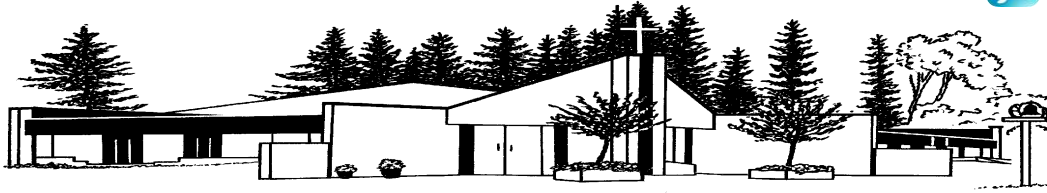


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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 12, 2023

Saturday, February 11, Mass for February Intentions..... 6:30 pm

Sunday, February 12, Mass for the Parish..... 9:00 am

Tuesday, February 14, Mass for the Soul of Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen 8:45 am

Thursday, February 16, Mass for the Soul of Mike Wright, rb Andrea Wright..... 8:45 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, February 18 & 19, 2023

MINISTRY	Saturday, 6:30 pm	Sunday, 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Judy Hughes	Lilia Hattel
Cup Minister	Missy Kapelanczyk	Charlene Harman Connie McCubbins
Lector	Vicki Walbruch Peg Gebhardt	Lector needed Anne Mahoney
Server	Don Zimmerman	Ron Boespflug
Greeters	John & Toni Gunnerson	Richard & Rosemary Brester

PLEASE NOTE

Sacrament of Baptism by appointment

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Feb 12 **SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
- 14 Choir..... 7:30 pm
- 15 Men’s Prayer Group..... 8:00 am
- Religious Formation, Grades K-6..... 4:00 – 5:00 pm
- 19 **SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
- Mardi Gras, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus 2:00 – 5:00 pm
- 21 Choir..... 7:30 pm
- 22 **ASH WED., Masses: St. Matthew, 12:10pm, Risen Christ 6:00 pm**
- Ladies’ Scripture Study..... 10:00 – 11:30 am
- No Religious Formation
- 24 Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm
- 26 **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**
- Black and Indian Mission Collection
- KC Breakfast After Sunday Mass
- 28 Choir..... 7:30 pm
- March 1 Ladies’ Scripture Study..... 10:00 – 11:30 am
- Religious Formation, Grades K-6..... 4:00 – 5:00 pm
- 2 Soup & Bread Supper..... 5:30 pm
- 3 Fish Fry 4:30 – 6:45 pm
- Stations of the Cross 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.



Mardi Gras is a Christian holiday and widespread cultural phenomenon that dates back thousands of years to pagan spring and fertility rites. Also known as Carnival or Carnaval, it’s celebrated in many countries around the world—mainly those with large Roman Catholic populations— beginning on or after the Christian feasts of the Epiphany and culminating on the day before Ash Wednesday, Shrove Tuesday.

Join our Parish family on Sunday, February 19, afternoon 2:00 -- 5:00 PM, in our social area for good food and great family fun. Mardi Gras masks will be provided. Please sign-up in the social area so the Knights can successfully prepare. See you there!

~OUR GIFT TO GOD~

Being a sign of God's love to others, we know that our gifts of treasure are essential to our mission of following the loving path of Jesus. Our faith in the future urges us to continue the journey in gratitude, holiness, and service.

Thank you to everyone who so generously supports our parish.

Your financial support enables us to continue the on-going work of our ministry.

February 4 & 5, 2023

Sunday Envelopes	6,164
Building	280
Mass & Stole Gifts	99
Ash Wednesday	20
Total	\$6,563

40 Days for Life

Our 40 DFL spring campaign will occur from **Ash Wednesday, February 22nd – Saturday, Apr 1**, the day before Palm Sunday.

Our Kickoff Rally will take place on Saturday, February 18th at 12 noon at Bible Presbyterian Church, 344 5th Avenue West, Kalispell.

