### RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# Father Stanislaw Rog, Parish Administrator Risen Christ and St. Matthew's Kalispell

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	August 8, 2021
Saturday, August 7, Mass for August Intentions	
Sunday, August 8, Mass for the Parish	9:00 am
Tuesday, August 10, Mass	
Thursday, August 12, Mass for the Int. of Bob Hanson, rb Mike Hanson	n <b>8:45 am</b>
Wednesdays 12:10 pm and Fridays 8:45 am Masses at St. Matthews	S
Sunday Masses at St. Matthews 7:00 am and 11:00 am	

Ministry Schedule, August 14 & 15, 2021

MINISTRY	Saturday, 6:30 pm Sunday, 9:00a		
Plate Minister	Neil Heino	Mike Hanson	
Lector	Dixon Rice	Alan Ruby	
	Maureen Neitzling	TJ Higgins	
Server	Mike O'Neil		
Greeter	Pat Arnone	Tom & Terry Alger	

### **PLEASE NOTE NEW TIMES**

Sacrament of Baptism by appointment

Sacrament of Reconciliation is Saturday, 9:00-10:30 am, or by appointment.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

August 8 NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

15 THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

18 Men's Prayer Group ......8:00 am

### Parish Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 10:00 - 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.

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday morning, 9:00 – 10:30 am

### **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

### YOUTH SPONSORSHIP FOR NCYC

Please prayerfully consider sponsoring our Catholic youth as they prepare for their pilgrimage to the Jesus statue on Big Mountain to raise funds for their trip to the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis in November. Students will be collecting pledges after all Masses August 7, 8, 14, and 15. Additional forms can be found in the parish office or the back of the church and can be dropped off at the parish office. NCYC is the largest gathering of Catholic youth in the United States. It's an exciting, biennial, three-day experience of prayer and empowerment for Catholic teens. The schedule includes nationally recognized speakers, prayer, workshops, liturgy as well as recreational activities, concerts and exhibits. It is a great springboard to launch the youth into their maturing life of faith.

Thank you for supporting our youth!

### **JOURNEY WITH THE POPE**

"Let us beware, brothers and sisters, of efficiency, let us put a halt to the frantic running around dictated by our agendas. Let us learn how to take a break, to turn off the mobile phone, to contemplate nature, to regenerate ourselves in dialogue with God."

Pope Francis

ANGELUS JULY 18, 2021

### ~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.

### July 31 & August 1, 2021

Sunday Envelopes \$7000 Building Maintenance Envelopes 295 Holy Day Envelopes 110

Total \$7405

### RETROUVAILLE VIRTUAL ON-LINE WEEKEND

Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track, the opportunity to rediscover each other, and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille VIRTUAL ONLINE Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 406-761-4830 or visit our website: www.HelpOurMarriage.org.

### **JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

St. Matthews currently has job openings for a K-8th Grade Teacher; Part-time Language Arts Teacher; Part-time Kitchen Assistant and a Part-time evening janitor. If interested in any of these positions, please call or stop by the school office.

#### SON LIGHT RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE



### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2021

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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
Karel & David & Terry Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
Andy H. & Constance M. Visocan, rb Larry & Betty Visocan
Dorothy Redinger, rb Robert Redinger
The Naylor Family, rb Jan Kammerzell
The Kammerzell Family, rb Jan Kammerzell
Shelley Hembd, rb Gary Hembd
Bob Neitzling, rb Risen Christ Parish

### FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Greg Grace, Lavine Heuscher, Joe Riska Sherry Miller, Tim Slobojan Larry Visocan, Rose Sweetzer, Audrey Turner Fr. John Miller Fr. Stan's Immigration Status

### FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

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

### **VOCATIONS PRAYER**

Heavenly Father, please abundantly bless these men who are in formation for the priesthood of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant them gifts of wisdom, knowledge and most of all, generous hearts, that they may be enflamed with love for You and Your Church, Through Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

### READINGS FOR THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, AUGUST 15, 2021

Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab 1 Corinthians 15:20-27 Luke 1:39-56

### PRACTICE OF FAITH

Grace is a word that many find difficult to define. We sense grace personified in the Blessed Virgin Mary. This extraordinary woman agreed to the angel's divine request even though she was barely a teenager. Today's Gospel from Luke tells of Mary's travels to her cousin Elizabeth, where she will find comfort and support. Upon seeing Mary, Elizabeth declares that Mary and the baby in her womb are "blessed."

- ♦ In your prayer time, recall moments when you have felt especially blessed. Think about the circumstances surrounding these times and how these might have included unexpected challenges.
- Try to make the Magnificat part of your daily prayer...
- Meditate on Mary's words of faith in the Magnificat.

At Home With the Word 2021

### RISEN CHRIST GIFT SHOP - ALWAYS RECEIVING NEW ARRIVALS!

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Looking for an amazing gift that gives back? You will find a selection of gifts that can help you or the recipient develop a deeper devotion and a closer relationship with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. 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. Should you need to make a purchase during the week, please stop in the parish office for assistance. Sandy or Rose will be happy to assist you.

