RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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 - November 30th & December 1st, 2024

MINISTRY	Saturday 6:30 pm	Sunday 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Shelley Nease	Connie McCubbins
Cup Minister	Jovita Kottraba	Eric Barry
	Suzanne Johnson	Neil Heino
Lector	Bryan McMillan	Anne Mahoney
	Vicki Walbruch	Anne Mahoney
Server	Don Zimmerman	Gary Hembd
Greeter	Laurie Brandon & Toni Gunnerson	Ton & Terrie Alger

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY 10:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

To be sure your announcement gets into the bulletin, please have your information in the Parish Office by noon on Wednesday. The deadline for altar announcements is noon on Thursday.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov.	24	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSECatholic Campaign for Human Development
		Thanksgiving baskets assembled and delivered after Mass
	26	Choir7:30
	27	No Religious Formation
	28	Mass of Thanksgiving, Risen Christ Parish Office Closed8:45am
		Mass of Thanksgiving, St. Matthew 10:30 am
Dec	1	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
	3	Choir
	4	Religious Formation
	8	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
		Retirement Fund for Religious
	10	Choir (new time) 7:00pm
	11	Religious Formation
	14	Bake Sale After Weekend Masses

~Gather and Rest, Be Happy and Blessed~

Mass at 8:45 am on Thanksgiving Day @ Risen Christ Mass at 10:30 am on Thanksgiving Day @ St. Matthew

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: The Sacrament of Baptism is by appointment Sacrament of Reconciliation is Saturday, 9:00-10:30 am, or by appointment

CALLING ALL BAKING ENTHUSIASTS! BAKING DAY FOR SEMINARIANS



Friday, December 13th 10:00 am Risen Christ Kitchen –
We are looking forward to seeing all of you who enjoy making goodies.
This will be a fun day with friends and laughter!
All supplies will be provided, we just need your help.

DECORATING HELPERS NEEDED FOR ADVENT

Advent is a season of joyful anticipation!
We will be anticipating Advent through the decorating of the church.
Please join us as we need your help!
Friday, November 29th at 9 AM

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Mass times for December 9^{TH:} St. Matthew's: 8:30 am & 6:00 pm Risen Christ 12:10 pm

OUR GIFT TO GOD

We thank God for you! Your gifts throughout the year are gratefully acknowledged. Because of your contributions, our congregation has been able to support the work of Jesus Christ locally, regionally, and around the world.

November 16th & 17th, 2024 Sunday Envelopes: \$5,270

CRAB FEED

St. Charles Borromeo & St. Matthew's Knights present CRAB FEED! **Friday, December 6**th, **2024**, at Snowline Acres.

All You Can Eat Dungeness crab, adult beverages & live music!

- Early seating at 4:30 pm
- Late seating at 7:30 pm Tickets are limited and available in the Parish office or from your KC's.



ACA SUPPORT CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION

Loving our neighbors in Guatemala Your Gift Benefits Those Who Serve



Our gifts to the Annual Catholic Appeal 2024 support programs that help train the men and women whose service complements the work of our priests, deacons and sisters. Please be generous. **Serving as True Believers in God's Love.**

CATHOLIC RADIO IS COMING TO THE FLATHEAD VALLEY

Saint Gabriel Radio, KOFC-LP, 107.1 FM

Want to be a part of bringing Catholic Radio to the Flathead Valley?

Knight's Radio, a Montana501(c)3 non-profit, seeks to be on the air by
Christmas, operating as St. Gabriel Radio, The Herald of Good News!

We intend to reach every soul in the valley bringing the Good News and hope to those who need it. To do this we need \$25,000 to complete buying equipment. If you would like to be among the donors launching this ministry, please consider donating today. Use the QR code above or inquire at knightsradiokofc@gmail.com. We are praying for your kind support.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC COUNCIL #8329

We invite all Catholic men aged 18 and older to join our Brotherhood and

Help Us Help Others!

Grand Knight James Kuechmann (406-250-5224) <u>kuechboone@yahoo.com</u> Deputy Grand Knight Mike Hanson (406-314-7826) <u>mikester55@hotmail.com</u>

BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD

The Book of the Names of the Dead is on display near the doors at the back of the church during the month of November.

Please enter the names of your deceased loved ones.

COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2024

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FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Karel & David & Terry Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
Carol Trimble, rb Bruce Trimble
Shelly Christiaens, rb Judy Stack
Tim Slobojan, rb Diane Slobojan
Les & Pat Herzog, rb Stephen Herzog
Janis Ruff-Strait, rb Mary Ruff

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Fran Cavanaugh, rb Karol Witt Ruff & Falk Families, rb Mary Ruff

RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Judy & Elwin Allen, Pat Arnone Ron Bauer, Steve DeMaggio, 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

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

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development!

If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give!

Visit www.usccb.org/cchd and click "How to Give" under "Resources."

"ALL HEARTS NEED THE PEACEMAKER"

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"A CHILD OF THE KING SHOULD BEAR A FAMILY RESEMBLANCE."

