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# RISEN CHRIST Catholic Parish

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## DAILY MASSES

Daily: 6:30am, 8:00am and 12:15pm  
Saturday: 8:30am and 4:00pm (LIVESTREAMED)  
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am and 5:30pm

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 9:00am & 2:30pm  
Sunday: 4:45pm  
Wednesday: 11:15am  
First Friday of each Month: 11:15am

## OFFICE OPEN

**MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY**  
**Tuesday and Thursday By Appt. Only!**

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Monday-Thursday: 8:30am—5:00pm**  
**Friday: 8:30am—3:00pm**  
**Closed for lunch: Monday-Friday**  
**12:15pm-12:45pm**

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### New Parishioner Registration

Welcome!  
Visit our website: [www.risenchristchurch.org](http://www.risenchristchurch.org) to sign up.

*Welcome to Risen Christ Catholic Parish*

For most Catholics, the parish is the most concrete experience of the Church. Together we proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ, celebrate his Sacraments, and exercise his works of mercy. Strengthened by the Lord, we live our faith publicly so that all might participate in his salvation and discover the lasting joy of a relationship with him. Fr. Scott Bailey and the staff invite everyone to participate in our ministries, activities, and liturgies; there are opportunities for spiritual growth and to share your faith with others. Risen Christ Catholic Parish welcomes all visitors and is happy to have you pray with us.

*Week at a Glance***Readings for the week of August 22, 2021**

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/Mt 25:14-30

**Next Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

*Upcoming Events*

**ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL**  
*Monday—Friday @ 8:30am-12:00pm*

**THE SEARCH—LAST WEEK**  
*August 25th @ 6:30pm  
in the Parish Hall*

**REASONS TO BELIEVE IN GOD—FR. SCOTT**  
*Monday, September 13th from 6:00pm-7:30pm  
in the Parish Hall*

**REASONS  
to BELIEVE**

**FR. SCOTT BAILEY PRESENTS:**  
**Monday Evenings**  
**6:00pm-7:30pm in the Parish Hall**

**Reasons to Believe in God —September 13**  
**Reasons to Believe in Jesus—September 20**  
**Reasons to Be Catholic —September 27**

**HOW YOUR GIFTS CAN KEEP ON GIVING**

Imagine a gift that gives forever. Your donations of cash, stock, real estate, and life insurance entrusted to our parish through The Catholic Foundation can grow to provide multiplied support for our parish efforts that changes lives, now and for eternity. Please give Deacon Steve, Lisa or Joshua a call at 303-468-9885 to learn more of how your gift today can leave a legacy of faith and strengthen our Catholic community.

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**THANK YOU!**

Thanks to everyone who made this parish festival a success! It was a wonderful afternoon that brought the parish community together, and we appreciate all of the volunteers who helped throughout the afternoon.

If you donated an item to the Country Store that did not sell, you can take it back this week. Visit classroom 23 to claim your items. Otherwise, we will save items for next year's festival or donate the items.

**THEOLOGICAL TIDBITS!**

It's common to hear Catholics say that they had their previous marriage "annulled". However, it would be more accurate to say that they had their previous marriage "declared" null.

The Church has never claimed the authority to dissolve a marriage between two Christians who have lived as husband and wife. "A marriage that is *ratum et consummatum* can be dissolved by no human power and by no cause, except death (Can. 1141)."

However, a Catholic marriage tribunal may decide, after detailed examination, that a marriage is not valid. The decision is not a dissolution but a declaration that, from the very start, there was no marriage tie because of the absence of some condition necessary for validity.

An annulment is a "declaration" of nullity. No marriage is being "made" null. It is being declared to have never existed, to have been null and void from the beginning. Some essential element was missing on the wedding day itself. Whatever happens afterwards is irrelevant—except insofar as it manifests what was missing on that day.

