

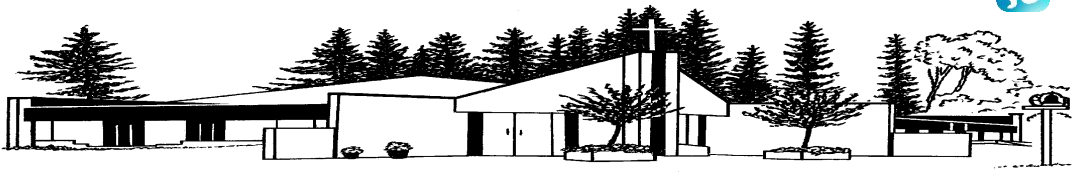
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# RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT ..... March 9, 2025**

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

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

**Tuesday, March 11,** Mass for the Souls of Stanley & Lucille Wos, rb J. Mayville **8:45 am**

**Thursday, March 13,** Mass for the Soul of Claude Bronec, rb Helen Tobiason .. **8:45 am**

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**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

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## Ministry Schedule – March 15th & March 16th, 2025

MINISTRY	Saturday 6:30 pm	Sunday 9:00 am
<b>Plate Minister</b>	Deacon Floyd	Deacon Floyd
<b>Cup Minister</b>	George Josten	Connie McCubbins
	Vicki Walbruch	Eric Barry
<b>Lector</b>	Rick Nease	Paul Heath
	Shelley Nease	Pati Heath
<b>Server</b>		
<b>Greeter</b>	Lee & Dee Hesper	Josephine Wright Family

## **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**

March	9	<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</b> .....	9:00 am
		<b>Black &amp; Indian Mission Collection</b>	
		<b>SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER FOR PEACE</b> .....	6:30 pm
	10	40 Days for Life Vigil.....	Risen Christ
	11	KC Ladies, Hungry Hun in Kalispell Center Mall .....	5:30 pm
		Choir .....	7:30 pm
	12	Ladies' Scripture Study.....	10:00-11:30
		Religious Formation.....	4:00 – 5:00 pm
	13	Soup and Bread Supper .....	5:30 pm
	14	40 Days for Life Vigil.....	Risen Christ
		Stations of the Cross .....	7:00 pm
	16	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT</b> .....	9:00 am
		St. Patrick's Day Dinner.....	6:00 pm
	17 – 19 – 21-	40 Days for Life Vigil at All Families Health, Whitefish	St. Matthew
	18	Choir .....	7:30 pm
	19	Religious Formation.....	4:00 – 5:00 pm
	20	Soup and Bread Supper .....	5:30 pm
	21	Stations of the Cross .....	7:00 pm

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

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**OUR LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES**

**Sunday Evening Prayer for Peace - March 9th & 23rd, 6:30 pm**

**Soup and Bread Supper - Each Thursday, at 5:30 pm beginning March 13th**

**Stations of the Cross - Each Friday evening, 7:00 pm beginning March 7th**

**Knights of Columbus Fish Fries**

***Risen Christ*** – March 14<sup>th</sup> & March 28<sup>th</sup>

Menu for Risen Christ:

**Baked-breaded cod**, Mac and cheese, Caesar salad,  
& Garlic Bread are available to eat here or to take away.

A suggested donation of \$10.00 per dinner.

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***St. Matthew's*** - March 21st, & April 4th 4:30 – 6:45 pm.

Menu for St. Matthew:

**#1 Fish Tacos**, Delicious Fries, Coleslaw, Dessert \$15

**#2 Battered Butterfly Shrimp**, Delicious Fries, Coleslaw, Dessert \$15

**#3 Mac/Cheese w/Lobster & Shrimp**, Coleslaw Applesauce Dessert \$17

**Dine in:** St. Matthew's School Cafeteria

**Take Out:** Call 406-360-6446 to place an order. Allow 30 minutes for pick up.

### 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.**

March 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2025	Sunday	9,176
	Building	300
	Total	\$9,476

### FOOD FOR FAMILIES

Begin Lent this year with donations that benefit hungry families in our local community. Help us stock the shelves. The Knights of Columbus Council 8329 is sponsoring a "Lenten Food Drive" to restock food supplies needed in local food banks. Donations of non-perishable food items brought to the church from March 8 - March 16 will then be distributed to the food banks. Thank you for answering the call to make a change in the lives of hungry families.



