

RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER..... APRIL 26, 2026
Sat., April 25, Mass for Collective April Intentions of St. Matthew & Risen Christ. **6:30 pm**
Sunday, April 26, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew & Risen Christ..... **9:00 am**
Tuesday, April 28, Mass for the Soul of Frank Bibin, rb Paul & Pati Heath..... **8:45 am**
Thursday, April 30, Mass for the Soul of Janet Rodeghiero, rb Jim Ott..... **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 Schedule, May 2nd & 3rd, 2026		
MINISTRY	Saturday, 5/2 6:30 PM	Sunday, 5/3 9:00 AM
Plate Min.	Deacon Charlie	Deacon Charlie
Cup Min.	Mary Anne Gill	Tom Berquist
	Jovita Kottraba	Jody Schweigert
Lector	Carol Jellison	TJ Higgins
	Eric Morgan	Anne Mahoney
Server		
Greeter	Dan & Tammy Newton	Steve & Kathy 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	26	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	
	28	Choir	7:30 pm
	29	Ladies' Scripture Study	10:00 – 11:30 am
		Faith Formation	4:00 – 5:30 pm
May	3	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	
	5	Choir	7:30 pm
	6	Faith Formation	4:00 – 5:30 pm



First Communion: Saturday, May 9th at Noon at St. Matthew
Saturday, May 16th at 11:30 am at 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 the first weekend of each month before Mass: Saturday, May 2 beginning @ 6:00pm and Sunday, May 3 beginning @ 8:30am.
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St. John Paul II ~ Mass on Mondays @ 9:00 am.

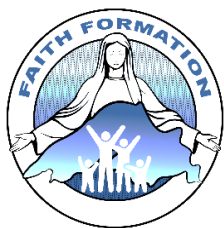
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Sat. 9:00-10:30 am

*"He stays in the tabernacle day after day, month after month, year after year, just so I may go to Him with my joys and sorrows."
Mother Angelica's Quick Guide to the Sacraments (4/20/1993-2026)*



Lent is over and Jesus has risen, but He remains with us in the tabernacle and in the monstrance during Adoration. Come adore our risen Lord!

† FAITH FORMATION & MINISTRY NEWS †



†Kids Bulletins and MagnifiKid® books are on the table in the social area.

†Crowning of Mary ceremony: April 29th @ 4:15pm followed by regular class.

†Reconciliation for all Students and Families: May 13th @ 4:30pm

†First Communion Mass: May 16th @ 11:30am followed by reception.

†Please continue to pray for **Ember, Jace, Wesley and Payton.**

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.

April 18 & 19	Sunday	7,420
	Building	100
	Total	\$7,520

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AKA Holy Spirits/Holy Smokes

Friday, May 1st, 2026

6 PM at Risen Christ

Bring Your Own Spirit(s) and Smokes. Partaking of them is optional.
Feel free to bring something to grill and/or a side dish to share.
The evening begins with Adoration and Evening Prayer
followed by discussion around the bonfire.

Prayer to Follow Jesus the Good Shepherd

Gentle Jesus, compassionate and caring Good Shepherd, help me to follow You faithfully. Strengthen me daily with Your love and guide me along life's paths.

Keep me free from every evil, protect me from sickness and danger, and lead me to serve You with all my mind and heart and soul. Hear my needs and grant my petitions, especially these intentions important to me at this time.



Bless me each day with peace of mind and heart. May I experience Your saving power in my daily life, as I await the fullness of life and joy with You forever. Amen.

COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2026

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FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Karel & David & Terry & Travis 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 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:

May 3, 2026

Acts: 6:1-7

1 Peter 2:4-9

John 10: 14: 1-12

PRACTICE OF HOPE

“Do not let your hearts be troubled” (John 14:1), Jesus says this to us when we suffer worry and loss. Jesus gave us “the way” to navigate dark times. Jesus is the Way and he walks with us through prayer. He assures us he will do anything asked in his name. The Catechism states, “There is no other way of Christian prayer than Christ. Whether our prayer is communal or personal, vocal or interior, it has access to the Father only if we pray ‘in the name’ of Jesus. The sacred humanity of Jesus is therefore the way by which the Holy Spirit teaches us to pray to God the Father” (CCC, 2664). Practice the Jesus prayer this week:

† At home, before the cross, tell Jesus your worries. Lay them at the foot of his Cross. Ask Jesus to resurrect these burdens into hope and strength in His holy name.

