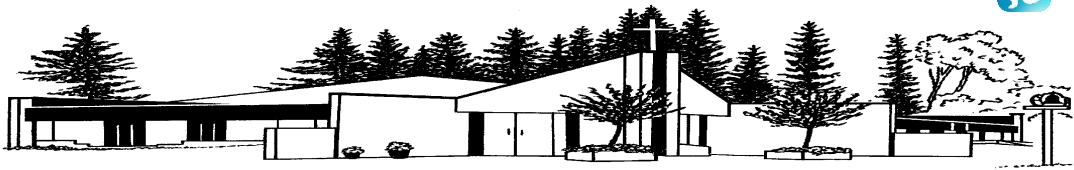

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 9, 2025

Sat., February 8, Mass for February Intentions of St. Matthew & Risen Christ....**6:30 pm**

Sunday, February 9, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew & Risen Christ.....**9:00 am**

Tuesday, February 11, Mass for the Soul of Alvin Krejci, rb Rose Hall.....**8:45 am**

Thursday, February 13, Mass for the Soul of Helmut Kassner, rb Iris Stephens..**8:45 am**

Masses at St. Matthew 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 – February 15th & February 16th, 2025

MINISTRY	Saturday 6:30 pm	Sunday 9:00 am
Plate Minister	Deacon Charlie	Deacon Charlie
Cup Minister	Judy Hughes	Connie McCubbins
	Vicki Walbruch	Kathy Shanahan
Lector	Suzanne Johnson	Anne Mahoney
	Dixon Rice	Cecelia Notess
Server		
Greeter	Don Zimmerman~ Laurie Brandon	Fresa Tobiason~ Richard Brester

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

Feb.	9	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9:00 am
		Seminarian Bake Sale	After Weekend Masses
		Coffee Hour	Cancelled
	11	KC Ladies' – Saigon Garden	5:30 pm
		KC 's	6:30 pm
		Choir	7:30 pm
	12	Ladies' Scripture Study.....	10:00 – 11:30 am
		Religious Formation.....	4:00 – 5:00 pm
	16	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Mass 9:00 am
		KC Breakfast	After Mass
	18	Choir	7:30 pm
	19	Ladies' Scripture Study.....	10:00 – 11:30 am
		Religious Formation.....	4:00 – 5:00 pm
	22	BLUE AND GOLD GALA	NO MASS
	23	SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9:00 am

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 8329

Please join us for our "President Day Breakfast"
following Mass on February 16.



There will be no Saturday 6:30 pm Mass at Risen Christ on February 22, 2025.

RISEN CHRIST RUMMAGE SALE, SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 2025, 9 am – 3 pm

Please save your items for the Risen Christ Rummage Sale. We can use all **CLEAN AND GENTLY USED** donations.

Consider volunteering for this parish event. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the community room. You may drop your donation items at the church on **Friday, February 28th between 10 am and 2 pm.**

Posters are available in the community room. Please take one (or more) and help to advertise this upcoming event.



A rich person is not one who has the most
but one who needs the least.

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.**

February 1 st & 2 nd , 2025	Sunday	6,545
	Building	270
	Mass & Stole Gifts	20
	Total	\$6,835



COR – (HEART) - Calling All Men

The Knights of Columbus Bishop Gilmore Assembly is sponsoring the men's Bible Study, "Men of the Word". This bible study is open to any male, and the materials are funded by the Knights of Columbus. Classes will begin on March 12th. We will meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at St. Matthew and on the 4th Wednesday of the month at Risen Christ. Social begins at 6pm and class starts at 6:30pm. To register contact Rick Nease at rick.nease@kofc.org or (406) 471-2697.

WHERE IS THE SAFEST PLACE?

1. Avoid riding in automobiles, which are responsible for 20 % of fatal accidents.
1. Do not stay home – 17% of all fatal accidents occur at home.
2. Avoid walking on streets or sidewalks – 14 % of all fatal accidents happen to pedestrians.
3. Avoid traveling by air, rail, or water – 16% of all deadly accidents involve these forms of transportation.
4. Avoid hospitals: 32 % of the remaining 33 % of all deaths occur there.
5. But...you will be pleased to learn that only .001% of all deaths occur in church worship services and are usually related to pre-existing disorders. Therefore, it appears the safest place to be at any given point in time is at church!

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS

IN A JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE

MARCH 21-23, 2025 | CARROLL COLLEGE, HELENA

— AN ALL-AGES EVENT —

IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CYC CONVENTION



**COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2025**

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FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Karel & David & Terry Barrett, requested by Ken Barrett
Carol Trimble, rb Bruce Trimble
Shelly Christiaens, rb Judy Stack
Tim Slobojan, rb Diane Slobojan
Janis Ruff-Strait, rb Mary Ruff
Barbara Vine, rb The Gill Family

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Ruff & Falk Families, rb Mary Ruff

RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS

FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Elwin & Judy Allen, Ron Bauer, 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
Carson Gorton, Riley Helgoe, Matt Keck
Kaleb Mitchell, Anthony Olmes, Brett Rotz
James Semling, Jake Smith, Jamie Severson

CALLING ALL SCIENTISTS

If you have a gift of science experience, either in your job or passionate desire, St. Matthew's Annual Science Fair is coming, and we would love some expert experience to help judge, inspire, and promote student's work for this year's Science Fair on Feb. 27, 2025. Please call Patty Bell Hartford at 503-702-0890.

