# 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

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# Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 7:00 am and 11:00 am Masses at St. Matthew Parish Ministry Schedule, July 22 & 23, 2023

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MINISTRY	Saturday, 6:30 pm	Sunday, 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Deacon Floyd	Deacon Floyd
Cup Minister	Jamie Miller	Paul Heath
	Jovita Kottraba	Pati Heath
Lector	Andrea Wright	Betty Heino
	Dixon Rice	Jack Fallon
Server	Deacon Floyd	Deacon Floyd
Greeter	Don Zimmerman – Sam Nease	Howie & Marian Ficek

#### **PLEASE NOTE**

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

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

July 16 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

24th through 28th......NO WEEKDAY MASSES

# 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.

# BISHOP'S GATHERING, THURSDAY, AUGUST 3RD

Tickets for the Bishop's Gathering are available in the office for \$10.00. Advanced purchases are required. Only 300 tickets will be available.

# **ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

NCYC Fundraiser: November 15-19 high school students from the Kalispell deanery will be joining over 25,000 other Catholic youth at the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis. On Labor Day, in order to raise funds for their journey, these young people will make a 9-mile pilgrimage on foot from St. Charles Borromeo in Whitefish to the Jesus statue on Big Mountain. Please prayerfully consider sponsoring a portion of their journey. They will be collecting pledges after Masses in July and look forward to including your intentions in their prayers both before and during their pilgrimage. If you are a high school student interested in joining this delegation, you can find details and registration online at: diocesehelena.org/ncyc Questions? Call or text Niki MacLean 970-710-9630.

# No weekday Masses The Week of July 24th at St. Matthew or Risen Christ

## PRAYER TO SAINT MARY MAGDALEN - FEAST DAY JULY 22ND

Saint Mary Magdalen, woman of many sins, who by conversion became the beloved follower of Jesus, thank you for your witness that Jesus forgives through the miracle of love. You, who already possess eternal happiness in His glorious presence, please intercede for me, so that someday I may share in the same everlasting joy. Amen.

## **SEMINARIAN FUND RAISER**

Our net proceeds from the bake sale fundraiser were \$246.00. Thank you all for your participation.

# **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.

# July 8 & 9, 2023

Sunday Envelopes	\$6,342
Building	130
Mass & Stole Gifts	25
Total	\$6,497

# **RETROUVAILLE**

Marriage Saving – the Post Session Phase – The post-weekend phase of Retrouvaille is as crucial to the healing of a troubled marriage as the initial weekend experience. During the post-weekend sessions, the weekend technique is further developed and combined with additional tools to explore other areas of the marriage relationship. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Our next program begins August 4, 2023. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit <a href="https://www.HelpOurMarriage.com">www.HelpOurMarriage.com</a> Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names are held in strictest confidence.

# THE ULTIMATE TEST

One night, four college students stayed up late partying, even though they knew they had a test the next day. The next morning, they came up with a plan to get out of having to take their test. Each student rolled around in dirt and then went to the teacher's office. They told the teacher that they had gotten a flat tire the night before, and they spent the entire night pushing their car back to campus.

The teacher listened, and to the students' delight, he offered a retest three days later. On the day of the test, the students went to their teacher's office. The teacher put all four of the students in separate rooms to take the test. The students were okay with that because they had been given a chance to study. The test had 2 questions:

- 1. Your Name\_\_\_\_\_\_(1 Point); 2. Which tire was flat?\_\_\_\_\_\_(99 points)
  - 1. Front Right; 2. Front Left; 3. Back Right; 4. Back Left

Aside from making wise decisions, **you always need to take responsibility for your actions.** This means not blaming other people for your mistakes, not complaining about the reality of the present moment, and not giving in to other people's pressure.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Six volunteers are needed to help with **Bishop's Gathering** on Thursday, August 3 at John Paul II Parish in Bigfork: 2 for set-up at 4:30; 2 for serving at 5:30 and 2 for clean-up at about 8:30. If you can help, call their parish at 406 837-4846.

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 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
Carol Trimble, rb Bruce Trimble
Christopher George Baldwin, rb George &Teresita Baldwin
Jason Falcon, rb Denny & Bev Falcon
Chad Morin, rb Missy Kapelanczyk
Rena Desmond, rb Risen Christ Parish

# **SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

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Ruff & Falk Families, rb Mary Ruff
Father Kyle Tannehill
Vaughn Family, rb Evelina Dupree
Robert & Gloria Brockman, rb Brockman Family

RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Fran Cavanagh, Greg Grace, Joe Riska, Curtis Gomes Eileen Kluesner, Maureen Neitzling, Amy Neitzling Tim & Diane Slobojan, Bob & Barbara Vine, Peg Gebhardt Mary Grace Galvin, Mike & Linda O'Neil, Larry Visocan Mary Reckin, Ron Bauer, Lou Sorensen, Gene Jellison

# FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

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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 THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 23, 2023

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19 Romans 8:26-27 Matthew 13:24-43

## PRACTICE OF CHARITY

The readings from this Sunday emphasize how unfit we are to take on the role of judgment that belongs only to God; and how inadequate is human mercy when compared to the unfathomable mercy of God. As Paul says, without the help of the Holy Spirit, we can't even know our hearts, never mind the hearts of others. What's more, Jesus tells his followers that the weeds and the wheat should be allowed to grow together: Christians live in charity with the world, not sitting in judgment over it.

