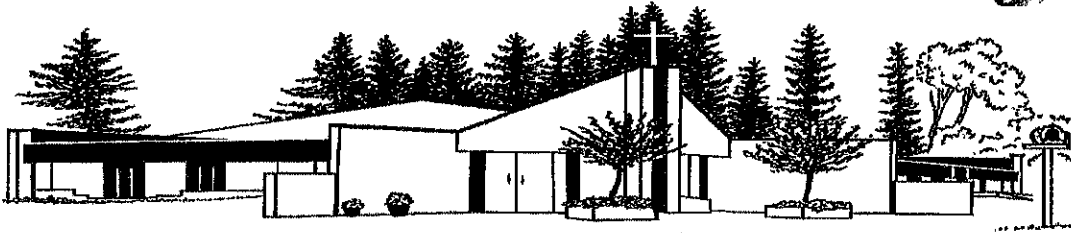


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Sandy Carter, Office Manager ~ Rose Hall, Office Assistant

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY April 24, 2022

Saturday, April 23, Mass for April Intentions 6:30 pm

Sunday, April 24, Mass for the Parish 9:00 am

Special Devotional Chaplet of Mercy 3:00 pm

Tuesday, April 26, Soul of Ann & Rich Heath, rb Paul & Pati Heath 8:45 am

Thursday, April 28, Soul of Melvin Hanson, rb Mike Hanson 8:45 am

Wednesdays 12:10 pm and Fridays 8:30 am Masses at St. Matthew Parish

Sundays 7:00 am and 11:00 am Masses at St. Matthew Parish

Ministry Schedule, April 30 & May 1, 2022

MINISTRY	Saturday, 6:30 pm	Sunday, 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Vicki Walbruch	Kathy Shanahan
Lector	Suzanne Johnson	Jack Fallon
	Jackie Jensen	Jim Galvin
Server	Mike O'Neil	Gary Hembd
Greeters	Don Zimmerman & Sam Nease	Richard & Rosemary Brester

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

April	24	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER & SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY	
		Catholic Home Missions Collection	
		Chaplet of the Divine Mercy	8:45 am
		Coffee Hour.....	after Mass
		Devotional Chaplet of the Divine Mercy at Risen Christ	3:00 pm
	26	Choir	7:30 pm
	27	Religious Formation, Grades K-6	4:00 – 5:30 pm
		Youth Group.....	6:00 – 7:30 pm
May	1	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	
	3	Confirmation, St. Matthew Parish	7:00 pm
		Choir	7:30 pm
	4	Religious Formation, Grades K-6	4:00 – 5:30 pm
		Youth Group.....	6:00 – 7:30 pm
	8	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	
		Coffee Hour.....	After Mass
	10	KC Ladies	6:30 pm
		Knights of Columbus	6:30 pm
		Choir	7:30 pm
	11	Religious Formation, Grades K-6	4:00 – 5:30 pm
		Youth Group.....	6:00 – 7:30 pm
12	Bereavement Group.....	7:00 pm	

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 9:00 – 10:30 am, Risen Christ
Saturday, 3:00-4:15 pm and Wednesday 1:00-3:00 pm, St. Matthew

EASTER SEASON PRAYER

Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday, every day. Let us have hearts of thankfulness for your sacrifice. Let us have eyes that look upon Your grace and rejoice in our salvation. Help us to walk in that mighty grace and tell Your good news to the world.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU!

A very special thank you to all who helped with decorating the environment for Easter. It looks beautiful. Thanks again to all of you: Pati & Paul Heath, Toni Gunnerson, Linda & John Spanke, Holly McKenzie, Rowena Montayre Sia, Kelly & Elliot Higgins, Colleen Hutchens, Camille Scott, Judy Hughes and Fr. Stan.

Also, thank you, Maryruth and the amazing Risen Christ choir for the beautiful music for our Easter celebration.

~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.

April 16 & 17, 2022

Sunday Envelopes	\$5,850
Building Envelopes	75
Easter Envelopes	3,310
Total	\$9,235

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Please join Risen Christ and St. Matthew parishes for an adult bereavement group. You may call the parish office, 752-6788, with your name and number and the group leader will call you back. Whether your loss is new or many years old, this group may be a blessing for you.

