

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 (at Holy Ghost)
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

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| March 21 | No Mass |
| March 22 | Fallen-away Catholics |
| March 23 | Carol + and Al Mattia |
| March 24 | John & Sarah Lacic |
| Mar. 25, 4 PM | Phil Skok + |

Weekday Mass Schedule

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| Tuesday | No Mass or Holy Hour |
| Wednesday | 1:00 PM Providence St. Joseph Hospital |
| Thursday | 12:15 PM at St. Mary of the Rosary |
| Friday | 9:00 AM Mass at St. Mary followed by Adoration from 9:30—10:30 AM |

Annual Catholic Appeal

Sincere thanks to all parishioners who have pledged. Everyone else, your help is still needed!

St. Mary of the Rosary: \$20,666 (82.2% of goal and 41.2% parishioner participation)

Holy Ghost: \$3,076 (49% of goal; 37.1% parishioner participation)

Sacred Heart: \$1,751 (65.4% of goal; 66.7% parishioner participation)

St. Patrick's Day Dinner at Holy Ghost

The annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner at Holy Ghost Church in Valley will be Sunday, March 19, from Noon to 2:30 PM. Come enjoy fried chicken, ham, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, salad, bread, and pie. Adults \$10.00, Children 6-10 \$6.00, ages 3-5 \$4.00. Please support this fundraiser and have a great time!

Food Needed for Outreach Dinner on March 29

Our last outreach dinner in late November was very popular and we expect an even larger crowd on March 29. Please sign up to supply a casserole, side dish, or salad. If you can set up or clean up, that helps too!

K of C. Breakfast

The March Knights of Columbus breakfast will be Sunday, March 26, after the 10:00 AM Mass. Traditional ham, eggs, pancakes, and fruit will be served. Donations will be used for youth activities.

Lenten Confessions and Penance Service

- Thursday, March 30, 6:00 PM with three priests (St. Mary of the Rosary)
- Monday, April 10, 6—7:00 PM (Sacred Heart)
- Wednesday, April 12, 5:30—6:30 PM (SMR)

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross take place on Fridays in Lent at 5:30 PM at St. Mary of the Rosary.

Stations of the Cross also take place on Tuesdays at Noon at the following locations:

- ♦ Holy Ghost, Valley: March 7, 14, and 21
- ♦ St. Joseph, Jump Off Joe: March 28, April 4 & 11

Soup Providers for Fridays in Lent

March 24; Music Ministry & Finance Council. Contact Monna (935-6860) or Mary (425-760-3966).

March 31; Ladies Auxiliary & Sacred Heart Parish. Contact Janet (935-8648) or Mary Jo (509-258-4107).

April 7; All Parish. Sign-up sheet circulating by Fr.

24 Hours for the Lord

Pope Francis invites people around the world to focus on God's mercy and the Sacrament of Reconciliation during a Lenten "24 Hours for the Lord" March 24-25, 2017. Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary of the Rosary will begin Friday, March 24, with the 9:00 AM Mass and will conclude Saturday, March 25, with Benediction at 9:00 AM. Please sign up and commit to a one-hour time slot.

Chrism Mass

The faithful of the Diocese of Spokane are invited to the Chrism Mass which will be celebrated at 5:30 PM on Tuesday, April 4, at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes. Bishop Daly will be joined by the priests of the diocese for this annual blessing of Holy Oils. The name of the Mass comes from the Sacred Chrism which is one of the oils to be blessed and then used for celebrations of Baptism, Confirmation, and Ordination to the Priesthood. The other oils to be blessed are the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of Catechumens. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Broken & Given Women's Retreat April 1 & 2

For all the information or to register online, go to www.stjosephcolbert.org. There are also posters on parish bulletin boards. Led by Alisa K.

Please read the insert on Meals on Wheels

Family Faith Formation:

Church Militant and Church Suffering

This week's *Family Faith Formation* topic is "Church Militant and Church Suffering," covering Questions 183-186 in *The Apostolate's Family Catechism*. Home Lesson packets are available on the parish website and also in your email (if you registered for *Family Faith Formation*). Please contact Fr. Jeff for more information or if you have any questions about this tri-parish religious education program.

By Heart Catechism

183. Why is the Church on Earth called the Church Militant? Because the Church on Earth is still fighting the good fight of faith against sin and error.

184. How do we help each other? By praying for one another and by performing Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy.

185. What is the Church Suffering? The Poor Souls in Purgatory, suffering because they are not yet purified for entrance into the fullness of the Kingdom of Heaven.

186. What is our duty toward the faithful departed? We must have proper reverence for their bodies (because their bodies were temples of the Holy Spirit), and we must pray for the repose of their souls.

Free Dinner Social Outreach

March 29 is the 5th Wednesday in March and our tri-parishes are providing a free community dinner as an outreach project. This is one of our Corporal Works of Mercy, to feed the hungry. We do not ask that people be "low income", because anyone could be in need of a free meal at the end of the month for a variety of circumstances. All parishioners are invited. Even if you don't "need" a meal, please come and be sociable and friendly to those who could be in need of a smile or conversation. And let's be sure to pray for all those in our community who are hungering, either physically or spiritually. **Food is needed! Whether you attend or not, please let us know on the sign-up sheet if you can provide a casserole, a green salad, or other healthy food choice.**

Eucharistic Adoration

Last week's bulletin column discussed bringing back the family Rosary. This week, we turn to another ancient though neglected prayer tradition in our Catholic devotions: Eucharistic Adoration.

Eucharistic Adoration is our prayerful presence in company with Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, the Real Presence. A consecrated Eucharistic Host encased in a small metal-and-glass device called a "luna" is exposed for adoration in a vessel called a "monstrance." The monstrance is placed on the altar, accompanied by candles, and thus it is that Jesus Christ Himself, made really and truly present to us Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Eucharist, is right there in the church in our very midst.

Second only to the Mass itself, in which the bread and wine are consecrated and thus made into the Sacred Body and Precious Blood of Jesus Christ, as we receive the Eucharist worthily and well in the Mass when we receive Him in a state of grace and *not* in a state of mortal sin . . . second only to that, Eucharistic Adoration is arguably the greatest form of prayer and worship in our Catholic tradition because, again, it is Jesus Christ Himself Who is there with us when we pray.

But sadly, this form of prayer and worship is largely neglected, though happily, it seems to be making a glorious comeback. Our own parishes feature two weekly opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays 6:00—7:00 PM at Holy Ghost and Fridays 9:30—10:30 AM at St. Mary of the Rosary. Also, the past several weeks at youth group have had us praying in Eucharistic Adoration at the close of our regular Sunday meetings.

In addition, and as we have done the last couple of years, we will be participating with Pope Francis in his Lenten "24 Hours for the Lord," which begins Friday, March 24, after the 9:00 AM Mass and concludes with Benediction Saturday, March 25, at 9:00 AM. A sign-up sheet to hold vigil for one hour is available in the church at St. Mary of the Rosary, and we need at least two people to sign up for each hour of Eucharistic Adoration.

And finally, as we announced in the bulletin column last Sunday, this coming summer, Sunday July 23, the Diocese of Spokane is hosting a diocesan-wide celebration of the Eucharist and the Rosary at Avista Baseball Stadium, beginning at 7:00 PM. More information can be found on flyers and posters in each church, and you can also talk to Fr. Jeff.

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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