We know and emulate Jesus, who loved and lived with sinners in order to bring them whole into the kingdom. This week deliberately choose to be charitable rather than judgmental in your thoughts and actions.

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.

# **PASTORAL COUNCIL**

The Council represents the interests and needs of the entire Parish community.

Jovita Kottraba, 212-8461 - Judy Stack, 752-4411- Ken Barrett, 755-0269

Jamie Miller, 257-9636 - Vicki Walbruch, 758-0170

# **FINANCE COUNCIL**

Finance Council members are: Peg Gebhardt, Christopher Gill, John Gunnerson, & Wally Walbruch

#### 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 would like to make a purchase during the week, please stop in the office.



Join the parishes of the Kalispell Deanery for an evening event with our Diocese of Helena Bishop, Austin Vetter.

# THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2023

Saint John Paul II Church \* Bigfork

5:30 pm - Social Hour 6:30 pm - Dinner and Music

Because this will be a catered meal, advanced ticket purchases are required.

Tickets are \$10 each and are limited to only 300 tickets for this event.

Children are free!

Special musical guest for this event is Saint John Paul II Church's own dazzling violinist Wai Mizutani and Friends.



For more information and to purchase tickets, contact your parish office.

# Bishop Vetter Will Celebrate the Following Masses During His August Visit:

Monday, July 31 - St. Charles, Whitefish, 12:15 pm.

Tuesday, August 1st - Risen Christ, Kalispell, 8:45 am.

Friday, August 4th - St. Matthew, Kalispell, 8:30 am.

Saturday, August 5th - St. Charles, Whitefish, 5:00 pm.

Sunday, August 6th - St. Richard, Columbia Falls, 8:00 am.

Sunday, August 6th - Immaculate Conception, Polson, 11:00 am.



# Week of July 16, 2023



# Easter in Art: Mary Magdalene (Part 3 of 3)

Learn about the "apostle to the apostles" in this discussion with Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp. They take a look at a famous painting of Jesus's encounter with Mary Magdalene following the Resurrection.



# Where are You? | Forgiven | Session 1

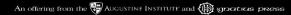
This captivating series explores Catholic themes of redemption, grace, and forgiveness through compelling storytelling and thought-provoking narratives. It offers a profound understanding of the transformative power of forgiveness and its significance in personal growth and spiritual renewal.



# Saint Mary Magdalene

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp for a discussion on the life and witness of St. Mary Magdalene. Who was she, and why is she a saint? Find out in this conversation.

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Fr. Stan

# The Nazareth Page A gospel meditation for your home July 16, 2023 – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Matthew 13:1-23

A sower went out to sow. (We've heard that before.) But don't let familiarity with those words stop you from listening, wondering, imagining, or reflecting on their potential deeper meaning. Maybe you will gain some new understanding or appreciation of these words of Jesus. Or any other words of his. Something new may come to your mind. Sometimes it takes time, focus and patience to find buried treasure. Recall a sign that once appeared at many train crossings: stop, look, and listen. Good warning for that situation and the same for many others.

Years ago, our family took a road trip to visit one of the world's greatest sights, the Grand Canyon. The mighty Colorado River had etched a crease in the earth's crust exposing layers of rock that had been laid down over millions of years. A wonder of nature was on full display. Certainly, well worth a visit.

Along the edge of the road sensitive park planners had created small parking lots where tourists, like us, could pull off the busy road, park in a safe place and walk right to the edge of the canyon. And then take in nature's sheer beauty with amazement, wonder and even gratitude that such a reality exists on our fragile planet. And we can behold it. And if moved, we can give thanks and praise to the One who created it.

But that does not always occur because "the seed did not fall on fertile soil."

Here's what often happened. Instead of being a place of quiet meditation, the parking lot began to resemble a pit stop area at the Indianapolis Speedway. Upon stopping, tourists quickly exited their cars, walked speedily to the canyon edge, pointed their cameras, clicked, and announced, "Got it!" and then raced back to their cars and pulled out into the road on their way to their next "pit stop" where another picture would be snapped.

Maybe this is a bit of an exaggeration, but is there something worthwhile in this description that resembles not just tourism, but the way we are led to experience contemporary life? Basically, living our lives without pause for reflection, deeper thought, or time to allow the wonders of life adequate time to touch our deeper senses, stimulate questions, penetrate our consciousness and leave us plunged into wonder about this miracle that is our very existence. Are the seeds of life received by us as God intends?

David M. Thomas, PhD