	Saturday, 5:00 pm	Sunday, 9:30am
Plate Minister	Bert Eickert	Neil Heino
Cup Minister	Suzanne Johnson	Kathie Ackerly
	Deacon Floyd	Roger Ackerly
		Lilia Hattel
		Deacon Floyd
Lector	Paul Heath	Kim Wakefield
	Pati Heath	Bart Tobiason
Greeters	Kay McIsaac	First Communion Children
	Shannon Sommers	
Server	Mike O'Neil & Abby Mitchell	Ron Boespflug

DATES TO REMEMBER

APRIL	28	SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY and SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 9:10 am Catholic Home Mission Collection Breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus after Mass Divine Mercy Devotion..... 3:00 pm
	29-30	No Daily Mass Monday & Tuesday, April 29 & 30
	30	Morning Prayer for Fr. Stan 8:45 am Choir 7:30 pm Confirmation at St. Matthew Parish..... 7:00 pm
MAY	1	Luke: My Spirit Rejoices! - RENEW Scripture Series for Women 10:15 am CYRO BBQ Grades 7-12 6:30 pm
	4	Rosary 4:40 pm
	5	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER First Communion Rosary 9:10 am Valley Voices Concert 3:00 pm
	7	Choir 7:30 pm
	8	Luke: My Spirit Rejoices! - RENEW Scripture Series for Women 10:15 am
	9	Food and Fellowship, Nickel Charlies 11:30 am
	11	Rosary 4:40 pm
	12	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Mother's Day Rosary 9:10 am Coffee Hour after Mass

† FIRST COMMUNION.†

The Second Grade Religious Formation Class will be celebrating their First Communion next Sunday during Mass. Please include these children in your prayers:

Celia Baker, Luke Stein, Bartholomew Tobiason II, Bosley Wakefield

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Today we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. God's greatest desire is to forgive us, pouring out His infinite mercy upon us so that we may be *healed*. Women and men alike who have been involved in an abortion may feel deep grief, guilt, anxiety, depression, anniversary reactions to the date of the abortion or what would have been the baby's due date, broken relationships and a sense of alienation from God and Church. If this is you, we want you to know that your Church cares. Seek the Lord's mercy and healing through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Consider confidential, compassionate help from Project Rachel, a confidential Catholic ministry offering hope and healing to women and men hurting from past abortions. Visit the "Find Help" map on HopeAfterAbortion.org to find the diocesan ministry near you.

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.

April 20 & 21, 2019

Sunday Envelopes	\$265
Easter Envelopes	6383
Total	\$6648

“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.*

New this year: Friday, April 26, 6 PM, Rosary & Mass offered for Families
Cathedral of St. Helena, Saturday April 27, 2019 7 AM- 6 PM

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities. Your donations support programs, such as religious education, seminary formation, and lay ministry training, to build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. Find more information at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

SON LIGHT RAFFLE TICKETS

Raffle tickets for a 2019 Chevy Colorado Z71 Crew Cab 4WD V6 are available in the parish office for \$25.00 per ticket. Unbeatable odds of winning! Only 5,000 tickets will be sold!

All tickets sold by June 3 will qualify for the Early Bird Drawing. The parish designated on the ticket stub drawn will receive a Campership to offer one of their youth for the 2019 Legendary Lodge camp season. The pastor of the parish that sold the ticket and the ticket holder will each receive an early prize of \$100 and the ticket stub will be included in the final drawing for the grand prize!

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2019

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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
Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen
Karel & David & Terry Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
Clarice Luther, rb Bruce & Carol Trimble
Andy H. & Constance M. Visocan, rb Larry & Betty Visocan
Mike Geyer, rb Bruce & Carol Trimble
Ron Anderson, rb Andre Anderson
John Culliton, rb Larry & Betty Visocan
Bill Glidden, rb John & Connie Babb
Dennis Tobiason, Risen Christ Parish
Craig Sweetzer rb Diane Slobojan

FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Sherry Miller, rb John & Connie Babb
Fr. Stan's Immigration Status, rb Risen Christ Parish

REMEMBER OUR SEMINARIANS IN YOUR PRAYERS

Dillon Armstrong
Matthew Christiaens
Tyler Frohlich
Deacon Nathan Scheidecker
Kyle Tannehill

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

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Revelation 5:11-14
Acts 5:27-32, 40-41
John 21:1-19

Better for us to obey God than people.
Worthy is the Lamb that was slain.
Feed my sheep.

Blind patriotism is no patriotism at all. "My country, right or wrong" courts disaster. For the Christian, love of country must entail the love of truth, and our demanding of justice and ethical behavior from our leadership is the mark of a true patriot. Such is God's law.

Governmental authority is a postulate of the moral order and derives from God. Consequently, laws and decrees passed in contravention of the moral order, and hence of the divine will, can have no binding force in conscience, since "it is right to obey God rather than humanity." Indeed, the passing of such laws undermines the very nature of authority and results in shameful abuse. As St. Thomas teaches: "In regard to the second proposition, we maintain that human law has the rationale of law in so far as it is in accordance with right reason, and as such it obviously derives from eternal law. A law which is at variance with reason is to that extent unjust and has no longer the rationale of law. It is rather an act of violence."

