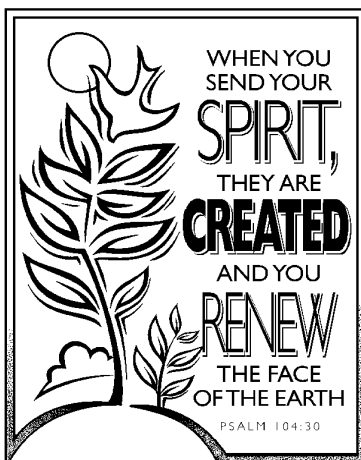


St. Joseph Parish — Otis Orchards



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 16
7:30pm People of the Parish
Sunday, April 17
8:00am †Jan Blondeau
10:30am †Matt Rich
Tuesday, April 19
8:30am †Gladys Lundrigan
Wednesday, April 20
8:30am Emerie Anderson
Thursday, April 21
8:30am †Tom Scherer
Friday, April 22
8:30am †Betty Boik
Saturday, April 23
5:30pm †Ed Inge
Sunday, April 24
8:00am †Charles Fersch
10:30am People of the Parish



Scriptures for April 24
Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27
Psalm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 Revelation 21:1-5a
John 13:31-33a, 34-35

April 17—Fourth Sunday Easter
Paul and Barnabas encountered both violent rejection and joyful acceptance of the message that they preached. We, too, may meet with mixed reactions when we use our gifts in the service of God. But, the Gospel assures us, the reward for those who follow faithfully is eternal life.

We are the Hands of Christ
STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION
Stewardship is time, talent & treasure. We are to give our time to God, our talents for the glory of God, and tithes to the church for God. *Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, and see if I do not open the floodgates of heaven for you, and pour down upon you blessings without measure!* (Malachi 3:10)

WEEK AHEAD April 18-24


Monday	Women's Scripture Study	6:30pm
	Scouts	7pm
Tuesday	After Mass Social Group	9am
	Quilters	10am
	Eucharistic Adoration	12:30-2:30pm
	RCIA Mass & Potluck	6pm
Wednesday	Eucharistic Adoration	6-8am
	Mom's Group	9:30am
	"Understanding Islam" Part 2	7pm
	Eucharistic Adoration	7-10pm
Thursday	Adult Faith Study Group	9am
	Bible Time Line	6:30pm
	Knights	7pm
Friday	Scripture & Scrapbook	6pm
Saturday	Offering of Letters	After Mass
Sunday	Offering of Letters	After Mass
	RE— Mary Crowning	9:15am
	Hour of Faith	9:20am
	Conf/1st Eucharist Session	1pm
	"Care for Creation" Program	5pm

WEEKLY COLLECTION 4/10/2016

Envelopes	Plate	TOTAL
\$ 5,661.00	\$ 852.81	\$ 6,513.81
Total for April date:		\$ 14,400.37
Needed Monthly		\$ 31,200.00

Building Fund Total for April		\$ 355.00
Our Parish Our Future Campaign		\$ 608,620.00

Annual Catholic Appeal 2016
Current \$ total \$75,460 —goal \$81,888 = 92%
Current # of households 201—goal 238 = 84%
Make checks payable to: "Annual Catholic Appeal 2016."

World Day of Prayer for Vocations
 Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life? (1)Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead. (2)Keep Fr. Mike and Deacon Chalo in your prayers throughout the week. (3)Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister. (4)Pray a rosary for more young men & women in our diocese to respond to God's call. Consider pledging to pray for vocations at the international website, invisiblemonastery.com


Thank you **St Joseph Parish** for your support of the 2015 Catholic Charities Christmas Collection. Your faithful community donated **\$13,920** to this critical endeavor. As you know, the Christmas Collection funds our operational budget & allows us to fulfill our mission, & the call of Pope Francis, to serve the poor and marginalized in Eastern WA. We joyfully report that our goal of \$1 million was reached & even slightly exceeded! Thank you and God bless you. CCS.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES RICE BOWL
Thank you! Our current total for this year's Rice Bowl collection is \$4,893.30.