**Charity, Unity, Fraternity, & Patriotism**

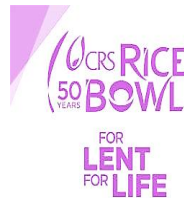
### COR – (HEART) - CALLING ALL MEN



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 12<sup>th</sup>. We will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at St. Matthew and on the 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:rick.nease@kofc.org) or (406) 471-2697.

### A RECOMMITMENT TO END HUNGER

Since 1975, Catholics across the United States have come together each Lent to respond to global hunger through the CRS Rice Bowl program. Learn how people like you have made a local and global impact on the lives of our sisters and brothers in need and why our prayers and almsgiving are still needed today. During this holy season, let us recommit to sharing bread for life with our global family so that people can reach their God-given potential. Visit [csrcricebowl.org/week-1](http://csrcricebowl.org/week-1) to read this week's Story of Hope.



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

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**FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

Ronald Armstrong, requested by the Hutchens Family  
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

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

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

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

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, Lane Buus, John Cooney  
Carson Gorton, Riley Helgoe, Matt Keck  
Kaleb Mitchell, Anthony Olmes, Brett Rotz  
James Semling, Jamie Severson

**ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER**

Sunday: March 16th, 2025 – Risen Christ Community Room, 6:00 p.m. – Free Will Offering

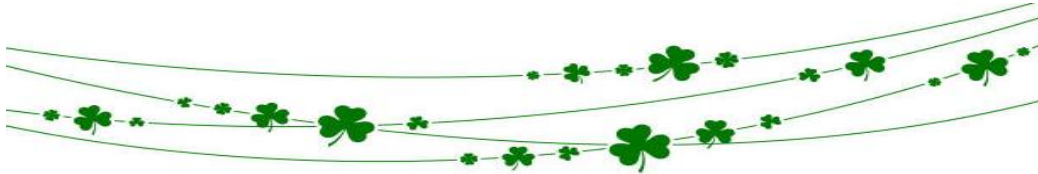
**\*\*Games**

**\*\*Giveaways**

**\*\*Good Food**

**\*\*Good Friends**

Contact Connie McCubbins for Questions – 406-250-5904



*"May your blessings outnumber the shamrocks that grow  
and may trouble avoid you wherever you go."*

## READINGS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 16, 2025

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Luke 9:28b-36

### PRACTICE OF HOPE

The transfiguration of Jesus reveals how a human being looks when completely transformed in the love of God. During the act of prayer, Jesus became luminous with God's presence.

✿ Prioritize time for daily prayer during Lent. Plan your calendar around prayer, set reminders with your phone. Building a new prayer habit is a surefire way to grow in your relationship with God.

✿ Practice intercessory prayer. Carry with you a list of names of people and concerns for prayer, reviewing it daily as part of your Lenten prayer practice. Simply lifting the names and worries to God is enough; God knows what to do from there.

*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!***



# 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



## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Our Whitefish 40 Days for Life **Spring Campaign** began on Ash Wednesday, March 5th, and ends on Sat., April 12th. It will take place Monday through Saturday from 7am to 7pm.

**Risen Christ** is sponsoring Monday, **March 10** and **Friday, March 14**. Signup sheets are on the 40 Days for Life table in the social area.

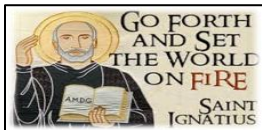
**St. Matthews** is sponsoring Monday, **March 17**, Wed., **March 19** and Friday, **March 21**.

**Weekly Prayer Services** will be held on Sat. at All Families Healthcare from 3-5 pm.

**REMEMBER** that it is highly recommended to sign up in pairs.

**Directions:** Prayer vigils take place on the sidewalk outside **All Families Healthcare**, 737 Spokane Avenue. While driving north on Spokane, turn right (east) at 8th St. and drive one block to Kalispell Ave. During the winter months, park on the even-numbered /west side of the street on even-numbered days and on the odd-numbered /east side on odd-numbered days.

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



## IGNATIAN RULES OF DISCERNMENT MARCH 13-16, 2025

The Sycamore Tree Catholic Retreat Center – Swan Lake, MT

~ Presented by Teresa Chabot - Catholic Lay Spiritual Director for Women, St Matthew's Parish, Kalispell, MT

Email Michelle Jenkins at [email@sycamoretreeretreat](mailto:email@sycamoretreeretreat) or call (406)754-2429.

## A BIBLICAL WALK – NO GREATER LOVE, ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO

A biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us.

