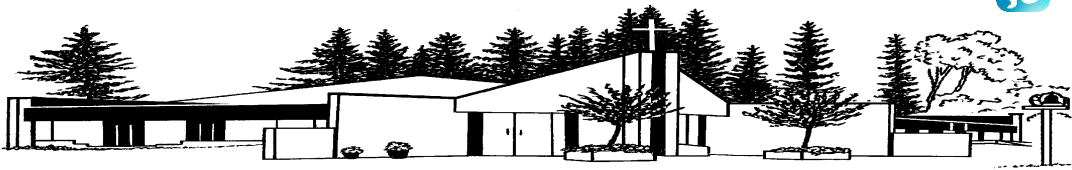

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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME September 29, 2024

Sat., Sept 28, Mass for Sept. Collective Intentions of St. Matthew's & Risen Christ **6:30 pm**

Sunday, September 29, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew's & Risen Christ ... **9:00 am**

Tuesday, October 1, Mass for the Soul of Frank Perusich, rb Lee & Dee Hesel **8:45 am**

Thursday, October 3 Mass for the Soul of Delores Hesel, rb Lee & Dee Hesel **8:45 am**

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

Sundays 7:00 am and 11:00 am

Ministry Schedule – October 5 & 6, 2024

| MINISTRY | Saturday 6:30 pm | Sunday 9:00 am |
|----------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Plate Minister | Bryan McMillan | Kathy Shanahan |
| Cup Minister | Maureen Neitzling | Jack Lavin |
| | Jovita Kottraba | Anita Lavin |
| Lector | Shelley Nease | Jack Fallon |
| | Suzanne Johnson | Anne Mahoney |
| Server | Don Zimmerman | Gary Hembd |
| Greeter | Laurie Brandon, Colleen Hutchens | Tom & Terrie Alger |

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

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| Sept. | 29 | TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | |
| Oct. | 1 | Choir | 7:30 pm |
| | 2 | Ladies Scripture Study | 10:00 am – 11:30 am |
| | | Religious Formation..... | 4:00 – 5:00 pm |
| | 5 | Lector Training | 9-10:00 am |
| | | Eucharistic Minister Training..... | 10-11:00 am |
| | 6 | TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | |
| | 7 | Lector Training | 6-7:00 pm |
| | | Eucharistic Minister Training..... | 7-8:00 pm |
| | 8 | Risen Christ 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil | 7:00 am --7:00 pm |
| | | Knights of Columbus Ladies Dinner, Bonelli's Bistro..... | 5:30 pm |
| | | Knights of Columbus | 6:30 pm |
| | | Choir | 7:30 pm |
| | 9 | Ladies Scripture Study | 10:00 am – 11:30 am |
| | | Religious Formation..... | 4:00 – 5:00 pm |
| | 10 | Risen Christ 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil..... | 7:00 am - 7:00 pm |
| | 13 | TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | |
| | | Seminarian Bake Sale | After weekend Masses |



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

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.

We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children.
~Native American Proverb

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.

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| Sept 21 & 22, 2024: | Sunday Envelopes | \$5,713 |
| | Building | \$ 5 |
| | Total | \$5,718 |

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!**

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!**

WOMEN IN THE NEW EVANGELIZATION - "COME AND SEE"

Wednesday, October 9, 2024, Doran Center

Social at 6:15 pm Program at 7:00 pm

St. Matthew's Women's Ministry is offering several opportunities this year for females of all ages. We invite you to "Come and See". Guest speaker is Mrs. Alex Kautzky, Family Life & Prolife Director, DOH.

Join us for a lovely inspirational evening, with a message from Bishop Vetter. Appetizers and refreshments will be served.

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.



COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER '24

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
Tim Slobojan, rb Diane Slobojan
Ellen Brinkerhoff, rb Connie Babb**

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**

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.

RETRouvaille - October 18-20, 2024

Marriage Saving – the Post Session Phase – The post-weekend phase of Retrouvaille is as crucial to the healing of a troubled marriage as the initial weekend experience. During the post-weekend sessions, the weekend technique is further developed and combined with additional tools to explore other areas of the marriage relationship. 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.

MEN NEEDED FOR OUR CHOIR

We would

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.

