

RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER..... APRIL 12, 2026

Sat., April 11, Mass for Collective April Intentions of St. Matthew & Risen Christ. 6:30 pm

Sunday, April 12, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew & Risen Christ..... 9:00 am

Tuesday, April 14, Mass for the Soul of Carol Hohenstein, rb Kathy Wright..... 8:45 am

Thursday, April 16, Mass for the Intention of 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

†Ukrainian Greek Catholic Parish of Sts. Peter & Paul†

Mass each Sunday at Risen Christ at 11:30 am

MINISTRY	Saturday, 4/18 6:30 PM	Sunday, 4/19 9:00 AM
Plate Min.	Deacon Charlie	Deacon Charlie
Cup Min.	Kimberly Santiago	Marian Ficek
	Judy Hughes	Linda Spanke
Lector	Bryan McMcmillan	Kathy Shanahan
	Dixon Rice	Cecelia Notess
Server		
Greeter	Jelita Mayville & Mary Jacobs	Steve Wright & Kathleen Wright

RISEN CHRIST PARISH OFFICE HOURS ARE:

MONDAY ~ THURSDAY 10:00 AM – 12 NOON ~ 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

IF THE DOOR IS LOCKED, PLEASE RING THE BELL.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- April 12 **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**
Divine Mercy Chaplet with opportunity for confession . 3:00 – 4:00 pm
- 14 Knights of Columbus Ladies – Applebee’s.....5:30 pm
 Knights of Columbus meeting5:30 pm
 Choir7:30 pm
- 15 Ladies’ Scripture Study.....10:00 – 11:30 am
 Faith Formation4:00 – 5:30 pm
- 19 **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**
 Knights of Columbus BreakfastAfter Mass

First Communion: Saturday, May 9th at Noon at St. Matthew
 Saturday, May 16th at 11:30 am Risen Christ

Confirmation at Risen Christ, Monday, May 11th @ 7:00 pm

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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The Knights of Columbus will lead the Rosary on Sat., May 2nd.

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St. John Paul II ~ Mass on Mondays @ 9:00 am.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Sat. 9:00-10:30 am

It is true that each of us leads busy lives and sometimes we don’t see how we can add even one more 15-minute commitment, let alone one hour. However, the blessings to yourself, to our parish, and to our world will be returned tenfold by your sacrifice.

As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, come to Adoration this week and every week to adore Mercy Himself.

† FAITH FORMATION & MINISTRY NEWS †

•Kids Bulletins and MagnifiKid® books are on the table in the social area. ***Prayers for our 1st Communion Candidates Payton, Ember, Jace and Wesley.**



Plan to attend the Knights of Columbus Spring Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 19. Proceeds will support the Knights of Columbus Charities.



OUR GIFT TO GOD

Because of your contributions, our congregation has been able to support the work of Jesus Christ locally, regionally, and around the world.

Holy Thursday, 4/2	\$1,823
Easter Sunday, 4/5	6,708
	\$8,531

“He who loses an opportunity is like the man
who lets a bird fly from his hand, for he will never recover it”.

~St. John of the Cross

SAINT MATTHEW’S EARLY LEARNING CENTER FULL TIME POSITION

The Early Learning Center needs an assistant lead teacher. Benefits are available.
Please call Human Resources at 406-751-6811.

THANK YOU DEAR FRIENDS AT RISEN CHRIST PARISH

Thank you so much for your generosity and prayers as we rebuild our lives from our housefire in February. Fire is so destructive, so devastating! You have helped us to rise from the ashes, given us hope, and supported us through this ordeal!

Thank you! May God bless you! Sincerely, Jim & Allyson Kuechmann and family

THANK YOU!



“Thank you for being “there” for the children we serve for
CASA! We appreciate your support through the many
years!” Cindy Basnet, CASA of Flathead County Executive Director

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support for this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

MORE MILK, PLEASE

At 98 years old, the Archbishop was dying. The nuns and fathers gathered around his bed, trying to make his last journey comfortable. They brought some warm milk to drink, but he refused. One of the nuns took the glass back to the kitchen. Remembering a bottle of whiskey gifted to her last Christmas, she opened it and poured a generous amount into the milk. Returning to the Archbishop's bed, she held the glass to his lips. And so, he drank a little, then a little more, and before they knew it, he had drunk the whole glass.

"Your Eminence," intoned a Monsignor, "please give us some wisdom before you die."
Rising up from the bed, a most pious look on his face, he said "Don't sell that cow."

COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2026

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FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Karel & David & Terry Barrett, rb Ken Barrett
Carol Trimble, rb Bruce Trimble
Janet Rodeghiero & Tim Slobojan, rb Diane Slobojan
Kathleen Ott, rb Janet Rodeghiero
Jan Ruff-Strait, rb Mary Ruff
Janet Rodeghiero, rb Mary Ruff

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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

FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Myron Boyle, Malcolm Coote, Peg Gebhardt, Greg Grace
Mike Hanson, Eileen Kluesner, Maureen Neitzling, Amy Neitzling
Mike & Linda O'Neil, Adrienne Neneman, Mary Reckin, Joe Riska
Mary Ruby, Bob Vine, Larry Visocan

FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Carter Anderson, Shae Bills, Carson Gorton
Riley Helgoe, Matt Keck, Deacon Kaleb Mitchell
Anthony Olmes, James Semling, Jamie Severson
Jake Smith, Liam Aippersbach, Ryan Frampton, Mason Yochum

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 GIFT SHOP

Looking for a meaningful gift?

Check out our "holy pens", St. Michael the Archangel mini statues, **holy water fonts & bottles**, rosaries, and more.

