

RISEN CHRIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER.....MAY 3, 2026

Sat., May 2, Mass for Collective May Intentions of St. Matthew & Risen Christ....**6:30 pm**

Sunday, May 3, Mass for the Parishes, St. Matthew & Risen Christ.....**9:00 am**

Tues., May 5, Mass for the Intention of Rebecca Burdulis, rb Debra & Fernand Ricard. **8:45 am**

Thurs., May 7, Mass for the Intention of Pam Reyes, rb Debra & Fernand Ricard.....**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 9th & 10th, 2026		
MINISTRY	Saturday, 5/9 6:30 PM	Sunday, 5/10 9:00 AM
Plate Min.	Judy Hughes	Eric Barry
Cup Min.	Suzanne Johnson	Linda Spanke
	Kimberly Santiago	Connie McCubbins
Lector	Vicki Walbruch	Pati Heath
	Shelley Nease	Paul Heath
Server	Don Zimmerman	Charlotte Hatel
Greeter	Toni Gunnerson & Rose Hall	Tom & Terrie Alger

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

- May 3 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
- 5 Choir 7:30 pm
- 6 Faith Formation 4:00 – 5:30 pm
- 9 **FIRST COMMUNION @ ST. MATTHEW'S** 12 NOON
- Parish Grounds Clean Up 9:00 am until finished
- 10 **SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
- Mother's Day; Faith Formation Students to pass out gifts after Mass
- 11 **CONFIRMATION @ RISEN CHRIST** 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.

† FAITH HOLY COMMUNION †

May 16th Mass at 11:30AM. We have been having a great year learning more about our Catholic Faith, receiving the gift of Reconciliation and now the highlight of our year, receiving our First Holy Communion. We thank all of you for praying for us and supporting our journey. We would like to invite our Parish Family to join us for this very special celebration and afterwards with a luncheon in the church social area. Thank you and God Bless: Ember, Jace, Payton and Wesley.

† FAITH FORMATION & MINISTRY NEWS †



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

FRAUD AWARENESS REMINDER: Clergy and parish staff will never ask for gift cards, passwords, or sensitive information via email or text. Report suspicious messages to your Parish Office.

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 25 & 26 Sunday 5,582

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS

Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. As a parish, we strengthened the Church at home and spread the Gospel across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give! Just visit:

www.usccb.org/home-missions

ASCEND | Catholic Marriage Retreat

June 10–14, 2026 | Spruce Lodge at Glacier Camp | Lakeside, Montana

A Catholic retreat for couples who feel called to more – or who simply desire deeper connection and renewal in their marriage.

Designed for mission-driven couples *and for those seeking to renew and fortify their marriage*. Includes daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, and daily talks and reflections by the retreat hosts, Fr. Nathan Cromly, Dr. Peter & Chantal Howard, Bill & Angela Schnieders.

www.ascend-experience.com | hello@viriditasliving.com



(Special Local community commuter rate and local scholarships available. Please reach out to Angela Schnieders.)

BERT, A GUY IN THE BIBLE

Before I became a Christian, I was attending church sporadically and had just enrolled my daughter, Haley, in a Christian preschool. Having not been raised in a church myself, I wanted Haley to learn the Bible stories that I had never been taught.

The first week of class she told me about a character in the Bible named Bert. I wasn't familiar with the Bible but...Bert? I asked her if she was talking about Bert from *Sesame Street*. You know, Ernie's friend. Annoyed, she told me they were not in the story with Jesus. The next day, I pulled Haley's teacher, Mrs. Lovell aside. "I should know my Bible better," I said, "but I have to ask, who is Bert?"

"I'm certain there's no Bert," she said with a smile. I then explained that Haley had spoken of a character named Bert.

Nearby, Haley was playing with felt Bible characters on a board. The teacher approached her gingerly. "Haley, dear, would you mind telling us the story of Jesus? The one with Bert in it?"