March 10 – April 7, 2025, 9:00 am – 10:30 am

St. Charles Borromeo Strom Hall - Suggested Donation, \$20

For more information: Debbie Peterson 406-250-0101

Ann Hawkins 402-301-4814

Mary Beth Bartlett 406-471-9022

## RUMMAGE SALE THANK YOU

Fr. Stan and Risen Christ would like to extend a thank you to the many people that volunteered to help with this Rummage Sale project and those who made the many generous donations. You have made our annual rummage sale a success! We couldn't do this project without all the many volunteers and donors.

We took in a total of \$2,457.00 in sales which will go for the benefit of the Seminarians of the Diocese of Helena. Thank you again for all your hard work!

## WORD SEARCH

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FIDELITY

GENTILES

GOSPEL OF LUKE

HOLY FAMILY

HOPE

INTOLERANCE

KING DAVID

MEL FISHER

PROCESSION

PURITY

REFLECTION

SERGIUS

TEMPLE

VIRTUE

## 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



# This Week on Formed

Week of March 09, 2025



## Week One | Restore

In the Week One video for the Restore Lent series, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, reflects on the theme of the week—the desert. She explains that Jesus is inviting you to move beyond your comfort zone and into the deepest places of your heart with him. It is Jesus who helps you root out the sin, sickness, and self-hatred in your life. Sr. Miriam assures us that we can look to him for comfort, love, and healing.

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## 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/>.

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## Living Lent as a Family

Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Augustine Institute Graduate School Professor Dr. Sehorn and his wife, Sarah Sehorn, to discuss liturgical living during Lent.

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*  
*March 9, 2025 -First Sunday of Lent*  
*Luke 4:1-13*

The season of Lent begins with the gospel about the temptations experienced by Jesus in the desert. They are indicators of his human nature. We learn elsewhere that he did not sin, but that does not rule out that he was not tempted to do so. The holy season of Lent has often been referred to as a time when we might deal with harmful or evil tendencies in each of us. Years back, I knew of relatives who gave up consuming alcohol during Lent, likely a move in the right direction for them.

Many of us know the nature of the temptations that Jesus faced. First, he was led to turn stones to bread, an invitation to Jesus to selfishly use his power in the natural world. Next, he was offered earthly social or political power, the power to rule over others. And finally, he was invited to test to power of God by enlisting the help of angels to safely catch him if he jumped off the high reaches of the Temple. Summarizing, dominate nature, dominate others and finally dominate God. Get full control of everything and everyone.

Of course, we know that Jesus walked away from all those temptations. He did not come to us to rule over all (including God), but to serve and respond to the needs of all. And throughout his life, he did exactly that in countless ways, especially in his acceptance of death on the cross. He came to serve, not to rule, to raise us to a better life, not to put us down.

Lent has been called “the annual retreat” of all who are followers of Jesus. It’s a time of assessing not our portfolio or accomplishments, but our thoughts, words and deeds. Are they like those Jesus would have? Do we follow the example of Jesus in our family and home life, in our work activities or in the ordinary chores and challenges we face each day?

I wonder these days about what are sources of temptation for us. Certainly, the deluge of enticements and advertisements that come our way via social media and television are major sources of enticement to want what we shouldn’t have, get what we don’t need and even think in ways that are incompatible with the teachings of Jesus.

While today’s “temptations” don’t come our way in the dramatic form that Jesus experienced in today’s gospel, they are still around us, inviting us to do what’s less virtuous, less responsible and less loving. Lent is the church’s annual remainder that we can always be better followers of Jesus. It’s a season for personal improvement. And we can all use that.

David M. Thomas, PhD



# Saints In Action

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St. Matthew's Catholic School

March 2025



**SAINT OF THE MONTH:  
ST. JOAN OF ARC**

**VIRTUE OF THE MONTH:  
COURAGE**



## Upcoming Events

- St. Patrick's Day Parade, Sunday, 3/16 at 4pm - Join Us!
- Holy Hoops, 3/17 - 3/20

Matthew 19:26

With God All Things Are Possible

*Thank you!*

Want to donate to our kitchen remodel? Just bring cash or check to the parish or school office.

We raised over  
**\$208,000.00**

7:30-3:15  
AFTER CARE:  
3:30-5:30

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EARLY LEARNING CENTER  
SUMMER  
SESSIONS**

JUNE 16 - JULY 3  
JULY 7 - AUGUST 1  
AUGUST 4 - AUGUST 22

AGES 3-6 YEARS,  
INCLUDING THOSE  
ENTERING 1ST GRADE

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