#### RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	. August 6, 2023
Saturday, August 5, Mass for August Intentions	6:30 pm
Sunday, August 6, Mass for the Parish	9:00 am
Tuesday, August 8, Mass for Soul of Rita Homan, rb Rose Sverdrup	8:45 am
Thursday, August 10, Intention of Tommy Carroll, rb Sally Gorman	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, August 12 & 13, 2023

MINISTRY	Saturday, 6:30 pm Sunday, 9:00 a		
Plate Minister	Deacon Floyd	Deacon Floyd	
Cup Minister	Missy Kapelanczyk	Connie McCubbins	
	Jovita Kottraba	Lilia Hattel	
Lector	Vicki Walbruch	Paul Heath	
	Andrea Wright	Pati Heath	
Server	Deacon Floyd	Deacon Floyd	
Greeter	Lee & Dee Heser	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

#### Aug. 6 THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

- 13 NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
- Bake Sale......After weekend Masses
- 14 Vigil for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Risen Christ..6:00 pm
- 15 THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
  Masses at Risen Christ: Vigil Monday, 6:00 pm and Tuesday, 8:45 am
  St. Matthew, Tuesday, 6:00 pm
- 20 TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### 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.

#### ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

**NCYC Fundraiser:** A huge thank you to all those who pledged their support for the high school students from the Kalispell deanery who will be joining 25,000 other Catholic youth at the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis this November. 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. Pledge forms are still available in the back of the church and can be mailed to St Charles Borromeo, PO Box 128, Whitefish, MT 59937 (write NCYC in memo line). Questions? Call or text Niki MacLean 970-710-9630.



### BAKE SALE NEXT WEEKEND!



#### THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

The Communion of Saints includes the faithful on earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the blessed in heaven. In this Communion, the merciful love of God and his saints is always attentive to our prayers for one another here and for the souls of the faithful departed. The Communion of Saints also refers to "holy things," above all the Eucharist, by which the believers are formed into one Body of Christ.

United States Catholic Catechism for Adults c. 2006, Chapter 13

The Catechism explains that the saints contemplate God, praise him, and constantly care for those whom they have left on earth. [...] Their intercession is their most exalted service to God's plan. We can and should ask them to intercede "for us and for the whole world" (CCC, 2683). There is a mysterious solidarity in Christ between those who have already passed to the other life and we pilgrims in this one: From Heaven, our beloved deceased continue to take care of us. They pray for us, and we pray for them, and we pray with them.

Excerpt from: Pope Francis explains prayer and the Communion of Saints, 4/07/2021

#### **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 22 & 29, 2023

Sunday Envelopes\$5326Building20Mass & Stole Gifts10Total\$5356

#### ST. CLAIRE OF ASSISI, FEAST DAY AUGUST 11

Having refused to marry at 15, Clare was moved by the dynamic preaching of Francis. He became her lifelong friend and spiritual guide.

At 18, Clare escaped from her father's home one night, was met on the road by friars carrying torches, and in the poor little chapel called the Portiuncula received a rough woolen habit, exchanged her jeweled belt for a common rope with knots in it, and sacrificed her long tresses to Francis' scissors. He placed her in a Benedictine convent, which her father and uncles immediately stormed into in rage. Clare clung to the altar of the church, threw aside her veil to show her cropped hair, and remained adamant. Sixteen days later her sister Agnes joined her. Others came. They lived a simple life of great poverty, austerity, and complete seclusion from the world, according to a Rule which Francis gave them as a Second Order. At age 21, Francis obliged Clare under obedience to accept the office of abbess, one she exercised until her death.

The 41 years of Clare's religious life are scenarios of sanctity: an indomitable resolve to lead the simple, literal gospel life as Francis taught her; courageous resistance to the ever-present pressure to dilute the ideal; a passion for poverty and humility; an ardent life of prayer; and a generous concern for her sisters. Saint Clare is the Patron Saint of protection from eye disorders and television.

## THE ASSUMPTIONOF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION, AUGUST 15, 2023

Today, Catholics and many other Christians celebrate the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This significant feast day recalls the spiritual and physical departure of the mother of Jesus Christ from the earth, when both her soul and her body were taken into the presence of God.

The feast of the Assumption is always a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses are as follows: Risen Christ, 8:45 am and St. Matthew, 6:00 pm.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 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
David Jacobs, rb The Jacob's Family
Christopher George Baldwin, rb George & Teresita Baldwin
Kyan L. Bowman Wheeler, rb George & Colleen Hutchens
Gloria Brockman, rb Brockman Family
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**SPECIAL INTENTIONS** 

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Ruff & Falk Families, rb Mary Ruff Robert Brockman, rb Brockman Family

RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS
FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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

#### 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 NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 13, 2023

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:22-33

#### PRACTICE OF FAITH

Today's Gospel portrays Peter's lack of faith as keeping him from walking across the sea to reach Jesus. In Peter's hesitation, he falls beneath the waves, and is rebuked by Jesus: "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" In our faith journey, we are also required to believe that God is with us, even when – especially when – all appearances are to the contrary. This can be particularly hard when the institutions we rely on seem buffeted by storm and scandal or piloted by fearful or ignorant people. Governments, civic and religious, are all prone to flounder. At these times, faith insists that Christ is with us, that he will come again, and we will be one in him. When we are overcome by despair, we know through our faith that God will save us.