**Please Pray for the Sick:**

Mark Chambers, Daniel Foxhoven,  
J.G. Horgan, Richard Lamm, Tony Romero,  
Paul Skinner and Margaret Weiland

**Please Pray for the Deceased:**

Anna Maria Andrews, Roland Biegler,  
John Ekelund, Kathleen McBride and Evi Thole

**CALL THE OFFICE FOR ANY PRAYER  
INTENTIONS FOR RECENTLY SICK/DECEASED**

**Please remember in your prayers all expectant mothers and the children in their wombs, especially those from Risen Christ.**

Amy M.—August; Josephine R.—August;  
Megan B. —September; Houda M.—September;  
Katie H.—October; Laura B.—December

**All Expectant Mothers!**

*If you are a member of our parish and you are pregnant, please contact the office with your first name and due date so that we can keep a rose in the vase in the Holy Family Chapel during your pregnancy and we can pray for the healthy development of your child.*

**NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY!**

If you have not yet made an appointment to be photographed for our new pictorial directory, please sign up after all Masses this weekend. You will find the appointment sheets located in the vestibule for your convenience. We are counting on your participation so don't wait. Prime times will fill up fast. We need you to be photographed to make our pictorial complete!

**Shopping at Amazon.com?**

Risen Christ is now a charity for the Amazon Smile program. Amazon will donate 0.5% on eligible purchases to our parish, as long as you select Risen Christ Denver as the charity! To sign up, visit <https://smile.amazon.com/>. You will be asked to identify your favorite charity. In the search box enter "Risen Christ Catholic Parish." Use our unique link, <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/84-0579057>.

**New Class at the Archdiocese of Denver offered by In Ipsa**

Spend Monday nights learning Catholic Moral Theology with Fr. Daniel Kluge. In this course, we will learn the basics of moral theology, as well as study the virtues we need to have, and the vices we must avoid. Along the way, we will consider a number of challenging questions, such as: "Is it ok to lie to save someone's life? Is capital punishment admissible? Is it wrong to go to my daughter's wedding if she's getting married outside the Church? When is it time to don cape and cowl and be a vigilante crimefighter?" All these questions—and hundreds more—will be considered *and answered* by this study of St. Thomas Aquinas' Summa Theologica II. Learn more at [www.in-ipso.org](http://www.in-ipso.org) or email [andrea@in-ipso.org](mailto:andrea@in-ipso.org)

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE  
DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

August 22, 2021  
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of other gods." We struggle with our gods. They appear in the forms of things like money, power, prestige, popularity, privilege, and self-fulfillment. We like these "gods" because they make us feel good and ask very little of us in return. When we worship them, we worship ourselves. How can you go wrong with that? We buy into the illusion that if something can give us a comfortable life, free of want and need, then it is worth setting other things aside to pursue it. In essence, we sell our souls. Our struggle with "who is God" and to whom do we belong is a real one and one that can easily find us empty and experiencing disillusionment.

The devil tempted Jesus in the desert and promised him more. We are promised "more." But in pursuing the more and the satisfying we lose track of the cost, and the cost is great. We sacrifice our very life in pursuit of something disguised as life. We sacrifice truth for something that only "feels" true. While the true and real God certainly promises us many things, many things are also required. It is not about the warm and secure feelings and self-absorption the world wants to provide, but of giving back. There can be no lukewarm stance with regard to faith. If we are in, then faith in Jesus Christ asks us to do some difficult things: work in service of God's kingdom (not our own), love our enemies, offer no resistance to injury, that we must die to ourselves in order to find ourselves, and trust that Jesus truly gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. These are hard things to accept and even harder to put into practice. It is no wonder that many, who may be attracted to Jesus at first, walk away in pursuit of the more self-satisfying gods.

But truth is truth. If we cannot accept it from the lips of Jesus Christ, then where else will we find it? To whom can we go? There is only one source of truth and life, Jesus Christ. Jesus has the words of eternal life and if we do not go to him, then where else will we find this gift? But we must be faithful and buy into the whole package deal that requires sacrifice and fidelity. When we do, we find ourselves, through the Body and Blood of Christ, connected to the Source of all life and then intimately bound with our brothers and sisters. We all have to decide whether we want to stay or go and if we can accept what Jesus has to say. It's a choice we all have to make.

