



RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.....July 20, 2025

Sat., July 19, Mass for Collective July Intentions of St. Matthew & Risen Christ .6:30 pm

Sunday, July 20, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew & Risen Christ.....9:00 am

Tuesday, July 22, Mass for the Deceased Priests of the Diocese8:45 am

Thursday, July 24, Mass for the Int. of Jane Allen, rb Rose Hall.....8:45 am

Masses at St. Matthew Parish

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

Sundays 7:00 am and 11:00 am

Ministry Schedule, July 26th & July 27th, 2025

MINISTRY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Plate Minister	Jovita Kottraba	Marian Ficek
Cup Minister	Mary Anne Gill	Tom Berquist
	Judy Hughes	Connie McCubbins
Lector	Kathy Wright	Jack Fallon
	Dixon Rice	Anne Mahoney
Server	Don Zimmerman	Gary Hembd
Greeter	Mary Jacobs & Toni Gunnerson	Tom & Terrie Alger

To be sure your announcement is in 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

July 20 **SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
25 **K of C 4th Degree** 12noon – 3pm
27 **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
JOURNEY GATHERING~ST. JOHN PAUL II CHURCH, BIGFORK 2pm

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

ENROLLMENT IS NOW OPEN FOR THE 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR!



Secure your child's spot at the fastest-growing school in the valley, where faith, integrity, and knowledge are at the heart of everything we do.

Rooted in Catholic teachings, we provide a nurturing environment that fosters academic excellence and strong moral values.

✓ Spaces are limited- enroll today!

Scan the QR code to learn more about us and apply. Visit stmattsaints.org or call 406-752-6303.



OUR LADY OF THE ROCKIES PILGRIMAGE

This year we are again offering a pilgrimage to Our Lady of the Rockies, August 15, the Feast Day of the Assumption. If you haven't visited the 90-foot statue of Our Lady that rests on top of the Continental Divide overlooking Butte, MT, this summer might be the opportune time to join our pilgrimage. Many pilgrims from out of state come each summer to enjoy the trip, pray, play, and stay. Our time will be filled with faith, fun, and friendship. Why not join us? Please contact the gift shop at 406-782-1221 to make your reservation. Questions: Call Nikki 406-560-0919 or Judy 406-563-2022.

TACO TUESDAY FIESTA GIFT BASKET

Ola! Don't miss out on your chance to help fill the *Taco Tuesday Fiesta Gift Basket*! If you haven't seen the sign-up list in the social area, we still need a few items to fill er up ~ *Taco seasonings, Jalapenos (pickled or plain) * Hot sauce * Festive apron * Citrus Juicer * 2 jars of salsa. Items are to be turned into the parish office by July 28th.*

This basket is to be donated to the silent auction for the Bishop's Gala to be held October 10, 2025. All proceeds will support essential improvements at *Legendary Lodge*.



OUR GIFT TO GOD

We thank God for you! Your gifts throughout the year are gratefully acknowledged.

July 12th & July 13th, 2025	Sunday	\$5,870
	Building	50
	Total	\$5,920

MONTHLY SEMINARIAN BAKE SALE PROCEEDS

We would like to thank the bakers and the purchasers once again for supporting this important ministry. The proceeds from our Seminarian bake sale were \$503.00.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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, and Rose Hall, 406-885-0544.**

FINANCE COUNCIL

Finance Council members are

**Julie Berquist,
Rosemary Brockman,
Christopher Gill,
John Gunnerson, Rose Hall,
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 before or after the weekend Masses. If you need to make a purchase during the week, please stop in the parish office.

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.

NORTHWEST MONTANA FAIR AUGUST 12-17

It's time to start thinking about working a shift in St. Matthew's Fair Booth! The sign-up board is ready. It will be at the back of the church (St. Matthews) on weekends and in the Parish Office on weekdays. If you are a school parent, the hours worked will go toward school volunteer hours!



COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2025

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FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

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Diane Hembd, requested by Risen Christ Parish
Jason Falcon, rb Denny & Bev Falcon
Karel & David & Terry Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
Carol Trimble, rb Bruce Trimble
Tim Slobojan, rb Diane Slobojan
Kathleen Ott, rb Janet Rodeghiero
Matthew Moholt, rb Jackie Jensen
Jim Jensen, rb Jackie Jensen
Cathy Tracy, rb Hutchens Family

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Ruff & Falk Families, rb Mary Ruff
Fran Cavanagh, rb Karol Witt
Kayla Sawyer, rb Mary Ruff

RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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Myron Boyle, Malcolm Coote, 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

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

16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Show favor, O Lord, to your servants and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity, they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Source: catholicculture.org

READINGS FOR SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JULY 27, 2025

Genesis 18:20-32

Colossians 2:12-14

Luke 11:1-13

PRACTICE OF HOPE

As with Abraham, the prayer of the Christian is one of hope on behalf of God's people. Because of hope, at Mass we stand in the shadow of the crucifix and the table of the Lord and say "Let us pray with confidence to the Father."

✿ Read John F. Deane's poem "Mercy." **See below.**

✿ Pray the Lord's Prayer every night this week, for mercy and healing of a broken world.

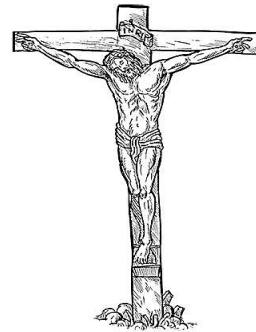
✿ Catholic Charities gives hope to many underserved people. Research ways to support your local Catholic Charities chapter.

At Home with the Word 2025

Mercy

Unholy we sang this morning, and prayed
as if we were not broken, crooked
the Christ-figure hung, splayed
on bloodied beams above us;
devious God, dweller in shadows,
mercy on us; immortal,
cross-shattered Christ—
your gentling grace down upon us.

~John F. Deane



😊 ADDITIONAL IDEAS TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH FAMILY 😊

✓ **Don't throw away your used electronics!**

Risen Christ gets points to use towards purchases for recycling at Staples! Just take in your old phone chargers, used ink cartridges, old cell phones and a lot more. Tell them you would like to recycle and give them our phone number 406-752-4219. Easy!

✓ If you have a rewards account at Smiths, you can sign up to designate a donation to your favorite school (St. Matthew's). → Smith's website (smithsfoodanddrug.com) under my account, then "inspiring donations" and designate your school.

✓ **We are looking for someone to water plants and tend to the flowers on a weekly basis.**

✓ **Do you like to clean?** We would like someone to clean the votive candle stand once a month. This would involve washing the glass candle holders in soapy water, dusting the metal rack, and replenishing supplies. *Thank you!*

JOURNEY GATHERING AT ST. JOHN PAUL II

The next Journey Gathering is on July 27, 2 pm in Brady Hall (downstairs) at Saint John Paul II Church in Bigfork for Potluck lunch, brief reflection, singing and prayers. All are welcome, especially those who have been on a Catholici Journey or Cursillo!! For more information, please call 406-471-2144.

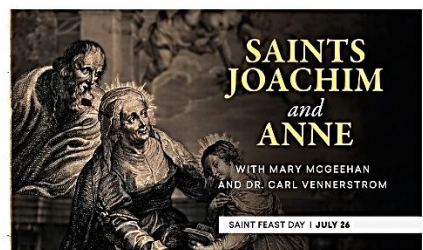
This Week on Formed

Week of July 20, 2025



Footprints: The Path of Your Life

Eleven young men from the United States walk the Way of St. James pilgrimage. They are looking for answers, not beautiful scenery: How do you deal with pain and suffering? Do the weak quit, or do they find meaning on the Camino? How much baggage is enough or too much?



Sts. Joachim and Anne | Catholic Saints

Though they never appear in canonical Scripture, Sts. Joachim and Anne—the grandparents of Jesus—hold a place of great importance in the Church's tradition. Discover more about the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary in this episode of Catholic Saints with Mary McGeehan and Augustine Institute professor Dr. Carl Vennerstrom.



Saint Mary Magdalene | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp for a discussion on the life and witness of St. Mary Magdalene. Who was she, and why is she a saint? Find out in this conversation.

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
July 20, 2025 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 10:38-42

Today we read or listen to one of the most memorable gospels in all of the New Testament. All I have to do is say that it is about two sisters, Martha and Mary, and many will say, "Yes, I know that one." Martha is in the kitchen feverously working on dinner while Mary is with Jesus, relaxing and talking with him.

