#### RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD March 28, 202 Saturday, March 27, Mass for Monthly Intentions 5:00 pr Sunday, March 28, Mass for the Parish 9:30 ar Monday, March 29, Mass for the Int of Father Stan, rb Diana Hartung 8:45 an Tuesday, March 30, Mass for the Soul of Shelley Hembd, rb Wright Family 8:45 an Wed., March 31, Mass for the Soul of Virginia Hanson, rb Mike Hanson 12:10 pr	n n n
THE EASTER TRIDUUM	
Holy Thursday, April 1  Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper	m m m m

There will be no Sacrament of Reconciliation on Holy Saturday, April 3 There will be no weekday Mass from Monday, April 5 to Thursday, April 8

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

March	28	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD		
		Chaplet of Divine Mercy9:10 am		
		Evening Prayer for Sanctity of Life6:30 pm		
	31	Ladies' Scripture Study		
		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, after 12:10 pm Mass until 3:00 pm		
		Religious Formation K-6 & Youth GroupNO CLASSES		
April	4	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD		
	7	Ladies' Scripture Study		
		Religious Formation K-6		
		Youth Group6:00 – 7:30 pm		
	10	Chaplet of Divine Mercy4:40 pm		
	11 SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY & SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER			
		Divine Mercy Hour, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 3:00 – 4:00 pm		
		Chaplet of the Divine Mercy9:10 am		
	13	KC Ladies, dinner at Applebee's6:00 pm		
		Knights of Columbus6:30 pm		

#### **MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR APRIL, 2021**

DATE	LECTOR	SAFETY AND SECURITY
April 3	Dixon Rice, Vicki Walbruch, Paul Heath	Wally Walbruch/Mike Wright
April 4	9:30 am Jack Fallon	Ken Barrett/Gary Hembd
April 4	11:00 am Jim Galvin	Rick Nease/Neil Heino
April 10	Suzanne Johnson	Dick Frisk/Mike O'Neil
April 11	Alan Ruby	Ron Bauer/Jamie Miller

#### ST. MATTHEW'S INVITES YOU TO A SPRING BENEFIT CONCERT

At St. Matthew Church, 602 So. Main St., Kalispell
This concert will be held to support scholarships for
St. Matthew's School and ReNew Campus Restoration.
April 11, 3:00 pm and Friday, April 16, 7:00 pm
Featuring Violinists Lauren Welch and Wai Mizutani, Cellist Jessica Chen,
Organist Giorgio Navarini, St. Matthew's & St. John Paul II Choirs and other local artists
Admission is free. A free-will offering will be collected.

#### **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

#### ~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.

#### March 20 & 21, 2021

Sunday Envelopes \$4,544 Building Envelopes 20 Mass & Stole Gifts 195

Total \$4,759

#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

#### 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: <a href="https://www.kofc.org/">https://www.kofc.org/</a> or call Wally: 406-758-0170 for more details.

Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism

#### <u>CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE – CATHEDRAL OF ST. HELENA</u>

Friday, April 16th @ 6 pm Mass & Rosary Offered for Families For all Men, Women & Children Catholic Women's Conference ~ Saturday, April 17, 2021 Check out Group Registration Rate ~ helenacwc.com

#### **SON LIGHT RAFFLE -ENTER TO WIN!**

Raffle tickets for a Massimo T-Boss 550 side by side UTV are available in the parish office for \$25.00 per ticket. The drawing also includes a carry on trailer with ramp gate and \$12,000.00 CASH! Unbeatable odds of winning! Only 5,000 tickets will be sold!



Please return your Rice Bowl at **The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday**, or after that to the parish office. Thank you for your generosity.

"Have patience with all things, But, first of all with yourself."