This ten-week session will resume meeting at Risen Christ Parish on Thursday evenings, 7:00 pm beginning on May 12 through July 14, 2022.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

CONFIRMATION

Please keep our youth in your prayers as they prepare to celebrate the
Sacrament of Confirmation on May 3, 2022

Anabelle Goodman
Emily Hall
Madisyn Hall
Carter Lapke
Samuel Nease

**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE MONTH OF April, 2022**

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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
Dorothy Redinger, rb Robert Redinger
Shelley Hembd, rb Gary Hembd
Jerry Bristow, rb Larry & Betty Visocan
Ken Cornelius, rb Rosemary Reynolds

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Colby Devlin, rb Greg & JeNeil Grace
Fran Cavanagh, rb Karol Witt
Brittany Cornett, rb Ken Bye

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

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Greg Grace, Joe Riska, Curtis Gomes, Eileen Kluesner
Tim Slobojan, Mike & Linda O'Neil, Larry Visocan, Mary Reckin
Rose Sweetzer, Audrey Turner, Mary Grace Galvin, Lonny Kottraba
Mike Wright, Maureen Neitzling, 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
Alex Olmes, Anthony Olmes, Hadyn Pettersen,
Alex Ramirez, James Semling, Jamie Severson

A THANK YOU FROM THE HEART

Jim and I would like to thank all those lovely ladies of Risen Christ Parish who delivered dinners to us as we worked through my recovery! It made a world of difference.

God Bless all of you and thank you so very much!

Jim and Mary Grace Galvin

READINGS FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 1, 2022
Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 Revelation 5:11-14 John 21:1-19

PRACTICE OF CHARITY

John's Gospel shows the Lord feeding, forgiving, and inspiring his disciples to move on. Just as God does this for us, we are to do it for others.

♦ Invite someone who is struggling to a meal in your home. Offer your hospitality with no expectations and appreciate their presence.

♦ Journal about times when you have felt forgiveness as well as times in which you have forgiven others.

At Home With the Word 2022

RISEN CHRIST GIFT SHOP – ALWAYS RECEIVING NEW ARRIVALS!

Please take a minute and check out our gift shop! We have gift solutions for any occasion. There are small scapulars, cross necklaces, rosaries, key chains, and holy water fonts.

Please see **Connie McCubbins** before or after weekend Masses. If you need to make a purchase during the week, please stop in the parish office. Sandy or Rose will be happy to assist you.



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 PRAYER LINE

Call **Jan Kammerzell** at 406-250-1540 or **Jackie Jensen** at 406-756-1178 should you or someone you know need prayer. Please leave a message if they are not available and they will return your call. **This prayer line is not just for when you feel hopeless; it's also for when you need more prayer warriors on your side.**

COUNSELING SESSIONS WITH DEACON FLOYD

Call Deacon Floyd for comfort, reassurance, or solace.

Deacon Floyd is a counselor and will be available on Thursday afternoons from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. He is open to visit with you on any topic such as marriage issues, suicide, walking through grief or just to talk about last week's homily. This service is provided at no cost to you. Please give him a call to schedule your appointment at 406-471-4379.

LOST AND FOUND

Please check in front of the Parish office for items you may have lost or misplaced.

FINANCE COUNCIL

Our Finance Council members are: **Peg Gebhardt, Christopher Gill, John Gunnerson, 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:

Jovita Kottraba, 212-8461, Judy Stack, 752-4411,

Ken Barrett, 755-0269, Jamie Miller, 257-9636, Vicki Walbruch, 758-0170



Risen Christ-Council 8329 "Spring Food Drive"

Council 8329 is sponsoring a **Spring 2022 Targeted Food Drive**. What is a Targeted Food Drive? Our Evergreen Food Pantry can always use any non-perishable food item. Still, it is currently in critical need of the following targeted items: Coffee (ground no beans), Crackers (soda, whole wheat, and snack), Jelly, Peanut Butter, Cake Mixes & Cookies. Please bring your non-perishable items to our Parish social area by May 1st.

