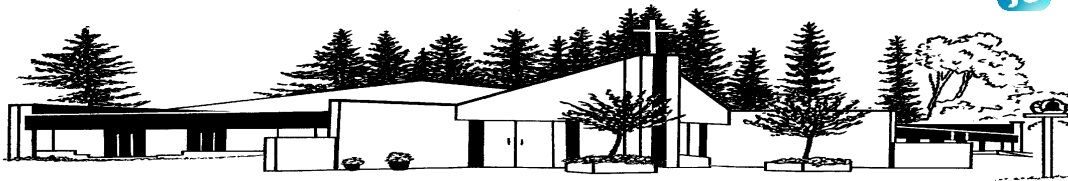


# RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Father Stanislaw Róg, Pastor/Parish Administrator**

Risen Christ Parish and St. Matthew's Parish

Deacon Floyd McCubbins, 406-471-4379, [deaconfloydmc@yahoo.com](mailto: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

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER ..... April 14, 2024**

**Sat., April 13**, Mass for April Collective Intentions of St. Matthew's & Risen Christ .. **6:30 pm**

**Sunday, April 14**, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew's & Risen Christ..... **9:00 am**

**Tuesday, April 16** Mass for the Soul of Anastasia Heath, rb Paul & Pati Heath . **8:45 am**

**Thurs., Apr. 18** Mass for the Int. of Francis Raucci, rb, Mike & Jackie Strosnider **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, April 20, 21, 2024**

MINISTRY	Saturday 6:30 pm	Sunday 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Suzanne Johnson	Connie McCubbins
Cup Minister	Vicki Walbruch	<b>EM NEEDED</b>
	Jovita Kottraba	<b>EM NEEDED</b>
Lector	Rachel Cincis	Kathy Shanahan
	Dixon Rice	Dixon Rice
Server	Don Zimmerman	Gary Hembd
Greeter	Rose Hall ~ Colleen Hutchens	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**

April	14	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	
		Bake Sale.....	After Weekend Masses
		Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast.....	After Sunday Mass
	16	Choir .....	7:30 pm
	17	Religious Formation.....	4:00-5:15 pm
	21	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	
		Coffee Hour.....	After Sunday Mass
	23	Choir .....	7:30 pm
	24	Religious Formation.....	4:00-5:15 pm
	28	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	
	30	Choir .....	7:30 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.

**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.

**COUNSELING SERVICES - TUESDAY SESSIONS WITH DEACON FLOYD**

**Call Deacon Floyd for comfort, reassurance, or solace.**

Deacon Floyd will be available on Tuesday afternoons from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. He is open to visiting with you on any topic such as marriage issues, suicide, walking through grief or just to talk about last week’s homily.

This service is provided at no cost to you.

Please give Deacon a call to schedule your session with him. 406-471-4379

**🎵 THANK YOU FOR THE MUSIC IN OUR LIVES! 🎵**

Thank you to the music ministry for all the long rehearsals to prepare for the Triduum. The music was very moving and prayerful. One parishioner commented that it was inspirational, uplifting, and beautiful, and that the Mass of the Lord’s Supper brought her to tears.

Special thanks to Michael Boreson who enhanced our Easter Mass with his trumpets. Thank you for the dedication of our choir members.

**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.

**April 6 & 7, 2024**

Sunday Envelopes	\$7,366
Easter	975
Building	315
Mass & Stole Gifts	120
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,776</b>

**RISEN CHRIST PARISH**

**Please Join Us!**

**Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, starting at 9:00 AM.**

**This is a Parish outdoor family event.**

**Please bring gloves, rakes, brooms, leaf blowers, and wheelbarrows.**

**The Knights of Columbus will serve lunch for all participants. Many Hands Make Light Work!**



**FREE FINANCIAL SEMINAR & FREE SPAGHETTI DINNER!**

Join us to learn more from Rick Nease, Knights of Columbus field agent, about insurance, investment, and charitable solutions that align with your Catholic values. Sign up today for the upcoming **Dinner & Financial Seminar on April 24th at 6:30 PM** in the **Risen Christ Social Area** to learn more about aligning your financial decisions with your Catholic values.

Visit the link below to register. We can't wait to see you there!

<https://yourfaithinfinance.com/Contact/Financial-Seminar-Registration>

**Everyone Is Welcome**

**JOURNEY REUNION AT SAINT JOHN PAUL II**

**All are welcome** to a Journey Reunion/Ultreya Sunday, April 28, at 2 pm, Saint John Paul II Church, Bigfork, in

Brady Hall (Lower parking lot, north side of Church).

Potluck lunch starts at 2 pm, followed by a brief teaching, singing, and prayer.

*Come & See!* Info: 406-885-2377 or 406-471-2144

**HE LOVES US!**

Blue skies with white clouds on summer days. A myriad of stars on clear moonlit nights. Tulips and roses and violets and dandelions and daisies. Bluebirds and laughter and sunshine and Easter. See how He loves us!

~Alice Chapin

**COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS**

**FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2024**

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**FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

Howard and Lorraine Carter, rb Kimberly Carter  
Jim Thomas, rb Bobbie Thomas  
Karel & David & Terry Barrett, rb Ken Barrett  
Shelley Hembd, rb Gary Hembd  
Carol Trimble, rb Bruce Trimble  
Keith Eckleberry, rb Sandie Eckleberry  
Tim Slobojan, rb Risen Christ Parish  
Anna Merrill, rb Peggy Newman  
Shelly Christiaens, rb Judy Stack  
All Veterans  
Don Lawrence  
Barbara Rollins Vine, rb Bob Vine

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**SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

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Ruff & Falk Families  
Francis Raucci, rb Mike & Jackie Strosnider  
David Reynolds  
Fran Cavanaugh, rb Karol Witt

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**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, Maureen Neitzling, Amy Neitzling  
Mike & Linda O'Neil, Mary Reckin, Joe Riska  
Bob Vine, Larry Visocan,

**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 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**April 21, 2024**

**Acts 4:8-12**

**1 John 3:1-2**

**John 10:11-18**

**PRACTICE OF CHARITY**

Every Fourth Sunday of Easter, the Gospel passage presents Jesus as the Good Shepherd.

