

### 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

May 23	HG Altar Society members
May 24	Edith Keogh
May 25	Patricia Stanton
May 26	Jeanne Jones
May 27, 10 AM	Beverly Gennett funeral; Sac. Heart
May 27, 4 PM	George Ray +

### Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday	5:30 PM Mass at Holy Ghost followed by Adoration from 6:00—7:00 PM
Wednesday	1:00 PM at Providence St. Joseph Hospital
Thursday	12:15 PM St. Mary of the Rosary
Friday	9:00 AM Mass at St. Mary followed by Adoration from 9:30—10:30 AM

### Local Masses on Memorial Day

The Memorial Day Mass schedule (May 29) is:

- 8:00 AM, St. Joseph at Jump Off Joe
- 10:00 AM, St. Mary of the Rosary in Chewelah

### Memorial Day Masses in Spokane

Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services cordially invites you to one of the May 29 Memorial Day Masses celebrated annually at each location:

- Queen of Peace Cemetery, 8:00 AM
- St. Joseph Cemetery, 10:00 AM
- Holy Cross Cemetery, 10:00 AM.

Invite friends and family to the celebration of Mass to pray and remember the faithful departed. Except for Queen of Peace, the Masses will be outdoors, weather permitting (bring your own chair). Bishop Thomas Daly will be the celebrant at Holy Cross Cemetery.

### Welcome!

We welcome Sebastian Grey Caraballo into our family in faith. Sebastian (son of Concepcion and Veronica Caraballo and grandson of Dale and Maureen Haflett) was baptized at St. Mary of the Rosary on May 14. Welcome, Sebastian!

### Cemetery Upkeep

The Knights of Columbus will host a cleanup of our cemetery on Wednesday, May 24, at 5:30 PM. Bring weed eaters and/or rakes to clean inside grave sites that can't be reached by the riding mower. Non-Knights are also invited. Sandwiches and refreshments will be served upon completion.

### Annual Catholic Appeal

Here is the shortage for each parish in meeting the goals set by the Diocese. Perhaps you can help:

St. Mary of the Rosary:	\$1,755.00
Holy Ghost:	\$2,782.00
Sacred Heart:	\$916.00

### Please Pray for Sacramental Candidates

We have three children preparing to receive sacraments on May 28. Please keep them in your prayers: Naomi, Caleb, and Frankie.

### Baby Bottle Boomerang

Its that time of year again when we participate in the "Baby Bottle Boomerang", which is the main fundraiser for the Crisis Pregnancy Center in Colville. Pick up an empty baby bottle from the basket in church, fill it with change over the next few weeks, and return it on June 18 (Mothers Day to Fathers Day). Checks can be made out to N.E.W. Family Life Services. If everyone could make a small donation to this organization, it would make a large difference to their program to support life.

Thus far in 2017, they have served 102 clients. Things they could use for their program include: crib sheets and crib blankets, receiving blankets, clothing for boys & girls (especially sizes 18 months—4T), socks, and shoes of all sizes. These items could be new or used. New items are placed in their Boutique and used items go in their Helping Hands program. In addition, they could use bottles, toys, hooded bath towels, and binkies. They are also looking for new Board Members. Call the Center at 684-9895 for more information. Check them out on the web at [www.familyliveservices.net](http://www.familyliveservices.net).

Tri-Parish Farewell Dinner for Fr. Jeff June 21.

More info coming.

### Toiletry / Hygiene Collection

A very important area of need that remains un-addressed in food bank collections is personal hygiene items. The youth of our parish are coordinating a drive to address this important need. Specific items they are looking for include: packaged tooth brushes, tooth paste, deodorant, toilet paper, feminine products, shampoo, and bar soap. Please start bringing these items next weekend and place them in the specially designated collection baskets in each church.

### Collection for the Catholic Church in the U.S.

This weekend, the Collection for the Catholic Church in the U. S. will be taken up in all parishes of the Diocese — including our tri-parishes. This collection is one of four annual collections authorized by the Catholic Diocese of Spokane. It supports major ministries in our homeland, the USA — Black & Native American Missions; Catholic Campaign for Human Development; Catholic Home Missions; Retirement Fund for Religious; and Catholic University of America. Registered parishioners will receive a special solicitation letter from Bishop Thomas A. Daly, along with an information flyer and personalized collection envelope. Make checks payable to CCUS and please place your envelope in the offertory collection or mail it directly to the Diocese.

### Blessing of Marriage Mass at Cathedral

Saturday, May 27, 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

Bishop Daly invites you to a special Mass honoring couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries. If you or someone you know are celebrating a 10th, 20th, 25th, 50th or above, please plan on attending. Bishop will be celebrating your commitment and offering you a special blessing. Wine and cheese reception to follow in the lower level. The address for the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes is 1115 W. Riverside Avenue in Spokane.

### Holy Ghost/Jump Off Joe Summer Mass Schedule

Jun 4 - Mass at Holy Ghost (Pentecost and Feast Day of Holy Ghost Church)

June 11 — Mass at Holy Ghost (again)

June 18—**BIG SWITCH UP!** 8:00 AM Mass at St. Mary of the Rosary; 10:00 AM Mass at St. Joseph (Jump Off Joe) followed by Corpus Christi procession and lunch.

### How to Make a Good Confession

We all know that we need to go to confession on a regular basis . . . but how do we make it worth our while? How do we make a good confession?

First step: prepare. Prayerfully recall your sins since your last confession. Summarize to yourself what you did or failed to do and how many times.

Next: become contrite with the grace of God. Contrition is sorrow for having sinned. There can be no forgiveness of sins if we are not sorry in the first place! And contrition is also the firm, heartfelt resolve never to repeat our sins.

Next: go to a priest and confess your sins (just your summary; no need to go into long narratives explaining the circumstances and all of that! Be sure to confess *your* sins, and not those of your spouse, your children, your parents, or the president!). Confession allows us to confront our sins in a profound and humble way, and we take responsibility for them and thus open ourselves to the Lord and to communion with His Church.

Next: receive a penance. The priest will assign a concrete action after your confession that you can use to show God the sincerity of your heart.

Next: Act of Contrition. We pray for forgiveness and for the grace to avoid all near and future occasions of sin.

Finally: receive absolution. In the Name of Jesus, in the Person of Christ, as *alter Christus*, the priest absolves your sins with the following words that the priest *must* say or else the Sacrament of Reconciliation is completely invalid: "I absolve you from your sins, in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." And then, after this, you go forth, and with the grace of God, you begin a new life of freedom from slavery to sin.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* reminds us that sacramental confession (Reconciliation) is required for us to receive Holy Communion in a state of grace; otherwise, receiving Holy Communion is itself just another mortal sin — a sin called sacrilege. The *Catechism* teaches: "anyone conscious of a grave sin must receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before coming to Communion." Some people will argue: "I asked God for forgiveness in my heart; therefore, that is enough and I can receive Communion." Perhaps God has forgiven you in your heart, that is true. But if we have made only a *spiritual* confession, then we can only make a *spiritual* communion; forgiveness in the heart can only lead to communion in the heart. But for us to receive *Sacramental* Communion, we need to make a *Sacramental* Confession.

Nothing is more effective in leading us to holiness and union with Jesus Christ than a good and worthy Communion. Nothing is more valuable to God for us than to receive the Son of God, Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, in the state of grace and in a worthy manner. Also, nothing is more effective in separating us from Christ and demolishing our faith than taking Communion after having committed mortal sin and in subsequent absence of a good confession.

Next week we will consider further implications of why it is important and necessary for us to make a good confession before receiving Holy Communion.

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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