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 - Risen Christ

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

Helen Tobiason - Religious Formation Coordinator, Grades K-6

Maryruth Fallon, Music Director

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PENTECOST SUNDAY May 19, 2	2024
Sat., May 18, Mass for May Collective Intentions of St. Matthew's & Risen Christ 6:30) pm
Sunday, May 19, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew's & Risen Christ 9:00	0 am
Tuesday, May 21, Mass for the Soul of Georg Stenzel, rb Iris Stephens8:49	5 am
Thursday, May 23, Mass for the Soul of Rita Homan, rb Rose Sverdrup 8:49	

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, May 25 & 26, 2024

MINISTRY	Saturday, 6:30 pm	Sunday 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Bryan McMillan	Howie Ficek
Cup Minister	Judy Hughes	Marian Ficek
	Maureen Neitzling	Pati Heath
Lector	Vicki Walbruch	Paul Heath
	Rachel Cincis	LECTOR NEEDED
Server	Don Zimmerman	Gary Hembd
Greeter	Peggy Holton, Mary Jacobs	Dan & 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

May	18	First Communion at Risen Christ with luncheon in social area12:00 pr		
-	19	PENTECOST SUNDAY		
	21	Choir7:30 pm		
	26	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY		
	27	MEMORIAL DAY, Parish Office Closed		
	27-3°	1 No Daily Masses		
	28	Choir		
June	2	THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST(Corpus Christi)		
		Coffee HourAfter Sunday Mass		
	5	Baccalaureate Mass at St. Matthew's		
	8	Mass with Bishop Vetter followed by Parish dinner6:30 pm		
		Bake Sale After Weekend Masses		
	9	TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		

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.

OUR LADY OF THE ROCKIES, HOW OUR LADY BUILT A STATUE

A presentation will be given by the designer and builder of Our Lady of the Rockies statue, Leroy Lee, on Sunday, May 26, 2024, at Our Lady of Swan Valley Mission, located at 201 E. Beck Road, Condon, Montana. 10:00am – 2:00 pm. Please come to view a slide show and hear about Mr. Lee's personal experiences and difficulties surrounding this tremendous feat. It is a wonderful expression of a community working together and believing in the power of prayer to accomplish a seemingly impossible task. Sponsored by the Sycamore Tree

OLIVE WOOD CARVINGS

Mr. Victor Hannuneh is part of a group of Palestinian Christians traveling around our country selling exquisite olive wood religious works made by Palestinian Christian families. The revenue generated helps to restore justice to an oppressed Palestinian Christian minority, supports over 300 families of skilled carvers and helps in keeping a Christian presence in the Holy Land.

The carvings will be displayed after weekend Masses here at Risen Christ on May 25th & 26th. Your purchase, however small or big, will be an act of social justice as well as provide an opportunity to own or give as gifts, original folk art from Bethlehem.

There will be great gift ideas!

MONTHLY SEMINARIAN BAKE SALE PROCEEDS

We would like to thank the bakers and the purchasers once again for supporting this ministry. The proceeds from our Seminarian bake sale were \$248.00.

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.

May 11 & 12, 2024

Sunday Envelopes	\$7,314
Building	105
Mass and Stole	50
Total	7,469

PENTECOST

This weekend, the Church celebrates Pentecost, one of the most important feast days of the year that concludes the Easter season and celebrates the beginning of the Church.

The timing and origins of Pentecost

Pentecost always occurs 50 days after the death and resurrection of Jesus, and ten days after his ascension into heaven. Because Easter is a moveable feast without a fixed date, and Pentecost depends on the timing of Easter, Pentecost can fall anywhere between May 10 and June 13.

What happens at Pentecost?

In the Christian tradition, Pentecost is the celebration of the person of the Holy Spirit coming upon the Apostles, Mary, and the first followers of Jesus, who were gathered together in the Upper Room.

A "strong, driving" wind filled the room where they were gathered, and tongues of fire came to rest on their heads, allowing them to speak in different languages so that they could understand each other. It was such a strange phenomenon that some people thought the Christians were just drunk - but Peter pointed out that it was only the morning, and said the phenomenon was caused by the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit also gave the apostles the other gifts and fruits necessary to fulfill the great commission - to go out and preach the Gospel to all nations. It fulfills the New Testament promise from Christ (Luke 24:46-49) that the Apostles would be "clothed with power" before they would be sent out to spread the Gospel.

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ATTENTION GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

All 2024 High School Graduates and their families are invited to a Baccalaureate Mass, to be celebrated by Bishop Vetter. It will be on **Wednesday, June 5th, 7 pm, at St. Matthew's Parish.**If you have any questions, please contact Niki MacLean at (970) 710-9630. Visit montanacc.org or scan the QR code for details.

******NEW ONLINE GIVING!*****GIVECENTRAL.ORG

Check this online giving website out, it is fast and easy!

COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2024

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FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Karel & David & Terry Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
Shelley Hembd, rb Gary Hembd
Carol Trimble, rb Bruce Trimble
Keith Eckleberry, rb Sandie Eckleberry
Shelly Christiaens, rb Judy Stack
Christopher George Baldwin, rb George & Teresita Baldwin
Michael Wright, rb Andrea Wright
Dewey Coursey, rb Sharon Coursey
Lynn Grayson

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Ruff & Falk Families
Fran Cavanaugh, rb Karol Witt
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RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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

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

A PRAYER FOR FIRST COMMUNICANTS

The following children received their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 18th.

Beckham, Joe, Lola, Luke, Parker, and Sebastian

Please continue to lift these young people up for continued guidance.