◆ Choose an image in your home or from the internet in which Jesus is portrayed as a shepherd. Spend time reflecting on the image. Conclude with your own prayer to Jesus, our shepherd.

◆ During the Easter season, many parishes celebrate first Communion and Confirmation, moments that strengthen the younger members of God's flock. Offer to help with one of these events. If the parish is hosting a reception, offer to assist with the set-up or clean-up after the event.

*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.

**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**



## **♥THE HEART OF OUR LADY♥**

What is your relationship with the Blessed Mother?  
Is she an ideal? A distant figure of holiness?  
Or someone from whom to beg favors?

Join me and others,  
for an Evening of Reflection  
as we embark on a journey to uncover

### **The Heart of Our Lady**

Friend, Mother, and Disciple

Presented by Teresa Chabot, Certified Spiritual Director

Monday, May 13, 2024, ~ 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Risen Christ Catholic Community

Please pre-register by calling 406-752-4219 or sign up in the social area.

Our gathering promises to be an evening of deep reflection, spirited conversation, and soulful exploration. Whether you're steeped in spiritual tradition or just beginning to tread the path of faith, you'll find ample inspiration and insight within our midst.

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### **WELCOME!**

We would like to welcome the following people who entered the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil at St. Matthew Parish:

#### **Received First Communion & Confirmation:**

**Madison Monroe Dietz**

#### **Those Who were Baptized & Confirmed:**

**Jennifer Lynn Martin Joy**

**Lisa Marie Fike Tartaglino**

**Giancarlo Mazzacco**

**Diana Lee Monroe**

**Paula Tomlinson Decker**

**Melissa Faye Woods Hoehn**

**Guy DeWayne Ahner**

#### **Those Who were Baptized:**

**Joseph James Ahner**

**Vivian Grace Ahner**

#### **Those Who received Confirmation:**

**Beata Bareziova Sloan**

**Please keep them in your prayers.**

# THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of April 14, 2024



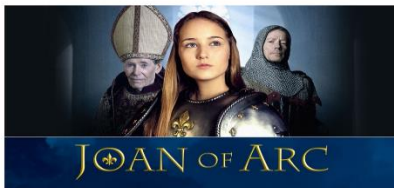
## God Is with Us

What does it mean to say that God is with us in the Eucharist? What is the Eucharist? Watch Episode 1 of Presence today!



## St. Bernadette of Lourdes

"St. Bernadette of Lourdes" is a beautiful and faithful retelling of the familiar story of one of the world's most beloved saints. Humorous, moving, and reverent, this unique, award-winning, independent film has been seen by millions worldwide and has sold tens of thousands of copies since its release in 2009.



## Joan of Arc

Cultivate a devotion to St. Joan of Arc, the young saint who died a martyr at the age of nineteen, by watching this powerful film. Her story comes to life in this movie and will doubtless leave you inspired by her faith in God.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.  
Visit [signup.formed.org](http://signup.formed.org) and select our parish name.

An offering from the  AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and  ignatius press

To register, please go to: [www.risenchristkalispell.formed.org](http://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*  
*April 14, 2024 – Third Sunday of Easter*  
*Luke 24:35-48*

Do you ever ask yourself what do you hope for? Or what do you expect up ahead? As my days pass (seemingly more quickly as I age), in quiet moments I find myself in a state of wonder. I ask myself what do I honestly desire after my time on Earth has ended? What do I hope for? In general, if I am honest with myself, I want to continue living, and if possible, maybe have it better.

I accept that my hopefulness is not shared by all. A certain pessimism about the future is not uncommon. As is cynicism. We can be turned toward darkness by much of the news that fills our TVs and sours the internet. We are all too aware of the downside of things. Of life hanging by a thread. Or of a future that might not end well at all. The prophets of doom remain in our midst.

But I try to remain hopeful knowing full well that contrary views remain popular among many. Some might think of me as being unrealistic, even a bit crazy.

Still, I cling to a hope for an even better experience of existence. Sort of like the feeling I had a few years back, when I was traveling more, in being informed that I had been upgraded to first class. Or when I learned that my social security monthly allowance had been increased. Or when I learned that my mortgage had been paid off in full. Or that I learned that I had no need for additional dental work after a check-up. In other words, while I was accepting of more of the same, I was very open to being surprised by being given something a little better. Admittedly, I harbor a hunger for more of life, and would even welcome some improvement.

In our annual celebration of the appearances of Jesus as risen from the dead, we again learn that he wanted to assure his followers that after their own deaths (their certain future), they too will be blessed, similar to how he was. His life did not end with death, but with resurrection. He made this point while sharing a meal with them.

This suggests to me that it is especially when sharing food with others that we might also think about “the heavenly banquet” up ahead. Or while participating in the Eucharistic meal. Or also during times when we break bread with others in our families, with friends, or even with strangers. These can be sacred moments when we might be more aware of the need to nourish our bodies, minds and spirits. And to allow ourselves hope for an even better future.

David M. Thomas, PhD