◆Pacem in Terris, 51

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we hear it proclaimed that many "signs and wonders" were performed in public by Christ's followers, a demonstration that produced two results. First, the people of Jerusalem outside the Christian community were awed by what the disciples were performing. And in the midst of all this amazement, many were being converted. Good stewards know of the evangelizing power emanating from their daily acts of love, compassion, kindness and generosity. They believe that if they stay focused on Christ each day, every act has the power to transform a broken world. What "signs and wonders" will we perform today?

VALLEY VOICES CONCERT

Sunday, May 5, 3:00 pm at **Risen Christ Parish**

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.



THANK YOU

Our community changed lives this Lent, and CRS Rice Bowl wants to say THANK YOU! Risen Christ Parish collected \$1352. If you haven't yet turned in your CRS Rice Bowl you can place it in the collection basket during Mass or bring it to the office.



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.



RISEN CHRIST GIFT SHOP

Your Risen Christ Gift Ministry has gifts available for Confirmation, Baptism and First Communion such as small scapulars, cross necklaces, rosaries, key chains, and holy water fonts. Check it out for yourself! Please see Andrea Wright or Connie McCubbins before or after weekend Masses, or the office during the week.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR THE AGING

Agency on Aging Services Mission Statement: The mission of the Area IX Agency on Aging is to serve people by enabling persons 60 years of age and older to lead independent, meaningful and dignified lives. All of our services to accomplish these goals are on a donation basis. In other words, you pay what you can afford toward the cost of services. Information on the community resources is available in the parish office.

MARRIAGE MATTERS

Easter begins the season of Mercy! Have you ever wondered, "How do the Works of Mercy apply to family life?" God's beautiful plan for family allows the Works of Mercy to be practiced daily.

Corporal Works of Mercy:

- Give Drink to the thirsty; ever give your child a cold lemonade on a hot day?
- Feed the hungry; ever prepare dinner for the family?
- Visit the imprisoned; ever visit your child while he is in time out?
- Visit the sick; ever visit your sick child at 3am to make sure they are ok?
- Shelter the homeless; ever make a mortgage payment to provide the house you live in?
- Clothe the naked; ever give a baby a new diaper and onesie?
- Bury the dead: ever make sure a loved one receives proper burial?

SPARROW'S NEST OF NORTHWEST MONTANA

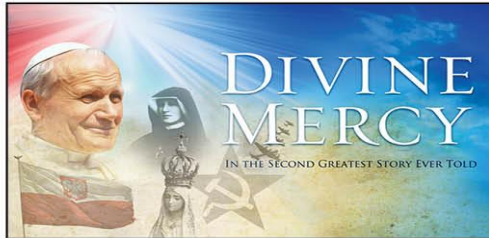
Come support Sparrow's Nest of Northwest Montana on **Friday, May 3rd from 5-8 pm at the Lodge on Whitefish Lake**. There will be music from Lauren Welch and Wai Mizutani, a live raffle and 15% of food and beverage sales in the Boat Club Lounge during the event will be donated to the organization.

We hope to see everyone there to support our incredible mission!

Divine Mercy

Experience the Power of God's Mercy

Join Fr. Michael Gaitley on a breathtaking journey to uncover the reality of God's merciful love as he weaves together history, Sacred Scripture, the prophetic apparitions of Fatima, and the world-changing witnesses of St. Faustina, St. Maximilian Kolbe, and Pope St. John Paul II.



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—Dan S., Milledgeville, GA



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Fr. Stan

The Nazareth Page
A gospel meditation for your home
April 28, 2019 – Second Sunday of Easter
John 20:19-31

I love this gospel because it always makes me smile. John's gospel sets the scene. The disciples of Jesus are in a locked room. No one is allowed entry because, let's face it, the disciples were afraid. Days before, their leader was arrested, tried and condemned to a terrible death. When political forces go after anyone, after they have taken out the leader, they often turn their attention to those closely associated with him. Historians report that the Romans killed thousands of suspected enemies in their occupied territories. And they also report that Jews were often their target.

So, for good reason the door to that room was firmly locked and the room's occupants were mighty scared. Then suddenly, Jesus is there with them. There was no fanfare, no warning, and mostly, no expectation that he would suddenly appear. When he appeared and greeted them with the words, "Peace be with you," I would not be surprised that the fear-level among them went through the ceiling. We have no record of any of those gathered passing out with increased fright, but it would not be surprising if that happened.

John reports that Jesus came to assure them first, that he was risen from the dead, and second, that God's Spirit would enter them and they would be the ones to continue the work of Jesus. While not obvious, perhaps, is that ALL who were in the room at the time, which must have included a variety of men and women, were given the charge of continuing God's involvement in human history that was begun with Jesus. Not some. All!

A secondary point is made about the absence and later presence of one of my favorites, Thomas. (No biological connection with me but hopefully we are directed by the same Spirit.) He serves an important role in the post-Easter events. He wants a certain kind of proof that the risen Christ is who he says he is, the one who was crucified. We know the scene and the evidence that he receives. He is then convinced. This is no hoax.

Further, John adds that blessed too are those who come later and don't actually see Christ as did his first disciples. John's gospel is the last one written. Scholars date it close to the year 100. So, the first listeners or readers of this gospel would be more than a half-century removed from the events described. John didn't want them to feel second-class. They too are blessed in their faith and hope in Jesus and all that was accomplished by him. And in the work that they did to live the gospel truths and spread its message to the ends of the earth.

David M. Thomas, PhD