RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Father Stanislaw Róg, Pastor/Parish Administrator

Risen Christ Parish and St. Matthew Parish
Deacon Floyd McCubbins, 471-4379, deaconfloydmc@yahoo.com - Risen Christ
Deacon Charlie Harball, 752-6788, St. Matthew
Helen Tobiason - Religious Formation Coordinator, Grades K-6
Maryruth Fallon, Music Director

Sandy Carter, Office Manager ~ Rose Hall, Office Assistant

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE	November 20, 2022	
Sat., Nov. 19, Mass for The names listed in The Book of the Names of the Dead 6:30 pm		
Sunday, November 20, Mass for the Parish	9:00 am	
Tuesday, November 22, Int. of Rich Hanson, rb Mike Hanson	8:45 am	
Thurs., Nov. 24, THANKSGIVING DAY, Mass of Thanksgiving, Risen Christ 8:45 am		
Mass of Thanksgiving, St. I	Matthew10:45 am	

Wednesdays 12:10 pm, Fridays 8:30 am Masses at St. Matthew Parish Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 7:00 am and 11:00 am Masses at St. Matthew Parish

Ministry Schedule, November 26 & 27, 2022

MINISTRY	Saturday, 6:30 pm	Sunday, 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Connie McCubbins	Charlene Harman
Lector	TJ Higgins	Betty Heino
	Andrea Wright	Mike Hanson
Server	Jamie Miller	Gary Hembd
Greeters	Mary Jacobs and Pat Arnone	Arleen Hughes and Kathleen Cotner

PLEASE NOTE NEW TIMES

Sacrament of Baptism by appointment

Please enter the names of your deceased loved ones in the Book of the Names of the Dead, located near the Baptismal Font.

DATES TO REMEMBER

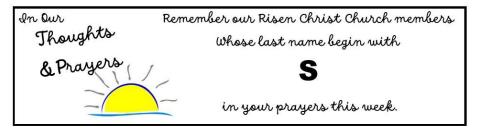
Nov.	20	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
		Eucharistic Minister Training after Mass
	21	No Scripture Study
	22	Choir
	23	No Ladies' Scripture Study
		NO RELIGIOUS FORMATION CLASSES
	24	THANKSGIVING, Parish Office Closed Mass at Risen Christ 8:45 am
		Mass at St. Matthew 10:45 am
	25	Advent Decorating10:00 am
	27	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
	28	Scripture Study6:30 – 8:00 pm
	29	Choir
	30	Ladies' Scripture Study
		Religious Formation, Grades K-64:00 – 5:00 pm
Dec.	3	Altar Server Trainingafter Mass
	4	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
		Altar Server Trainingafter Mass
		Evening Prayer, Resolution of Fr. Stan's Immigration Status 4:00 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



DECORATING HELPERS NEEDED!!—Nov. 25 at 10 AM

We will be putting up the Advent Wreath and the Giving Tree on Friday, November 25 at 10 AM. That's right—it's the day after Thanksgiving! We could use your help so please join us.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - CHILDREN'S LITURGY DURING MASS

We are in need of a few volunteers to help with this ministry on Sunday mornings.

Volunteers will be asked to help once a month.

Please call Tammy Newton at 406-261-8522 or the church office.

~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.

November 12 &13, 2022

Sunday Envelopes \$5,115
Building 5
Thanksgiving 30
Total \$5,150

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL - CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

Funded in part by the ACA, Catholic Social Services provides confidential counseling throughout our state for expectant parents who need assistance to become new parents to their baby. Additional services include adoption placement, post-adoption support, Rachael's Hope (post abortion help), youth Mentoring and supportive aid to birthmothers. Please help provide for these critical services.

Let us share what we have in gratitude for the gifts of life and family.

ADVENT EVENING PRAYER — 4:00 PM

Please plan to attend one of the Evening Prayer opportunities.

2nd Week of Advent – Dec. 4 Prayer For Successful Resolution - Fr. Stan's Immigration Status 4th Week of Advent- Dec. 18 Prayer For Successful Resolution - Fr. Stan's Immigration Status

CHOIR NEWS

The choir has begun practicing for Christmas. If you would like to commit on a short-term basis, we would be very grateful. Men are especially welcome! This lively and fun ministry is the perfect place to share the love of singing together, rekindle old friendships and begin new ones. Please join us!



