RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Website: <u>www.risenchristkalispell.org</u>
Formed Catechetical Resources: <u>www.risenchristkalispell.formed.org</u>

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Risen Christ Parish and St. Matthew's Parish

Deacon Floyd McCubbins, 406-471-4379, deaconfloydmc@yahoo.com - Risen Christ

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Maryruth Fallon, Music Director

Rose Hall, Office Manager ~ Peggy Holton, Office Assistant

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	February 4, 2024
Sat., Feb. 3,	NO 6:30 PM MASS
Sunday, February 4, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew's & I	Risen Christ 9:00 am
Tuesday, February 6, Mass for the Soul of Pam Gatzemeier,	rb Rose Hall 8:45 am
Thurs., Feb. 8, Mass for the Soul of Keith Eckelberry, rb Ron	& Margerite Bauer 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 10,11, & 14, 2024

MINISTRY	Saturday, 6:30 am	Sunday 9:00 am	Wednesday 6:00 pm
Plate Minister	Vicki Walbruch	Howie Ficek	Suzanne Johnson
Cup Minister	Shelley Nease	Marian Ficek	Howie Ficek
	Suzanne Johnson	Bryan McMillan	Marian Ficek
Lector	Cecelia Notess	Jim Galvin	Pati Heath
	Dixon Rice	Andrea Wright	Paul Heath
Server	Don Zimmerman		Don Zimmerman
Greeter	Rose Hall	Pat Arnone	Peggy Holton
	Mary Jacobs	Fresa Tobiason	Rose Hall

PLEASE NOTE

Sacrament of Baptism by appointment

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb.	4	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	6	Choir
	7	Women's Scripture Study10:00-11:30 am
		Religious Formation4:00-5:15 pm
	10	Risen Christ Rummage Sale
	11	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
		Seminarian Bake Sale After Weekend Masses
	13	KC Ladies Dinner, MacKenzie River North5:30 pm
		Knights of Columbus6:30 pm
		Choir7:30 pm
	14	ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES
		Saint Matthew's Children's Mass, 8:30 am; 12:10 pm
		Risen Christ6:00 pm
'		Women's Scripture Study
		NO RELIGIOUS FORMATION, attend Mass with Family
	16	Stations of the Cross
	18	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
		Black and Indian Mission collection
	21	Women's Scripture Study10:00-11:30 am
		Religious Formation4:00-5:15 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.

LOST!

We are asking for your help in locating two burgundy round tablecloths that are missing from the kitchen. If you have knowledge of their whereabouts, please return them. No questions asked! Thank you.

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 who would like to lead this project. Please contact the office if you have the skills and time for this endeavor. Thank you.

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.

January 27 & 28, 2024

Sunday Envelopes	\$4186
Ash Wednesday	20
Building	10
Mass & Stole Gifts	80
Total	\$4296

RISEN CHRIST RUMMAGE SALE, FEBRUARY 10, 2024!



Save your items for the Risen Christ Rummage Sale!
We can use all **CLEAN AND GENTLY USED** donations.
Please consider volunteering for this fun event.
You may drop your donation items at the church on **Friday, February 9**th **between 10 am and 2 pm.**

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 in Whitefish. (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 March 19 and 21.

St. Matthew is sponsoring March 18, 20, 22.

Please visit our signup table in the social area 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.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2024

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
Bob Redinger, rb Risen Christ Parish

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Pete Shea
Russell Mallams

Ruff & Falk Families

RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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

FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

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

READINGS FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 11, 2024

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1 Mark 1:40-45

PRACTICE OF CHARITY

In Jesus' day, people with certain skin conditions had to live apart from the community, which only added to their suffering. Imagine being someone in such circumstances.
◆ After Jesus heals him, the leper doesn't return to his former life. Have you changed because of the good things God has done for you, or have you returned to your usual way of living?

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

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: www.diocesehelena,org/eucharisticcongress.

