

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

Tues., August 25 Louis Tomsha +
Wed., August 26 Safety of fire fighters
Thurs., August 27 Rain!
Friday, August 28 Sr. Alberta Nett +

Weekday Mass Schedule

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

Summer Schedule for 8:00 AM Mass on Sundays

- 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays — 8:00 AM Mass will be at Holy Ghost Church in Valley.
- 2nd & 4th Sundays — 8:00 AM Mass will be at St. Joseph Church at Jump Off Joe.

St. Mary's Preschool

St. Mary's School is now enrolling children ages 3—5 years for classes beginning in September. Please stop by the parish office and pick up an enrollment packet. Class size is limited.

Welcome, Bishop Thomas Daly!

Biscuits and Gravy brunch social will be served at St. Mary's Hall following the 10:00 Mass on August 23. Everyone is invited. We hope Bishop Daly has time to join us.

24 Hour Adoration to Pray for Rain & Safety

Beginning at Noon on Sunday, August 23, there will be 24 Hour Adoration to pray for rain and the safety of people and animals — our firefighters and all others in harm's way. Please sign up at St. Mary of the Rosary Church or call the office.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

This year's tri-parish RCIA program (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) will begin in September, and once again, our lead catechist will be Fr. Jeff. If anyone you know is not yet Catholic but maybe is interested in learning more about our faith and joining the Church at Easter, contact Fr. Jeff right away. More information coming soon.

Rummage Sale Needs Your Rummage

Please clean out your closets, garages, basements, and attics and bring us your sell-able stuff for the St. Mary's Rummage Sale. We are looking for furniture, housewares, tools, yard maintenance supplies, sporting goods, etc. We are NOT accepting clothes, helmets of any kind, baby cribs or car seats.

The Rummage Sale will be September 18 & 19 from 9:00—3:00 at St. Mary's. Janet Goulet is heading this up. Please contact her if you have any questions or if you can help in any way.

Marriage & Family

This October, Pope Francis is calling for the second of two Extraordinary Synods on Marriage and Family. In celebration of Marriage and Family in the Catholic Church and in preparation for the upcoming Synod, we are inviting all couples and families amongst our parishioners to submit first-person testimonials to Fr. Jeff regarding the beauty (and the challenges) of marriage and family life as faithful Catholics, testimonials that Fr. Jeff may then, with permission, share with the parishes and with the diocese as the Church gets prepared for this upcoming Synod. Got questions or need more information? Contact Fr. Jeff for details.

Parish Councils

Our parish councils will soon be resuming monthly meetings. Holy Ghost parish councils meet next on Tuesday, September 1, at 7:00 PM. Sacred Heart parish council meets next on Saturday, September 5. St. Mary of the Rosary pastoral council meets next on Wednesday, September 9, at 5:30 PM. Council members, please note these meeting dates and times on your calendar.

July Financial Report

Theology Uncorked

Our second series of Theology Uncorked faith formation presentations is coming up: Tuesday evenings beginning at 7:00 PM on September 22 & 29 and October 6 & 13. Location TBD. At the request of several parishioners, this year's presentations will focus on major topics of Catholic morality: Life Issues (abortion, euthanasia, capital punishment); War (just war theory); Sexual Ethics (divorce, contraception, gay marriage); and the Environment. The format will once again be presentation of Church teaching followed by table discussion. Given the potential controversy of these topics, it will be tempting to enter into debate, but a debate format is not on the docket — presentation and discussion only. More information coming soon. We hope to see you there!

Job Openings at St. Joseph in Colbert

St. Joseph in Colbert has two job openings.

- Full-time Youth Minister
- Full-time Janitor/Custodian/Grounds keeper

For more information about either job, please contact the St. Joseph Parish at (509) 466-4991.

Youth Group

Our tri-parish youth group for 7th—12th graders is gearing up for another year. Our first youth event is Saturday, August 29: a youth Mass at Sacred Heart in Springdale. The next event will be an overnighter on Saturday-Sunday, September 12-13 (more details coming soon). And regular youth group meetings take place each week on Sundays, beginning Sept. 20, 6:00—8:00 PM at St. Mary's School. If you have any questions, contact our lead youth minister, Lori Larsen (675-4491) or Fr. Jeff.

Family Faith Formation

Our tri-parish Family Faith Formation religious education program is ready for its third year. Our kick-off event is Wednesday, September 16, 6:30—8:00 PM, at St. Mary of the Rosary parish hall. Everyone interested in joining (or simply learning what this program is about) is invited to attend the dinner event. Sandwiches, salads, and sides will be provided, as well as any and all

Saint of the Week

Golf Scramble September 27, 1:30 PM
whose feast day each year is December 13. She was martyred in the early 4th Century, and tradition holds that she was not yet even a teenager when she was put to death.

Not much historically is known about her, but for the fact that a disappointed suitor of hers accused her of being a Christian (which was true of course), and she was executed in Syracuse on the island of Sicily in the year 304. Her name is listed among the canon of saints and martyrs in the First Eucharistic Prayer (the Roman Canon), which we use on the highest feast days in our parishes and on the memorials of those saints who are listed in this Eucharistic Prayer.

An important significance of the circumstances of her particular martyrdom is the reality that not much has changed in these past seventeen hundred years with regard to the world's attitude toward Christian morality. Then as now, the world by and large embraces a pleasure-at-all-cost approach to life, which is an approach that hinders efforts to lead a good Christian life. The suitor who was so disappointed by her that he had her killed was disappointed because she would not yield to his sexual advances and had refused to marry him altogether because of her vow of virginity. She died for her stalwart commitment to her personal, faithful pledge of virginity to Jesus Christ. She knew of the heroism of earlier virgin martyrs (St. Agnes, for example, and St. Agatha). She remained faithful to their example and to the example of Christ Himself, Whom she knew to be the Son of God.

Her name is derived from the Latin word for "light," and through the many years of saint-devotion tradition, she has become the patroness of eyesight. Her memorial takes place each year twelve days before Christmas; she is, as it were, a shining light pointing us toward the Light from

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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