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Please be generous in this week's special collection for the CCHD. In the United States, more than 11% of the population lives in poverty. With this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and support those working on the margins.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 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
Shelley Hembd, rb Gary Hembd
Tom Hahn, rb John & Connie Babb
Fern Vosen, rb Risen Christ Parish
Paula Wheeler, rb Risen Christ Parish
Fleckenstein Family, rb Evelyn Fleckenstein

RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Greg Grace, Joe Riska, Curtis Gomes,
Eileen Kluesner, Maureen Neitzling, Amy Neitzling,
Tim Slobojan, Lonny Kottraba, Bob & Barbara Vine,
Mary Grace Galvin, Mike & Linda O'Neil, Larry Visocan,
Mary Reckin, Ron & Margarite Bauer, Carol Trimble,
Ruff & Falk Families
Fr. Stan's Immigration Status

FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

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Deacon Kyle Tannehill, Dillon Armstrong, Kaleb Mitchell, John Cooney, Riley Helgoe, Brett Rotz Alex Olmes, Anthony Olmes, James Semling, Jamie Severson Carter Anderson, Shae Bills, Lane Buus, Matt Keck, Jack Peed

JOB OPENING

Risen Christ Parish is looking to hire a part-time maintenance person. This will include approximately 10 hours per week. This is a non-benefit position and requires a background check and Virtus training. This position includes: small repairs and maintenance of the building and grounds. Compensation depends on experience and capability. See the office or Fr. Stan for an application.

READINGS FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, NOV. 27, 2022

Isaiah 2:1-5 Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:37-44

▼ Four Catholic Thanksgiving Family Traditions to do with Your Family:

- 1. **Go to Mass**: Challenge your family to really think about the meaning of this holiday. Who are we offering our thanks to as we celebrate? GOD!
- 2. **Count your blessings**: Share with one another about the many things you are thankful for in your lives. Write down what you are thankful for on a tablecloth that can be used from year to year or start a blessings jar and jot down your blessings on a slip of paper. Be sure to record names and ages too!
- 3. **Enjoy the feast and fun**: Make this day a joyful celebration of fun for all. Incorporate each family member's favorite foods to feast on and then take some time to play together. Whether it's board games or backyard football, cherish the moments together and create memories as you strengthen the bond of family.
- 4. Plan a way to serve together: Think of a way to show your gratitude through an act of service that you will do as a family before Christmas. Visit a homeless shelter, rake the neighbor's leaves, bake cookies for a friend in need, or ask your family's input for more creative suggestions.

 Littlesaintadventures.com

FINANCE COUNCIL

Finance Council members are:

Peg Gebhardt, Christopher Gill, John Gunnerson, & 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 PRAYER LINE

Call Helen Tobiason, (406) 212-0063 or Jackie Jensen, (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.





RISEN CHRIST GIFT SHOP - NEW ITEMS ARE HERE!

We now have Pyxes, holy water fonts, rosaries, children's bracelets and much more. Stop by anytime to check out our gift shop! Please see Connie McCubbins or Andrea Wright before or after weekend Masses. If you need to make a purchase during the week, please stop in the parish office.

FORMING A COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITY

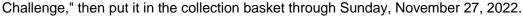
If there is a birth, a sickness or a death in our parish community, or that of someone you know, please call **Mary Sonju**, 250-8610. She will be happy to send a card.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, COUNCIL 8329's

St. Matthew School Challenge

Elementary Catholic education is essential to the vitality of our valley's Catholic Parishes and provides an outstanding classroom & religious experience for our children. "Please Help Us" increase our \$10,000.00 school donation by supporting this critical challenge.

Please place your tax-deductible contribution check payable to St. Matthew School in an envelope marked "St. Matthew School Challenge," then put it in the collection backet through Sunday, Nave



Thank You for Supporting Catholic Education in the Valley!

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER TRAINING

Bishop Vetter has decided to reinstate the offering of communion under both forms beginning with the First Sunday of Advent (<u>November 26-27</u>). The chalice may be offered for all Solemnities (including, of course, Sundays and their vigils) beginning with the Vigil of the First Sunday of Advent (<u>November 26</u>).

This will allow time for proper training of the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Only Ordinary Ministers of Communion (Priests and Deacons), are to purify the Sacred Vessels and that Extraordinary Ministers are only to be used if there are no Ordinary Ministers.

Since each communicant has the option to receive the Precious Blood or not, (Intinction/Immersion of the host in the cup is not an option), we do not expect everyone to return to the chalice right away. However, the option can foster a deeper devotion to the Body and Blood of Christ and indeed is a stronger sign of His laying down His life for us. Further, this option allows for some who are unable to receive our Lord in the Host to receive Him from the Chalice.

Anyone who is currently an Extraordinary Minister or who would like to become one, there will be a training session on Saturday, and Sunday, November 19th & 20th, after Mass. If you are not trained on Nov.19/20 you cannot serve the cup!