† See Rose Hall or Jelita Mayville in the Parish Office for details.



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 you will get a return call.

READINGS FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER:

April 19, 2026

Acts 2:14, 22-33

1 Peter 1:17-21

Luke 24:13-35

PRACTICE OF FAITH

The Mass is an opportunity for the Lord Jesus to walk with you, just as he did with disciples walking to Emmaus. How can you recognize him? At Mass, allow your heart to burn with what you hear him say to you in the readings and in the homily. It is he, the Word made flesh, who speaks. Gaze with love upon Christ becoming present as the bread is broken by the priest. Receive his blessed Body and Blood knowing that he journeys with you and strengthens you until the end of time. Realize Christ's true presence this week:

† At Mass, close your eyes and imagine Jesus celebrating the Eucharist.

† Spend time in Eucharistic Adoration allowing Jesus to be present to your heart.

† Meditate on this Gospel and allow Jesus to appear to you on the road to Emmaus.

Allow yourself to see Jesus as the disciples did.

~At Home With the Word 2026



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QUOTE OF ST. FAUSTINA

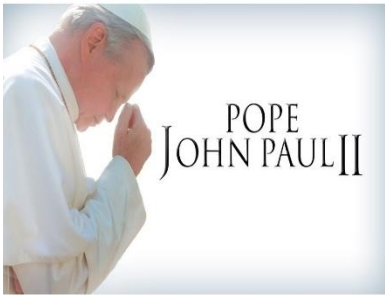
Saint John Paul II called St. Faustina "the great apostle of Divine Mercy in our time." Today the Lord said to me, Daughter, when you go to confession, to this fountain of My mercy, the Blood and Water which came forth from My Heart always flows down upon your soul and enobles it. Every time you go to confession, immerse yourself entirely in My mercy, with great trust, so that I may pour the bounty of My grace upon your soul. When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy. Tell souls that from this fount of mercy souls draw graces solely with the vessel of trust. If their trust is great, there is no limit to My generosity (Diary, 1602).

THIS WEEK ON FORMED ~ APRIL 12, 2026



Divine Mercy Chaplet | Franciscan Friars of the Renewal

Consider praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in a new way with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. This video on Formed includes breathtaking footage of Catholics across the world performing works of mercy and asking God to have mercy on us.



Pope John Paul II

Starring Jon Voight and Cary Elwes, this epic film follows Karol Wojtyla's journey from his youth in Poland through his late days on the Chair of St. Peter.



Divine Mercy with Fr. Michael Gaitley

Renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II.

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
April 12, 2026 – Second Sunday of Easter
John 20:19-31

I have a special place in my heart for the apostle, Thomas, who is often known as “doubting Thomas.” (We share a name.) Not that I doubt that much, but he appears in John’s gospel as one who held doubts about the risen Christ. Doubting is, of course, a very human trait. I doubt all kinds of things. I doubt that many of my favoured athletic teams will be national champions. I doubt that I will ever receive a Nobel prize. I doubt that I will ever run a marathon. I doubt that an asteroid will land in my backyard. But some of those things might happen. I just doubt they will.

So, it was with doubting Thomas. He learned that, in his absence, the risen Jesus appeared to the other apostles. Thomas says he doesn’t believe he did. He needed more evidence. So, at a time when Thomas was with them Jesus suddenly appeared. And to convince him even more, he had Thomas touch his healed wounds. That was enough for him, but the gospel adds, such tangible proof is not always needed. In fact, blessed are those who believe and who don’t have abundant first-hand evidence to do so.

So, while the story of Thomas the Doubter is worth knowing, it’s also important that it’s good, maybe even better, to believe without such evidence.

Personal faith and trust in God are possessed by most of us without an abundance of physical compelling evidence. When we believe in those circumstances, faith is sometimes described as a “leap.” Or a “stretch.” It’s not the direct result of individual experiences. Often, our faith in God comes to us simply by accepting trusted sources. Especially in family experiences. Or through interior feelings that cannot be written off. Or by the lives of others that we judge as trustworthy.

Sometimes faith seems lost or diminished by the bad example of religious individuals or institutions. Or by our own feelings of inadequacy or unworthiness. The stories of personal faith and trust in God are as many as there are individual persons. At times it may feel strong but with others threatened. Overcoming difficulties in religious faith can make for stronger faith.

Faith in God also has many forms. It can be robust or hanging by a thread. Strong or weak. Accepting or questioning. It can be made of moments of doubt and movements of acceptance. Thomas had both. And to be honest, I too have experienced both.

David M. Thomas, PhD



LEVEL I CATECHESIS *of the* GOOD SHEPHERD TRAINING

For Adults Serving Children Ages 3 to 6

Location: St Matthew Catholic Church, 602 S Main Street Kalispell, MT 59901

COST

\$600 - Tuition

\$535 (OLGH CGS Members)

\$100 Non-Refundable Deposit Due at the Time of Time of Registration

SCHEDULE

Part A - June 24, 2026 - July 2, 2026

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (excluding Saturday & Sunday)

Part B - June 21, 2027 - June 26, 2027

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Founded in 1954, the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd has attempted to further develop the work of Dr. Maria Montessori in the realm of the spiritual life of the child.

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REQUIRED BOOKS:

Cavalletti, Sofia.

The Religious Potential of the Child (3rd edition)

The Good Shepherd and the Child:

A Joyful Journey.

Gobbi, Gianna.

• *Nurturing the Whole Child:*

Montessori Principles Applied to the

Catechesis of Children.

Questions? Contact - formation@cgsinlandnw.org

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