Our Opening Prayer Service will take place in front of the All Families Healthcare **abortion facility, located at 737 Spokane Avenue, Whitefish.**

There are three ways to participate in the campaign:

- **Pray and fast** for an end to abortion and a respect for all life from its conception to its natural death. This can be done anywhere, anytime, all year round.
- **Participate in community outreach** by putting signs in your yard, displaying a bumper sticker on your vehicle, and talking with others about the dignity of life.
- **Take part in the prayer vigil** at the public right-of-way outside the abortion clinic.
 - Prayer vigil hours will run from 7am – 7pm daily.
 - Risen Christ has volunteered to sponsor Monday March 13 and Tuesday March 14.
 - Go to 40daysforlife.com/Whitefish to sign up. It is highly recommended to sign up in pairs.
 - Sign up for a specific time block on one of the days our church has sponsored.
 - or sign up for any day and any time block where no one has signed up. That will help the 40 DFL campaign achieve maximum vigil coverage.
 - If you don't have a computer, or need help, see the point of contact listed below.

Your point of contact is Mike Hanson, (406) 314-7826 or mikester55@hotmail.com
He will be in the social area after all Masses to answer any questions you may have.
Please pray for the success of this spring's campaign to end the scourge of abortion.

**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2023**

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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
Fopp/Markos Families, rb Linda Lessard
Douglas E. Hutchens, rb Hutchens Family
Elmer A. Alger, rb Hutchens Family
Fleckenstein Family, rb Evelyn Fleckenstein
Bill Sawyer, rb Mary Ruff
Aliya Kolb, rb Sandy Carter

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Shawn Kolb, rb Sandy Carter

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

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Greg Grace, Joe Riska, Curtis Gomes, Gene Jellison
Eileen Kluesner, Maureen Neitzling, Amy Neitzling
Tim Slobojan, Bob & Barbara Vine
Mary Grace Galvin, Mike & Linda O'Neil, Larry Visocan
Mary Reckin, Ron & Margarite Bauer, Carol Trimble
Ruff & Falk Families, Sharon Coursey

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

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE, 2023, SAVE THE DATE!

Friday, April 14, 2023 – 5:30 pm Rosary & Mass offered for families
Conference: Saturday, April 15, 2023, civic Center ~ Helena,
Sign up at helenacwc.com.



**READINGS FOR THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 19, 2023**

Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Matthew 5:38-48

PRACTICE OF FAITH

Children, more than anyone, know and will tell you: no one is perfect. Perfectionism is damaging to minds and hearts, yet Jesus calls us to be perfect. What must we do perfectly, in imitation of the One who is perfect love? Why should I want to love my enemies? When we focus on how we might love better, we see our failings and grow in compassion for others.

♥ Write down a prayer intention for someone who has hurt you. Pray for that person each day this week. On Saturday ask yourself: how has this practice changed me? How has it helped me to follow Jesus?

♥ Pray the Our Father, focusing on the words, "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive others."
At Home With the Word 2023

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.



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 - NEW ITEMS ARE HERE!

We now have scapulars, 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 office.

We have many items available for year-round giving!

FINANCE COUNCIL

Finance Council members are:

Peg Gebhardt, Christopher Gill, John Gunnerson, & Wally Walbruch.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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's & St. Matthew's Knights of Columbus will again offer traditional Lenten "Fish and Chips." Both Councils will provide "dine-in" or "take-out" services from 4:30 to 6:45 PM.

St Matthew's Fish Fry
Friday, February 24th
Friday, March 10th
Friday, March 24th

Risen Christ Fish Fry
Friday, March 3rd
Friday, March 17th

This is an excellent opportunity for our parish families (and friends) to come together for a meal before the 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross or to take an evening off from cooking. We hope to see you there.

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK, FEBRUARY 7-14TH

World Marriage Day began in 1983. The goal of World Marriage Day is to highlight the beauty of marriage and to honor all husbands and wives for their faithfulness and sacrifices. The intention of this day is to help couples make good marriages even better.