~At Home With the Word 2026



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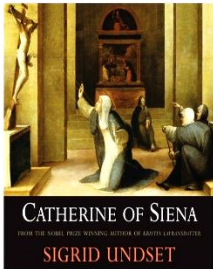


THIS WEEK ON FORMED ~ APRIL 26, 2026



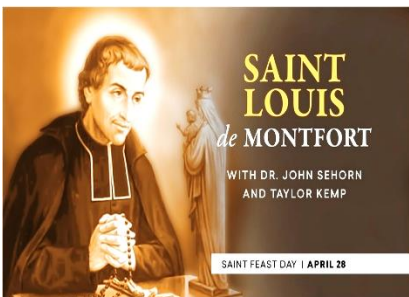
Joseph of Nazareth

Celebrate the feast of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect this year by watching a movie about him! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth!



Catherine of Siena

Sigrid Undset's Catherine of Siena is critically acclaimed as one of the best biographies of this well-known and amazing fourteenth-century saint.



St. Louis de Montfort | Catholic Saints

Dr. John Sehorn joins Taylor Kemp to discuss the life of St. Louis de Montfort. Born in western France, St. Louis had a great love for Mary and the Rosary. His work True Devotion to Mary helps Catholics grow in their relationship with Jesus through his Mother, Mary.

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. St

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The Nazareth Page
A Gospel meditation for your home
April 26, 2026 – Fourth Sunday of Easter
John 10:1-10

The gospels are filled with many noteworthy and important passages. In today's gospel, it concludes with a verse that should make most top ten lists of great sayings of Jesus. Here it is. "I came that they might have life and have it more abundantly." What might this mean?

First, it underscores the truth that the incarnation of God among us in Jesus is not some self-serving gesture on God's part. Creation does not serve to fulfil some divine need. God does not need anything to contribute to God's own fulfilment or pleasure. Inherent in God's nature is absolute fullness of existence, power and sufficiency.

As St. Thomas Aquinas (perhaps the greatest of all theologians) taught, God is Being Itself. I know that it is difficult concept for us to grasp, or fully understand, but we can at least clarify our thinking by understanding what God is not. God simply exists and all else exists because of God. God is not lonely or needy in any way. God never was. Nor does God have a beginning, nor does God have an end. God is eternal.

All else that exists in creation is outside of God. It becomes real through God's creative power. Creation (including you and me) does not exist to fulfil some divine need or give God anything that God does not already possess. Too often people imagine God as needy or incomplete – like we are. This is a mistake. It turns creation upside down. It reverses the reality into serving (perhaps) a human need to feel superior or fully self-sufficient.

This sort of reasoning helps us to not mistake the role of God in creation. Or God's intent. We are not created to serve God or to give God something God needs. It helps to bring forth another description of God that simply affirms that God is love! It is God's nature to love, and God does this in part by creating you and me and everyone else. And that does not just include we who have lived and are presently living here on Earth. (Of course, there may be millions of other places where loving is possible, but we can only guess about that.) Maybe someday communication between Earthlings and others may occur and that if so, will lead to a further understanding of the divine creator of all that is.

Back to the passage from today's gospel about what pre-exists and is the reason for our existence. Jesus embodies God's love for us. For all of us. Jesus came to exemplify the depth and reality of God's love. Are we seeking to embody that same abundant love in our lives with those also loved into life by God?

David M. Thomas, PhD



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session leader, Phillip Quinn, at phil@cssmt.org.*

St Richard Parish, Columbia Falls

May 8th, 2026. 8:30am-4:30pm

Attendance, lunch, and materials
provided at no cost.



