

St. Mary of the Rosary, Chewelah

Mass: Saturday 4:00 PM and Sunday 10:00 AM
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

March 14 HG Altar Society members
March 15 No Mass
March 16 Frank Femling +
March 17 Carol + and Al Mattia
Mar. 18, 4 PM Norman Miller +

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday 5:30 PM Mass at Holy Ghost followed by Adoration from 6:00—7:00 PM
Wednesday No Mass; Fr. Jeff at meeting in Spokane
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

Annual Catholic Appeal

As your pastor, I am very grateful for the response received thus far for the ACA. Remember we are striving for 100% participation. Sincere thanks to all parishioners who have pledged. Everyone else, your help is still needed! Here is where we're at:

- **St. Mary of the Rosary:** \$18,265 (72% of goal and 35.4% parishioner participation)
- **Holy Ghost:** \$3,076 (49% of goal; 37.1% parishioner participation)
- **Sacred Heart:** \$1,701 (63% of goal; 60.0% parishioner participation)

St. Patrick's Day Dinner at Holy Ghost

The annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner at Holy Ghost Church in Valley will be Sunday, March 19, from Noon to 2:30 PM. The menu will be fried chicken, ham, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, salad, bread, and pie. Adults \$10.00, Children 6-10 \$6.00, ages 3-5 \$4.00. Please support this annual fundraiser which benefits Holy Ghost Church.

Lenten Confessions and Penance Service

- Thursday, March 30, 6:00 PM with three priests (St. Mary of the Rosary)
- Monday, April 10, 6—7:00 PM (Sacred Heart)
- Wednesday, April 12, 5:30—6:30 PM (SMR)

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross take place on Fridays in Lent at 5:30 PM at St. Mary of the Rosary.

Stations of the Cross will also take place on Tuesdays in Lent at Noon at the following locations:

- ♦ Holy Ghost, Valley: March 7, 14, and 21
- ♦ St. Joseph, Jump Off Joe: March 28, April 4 & 11

Soup Supper Schedule for Fridays in Lent

- **March 17;** Liturgical Ministers. Contact Mary B. at 935-6313.
- **March 24;** Music Ministry & Finance Council. Contact Monna M. (935-6860) or Mary B. (425-760-3966).
- **March 31;** Ladies Auxiliary & Sacred Heart Parish. Contact Janet G. (935-8648) or Mary Jo S. (509-258-4107).
- **April 7;** All Parish. Sign-up sheets at churches.

24 Hours for the Lord

Pope Francis invites people around the world to focus on God's mercy and the Sacrament of Reconciliation during a Lenten "24 Hours for the Lord" March 24-25, 2017. Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary of the Rosary will begin Friday, March 24, with the 9:00 AM Mass and will conclude Saturday, March 25, with Benediction at 9:00 AM. Please sign up and commit to a one-hour time slot.

Annual Day of Recollection in Deer Park

St. Mary Presentation Altar Society is holding their annual Day of Recollection at the Catholic Church in Deer Park **next Tuesday, March 14**. The day will start with 9:00 AM Mass and will conclude with prayer at 3:00 PM. Potluck luncheon. Please bring an item to share. Presentations will be made by Our Lady of Angels Secular Franciscan Fraternity. Everyone is invited. The church is located at 602 E 6th Street in Deer Park. If you have questions, please call the parish at (509) 276-2948.

Broken & Given Women's Retreat

Alisa Kostecka will be leading a Lenten retreat for Catholic women April 1 & 2 at the Clearwater Lodge on Davis Lake near Newport. Prices range from \$95 to \$170 based on lodging selection. For more information or to register online, go to www.stjosephcolbert.org.

Chrism Mass — April 4, 5:30 PM, at the Cathedral

Family Faith Formation:

Duty Towards Neighbor

This week's *Family Faith Formation* topic is "Duty Towards Neighbor," covering Questions 285-288 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.

By Heart Catechism

285. How can we show the justice and charity of Christ to others? By reaching out in the spirit of the Beatitudes to help others, to build up a better society in our local community, and to promote social justice and peace throughout the world.

286. How should our judgments of others and our speech be ruled? Our judgment of others and our speech should follow the standard of Christ's charity because everybody was made in the image and likeness of God. Certainly, we are to judge the actions and behaviors of others, for in fraternal charity, we are to correct others as needed to help along the path toward Heaven; but judging others' character and personhood is reserved for God alone.

287. In obedience to lawful authority, how do we show love for our neighbor? By obeying all lawful authority, whether it be in the home, in civil society, or in the Church. Where authorities in these areas of life appear to conflict, the laws of Christ and His Church supersede all others.

288. In what ways do we sin against our neighbor? By violating the virtue of justice in their regard; by harming or even destroying God's gift of life in others; by violating their personhood in our speech (gossip, detraction, etc.); and by abusing our sexuality.

Bible Study with Fr. Jeff

This Wednesday, March 15, is our Bible Study meeting for *Family Faith Formation*, 6:30 to 8:00 PM, at St. Mary of the Rosary parish hall. Fr. Jeff will lead the presentation and discussion on Ephesians 5 in discussing marriage. Hope to see you there!

Bringing Back the Family Rosary!

This year, 2017, marks the 100th anniversary of the Marian apparition at Fatima in Portugal, and there is a growing grass-roots movement in the Church all throughout the United States to use this century-mark occasion to re-introduce, foster, and strengthen Marian devotion, particularly in the form of the daily family Rosary.

Folks often speak to me of their fond memories of their families praying the Rosary together when they were children, but over the years, that family tradition, common among so many Catholic families, seems to have fallen away. And not coincidentally, family life in general has dissolved in recent years, and divorce has sky-rocketed, and young people leaving their Catholic faith in droves has never suffered such an epidemic. But as the old adage says: the family that prays together stays together. And the Blessed Virgin Mary is spiritual mother to us all, and her Son Jesus Christ is Lord of all. And so, praying the Rosary together as a family does three things at once: the family actually prays together; the Blessed Virgin Mary is involved in that family prayer time (because the family is praying the Rosary, the pre-eminent Marian devotion); and Jesus Christ is deliberately made center of our family life insofar as we are praying to Him, Who is God the Son.

Our homily reflections on Sundays in Lent are centered on a theme, "Return," as we reflect upon what tried-and-true strategies and practices will help us foster a culture of encounter with Jesus Christ to inspire our weakened and fallen-away brethren to come home to the Church. Next weekend, March 18/19, the tried-and-true strategy and practice that will be the focus of our homily reflections is prayer. More on the family Rosary will be preached in that homily.

And lastly, the Diocese of Spokane is sponsoring a diocesan-wide prayer event, the scope of which only seems to happen in our Diocese every decade or so. On Sunday, July 23, beginning at 7:00 PM, there is going to be Eucharistic Adoration at the Spokane Indians Avista Stadium ballpark in Spokane, and during Adoration, the Rosary will be prayed in common, Praise & Worship music will be sung, and confessions will be heard by dozens of priests. There is no cost to attend, and we hope that all of you will make every effort to attend, so save the date now! And may Our Lady of Fatima intercede for us this day and all the days of our lives.

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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