-- Saint Francis de Sales

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

## FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2021

#### 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
Karel & David & Terry Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
Andy H. & Constance M. Visocan, rb Larry & Betty Visocan
Eileen Babb, rb John & Connie Babb
Tracy lano, rb John & Connie Babb
Dorothy Redinger, rb Robert Redinger
Norma Coote, rb Risen Christ Parish
Anne Marie Thompson, rb Brockman Family
Guilermo Saure & Calesta Lebranza, rb Lilia & Brian Hattel
Shelley Hembd, rb Gary Hembd

#### FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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## RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Greg Grace, Lavine Heuscher,
Michael Arace, Joe Riska, Sherry Miller, Bob Neitzling
Tim Slobojan, Larry Visocan, Rose Sweetzer
Audrey Turner, Deacon Jay Biedermann
Fr. Stan's Immigration Status

#### FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

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Dillon Armstrong, Matthew Christiaens, Tyler Frohlich John Cooney, Riley Helgoe, Brett Rotz Kaleb Mitchell, Kyle Tannehill

#### **†CONFIRMATION †**

The following youth will be Confirmed at Risen Christ on Sunday, April 18 at 2:00 pm Please include them in your prayers.

Tyler Durbin, Jonathan Grachek, Zachary Lapke, Lily Tanko

## READINGS FOR EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESSURECTION OF THE LORD April 4, 2021

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9

#### PRACTICE OF CHARITY

The beginning of the reading from Acts notes that Peter is speaking to people familiar with the life of Jesus ("You know what has happened all over Judea"). Peter tells the gathered community what the events of Jesus' life mean: Jesus is "the one appointed by God," through whom all who believe will receive forgiveness of sins. Paul persists with Peter's message in the Letter to the Colossians: "Think of what is above ... When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory." Those with faith have a different view than those focused on earthly matters: what is seen means more than what may be perceived. Even Mary Magdalene at first does not understand what she sees.

Reflect on what it means to see with eyes of faith. If your parish provides a Mass in another language, attend that Mass to experience Eucharistic unity through a means other than language. You know the story of Jesus, but do you know what it means? Consider what you must do to appear with Christ in glory.

At Home With the Word 2021

## MANY HANDS MAKE QUICK WORK HOLY WEEK DECORATING

Jesus instructed Peter and John,

"Go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover." (Luke 22:8)

As His disciples, we at Risen Christ must make ready and do the same!

Decorating for Holy Thursday

Wednesday, March 31 after Mass

Decorating for Good Friday

Friday, April 2 at 9:00 am

Decorating for Easter Vigil and Easter

Saturday, April 3 at 9:00 am

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

WE NEED YOUR HELP!! PLEASE JOIN US

Adoration time will be Holy Thursday after Mass until 10:00 pm.

Come and adore our Lord in Adoration and He will give you His grace!

The Lord and Master of the Universe is waiting for us!

#### **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. Can you join us in prayer? Please call Lavine for more information.

#### RETROUVAILLE VIRTUAL WEEKEND

The Virtual, Online Retrouvaille marriage program will start Thursday evening, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. The weekend portion will take place Thursday and Friday evenings, and a full day on Saturday and Sunday.

The weekend will be followed by a series of virtual Post Weekend Sessions.

#### **Successful Worldwide Program**

This is a marriage help program located in about 150 cities in more than 25 countries around the world. It has provided the tools to help 10's of 1000's of marriages and families over the last 40+ years. Some couples come to the weekend at the early signs of difficulty. Others consider the program their last resort and come during times of deep misery. Either way, this program will work for you if you commit to work the program. Please contact **406-761-4830** for information or register at <a href="https://www.helpourmarriage.org">www.helpourmarriage.org</a>.

#### 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 be happy to send a card.



#### 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.

#### **QUESTIONS FOR CATHOLICS**

- 1. What two countries claim two-thirds of the world's 2,000-plus registered saints?
- A. USA and Canada
- B. Italy and France
- C. Poland and Ukraine
- D. Uruguay and Mexico
- 2. What biblical place name means pleasure?
- A. Euphrates
- B. Eden
- C. Euphoria
- D. Jericho
- 3. Who helped Jesus carry the cross?
- A. Peter
- B. Barabbas
- C. Peter
- D. Simon

Answers: 1. B, 2. B, 3. D Source: www

Source: www.triviaplaying.com



#### PICK OF THE WEEK

March 28, 2021

WATCH

## TRIDUUM: A SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE

In Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage, the viewer is brought deeper into the story, landscape, and reality of Holy Week. It draws those with open hearts and minds toward a deeper understanding of Christ's victory while offering rich meditations for the pilgrimage of daily life.





