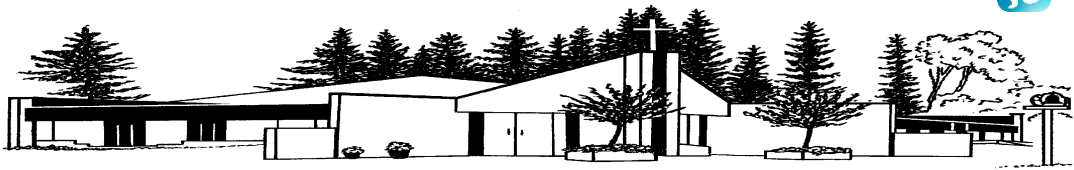


RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME September 1, 2024

Sat., Aug. 31, Mass for Sept Collective Intentions of St. Matthew's & Risen Christ . **6:30 pm**

Sunday, September 1, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew's & Risen Christ **9:00 am**

Tuesday, September 3..... **NO DAILY MASS**

Thursday, September 5**NO DAILY MASS**

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

Sundays 7:00 am and 11:00 am

Ministry Schedule – September 7 and September 8, 2024

MINISTRY	Saturday 6:30 pm	Sunday 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Deacon Floyd	Deacon Floyd
Cup Minister	Maureen Neitzling	Connie McCubbins
	Jovita Kottraba	Eric Barry
Lector	Shelley Nease	Jim Galvin
	Suzanne Johnson	Betty Heino
Server		
Greeter	Mary Jacobs/D. Zimmerman	Josephine Wright Family, Mary Anne Cahill

PLEASE NOTE

Sacrament of Baptism by appointment

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sept. 1 **TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
- 3 St. Matthew’s first day of school
RCIA class, St. Matthew’s Rectory 7:00 – 8:30 pm
- 6 Catholic Women’s Conference at Risen Christ 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
- 8 **TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
- 10 Choir 7:30 pm
KC Ladies Dinner, Applebee’s 5:30 pm
Knights of Columbus 6:00 pm
- 14th & 15th **Seminarian Bake Sale** After Masses
Sign-up sheet in community room
- 15 **TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
KC Pancake Breakfast

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, Wed. The deadline for altar announcements is noon on Thursday.

BISHOP VETTER CELEBRATING MARRIED COUPLES

Bishop Vetter extends a warm invitation to all married couples, from the newest of newlyweds to those who have commemorated over six decades, to a night of celebration. The evening will begin with Mass at St. John Paul II Catholic Church, where Bishop Vetter will personally bless each couple. A lively reception with appetizers and dessert will follow in the parish hall. Every couple will walk away with a special photo capturing their blessing with Bishop Vetter.

Friday, September 6th, 6:00 pm Mass at St. John Paul II
195 Coverdell Rd, Bigfork, MT 59911 with reception to follow in the parish hall.

Appetizers and dessert included. Semi formal attire. \$25 per couple
Childcare is available at no additional cost while spaces last. Register early to secure this benefit! Please rsvp in advance at

<https://diocesehelena.org/family-life-events/> or by using the QR code.



CATHOLIC WOMEN’S CONFERENCE

Friday, September 6, 2024, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Risen Christ Parish, 65 West Evergreen Dr., in Kalispell.

“The Importance of Women in the Modern Catholic Church”

With Bishop Austin Vetter ***“Jesus is Calling to Women”***

Linda Dorrington, Spiritual Director with 40 years in ministry.

Lunch is included - \$20.00, to register call 406-250-5904,

or email cmmccubbins@gmail.com

OUR GIFT TO GOD

We would like to thank you for your continued generosity and support of our parish!
Your financial support enables us to continue the ongoing work of our ministry.

August 24, 25, 2024:	Sunday Envelopes	\$6,222
	Building	\$ 5
	Total	\$6,227

WHOLE LIFE CONFESSION

Are you seeking a transformative experience that integrates your intellect, emotions, and spirituality and offers a fresh perspective on your life story?

Modeled on the practice of a life confession St. Ignatius made early in his conversion, The Whole Life Confession invites participants to a seven-week journey of self-reflection, spiritual purification, and forgiveness through daily spiritual exercises. It culminates in the grace-filled experience of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Throughout the process, The Whole-Life Confession assists the individual in integrating one's spiritual, intellectual, and psychological/emotional history, offering a holistic, deeply personal, and healing approach to Reconciliation. This journey holds the potential to bring about profound life changes, making it a transformative experience.

There will be two opportunities to participate in The Whole Life Confession at Risen Christ Parish beginning the week of Sept. 16th and ending the week of October 31st
MORNING GROUP begins Monday, September 16th at 9:30 am.

