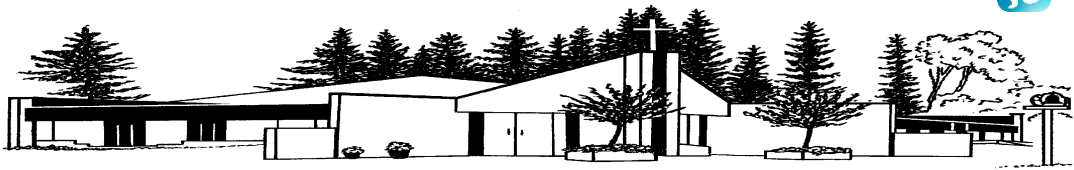


# RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Website: [www.risenchristkalispell.org](http://www.risenchristkalispell.org)**

**Formed Catechetical Resources: [www.risenchristkalispell.formed.org](http://www.risenchristkalispell.formed.org)**

Father Stanislaw Róg, Pastor/Parish Administrator

Father John Neneman, Associate Pastor

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

Rose Hall, Office Mgr. ~ Peggy Holton, Office Asst. ~ Maryruth Fallon, Music Director

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ..... September 22, 2024**

**Sat., Sept 21**, Mass for Sept. Collective Intentions of St. Matthew's & Risen Christ **6:30 pm**

**Sunday, September 22**, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew's & Risen Christ ... **9:00 am**

**Tuesday, September 24**..... **NO DAILY MASS**

**Thursday, September 26**..... **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 28 and September 29, 2024

MINISTRY	Saturday 6:30 pm	Sunday 9:00 am
<b>Plate Minister</b>	Judy Hughes	Paul Heath
<b>Cup Minister</b>	Suzanne Johnson	Pati Heath
	Vicki Walbruch	<b>EM NEEDED</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Dixon Rice	Cecelia Notess
	Maureen Neitzling	Jim Galvin
<b>Server</b>	Don Zimmerman	Gary Hembd
<b>Greeter</b>	Lee & Dee Heser	Josephine Wright & family

### PLEASE NOTE

**Sacrament of Baptism by appointment**

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

**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.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Sept.	22	<b>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
		Coffee Hour.....	After Sunday Mass
	24 & 26	<b>NO DAILY MASS AT RISEN CHRIST</b>	
	24	Choir .....	7:30 pm
	25	First day of Religious Formation .....	4:00 pm -5:00 pm
Sept.	29	<b>TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
Oct.	1	Choir .....	7:30 pm
	2	Ladies Scripture Study .....	10:00 am – 11:30 am
	5	Lector Training .....	9-10:00 am
		Eucharistic Minister Training.....	10:41-11:00 am
	6	<b>TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
	7	Lector Training .....	6-7:00 pm
		Eucharistic Minister Training.....	7-8:00 pm

**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.

**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.



**Sign Up — After Mass**

**THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN**

**PART 1 (John 1-10) — 8 WEEKS**

The Gospel of John is a testament to the divine nature of Jesus, the Word made flesh, the Light of the Word. Part One of our study (John 1-10) covers the magnificent prologue of John's Gospel and a significant portion of Jesus' ministry. This ministry is highlighted by miraculous "signs" that reveal Jesus' true nature and his relationship with the Father. Commentary, study and reflection questions, prayers, and access to online lectures are included. Scott M Lewis, SJ, STD, is associate professor of New Testament at Regis College, Toronto, Ontario

**Ladies Scripture Study—Facilitated By Pati Heath**  
**Ladies Study Group Begins October 2 — 10 AM — 11:30 AM**  
**PART 2 AFTER NEW YEARS**

### 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.

<b>Sept 14th &amp; 15th, 2024:</b>	Sunday Envelopes	\$3,871
	Building	\$ 100
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,971</b>

### 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.

### BRINGING JOY THROUGH MUSIC

#### We love our choir!



..... "a couple visiting from Missouri came up after Mass to talk to the choir and musicians. They loved the musical selections and the spirit of the choir and wish they could take all of us back with them to their other parishes. They both could tell that a lot of work goes into the planning and preparation."

*The Lord has given me a well-trained tongue, that I may speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. – Isaiah 50:4*

## **Lector Training Brushup**

**October 5th @ 9:00 AM OR October 7th @ 6:00 PM**

**All Lectors Must Attend One Session  
New Lectors Welcome!**

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## **Eucharistic Minister Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Training**

**October 5th @ 10:00 AM OR October 7th @ 7:00 PM**

**All Eucharistic Ministers Must Attend One Session  
New Ministers Welcome!**

### JAIL MINISTRY

The Jail Ministry team needs both men and women volunteers. If you are interested, or would like more information, please call the parish office, 406-752-6788, and we will connect you with the right person.

