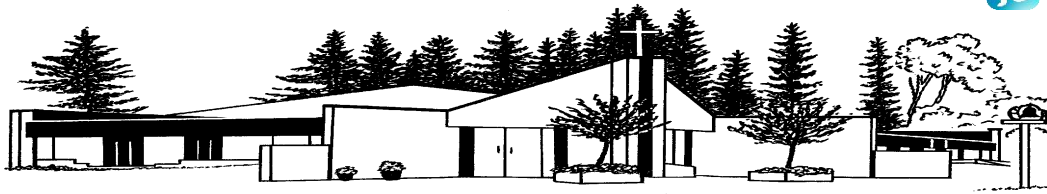

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT March 26, 2023

Saturday, March 25, Mass for March Intentions 6:30 pm

Sunday, March 26, Mass for the Parish..... 9:00 am

Tues. March 28, NO DAILY MASS

Thursday, March 30, Soul of Louise Herbold, rb Cindy Hartley..... 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, April 1 & 2, 2023

MINISTRY	Saturday, 6:30 pm	Sunday, 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Judy Hughes	Deacon Charlie
Cup Minister	Missy Kapelanczyk	Howie Ficek
		Charlene Harman
Lector	Suzanne Johnson	Paul Heath
	Dixon Rice	Pati Heath
Server	Jamie Miller	Gary Hembd
Greeters	Same Nease – Rose Hall	Tom & Terrie Alger

PLEASE NOTE

Sacrament of Baptism by appointment

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

March	26	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	
		Chaplet of the Divine Mercy	8:45 am
	28	Chrism Mass.....	St. Helena Cathedral
		NO DAILY MASS	
		Choir.....	7:00 pm
	29	Ladies' Scripture, Stations of the Cross	10:00 am
		NO RELIGIOUS FORMATION CLASSES	
	30	Soup & Bread Supper	5:30 pm
		Penance Service with Individual Confession, St. Matthew	6:00 pm
	31	Stations of the Cross	7:00 pm
April	2	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	
	4	Choir.....	7:00 pm
	5	Ladies' Scripture, Stations of the Cross	10:00 am
		Religious Formation, Grades K-6	4:00 – 5:00 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.

OUR LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

- Chaplet of the Divine Mercy - Prayed 15 minutes before each Mass
- Ladies Scripture – Stations of the Cross, Wednesdays, 10:00 am
- Parish Stations of the Cross, Friday evening, 7:00 PM
- Penance Service with Individual Confession – March 30, 6:00 pm at St. Matthew.

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, April 6

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at **Risen Christ Parish** 7:00pm

Good Friday, April 7

Celebration of the Passion of our Lord at **Risen Christ** 12:30pm

Celebration of the Passion of our Lord at **St. Matthew's Parish** 7:00 pm

There will be no Sacrament of Reconciliation on Holy Saturday, April 8

Easter Vigil Liturgy, Saturday, April 8

NO 4:30 pm Mass

Vigil Mass at **St. Matthew's Parish**..... 9:00pm

Easter Sunday, April 9

Mass of the Resurrection at St. Matthew's 7:00 am

Easter Music Risen Christ..... 8:30 am

Mass of the Resurrection: at **Risen Christ**..... 9:00 am

Easter Egg Hunt at Risen Christ after Mass

Mass of the Resurrection at St. Matthew's 11:00 am

Easter Egg Hunt at St. Matthew..... after 11:00 am Mass



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.

March 18 & 19, 2023

Sunday Envelopes	6,422
Building Fund	70
Total	\$6,492

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE "Come to Me" - Matthew 11:28

Join women from MT and beyond for prayer, speakers, music, fellowship and more!

Saturday April 15, 2023, Civic Center, Helena, Montana -

Register online: www.helenacwc.com

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for revealing Christ's love to those who are poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections for more information on how to give.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Risen Christ Easter Bunny is in need of **large** plastic eggs and **smaller** wrapped candy. The candy must be able to fit into the eggs.

The egg hunt will be after Mass on Easter Sunday.

If you can help, please bring items to the parish office.



DECORATING HELPERS NEEDED FOR PALM SUNDAY & EASTER

We will be joyously decorating for Palm Sunday & Easter at Risen Christ.

For Palm Sunday --Saturday, April 1st at 10:30 AM

For Easter --Saturday, April 8th at 9:00 AM

We need your help so come join in the fun and fellowship as we beautify the church!