WE ARE IN NEED OF ALTAR SERVERS

We are looking for Junior Servers - 4th Grade through 8th Grade and Senior Servers - High School Freshmen or older.

All Boys and Girls/Men and Women are welcome. There will be a list for signup on the desk outside the Office. There will be a training session on Saturday and Sunday, December 3rd and 4th after Mass.

EVERGREEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PIE AUCTION

Evergreen Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual Pie Auction & Light up Evergreen, Tuesday, November 22nd, 5-6:30pm at Glacier Ace Hardware located next to Army Navy. Proceeds from this auction go to NWMT Veteran's Food Pantry and Flathead Food Bank. If you would like to donate a pie please call Connie at 406-885-1212.

This is an amazing event that benefits our community.

BAKE SALE PROCEEDS

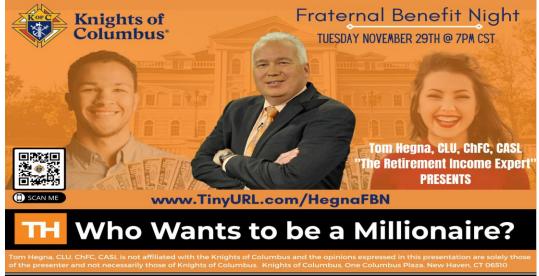
The proceeds from last weekend's bake sale came in at \$381. Mark your calendars for the next sale to be held on the weekend of October 8th and 9th.

Please remember to support and pray for the Seminarians.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ARE SPONSORING A WATCH PARTY

All parishioners are welcome!

Virtual Fraternal Benefit Night Event with Tom Hegna - Who Wants to be a Millionaire





BECOME A KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS BEFORE CHRISTMAS!

Through our charitable programs we:

Put coats on kids, feed the hungry, assist our bishops and priests and put diapers on babies!

Help men become better fathers and Catholics:

Deepen faith with evangelization and faith programs, Aid and Support after Pregnancy Program (A.S.A.P.)

Join us today and receive a beautiful 2022 KNIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS ornament.

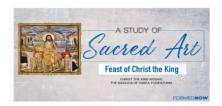
Join the Knights today at www.kofc.org/joinus

Or use this QR code:





Week of November 20, 2022



Sacred Art: Christ the King

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they explore Catholic theology through the lens of Sacred Art. In this episode, they discuss the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.



Ode to Saint Cecilia

The lives of the saints are epic stories and particular expressions of God's grace in humanity. Celebrate St. Cecilia with this audio drama by the Augustine Institute Radio Theatre.



Who is God? The Augustine Institute Show

Who is God? If we want to love God and make him the center of our lives, we would do well to settle this question at least in some small way. Tim Gray welcomes Professor Elizabeth Klein to discuss this topic.

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Fr. Stan

The Nazareth Page A Gospel meditation for your home November 20, 2022 – Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Luke 18:1-8

If Jesus was the Christ (the anointed one), and if Jesus was sent from God (the Messiah), and if Jesus is God's Word made flesh (as John's gospel begins), and if Jesus is "God with us" (Emmanuel) and if Jesus is the King of the Universe (as the Church names this Sunday), then his life ended in a way that might not make sense. And it's sometimes okay to think that way.

We all know the scene. He hangs on a cross, dying in a brutal and humiliating and painful way. The Romans chose this form of execution for those judged to be politically dangerous to them. For those guilty of terrible crimes. Historians claim that the Romans crucified thousands. They might not have thought much about one more. Especially if he was popular among those living under the oppression of their brutal rule.

Still, we should not look away from the cross and suffering that Jesus experienced for us and our salvation. After all, Jesus also told us to take up our cross daily and follow him. While deep joy comes to us during our lives, there are also days of difficulty, hardship and even suffering. Attempting to explain away these negatives would be to dismiss a major part of the gift of life that God gives us.

There will always be moments when everything that comes our way makes no sense to us. Times when we struggle to understand, much less accept. This can be hard when we watch thousands of happy people in beautiful settings (courtesy of commercial advertisers) having great times, when we are stuck at home caring for an ailing relative or friend. Or when we are "worried sick" about our parents, our children and grandchildren. Don't we have a right to be happy all the time? Why can't we be that way?

I certainly have no simple answer for that question, as it is one I too struggle with almost every day. In fact, if you read carefully the various gospel accounts of the suffering and death of Jesus, it seems that he too had questions about what was happening to him. One account has even him questioning God why he had to suffer and die in such a terrible way.

Some questions, it seems, are not easily answered. When I was much younger, I recall being told that some things must simply be accepted with faith and trust in God. Like why would anyone want to crucify Jesus, one who loved everyone? On this note, the final Sunday of the Church year ends.

David M. Thomas, PhD