Thank you,

Trisha Ridens, Jr. High Science Teacher

50th ANNUAL BLUE & GOLD GALA

The Theme is Old Hollywood Glamour

Saturday, February 22nd, 2025, 5:30 pm Hilton Garden Inn

Tables of 10 will be \$950. We will not have tables of 8.



READINGS FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – FEBRUARY 16, 2025

Jeremiah 17:5-8

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16–20

Luke 6:17, 20-26

PRACTICE OF HOPE

Today's Scriptures paint a vivid picture for us. Our wellspring of hope, the Lord, is like a tree planted near running streams whose roots receive an eternal source of nourishment. So it is for us when we place our trust in God: hope will feed our hearts and enable us to bear the fruits of faith.

† Trust grows through time spent in a life-giving relationship. Nourish your hope in God by prioritizing time for prayer. Share with God what is in your heart and make space to listen as well.

† Jesus promises the blessing of hope for oppressed community members. Look to the Beatitudes as a litmus test. Take stock of where you fall among the "blessed" and those whom woe awaits.

† Plan one action you can take this week to ease the suffering of the needy in your local community. Donate groceries to the local food pantry; deliver a meal to a grieving neighbor; bring a supply of new socks and hand warmers to the homeless shelter.

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.

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.**

RISEN CHRIST GIFT SHOP

We now have scapulars, holy water fonts, rosaries, children's bracelets and much more. Stop by anytime to check out our gift shop! Please see

Connie McCubbins or Andrea Wright before or after the weekend Masses.

If you need to make a purchase during the week, please stop in the parish office.

We have many items available for year-round giving!



Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth.



February 28th, 2025

6 PM at Risen Christ

Bring Your Own Spirit(s) and Smokes.

The evening begins with Adoration followed by discussion around the bonfire.

Scan the QR code for discussion material.

Email Kevin Donahue for more information
huskerfans6@live.com

THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

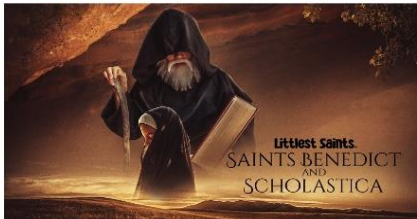
May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

*******BE WATCHFUL AND ALERT*******

Please be aware of scams, especially at this time of year. You may see emails that look like they are from Father Stan or another employee of the church. They may be asking for money or gift cards, or even to verify your bank account. Some may ask you to send gift cards. BE CAUTIOUS, and when in doubt, do not open the email or click on any link.

This Week on Formed

Week of February 09, 2025



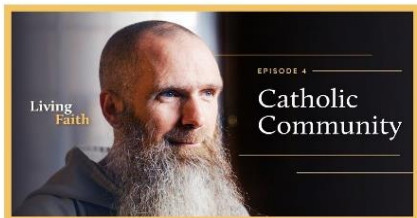
Sts. Benedict

A pair of holy twins, a cave, and a group of naughty monks... this is the story of Saint Benedict and Saint Scholastica.



The Bible (Part 2)

Join Dr. Mark Giszczak as he answers some of the Internet's most popular questions about the Bible. What is the difference between the Old Testament and the New Testament? Do Catholics read the Bible? Find out in this episode of What Catholics Believe.



Catholic Community

Based on the historical records and the personal testimony of his fellow friars, this is the amazing true story of the life of the famous stigmatic monk, St. Padre Pio, a contemporary saint who died in 1968.

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

The Nazareth Page
A Gospel meditation for your home
February 9, 2025 -Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 5:1-11

Peter was a good, experienced fisherman. But there were times when he and his fellow fishermen returned to their home port with empty nets. Even after having spent hours and hours hoping for at least a few fish to bring back to market. So, in today's gospel we meet a very discouraged Peter, who after fishing most of the night, returned home with no fish.

Jesus was there on the dock with a smile, and after being informed of Peter's bad luck on the sea, Jesus calmly suggested that Peter get back in his boat and give it another try. Peter's immediate response to Jesus is not recorded. Yet we can imagine the look on Peter's face. Here's a local carpenter, who likely never even caught a fish in his life, telling Peter, a seasoned angler, to go back out to fish after hours and hours of wasted effort.

We know the rest of the story. Peter swallows his pride and ignoring the last hours of wasted time, heads back out to open waters. Suddenly the lowered nets begin to fill and fill and fill. Another boat joins Peter's boat as it begins to list with its nets bulging with catch. What a moment! And no one is more surprised than Peter. This could be a record catch!

I love this gospel for many reasons, especially its surprising conclusion. What smart fisherman would ever follow the uninformed advice of Jesus to keep fishing after so many unprofitable hours of trying? Peter should have said that it was time to call it a day (a not very good one) and gone home. But that's not what he did. He quietly went back out to continue his fishing efforts. And what magnificent results followed.

I am in the twilight years of my time here on earth. As a teacher and theologian, I have spent over half a century teaching in countless classrooms. No one would be surprised to learn that I have now exited the academic playing field and am now relaxing in an easy chair reading a good book. In fact, I refuse to say that I have retired. That's because I take today's gospel seriously, maybe the Lord has further plans for me. God's timing does not always match conventional wisdom. My big catch (and yours) may be tomorrow!

That's because God's ways and timing are not always ours. It's interesting that the Scriptures rarely mention anything about age or time. Rather in one place it states that "now is the acceptable time." I interpret that to mean that any time is open to possibility. Maybe our best years are yet to come. Maybe our own big catch is on the horizon. Perhaps tomorrow. Don't ever retire!

David M. Thomas, PhD