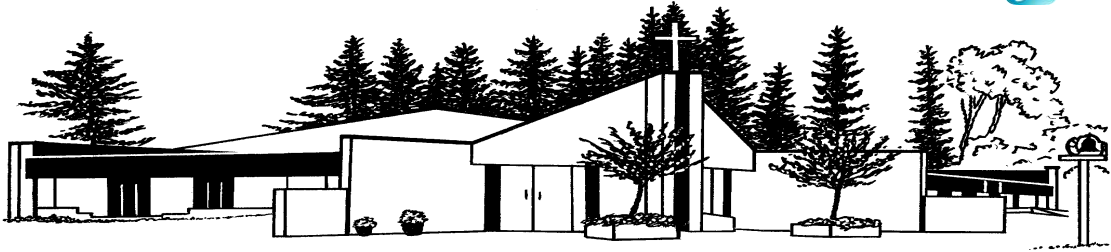

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER **May 10, 2020**
Saturday, May 9, Mass for May Intentions..... **5:00 pm**
Sunday, May 10, Mass for the Parish **9:30 am**
Mon, May 11, Mass for the Soul of Nancy Ann Lucker, rb Tim & Diane Slobojan **8:45 am**
Tuesday, May 12, Mass for the Soul of Patti Slack, rb Rosco Keller..... **8:45 am**
Wednesday, May 13, Mass for the Soul of Terry Barrett, rb Ken Barrett **12:10 pm**
Thursday, May 14, Mass for the Soul of Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen **9:00 am**
Friday, May 15 **No Mass**

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

BULLETIN QUOTES

“O blessed Mother; you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties.”
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers”

DATES TO REMEMBER

May	9	Rosary	4:40 pm
	10	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	
		MOTHER'S DAY	
		Rosary	9:10 am
	12	Choir.....	7:30 pm
	14	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	12:00 noon – 5:00 pm
	16	Rosary	4:40 pm
	17	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	
		Rosary	9:10 am
	19	Choir.....	7:30 pm
	21	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	12:00 noon – 5:00 pm
	23	Rosary	4:40 pm
	24	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	
		Rosary	9:10 am
	26	Choir.....	7:30 pm
	28	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	12:00 noon – 5:00 pm
	30	Rosary	4:40 pm
	31	PENTECOST SUNDAY	
		Rosary	9:10 am
June	4	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	12:00 noon – 5:00 pm
	7	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	

~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.

May 2 & 3, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	\$5049
Building Maintenance Envelopes	100
Mass & Stole Gifts	100
Total	\$5249

Samaritan House is in need of laundry soap

You can either bring it to Samaritan House or to the church and we will deliver.

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2020

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FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

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**Howard and Lorraine Carter, rb Kimberly Carter
Pete & Jami Hoagland, rb Ann Hoagland
Jim Thomas, rb Bobbie Thomas
Poat & Roberts Family, rb Chris Beyer
Karel & David & Terry Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
John & Michael Culliton, rb Larry & Betty Visocan
Andy H. & Constance M. Visocan, rb Larry & Betty Visocan
Daniel & Catherine Callahan, rb Dan & Rosemary Brockman
Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen
Doris Sloan, rb Risen Christ Parish
Pete Hoagland, rb Risen Christ Parish**

SPECIAL INTENTION

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Rose Stopp, rb Charlotte Boyland

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

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**Shelley Hembd, Lavine Heuscher, Michael Arace
Joe Riska, Sherry Miller, Bob Neitzling, Tim Slobojan
Larry Visocan, Audrey and Jerry Turner, Mike Wright
Fr. Stan's Immigration Status**

FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

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

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT, FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

In the reading from the Acts of the Apostles we see how the first community of Christians gathered together to discern and resolve how to care for each other's needs. As good stewards of the sisters and brothers who gathered around the Eucharistic table, the community of faith selected those among them who were to ensure that no one was neglected. How are we helping to serve the needs of our parish family? How do we ensure that those who might be perceived to be the least of our brothers and sisters are not left alone and neglected during these unsettling times?

READINGS FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 17, 2020

Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17

The Holy spirit came down upon the new believers.

1 Peter 3:15-18

It is better to suffer for good deeds than for evil ones.

John 14: 15-21

Jesus speaks about the coming of the Spirit.