Please bring your Rice Bowls and food items

to the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, April 6, 7:00 pm

**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 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
Douglas E. Hutchens, rb Hutchens Family
Fleckenstein Family, rb Evelyn Fleckenstein
Bill Sawyer, rb Mary Ruff
Shirley McClarty, rb Risen Christ Parish
Mickey Duelfer, rb Risen Christ Parish
Newton & Kolb Families
Family of Mike & Shasta

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**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 & Diane Slobogan, Bob & Barbara Vine
Mary Grace Galvin, Mike & Linda O'Neil
Larry Visocan, Mary Reckin, Ron & Margarite Bauer
Carol Trimble, Ruff & Falk Families, Sharon Coursey
Marian Ficek, George & Colleen Hutchens, Peg Gebhardt
Jan Kammerzell, Deacon Jay and Charlene Biedermann

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

READINGS FOR PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

APRIL 2, 2023

Isaiah 50: 4-7

Philippians 2:6-11

Matthew 26:14-27:66

PRACTICE OF FAITH

We know the story so well, and we know how it ends. Jesus enters into Jerusalem to cries of "Hosanna!" He celebrates Passover and brings about something new with his words: This is my Body. This is my Blood. He is arrested, questioned, and led to his crucifixion.

♦ When we remember these events during Holy Week, we make them present to us today so that they might transform us as they transformed those who witnessed them. Be intentional about your plans to participate in Holy Week liturgies.

♦ Meditate on a cross in your life and pray that God helps you carry it humbly.

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. 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**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

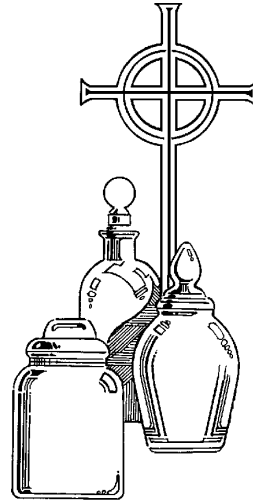
Please pray and fast for the success of this spring's campaign to end the scourge of abortion. Thank you!

CHRISM MASS INVITATION

The Faithful of the Diocese of Helena are invited to attend Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Helena which will take place at Noon on Tuesday, March 28, 2023.

The Chrism Mass is a special celebration in the liturgical life of the Church in the Diocese of Helena. Bishop Vetter will bless the Holy Oils for use in the coming year and priests of the diocese will renew their priestly promises.

The Oil of the Sick is used in Sacrament of the Sick to bring the strengthening and healing power of Christ who is at work in the Church by the action of the Holy Spirit. The Oil of Catechumens is used at Baptism, to strengthen (with wisdom and courage to live the Gospel) and purify candidates (from original sin) before baptizing with water. The Oil of Chrism, or Sacred Chrism, is a mixture of olive oil and balsam fragrance used just after Baptism, and to seal candidates for Confirmation. It is also used to anoint the hands of priests and the heads of bishops at Ordination.



INTO THE BREACH -FAITH FORMATION

As we all know, our church is under attack by Satan. Over 14 million Catholics left the faith between 2000 – 2015. We celebrate fewer baptisms, fewer marriages, and there are fewer children in Religious Education classes. This is a serious breach, a gaping hole in Christ's battle lines.

The Knights of Columbus are inviting all Catholic men to put their faith into action by "stepping into the breach" – to fill this gap that lies open and vulnerable to further attack. The Knights will be sponsoring an 8-week program called *Into the Breach*, to be held on Monday nights at 7pm, beginning on April 10th. They will conduct signups over the next two weekends in the vestibule.

Points of contact are Rick Nease (406-471-2697 or rick.nease@kofc.org) and Mike Hanson (406-314-7826 or mikester55@hotmail.com).

THANK YOU

On behalf of Risen Christ Catholic Church, I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank **Anthony Fuchsel of Montana Roofing Solutions** for his company's work on replacing the roof shingles on our bell tower. Once notified of this issue, within days, Anthony's company graciously provided new shingles and the labor to correct the problem. Thank You! *Father Stan Rog*

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!

\$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!*



FOUNDATION
for the Diocese of Helena

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.

ST. MATTHEW'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL & EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Please come to our open house!

Who: Prospective Families and children.

What? Tour our school and feel our community in action.

Where? St. Matthew's Catholic School & Early Learning Center

602 S. Main Street, Kalispell, MT 59901

When? April 5th, 9am to 6pm.