- ♥Look for opportunities this week to express your faith, even if you are afraid.
- ♥Pray before the Body of Christ in the tabernacle for one hour this week, in preparation for the Sunday Eucharist.

  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.



### Week of August 06, 2023



#### Edith Stein: The Seventh Chamber

This film is a moving, artistic portrayal of the life of Jewish philosopher, Catholic convert, and Carmelite martyr, Edith Stein. It powerfully captures the interior struggles of this extraordinary woman and her journey toward the Lord.



#### Clare and Francis

This outstanding movie is unique among films about St. Francis because of the historical accuracy of the story and its authentic spirit of joy and piety so characteristic of Francis, as well as the major role played by Clare. Both founded major religious orders, and together they inspired many to follow their radical call to live the Gospel.



#### The Transfiguration | Sacred Art

Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp sit down with Raffaello Sanzio's painting, "The Transfiguration," to discuss its theological meaning and how it can speak to us today.

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Fr. Stan

# The Nazareth Page A gospel meditation for your home August 6, 2023 – Transfiguration of the Lord Matthew 17:1-9

The account of the transfiguration of Jesus is one of the more challenging episodes recorded in the gospels. Its inclusion in the gospels suggests its importance, although its precise significance can be somewhat elusive. Here's what I think is worth some thought on our part by reflecting on the experienced of a transfigured Jesus on the mountain with his closest disciples.

One of the most respected American psychologists was Abraham Maslow, born the same year as my parents, 1908. He wanted to make available insights from his research to assist ordinary people make their lives healthier and more vital. He was especially interested in the life experience of mentally healthy people.

In his writings he described the importance of what he called "peak experiences." These were momentary events that were more intense than ordinary day-to-day living. During such moments people felt more alive and more alert to aspects of life that were never experienced before. He said that we should value such experiences that teach us about part of the deeper truths of human existence.

These peak moments might arise when we are overwhelmed by the beauty of nature, the love and affection of others or the very mystery of life itself. It's like the clouds overhead opened and we beheld creation and ourselves in a new way. Such experiences, Maslow noted, could deeply change us. While usually fleeting, they could affect us for the rest of our lives.

Perhaps what happened to the three disciples of Jesus, Peter, James and John, was a peak moment that transformed them on that mountain top. Having lived among mountains for most of my life, I can affirm both the symbolism and significance of such events.

But there is more to the gospel story, and to our lives, than simply those special "peak" moments. First, we must accept the fact that they are usually momentary. Like the disciples of Jesus, we too must come back down to earth. Second, they are not to be forgotten for they inform us about dimensions of life that are very real. And last, we do well to accept the reality often our daily life is hard and filled with challenges. But we can face them knowing that there more to life than a daily cross. There is God's promise to us of resurrection. A reality briefly shown to his disciples on that mountain top.

David M. Thomas, PhD

## SACRAMENTS Contact the parish office at 406 752-4219

#### **Infant Baptism:**

The parents must be registered members of the parish. Someone will contact you to begin the process of baptismal preparation.

#### First Reconciliation and First Eucharist:

Preparation for these Sacraments is ordinarily in the second grade in our Religious Formation program. Preparation also includes conferences with parents.

#### **Confirmation**

Risen Christ children prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation from 8<sup>th</sup> Grade through high school, with the rite being celebrated as needed. Candidates are enrolled in the Religious Formation program.

#### **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA):**

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process of inquiring, faith-sharing, instruction, and liturgy for those who seek to become Catholics. All who are interested in inquiring about the Catholic faith are welcome.

#### Order of Christian Initiation of Children (OCIC):

The process of initiation is adapted to meet the needs of unbaptized children, age 7 or older or children who have been baptized but have had no formation in the faith. These are children of catechetical age, who have attained the age of reason and are capable of receiving and nurturing a personal faith.

#### **Funerals:**

Consultation with a priest will be arranged.

#### Marriage:

Preparing for marriage is preparing for the rest of your life! Couples who plan to marry in the Diocese of Helena must contact the parish no less than six months before the proposed wedding date. Every effort will be made to accommodate the couples' plans. However, the date of the wedding will not be confirmed until after the initial stages of the preparation have been completed.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Sacrament of Anointing by request, contact the parish office.

#### **Home Bound Visits**

If you, or someone you know, would like to have a home visit, have Communion brought to your home or have the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please contact the parish Office. Someone will be in touch with you.