~ QUESTION OF THE WEEK ~

**“What is considered a valid Catholic marriage in the eyes of the Catholic Church?
Does the ceremony need to be officiated by a priest?”**

There are several components that need to be present in order for a marriage to be valid. They are “capacity,” “consent,” and “form.” If one of these is missing, for either of the two parties, the marriage is not valid. Let me explain each:

“Capacity” is the *ability* to get married. Impediments that would go against capacity include one’s age or being already married (CCC 1625).

“Consent” is the act of freely giving oneself to the other. The two people must *mean* the words they are saying in the ceremony. If someone is planning not to allow the children to be raised Catholic or planning to “try out” marriage to see if it works, he or she is not consenting fully, and the marriage would probably be invalid. Psychological immaturity or a gross misunderstanding of the nature of marriage are also conditions that may hinder one’s valid consent. Many annulments have been granted in recent years because of a lack of consent by at least one of the two parties (CCC 1628).

“Form” is the issue of *how* the marriage is contracted. A marriage before a justice of the peace is not valid for a Catholic. A marriage without an official representative of the Church (that is, a priest or deacon) and two witnesses would not be valid (CCC 1630-31).

The book 100 Answers to Your Questions on Annulments (Ascension Press) by Dr. Edward Peters, a canon and civil lawyer, offers clear answers on marriage and annulments. If you want more specifics, this is the book for you.

Matthew J Pinto, Did Adam & Eve Have Belly Buttons



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<https://www.kofc.org/en/members/online-membership/index.html#/>

or call Wally: 406-758-0170 for more details.

CHARITY, UNITY, FRATERNITY & PATRIOTISM

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Your Pastoral Council is always interested in your concerns. The Council represents the interests and needs of the entire Parish community. Take your questions about the future of the parish, your hopes and needs, to a Pastoral Council member:

Linda Zimmerman, 361-946-6055 and Ken Barrett, 755-0269

STARVING PAINTER

Poor Leroy had fallen on hard times. He lost his job at the fertilizer plant, his wife had left him, his unemployment had run out, and he was evicted from his apartment. He packed what little he had in a knapsack, made a little sign that read "Will work for food" and set off down the road on foot.

Toward the middle of the day, he came to a farmhouse. He was getting very hungry, and so he knocked on the front door. A woman answered, and Leroy explained his situation, and how he could do most anything and how hungry he was.

At first the woman wanted no part of Leroy, but he persisted. Finally she asked "Can you paint?"

"Oh yes, ma'am," Leroy said, "I sure can paint. I've done a lot of painting. Just let me show you." The woman relented, found a can of paint and a brush and said, "You go around back and paint the porch, and I'll fix you dinner." Happily, Leroy went to work.

About 40 minutes later, Leroy appeared at the front door. "Are you finished so soon?" asked the woman.

"Oh yes, ma'am," said Leroy, "but I think you ought to know that's not a Porsche, it's a Volvo."

STRENGTH AND GUIDANCE PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank you for your faithfulness throughout the generations. Your word says that, although people plan their course in their hearts, it is you who establishes our steps. Give me strength and guidance for everything that lies before me. Whatever I do today, your loving eye is on me and you have promised to guide me. Help me to fix my eyes on you as I run the race of life. Help me to walk by faith and not by sight. Strengthen me through your Holy Spirit. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

FINANCE COUNCIL

Our Finance Council members are: **Roger Ackerly, Peg Gebhardt, Christopher Gill, Loren Vranish, Wally Walbruch, and John Gunnerson**

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.

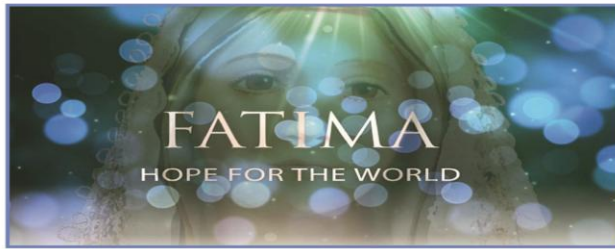


RISEN CHRIST GIFT SHOP



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.

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK



FATIMA Hope for the World

This 13-part video series tells the story of Fatima from the Marian apparitions in 1917 through the 20th century and how the world has responded.