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**COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPT. 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  
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 Parish  
Tim Slobojan, rb Diane Slobojan  
Shirley Barrett, rb Risen Christ Parish

**++++SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

Fran Cavanaugh, rb Karol Witt  
Ruff & Falk Families

**++++RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

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

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**COLD STONE ICE CREAM! WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH 5 PM - 8 PM**

Bring your family, friends and neighbors!

Enjoy a cool ice cream treat and help the students get to San Antonio!

A percentage of the sales will benefit our trip.

Thank you for your generous support for our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip this coming spring.

Your outpouring of prayers, faith, and donations are immensely appreciated!

**ANNUAL FATIMA ROSARY, OCTOBER 12TH**

Annual Fatima Rosary in the Square Saturday, October 12th @ Noon In front of St. Matthew's School. It takes about 30 minutes, rain or shine. Children are welcome.

Please join us to pray for America with 20,000 other rallies around the world!

For more information, please call Ray Leopold at 406-250-6272.

**SEMINARIAN BAKE SALE PROCEEDS TOTALED \$649.00! Good job everyone!**

### **40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

Our local 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign will be held from Wednesday, September 25th through Saturday, November 2nd. 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! **Prayer vigil** will take place from Wednesday, Sept. 25th through Saturday, Nov 2nd.

- **Location** - Sidewalk outside **All Families Healthcare** abortion center, 737 Spokane Ave.(park on Kalis. Ave.@ 8th St. & walk down to Spokane Ave.)
- **Vigil hours:** 7 am to 7 pm
- **Risen Christ** is sponsoring Tuesday, October 8th and Thursday, October 10th.
- **St. Matthew's** is sponsoring Mon, Oct 7th, Wed, Oct 9th, and Fri, Oct 11th.

### **Prayer Services**

All prayer services will be held at All Families Healthcare, 737 Spokane Ave, Whitefish, 3-5 pm.

- **Opening Prayer Service** on Wednesday, September 25th
- **Weekly Prayer Services** on Saturdays from September 21st – November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Please visit our signup table in the social area after all services, where you can also pick up signs and handouts. **REMEMBER** that it is highly recommended to sign up in pairs.

Questions? Contact Mike Hanson at (406) 314-7826 or [mikester55@hotmail.com](mailto:mikester55@hotmail.com).

### **RETROUVAILLE - October 18-20, 2024**

Ursuline Centre - Great Falls, Montana **Marriage Saving: The Weekend Phase**

During the weekend phase of Retrouvaille a series of presentations are given by a team of three couples and a priest. The team presents a technique of communication that enables you to take a good look at most areas of your relationship. After each presentation, you have time in the privacy of your room to discuss the previous presentation. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Our next program begins October 18th. For more information about this upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact the registration team at 1-800-470-2230 or visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com). This is not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names are held in strictest confidence.

### **DE LA SALLE BLACKFEET SCHOOL FUNDRAISER**

As part of their fundraising efforts, De La Salle Blackfeet School at Little Flower Parish in Browning is offering raffle tickets for a \$100.00 monthly drawing, \$1,000.00 drawing each at Thanksgiving, Catholic School, and Founders Day. There are tickets available on the table in the community room. Please return these tickets no later than October 31st. Tickets are \$5.00 per ticket; six for \$25.00.

**Please consider helping to support funding for the Catholic education of these students.**

**Contributions are also accepted without the purchase of tickets.**

**READINGS FOR THE 26<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – September 29, 2024**

**Numbers 11:25-29**

**James 5:1-6**

**Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48**

**PRACTICE OF FAITH**

Jesus calls his disciples to seriously consider the ways they sin, the ways they choose to move away from God. His intense imagery in today's Gospel according to Mark challenges us to reflect on how we are (or are not) radically rejecting sin and temptation.

◆ The second reading invites you to consider what wealth you are storing up and withholding from the world. Your wealth may be money, but it could also be a talent you have hidden, time you have not given, kindness you have not shared, or something else. How can you give of your luxury and pleasure to enter right relationship with God and with your community?

◆ Schedule a time to go to confession this week. Before celebrating the sacrament of penance, make sure you dedicate time for prayer. *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**

## **JOURNEY GATHERING**

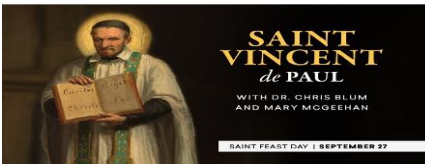
**ALL ARE WELCOME** at the Journey Gathering, September 29, at 2 - 4:30 pm, St. John Paul II Church, Bigfork, in Brady Hall (lower level, north side of Church). *Potluck lunch* starts at 2 pm, followed by a brief teaching, singing, and prayer. *Come & See!*

Info: 406-885-2377 or 406-471-2144 Our next gathering will be on October 25.

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# THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

## Week of September 22, 2024



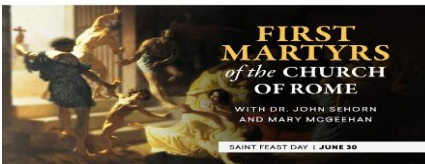
### **St. Vincent de Paul | Catholic Saints**

Join Dr. Christopher Blum and Mary McGeehan as they share about the life of St. Vincent de Paul on this episode of Catholic Saints.



