RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Father Stanislaw Róg, Pastor/Parish Administrator

Risen Christ Parish and St. Matthew's Parish

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

Deacon Charlie Harball, 406-752-6788, St. Matthew's

Helen Tobiason - Religious Formation Coordinator, Grades K-6

Maryruth Fallon, Music Director

Rose Hall, Office Manager ~ Peggy Holton, Office Assistant

PALM SUNDAYMarch	24, 2024
Sat., Mar. 23, Mass for March Collective Intentions of St. Matthew's & Risen Chris	•
Sunday, March 25, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew's & Risen Christ	9:00 am
Tuesday, March 26 Mass for deceased Priests of the Diocese	
Holy Thursday, March 28 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper	

Ministry Schedule, March 28, 29, 31, 2024

MINISTRY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY 12:30 pm	SUNDAY
Plate	Deacon Floyd		Paul Heath
Minister	•		
Cup Minister	Paul Heath		Pati Heath
	Vicki Walbruch		Connie McCubbins
Lector	Bryan McMillan	Kathy Shanahan	Jack Fallon
	Pati Heath	Dixon Rice	Jim Galvin
Server			Gary Hembd
Greeter	Toni Gunnerson	Tom & Terrie Alger	Howie & Marian
	Colleen Hutchens		Ficek

PLEASE NOTE

Holy Saturday Sacrament of Reconciliation is from, 9:00-10:30 am

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mar	24	PALM SUNDAY
	26	Choir7:00 pm
	27	NO RELIGIOUS FORMATION
	28	HOLY THURSDAY, Mass of the Lord's Supper7:00 pm
	29	Good Friday collection for the Holy Land
		Celebration of the Passion of our Lord12:30 pm
	30	NO 6:30 pm Mass at Risen Christ
		Vigil Mass at St. Matthew's Parish9:00 pm
	31	EASTER SUNDAY
		Easter Music8:30 am
		Mass of the Resurrection9:00 am
		Easter Egg Huntafter Mass
April	2	NO CHOIR
•	5	Grief Workshop6:00-9:00 pm
	6	Grief Workshop 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
	7	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY
		Chaplet of Divine Mercy and opportunity for confession 3:00 – 4:00 pm
	9	KC Ladies Dinner, Casa Mexico5:30 pm
		Knights of Columbus6:30 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.

THE EASTER TRIDUUM			
Holy Thursday, March 28			
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at Risen Christ Parish7:00pm			
Good Friday, March 29			
Celebration of the Passion of our Lord at Risen Christ			
Celebration of the Passion of our Lord at St. Matthew's Parish7:00 pm			
Holy Saturday Morning Confessions, Risen Christ, 9:00 – 10:30 am			
There will be NO afternoon Confessions			
Easter Vigil Liturgy, Saturday, March 30			
NO 4:30 pm Mass			
Vigil Mass at St. Matthew's Parish			
Easter Sunday, March 31			
Mass of the Resurrection at St. Matthew's			
Easter Music Risen Christ8:30 am			
Mass of the Resurrection: at Risen Christ9:00 am			
Easter Egg Hunt at Risen Christ			
Mass of the Resurrection at St. Matthew's11:00 am			
Easter Egg Hunt at St. Matthew after 11:00 am Mass			

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.

March 16 and 17, 2024

 Sunday Envelopes
 \$6,043

 Building
 360

 Easter
 50

 Total
 \$6,453

DECORATING HELPERS NEEDED FOR PALM SUNDAY & EASTER

We will be joyously decorating for

Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday & Easter at Risen Christ.

Holy Thursday, March 28 at 9:00 am Good Friday, March 29 at 9:00 am

For Easter-Saturday, March 30 at 10:30 am

We need your help so come join in the fun and fellowship as we beautify the church!

Please bring your Rice Bowls

to the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, March 28, 7:00 pm

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

We would like to provide Eucharist to the homebound parishioners at Risen Christ parish. If you know of anyone who would like Holy Communion delivered to their home, let the parish office know. Please call 406-752-4219.