#### READINGS FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT- December 1, 2024

Jeremiah 33:14-16 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2 Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

#### PRACTICE OF FAITH

The Church provides the season of Advent as a time to prepare for the coming of Christ. Mark the days through Advent with an Advent calendar, Advent wreath, and the daily reading of seasonal stories.

\*Build a home library of books focused on this season. Wrap the books and place them in a basket near the Advent wreath. Unwrap and read one book weekly.

At Home with the Word 2025

#### 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, 406-609-9057 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 the 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, 406-232-8461, Jamie Miller, 406-955-8226 Ken Barrett, 406-755-0269, Judy Stack, 406-752-4411, Rose Hall, 406-885-0544

#### FINANCE COUNCIL

Finance Council members are **Peg Gebhardt, Christopher Gill, John Gunnerson, Wally Walbruch, Ken Barrett** 

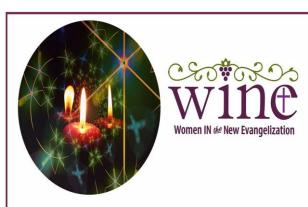


#### **READY THE WAY FOR THE LORD**

An Advent Retreat
CLIMBING THE TREE WITH
ZACCHAEUS TO SEE JESUS
Presented by
Father Joe Paddock
Pastor, Resurrection Parish,
Bozeman
Thursday Evening - Saturday
Morning
DECEMBER 5-7, 2024
The Sycamore Tree

For more information or to register, please call or email Michell Jenkins at 406-754-2429 or

email@sycamoretreeretreat.org



### Advent "Encounter"

Sunday, December 1, 2024 St. Matthew's Doran Center Social @ 5:30 pm 6:00 pm "Virtual Speaker" Sr. Teresa Harrell, Society of Mary

June 12 Adaption & Confession

7:00 pm Adoration & Confession

Women of all ages are invited to attend!!



#### **WOMEN'S RETREAT**

"Modeling Mary in Prayer and
Life"
December 14 & 15,2024
Saint Joseph Parish Hall
Libby MT
Provided to women at no cost, in

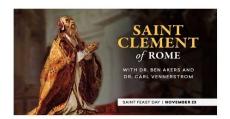
gratitude for their witness of faith, love and service.

#### MONTANA CATHOLIC MENS CONFERENCE

Supported by Knights of Columbus Insurance December 7, 2024 10:00 am – 5:00pm Lunch included Cathedral of St. Helena Adults \$55 Student \$35



## Week of November 17, 2024



#### St. Clement of Rome | Catholic Saints

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Carl Vennerstrom as they discuss Pope St. Clement of Rome, who was an early Church Father and the third successor to St. Peter.



#### Confirmation | Brother Francis

Join Brother Francis as he shows us what the Sacrament of Confirmation is, what it does, and why Jesus promised it to us!



## The Role of Art and Beauty in the New Evangelization

Join Dr. Tim Gray and Paul McCusker as they discuss St. Cecilia and the role of Art and Beauty in the New Evangelization.

To register, please go to: <a href="www.risenchristkalispell.formed.org">www.risenchristkalispell.formed.org</a>, 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 November 24, 2024 – Christ the King John 18:34-37

The feast of Christ the King was created as a contrast to the many royal systems of command and leadership that were common in Europe at the time. Kings, and other so-called royals, ruled over their people with power and might. Sometimes they were good and sometimes not. They had power over others, often exercised with an iron hand. So, to give Jesus a position above all, even the kings of that time, the Church created this feast.

Of course, the kingship of Christ was unlike any other at that time, or ever! I appreciate the title "servant king" as one more suited to the one who came to serve humankind, rather than be served by all. Images of absolute power and might do not fit Jesus. He invited us to be meek and humble of heart and no one exemplified that more than he did.

In today's gospel we see the contrast between the two contrasting styles of kingship. Jesus is falsely accused violating both civil and religious laws of his time. He is brought before the local Roman ruler, Pontius Pilate, who alone had the power to administer capital punishment. The Romans often publicly crucified their "enemies" as a sign of their absolute political power. Some of the Jewish leadership, fearing that the followers of Jesus would question their own use of power, sought his death. We know how that all turned out.

In this gospel account, we hear some of the final words of Jesus where he said that while he can be called a king, his kingdom was not created for this life and this world. It is much more extensive, and it will not be measured by the insular and self-serving values of this world.

Pope Francis is aware that unhealthy and unchristian forms of leadership can even slip into the life the Church. He has often pointed to the evil of clericalism where some church leaders use their position in ways that do not imitate the ways Jesus exercised leadership in his ministry. Clericalism exists when church leaders use their position in the Church for personal gain or power. I have witnessed the ministry of many Christlike bishops and priests, but I have also seen the opposite. Jesus is always the model for how to live as his followers whatever our role in the Church.

The kingdom of God had begun with the coming of Jesus, the Son of God in our midst. It will last forever. And yes, Christ will be its king, but he will rule as one who values and loves all its members. God's kingdom welcomes all, serves the needs of all, and welcomes all into eternal life with God. ~David M. Thomas, PhD