### **Padre Pio | Lukas Storyteller**

As the talent contest approaches and our friends prepare their special dance, Paul gets hurt and has to leave the contest. When Lukas takes him to the doctor, Paul learns from the example of Padre Pio about the importance of having a clean soul and offering his sufferings to God.



### **First Martyrs of the Church of Rome | Catholic Saints**

Join Dr. John Sehorn and Mary McGeehan to discuss the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome. Killed under Emperor Nero in AD 64, the First Martyrs offer us a powerful witness of fidelity to Christ.

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

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

September 22, 2024

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Mark 9:30-37

Hardly anything is more important in the minds of many than the issue of social positioning. And while our country is officially based on the principle that all are created equal, it's not difficult to wonder how we are all thought about as equal. Or to wonder if we are all treated by our country or our church as equal.

Recently the Catholic Church in the United States celebrated a Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. I did not attend partly because my age and the state of my body warns me against travel and mixing in large crowds. But I did notice from pictures of the event that parades or processions were mostly organized according to one's position or rank in the church. Bishops first, priests next, then seminarian and so forth. This was a reasonable arrangement, but after reading today's gospel I wondered if there might not have been another ordering of participants. Perhaps putting children first.

I was educated not only as a theologian, but also as a sociologist. During all my professional life, I have been deeply concerned about social order and how we interact as individual persons in social settings. That perspective has caused me to be especially interested in what Pope Francis calls a synodal church where the views of all the members of the church should be considered important.

Today's Gospel has those rascal apostles arguing among themselves as to which of them was the greatest. Hearing their debate, Jesus offered his own view of it. In brief, he said that the one who serves all the rest is the best.

Then he invited a child to come forth and he embraced the child saying that one of the most important and telling ways of serving God was to recognize, value and help children. In those days historians tell us that children were definitely the least recognized in society. (Hopefully we have moved beyond that.)

In a sense Jesus was reversing the social order of his time. The least, the servants, were being positioned first. Servanthood (remember that servants made up a huge part of society back then) was being raised to equality with those who were free. Jesus thus advocated a radical of radical equality among all. All were to think of others as their equals. We're still working on that, and we can begin with our relationships within our families and with those we meet every day.

David M. Thomas, PhD





# Montana Catholics For Life

## For Babies For Mothers For Families

CI-128, a dangerous abortion initiative, is being falsely promoted as a citizen-led effort to “keep the government out of our personal lives” and protect “women’s healthcare decisions.” However, beneath these slogans lies a troubling reality—CI-128 is designed to dismantle pro-life efforts in Montana by rendering abortion regulations—past, present, and future—unconstitutional. Out-of-state interests are pouring millions of dollars into Montana to push this agenda, with no mention in the media of its true impact on our state.

When voters take a closer look at CI-128, they quickly realize the text is misleading and dangerous. Through the careful use of vague and undefined terms, it would revoke parental notification of abortion for girls under 16 and allow the termination of unborn babies well beyond fetal viability. This initiative isn’t about protecting rights—it’s about stripping away current and future safeguards.

Help defeat CI-128. Share the truth about its deceptive language, out-of-state funding, and the loss of crucial protections like parental notification and post-viability safeguards. Share the videos, full text, and fact sheet found at the QR code and at <https://mcc-sa.org>

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

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The Arm of  
**ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE**  
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THE STATE OF MONTANA

Known as the *Apostle of the Impossible*, Saint Jude is revered for his unwavering dedication and steadfast faith. Millions have experienced his intercession in times of adversity and need.



**DATE:** Sunday, September 29, 2024

**CHURCH:** St. Richard Catholic Church

**ADDRESS:** 1210 9th St W - Columbia Falls, Montana 59912 (406) 892-5142

**SPECIAL MASS IN HONOR OF SAINT JUDE:** 3:00 PM

**VENERATION OF THE RELIC BEGINS:** immediately afterwards

**VENERATION ENDS:** 9:00 PM

CHECK THE WEBSITE BELOW FOR OTHER LOCATIONS



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with  
**Gratitude**



The Most Reverend  
**Austin A. Vetter, Bishop of Helena**  
invites you to join him

for an evening of celebration as we show our gratitude for the support shared by parishioners for the *Because He First Loved Us* Campaign for Catholic Life and the successes happening within our Diocese.

**Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>**

**5:30 Doors Open**

**6:30 Bishop's Address**

**7:00 Music to celebrate**

Carroll College Cube | Helena, MT

Heavy hors d'oeuvres and libations will be served as we reveal the campaign results and provide a Diocesan Update.

There is no cost to attend but we need your response to plan the event. Please RSVP using the QR code or call (406) 442-5820 by Oct 1st.



PLEASE COME CELEBRATE WITH US