We sincerely appreciate your support of this vital activity for the less fortunate in our community.

Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism

WORD OF LIFE BULLETIN QUOTE

If you or someone you know has had an abortion, be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is available. Select "Find Help" from the menu on www.hopeafterabortion.org to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Bridges of Mercy for Healing after Abortion"

www.usccb.org/bridges-of-mercy (*Spe salvi* 31)."USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

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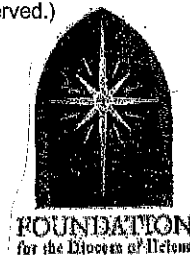
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Daniel Thies, Executive Director, (406)389-7051, dthies@dioceehelena.org.

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April 24, 2022

WATCH

PRAYER: A SURGE OF THE HEART

Now that Lent is over, finding time to pray can be difficult. Modern life is very busy with so many distractions at every turn, and there's always another job to be done. This inspiring presentation challenges us to make more time for God in our lives and highlights the importance of an ever-deepening life of prayer.



PRAYER
A Surge of the Heart

FORMED NOW! WHO IS ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA?

In light of St. Catherine of Siena's feast day, join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Elizabeth Klein as they celebrate this holy woman: a nurse and mystic with papal influence who became a doctor of the Church.

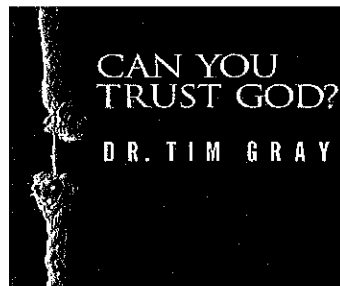


LEARN

LISTEN

CAN YOU TRUST GOD? BY DR. TIM GRAY

To be a saint, we must trust God wholeheartedly. Since the fall of our first parents, however, humanity has been tempted to mistrust the Father's love for us. Scripture scholar Dr. Tim Gray takes us on a journey that addresses the pervasive misconceptions about God, showing us that there is no reason not to follow him.



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Fr. Stan

The Nazareth Page
A gospel meditation for your home
April 24th, 2022 – Second Sunday of Easter
John 20:19-31

I am a history buff. And the scope of history that interests me the most is what I would call "Big History." The history that extends all the way back to the origin of our Universe, a mere 13.8 billion years ago. I also try to learn as much as I can about the Earth's history which, if you want to know, goes back a mere 4.7 billion years ago when trillions of specs of dust, originally created as a result of a giant exploding star, gradually, due to the force of gravity, formed a planet on which you and I live. Then there's the history of plants, of animals and fish, all leading up to the history of humans, beginning a brief 200,000 years back. As time unfolds, we learn that rather remarkable things were happening, day by day, year by year.

All this comes to my mind when reading today's gospel describing the scene where the doubting Thomas (one of my favorite apostles) is the last of the original eleven to meet the Risen Jesus. He learned from others that Jesus is alive. He is a little dubious.

So, he requested what might be called historical evidence about this amazing event. He wanted proof that the one his colleagues claim to be alive is really the same one he knew and followed as Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus suddenly appears. Thomas steps forward for a better look. He asks to touch wounds that he knew Jesus had suffered during his crucifixion. He wanted an historical link between what happened on Good Friday to Jesus and the one who now was present to him. He got his wish.

What I take from this is that Jesus lives now and remains connected with our personal history. His continues to be present and involved in our lives. He is known to us though what some call "the eyes of faith." We also affirm that Jesus remains present to us in word and sacrament, in what we learn and in what we experience in formal church liturgy. Catholics place special emphasis on his presence in the Eucharist. Other Christian groups describe the presence of Jesus in the biblical word, read, preached and acknowledged.

But the presence of the Risen Christ can also be in the midst of our daily lives. We may not immediately recognize this, maybe because we don't expect it, or we are too focused on other things. Notice that the first appearances of the Risen Christ were in many different settings. In a locked room, during a breaking of the bread at a village outside Jerusalem, on a beach at the shore of Lake Galilee. And often he was not immediately recognized in most of these instances. Like it is with us! So, take another look to find Christ alongside you as you walk each day in your life's journey.

David M. Thomas, PhD