**CATHOLIC
EXTENSION
SOCIETY**

Job Posting: Maintenance/Janitorial Position (Full-Time)

St. Matthew's Catholic School is currently seeking a reliable and motivated individual to fill a full-time Maintenance/Janitorial position. This role is responsible for maintaining cleanliness, safety, and general upkeep of facilities.

Schedule: 40 hours per week, 5 days per week

Benefits: Available

Interested applicants, please contact Human Resources (406-751-6811 for more information or to apply.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr

Feast Day: April 28th

"Let my life be the seed; if it must be buried, let it bloom in faith."

St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest

Feast Day: April 28th

"You must expect then to be shaped, cut and chiseled under the hammer of the Cross, otherwise you would remain unpolished stone, of no value at all, to be disregarded and cast aside. Do not cause the hammer to recoil when it strikes you. Yield to the chisel that is carving you and the hand that is shaping you."

St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

Feast Day: April 29th

"Go into the tomb of self-knowledge, and with Magdalen ask, "Who will roll back the stone from the tomb for me? For the stone (that is, the guilt of sin) is so heavy that I can't budge it." And as soon as you have acknowledged and confessed how imperfect and heavy you are, you will see two angels, who will roll this stone away. I mean that divine help will send you the angel of holy love and reverence for God (a love that is never alone but gives us the company of love for our neighbors), and the angel of hatred (accompanied by true humility and patience), to roll this stone away. Persevere in staying there until you find Christ risen in your soul by grace."

St. Pius V, Pope

Feast Day: April 30th

"In union with the perfect confidence and hope that the Holy and Blessed Virgin placed in Thee, do I hope O Lord."

St. Joseph the Worker

Feast Day: May 1

"Grant me to look upon work with the eyes of faith, so that I shall recognize in it my share in God's own creative activity and in Christ's work of our redemption, and so take pride in it." (Prayer to St. Joseph the Worker)

St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

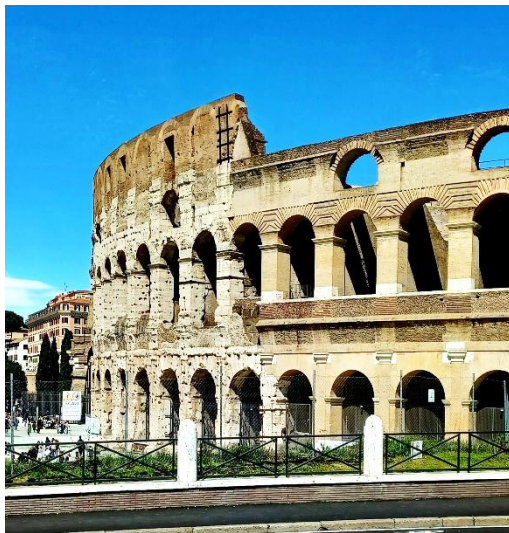
Feast Day: May 2nd

"We feed as on the food of life, we constantly refresh our souls with his precious blood, as from a fountain. Yet we are always thirsting, burning to be satisfied. But he himself is present for those who thirst and in his goodness invites them to the feast day. Our Savior repeats his words: If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink."





Streets of Assisi



The Colosseum



Doge's Palace in Venice

Our trip to Italy was a good time had by all. We plan to continue this success with our 2nd trip to Fatima and Portugal with the Risen Christ and St. Matthew's Parishes. This will be a private sightseeing excursion offered in March 2027.

The tour will be hosted by Blue Tour Company. Blue Dot provides reasonably priced travel and insurance for these types of experiences. The company also supplies a tour guide that travels with the group 24/7. Safety is Blue Dot's first concern when developing their travel plans.

Shannon and Lon Smith have extensive expertise as group leaders for this type of travel. They have a combined 14 years of experience and have guided over 17 trips. As group leaders we will promote travel that is focused on Catholic values and emphasize the unique Catholic encounters that can be experienced when visiting Fatima and Portugal.

If you are interested in this travel opportunity please email or call. All are welcome to come along, families, students, anyone looking for adventure.

Thank you for considering traveling with us!

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First Meeting is Thursday, May 14th. 7- 9 pm in the Doran Center