

### 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, March 1 Rose Schrempp +  
Wednesday, March 2 Helen Elaine Murray +  
Thursday, March 3 Jim Puhek +  
Friday, March 4 Delores Krabbenhoft +

### 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 Hospital  
**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.

### 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 (St. Mary of the Rosary)

#### Wednesday, March 23:

6:00—7:00 PM (Sacred Heart)

### Congratulations

Congratulations and best wishes are extended to Bob and Pam Wester for having their marriage blessed by the Catholic church on February 23!

### LENT SEASON: WEEK THREE

#### 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

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

March 4: The 5 thresholds of conversion (Ch. 5-8)  
March 11 & 18: How to evangelize (Chapters 9-12)

#### Triduum Schedule

All events of the Paschal Triduum will take place at St. Mary of the Rosary.

**Holy Thursday:** Mass at 7:00 PM  
**Good Friday:** Stations at 5:30 PM  
Veneration of the Cross, 6:30  
**Holy Saturday:** Easter Vigil Mass at 7:00 PM

#### 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, March 15, 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 this Mass comes from the Sacred Chrism which is one of the oils to be blessed and then distributed throughout the diocese for celebrations of Baptism and Confirmation. The other oils to be blessed are the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of Catechumens. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

#### Ladies Auxiliary Meeting

The next Ladies Auxiliary meeting will be Thursday, March 10, at 7:00 PM. We will start again with a fun craft/social time. All women are encouraged to come. It is a great chance to get to bond with the women of the parish, provide your unique talents and insight, and strengthen our church community.

**No Ski-Season Mass on Feb. 28!**

### 24 Hours for the Lord, March 4 & 5

St. Mary of the Rosary's 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.

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.

### FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

#### Large-Group Gathering

Our next monthly large-group gathering for Family Faith Formation is this Wednesday, March 2, 6:30—8:00 PM, at St. Mary of the Rosary. The topic will be "The Sacrament of Matrimony and the Family," covering Questions 233-235 in *The Apostolate's Family Catechism*. St. Mary of the Rosary parishioner Jerry Rodriguez is our guest presenter. Childcare is provided. Everyone will meet in the parish hall, and then our K-6 children will go with their catechists to their own classrooms while the adults and youth group members remain in the parish hall. Contact Tanya Parrott at 936-2594 or [stgkparrott@gmail.com](mailto:stgkparrott@gmail.com) with any questions. Please join us on March 2 at 6:30 PM.

#### 2016 Annual Catholic Appeal

Thank you to those who have turned in their pledges for the 2016 ACA. I hope everyone will donate something to this important goal of financing our diocese and helping Bishop Daly carry out his work. We hope to meet our designated financial goals, and we also hope to attain a participation goal of 100%.

If you don't feel you can make a significant pledge this year, please consider giving \$5.00 or even just \$1.00 so we can still reach 100% parishioner participation. May God bless you for your generosity.

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

Please 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.

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

### Spiritual Act of Mercy:

#### Forgiving Offenses Willingly

The fifth Spiritual Work of Mercy is Forgiving Offenses Willingly. This is arguably the most difficult Spiritual Work of Mercy because of that crucial word "willingly." How tempting it is for us to hold grudges rather than bear wrongs patiently (the fourth Spiritual work of Mercy); and how difficult it is to go one step further and actually forgive offenses done against us . . . and *then* to go one step further still and forgive offenses *willingly!* How relatively easy it is to forgive others *begrudgingly* compared to *willingly* — to forgive others without having to be told to do so, and to do so not just with a willing heart, but even a cheerful, joyful heart!

And yet, as St. Paul reminds us: God loves a cheerful giver. And that includes those who are cheerful in giving the gift of forgiveness to those who have wronged us.

We might call to mind the Lord's Prayer. There are seven petitions (seven things for which we ask) that comprise the Lord's Prayer. But only one of those seven is conditional: "forgive us our trespasses *as we forgive those who trespass against us.*" The Beatitudes teach us: "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall be shown mercy." And elsewhere, the Lord teaches us again: "Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven."

There is a grave temptation (and, sadly, far too many people fall into this trap) to forgive, no problem . . . but *only* when the offending party apologizes for having wronged me, *only* when they ask for my forgiveness, *only* when this or *only* when that. But that is exactly counter to what this Spiritual Work of Mercy is about: Forgiving Offenses *Willingly*. Note: it is not forgiving offenses *begrudgingly* or *conditionally* but *willingly!* And not forgiving offenses *willingly* may as well be not forgiving them at all; again: God loves a cheerful giver.

May it be, then, that we take the Lord's teachings and warnings about mercy and forgiveness to heart, that we may be inspired more eagerly, cheerfully, and joyfully to Forgive Offenses Willingly.