Exasperated at being questioned again, she let out a sigh and began to explain. She slapped each character on the board, pointed to each figure, and then said adamantly: "Mary gave Bert (she hands Baby Jesus to Joseph), her first child, a son."

"Oh, birth!" the teacher and I chimed in together. "Yes...Bert!" Haley replied.

Liguorian, September 2019



Risen Christ Parish

Please Join Us!

Saturday, May 9th, starting at 9:00 AM.

This is a Parish outdoor family event. Please bring gloves, rakes, brooms, leaf blowers, and wheelbarrows. The Knights of Columbus will serve lunch for all participants.

PRAYERFUL SILENCE

CHURCH ETIQUETTE

We would like to remind everyone to please be courteous to fellow parishioners before and after Mass as they are praying and meditating. Avoid talking and visiting in the sanctuary. Please walk out to the foyer to visit.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

To assist us in keeping accurate records of your contributions, we request that you use the contribution envelopes with your number on them. This enables us to verify and record your donations for tax purposes. Also, this will make our counters very happy! Please notify the parish office of any change in address or telephone number.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Council represents the interests and needs of the entire Parish community. **Jovita Kottraba, 406-212-8461, Judy Stack, 406-752-4411, Ken Barrett, 406-755-0269, Jamie Miller, 406-257-9636, Rose Hall 406-885-0544**

**COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 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
Pat & Les Herzog, rb Stephen & Joan Herzog
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

**RISEN CHRIST MASS REQUESTS
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 Oimes, 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 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:

May 10, 2026

Acts: 8:5-8, 14-17

1 Peter 3:15-18

John 14:15-21

PRACTICE OF CHARITY

Jesus asks you to follow his commandments for love of him. You are never alone in walking the way of Christ, for he has given you the gift of his Holy Spirit, who comforts you and guides you in every good work. In 1 Peter 3:15-18, Peter speaks of Jesus' commandment to proclaim the truth of the Good News; that Jesus loves you and you are worthy to be saved. Peter speaks of the risk involved in proclaiming this Good News.

† You may be "maligned" for speaking about Jesus. Be brave and "always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope" in Jesus. Do not be angry if people put you down for following this command. Speak of Jesus "with gentleness and reverence."

† Lean on the power of the Holy Spirit and know that you are loved beyond measure for following in the footsteps of Christ.

~At Home With the Word 2026



CSSM
CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES
of Montana



Mental Health
FIRST AID
from NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR
MENTAL WELLBEING*

Increase your knowledge about how to identify, understand,
and respond to mental health crises with

Mental Health First Aid

Mental Health First Aid is an evidence-based, early-intervention course that teaches participants about mental health and substance use challenges.

*Save your spot and RSVP by sending an email to
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.



Magnificat Renewal Time!

Renewal Fee: \$35 due 5/22
at St. Matthew's Parish
Office (put cash/check in
envelope marked
"Magnificat"; include phone
number).

New Subscriptions: \$35-
52/year. Contact Pat Murphy
(406-885-2383)

Features: complete Mass
readings for Sundays,
weekdays, and feast days;
daily reflections; morning
and evening prayers.

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

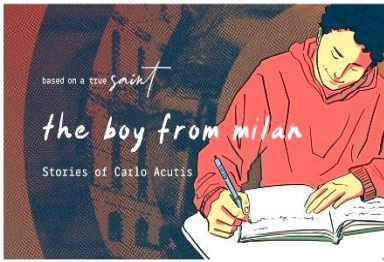
St. Matthew's Catholic School is currently seeking a reliable and motivated individual to fill a full-time Maintenance/Janitorial position. This role is responsible for maintaining cleanliness, safety, and general upkeep of facilities.

