# **RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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### Website: <u>www.risenchristkalispell.org</u> Formed Catechetical Resources: <u>www.risenchristkalispell.formed.org</u>

Father Stanislaw Rog, Parish Administrator Deacon Floyd McCubbins, 471-4379, deaconfloydmc@yahoo.com Heidi Durbin, Religious Formation Coordinator, Grades K-6 Mike Hanson & Rick Nease, Youth Ministers, Grades 7-12: Maryruth Fallon, Music Director Sandy Carter, Office Manager ~ Rose Hall, Office Assistant Curtis Gomes, Maintenance

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENTFebruary 28, 2021Sat., Feb. 27, Mass for Monthly Intentions.5:00 pmSun., Feb. 28, Mass for the Parish9:30 amMon., Mar. 1 , Mass for the Soul of James Fennelly, rb Theresa West8:45 amTues., Mar. 2, Mass for the Soul of Shelley Hembd, rb Gary Hembd8:45 amWed., Mar. 3, Mass for the Soul of Ray "Topper" Tracy, rb Hutchen family12:10 pmThurs., Mar. 4, Mass for the Souls of Martha & Robert Anderson, rb Wright family .9:00 amFri., Mar. 5No Mass

#### FINANCE COUNCIL

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

#### 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:

Mark Fredenberg, 756-6142, Jovita Kottraba, 212-8461, Judy Stack, 752-4411, Ken Barrett, 755-0269, Jamie Miller, 257-9636, Vicki Walbruch, 758-0170

> Sacrament of Baptism by appointment Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, 3:45 to 4:30

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

| 28 | SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT   |
|----|---|
|    | Chaplet of Divine Mercy9:10 am  |
|    | Evening Prayer for Vocations, Priesthood, & Religious Orders6:30 pm   |
| 3  | Ladies' Scripture Study 10:15 – 11:45 am                              |
|    | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, after 12:10 pm Mass until 3:00 pm |
|    | Religious Formation K-6 4:30 – 5:45 pm                                |
|    | Youth Group   |
| 5  | Stations of the Cross   |
| 6  | Chaplet of Divine Mercy4:40 pm  |
| 7  | THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT  |
|    | Chaplet of Divine Mercy9:10 am  |
|    | Evening Prayer for COVID patients & their Caregivers                  |
| 9  | Knights of Columbus Ladies, Evergreen Applebee's6:00 pm               |
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#### **OUR LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES**

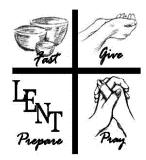
Evening Prayer—Vespers Sundays during Lent — 6:30 PM

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Prayed 20 minutes before each Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Each Wed. after 12:10 Mass until 3:00 PM

Each Friday evening, 7:00 PM

Penance Service with Individual Confession Date to be announced



#### Ministry Schedule for March, 2021

| DATE    | LECTOR       | SAFETY AND SECURITY    |
|---------|--------------|------------------------|
| Mar. 6  | Anne Mahoney | Mike O'Neil/Rick Nease |
| Mar. 7  | Betty Heino  | Ron Bauer/Neil Heino   |
| Mar. 13 | Pati Heath   | Ken Barrett/Dick Frisk |
| Mar. 14 | Jim Galvin   | Mike Wright/BJ Hattel  |

#### ~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 20 & 21, 2021 Sunday Envelopes \$4,920 Building Envelopes 70 Ash Wednesday Envelopes 800 Mass & Stole Gifts 25 Holy Day 20 Total \$5,835



#### Join the Knights of Columbus Council 8329 & Make a Difference!

Join the Knights of Columbus Council #8329 on-line. Now until June 30th, 2021, enter Promo Code MCGIVNEY2020 for 12 months of free online membership: https://www.kofc.org/ or call Wally: 406-758-0170 for more details.

#### Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism

#### 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 parking lot in the event of it being icy.

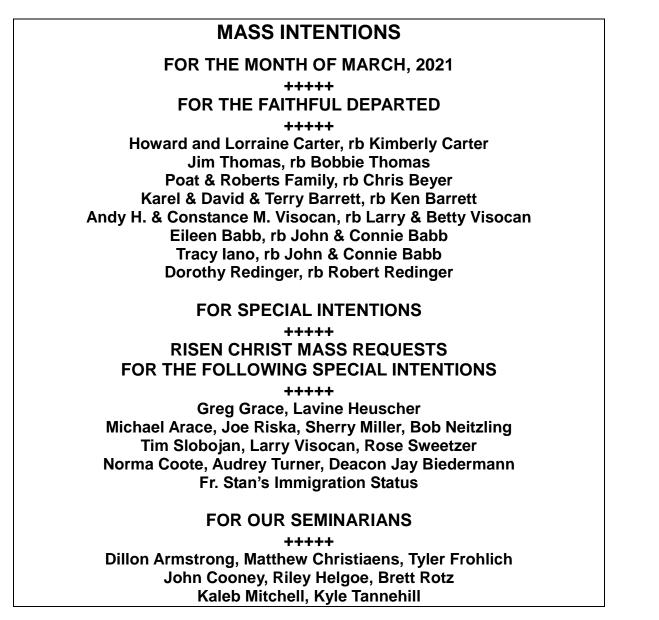
#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during Lent beginning after the Ash Wednesday Mass. Adoration time will be every Wednesday after Mass during Lent until 3:00 pm.

Jesus gives us graces and blessings through this wonderful devotion. Your time in adoration will never be wasted, and you'll never give up more than you get. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament flows from the sacrifice of the Mass and serves to deepen our hunger for Communion with Christ and the rest of the Church.

#### DAILY LENT PRAYER

"Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall declare your praise."



#### THANK YOU FROM FR. RUDY

To my sisters and brothers in Christ: Many thanks for your prayers, emails, cards and letters during my recent illness. Words cannot express how precious they have been to me.

Your prayers have been answered. I am home and feeling better than I have in several years. You remain in my heart, my thoughts, and my prayers!

May God bless you always!

## **READINGS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

March 7, 2021

Exodus 17:3-7 Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 John 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

#### PRACTICE OF HOPE

When we refuse to believe in the unlimited mercy of God, we are like the Samaritan woman. Our refusal may stem from an unwillingness to associate ourselves intimately with something so foreign in its total acceptance and goodness. Jesus brings hope with his words "whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." Become in him: this can occur only when the love of God meets acceptance in the human heart.

Today, ask: What sins am I holding on to as being unforgivable?

Find one positive action you can accomplish this week that gives you hope.

The Second Vatican Council's *Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World* (*Gaudium et spes*) begins by stating that the joys and hopes, the griefs and anxieties of others are the joys and hopes, the griefs and anxieties of others of the followers of Christ. What does this mean to you?

#### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

40 Days for Life Spring Campaign is through Palm Sunday. Our last parish sponsored date, March 13.

For those unable to participate in the Vigil, you may participate in prayer and fasting for an end to abortion and a respect for all life from conception to its natural death. This can be done anywhere, anytime.

#### CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY SIGN-UP We still have open times for March 21' April 10 & 11

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed 20 minutes prior to Saturday and Sunday Masses during Lent. This is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Please sign up at the desk located in front of the parish office if you would like to lead the Chaplet.

#### **A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT**

The gospel story of the transfiguration of Jesus holds many lessons; the most prominent being the transformation of Jesus from simply being perceived as a wise and gifted prophet to the one who has fulfilled the sacred traditions of the Mosaic law and the hope of the prophets, the Messiah, the Christ. The Lord calls his stewards to participate in His redemptive activity. Heeding this call requires transformation, being willing to renounce patterns of behavior that draw us away from God. In this coming week of Lent, let us pray for the grace to be transformed, so that by our goodness and generosity, we may walk more authentically in the footsteps of Jesus.

#### **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.

#### 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.

#### QUESTIONS ALL CATHOLICS SHOULD KNOW THE ANSWER TO

1. This sacrament is the first sacrament because it is the door to the Church and no other sacrament can be received without it. What sacrament is it?

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- A. Anointing of the sick
- B. Baptism
- C. Holy Eucharist
- 2. What is the only domesticated animal not mentioned in the Bible?
- A. A donkey
- B. A cow
- C. A cat
- 3. The word Eucharist means:
- A. Thanksgiving
- B. Heavenly
- C. Bread
- D. Sacrifice

ANSWERS: 1 B., 2. C. 3, A.

Source: Catholic-link.org

#### ST. CASIMIR - FEAST DAY MARCH 4

Born in Krakow, Casimir was the son of Casimir IV, king of Poland and grand duke of Lithuania, and Elizabeth of Austria. From a young age, he was concerned with the integrity and justice of his father's rule. He worked to ensure the fair treatment and aid of the poor and less fortunate. He was called the Patron of the Poor because of his love for others and charitable works. Casimir was known to be a humble and approachable man, traits that were not always synonymous with rulers at the time.

