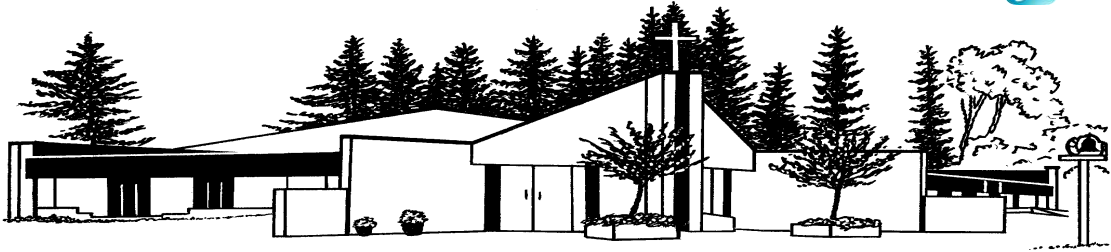


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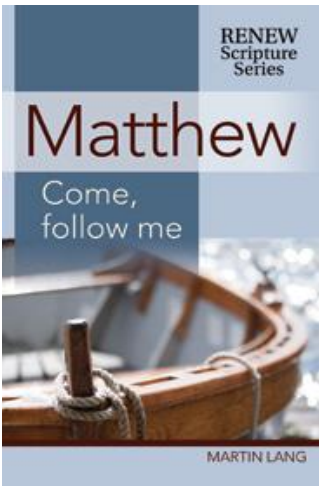
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 9, 2020
Saturday, February 8, Mass for February Intentions 5:00 pm
Sunday, February 9, Mass for the Parish 9:30 am
Monday, February 10, Mass 8:45 am
Tuesday, February 11, Mass for the Soul of Jerad Avery 8:45 am
Wed, February 12, Mass for the Soul of Patti Slack, rb Ron & Barb Raines 12:10 pm
Thursday, February 13, Mass 9:00 am
Friday, February 14 No Mass

Ministry Schedule, February 15 & 16, 2020

Ministry	Saturday, 5:00 pm	Sunday, 9:30 am
Minister of the Plate	Vicki Walbruch	Jamie Miller
Minister of the Cup	Sandy Eckelberry	Anne Mahoney
	Charlene Harman	Leah McGraw
		Neil Heino
		Deacon Floyd
Lector	Carol Jellison	TJ Higgins
	Jennifer Hescher	Kathy Shanahan
Greeter	Shannon Sommers & JeNeil Grace	Ron & Ginia Hauf
Server	Gary Hembd	Graham McGraw

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Feb. 9 **FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
- 11 Pastoral Council 5:00 pm
- KC Ladies Dinner 6:00 pm
- KC Meeting 6:30 pm
- Choir 7:30 pm
- 12 Ladies Scripture Study 10:15 – 11:45 am
- Religious Formation, Grades K-12..... 5:15 - 6:30 pm
- 13 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12:00 noon – 6:00 pm
- 14 - 15 CYRO Ski Retreat Whitefish Mountain Resort
- 16 **SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
- Parish Breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus after Mass
- 18 Choir 7:30 pm
- 19 Men’s Prayer Group 8:00 am
- Ladies Scripture Study 10:15 – 11:45 am
- Religious Formation, Grades K-12..... 5:15 - 6:30 pm
- 20 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12:00 noon – 6:00 pm
- 23 **SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
- 25 Choir 7:30 pm
- 26 Ladies Scripture Study 10:15 – 11:45 am
- ASH WEDNESDAY**, Mass 12:10 and 6:00 pm
- No Religious Formation
- 27 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12:00 noon – 6:00 pm



LADIES SCRIPTURE STUDY
EVERY WEDNESDAY 10:15 — 11:45 AM

This faith-sharing study covers the entire Gospel and includes reflections on the content of the Gospel and the unique account of the ministry, passion, and glorification of Jesus. Sharing questions and opportunities to apply the gospel message to daily life.

\$24.95 Study Book, Risen Christ will pay \$10 toward each book.

Scholarships are available. Facilitated by Pati Heath.

