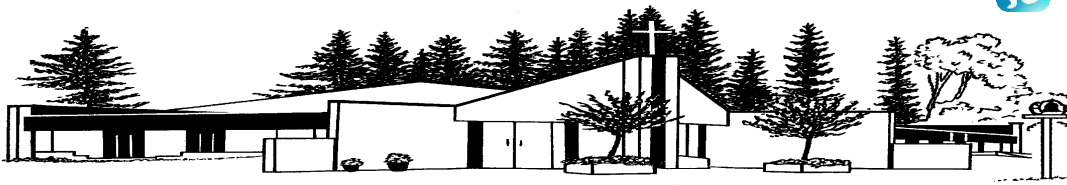


RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 11, 2024

Sat., Feb. 10, Mass for February Collective Intentions of St. Matthew's & Risen Christ. **6:30 pm**

Sunday, February 11, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew's & Risen Christ..... **9:00 am**

Tuesday, February 13, Mass for the Souls in Purgatory, rb Andrea Wright **8:45 am**

Wednesday, February 14 Mass at Risen Christ **6:00 pm**

Thursday, Feb. 15, Mass for the Soul of Catherine Richter, rb Lucia Gomez **8:45 am**

Masses at St. Matthew's Parish:

Wednesdays 8:30 & 12:10 pm; Fridays 8:30 am; Saturdays 4:30 pm.

Sundays 7:00 am and 11:00 am

Ministry Schedule, February 17 and 18, 2024

| MINISTRY | Saturday, 6:30 am | Sunday 9:00 am |
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| Plate Minister | Dn. Floyd McCubbins | Dn. Floyd McCubbins |
| Cup Minister | Judy Hughes | Kathy Shanahan |
| | Vicki Walbruch | Pati Heath |
| Lector | Rick Nease | Anne Mahoney |
| | Shelley Nease | Bryan McMillan |
| Server | | |
| Greeter | Don Zimmerman, Colleen Hutchens | Dan and Tammy Newton |

PLEASE NOTE

Sacrament of Baptism by appointment

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| Feb. | 11 | SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | |
| | | Seminarian Bake Sale | After Weekend Masses |
| | 13 | KC Ladies Dinner, MacKenzie River North | 5:30 pm |
| | | Knights of Columbus | 6:30 pm |
| | | Choir | 7:30 pm |
| | 14 | ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES | |
| | | Saint Matthew's School Mass | 8:30 am |
| | | Saint Matthew's Ash Wednesday Celebration | 12:10 pm |
| | | Risen Christ..... | 6:00 pm |
| | | Women's Scripture Study | 10:00-11:30 am |
| | | NO RELIGIOUS FORMATION , attend Mass with Family | |
| | 16 | Stations of the Cross | 7:00 pm |
| | 18 | FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT | |
| | | Black and Indian Mission collection | |
| | 21 | Women's Scripture Study | 10:00-11:30 am |
| | | Religious Formation..... | 4:00-5:15 pm |
| | 22 | Soup and Bread Supper | 5:30 pm |
| | 23 | Stations of the Cross | 7:00 pm |
| | 25 | SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT | |
| | 28 | Women's Scripture Study | 10:00-11:30 am |
| | | Religious Formation..... | 4:00-5:15 pm |

Parish Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

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.

SOUP AND BREAD SUPPER

Soup and bread supper will begin on Thursday, February 22 at 5:30pm. Please sign up to bring either soup or bread. If anyone is able to volunteer to take one week each Thursday to help set up and to clean up please sign up in the social area.

PARISH DIRECTORY

Risen Christ would like to update our photo directory and would like to have this done in-house. We are looking for a photographer as well as a coordinator who would like to lead this project.

Please contact the office if you have the skills and time for this endeavor. Thank you.

BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION

Next week, our parish will take up the 140th annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

YOUR 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.

February 3 & 4, 2024

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| Sunday Envelopes | \$6,429 |
| Building | 342 |
| Mass & Stole Gifts | 20 |
| Total | \$6,791 |

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Our local 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign is here. You can protect mothers and children by joining us to pray and fast for an end to abortion, reach out to family and friends to clear up any misconceptions they may have about abortion, and take part in our peaceful prayer vigil!

Key events are:

- **Dates** for the campaign: Wednesday, February 14th - Saturday, March 23rd.
- **Location** of the vigil: Sidewalk outside **All Families Healthcare** abortion center, 737 Spokane Avenue (park on Kalispell Ave. at 8th St. and walk down to Spokane Ave.)
- **Vigil hours:** 7 am to 7 pm
- **Date** for the Kickoff Rally: Saturday, February 10th.
- **Location** of the Kickoff Rally: Faith Covenant Church, 611 3rd Ave E, Kalispell

Risen Christ is sponsoring Mar. 19 and 21. **St. Matthew's** is sponsoring Mar. 18, 20, 22.

Please visit our signup table in the foyer after all services.

REMEMBER that it is highly recommended to sign up in pairs.

Point of contact is Mike Hanson at (406) 314-7826 or mikester55@hotmail.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY FISHING DAY

Sign up for Ice Fishing Fun! Limit of 30 people on the ice.

MT State Fishing License is required to fish. Win Prizes – Categories for Perch & Pike Fellowship with Friends at Smith Lake – Kila, MT Feb. 24, 2024, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

OUR LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

Soup and Bread Supper

Each Thursday, 5:30 pm beginning February 22

Stations of the Cross

Each Friday evening, 7:00 pm beginning February 16.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fries

Risen Christ – February 23, March 8, and March 22

St. Matthew's - February 16, March 1, and March 15, 4:30 – 6:45 pm.

**COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2024**

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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
Olga Hammond
Robert Look
Vonda McCubbins, rb Risen Christ Parish
Barbara Vine, rb Risen Christ Parish**

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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**Pete Shea
Russell Mallams
Ruff & Falk Families**

**RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS
FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

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

FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

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**Carter Anderson, Dillon Armstrong, Shae Bills, Lane Buus
John Cooney, Riley Helgoe, Matt Keck, Kaleb Mitchell,
Anthony Olmes, Brett Rotz, James Semling, Jamie Severson**

READINGS FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

February 18, 2024

Genesis 9:8-15

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:12-15

PRACTICE OF HOPE

The flood that covered the earth mirrored the evil that had spread across it. Such sin still permeates the earth and can feel overwhelming.

◆ During his time in the desert, Jesus committed himself to opposing evil in all its forms. Schedule a time to go to confession this week. Acknowledge the ways you have ignored opportunities to make life-giving choices.

At Home with the Word 2024

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 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.

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.

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

PARKING SPACES FOR SENIORS

Please leave the parking spaces bordering the building and the row just west of that for seniors or others who have trouble navigating our icy parking lot.

THE WISDOM OF THE SAINTS

Every day, when your heart especially feels the loneliness of life, pray.

St. Padre Pio

IN GRATITUDE

Thank you for your kind gift to Samaritan House! Your support is greatly appreciated and allows us to continue to provide exceptional supportive services and shelter to our unhoused community in the Flathead.

With Gratitude, Samaritan House

WHAT TO GIVE UP IN LENT

Give up grumbling... instead in everything give thanks.

Give up 10 to 15 minutes in bed...instead use that time in prayer.

Give up looking at people's worst points...instead concentrate on their best ones.

Give up speaking unkindly...

instead let your speech be generous and understanding.

Give up your worries...instead trust God with them.

Give up hatred or dislike of anyone...instead learn to love.

Give up concentrating on Sunday newspapers...instead study your Bible.

Give up TV one evening a week...instead visit some lonely or sick person.

Give up buying anything but essentials for yourself...

instead give the money to God's work.

Give up the fear which prevents Christian witness...

instead seek courage to speak to others.

Give up judging by appearances and the standards of the world...

instead give up YOURSELF to God.

A REQUEST FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights are collecting good, used, musical instruments for St. Matthew's School Band. If you have a long-forgotten instrument in the closet and wish to donate it, call Saint Matthew's Parish Office @ (406)752-6788 and donate it to the kids.

DIOCESE OF HELENA, EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

March 22-24, 2024, Carroll College Helena, MT

ENCOUNTER THE LORD/ENTER INTO HOLY WEEK/PROCLAIM HIS LOVE

Learn More & Register at: diocesehelena.org/eucharisticcongress

THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of February 11, 2024



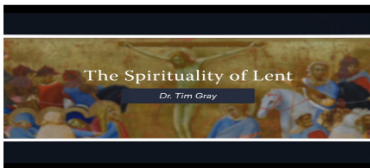
Whole 40: Making a Spiritual Plan for Lent

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Elizabeth Klein to discuss the purpose of the season of Lent, how to prepare for it, and why it is such a fruitful season in our life of faith.



The Story of Death | Eternal Rest | Episode 1

Where did death come from? What does death mean for the human person? Is it simply just part of life, or is it something else? In this first session, we discuss the story of death and God's response to it: defeating death by dying and rising from the dead.



The Spirituality of Lent

Looking to take Lent more seriously this year? Join Tim Gray for ideas for a Lenten spirituality.

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Fr. Stan

The Nazareth Page
A gospel meditation for your home
February 11, 2024 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 1:40-45

One of the most feared ailments in the time of Jesus was leprosy. It was a contagious condition and was widespread. Lepers had to live in locales outside populated areas. There was no known cure for it although perhaps some recovered from it on their own. Perhaps it was felt that some kind of magic was at play in their healing.

One day Jesus met a leper who asked him to be cured. Maybe the reputation of Jesus as a healer was known. Jesus cured the man's ailment. Jesus told him to go to the local religious authority to have the cure verified. That was the custom of the time.

Then Jesus told him *not* to tell others and for good reason. If word spread that Jesus could cure leprosy, and perhaps other undesirable conditions, he would be overrun by those seeking his help. He did not want to be known simply as a miracle worker. As the narrative unfolds, we learn that the cured man couldn't keep quiet. Then "people kept coming to him from everywhere." Jesus slipped out of town. He did not want that kind of popularity.

The primary mission of Jesus was to teach people about God and how to live according to God's intent. We learn elsewhere in the gospels that Jesus emphasized two great commandments: To love God with all one's strength and to love one's neighbor as oneself.

In other words, the religious message of Jesus was not to get, but to give. Being a follower of Jesus should not be based simply on what we get out of it. While being a disciple is rooted in the self, it is not a self-serving reality, but rather is focused on others. First on God and God's love for us in creating and sustaining us each day. And then on helping others.

Ignatian spirituality is often summarized on our being "a person for others." This is how we imitate Jesus. Our prayer life should not be a series of requests for ourselves, but rather we should pray for the good of others, especially in the spirit of Pope Francis, who reminds us to attend especially to the needs of the poor.

In another part of the gospel Jesus tells of a time when ten lepers were cured. But only one thanked God for this miracle. The rest, we can assume, were so wrapped up in their own needs being met that they failed to thank the one who healed them. They no longer connected with the One who is the source of all that is good.

David M. Thomas, PhD