Known for his refusal to take up arms, personal piety, generosity to the poor and devotion to the Blessed Mother, he rejected the idea of marrying in favor of voluntary chastity. During a visit to Lithuania, he fell ill, died from tuberculosis at the age of 25 and was buried in the cathedral in Vilnius. Canonized in 1521, he is the patron of Poland and Lithuania.

PRAYER TO ST. CASIMIR: Saint Casimir, help us to remember that our true King is Jesus Christ and always serve him with joy and love. Help us to turn to our true Father for guidance and protection. Amen. Source: USCCB.org

#### **RISEN CHRIST GIFT SHOP – CHECK OUT OUR GREAT GIFTS!**

Looking for an amazing gift that gives back? We have many gifts that are sure to bring blessings to the recipients! We have gift solutions for any occasion. There are 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.

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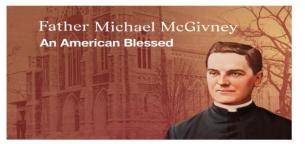
## PICK OF THE WEEK

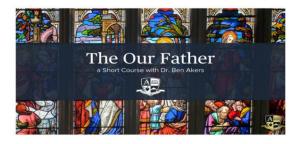
#### February 28, 2021

WATCH

#### FATHER MICHAEL MCGIVNEY: AN AMERICAN BLESSED In May 2020, Pope Francis

approved a miracle attributed to the intercession of Fr. Michael McGivney, paving the way for his beatification. This new documentary highlights Fr. McGivney's fraternal charity, evangelization, and empowerment of the laity.





#### JESUS: THE MODEL AND MASTER OF PRAYER

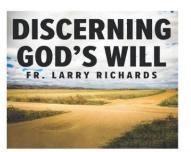
In this episode of his course on the Our Father, Dr. Ben Akers teaches us what we can learn from the perfect model and master of prayer: Jesus himself.

LEARN



#### **DISCERNING GOD'S WILL BY FR. LARRY RICHARDS** Discovering the will of God can be an intimidating challenge in the spiritual life.

Intimidating challenge in the spiritual life. Join Fr. Larry Richards as he guides us in this task through practical advice and personal stories!



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## The Nazareth Page A gospel meditation for your home February 28, 2021 – Second Sunday of Lent Mark 9:2-10

Today's gospel reminds us of two things. First of all, in the end, all will be well. Not only will Jesus be "transfigured" as he once was, but so will we. To know and experience the details of that we will have to wait until after we die and go to that next wonderful place.

Second, before we can fully enjoy life after death, we must accept the challenges of living life here on earth. Although we may desire full happiness and bliss with God right now, we first have to live here on earth with all its joys and sufferings. Minute by minute, day by day.

The disciples who witnessed the transfiguration of Jesus were quite amazed. I like the word, "dazzled." Like those 'better than average" moments of our life right now, we want the feelings of excitement and full satisfaction to last. We want permanent residence atop that mountain of bliss.

But Jesus is clear. We must first descend the heights to everyday life, although we should also keep our eyes on the prize, as Dr. Martin Luther King used to say. So, in the middle of Lent, which is our personal desert time, we accept our lives with a kind of binary vision. We live each day as fully as we can, valuing each passing moment. While at the same time, we look forward to life everlasting. And here's an additional thought: God is present to us here and God will be present to us there. Now and forever. Like the ending to the Hail Mary prayer puts it: Pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.

When I was a vowed religious in the seminary years ago, I was told that I was "leaving the world" to live fully with God. While this idea had its appeal to my youthful idealism, I soon learned that the world came right through the door of the seminary with me. I eventually learned that the world was not all bad. In fact, I often thought of the gospel passage that began with the phrase, "God so loved the world." Most Christians know the rest.

I also learned about the heresy of dualism. That some things in life were believed bad and some were good. For instance, that physical pleasure was evil – or at least, dangerous. Or that worldly activities, like partaking of delicious food and beverages, were to be mostly avoided. That the pleasure of friendship was dangerous. Or that one should be detached from material possessions. Eventually, I was taught a "both-and" understanding. That "the world" was basically good, although also somewhat flawed and incomplete. Both the mountaintop and the life on flat land were good. And important. David M. Thomas, PhD



# 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.

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# CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 2021

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