

St. Mary of the Rosary, Chewelah

Mass: Saturday 4:00 PM and Sunday 10:00 AM
Reconciliation: Sat. 2:30—3:30 PM and by appt.

Holy Ghost, Valley

St. Joseph, Jump Off Joe

Mass: Sunday 8:00 AM (alternating locations)
Reconciliation: Tuesday 6:00—7:00 PM at HG

Sacred Heart, Springdale

Mass: Saturday, 6:00 PM
Reconciliation: 1st Fridays, 5:00—5:30 PM

Mass Intentions

September 13	Hannah Omejc
September 14	Edith Naccarato +
September 15	No Mass (Fr. Jeff in Spokane)
September 16	Kathleen Smith
Sept. 17, 4:00 PM	Ed Muzatko +

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday	5:30 PM Mass at Holy Ghost in Valley, followed by Adoration from 6:00-7:00 PM
Wednesday	1:00 PM at Prov. St. Joseph Hospital
Thursday	No Mass Fr. Jeff unavailable.
Friday	9:00 AM Mass at St. Mary of the Rosary, followed by Adoration from 9:30—10:30 .

Potluck Breakfasts at Holy Ghost

The monthly potluck breakfasts at Holy Ghost Church in Valley will begin in October. This event is held the 2nd Sunday of every month, so be prepared for a breakfast social following the 8:00 AM Mass on Oct. 9.

Theology Uncorked

Theology Uncorked returns to Chewelah next week! St. Mary of the Rosary parish hall once again will become “Café di Maria” in hosting our next annual Theology Uncorked presentation series. This year, in honor of the Year of Mercy, this year’s theme will be The Cross, which is the instrument of Christ’s mercy on us. Specifically, we will reflect upon an ancient devotion that is gaining popularity again amongst the faithful: The Seven Last Words. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church to enter your name and a food/beverage description if you would like to provide wine or a finger food (not required). For more information, see the flyers on parish bulletin boards or talk to Fr. Jeff.

Coffee and Donuts at St. Mary’s

Coffee and Donuts social hour following the 10:00 Sunday Mass resumes this weekend! The September 11 coffee hour is hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary. All ladies are invited to have a cup of coffee with Kellie and find out what’s going on with the Auxiliary. Everyone is invited to take time after Mass to stop by and visit with fellow parishioners. Your free will offering is appreciated.

Altar Server Training

Fr. Jeff will lead all St. Mary of the Rosary altar servers through their annual training immediately after the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday, September 18. All current St. Mary of the Rosary altar servers MUST attend, and anyone not yet trained but who would like to begin altar serving must also attend.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

This year’s tri-parish RCIA program (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) begins on Wednesday, September 14, at our *Family Faith Formation* Kick-Off Event. Once again, Fr. Jeff will be our lead catechist. If you or anyone you know is not yet Catholic but perhaps is interested in learning more about our faith and joining the Church at Easter Vigil, please contact Fr. Jeff right away.

Thoughts on Stewardship

We can hear God speaking to us today in the words of the father to his elder son: “You are with me always, and everything I have is yours.” What is my response to such remarkable generosity? Do I give joyfully and generously as God gives to me?

Dinner at the Golf Tournament

For those who are registered for the golf tournament, dinner is included in the registration fee. For those who are not playing golf but who would still like to come to the dinner, tickets are \$15.00 and are available in the parish office. The menu will be barbecued pulled pork sandwiches, potato salad, coleslaw, baked beans, dessert, soft drinks, and bottled water. Beer will be available for \$2.00/can.

Our Lady of the Rosary Festival & Fair

The Ladies Auxiliary is sponsoring a Ministry Fair October 15 & 16. Current ministry leaders should have already received a letter about sponsoring a booth. Please call Kellie Trudeau soon and confirm that you will have representation at the Fair. More info coming soon regarding the Festival.