♥♥ **HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!** ♥♥


An Opportunity to Help Your Parish!
It's time for the **ANNUAL PARISH ENDOWMENT MATCH** program!

\$ 300	Is how much the FOUNDATION will give each parish endowment.
\$ 300	If a parish receives \$300 worth of gifts to the church endowment by March 31, 2023, the church will receive another . . .
+ \$ 300	matching gift from the FOUNDATION!
<hr/> \$ 900	Will be added to your parish endowment to help perpetuate our faith for generations to come!

Last year the FOUNDATION gave \$30,000 to our parishes through these grants and matches!

Mail your tax deductible donation to **FDOH, PO Box 1729, Helena, MT 59624** and put the name of your parish on the memo line, or **donate online at fdoh.org/giving**. Questions? Contact the Foundation at 406-389-7050.

Match donations must be postmarked by March 31, 2023.



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IN GRATITUDE FROM FLATHEAD WARMING CENTER

Dear Church Family,

On behalf of the Warming Center, I want to express our sincere gratitude for your generous gifts. You made Christmas extra special. What a blessing for those who are struggling in our community. Together we can move mountains. Thank you.

Judene, Volunteer at Flathead Warming Center

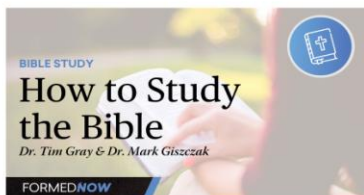
THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of February 12, 2023



Beloved - Session 1: Does Marriage Matter?

Happy Feast of St. Valentine! This Valentine's Day, remind yourself of the beauty of the Sacrament of Marriage with the Beloved series, presented by the Augustine Institute.



How to Study the Bible

Are you looking to take your spiritual life deeper this upcoming Lent? There's no better place to start than the Lord's Word. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Giszczak as they explain how to study and devote yourself to Scripture!



What Do You Seek? The Search Episode 1

What is that deep longing in our hearts all about? We're all living for something, and we all strive for that something out there that is ultimately going to make us happy. But what is it? Watch Episode 1 of The Search to begin to answer this question.

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Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

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Fr. Stan

The Nazareth Page
A gospel meditation for your home
February 5, 2023 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 5:13-16

I am somewhat uncomfortable in telling others what they should do. Just as I am when others tell me what I should do. Not always of course. If someone needs my help, I will try to help if I can. A little more difficult for me is to ask others for their help when I might need it. Like others, I believe in the philosophy, "Live and let live." Or to put it more prosaically: We should all mind our own business.

But Jesus was not like that. And nor should we be. We are responsible for others. How we do this depends on our social position. For years the social teachings of the church have advocated that we live as sisters and brothers, friends and neighbors, cohabitants of Planet Earth.

Today's' gospel gives us two primary images by which we can live better communal lives with God and with each other. But we must dig beneath their meaning of today to feel the power of these images. If someone asks us to turn on the light and pass the salt, we would not think of these requests as touching major concerns for survival. But in the time of Jesus, they might have been.

First, we are instructed by Jesus that we are the "salt of the earth." It's important to know the primary purpose of salt in the time of Jesus. It was used to preserve food, especially high protein food like meat of fish. Salt also added flavor to daily fare.

Jesus also used the image of light, which was also important for survival. Remember Thomas Edison had not yet created the light bulb. Yet some source of light was important for safety, warmth, and assistance to meet our basic needs. Further, note that Jesus asked us to become "light of the world." That's a reference to the sun, our local star. The very source for the survival of life on Earth.

Thus, Jesus used images related to two important ways that help all live as God intended. In a sense, God is asking our help in accomplishing "the will of God" for everyone. So, Jesus, being the great teacher he was, illustrated these two resources of life in telling us that we are to be like salt and light. You and I are to help others live more fully and survive in healthy ways. We do this mostly in the ordinary circumstances of our lives. It happens in family situations, in our neighborhoods, when we shop, when we travel and when we work for ourselves or others. In other words, all the time.