New Members Welcome! Call 249-8149 to sign up.

PARKING SPACES FOR SENIORS

Please leave the parking spaces bordering the building and the row just west of that for seniors or others who have trouble navigating our icy parking lot.

~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.

February 1 & 2, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	\$5,965
Building	\$304
Mass & Stole Gifts	\$95
Holy Day	\$60
Total	\$6,424

MARRIAGE MATTERS

It’s all about Heaven!

Today is World Marriage Day, and it could easily be called, “World Heaven Day”. Perhaps you have heard that the mission of marriage is to get your spouse to heaven, but that may sound like too much pressure.

In marriage, the greatest joys we experience are given to us as a foretaste of the life to come in heaven. The gift of intimacy, both verbal and physical, the gift of children, and every simple joy in between flows from heaven through the divine gift of marriage. Have you ever requested that a Mass be celebrated to honor your marriage? Check with your parish office to request a day (your anniversary, perhaps?) for Mass to be offered for you and your spouse.

God has a beautiful plan for marital happiness and every step taken to prioritize your marriage is a step toward heaven!

ST. MATTHEW’S 45TH ANNUAL BLUE & GOLD AUCTION

February 15, 2020 at 5:00 pm

Snowline Acres, 3315 Hwy 93 South, Kalispell

Tickets are on sale for \$75.

Visit St. Matthew school office or www.stmattsaints.org

Live & Silent Auctions, food, drinks, music & more!

Come support Catholic Education in the Flathead Valley

PLEASE REMEMBER RISEN CHRIST PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

MASS INTENTIONS

**FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2020
FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

**Howard and Lorraine Carter, rb Kimberly Carter
Jim Thomas, rb Bobbie Thomas
Poat & Roberts Family, rb Chris Beyer
Karel, David & Terry Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen
John & Michael Culliton, rb Larry & Betty Visocan
Ron Anderson, rb Andre Anderson
Jami Hoagland, rb Pete & Ann Hoagland
Ray E. Tracy, rb the Hutchens family
Mike Eaton, rb the Hutchens family**

**RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS
FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

**Shelley Hembd, Lavine Heuscher, Joe Riska, Sherry Miller, Michael Arace,
Bob Neitzling, Tim Slobojan, Larry Visocan, Mike Wright, Norma Coote
Carol Trimble, Audrey and Jerry Turner, Mike O'Neil, Jenny St.John
Fr. Stan's Immigration Status**

FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

**Dillon Armstrong, Matthew Christiaens
Tyler Frohlich, Kaleb Mitchell, Kyle Tannehill**

AN ACT OF HOPE

O my God, relying upon your infinite goodness and promises, I hope to obtain pardon for my sins, the help of Your grace, and life everlasting, through the merits of Jesus Christ my Lord and Redeemer. Amen.

~ Healing Prayers, Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

ADORATION

Present Ourselves to Jesus in Adoration

Near him we will find peace if we have lost it, strength to finish well the work at hand, and joy in the service of others. What shall we do, you ask, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament? Love him, adore him, thank him and ask him. What does a poor man do in the presence of a rich man? A sick man in the presence of a doctor? One who is thirsty at the sight of a crystal-clear fountain? As we celebrate Our Lady of Lourdes feast day on 2/11, remember that Mary is always at her Son's side even during Adoration, and by our side. Join us in Adoration on Thursdays from 12:00 -6:00pm. Check with Eveline at 260-6679 to commit to a time slot or if you have any questions.

READINGS FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 16, 2020

Sirach 15: 15-20 It is loyalty to do God's will.

1 Cor. 2:6-10 What we utter is God's wisdom.

Matthew 5:17-37 I have come not to abolish the law and the prophets but to fulfill them.

~ QUESTION OF THE WEEK ~

“Does the Church advise against marrying a non-Catholic?”

The Church encourages marriages between Catholics and warns against the added difficulties that can accompany “mixed” marriages (marriages between a Catholic and a baptized non-Catholic) and what are called marriages with “disparity of cult” (marriages between a Catholic and a non-baptized person) (CCC 1633).

