

St. Mary of the Rosary, Chewelah

Mass: Saturday 4:00 PM and Sunday 10:00 AM
Sunday 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 (at Holy Ghost)

Reconciliation: Tuesday 6:00—7:00 PM at HG

Sacred Heart, Springdale

Mass: Saturday, 6:00 PM

Reconciliation: 1st Fridays, 5:00—5:30 PM

Mass Intentions

January 10	Dave Hewes
January 11	Pelkie Family
January 12	Frank Femling +
January 13	Knights of Columbus
January 14, 4:00 PM	Gerald Beitey +

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

Ski Season Mass Schedule

The Ski Season Mass will run through January. From Jan. 8 thru Jan. 29, there will be a 4:30 PM Mass at St. Mary of the Rosary every Sunday afternoon to attract the skiers and snowboarders to Mass on their way down the mountain.

Advent Sock Drive

There is still another weekend left to donate warm socks for the homeless men and women at the House of Charity. New or gently used warm socks will be collected until January 15, and then they will be delivered to the House of Charity for distribution to those in need.

K. of C. Breakfast

The first Knights of Columbus breakfast of the New Year will be Sunday, January 8, 2017, after the 10:00 Mass. Start the new year off right with a hearty breakfast that goes to support our youth!

Annual Mardi Gras Dinner at St. Mary's

The annual Mardi Gras Dinner & Dessert Auction at St. Mary of the Rosary will be Jan. 28. Tickets will be available next weekend for \$20 each. The entrée will be your choice of prime rib or salmon. Baked potatoes, salad, and appetizers are also included. Coffee will be available, but as for wine or spirits, BYOB. The event begins with a social gathering at 5:00 PM and the meal will be served around 5:45. The night will conclude with Fr. Jeff auctioning off desserts. All parishioners and their friends are invited. Tickets are available after Masses and at the parish office.

Food for the Poor

Our parishes are still collecting donations to provide a house and a well for an impoverished family in a third world country (probably Haiti). Through "Food for the Poor", this can be done for only \$3,885 (\$3,600 for the house and \$285 for the well). Thus far, we have raised a total of \$2,600, which is 66.9% of our goal. Please keep donating!

Courage: A Roman Catholic Apostolate

Do you have a loved one who is experiencing same-sex attraction? Do you want to be loving to him/her but want to stay faithful to the Church's truth about sexuality and marriage? EnCourage is a confidential support group for Catholic parents, relatives or friends of those struggling with same-sex attraction, sanctioned by the Spokane Diocese and led by Chaplain Fr. Kenny St. Hilaire. We'll meet to pray, listen, inform and support. For more information, please contact Tim at (509) 290-4844 or email: encourage_tk@gmail.com.

Women's Wednesday

Come to "Women's Wednesday" every Wednesday 9:00—11:00 AM at St. Mary's hall. We will start with a short bible study activity and then have time to share ideas and fellowship with other women. Bring your own projects if you'd like. Call Kellie for info at (509) 993-4150. We can even find you a ride!

St. Mary's Ladies Auxiliary

The Thursday evening St. Mary's Ladies Auxiliary January meeting is moved to Wednesday morning during Women's Wednesday 9—11:00 AM. Call Kellie Trudeau at (509) 993-4150 if you have any questions.

Catholic Men's Conference

Men, you are invited to attend the 7th annual Hearts on Fire Catholic Men's Conference, "Into the Breach", January 28, at St. Thomas More, 8 AM to 4:30 PM. Register at www.dioceseofspokane.org/mens.

Family Faith Formation:

Conscience

This week's *Family Faith Formation* topic is "Conscience," covering Questions 272-275 in *The Apostolate's Family Catechism*. Home Lesson packets are available on the parish website and also in your email (if you registered for *Family Faith Formation*). Please contact Fr. Jeff for more information or if you have any questions about this tri-parish religious education program.

Large Group Gathering

Our next Large-Group Gathering for Family Faith Formation is this Wednesday, January 11, 6:30—8:00 PM, at St. Mary of the Rosary parish hall. Fr. Jeff will be our presenter for the adult faith formation; children K-6 will be with their catechists in the St. Mary's School building. Our theme this month: "Conscience," covering Questions 272-275 in *The Apostolate's Family Catechism*. See you there!

By Heart Catechism

272. What is conscience? Conscience is a personal, reasoned, practical judgment that something is right or wrong; that is, whether something is in accord with the will of God and the law of God, written within one's soul.

273. Should each person have a right conscience? Each person should have a right conscience and should follow it, for to remain in willful ignorance is wrong, and to disobey one's conscience is wrong.

274. How should a Catholic form a right conscience? By studying the Catholic Christian faith and obeying the teaching authority of the Church (the Magisterium).

275. What does obedience to the Holy Spirit entail? Faithful observance of the commandments of God, the laws and precepts of the Church, just civil laws.

The Tabernacle

The tabernacle is where the Eucharist is reserved outside of Mass. The little Hosts given at Mass are reserved in a vessel called the "ciborium," and a larger Host is reserved in what is called a "luna," which itself is installed in the monstrance for Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour.

In our churches, the tabernacle is in the center of the sanctuary, but in modern times and in modern-built (or modern-renovated) churches, this is not always the case.

According to the *Code of Canon Law* of the Catholic Church, the tabernacle may be placed anywhere in the church building, provided that certain conditions are met. "The tabernacle in which the most holy Eucharist is reserved is to be situated in some part of the church or oratory that is distinguished, conspicuous, beautifully decorated, and suitable for prayer." And so, strictly speaking, the tabernacle need not be in the center of the sanctuary, but it is clear that wherever in the church it is, it is enshrined with all due beauty and reverence, given that it is the house of the Lord Jesus Christ present to us in the Eucharist. In St. Peter Basilica in Rome, for example, the tabernacle is not in the center of the sanctuary but resides in a side chapel, yet the largest chapel in the entire church and arguably the most beautiful and ornate. Closer to home, St. Thomas More reserves the Eucharist in the tabernacle in its own chapel, and several priests of the diocese would argue that it is the most beautiful and prayerful chapel of its kind in the whole diocese. St. Thomas More has been holding perpetual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in that chapel for many years, for the primary intention of praying for and promoting more vocations to the priesthood. (So far, five priests have come out of that parish, including your very own pastor!)

We genuflect in the church when the Eucharist is present in the tabernacle. If the tabernacle is in a side chapel, then when we enter the main body of the church for Mass, we do not genuflect but instead bow to the altar. On Good Friday, when the tabernacle is empty, again, we bow to the altar rather than genuflect.

The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* instructs us: "If . . . the tabernacle with the most Blessed Sacrament is present in the sanctuary, the priest, the deacon, and the other ministers genuflect when they approach the altar and when they depart from it, but not during the celebration of Mass itself. Otherwise all who pass before the most Blessed Sacrament genuflect, unless they are moving in procession." During the Mass itself, we are to bow toward the altar, for during the Mass itself is when the ultimate Sacrifice is offered, and it is offered on the altar, hence this singular and unique reverence given to the altar over the tabernacle during Mass.

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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