Lord Jesus, Bless the children who came forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time. May this be an initial step into a life-long love of the Eucharist. Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to You for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship.

TO SERVE WITH LOVE.
THIS IS THE SECRET OF A HAPPY LIFE, A HOLY LIFE.

READINGS FOR THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

May 26, 2024

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 Romans 8:14-17 Matthew 28:16-20

PRACTICE OF CHARITY

Human beings are made in the image and likeness of a God who is relationship – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Though the word Trinity never appears in the Bible, we know it intimately through the examples of the Father, Son, and Spirit. Today, we celebrate this unity, which models for us how to create a community that reflects the love of God.

- ♦ As a Church, we pray the Nicene Creed. Look at it today and explore the Trinitarian language.
- ♦ Today's reading from Paul's letter to the Romans tells us that "we suffer with him (Christ) so that we may also be glorified with him" (Romans 8:17). Who is suffering in your community? How can you accompany them? Perhaps you will have an opportunity to share something with someone in need. 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 Jamie Miller, 257-9636 Ken Barrett, 755-0269

FINANCE COUNCIL

Finance Council members are:

Peg Gebhardt, Christopher Gill John Gunnerson, Wally Walbruch



LOST & FOUND

Please check our lost and found bin, we have several items that need to be claimed.

You will FIND these items in the foyer by the literature rack.



Week of May 19, 2024



Never Alone Session 1: Belonging

The third Person of the Trinity is the one who illuminates our identity and belonging as God's sons and daughters. Presented by Nic Gutierrez



Mary: The Church's First

In the Gospel of John, we see the powerful scene in which Jesus gives to the Church his final gift: "Behold, your mother!" (John 19:27). Here we see Jesus inaugurating Mary's role as mother of the Church. Therefore, it should be no surprise that from the very earliest time of the Church, Christians have turned to Mary as their spiritual mother for her prayers and her motherly help.



It's a Miracle! | Laugh and Grow Bible for Kids

When Jesus was all grown up He traveled with His disciples doing amazing things all over the place! Learn about Jesus' miracles in this story that walks through some of the most powerful moments of His ministry.

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Fr. Stan

The Nazareth Page A Gospel meditation for your home May 19, 2024 – Pentecost Sunday John 20:19-23

I find it helpful to think about God as acting in our regard as a three-act play. The play presents the one God who "stars" (so to speak) throughout, but each person in God takes turns in being featured in one act or another. God the Father initiates Creation in Act One. The work of God the Father (or Mother if you prefer) open the play "in the beginning" although God remains connected with all creation to this day … and beyond.

The second act unfolds with the arrival of God the Son becoming human, born of the Virgin Mary, and raised by her, with the assistance of her husband, Joseph. Jesus is born, raised and lives a public life where he teaches and gives expression to God's presence and power among us. He gives fully of his life for us and dies on the cross. Yet the presence of God the Son continues in the person of the Risen Christ who eventually ascends into heaven. Thus, the curtain drops on Act Two.

Now we come to today's feast, Act Three, which begins in the coming of God, the Holy Spirit, who will dwell with us, enter into us and spiral around us until the end of time. We pray today to God's Spirit to come to us ever more fully and fill us with the warmth and fire of God's love. We ask to be moved ever more into that process of our sanctification that has been unfolding since that first Pentecost. And it's happening right now, especially if we are aware and open to God's Spirit being with us. To recall St. Augustine's words, this Spirit of God is closer to us than we are to ourselves. What a deep thought for this day!

What I take from our belief in God as trinitarian is that God is certainly multi-faceted. Recall the prayer we all know that concludes with the following words. "As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be." This affirmation expresses our belief that God is present with us and is constantly involved in creation, in its wondrous development and in our personal lives, in their beginning and we hope forever.

On Pentecost we reflect on God's presence with us right now, during this day, in this moment and will continue to be there for us, keeping us alive. We are partners with God in caring for and perfecting creation. God's presence is not distant or indifferent to us. It is the opposite of that. God is the power that brought us into being, sustains us here on earth and will never leave us alone. So, come Holy Spirit, fill our hearts with the spirit of your ever faithful divine love. And enkindle greater love in us for you and for all that you have created. Including ourselves.

David M. Thomas, PhD

ST. MATTHEW'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL COMING SOON!

Watch your bulletins for more information in the upcoming weeks.

June 24th - 28th



Montana Catholics For Life

For Babies

For Mothers For Families

"Created in the image of God with a dignity not of our own making, each person is a unique and unrepeatable masterpiece of God's creation."

-Montana's Catholic Bishops regarding the abortion amendment, Constitutional Initiative 128 (CI-128).

Catholics recognize that a precious life begins at conception and understand that abortion is the taking of an innocent human life.

This pro-life position expresses an essential truth and brings a critical perspective to our public discourse. Current and future laws that could stop, or even regulate, abortion would be deemed unconstitutional under CI-128. This effectively suppresses the voice of those who have a duty to stand up for the voiceless unborn and puts babies in dire jeopardy in Montana.



From Montana's Bishops Joint Letter & Video Stand for Life in Montana



Join our Bishops as we stand for every child's right to life, the dignity of each mother, and the sanctity of the family.

Continuing Father Stu's Mission

Invites You To: FOCUS ON THE MISSION
Experience Jim Wahlberg's gripping redemption story from addiction & prison to a newfound mission in serving God vs. Himself
2nd Annual Gala Helena Civic Center 6/7/2024
5:30 - 9:30 pm