## FORMED NOW! HOLY SATURDAY— JESUS' DESCENT INTO HELL

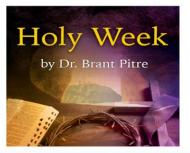
What do we mean when we profess that Jesus descended into Hell? Join Drs. Tim Gray and Michael Barber as they discuss this mysterious event of Holy Saturday.

LEARN

# LISTEN

#### HOLY WEEK BY DR. BRANT PITRE

Join Dr. Brant Pitre, author and Scripture scholar, as he walks us through the events of Holy Week. Pitre's insights and clarity allow the listener to enter into a deeper appreciation of the most important events of Christ's earthly ministry.



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Fr. Stan



### St. Matthew's Catholic School Pre K Academy & Kindergarten Round-Up

## April 8<sup>th</sup> Kindergarten 4:00pm - 7:00pm Pre K Academy 5:30pm - 7:00pm

St. Matthew's Catholic School 602 South Main Street, Kalispell, MT. 59901 Registration forms are on line at stmattsaints.org

> Phone: 406-752-6303 Email: office@stmattsaints.org

#### Pre-School 1/2 day

→ Must be 4 years old by September 10th
Tuesday, Wednesday → Thursday Classes
8:30 am - 11:30 am

#### Pre-K Academy

⇒ Must be 3-5 years old by September 10th Monday - Friday Classes 7:30 am – 5:30 pm

#### Kindergarten full day

 Must be 5 years old by September 10th Monday – Friday Classes 8:15 am − 3:15 pm



## The Nazareth Page A gospel meditation for your home March 28, 2021 – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Mark 14:1-15:47

Very rarely do we find similar accounts of any event in all four gospels. The birth of Jesus is found in only two gospels. The parable of the Good Samaritan in only one. But all four gospels record the passion and death of Jesus. Biblical scholars suggest that this aspect of the life of Christ was the first to be remembered by the first Christians. Its importance could not be forgotten.

While we have a commonly agreed upon narrative, there is little discussion of why Jesus suffered and died the way he did. Why did God's son, the beloved one, the man who went everywhere doing good, end up being condemned, tortured and crucified, a terrible kind of death by all accounts?

So, we are left to figure out for ourselves why Jesus died the way he did. Various theories have been suggested over the years. As scholars and theologians learn more about the historical conditions that prevailed around the time of Jesus, clearer explanations have come forth. Here are a few.

First, we may never know the full story. The life, death and resurrection of Jesus is set in the deep mystery of God's love for us. So, we will never get to the bottom of that great mystery. Therefore, be cautious of those who claim they know exactly why Jesus died as he did.

Next, most agree that Jesus lived in a very tense political climate. Roman occupation and rule over Israel was despised by the Jews. And around 30 AD there were various attempts (always unsuccessful) to rid the land of the Romans. Jesus was viewed by the Romans as a potential revolutionary. When the opportunity came, they took measures to get rid of him. He met the fate of hundreds of other Jews. Crucifixion (because of its public nature) was a favored method of execution by the Romans.

On a deeper level, Jesus lived and experienced the fullness of human life. That included rejection, condemnation, pain and suffering. And a horrendous death. As Scripture notes, he was like us in all thing, except sin.

Finally, he wanted us to know that he gave all "for us and our salvation." His love for us, for all of us, was limitless. In life and in death, he showed us how much he loved us.

David M. Thomas, PhD

## Nicole's Updates from the Emerald Isle #3

#### Hello Again!



The Team! (Aileen from Canada, Henry from England, Paddy from Ireland, me, Kendall from Texas, and Gabrielle from Minnesota)

Hello from Ireland! I apologize for the delay in this newsletter, but I hope that this email update finds you and your loved ones healthy and happy. On the 26th of December, all of the NET Ireland missionaries were able to reconvene at our original place of training, Rossnowlagh. We had a retreat for a couple of days, and then officially

began our winter break! We had a full week off before we began our January training, so it was joyfully spent relaxing and enjoying each other's company. We played board games, had many adventures, made memories, and laughed a ton. I ended up going surfing for the second time in my life at the end of December (the first time was here in Ireland in November!). The water was frigid, so wetsuits were definitely a good investment! But overall, I enjoyed the experience and would love to go again, hopefully in the near future.