*The first meeting will last until 11:00 am, and subsequent meetings will last an hour.
EVENING GROUP begins Wednesday, September 18th at 6:30 pm.

*The first meeting will last until 8:00 pm, and subsequent meetings will be an hour long.

COST: "The Whole Life Confession" book is approximately \$15.00, plus a journal.
Call or text Teresa Chabot at (406) 270-4732 or email tlchabot@gmail.com for more information and to register. Space is limited, so register early. No registrations will be accepted on or after the first meeting.

ATTN: PARENTS WITH YOUNGSTERS

Please consider helping with Children's Liturgy at Mass on Sunday mornings. Being a leader is enjoyable, fulfilling, and easy. There are approximately 2 hours of initial Virtus training required. Please contact the office if you can help.

**WHEN LIFE IS NOT A BED OF ROSES,
REMEMBER WHO WORE THE THORNS.**

COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPT. 2024

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FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
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Karel & David & Terry Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
Shelley Hembd, rb Gary Hembd
Carol Trimble, rb Bruce Trimble
Shelly Christiaens, rb Judy Stack
Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen
Mary Grace Galvin, rb Jim Galvin
Veron Babb, rb John & Connie Babb
Bill Doyle, rb Risen Christ

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS
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Fran Cavanaugh, rb Karol Witt
Ruff & Falk Families

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RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS
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Ron Bauer, Peg Gebhardt, Greg Grace, Mike Hanson, Eileen Kluesner
Mary Reckin, Maureen Neitzling, Amy Neitzling, Mike & Linda O'Neil
Joe Riska, Bob Vine, Larry Visocan

FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

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



**Please join us for our
September Pancake Breakfast
immediately after Mass
on Sunday, September 15, 2024.**



READINGS FOR THE 23rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – September 8, 2024

Isaiah 35:4-7a

James 2:1-5

Mark 7:31-37

PRACTICE OF CHARITY

Today we are reminded that we are called to serve everyone we encounter, especially those whom society casts out and ignores. Who is the “poor person in shabby clothes” (James 2:2) you meet on a regular basis? Do you treat them as you would someone with gold rings and fine clothes?

♦ Jesus says to the deaf man in Decapolis, “Be opened!” (Mark 17:34). Immediately, the deaf man hears. How is Jesus telling you to “be opened”? Spend time reflecting on how you can figuratively open your ears and your hearts to listen to how God may be speaking to you.

♦ Write your reflections down and bring them with you the next time you go to Mass. Lift them up in prayer; ask God to help you hear God’s voice. *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**, 406-250-8610.

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's main purpose is to investigate, reflect upon, and reach conclusions about pastoral matters to recommend to the parish priest or bishop as appropriate.

The Council represents the interests and needs of the entire Parish community.

Jovita Kottraba, 232-8461 ~ Jamie Miller ~ 257-9636

Ken Barrett, 755-0269, Judy Stack, 752-4411 ~ Rose Hall, 885-0544

FINANCE COUNCIL

Finance Council members are **Peg Gebhardt, Christopher Gill,**

John Gunnerson, Wally Walbruch, Ken Barrett

RELIGIOUS FORMATION REGISTRATION

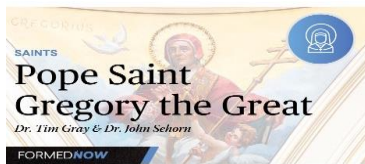
Religious Formation classes will begin September 25. To register your children, grandchildren, Godchildren, nieces, and nephews, please fill out a registration form located on the table in the social area and return it to the table in front of the office. We need to get a head count so that appropriate supplies may be ordered.

WE NEED YOUR HELP PLEASE! Time and Talent Opportunity

Our God-given time and talents are our opportunity to share ourselves with those around us. The Religious Formation program would appreciate your sharing with us. We will be needing teachers for the upcoming program. The forms are on the table in the social area.

THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of September 01, 2024



Pope Saint Gregory the Great

In the history of the Church, there are less than five popes esteemed with the title "the Great." One of the lesser known members of this impressive group is Pope St. Gregory the Great. Gregory is known for his prolific writing, his radical humility, his emphasis on missions, and his dedication to almsgiving. Enjoy this discussion between Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. John Sehorn.



Modernism | Heresies | Episode 7

We live in a post-modern world. But to understand the post-modern world, we must understand the heresy of modernism. What is modernism? Join Dr. James Prothro and Dr. Christopher Mooney for an informative discussion on the heresy of modernism.



