

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
 Reconciliation: Tuesday 6:00—7:00 PM

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

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, April 14 Janetta Rude
 Wed., April 15 Katherine Kistenmacher
 Thurs., April 16 Edith Naccarato +
 Friday, April 17 Helene Koester +

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday 5:30 PM at Holy Ghost in Valley, followed by Adoration & Benediction from 6—7 PM.
Wednesday 1:00 PM Prov. St. Joseph Hosp. Chapel
Thursday 12:15 PM St. Mary of the Rosary Church
Friday 9:00 AM at St. Mary of the Rosary, followed by Adoration from 9:30 —10:30 AM.

New Parish Directories

Our new parish directories are here! Because there was no charge for submitting a photograph or for having pictures taken after Mass, no funds were generated to pay for the printing. Therefore, the parish paid the printer for the publication of the books. Because this was a significant expense, we are asking those who would like a directory to donate \$10/book to cover the cost of the printing. You will find the directories to be a valuable resource. They are available in the parish office.

Women's Retreat

All women are invited to attend and bring a friend to the women's retreat, *Creativity and Spirituality*, to be held at St. Mary of the Rosary on Friday, May 15, 6:30—8:00 PM and Saturday, May 16, 9:00 AM—3:00 PM. We will journey through creative/spiritual examples in nature, scripture, prayer forms, and how it is experienced in our personal spiritual growth. This time of reflection, sharing, and fun will open your eyes, deepen your relationships, and send you home with a prayer flag to remember the gift of the cre-

Rest in Peace

We pray for the soul of Angie Keogh (daughter of Edith Keogh) who passed away recently. Her funeral service will be Saturday, April 25, at 2:00 PM at Danekas. Grant Angie eternal rest, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

Annual Catholic Appeal

The Annual Catholic Appeal is well underway. Our goals are:

- ♦ St. Mary of the Rosary \$22,575
- ♦ Holy Ghost 6,386
- ♦ Sacred Heart 1,806

St. Mary's has received \$11,798 in pledges, which is 52% of their goal. 43 families have participated (26%). Holy Ghost has received \$2725 in pledges, which is 42% of their goal. 11 families have participated (25%). Sacred Heart has received \$365 in pledges, which is 20% of their goal. 4 families have participated (20%).

City-Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, May 2, is Chewelah's City-Wide Yard Sale, and St. Mary of the Rosary is going to participate. We are asking parishioners to bring us your "extra stuff," things that you no longer use. We need to be fairly specific about what we can accept because this is only a one-day sale and anything that does not sell will have to be disposed of in some way. **Volunteers are needed to help run the sale. Please contact the parish office if you can help.** Thanks!

Things that we will accept: household items (dishes, glassware, cookware, bakeware), yard and garden supplies, tools, small pieces of furniture, small appliances, sports and camping gear, games, seasonal decorations, and similar items that are in good condition.

Things that we will not accept: old-style televisions, old computers and printers, anything that is broken and set aside "for parts," tires, major appliances (without first checking with Brenda or Fr. Jeff), baby car seats, sports and bicycle helmets.

NO CLOTHES. Clothes are a lot of work to organize and we cannot deal with them at this time.

Items can be dropped off or we will pick them up on April 27, 28, 29, 30, & May 1 between 10AM and 4 PM (or by appointment). Please call the parish office to arrange for your donations to be delivered or picked up.

Knights of Columbus Scholarships

Applications for this year's Knights of Columbus Scholarships are now available for our

2nd Annual Progressive Dinner

On Sunday, April 26, parishioners of Sacred Heart in Springdale will host our 2nd Annual Tri-Parish Progressive Dinner. This year features an Italian-themed four-course dinner, each course hosted by Sacred Heart parishioners in their homes. Next weekend, a sign-up sheet will be available at every Mass. There are only 20 spots available, so be sure to sign up after Mass or call the parish office. When you sign up, provide your contact information to receive directions to parishioners' homes. No cost to join in the fun! We hope to see you there!

Sacramental Preparation

Some reminders for families registered with *Family Faith Formation* who have children preparing for Confirmation and first Communion: Confirmation takes place on Sunday, May 31, at the 10 AM Mass at St. Mary of the Rosary. The families need to contact Fr. Jeff as soon as possible to schedule interview meetings between Fr. Jeff and the Sacramental Preparation children. Parents should already have their "Sacramental Preparation Objectives" worksheet. Questions? Contact Fr. Jeff.

Family Faith Formation:

Belief in the Resurrection and Ascension

This week's *Family Faith Formation* home lesson topic is "Belief in the Resurrection and Ascension" covered in Questions 102-105 and 110 of *The Apostolate's Family Catechism*. Packets are available on the parish website. Contact Tanya Parrott (stgkparrott@gmail.com or 936-2594) with any questions.

Family Faith Formation:
By Heart Catechism

Selected questions from the *By Heart Catechism*:

104. **What does the Church teach about the Resurrection?** The Catholic Church teaches that Jesus was raised bodily from the dead by the power of the Fa-

ative in Reconciliation. **Please the Sacrament of Mercy** more info or to register, call Lydia Sproull at (509) 258-9388. On this occasion of Divine Mercy Sunday, we consider the Sacrament of Reconciliation (the "Sacrament of Mercy"). The confessional is a mercy chapel, and going to confession is like a pilgrimage to mercy where we encounter the love and mercy of the risen Lord in a privileged and intimate way. Whether one makes the monthly pilgrimage to the confessional or whether one has not been to confession in many years, the Lord is always there for us, always ready to give us the grace of His love and mercy in the forgiveness of all of our sins. As the Lord said to St. Maria Faustina in a private revelation: "As often as you ask for it, you glorify My mercy."

So, what do we do? How do we go about going to confession? First, even before entering the confessional, we pray and reflect upon what we have done and what we have failed to do: the Examination of Conscience. Next, we enter the confessional, and confess to the priest either face-to-face or anonymously behind the screen. Then, we begin our confession with a Sign of the Cross and say: "Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been [number of days, weeks, months, years] since my last confession, and these are my sins." We then confess our sins (what we have done and what we have failed to do). What sin and how many times: that is the only information that the priest generally needs to know; if he needs to know more for clarification, he will ask.

After you confess your sins, the priest may have some brief remarks to help encourage you on the path to virtue and holiness of life, and he will assign a penance. He will then ask you to say an Act of Contrition (our confessionals have an Act of Contrition printed and available in case you do not have it memorized). The priest then prays the Prayer of Absolution, and the priest must say these words: "And I absolve you from your sins, in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Confession is then over.

Many folks fear the confessional, but as Pope Francis reminds us, the confessional is not a torture chamber. It is helpful, rather, to think of the confessional as a doctor's office and the priest is as a doctor: he is there to help you, to

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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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Parish Office Hours: Mondays & Fridays: 9:30—11:30 AM, 1:30—4:30 PM; Tuesday & Thursday, 10 AM-4 PM