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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	April 30, 2023
Saturday, April 29, Mass for April Intentions	6:30 pm
Sunday, April 30, Mass for the Parish	9:00 am
Tuesday, May 2, Mass for the Soul of Mike Wright, rb Andrea Wright	ght 8:45 am
Thurs., May 4, Mass for the Int. of Laurie Brandon, rb Family Mem	bers 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, May 6, 7, 2023

MINISTRY	Saturday, 6:30 pm	Sunday, 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Vicki Walbruch	Neil Heino
Cup Minister	Jamie Miller	Howie Ficek
	Suzanne Johnson	Marian Ficek
Lector	Dixon Rice	Mike Hanson
	Jackie Jensen	Kathy Shanahan
Server	Don Zimmerman	SERVER NEEDED
Greeter	Matt & Missy Kapelanczyk	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

April	30 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	
	Catholic Home Mission Collection	
	Coffee Hour	After Mass
May	1 Into the Breach Men's Faith Formation	7:00 pm
-	2 Choir	7:30 pm
	3 Religious Formation, Grades K-6, CROWNING OI	F MARY 4:00 – 5:00 pm
	6 St, Matthew First Communion	12:00 pm
	7 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	•
	8 Into the Breach Men's Faith Formation	7:00 pm
	9 KC Ladies, Nickel Charlie's	6:00 pm
	Knights of Columbus	6:00 pm
	Choir	
	10 Religious Formation, Grades K-6	4:00 – 5:00 pm
	13 Knights of Columbus Exemplification	
	14 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	
	Bake sale	After weekend Masses
	15 Into the Breach Men's Faith Formation	7:00 pm
	16 Choir	7:30 pm
	17 Men's Prayer Group	8:00 am
	Religious Formation, Grades K-6	4:00 – 5:00 pm
	20 Risen Christ First Communion and Reception	12:00 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.

PRAYER OF PEACE AND COMFORT IN GOD'S LOVE

This beautiful prayer of peace and comfort based on Psalm 23 reminds us of God's role as our shepherd, and our own identity as beloved sheep under his watchful eye. Life is full of ups and downs, and we all face challenges and difficulties along the way. But as believers, we can find comfort and hope in God's love and care.

Heavenly Father, You are my shepherd, and I am your beloved sheep. You guide me through the ups and downs of life, and I trust in your loving care.

You provide for me in every way. You quench my thirst with your living water, and you restore my soul when I am weary.

When I encounter problems in life, I do not fear, for you are with me. You provide comfort and protection, and your presence brings me peace.

When I am facing difficulties, you provide solutions for me. You bless me and draw me closer to you.

Thank you for your unfailing love and faithfulness. May I continue to follow you all the days of my life, and may your name be praised forevermore. Amen. Young-catholics.com

OUR GIFT TO GOD~

Thank you to everyone who so generously supports our parish. Your financial support enables us to continue the on-going work of our ministry.

April 22 & 23, 2023

Sunday Envelopes	\$6,371
Building	100
Easter	100
Total	\$6,571

ST. JOSEPH MOVIE

On May 1, the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, an extraordinary film hits Signature Theater, Kalispell! 7:00 PM "A Father's Heart" The Powerful Presence of St. Joseph Today.

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH, THE WORKER

St. Joseph has two feast days on the liturgical calendar. The first is March 19—Joseph, the Husband of Mary. The second is May 1—Joseph, the Worker.

"Saint Joseph is a man of great spirit. He is great in faith, not because he speaks his own words, but above all because he listens to the words of the Living God. He listens in silence. And his heart ceaselessly perseveres in the readiness to accept the Truth contained in the word of the Living God," Pope John Paul II had once said.

There is very little about the life of Joseph in Scripture but still, we know that he was the chaste husband of Mary, the foster father of Jesus, a carpenter and a man who was not wealthy. We also know that he came from the royal lineage of King David.

We can see from his actions in scripture that Joseph was a compassionate man, and obedient to the will of God. He also loved Mary and Jesus and wanted to protect and provide for them.

Since Joseph does not appear in Jesus' public life, at his death, or resurrection, many historians believe Joseph had probably died before Jesus entered public ministry.

Joseph is the patron of many things, including the universal Church, fathers, the dying and social justice. catholicnewsagency.com

St. Joseph, pray for us!

BAKE SALE REMINDER

The Bake Sale for the benefit of The Seminarian Fund will be held on the weekend of May 13 & 14.

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 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
Fleckenstein Family, rb Evelyn Fleckenstein
Christopher George Baldwin, rb George & Teresita Baldwin

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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 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
Family of Mike & Shasta, Newton & Kolb Families
Britney Cornet & son, rb Lee & Dee Heser

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

Please remember to keep our seminarians in your prayers.