Why? To secure a solid foundation for your children at St. Matthew's

Dare to Be a Saint

Faith • Integrity • Knowledge

PRAYER FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

O God, by whose wondrous grace we are enriched with every blessing,
grant us to pass from former ways to newness of life,

that we may be made ready for the glory of the heavenly Kingdom.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of March 26, 2023



The Hour of Our Death | Eternal Rest | Episode 3

The Anointing of the Sick is one of the seven sacraments of the Church. This session, we discover the role of this sacramental anointing in the spiritual struggle during serious illness, the final stages of our temporal life, and the hour of our death.



The Paschal Mystery: The Mystery of Jesus' Death

Through Jesus's Death on the Cross, God reveals himself most profoundly as the God who is love. Christ's sacrificial love saves us from sin and shows us the pathway to true human happiness. We are made to live like Christ: in total, self-giving love.



Living Lent as a Family (Part 4 of 4)

Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Kevin and Lisa Cotter to discuss liturgical living during Lent as a family. They discuss together about a variety of topics, including having a prayer space in the home and decorating the home according to the liturgical season.

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Fr. Stan

The Nazareth Page
A gospel meditation for your home
March 26, 2023 – Fifth Sunday of Lent
John 11:1-45

The greatest and most important miracle of Jesus was raising Lazarus from the dead. This event is also the introduction and anticipation of the Greatest Miracle of all, Jesus' own resurrection. This event showed the power of God as a dramatic response to the most serious and perplexing personal question of all: What happens after we die? Do we dissolve into nothingness? Are we reincarnated into another form of life? Or do we continue living?

Close to the end of his life on Earth, in that small village on the outskirts of Jerusalem, Jesus did what no other person has ever done. He showed that he (with the power of God) can overcome the finality of death with the gift of life. Responding to a call from Jesus, Lazarus walked out of his tomb a few days after he had died. A huge miracle! A powerful expression of God's power through Jesus.

With each passing day we are one day closer to dying. And as my own years pile up, I become ever more conscious of this reality. As a reminder of this matter, recorded in my daily planner is a list of people I was close to and valued, and who have already died. This list is growing these days at a record pace. Yet I think of them now as still alive, although I have no clear idea of what their lives are now like.

Imaging that post-death phase of my existence I am filled with questions, with wonderment and curiosity. As a youngster in Catholic school, I was given all sorts of images of that future life in a place called "heaven." Images of angels on clouds, playing harps and singing hymns. And a huge gate at its entryway where St. Peter allowed some to enter and some who were sent elsewhere. And best of all, there was God as Father, Son and Spirit seated upon magnificent thrones. These scenes easily became part of my childhood imagination. Later I learned these images need not be taken literally, but they did point to a place that gave one an experience of never-ending joy and happiness.

Of late, with our ever-expanding scientific description of the Universe, my image of heaven has undergone major revision. In a sense, I am more unsure of the meaning of heaven and eternal life than when I was as a lad of ten. Right now, I take as inspirational and consoling the words of St. Paul in First Corinthians 2:9. "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart has conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him." Soon enough, we will know much more. I hope.

David M. Thomas, PhD

ST. FAUSTINA KOWALSKA
The Great Apostle of Divine Mercy

St. Faustina Kowalska was born on August 25, 1905 in Poland. Daughter of humble peasants and fervent Christians, she entered religious life on August 10, 1925 and began to experience visions, which she recorded in her diary as suggested by her confessors. On February 22, 1931, St. Faustina noted in her diary; "In my cell, I saw the Lord Jesus dressed white: a hand raised to bless, while the other touched on his chest the slightly opened border of his robe, letting escape two great rays out: one red the other pale. After a while, Jesus said to me, 'Paint an image according to the model you see, with these words written: 'Jesus, I trust in You.' I wish this image to be venerated first in your chapel, and then in the whole world. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish because I myself will defend it as my own glory."

The image was painted and received great devotion through the feast of Divine Mercy on the first Sunday after Easter, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Prayer at the Hour of Mercy (3 pm). St. Faustina died on October 5, 1938 and was canonized by St. Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000.



DIVINE MERCY NOVENA The Divine Mercy Novena will be prayed aloud beginning on Good Friday, April 7th, after the 12:30 pm Mass at Risen Christ and after the 7:00 pm Mass at St. Matthew. Divine Mercy pamphlets will be distributed at those times. The Novena will be prayed from Good Friday, April 7th, to Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16th. On Sunday, April 16th, 3:00 pm, @ Risen Christ, the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be sung. Fr, Stan will hear confessions during that hour, 3 - 4 pm. Page