A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

Thank you, everyone, who decorated, help set up, served, cleaned up and, of course, attended the St. Patrick's corned beef and cabbage dinner. What an amazing turnout! We are truly blessed to be a part of the Risen Christ community.

Deacon Floyd & Connie McCubbins

SPRING BENEFIT CONCERT

St. Matthew's String Program, April 7, 7:00 pm at St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

Free Admission! A good will offering will be taken.

All proceeds go to purchasing instruments for the St. Matthew's School String Program.

THE WISDOM OF THE SAINTS

"When Tempted, invoke your Angel. He is more eager to help you than you are to be helped! Ignore the devil and do not be afraid of him: He trembles and flees at the sight of your Guardian Angel."

The Wisdom of the Saints, St. John Bosco

FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2024

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FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

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
Eric Erickson
Dick Taylor
Vonda McCubbins
Keith Eckleberry, rb Sandie Eckleberry
Don Lawrence
For all Veterans

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Ruff & Falk Families Francis Raucci, rb Mike & Jackie Strosnider David Reynolds

RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Greg Grace, Joe Riska
Eileen Kluesner, Maureen Neitzling, Amy Neitzling
Tim & Diane Slobojan, Bob 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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Carter Anderson, Dillon Armstrong, Shae Bills, Lane Buus John Cooney, Riley Helgoe, Matt Keck, Kaleb Mitchell, Anthony Olmes, Brett Rotz, James Semling, Jamie Severson

Please keep our First Communion candidates in your prayers. Beckham, Joe, Lola, Luke, Parker, Sebastian

READINGS FOR EASTER SUNDAY March 31, 2024

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9

PRACTICE OF HOPE

Imagine that you have come to Jesus' tomb and found it empty. Describe your surroundings. Is anyone with you? What have you experienced the past few days? How have you felt? Spend some time gazing into the tomb. What do you think and feel now? Offer a prayer beside the tomb.

- ♦ At Mass during the Easter season, we hear from the Acts of the Apostles. Read the introduction to this book in a Catholic Bible or choose one of the apostles and discover what Church tradition tells us this person said and did after Jesus' resurrection.
- ♦ Although many people think of Easter as being only one day, Catholics celebrate this solemnity for a whole week before continuing into the Easter season. ♦ Try to go to daily Mass at least once this week. Let the readings renew your hope for salvation.

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 Sherry Miller, 406-257-9636 should you or someone you know need prayer. Please leave a message if they are not available and they will return your call.

FINANCE COUNCIL

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

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

HOLY WEEK

Holy Week is the most significant week in Catholicism. Spanning from Palm Sunday to Holy Saturday, it marks the final stretch before Easter Sunday, the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection. During this sacred week Catholics pray and reflect on the profound journey of Jesus' suffering, sacrifice, and victory over death.

It starts on Palm Sunday, a day that commemorates Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Holy Thursday celebrates the Last Supper and the institution of the Sacraments, Eucharist, and Holy Priesthood while Good Friday reflects on Jesus' redemptive death on the cross. Throughout this week, Catholics reflect on the emotional intensity of Jesus' Passion, contemplate His boundless love and mercy, and anticipate the joyous hope of His Resurrection. An intentional Holy Week can serve as a spiritual pilgrimage that deepens our faith.

THE KISS OF CHRIST

Lo, there He hangs –
Ashen figure pinioned against the wood.
God grant that I might love Him
Even as I should.

I draw a little closer To feel His love divine, And hear Him gently whisper "Ah, precious child of mine –

If now I would embrace you, My hands would stain you red. And if I leaned to whisper, My thorns would pierce your head."

'Twas then I learned in sorrow
That love demands a price;
"Twas then I learned that suffering
Is but the kiss of Christ.
by Caryll Houselander



Week of March 24, 2024



Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage

Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage, cinematically walks through the locations of the Holy Week story, representing the most important days of human history. Immersed in the real and sacred places of the Holy Land, the pilgrim faithful is brought tangibly nearer to the story, the landscape, and the reality of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.