David M. Thomas, PhD
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The Nazareth Page
A gospel meditation for your home
February 12, 2023 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 5:17-37

Today's gospel offers a large section of the Sermon on the Mount. It is a collection of the teaching of Jesus related to many of the key parts of Jewish Law in his time. Many volumes have been written attempting to capture the key teachings of Jesus relating to the moral life. They often draw heavily from the Sermon on the Mount.

This Sunday I will focus on two important features of this gospel. First his connecting personal social life with one's acts of divine worship, and second, the emphasis on basic personal attitudes and their role in living a virtuous life.

First, how Jesus describes fitting worship of God. If you intend to bring a gift to the altar of God, and on your way there, you realize that your brother (or close neighbour) has something against you, first, you must turn around, make amends with your brother and then return and offer your gift to God. Oneness with others connects oneness with God.

Another way that the gospels present this same idea is when Jesus said that the command to love one's neighbor is the same commandment as loving God. Or even more to the point, if you say you love God, but don't love your neighbor, you are a liar.

Other religions will make similar points, but none are more clearly stated than in the teaching of Jesus. For instance, at the Last Supper he says: Love one another as I have loved you. At the heart of Christian morality is the love of neighbor.

A second thought is this. You have likely heard the saying: Actions speak louder than words. Jesus would add that words and actions are important, but so too are attitudes. In other words, what's in our hearts is as important as what we do.

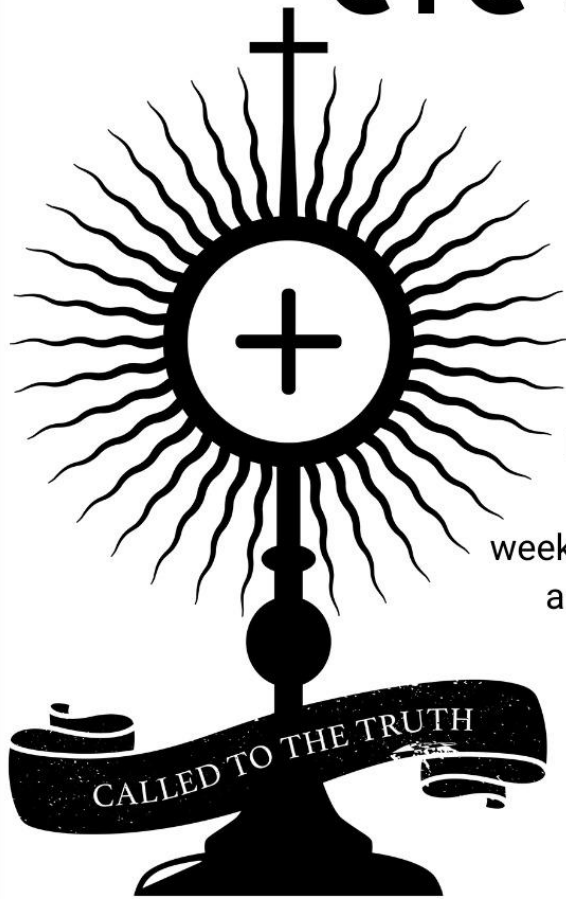
So, virtue is not just a matter of good actions, but also includes personal honesty, social respect and a desire for peacefulness among all. This means that not only are harmful actions incompatible with being a good Christian (or simply being a good person), but so are destructive narrow-minded judgments, disrespectful views of others, based on class, color, social position or any way people disrespect the full dignity of others.

We are all God's beloved. So, think and act that you truly accept this truth of our faith.

David M. Thomas, PhD
(Send your thoughts on this to dmtii@aol.com)

Eucharistic Congress & CYC Convention

**March 24-26
Carroll College**



**An all-ages event designed to
ignite and inspire our faith.**

Families and people of all ages are invited to this inspiring, faith-filled weekend centered around the Eucharist and our theme: "Called to the Truth."

Cost includes all meals and programming:

- Adults: \$100
- College Student: \$50
- High School Youth (Grade 9-12): \$100
- Children in Grades K-8: \$30

(No family pays more than \$250)

More information and registration at:

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