Schedule: 40 hours per week, 5 days per week

Benefits: Available

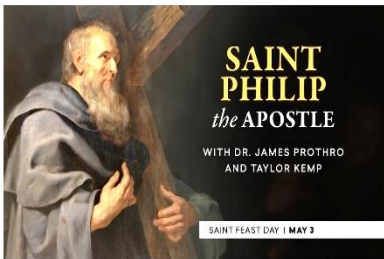
Please contact Human Resources for more information or to apply: 406-751-6811





The Boy From Milan: Stories of Carlo Acutis

Discover the inspiring story of Carlo Acutis, the young boy from Milan. You may have heard of him, the sneaker-wearing, computer-loving "gamer saint" of our time. But beyond the headlines and hashtags, the real story of Carlo is something deeper, something the world desperately needs to hear. Known for his deep love of God, devotion to the Eucharist, and quiet acts of charity, Carlo's life was a testament to everyday holiness.



St. Philip the Apostle | Catholic Saints

Dr. James Prothro and Taylor Kemp reflect upon St. Philip the Apostle. St. Philip often brought others to Jesus Christ. His feast day is May 3. Jesus shows Philip that by following Himself, he will see God the Father, and that we can be bold in our evangelization and intercession in praying for others.



Carlo Acutis: God's Influencer

"Carlo Acutis: God's Influencer" is a beautifully animated film that brings to life the inspiring story of Carlo Acutis, a modern teenager who used his passion for technology to share the Catholic faith with the world.

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

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

St. Florian of Lorch, Martyr

Feast Day: May 4th

“If you do [light the fire of execution], I will climb to heaven on the flames.”

St. Angelus of Jerusalem, Priest & Martyr

Feast Day: May 5th

“Complain as little as possible of your wrongs, for as a general rule you may be sure that complaining is sin... because self-love always magnifies our injuries.”

St. Francis de Montmorency Laval, Bishop

Feast Day: May 6th

“However, in the midst of our troubles we must not lose heart; if men have the power to strike down, the hand of Our Lord has infinitely more power to raise up. We must simply retain our faith in Him and leave Him to do His work.”

St. Rose Venerini

Feast Day: May 7th

“I feel so nailed to the will of God that nothing else matters, neither death nor life. I want what He wants. I want to serve Him as much as pleases Him and no more.”

Blessed Clara Fey

Feast Day: May 8th

“The most important thing for us is to be faithful to our visits to the Blessed Sacrament. There we will find Jesus, who is waiting for us with open arms. He will give us light, grace, peace, and love. He will make us holy and happy.”

St. Pachomius of Tabenna

Feast Day: May 9th

“When a thought oppresses you, do not be downhearted, but put up with it in courage, saying, ‘They swarmed around me closer and closer, but I drove them back in the name of the Lord’ (Ps. 118:11). Divine help will arrive at your side immediately, and you will drive them away from you, and courage will compass you round about, and the glory of God will walk with you; and ‘you will be filled to your soul’s desire’ (Isa. 58:11).”





**Fatima, the Portuguese city
of miracles**



Our Lady of Fatima



**Santo Ildefonso Church
(Porto)**

Parishioners Shannon and Lon Smith are excited to offer a trip to Fatima and Portugal in March 2027. This private sightseeing tour will include stops to Porto, Coimbra, Fatima, and Lisbon. We will fly out of Kalispell to Porto to begin our adventure.

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!

Lon Smith lonsmith62@gmail.com (303)868-9364

Shannon Smith oldwildcat91@gmail.com (406)249-4833

First Meeting is Thursday, May 14th. 7- 9 pm in the Doran Center at St. Matthew's

Parish Retreat Day at the Sycamore Tree Catholic Retreat Center

We invite you and your parish to visit our diocesan retreat center located in the beautiful Swan Valley of northwest Montana.

The Sycamore Tree has served the Diocese of Helena for more than 40 years. We frequently hear from people that they are sorry they didn't learn about us sooner. So, we are inviting the parishes of the diocese to schedule a parish retreat day with us.

The day will include a tour of the property, history of the retreat center, mass if a priest is available, BYO lunch, and a reflection on Zacchaeus climbing "a sycamore tree in order to see Jesus" Luke 19:4.

Please contact Michelle Jenkins, Director, to schedule a date for your group. We look forward to sharing your diocesan retreat center with you. Come and see!



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