The Catholic Family in a Post-Christian World | The Mission of the Family | Ep 1

God has a plan for marriage and the family. By understanding God's goal for family life and its relationship to the world, families will be better prepared for the challenges of living this vision in modern society.

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

SEMINARIAN BAKE SALE, SEPTEMBER 14th & 15th

Don't forget to bring your baked goodies and your wallets too! We will have lots of delicious items for you to choose from.

We can always use help to tend the money table!

JOB OPENING at St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Whitefish

St. Charles Borromeo Parish is looking for a new office assistant or manager effective immediately. The position could be part-time or full time depending on the qualifications of the chosen candidate. The hours will be Monday through Thursday 10AM to 2PM or longer depending on duties and qualifications. This person will serve as receptionist and perform various other duties around the church facility and the ideal person will have bookkeeping skills and experience with QuickBooks Online. Please contact either Father Raftis through the office email office@StCharlesBorromeo.net and copy J. O'Toole Vorsheck at OTooleHQ@gmail.com . Please list your experience in these areas as well as availability. A more detailed job description can be provided at that time.



IN SEARCH OF A RELIABLE CAR

Father John is looking for a car that is suitable for winter driving. Four-wheel drive or front wheel drive, good tires, in good running condition. If you have or know of someone with such a vehicle, please contact frjohn@stmattsaints.org with details.

RETRouvaille

4 Stages of Marriage - (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first 3 Stages. Marriages that end in divorce never make it to the 4th Stage of Awakening. Don't give up without learning about the 4th Stage of Awakening. If your marriage suffers from disillusionment or misery, please contact Retrouvaille. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Our next program begins October 18, 2024. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com . Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names are held in strictest confidence.

RETREAT – IGNATIAN RULES OF DISCERNMENT, Presented by Teresa Chabot

Catholic lay Spiritual Director for Women- St Matthew's Parish, Kalispell, MT

Thursday Evening through Sunday morning, September 5-8, 2024

Sycamore Tree Catholic Retreat Center, 21592 Sycamore Tree Lane, Swan Lake, MT

www.sycamoretreeretreat.org

Cost: \$325 *which Includes three meals and a book. Scholarship available.*

For more information or to register, please email Michelle Jenkins at email@sycamoretreeretreat or call (406) 754.2429

CHOIR – LIVE, LOVE, SING!

The choir season at Risen Christ is about to begin and we would love to have you consider joining this vital ministry in the life of the church. We meet weekly on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm in the church starting on **September 10th**. We sing twice a month as well as during the Christmas and Easter seasons.

Please call Maryruth at 406-752-1490 if you have any questions or to tell me that you are interested. There are so many positive aspects to being in a music group as well as serving our church community. 🎵🎵🎵



The Nazareth Page - A Gospel meditation for your home

September 1, 2024 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Mark 7:1-23

Before I turned fifty, I really didn't think much about my heart. Or its condition. I was active and exercised regularly. I even did some running. Played basketball and tennis. Even climbed to the summit of Pikes Peak on my fiftieth birthday.

Yet in the midst of a routine physical exam during my fifties I was asked if I ever had a heart test, the one when you trotted on a treadmill until exhaustion and then had your heart examined with a machine that recorded heart activity. As the technicians recorded my responses, I was able to see on the machine my own heart beating away. I was surprised by the surge of my amazement I felt at that moment. I heard myself saying something like it's nice to meet you, heart. You are really wondrous. And awesome.

Then I learned some bad news. A problem was detected by the heart specialists. While I was not given details, I was immediately scheduled for a procedure. A further examination was needed by something called an angiogram. And if it was judged necessary, I would submit to what was called an angioplasty. Some kind of heart repair.

So it happened that a few days later a cardiologist inserted something called a stent in a major artery within my heart. And I joined a club of tens of thousands with similar equipment. From the outside I looked the same. But inside I had dramatically changed. And no longer did I forget that beating organ that sends oxygenated blood to most every part of my body. I was made very aware of my heart.

In this Sunday's gospel Jesus is asked why some of his disciples seemed hardly interested in the externals of religious practice. The response of Jesus to this "criticism" prompted Jesus to point out what God valued as the most important part of being a good person. He did not say that religious practices were meaningless or unnecessary. But he said simply that those who only do the externals associated with religion may have to do more. He said that what was most important to God was what might be called "religion of the heart."

The condition of the heart is the most important part of our lives. Just as I learned the importance of my own heart for physical survival, it is also the primary "place" we connect with God. In our hearts, we relate to what is most important for each of us. In our hearts our most treasured values reside. In our hearts we are connected with what makes us unique. Within the love in our hearts, we mostly find the presence of our loving God.

David M. Thomas, PhD