Martha issues a complaint to Jesus. Should not Mary be helping her with the meal? Then comes his (perhaps) surprising response that Martha should not be "anxious" and worried about many things" and that "Mary has chosen the better part." The gospel writing does not add Martha's response. But we can supply a guess.

There are many ways to interpret this gospel. But the one I prefer is that Mary is taking the role of a student, something reserved for men, in that time. Jesus is the rabbi, and she is singled out to learn from him at his feet, the typical posture of the learner. Thus, this gospel is not a put down of Martha, but rather an exaltation of Mary and all those women who were his disciples.

In recent years biblical scholars have often pointed to passages that placed women in key roles as followers of Jesus. Certainly, Mary, his mother, played an absolutely central role in his life. So did Mary Magdeline, who was the first to witness his resurrection from the dead. Except for the apostle John, only women were with Jesus as he was crucified. The Samaritan woman (unnamed) became the first to announce the arrival of the messiah to those in her region of Samaria. Many of the miracles of Jesus involved women and many women were featured in his preaching, especially when Jesus used parables to explain more deeply his message and its meaning.

Last week the gospel was about the seventy-two disciples who were sent out by Jesus to announce the arrival of God's reign on Earth. I wonder how many of them were women. And as the message of Jesus spread by the first Christians, many women are given active roles in the Acts of the Apostles and mentioned in the writings of St. Paul.

As the Church continues its mission in our time, many are asking that the roles played by women be expanded in all phases of ecclesial life. If we reflect on the role played by Mary in today's gospel, my hope is that the various offices and roles in the Church be more fully open to those like her who feel the call to be closer to the central role of Christ.

David M. Thomas, PhD

**†PRIESTLY ORDINATION OF
FATHER DILLON ARMSTRONG†**

On Friday, June 27, 2025, Father Dillon Armstrong was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Helena by Bishop Austin Vetter at the Cathedral of St. Helena. Fr. Armstrong was joined by family, friends, and the clergy and faithful from around the Diocese for the Ordination Mass. During the liturgy, Fr. Armstrong laid prostrate before the altar, as the whole community called on the intercession of the communion of saints. Afterward, Bishop Vetter anointed the newly ordained's hands with Holy Oil, and handed him the bread and wine, bestowing on him the responsibilities of the priesthood.



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**NCYC**

High school students interested in attending this year's National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) are invited to a Rosary/BBQ at the MacLean's (6324 Farm to Market Rd, Whitefish) on Wednesday, July 30th at 6:30 pm. Come pray, meet other NCYC pilgrims and eat good food! Burgers and dogs provided, bring a side dish to share. Are you willing to help our youth get to NCYC? Donations can be mailed to St Charles Borromeo parish in Whitefish (write NCYC in memo line). Questions? Call or text Niki 970-710-9630.

**MARY MAGDALENE, FEAST DAY JULY 22**

Except for the mother of Jesus, few women are more honored in the Bible than Mary Magdalene. Yet she could well be the patron of the slandered, since there has been a persistent legend in the Church that she is the unnamed sinful woman who anointed the feet of Jesus in Luke 7:36-50.

Most Scripture scholars today point out that there is no scriptural basis for confusing the two women. Mary Magdalene, that is, "of Magdala," was the one from whom Christ cast out "seven demons" (Luke 8:2)—an indication at the worst, of extreme demonic possession or possibly, severe illness.

Writing in the *New Catholic Commentary*, Father Wilfrid J. Harrington, O.P., says that "seven demons" "does not mean that Mary had lived an immoral life—a conclusion reached only by means of a mistaken identification with the anonymous woman of Luke 7:36." In the *Jerome Biblical Commentary*, Father Edward Mally, S.J., agrees that she "is not...the same as the sinner of Luke 7:37, despite the later Western romantic tradition about her."

Mary Magdalene was one of the many "who were assisting them [Jesus and the Twelve] out of their means." She was one of those who stood by the cross of Jesus with his mother. And, of all the "official" witnesses who might have been chosen for the first awareness of the Resurrection, she was the one to whom that privilege was given. She is known as the "Apostle to the Apostles."

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