

St. Mary of the Rosary, Chewelah
 Mass: Saturday 4:00 PM and Sunday 10:00 AM
Ski Mass, Sundays 4:30 PM
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, Jan. 19 Holy Ghost Altar Society members
 Wed., January 20 All ill and homebound parishioners
 Thursday, Jan. 21 Poor Souls in Purgatory
 Friday, Jan. 22 John & Sarah Lacic
 Sat., Jan. 23, 4 PM Shane Wang +

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 Hospital Chapel
Thursday 12:15 PM St. Mary of the Rosary
Friday Mass at 9:00 AM at St. Mary of the Rosary, followed by Adoration from 9:30—10:30.

Thoughts on Stewardship

In today's second reading, St. Paul tells the Corinthians (and us) that all of our gifts are from God and that they are given, not for ourselves alone, but for the common good. But the generosity of God knows no limits — the miracle at Cana reminds us that whenever we faithfully do as God asks, He can change our gifts of water into wine!

Knights of Columbus Breakfast is January 24

There will be a K.C. breakfast on January 24 immediately following the 10:00 AM Mass. The menu will be the usual delicious fare, and the proceeds will support council activities, including scholarships.

Please Remember the Food Banks

Mardi Gras Dinner & Dessert Auction

The annual Mardi Gras Dinner & Dessert Auction at St. Mary of the Rosary will be Jan. 30. Tickets are now on sale for \$20 each. The entrée will be your choice of prime rib or salmon. Baked potatoes, salad, and appetizers are also included. Raffle tickets for bottles of wine will be available and/or BYOB.

The dinner will conclude with Fr. Jeff auctioning off a couple dozen desserts. *If you plan to provide a dessert for the auction, please contact Brenda Stroyan at 935-4626 so we know how many (and what kind) to expect.* Please provide a written description for the auctioneer and the dessert program.

The event begins with a social gathering at 5:00 and the meal will be served at 5:30. All parishioners and their friends are invited to attend.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Save the date of March 20 for the St. Patrick's Day dinner at Holy Ghost in Valley. More information will be coming later.

Time with the Bishop

Bishop Thomas Daly will host another one-hour live edition of "Time with the Bishop" on Tuesday, January 12, beginning at noon on Sacred Heart Radio, KTTO 970 AM. Please call (509-327-3695) with questions and comments and interaction with Bishop Daly. Send email to: inlandregister@dioceseofspokane.org.

The Lourdes Novena

The Diocese of Spokane is presenting the annual "Lourdes Novena for Healing" from February 3—11 at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes in Spokane. Bishop Thomas Daly will begin the Novena with a special sermon entitled "The Miracle of Lourdes". Evening services last 45 minutes and will include prayers for healing, Marian Anthems sung by the Diocesan Children's Choir, Benediction, and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The intention for this Novena is for healing of any kind, including physical, spiritual, emotional, or relational. For a complete schedule of Novena service times, log on to www.SpokaneCathedral.com or the diocesan website www.DioceseofSpokane.org. All are welcome!

Thinking about Separation or Divorce?

During the weekend phase of Retrouvaille, a series of presentations are given by a team of three couples and a priest. The team presents a technique of communication that enables you to take a good look at most areas of your relationship. After each presentation, you have time in the privacy of your room to discuss the previous presentation. For confidential information or to register for the February 19-21, 2016 Spokane weekend, call (509) 520-4118 or (800) 470-2230 or visit the website at www.Retrouvaille.org.

Dishes in the Kitchen

There are many dishes in the kitchen which need to be reunited with their owners. If you donated food for a funeral dinner or social activity in the past couple months, it is possible that some of the dishes in the kitchen are yours. Please stop by and check.

**Family Faith Formation:
The Church and Its Members**

Our *Family Faith Formation* home lesson topic this week is "The Church and Its Members" covered in Questions 148-149 and 155-157 of *The Apostolate's Family Catechism*. Your packet is available on the parish website.

By Heart Catechism

- 149. **What do we mean when we speak of the Church in Heaven?** When we speak of the Church in Heaven, we do not mean the Church in the condition in which it is a sign, with ministers and sacraments; these will cease.
- 156. **Why is respect owed to everyone in the Church?** Everyone in the Church deserves our deepest respect since, through Baptism, we are united to Christ in His Mystical Body and become His brothers and sisters.
- 157. **Why is the Catholic Church a community?** The Catholic Church is a community since its members share Christ's life with one another; it is a people brought together by God.

Corporal Act of Mercy: Ransoming the Captive

The sixth Corporal Work of Mercy is Ransoming the Captive. Compared with all of our other Corporal Works of Mercy thus far, this one seems oddly specific. The captive needing to be ransomed could mean folks in prison who simply need to serve their time. The captive could also be somebody kidnapped perhaps, or hostages, or something of that sort. And in any event, what can the average person possibly do to Ransom the Captive? There are legal proceedings at issue here and trained professionals to take care of things. So why is Ransoming the Captive one of the seven Corporal Works of Mercy?

If *all* of us — baptized, faithful Christians — are called to Ransom the Captive, then there is *something* that we *can* do in order to fulfill this command. We might consider last week's Corporal Work of Mercy: Visiting the Sick. We can at least visit those in prison. "I was . . . in prison and you visited Me." That is what Jesus says in Matthew 25. The very real human needs of those in prison are just like those of folks who are sick and homebound: being fully human like all of us, their real human needs ought to be met — not just their physical needs of health and well-being, but their spiritual needs for prayer and the Sacraments and their emotional need for visitation.

Here in Stevens County, we do not have major prisons or penitentiaries that would allow us to engage in organized parish-based prison ministries, such as what there are in Spokane, Walla Walla, and the Tri-Cities. But we can visit folks in prison via letters written to them, gifts sent to them, phone calls made to them, etc. We might even have family or friends who are in prison, but perhaps we have shunned them because they have made themselves an embarrassment to us. We ought never to do something like that, of course, but quite the opposite: go out of our way even more to make them feel loved and welcomed. Hopefully none of us reading this parish bulletin will ever end up in prison, and if by chance we do, then hopefully none of us would be shunned by folks who are supposed to be our family and friends. If we would hate to be treated thus — to be ignored and shunned — then hopefully we would be repulsed at the idea of doing that to others.

Somehow reaching out to those in prison is how we can Ransom the Captive — ransoming them not from their prison bars and chains perhaps, but from the far worse prison of loneliness and emotional isolation.

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: 10:00—11:30 AM, 1:45—5:00 PM; Tuesday & Thursday, 10 AM-5 PM