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Fr. Stan

The Nazareth Page
A gospel meditation for your home
May 10, 2020 – Fifth Sunday of Easter
John 14:1-12

Over the years, many books have been published summarizing “the greatest” of this or that. Like “Greatest short stories” or “Greatest sayings” or “Greatest poems.” And now with the sports world mostly shut down, we are offered on TV “Greatest Super Bowls” or “Greatest fights of the century” or “Greatest blunders in baseball.” Since we are so limited now, it’s good to be able to see the greatest of something.

If we were to list “the Greatest sayings of Jesus,” a passage from this Sunday’s gospel would likely qualify. It is this: “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will also know the Father.”

Are there more important words in the New Testament? Of course, there are many gospel passages that are worth our serious consideration. But none are greater than this one. It is definitely worth our effort to think about these words of Jesus. And to assist us in this task, perhaps it might be helpful to restate the first sentence this way: I am the way to the truth of your life.

One of the greatest spiritual books ever written was called *The Imitation of Christ*. And while the saints are given to us as guides for our lives, Jesus is the primary example of a life well-lived, a holy life. Jesus offers us the best example of how to live. Not only by his words, but even more importantly, by his example.

He lived the truth of what it meant to be fully human and fully alive. And to live as God desired us to live our lives. For instance, Jesus accepted others in all their uniqueness, especially those who were dismissed or side-lined by society. He reached out to anyone suffering or in need. There was no limit to his generosity, his willingness to help, his concern for everyone. He once said in the same gospel that the greatest love is when one gives her or his life for another. As did he.

We are now passing through perhaps some of the most challenging times of our lives. Many have given exceptional service to the victims of the Covid-19 pandemic. Many have put their own lives in jeopardy to help others survive. While it is rarely mentioned, I do so here. They are living the truth of the way that Jesus called all of us to do.

David M. Thomas, PhD

I am pleased to announce that Risen Christ Parish will hold in-person services this coming weekend, May 9th & 10th for approximately 50 to 65 people in our church and in the social area total. These numbers are in compliance with the phased opening of churches in Montana for public service..

We, at Risen Christ want to make sure that everybody in our church is safe to worship, therefore we have a protocol of how to accommodate everyone who would like to come for our services this weekend and in the future.

I would like to remind you that you are still dispensed from your Sunday obligation to attend Mass. You still can attend Mass via live stream by Bishop Vetter on the Diocesan website, or EWTN television Mass and you can receive Spiritual Communion during those Masses. You should not come to Mass if you don't feel safe and comfortable. If you are in the category of vulnerable people, you are excused from coming as well.

Vulnerable individuals are defined as people over 65 years of age; people with serious underlying conditions including: high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, diabetes, obesity and asthma and people whose immune system is compromised such as by chemotherapy, cancer or other conditions requiring such therapy.

I remind everyone that if you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, you should remain at home. Symptoms are: cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing or at least two of the following: chills, shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat and loss of taste or smell.

I would like you to feel welcome in our church and would like you to consider using your home restroom prior to coming to Mass. Ours will be disinfected after each use and should be used only for emergencies. Please remain quiet in the entrance and social area as we will be keeping the main church doors open. During the month of May, the rosary will be prayed 20 minutes before Mass begins.

After each Mass our newly formed cleaning team will ensure that all surfaces in the church and in the social area, including our chairs will be disinfected. If you would like to join our cleaning team, please remain after Mass.

Please continue to keep social distancing by using the rows marked with blue tape. Family units can sit together with 3 chairs between you and the next person or family. After Mass, please leave the church in silence with no socializing until you are outside.

Please consider to wear a face mask. This is not required but it is advised. If you would like to wear a mask and don't have one with you, we have some available. Please take it home and keep it as your own.

When you come to Mass, a member of our security team will give you a Liturgy sheet, which you should dispose of in the container by the door as you leave, and they will usher you to appropriate seating if needed. We will keep the seat next to the center isle vacant to social distance during Communion.

Instead of passing the collection basket, please place your donation in the basket on the table at the back of the church.

During Communion, there will be a single line. Please stay six feet from the person in front of you – marked by tape on the floor. Fr. Stan will be the only person distributing communion and it can only be received in the hand.

We celebrate daily Mass, open to the public on our regular schedule. If you would feel safer to participate in daily Mass, feel free to come. These Masses usually have smaller attendance. All of the safety measures will apply to these Masses as well.

I really appreciate your patience and your willingness to comply and I'll do my best to keep you updated on future changes.

I remember you in my prayers, Fr. Stan