**I wish to publicly acknowledge and thank Kim Furuta, who has recently retired from our staff at Risen Christ. She has been a long-time parishioner and volunteer who has worn many hats over the years at the parish. We have especially loved Kim's homemade ice creams, her quick wit, and her dedication to helping out wherever she was needed. While she continues to serve in various ways, we thank Kim for her many years on staff and assure her of our prayers.**

Rev. Scott A. Bailey, Pastor

*Parish Information**Mass Intentions and Readings***Baptism**

Call the parish office to register for a Baptism class. Baptisms are scheduled after the 11:00am Sunday Mass only.

**Marriage**

Couples wanting to get married at Risen Christ need to contact us at least 8 months prior to their wedding to discuss marriage preparation. An initial meeting will be scheduled to discuss the marriage preparation process in more detail.

**R.C.I.A.**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process for bringing adults into the church (converts) and for Catholic adults who need to complete the initiation sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. Call the parish office for more information.

**Religious Education for Children**

Please call the parish office for registration information and for class information.

**Sacrament of the Sick**

In the case of serious illness in the family, contact the parish office immediately. Please do not wait until death is imminent.

**Adoration Chapel**

Parishioners may contact the office to receive the code for the door to the chapel.

**Lost & Found Items**

Any item lost in the church or in the office building will be held in the parish office for one month before being discarded.



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR  
UPCOMING FOOD BANKS**

Our next food bank will be this **Thursday, August 26th**. We are in need of volunteers at **2:00pm** in our parking lot to help unload the truck from Food Bank of the Rockies, pre-box, then distribute the food to the poor. We will need about 30 volunteers.

To volunteer please email Rick at:  
[parishinfo@risenchristchurch.org](mailto:parishinfo@risenchristchurch.org)

**DON'T FORGET ABOUT ONLINE GIVING!**

Giving online is easy and allows you to setup automatic recurring contributions. Go to our website and click on the red "donate" button to set up an account!

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN FUTURE MASSES,  
PLEASE CALL OR STOP BY THE OFFICE TO SCHEDULE.**

**Sunday, August 22**

7:30am—Walter Krupna+  
9:00am—Loretta DiGrappa+  
11:00am—Judy Lambert+  
5:30pm—Tom Benson+

**Monday, August 23**

6:30am—Mary Placette+  
8:00am—Frederick Judd+  
12:15pm—Rose Roth+

**Tuesday, August 24**

6:30am—Charlie Johnson+  
8:00am—Parishioners  
12:15pm—Int. of Miguel Uriba-Meza

**Wednesday, August 25**

6:30am—Annette Giacchino+  
8:00am—William Henkel+  
12:15pm—Gunter Nussbaumer+

**Thursday, August 26**

6:30am—Cleo Fenske+  
8:00am—Lee Hart+  
12:15pm—Nadene Kline+

**Friday, August 27**

6:30am—Lucy Johnson+  
8:00am—Int. of Bill Roth, Sr.  
12:15pm—Joseph Horrigan+

**Saturday, August 28**

8:30am—Rose Roth+  
4:00pm—Int. of Michael Pfeifer

**REMINDER!**

**AA MEETS WEEKLY ON THURSDAY EVENINGS  
AT 8:00PM IN THE SENIOR ROOM.  
ALL ARE WELCOME AND  
NO RESERVATIONS NEEDED!**



**Food Collection for the People  
in the Inner City**

**"Hunger Knows No Season"**

More than ever, there are people who desperately are in need of food. A list of needed items is available on the food collection boxes located in each vestibule. We are asking parishioners visiting the church to take a list of needed food items. At your convenience, please bring your donations of non-perishable items and place them in the food collection boxes in the vestibules.

**Thank you for helping feed the hungry!**

Other News



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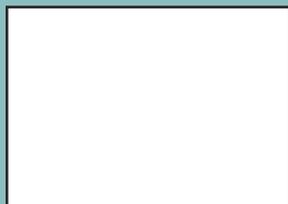
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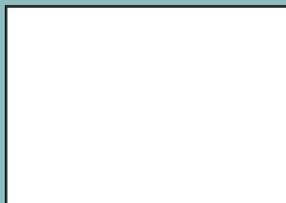
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