LEAVE A LEGACY – PLEASE REMEMBER RISEN CHRIST PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

What does it mean to leave a legacy? It means putting a stamp on the future and contributing to future generations. People want to leave a legacy because they want to feel that their life mattered.

READINGS FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 7, 2023

Acts 6:1-7 1 Peter 2:4-9 John 14:1-12

PRACTICE OF FAITH

"Do not let your hearts be troubled." These are difficult words for many people to adhere to. It is hard not to be anxious when suffering and sadness enter our lives. Jesus' words in the Gospel are not comparable to an ancient version of modern self-help guides. Our Lord chose to enter into the world's brokenness to reconcile all things to himself. He asks us to be part of this healing work, even when it seems too difficult. He tells us to ask for what we need, and he will do it.

- ♦Set aside a few minutes today to approach Jesus with a deep need. Make your request and trust that Jesus will give it to you.
- ♦Learn more about Servant of God Dorothy Day, whose concern for the poor led her to found the Catholic Worker Movement.
- ♦Doing God's work in the world can ease another's troubles. Is there someone you know whose family member is sick and could use a homecooked meal?

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



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

PRIEST OF THE YEAR

Fr. Stan has been awarded "Priest of The Year, 2022" for the State of Montana by the Knights of Columbus.

Congratulations Fr. Stan on your welldeserved success! You are an inspiration. ♥





Did Taxes Hurt This Year?

If your taxes were painful this year, the Foundation for the Diocese may be able to help.



We offer annuities that can help you give a gift to your favorite parish or ministry AND receive a 40% TAX CREDIT on your Montana taxes.

You can donate stock or cash and the Foundation can provide you an illustration to show how it may help your tax situation.

If you would like to learn more, contact Daniel Thies, at the Foundation, (406)389-7051 dthies@dohmt.org.

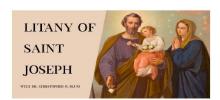


Week of April 30, 2023



St. Joseph: Old and New (Part 1 of 4)

Join Taylor Kemp and Dr. Ben Akers as they comment on St. Joseph and his importance in the life of the Church. In this episode, they reflect on the Joseph of the Old and New Testament.



Litany of Saint Joseph

Join Dr. Christopher O. Blum as he prays the Litany of St. Joseph, asking for his intercession in your life and the lives of your loved ones.



Saint Athanasius of Alexandria | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Elizabeth Klein as they discuss the early Church Father, St. Athanasius. A bishop and Doctor of the Church, St. Athanasius is remembered as the great defender of the Nicene Creed. He was exiled five times from his own diocese under four different emperors. A great teacher, his writings are accessible to both beginners and experts in theology, writing works that serve different needs in the Church.

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Fr. Stan

The Nazareth Page A Gospel Meditation for the Home April 30, 2023, Fourth Sunday of Easter John 10:1-10

When I was a university professor, I had only one picture on the wall of my office. It depicted Jesus carrying a lamb on his shoulder. A reference to him as the Good Shepherd. This reminded me back then of two things. First, I should care for my students as "a good shepherd," which meant that I came to class prepared with good ideas and helpful explanations of the topics under consideration. I tried to know each of my students, learn their names and show interest in their concerns. I always welcomed their comments and questions.

And secondly, I was receptive to ways that my students acted like good shepherds toward me. This was shown by their (mostly) staying awake during my lectures and occasionally writing down something I said. I welcomed their interests, goodness, and their desire to learn. I thought of our time together as a shared conversation, a mutual exchange. And an interpersonal event.

In recent years much is being said about the quality of interpersonal life that we experience each day. We noticed this especially during the COVID crisis. Along with many others I welcomed the return of opportunities for simple gatherings that involved informal contact and conversations between family members, friends, co-workers, and neighbors. That's part of what we might think about this Sunday when relational contact comes to mind as we reflect of the relationship between a good shepherd and those friendly sheep.

Further, the final lines in the gospel are among my favorites. Jesus said that he has come to offer to all of us a life that is more abundant. The offer of this possibility is something available to us in each passing moment. As the saying goes, opportunity is knocking. Let it in.

Without becoming obsessively compulsive, we do well to imagine that each day offers us multiple options on the use of our time. We can be productive or wasteful. We can be helpful to others or self-centered. We can live with a spirit of gratitude for blessings received or depressed by what we don't have.

The path to a more abundant life is no secret. It is clearly stated in the heart of the gospels in the two great commandments: Loving God and loving neighbor, which we closely connected. The path to abundance is paved by loving acts, one by one.

David M. Thomas, PhD