Embraced in Mercy: The Rite Explained

Whether you go to Confession regularly or a decade ago, this session guides you step-by-step through the deeper meaning of every aspect of the Rite—what it is, why we do it, and how it impacts your life.



Holy Thursday | Catholic All Year at Home w/ Kendra Tierney

Explore Holy Thursday contradictions with the Tierney family: joyful Eucharist and sacramental priesthood vs. somber start of Jesus' passion. Get family activity ideas, music suggestions, and a Holy Thursday seder-inspired feast featuring lamb, knishes, bitter herb salad, homemade applesauce, flatbread, and wine/grape juice. Don't miss a messy but special dessert.

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An offering from the Augustine Institute and ignation press

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 March 24, 2024 – Palm Sunday Mark 14:1 - 15:47

This Palm Sunday we read about the suffering and death of Jesus along with the many details that led to this event. Biblical scholars suggest that this gospel account is among the earliest narratives recorded by the first Christians. In other words, the bedrock on which the rest of the life of Jesus rests. Like myself, many of us have heard this gospel read in church on this, the first day of Holy Week.

Before I compose thoughts about each Sunday's gospel, I quietly read them in the silence of our home. When I read today's gospel, I was struck by how much of it I never thought about while listening to this gospel read in a church full of others, who might have thought this was a kind of "marathon" gospel. Some churches even have the congregants sit during its reading. The power of this gospel might have been diminished by those circumstances.

So, you have the chapters and verses in Mark's gospel listed above. Take out your Bible (or go online) and quietly read the whole gospel. Slowly. Reread lines that cause you wonder. Notice the details, all of them. There are surprisingly many. Think about the responses of Peter. And of the others who were close to Jesus, men and women. Ask yourself why this or that detail was remembered, perhaps decades after the actual events took place. Why are they important?

Try to get into the mind of Jesus. What was he feeling and thinking as the dramatic events of that time were happening to him and around him? What did he say or when did he choose silence - and why? Try to imagine what was going on inside him as the excruciating hours and minutes slowly passed. How did he feel when those closest to him fell asleep while he prayed in the garden? Or what was he thinking about while he was lifted up and nailed to a cross?

And most of all, be aware of your own thoughts, feeling and reactions. It is hard to do that in a church filled with people, some of whom you might know, but many who are total strangers. In your quiet reading, if you need a few moments to think about what you just read, do that. There's no rush. Reread sections that cause you wonder or surprise. Each and every word of this gospel reading is important.

There is a name for the practice I am suggesting. It's called *Lectio Divina*. If you want to learn more about this powerful and prayerful way of reading Scripture, there is helpful guidance online.

David M. Thomas, PhD

Companions on the Journey of Grief

"The capacity to love requires the necessity to mourn."

PRESENTED BY HELEN BEAUSOLEIL, LCSW

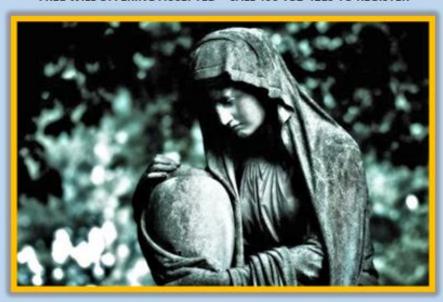
Friday April 5 6:30-9 PM

And continues

Saturday April 6 9AM-12PM

Helen Beausoleil, LCSW currently facilitates grief groups. She has many years of experience in ministry in our Diocese as a Youth Minister and Social Worker for Catholic Social Services.

HOSTED BY: RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
FREE WILL OFFERING ACCEPTED—CALL 406-752-4219 TO REGISTER



An invitation to explore grief and mourning. Presentations will explore grief, share resources, and provide time for prayer and reflection on stories of loss. Based on the model of companioning there will be input on stages of grief and mourning, and the process of reconciling. We all have loss in our life, whether your loss has been recent, months or years you may want to participate in a sacred time with others, sharing faith and hope on the sacred journey of grief.

BEST WISHES TO YOU ON PALM SUNDAY. MAY YOUR HEART BE FILLED WITH NEW HOPES AND YOUR SOUL WITH HAPPINESS.