There are serious dangers in a mixed marriage. The couple risks bringing the issues of Christian disunity into their marriage and family life. Catholics and non-Catholic Christians often have profound differences on matters of doctrine, morality, sacramental worship, and church practice that can pose grave problems, especially with respect to raising children. Problems are even more severe when Catholics and non-Christians marry (2 Cor 6:14; CCC 1634).

Here is another reason to avoid a mixed marriage: When a Catholic marries a non-Catholic, the *Catholic* might have a more difficult time practicing his or her faith. The two people are not taking advantage of the most valuable marital resources available: God and His Church. When questions of morality, finances, the raising of children, or other important issues arise, the spouses may approach the problem from different perspectives. This can even happen to two Protestant Christians who worship in different denominations.

Because the Church has two-thousand years of collective wisdom on this topic, it knows the challenges and sacrifices that couples face. When both parties have a devotion to the Eucharist and to Our Lady and take advantage of frequent confession, they are well equipped to handle problems due to the special grace that comes their way.

Catholics need the express permission of Church authorities to lawfully marry a non-Catholic Christian and the same to validly marry a non-Christian (CCC 1635). For more information, you should speak to your pastor. Matthew J Pinto, Did Adam & Eve have Belly Buttons

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Christians have a duty to be politically active, to register and vote, to lobby and educate candidates and elected officials, and to speak up about the issues that affect the common good. The Church does not set up the voting booths, but when we go into the voting booths, we don't cease to be members of the Church! If we don't shape public policy according to moral truths, why do we believe that moral truth at all?”

Fr. Frank Pavone, Director, Priests for Life



**Mark Your Calendar for Two
Knights of Columbus Gastronomic Events**

Join us on **Sunday, February 16th** after Mass for our "Inaugural New Kitchen" Breakfast of French Toast, Sausage Links, Eggs, Fruit, Juice, and Coffee with all proceeds above the cost going to the new Flathead Warming Center. Yes, we take care of each other in the Flathead. Look them up on Facebook.

"Leap into the New Decade," with our special 5-course French Dinner on **Saturday, February 29th** immediately following Mass. This \$15.00 reservation required evening is sure to delight even the most discerning Francophile. All proceeds above the cost will go in support of Camp Ponderosa Veterans Retreat Center.



Help The Knights of Columbus Help Others!

SAVE THE DATE

Helena Catholic Women's Conference

"Come To Me"

Matthew 11:28

Jesus is in the Healing Business

Friday, April 17th @ 6:00 pm

RETROUVAILLE

Matrimony: A calling to forgive! "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."

Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and, with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. The next Retrouvaille weekend is on **February 21-23, 2020, at the Ursuline Centre, Great Falls.** For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit our website: www.HelpOurMarriage.com

FOR OUR YOUTH

High School Ski Retreat

"He restores my Soul", Psalm 23:3

February 14-15th, Right here in the Flathead Valley!

Check with your RE leader or contact Fred Woelkers C.Y.R.O. Coordinator at fwoelkers@gmail.com or, 406-750-2498

LEGENDARY LODGE 2020 Registration is open, go to legendarylodge.org

THANK YOU

Dear Friends in Christ,

Thank you so much for your 2019 donation of \$100.00! We count ourselves incredibly blessed that you partnered with us to address the issue of homelessness in 2019.

Thank you for your generosity.
Samaritan House, Chris Krager, Director

WORD OF LIFE

“As disciples of Jesus, we are called to become neighbors to everyone (cf. Lk. 10:29-37), and to show special favor to those who are poorest, most alone and most in need. In helping the hungry, the thirsty, the foreigner, the naked, the sick, the imprisoned – as well as the child in the womb and the old person who is suffering or near death – we have the opportunity to serve Jesus.”

FATHERS FORMING FAITHFUL SONS AND STRONG FAMILIES

With Saint Joseph in patience and humility.

Presented by Father Joe Paddock Parochial Vicar at Little Flower, Browning
March 5 - 7, 2020 at The Sycamore Tree.

