

St. Mary of the Rosary, Chewelah

Mass: Saturday 4:00 PM and Sunday 10:00 AM
Sunday 4:30 PM through January 29
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 24 H.G. Altar Society members
January 25 Frank Femling +
January 26 Ed Rhodes +
January 27 Deceased Maresca family members
January 28, 4:00 PM Gertrude d'Hondt +

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

Next Sunday, January 29, will be the final 4:30 PM Ski Season Mass for the winter.

St. Mary's Ladies Auxiliary

St. Mary's Ladies Auxiliary is now hosting Women's Wednesday activities every 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 9:00-11:00 AM in the parish hall. Each month we will undertake a service project to help the parish. On January 25 we will make Valentine's cards and gifts for those who will enjoy a nice surprise this cold winter. Bring crafts to share if you like, or just show up. If crafting isn't your thing, bring your own project. If you can't attend but want to help in other ways, or if you need a ride, call Kellie at (509) 993-4150. All women are invited!

Blessing of Throats

Friday, February 3, is the Feast of St. Blaise. The Blessing of Throats will take place during the 9:00 AM Mass at St. Mary of the Rosary that day.

Found: Men's black jacket w/ the emblem "Salute to Service".

Annual Mardi Gras Dinner at St. Mary's

Hopefully you have already purchased your tickets for the January 28 Mardi Gras Dinner and Dessert Auction. Tickets are \$20 each. They can be purchased after Masses on Jan. 21 & 22 and at the parish office on Jan. 23 & 24. **ABSOLUTELY NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AFTER JANUARY 24!**

The entrée will be your choice of prime rib or salmon. Baked potatoes, salad, and appetizers are included. BYOB. Social gathering begins 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.

Desserts for the Auction

When planning your bidding for the dessert auction, please keep in mind that folks at a table often pool their money and buy a dessert for the entire table to share. This year the proceeds of the auction will be used to repair and re-plate the tabernacle.

New Dishwasher

There is now a new dishwasher in the kitchen at St. Mary's parish hall. It automatically feeds the correct amount of detergent to wash the dishes. **DO NOT ADD DETERGENT TO THIS MACHINE, EVER!** The problems with the previous dishwasher stemmed from too much soap. Let's not do that again.

Catholic Divorce Ministry

If you or someone you know is undergoing the pain and suffering caused by a divorce or separation, you don't have to go through this turmoil alone. Help is available for you. The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide is a 12-week program designed for Catholic men and women who are experiencing the trauma and upheaval caused by divorce or separation. Based on the teachings of the Catholic Church, CDSG is a ministry which provides valuable insights as well as practical tools that will assist divorced or separated men and women regain personal confidence, learn how to rebuild their lives, and most importantly, recognize they are valued by the Church. The next session of this program begins Wednesday, March 8, from 6:30—8:30 PM at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes. For further information, see www.catholicdivorced.org or contact the program director, Donna Petrocelli at divorceministry.donna@gmail.com or (509) 468-8429.

Walk for Life Northwest, January 28

The event begins with Holy Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Cathedral at 9:30 AM with Bishop Thomas Daly. The walk begins at 11:00 AM at Riverfront Park. Visit www.walkforlifenorthwest.org for more info.

2016 Personal Statements of Generosity

All parishioners who supported the parish in 2016 were mailed statements of their 2016 donations last week. If you did not receive a statement, please contact the parish office. "I am profoundly grateful for all of you who have been so generous in your sacrificial giving in support of our parishes and the Church in Eastern Washington." Fr. Jeff

Illness and Mass Participation

Please do not come to Mass if you are sick with a cold or the flu. Please do not bring your children to Mass if they are coughing or sneezing. Please do not take communion by cup or share the Sign of Peace if you are ill. There are people with compromised immune systems who should not be exposed to cold and flu germs. Thank you for being considerate of others.

Family Faith Formation:

Perfect Christian Love

This week's Family Faith Formation topic is "Perfect Christian Love," covering Questions 277-279 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.

Bible Study

This Wednesday, January 25, is our Bible Study meeting for Family Faith Formation, 6:30—8:00 PM at St. Mary of the Rosary parish hall. Fr. Jeff will lead the presentation and discussion on Exodus 20 and Matthew 25 as we discuss sins of commission and sins of omission. Hope to see you there!

By Heart Catechism

277. Why is the love of God the "soul of morality"? Because God is love, and love is the pinnacle of all virtue, and God's love reaches us through Jesus Christ and one another. Love being the chief virtue makes it the center, the soul, of morality.

278. What is man's greatest responsibility? To do the will of God in all things, which on a practical level means obeying God's laws and commandments.

On the Liturgy, Part 2

Last week, we began a brief bulletin column series on the liturgy, beginning with a definition of "liturgy." This week, we look into the origins of the liturgy as we now know it.

Regarding liturgy's origins, the Apostolic Liturgy (such as what we now celebrate), in its familiar arrangement of prayers and rites, did not exist at first. For some time, the Eucharistic celebration was fluid and variable in many aspects; it was not all written down and read from fixed forms but was in part composed ("improvised") by the officiating bishop. Many rites were at first not nearly as elaborate as they are today; many such rites evolved gradually and organically out of certain obvious actions that needed doing with no intent of forming ritualized ceremony. For example, the priest today mixes a small amount of water with the wine in the chalice as a matter of ritual, whereas originally, this was done because the wine used at the Eucharistic celebration, like all wine of that time, had been stored in a concentrated form and needed watering down before it could be consumed. It follows therefore that because there was no formalized ritual at all in the beginning, there would not be absolute uniformity of ceremonial celebration amongst the different Church communities.

Yet at the same time, the whole sequence of prayers and actions in the celebration did not depend solely on the improvisational skills of the officiating bishop; recent research reveals a very striking uniformity in certain key elements of the ceremony even at a very early date. Why? First of all, because the fundamental template of the rite of the Eucharist was held to be the Last Supper, as recorded in the synoptic Gospels and in 1 Corinthians. What the Lord did then, that same thing He told His followers to do in memory of Him. Therefore, it would not have been Eucharist at all if the officiating bishop had not at least done as the Lord did on the night before He died. Thus, from the very beginning throughout the Christian world, there was at least this uniform aspect of the liturgy: bread and wine brought to the officiating bishop in vessels, who puts them on a table (the altar), and then stands in prayer as he takes them in his hands and gives thanks (just as Jesus did), says the words of institution (just as Jesus did), and gives the Eucharist to the people in Communion, just as Jesus did with His disciples. The Eucharistic ceremony itself, then, is the foundation for liturgical expression and development, the key point where uniformity of Christian ritual is based.

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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