HELENA CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

"COME TO ME" Matthew 11:28 Mary Our Mother Friday, April 12, 2024

Cathedral of St. Helena 5:30 pm Mass & Rosary offered for families. All are welcome. Saturday, April 13, 2024

Women's Conference, Adoration, Confessions, Vendors, Fellowship Helena Civic Center Visit Helenacwc.com

SOURCES OF PRAYER

For Catholics, prayer grows out of their experience with Scripture and liturgy and is strengthened and deepened by the virtues of faith, hope, and charity. Prayer should be a part of everyday life. The Church teaches that the only way to reach the Father in prayer is through Christ. That is why Catholic prayers often end with the words, "We ask this through Christ, our Lord." That is why the Eucharistic prayer at Mass ends with "Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, forever and ever."

THANK YOU FROM RAY OF HOPE

Thank you for your donations in 2023 of \$100.00. Your support allows A Ray of Hope to give a hand-up, not a hand-out to those in need of a safe place to live. Not only do you help house and feed people through our shelter, your gift also provides for women and children in Peggy's House, our new shelter. Thank you.

The Trustees of Ray of Hope

FRIENDSHIP QUOTE

"Fly from bad companions as from the bite of a poisonous snake. If you keep good companions, I can assure you that you will one day rejoice with the blessed in Heaven; whereas if you keep with those who are bad, you will become bad yourself, and you will be in danger of losing your soul."

St. John Bosco, The Wisdom of the Saints, c 2022



Week of February 04, 2024



Sts. Benedict and Scholastica | Littlest Saints

A pair of holy twins, a cave, and a group of naughty monks... this is the story of Saint Benedict and Saint Scholastica. Visit their website here: www.littlestsaints.com



St. Scholastica | Holy Women You Never Heard Of | Episode 3

Dive into the lives of Holy Women You've Never Heard Of with Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Dr. Jessica Murdoch. St. Scholastica is the sister of St. Benedict. Holy siblings and holy families change the world!



Bakhita: From Slave to Saint

Bahkita: From Slave to Saint tells the incredible story of St. Josephine Bakhita. Originally born in Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped by slavers and was eventually sold to a merchant in Italy. By the grace of God, she lived a heroic life of forgiveness and mercy which led her to become a saint.

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To register, please go to: www.risenchristkalispell.formed.org, click on register now to create your account. Be sure to follow the password requirements and check the square that you have read and understood the Terms of Service. After you have created your account, you will have access to FORMED-provided materials (like the one above) purchased for you by our parish. Please take advantage of this beautiful opportunity to

learn more about your faith.

Fr. Stan

The Nazareth Page A gospel meditation for your home February 4, 2024 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 1:29-39

Today's gospel invites us to think about the life of Jesus once he began his public ministry. In brief, he spent his time teaching and healing the various ills of ordinary people. We are taken first to the home of Peter's mother-in-law, a fitting start for the work of Jesus. Scholars have called our attention to three interesting aspects of this narrative.

First, since Peter had a mother-in-law, he must have been married. Although nothing more about this is ever mentioned in the gospels. Second, "they" (not Peter) requested the help of Jesus regarding her "fever." Jesus reacted and she was made healthy. And third, once back to her normal self, she waited on them. Jesus helped her and she helped others. This creates what might be called "a circle of service." We are helped by God, and we respond by helping others.

I have written many words that appear in these Nazareth Pages about our responsibility to help others. Much of this "ministry" happens within our families, but it is certainly not limited to that setting. We are on the alert each day for opportunities to help friends, neighbors, or whoever crosses our path. Some of those receiving our assistance we already know, and some will be strangers. Some will live close to us, and others at a distance.

We help from our abundance that we recognise as ultimately coming from God who created us and supports us through all our days and nights. Like Peter's mother-in-law did. Having been gifted by Jesus, she in turn gifts others.

Today's gospel also describes the presence of "demons" along with Jesus freeing people from their influence or power. Biblical scholars often mention their presence in people of that time. Does this imply some form of satanic presence? Perhaps. But they also note that many believed that the world, including personal lives, were under the influence of outside forces that were not beneficial. Since their presence often caused unfavorable results, they were described as "evil." And in some cases, they were just "bad ideas."

Jesus responded to this situation in two ways. He cared for those afflicted, and he taught them about the love and goodness of God. This same kind of response was to be imitated by all those who attached themselves to Jesus. In other words, his disciples or followers, like you and me. We are not to be indifferent to the needs of others. We are alert to whenever we can help others in whatever way we can. And we do it!

David M. Thomas, PhD