RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	April 2, 2023
Saturday, April 1, Mass for April Intentions	6:30 pm
Sunday, April 2, Mass for the Parish	9:00 am
Tuesday April 4, Mass, for the Souls of deceased priests from the Diocese	8:45 am
Thursday, April 6, Mass for St. Matthew and Risen Christ Parishes	7:00 pm

Ministry Schedule, Easter Triduum, April 6, 7, 9, 2023

MINISTRY	Thursday, 7:00 pm	Friday, 12:30 pm	Sunday, 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Mike Hanson	Deacon	Deacon
Cup Minister	Lilia Hattel		Pati Heath
	Connie McCubbins		Paul Heath
Lector	Andrea Wright	Mike Hanson	Jack Fallon
	Jack Fallon	Vicki Walbruch	Jim Galvin
Server	Don Zimmerman	Gary Hembd	Rick Nease
Greeter	John/Toni Gunnerson	Don Zimmerman	Dan & Tammy Newton
		Fresa Tobiason	

PLEASE NOTE

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

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-64	:00 – 5:00 pm
	9 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORI	D
	10 Holiday, Parish Office Closed	
	Into the Breach Men's Faith Formation	7:00 pm
	11 KC Ladies, Nickel Charlie's	6:00 pm
	Knights of Columbus, (Leaders meeting at 5:00 pm)	6:00 pm
	16 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY,	
	Chaplet of Divine Mercy and opportunity for confession	3:00 pm
	Bake Sale After Wee	kend Masses
	17 Into the Breach Men's Faith Formation	7:00 pm
	18 Choir	
	19 Men's Prayer Group	8:00 am
	Religious Formation, Grades K-64	: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

Ladies Scripture – Stations of the Cross, Wednesday, 10:00 am

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, April 6

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	9:00 pm
Easter Sunday, April 9 Mass of the Resurrection at St. Matthew Parish	-1
Easter Music Risen Christ Parish	8:30 am
Mass of the Resurrection at Risen Christ Parish	
Easter Egg Hunt at Risen Christ Parish Mass of the Resurrection at St. Matthew Parish Easter Egg Hunt at St. Matthew Parish	

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 25 & 26	6, 2023	
Sunday Envelopes Building Fund	\$4,387 5	
Total	\$4,392	

DECORATING HELPERS NEEDED FOR EASTER

We will be joyously decorating for Easter at Risen Christ on Saturday, April 8th at 9:00 AM

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

INTO THE BREACH -FAITH FORMATION

We are in the middle of a spiritual battle in our country. Society is attacking marriage, family, and the right to life from conception until natural death. Over 16 million Catholics have left the faith in the last 20 years. 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 will be sponsoring an 8-week program called *Into the Breach,* to be held on Monday nights at 7pm, beginning next Monday, April 10th. See Mike Hanson to sign up 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).

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

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2023

+++++ 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 Fleckenstein Family, rb Evelyn Fleckenstein Ronald Brockway, rb Mary Ann Brockway Rose M. Kocar, rb Mary Ann Brockway Mickey Duelfer, rb Risen Christ Parish

> SPECIAL INTENTIONS Family of Mike & Shasta Newton & Kolb Families Family of Johnnie & Virginia

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 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 Peg Gebhardt, George & Colleen Hutchens Deacon Jay & Charlene Biedermann, Francie Lipp

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 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD APRIL 9, 2023

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9 PRACTICE OF HOPE

Alleluia! He is risen! Today we rejoice in the resurrection. We celebrate both our and the apostles' belief that God makes all things new. After reading the resurrection account in John's Gospel, reflect on the reading through art. Draw or paint the details of the reading or do an abstract piece on the transformation of all things. Or you might write a poem on new life or a first-person account of the resurrection from the perspective of Mary Magdalene, John, or Peter. Visit websites of art museums to see how the resurrection has been portrayed in art. Areflect on your life since last Easter. What is new in your life? What has been renewed? Where do you see God breaking into your life? If you have encountered difficulties and sadness during this time, ask Christ for continued healing.

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



Week of April 02, 2023



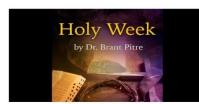
Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage

Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage, cinematically walks through the locations of the Holy Week story, representing the most important days of human history. Immersed in the real and sacred places of the Holy Land, the pilgrim faithful is brought tangibly nearer to the story, the landscape, and the reality of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.



The Faithful Departed | Eternal Rest | Episode 4

What is left for the living to do after someone dies? In this session, we talk about the final ways in which those still living on earth care for the body and soul of the dead. We discuss the work that remains for the living to do as we grieve for the deceased and as we turn to the work of preparing for our own death, and the hope in which we live and die as Christians.



Holy Week by Dr. Brant Pitre

Join Dr. Brant Pitre, author and Scripture scholar, as he walks us through the events of Holy Week. Pitre's insights and clarity allow the listener to enter into a deeper appreciation of the most important events of Christ's earthly ministry.

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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 The Nazareth Page A gospel meditation for your home April 2, 2023 – Palm Sunday Matthew 21:1-11

This Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, a time that recalls the final days of Jesus, culminating in his horrific death and his resurrection from that death on Easter Sunday. The opening of Holy Week begins with a very positive event. Jesus enters Jerusalem in a rather public way. In other words, it starts well.

He was recognized as one called a prophet, which basically means someone who speaks for God, whose words and deeds communicate God's intent for humans, words that were spoken not just to people back then, but also to us on this day.

In recognition of his importance, he was given a special welcome to the Holy City. Just like today, there were rituals of recognition for special people. When he entered the city, the bystanders placed palm branches before him, which signified their respect for him and what they knew about him. In placing this event at the beginning of Holy Week, the church wants us to notice the contrast between this positive reception of Jesus by the "crowds" and his seeming loss of value to them a few days later.

They shouted "hosanna" which meant something like a call for help. They were in desperate straits. They had been suffering from Roman occupation and dominance for decades. They were a defeated people, no doubt subservient to malicious mistreatment for as long as anyone could remember. They craved the freedom they felt was their right under God. Might Jesus be the one to help bring this about, perhaps lead them in some kind of revolution?

What's also important to recall is that Jesus did not enter Jerusalem leading an army, or even a group of armed followers. He came mostly alone, not riding on a powerful war horse, but on a simple donkey. Still, they cheered his coming. Their mood would soon change in dramatic fashion. Some simply turned their backs on him. He was not the kind of messiah (another name for one sent from God) they had hoped for. A few remained his followers.

On this Sunday we also hear Matthew's account of his passion and death. Such a contrast to his entry into Jerusalem a few days prior. In another gospel text, we are told to take up our cross and follow him. Jesus experienced rejection because of his deep love for all. We are called to do the same. Clearly this can be very difficult at times.

David M. Thomas, PhD