For more information or to register, please call or email Michelle Jenkins
at 406-754-2429 or email@sycamoretreeretreat.org

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In this weekend's readings and psalm, the prevailing theme is that of light: We are the light of the world; our light breaks forth like the dawn; our light shines in the darkness; our light reflects generosity and justice. Good stewards know they are the lamp, and Christ is the flame that, through them, illuminates the earth. They know that they carry Christ's light in their hearts, and let it shine through their words and deeds. What are we doing to shine Christ's light on the hungry, the homeless and others most in need of God's mercy? How do we exercise good stewardship over the light of Christ that burns within each of us?

SAMARITAN HOUSE

The Samaritan House is asking for warm coats and boots for their homeless people. If you have some that are no longer used, they would be happy to receive them. If you are unable to take them to Samaritan House, you can bring them to the church.

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:

Judy Stack, 752-4411 and Vicki Walbruch, 758-0170



HOUSEKEEPING

We want everyone to feel welcome, especially those who are new to our parish, and any visitors.

- Enjoy singing and following along with the liturgy sheet that you received at the door.
- Please remember to silence your cell phones.
- If you have little ones who love to play and be active, and if you must leave Mass with your child, please go to the social area where you will be able to participate in the entire Mass and your children will be more comfortable.



RISEN CHRIST PRAYER LINE

Call Lavine Heuscher at 406-752-4007 should you or someone you know need prayer. The Risen Christ Prayer Line is in place to pray for the needs of our families, friends, or our community intentions. You are also invited to join us in this important ministry. Please call for more information.

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Romans 2:12

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.



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.

LITTLE ANGEL!

Little Johnny's new baby brother was screaming up a storm.

Johnny asked his mom, "Where'd he come from?"

"He came from heaven, Johnny."

Johnny responded: "Wow! I can see why they threw him out!"

PICK OF THE WEEK

Bernadette

St. Bernadette and the Apparitions
of Our Lady of Lourdes



Shot on location in France, this film is highly recommended by the Vatican as a “sensitive portrayal of a very moving story that deserves a wide audience,” and was chosen to be shown daily at the shrine in Lourdes to retell the epic story.

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Fr. Stan

The Nazareth Page
A gospel meditation for your home
February 9, 2020 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 5:13-16

Turn on the light and please pass the salt. These requests, while typical in today's homes, packed extra meaning in the time of Jesus. First, something about light. Jesus lived a long time before Thomas Edison invented the light bulb. After the sun set in First Century Israel, people would light a fire or a candle to see. In the dark it could be dangerous. Customary daily activities had to stop. Think of the panic we experience when the power goes off in our homes.

So, when Jesus was called "the light of the world," people immediately knew the meaning of such a reference. So too when Jesus said that they were to be a light to the world. In a sense, the world immediately around us was be illuminated by their presence.

And what about the reference to salt? Today we are told to be careful about how much salt we take into our bodies. Science tells us we need a modest amount of salt for certain critical bodily functions to work well. But not too much. A saltshaker on the table contains enough salt for the family for weeks.

While salt does not seem that important today, this was not true during the time of Jesus. During his time salt was needed to preserve food. Fish, meat and produce were all salted so they would not spoil. Historians tell us that most major pre-historic populations were established near sources of salt. Salt was widely used in commerce as currency. Most major religions used salt in their rituals.

In brief, light and salt were necessities for life. Jesus could not have chosen better images to underscore the importance of living a genuine holy and God-inspired life. We are to dedicate ourselves to preserving life and enhancing it by our good deeds. Plain and simple, yet of central importance.

The effect of light and salt are due to the way both are *active* ingredients of making life better for others. This invitation of Jesus dispels any idea that being his disciple involves simply a passive response as his follower. Some organizations require of their members that they only pay their dues. While fuller participation in the organization's life is welcome, it's not required. Just pay your dues. Christianity is not like that. Membership in the church as a disciple (which we all are) places demands on us. To be light and salt, to enlighten others and season their lives by our love is an everyday challenge. And in that "giving" of ourselves, we will be doing what Christ did, day by day.

David M Thomas, PhD