

St. Mary of the Rosary, Chewelah
 Mass: Saturday 4:00 PM and Sunday 10:00 AM
Ski Mass, Sundays 4:30 PM (canceled Feb. 28)
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, Feb. 23 Jim Puhek +
 Wednesday, Feb 24 Chris Kilduff +
 Thursday, Feb.25 Rose Schrempp +
 Friday, Feb. 26 Ian Andres +

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday 5:30 PM Holy Ghost in Valley followed by Adoration from 6:00—7:00 PM.
Wednesday 1:00 PM Prov. St. Joseph Hosp/St.Mary
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.

Ski-Season Mass February 28

There will be no ski-season Mass on Sunday, February 28; the youth group will be joining Fr. Jeff on a service outreach project at the House of Charity in Spokane that afternoon. Please pray for our youth!

Welcome

We welcome Kaleb Daniel Hansen into our family of faith. Kaleb, son of Philip and Anne (Dunton) Hansen and grandson of Dick and Pat Dunton, was baptized at St. Mary of the Rosary on February 14. Welcome, Kaleb!

January Financial Statement

<u>January</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
St. Mary's	\$19,184.76	\$11,863.52
Holy Ghost	2,820.68	2,950.02
Sacred Heart	1,761.30	871.44
Year-to-Date		
St. Mary's	\$104,998.35	\$75,579.65
Holy Ghost	21,132.27	18,883.58
Sacred Heart	8,313.26	5,347.51

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

The next Knights of Columbus Breakfast will be Sunday, February 28, after the 10:00 AM Mass at St. Mary of the Rosary.

LENT SEASON: WEEK TWO

Stations of the Cross

- ◇ Holy Ghost: Tuesdays at Noon.
- ◇ St. Mary of the Rosary: Fridays at 5:30 PM followed by a Soup Supper.

Soup Supper Provider Schedule

February 26: Liturgical Ministers & Ladies Auxiliary
 March 4: Pastoral/Finance Councils (M. Wasco)
 March 11: Sacred Heart Parish (Mary Jo Spurgeon)
 March 18: All Parish Soup Supper (sign-up sheet)

Lent Stations / Soup-Supper Presentations

Fr. Jeff will be leading a 5-part presentation series that will follow Stations of the Cross and Soup Suppers on Fridays during Lent at St. Mary of the Rosary. Discussion outlines and booklets are available for \$3.25. The remaining presentation schedule:

February 26: Discipleship, etc. (Chapters 2-4)
March 4: The 5 thresholds of conversion (Ch. 5-8)
March 11 & 18: How to evangelize (Chapters 9-12)

2016 Annual Catholic Appeal

By now, hopefully we have all received our ACA letter from Bishop Daly and our 2016 ACA pledge envelope. As you know, our theme this year for ACA is "Into Your Hands, Lord," and as I mentioned last weekend, this theme is perfect for us: just as Jesus' last words on the Cross before He died were "Into Your hands, Lord, I commend My spirit," and then He died and was buried but then rose again to new life, so all of us as a diocese have been made to endure the dark death of bankruptcy and scandal, from which Bishop Cupich led us out. And now Bishop Daly is joyfully and whole-heartedly committed to moving us forward. I, for one, am very excited in this "new dawn," and I have already made my pledge to this year's ACA and hope that each of you will join me in making your pledge.

This year's goals for our parishes are: St. Mary of the Rosary (\$24,266); Holy Ghost/St. Joseph (\$5,898); Sacred Heart (\$2,290). Even if you pledge just one dollar for the entire year, I still hope for and fully expect 100% participation from all of you. And so, please do take time in prayer and discernment, individually and with your families, to hear God's will for you in this regard, to embrace the ministry and mission of stewardship, and to make your ACA pledge. God bless you all!

24 Hours for the Lord, March 4 & 5

Our parishes will be joining Pope Francis and Catholics world-wide in observing "24 Hours for the Lord" during Lent in the Year of Mercy. At St. Mary of the Rosary, 24-hour Eucharistic Adoration will begin Friday, March 4, with the 9:00 AM Mass and will conclude Saturday, March 5, with Benediction at 9:00 AM. Please sign up and commit to a one-hour time slot. To sign-up for your hour, talk to Fr. Jeff.

And just as a reminder, someone MUST always be present in the church when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed. If your replacement does not arrive at their designated time, please call them (or a substitute), and do not leave until someone arrives.

Lenten Confession Schedule

Additional confession times for Lent:

Friday, March 4:
 9:30—10:30 AM—St. Mary of the Rosary
 7:00—8:00 PM — St. Mary of the Rosary
Saturday, March 5:
 8:00—9:00 AM — St. Mary of the Rosary
 5:30—6:30 PM — St Mary of the Rosary (Fr. Blazovich)
Monday, March 21:
 6:00—7:00 PM — Penance service at St. Mary Rosary
Wednesday, March 23:
 6:00—7:00 PM (Sacred Heart)

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Knowing God's Will

Our *Family Faith Formation* home lesson topic this week is "Knowing God's Will," covered in Questions 63-64 of *The Apostolate's Family Catechism*. Your packet is on the parish website.

By Heart Catechism

- 63. **When is an act right or wrong?** An act is right when it corresponds to the truth of the moral order —God's law. In other words, it is something God wants us to do. An act is wrong if it breaks God's law and, therefore, is not something God wants us to do. Freedom makes us responsible for our voluntary actions. We sin not only by choosing to do what God forbids, but also by failing to do what God commands.
- 64. **How do we know God's will?** We know God's will through our reason, through the Bible, through Sacred Tradition, and through the teaching office or Magisterium of the Church which is God's living voice.

**Spiritual Act of Mercy:
 Bearing Wrongs Patiently**

The fourth Spiritual Work of Mercy is Bearing Wrongs Patiently. And here, we come to the first Corporal or Spiritual Work of Mercy so far which, rather than having us focus on another person, has us focus specifically on ourselves. What this fact should tell us is that we need to be just as mindful about taking care of ourselves as others, for as the old adage says: we cannot give what we do not have. And the wrongs that we are to bear are wrongs that others may commit against us, or that we may commit against ourselves, or even things that we perceive are things that God is doing to us. Regardless of where the wrong is coming from, we are to bear it patiently.

Now, this is simple in theory, but difficult in practice. We know to be charitable and patient to those who are pleasant, kind and humble. But when wrongs are committed against us, patience is not often the knee-jerk reaction that we experience, is it? When someone cuts us off on the road or says something awful about our family or friends or gossip abounds and you find yourself to be on the butt of the town's jokes and rumor-mill, it is tough to be patient.

But we remember that Jesus has much to teach us about patience and about the need for us to bear wrongs patiently. For example, Matthew 5:38-41. "You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you, Do not resist one who is evil. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also; and if anyone would sue you and take your coat, let him have your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles." This "turn the other cheek" business is radically different from what we really want to do to others when they wrong us: we want to "return the favor," or "give them their just desert," or any number of shallow platitudes that vainly attempt to justify our cravings for revenge. But Jesus says otherwise; Jesus says "turn the other cheek," bear wrongs patiently, and thus let the world know that we are Christians by our love.

With Bearing Wrongs Patiently, here is perhaps the most revolutionary of the Spiritual Works of Mercy. It is the one tied most directly to the Cross of the Lord Jesus Christ. St. Francis of Assisi famously prayed to God: "Make me a channel of Your peace." Let that be our own prayer as we strive each day, every moment, to Bear Wrongs Patiently.

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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