- **Weekly Prayer Services** on Saturdays from September 28th – November 2nd.

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.

THERE ARE STILL TICKETS LEFT!

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 27th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – October 6, 2024

Genesis 2:18-24

Hebrews 2:9-11

Mark 10:2-16

PRACTICE OF FAITH

Initially, today's readings seem to speak only to married couples or those discerning marriage; however, there is much that all of us – married or not—can glean from these passages. In Genesis, we are taken through a part of a story of God creating a "suitable partner" for man.

◆ Though we don't hear it proclaimed in the first reading, we know that God creates human in God's image and likeness. This means we are innately communal beings, yearning for opportunities to be in right relationship with our partners, friends, colleagues, neighbors, and others.

◆ This week, spend time reflecting on what it means to be made in God's image. What does this call you to do? How does this call you to act?

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**

THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of September 29, 2024



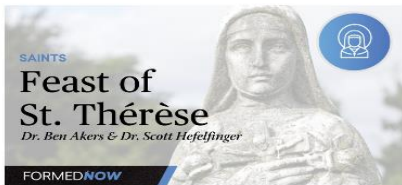
Who Are the Angels?

Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. Mark Miravalle, Saint John Paul II Chair of Mariology at Franciscan University of Steubenville, to discuss the angels. What is an angel? What are the choirs of angels? How do we engage with our guardian angels?



St. Frances

Join the Tierney family as they celebrate the feast of Saint Frances of Rome, patroness of homemaking! Learn about practicing the corporal works of mercy in the home, the very Catholic Lenten history of pretzels and beer, and watch Kendra and three-year-old Barbara make something they like to call "trash can soup." Find this episode's feature recipes and more about liturgical living in the home at Catholic All Year. <https://catholicallyear.com/at-home/>.



The Feast of St. Thérèse

In celebration of the feast of St. Thérèse, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Scott Hefelfinger sit down to discuss the life and writings of this great saint and Doctor of the Church.

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Fr Stan

The Nazareth Page
A Gospel meditation for your home
September 29, 2024 – Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 9:38-48

In early adulthood, I was a seminarian in a religious community. I was immersed in many formal religious customs and activities that mostly ended when I left that highly structured life. But some of what I experienced then stayed with me. In that community (Holy Cross) before each meal a prayer was recited drawn from a bible verse from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. It went something like this: "Whether you eat or drink, or whatsoever else you might do, do all for the glory of God." Then we all picked up our forks and began eating.

What mostly stayed with me was the phrase, "whatsoever else you might do." I interpreted that as applying to everything else. Anything and everything I did that day, that night, that season, that year, or during my whole life. It was an all-inclusive principle.

During my studies to become a theologian, I came across a question in moral theology about what were called "morally indifferent acts." Basically, this was an inquiry about whether there were three kinds of actions: those that are virtuous, those that were immoral and a third class, which were neither. Or were there only two categories, acts were either good or evil?

I researched the topic (and wrote a term paper on it) finding that theologians were on both each side of the issue. Eventually, I sided with these who concluded that there were no thoughts, words or deeds that were "morally indifferent." Put differently, if something was not morally evil (a sin), it was good. It contributed to one's personal sanctity and the world's improvement.

I saw a direct connection between that meal prayer that referred to eating and drinking and everything else! Therefore, if something was good, even something as seemingly insignificant as making a bed, washing dishes, paying bills or picking weeds from a garden, it all contributes to improving and expanding God's world. And my own spiritual life. I also connected this insight with my theology of family life where I concluded that "whatsoever" that was done to deepen family relationships, family survival, and family fun should be considered essential parts of family spirituality.

In today's gospel Jesus said to his disciples that whatever is not against us is for us. Put another way, if something is not morally evil, it is good. And that includes almost everything!

David M. Thomas, PhD

**St. Matthew's Catholic School
&
The Early Learning Center
HOLIDAY WISHES FUNDRAISER!**

**Let's Raise Money to Update Our Playgrounds!
September 23 - October 10**

We are selling beautiful wrapping paper, handy totes, gourmet candy, and more through Midland Fundraising. This is an online only fundraiser.

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Scan the QR code

OR go to: fundraisingshoppingcart.com/shop

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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 11th

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



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>