### **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.

### **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.



### **JAIL MINISTRY**

The jail ministry has resumed. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please call the parish office at St. Matthews 752-6788, and we will connect you with the right person who will be able to answer any questions you may have.

### **SAVE THE DATE!**



Plan now to join Bishop Vetter at the sixteenth annual Son Light Celebration supporting youth and young adult ministry and Legendary Lodge in the Diocese of Helena
Friday, October 1, 2021

Dinner and Auction – Helena Civic Center – 5 pm \$100/person or \$50/young adult (age 30 and under) or \$700/table of 8 (Seating limited to 52 tables of 8)

### REGISTER BY CREDIT CARD ONLINE AT DIOCESEHELENA.ORG

### **WORD OF LIFE**

"Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage

### **CHURCH SPEAK: GOOD NEWS**

Good News refers to the central teachings of Christianity, which spring from the words and deeds of Jesus, as found in Scripture, especially the four Gospels – Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. In fact, the word gospel means good tiding or good news. God sent his son, Jesus Christ, to give us the *Good News*, and his Son picked the Twelve Apostles to carry on the traditions of the faith. From that original group, over the course of centuries, millions of Christians have continued to spread the Gospel. Every man and woman who believes in Jesus is called to share his message with others, whether through formal classes or casual conversations or quiet actions.

# **FORMED**°

### PICK OF THE WEEK

August 8, 2021

### WATCH EDITH STEIN: THE SEVENTH CHAMBER

This is a moving, artistic portrayal of the life of Jewish philosopher, Catholic convert, and Carmelite martyr, Edith Stein. It powerfully captures the interior struggles of this extraordinary woman and her journey toward the Lord. Deeply influenced by the writings of St. Teresa of Avila, she joined the Carmelites, took the name of Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, and was put to death in Auschwitz in 1942. In honor of Teresa Benedicta's feast day, enjoy this film.



### LEARN

#### FORMED NOW: MARTYRS AND MONASTICS



We celebrate many marytrs and monastics during this rich week in the liturgical calendar. But how did the Church become a place of heroic martyrdom and steadfast monasticism? In this video, Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. Elizabeth Klein to discuss these themes and their history in the early Church.

### LISTEN

### 15 THINGS TO DO IN THE MIDST OF SUFFERING BY JEFF CAVINS

In addition to St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, the Church also celebrates the feast of St. Maximilian Kolbe this week. Kolbe, a Polish Catholic priest, fearlessly suffered the horrors of Auschwitz, where he was eventually martyred because of his faith. The life of this Saint reminds us that suffering is a mystery we all face at many points in our lives. In this talk, internationally known speaker Jeff Cavins shares his insights on this difficult topic and shows us how our suffering can become redemptive.



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our parish. Please take advantage of this beautiful opportunity to learn more about your faith.

Fr. Stan

# The Nazareth Page A gospel meditation for your home August 8, 2021 – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time John 6:41-51

After hearing Jesus say that he was the bread of life from heaven, the gospel notes that the people murmured a common biblical comment. That could mean that they didn't understand what he had said, or that they disagreed with him, or that they thought he was a bit crazy. My guess is that it was all of that and who knows what else.

My own take is that the mind of Jesus saw the deepest reality of what creation, and our personal existence, was all about. It was rooted in the great mystery of God's presence and care for us. But if you think that this all makes clear and reasonable sense, you probably don't grasp the full truth of it. Understanding the teaching of Jesus always includes a stretch of our imagination, or as theologians say, "a leap of faith."

I recall a favorite saying of St. Francis of Assisi that in this life, it is in giving that we receive. I don't think that those running for public office would use that saying for their campaign. The gospel of today has similar words that on the surface may not make a lot of sense. For instance, when Jesus said that he is the bread that will give life to the world, and that his life is given for us that we may live today, and not just now, but forever.

Many Catholics read this section of John's Gospel as an explanation of the Holy Eucharist. And it certainly is that, but much more too. It is about Jesus as the one who is the deepest embodiment of God's love for us and God's desire that we live in and with abundance, something mentioned later in John's Gospel.

Bread can be a wonderful image or symbol of our Christian faith. Of course, this is not that easily grasped today since we think that bread is actually produced in grocery stores where it is placed on shelves in colourful cellophane bags. In reality, the making of bread is much more complicated. It starts as a seed of grain that must be planted in good soil. It must be tended to and harvested. It must be ground into flour, blended with other ingredients and then baked in an oven. All resulting in food for human survival.

So, when Jesus said that he is the "bread from heaven," he wanted us to think not only of nourishment for our lives on earth, but also our lives forever in the presence of our Risen Lord. Such nourishment is being offered to us all the time. Like when whenever we imitate the example of Jesus who gave his life for others. This happens often in families, between friends and neighbors. Every time we help those in need.

David M. Thomas, PhD