After the new year began, all of us missionaries had a week of training to prepare us for the rest of our mission year. The main theme was "Death to the Meh," which really inspired me to not settle for mediocrity, but to give it my all this mission year. One of my favorite moments from the training was one night during praise and worship when our team ended up standing all together and singing together during it. It was a beautiful reminder of our solidarity in the mission and our support of each other emotionally, spiritually, and even physically sometimes.

#### **Current and Upcoming Ministry**

Since January training ended, our team has been staying at Rossnowlagh, as we have been unable to return to Kilbeggan because of COVID. But we love it up here and quite enjoy spending time at the beach when we can. We will be staying here until after April when restrictions are hopefully lifted again. However, we have been even busier than ever with our ministry, praise Jesus! We livestream a rosary four times a week, stream a live praise and worship session once a week over Instagram live, co-lead two youth groups over Zoom, and help with two Alpha courses online.



An Irish ocean sunset

One of my favorite ministry events we just started is a nationwide youth group over Zoom called Arise. We've only had three youth groups so far, but they have been amazing! Our vision for the youth group is to create a community of faith and fellowship for young Catholics from all over Ireland, and the team has been very excited to finally get that youth group up and running. Finally, one last ministry that we have just recently started has been an online young adult women's group. We meet over Zoom once a week and have started a discussion centered around the study of different women in the Bible through particular passages.

My team has been really incredible with their enthusiasm and passion for ministry, and despite everything being online, it's a great feeling to go to bed knowing that you gave your all that day. While this mission year certainly doesn't look like anything anyone expected, it has been such a blessing to still be able to continue the mission of evangelizing Ireland. We certainly are grateful for the gift of technology which enables us to continue spreading the love of Jesus to the youth and fostering a healthy community for them, even if it is remote and online.



#### My Unbirthday

One NET tradition which has been really fun to experience has been unbirthdays. An unbirthday is basically a day where the team celebrates your birthday on a day that is not actually your birthday, since we have such a consistent schedule that can make properly celebrating birthdays a little more difficult. The team surprised me with my

unbirthday in February! We spent the day as a team, and then for dinner, we all made my favorite meal, which was quite delicious! Afterwards, we built a fort out of sheets in our study room and read a short story aloud while eating snacks and drinking coffee and tea. For me, it was the perfect way to end the day. The whole day was most definitely a very special memory that I'll treasure for a long time to come.

#### **Final Thoughts**

Well, I finally decided to cut my hair short again! I've enjoyed having long hair, but it was about time for a change, and my head definitely feels lighter, if not colder! Speaking of cold, something which I find quite strange is the amount of wild daffodils that grow here in Ireland. Coming from Montana, I'm definitely not used to seeing such vibrant yellow colors in March. It's certainly a welcome sight, and they add a beautiful touch of color to the luscious green landscape. I enjoy seeing them on walks around the surrounding area, and I don't think I'll ever get tired of how common they are! For Easter, we will have a two-week break, which I am looking forward to. Since COVID restrictions are still pretty tight here, I will not be traveling home, but staying put here. My plans for the break are to relax and finally read some more, which I'm definitely anticipating!

Once again, thank you for all the ways you've supported me, whether that's financially, emotionally, or spiritually. This mission year really wouldn't have been possible without you, and it has truly been a life-changing year so far. I'm excited to see what else the Lord has in store for the next couple of months for me personally and for our ministry as a whole. Please continue to keep me in your prayers, as well as the rest of my team and everyone we will be ministering to over Zoom this year. I'd love to pray for any specific intentions you may have, so please send me an email to let me know what they are!

God Bless! Nicole Brockman nicolembrockman@gmail.com



Our bouquet of daffodils