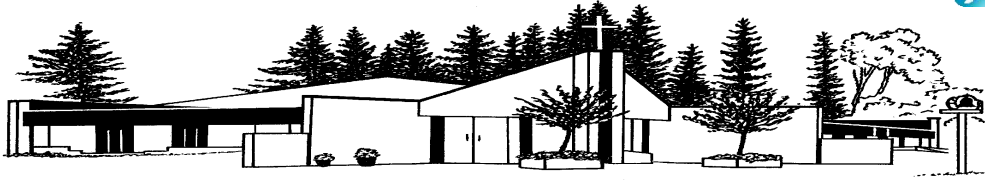

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME..... July 23, 2023
Saturday, July 22, Mass for July Intentions 6:30 pm
Sunday, July 23, Mass for the Parish 9:00 am
Monday, July 24 through Friday, July 28th NO DAILY MASS

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, July 29 & 30, 2023

MINISTRY	Saturday, 6:30 pm	Sunday, 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Suzanne Johnson	Kathy Shanahan
Cup Minister	Vicki Walbruch	Howie Ficek
	Judy Hughes	Marian Ficek
Lector	Carol Jellison	Pati Heath
	Jackie Jensen	Paul Heath
Server	Rick Nease	Gary Hembd
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

July 23 **SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
24th through 28th **NO WEEKDAY MASSES**
30 **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
Aug. 1 Mass and Breakfast with Bishop Vetter 8:45 am
3 Bishop's Gathering, John Paul II 5:30 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.

BISHOP'S GATHERING, THURSDAY, AUGUST 3RD

Tickets for the Bishop's Gathering are available in the office for \$10.00.

Hurry – they are going fast!

Advanced purchases are required.

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.

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.**

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 15 & 16, 2023

Sunday Envelopes	\$5,520
Building	5
Mass & Stole Gifts	15
Total	\$5,540

RETROUVAILLE

2 weeks to Sign Up for Retrouvaille – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? When was the last time you said, “I Love You”? 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 www.HelpOurMarriage.com. Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names are held in strictest confidence.

JULY 26: SAINTS JOACHIM AND ANNE - MEMORIAL

Today we honor the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the grandparents of Jesus. Pray to this holy couple today, especially asking their intercession for your grandparents or your grandchildren. Ponder what it would have been like to give birth to the Mother of the Son of God. Prayerfully imagine what it would have been like to watch their daughter, who was “full of grace,” grow and mature into adulthood. Though these holy parents might not have understood all of the mysteries that surrounded their daughter, they would have known, by a grace of spiritual intuition, that their daughter was chosen by God and given a singular grace that budded forth in an abundance of virtue for all to see, especially for her parents to see.

Saints Joachim and Anne, you were given the incredible privilege and responsibility to give birth to and raise the Immaculate Conception, the Mother of God. Her presence in your lives touched you both deeply and left you in awe of God's grace. Please pray for me, that I may come to love your daughter and your Grandson with the same love you bore for each of them, so that I will enjoy their company in Heaven one day, just as you do today. Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.

**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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Tommy Carroll, rb Sally Gorman
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 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 30, 2023**

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 Romans 8:28-30 Matthew 13:44-52

PRACTICE OF FAITH

What will you give up in exchange for the kingdom of God? That is the question that today's Gospel poses. To us, giving up everything seems very risky; only faith can enable us to take such a drastic step. But faith is not only the thing that gives us courage to do what is necessary to reach the kingdom; faith allows us to recognize the kingdom. Through discernment over time, faith hones our ability to distinguish dross from gold. Our faith helps us to see the pearl for what it is, and then do whatever it takes to make it ours.

♥This week, pray for a greater ability to see God in the ordinary details of your life.

♥Give up a daily or weekly luxury and donate the money or time you would have spent on it to charity.

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.



KALISPELL DEANERY

Bishop's Gathering

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*.



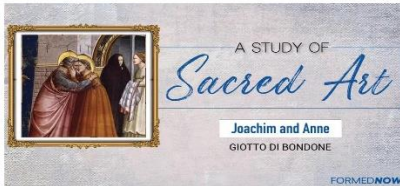
For more information and to purchase tickets, contact your parish office.

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.

THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of July 23, 2023



Sts. Joachim and Anne | Sacred Art

In this episode on FORMED Now, Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp discuss the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary in this famous painting "Joachim and Anne Meeting at the Golden Gate."



The Way of Saint James

This documentary follows the journey of several pilgrims who differ in culture and religious faith but are united in their journey across the Camino de Santiago. Each of them is traveling toward the shrine of St. James the Apostle, whose feast day we celebrate this week.



Catholic Parenting Tips w/ Catholic Sprouts | FORMED Now

Join Taylor Kemp and Nancy Bandzuch, who founded Catholic Sprouts alongside her husband Bill, for tips for raising Catholic children!

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Fr. Stan

The Nazareth Page
A gospel meditation for your home
July 23, 2023 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 13:24-33

When I was in my early days of parenting, I read a book that was very helpful to me in the ensuing years. It was called *The Good Enough Parent*. Its author was Bruno Bettelheim, a renowned expert on human development. It was written especially for would-be perfectionists, a group I qualified to be part of. It was easy for me to have such a distorted thought since at the time my wife and I parented only little ones. As the years flew by, however, our children became a complex mix of good and not-so-good. As did their parents.

But that's life, or to use the image given to us by Jesus in today's gospel, a mix of wheat and weeds. Our temptation is to continue to hope that things will be perfect, that our children will all be immensely successful, partly because we have been the best parents ever. But that didn't happen in our case. Nor, I suspect, in anyone else's.

Admittedly, there seems a certain desire in all of us that wants everyone and everything to be, as we might say, to be as it should be. We want perfect days filled with delightful moments, surrounded by supportive family and friends and seasoned with tasty, mouth-watering meals. Isn't that the way it should be? Or could be?

Jesus responds that is not the way it is right now. There will always be weeds among the wheat. That's the way God created our world. The world is not perfect. Nor are we. But we are "good enough." And in the end, through God's compassionate power, things will get much better. We might say, "perfect."

So, today's gospel is a lesson in being more realistic and down-to-earth. God planted within us a desire for perfection but added to the mix a bit of imperfection – at least as we might judge it. It's not bad to hope for perfect happiness or to wish that we be more perfect, but don't expect that right now. It's part of the Great Mystery of God's will and design for creation.

In our struggle to be more helpful, more intelligent, and more effective in dealing with life's challenges, we are creating a better future. In a sense, a more perfect one. And we will experience that in what's ahead after our time here ends and we enter into full glory with God. And with all those others who, like ourselves, were good enough.

David M. Thomas, PhD