September Rummage Sale

The annual St. Mary of the Rosary Rummage Sale is planned for September 23-25. Drop off your donated items (no clothes please) at the parish hall during parish office hours, Monday through Thursday the week of September 19-22 or leave them in the parish hall before or after Masses on September 17 or 18. For more information or to volunteer, contact Janet Goulet at 935-8648 or the parish office at 935-8028.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, September 13; Theology Uncorked. Come hear about The Cross in a fun, relaxed setting. 7:00 PM on September 13, 20, and 27. Bring finger-food to share (optional).

Sunday, September 18; St. Mary’s Classic Golf Tournament. No registrations accepted for the golf after this weekend, but dinner tickets will be sold through Thursday. \$15/person.

Friday to Sunday, September 23-25; Parish Rummage Sale at St. Mary of the Rosary. Please drop off your donated rummage the week of Sept. 17-22.

Friday, October 14; 3rd Annual Know-Love-Serve Assembly in Spokane. This is open to all parishioners. Mass ministers and musicians are especially encouraged to participate. Register online or call the parish office. More information will be coming.

Saturday & Sunday, October 15 & 16; Ministry Fair (both days) and Our Lady of the Rosary Festival on Sunday following 10:00 Mass.

Friday to Sunday, October 21-23; 19th Inland Northwest Catholic Men’s Retreat held at Camp n-Sid-Sen on Lake Coeur d’Alene. Dr. Tom Curran, Retreat Master.

Saturday, October 22; Regional Catholic Conference at Mirabeau Park Hotel & Convention Center in Spokane Valley. \$35 if registered before October 10.

Know-Love-Serve

The 3rd Annual “Know Love Serve” Assembly is taking place this year on Friday, October 14, at St. Thomas More in Spokane. Part of the KLS Year 3 priorities is Liturgical Renewal, so all of our tri-parish Mass ministers and musicians are especially encouraged to save this date and participate in the Assembly.

Faithful Citizenship: Hierarchy of Rights

As our series on Faithful Citizenship continues, before we begin considering the specific issues, it is absolutely vital for our understanding of conscience formation that there is in fact a hierarchy of rights and responsibilities — a hierarchy, therefore, of issues. The Declaration of Independence, for example, famously upholds the inalienable rights of “life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.” Life comes first, *then* liberty, *then* pursuit of happiness. This is actually rooted in the wisdom of the ancient Greeks, the philosophy and ethical code of which are immensely worked into the philosophy and ethical code of the Catholic Church. There is in fact a hierarchy of issues: the urgency to end abortion, for example, absolutely and always takes precedence over the urgency to reduce air pollution; there is no such thing as a “seamless garment” where sin is concerned, and air pollution is *never* as evil as abortion. As faithful Catholics, therefore, we are called upon to take up this hierarchy in our own thinking. We cannot, in good conscience, justify voting for Politician X, who although is a champion of clean air, supports abortion. We ourselves are not in favor of abortion, of course, but we cannot in good conscience justify voting for Politician X, even on the claim that “I am *not* voting for him or her because of his or her stance on abortion but because of pollution.” If we try arguing thus, then we effectively have placed air pollution on higher ground than abortion, thereby violating the obvious fact of a hierarchy of issues.

Consider the Supreme Court decision *Dred Scott v. Sanford* (1857). This was the infamous Supreme Court decision that effectively legalized slavery, legalized by the highest court in the land, thereby making it the law of the land. This decision effectively declared that a white man’s right to property (“pursuit of happiness”) takes precedence over a black man’s right to liberty. It took the Civil War and two Constitutional Amendments to correct this horrendous evil.

This same sad reversal of our inalienable rights is found also in *Roe v. Wade*, which legalized abortion in 1973. The Supreme Court, in that decision, effectively declared that a woman’s right to liberty takes precedence over a child’s right to life.

It is commonly said that there is simply nothing to be done about legalized abortion in this country; after all, *Roe v. Wade* is the law of the land. False. If *Dred Scott v. Sanford* can be overturned, then so can *Roe v. Wade*. It might even take another few Constitutional Amendments to do it . . . but hopefully it will not also require another Civil War.

Sacrament of Baptism: Parents contact Rev. Jeffrey Lewis for information.

Sacrament of Holy Matrimony: Couples contact Rev. Jeffrey Lewis at least four months prior to marriage.

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