LITURGY SCHEDULE for April 23rd & 24th

Mass	GREETER	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	USHERS	SERVERS
5:30pm	M Delbuono	M Andriolo	D Andriolo, C Hoagburg, D Lansford		O Osborne H Osborne
8:00am	C Graham & M Fautch	S Stuber	J Strom, L Strom, T Klutz P Soderquist, M Duncan	J Rosa D Carlsen	J Gresch N Gresch
10:30am	L & I Wear	P Kienbaum	J Kienbaum, G Kienbaum, L Woodroof P Finn, S Elliott, B Conley, A Kelly	J Ciesielski B Pearson	J Gehlen J Petersen

*****IF YOU CAN NOT SERVE, PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT. THANK YOU*****





CONFIRMATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST

will be celebrated here at St. Joseph on **Sat., May 14 at the 5:30pm Mass.**



The next preparation session for students and parents is this Sunday, April 24th, 1:00—3:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Call Teresa in the parish office for more information.



Religious Education for 4 year olds—7th Grade

On Sunday mornings from 9:15-10:15am at Otis Orchards Elementary. Remaining class on April 17 (April 24 Mary Crowning)



Mary Crowning

*Everyone is invited as we honor Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth **Sunday, April 24th, 9:15 am in the Church.** Bring flowers to surround the Mary statue. Students who want to be a part of this celebration please call the office, 926-7133*



Youth Ministry Supporting the Faith and Spirituality of Teens 8th-12th Grades

Awesome teens and their families, Remember that this life lasts only a short time, while eternity lasts forever, so please live your life accordingly. We will not be meeting this week as the parish is sponsoring a wine & cheese receptions to thank all the volunteers. A big thank you goes out to all of you who have helped so much throughout this past school year! Our next meeting will be on Sun, April 24 at 5pm. With other member of our parish, we will be eating dinner & watching the movie, *Racing Extinction*. I highly recommend coming and learning about more ways to care for this wonderful planet of ours! Also on the 24th at 9:15am you are all invited to join us to crown our beautiful Mother Mary. Have an awesome Christ-filled week! God bless, Meta, Gene, and the Ministry Team 509)928-6182 or metaboik@hotmail.com. The **Steubenville Catholic Youth Conference at Gonzaga University** will be **Friday – Sunday, July 29-31.** Contact the Parish Office for registration forms and more information for all these upcoming events.



Please join us in prayer and a brief reflection on the Gospel.

Hour of Faith is a great way to supplement Sunday Mass. Reflecting on the weekly Gospel can help you hear God's word more personally. Joining our prayers to yours is powerful. Please come for all or part, as time permits. Sundays Apr 24 at 9:20am.

St. Joseph's Baptism Schedule

Classes: June 5 & 12 **Baptism:** June 19
August 14 & 21 August 28



Please call the parish office to register or if you have any questions, 926-7133

St. Gabriel's Group (Mom's Group)

Meetings are Wed, 9:30-11:30am. Check out the parish website for a calendar and to see what the group represents. Any questions call or text Jessica Morgan, 638-8225. Childcare is provided.



PRESENTATIONS ABOUT ISLAM

Dr. Shannon Dunn, PhD will continue her presentation on Islam **this Wednesday, April 20, 7-8:30pm** in the parish hall. Dr. Dunn will present the continuities and similarities between Judaism, Christianity and Islam. She will also discuss the need for conversations to address the misunderstanding, fear, and anger that many direct at the Islamic faith and Muslims. There will be time for discussion and Dr. Dunn will address questions.

Shannon Dunn is an assistant professor in religious studies at Gonzaga U. She received her doctorate from Florida State Univ., where she was trained in Islamic & Christian ethical traditions. She is currently working on a project involving religion and human rights.



"CARE FOR CREATION: OUR CALL TO CONVERSION" Sunday, April 24th from 5:00 – 7:30 pm St. Joseph Parish Hall.

As Catholics, do we have a call to respond to the challenges of climate change and particularly its harshest effects on the poor of the world? Learn more about Pope Francis' recent encyclical "*Laudato Si, On Care for Our Common Home*" and view the powerful DVD "*Racing to Extinction.*" Local recycling efforts will be highlighted. **A light dinner will be served. Childcare provided.** Sponsored by St. Joseph Youth Ministry and the Charity and Justice Committee.

Help Mothers and Children SURVIVE AND THRIVE!

St Joseph Parish is one of thousands of churches who are conducting an "**Offering of Letters**" to our members of Congress about legislation that addresses **hunger**. We are working with the organization '*Bread for the World*' in this effort. This year, our letters to Congress will urge robust funding for **nutrition and health for mothers, newborns, and young children.** Look for the letter signing tables in the foyer at all the Masses next **weekend, April 23/24.** Also look for bulletin inserts in April with more information about this letter signing campaign. (Sponsored by the St Joseph Charity and Justice Committee)

SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, May 1, 9am—1pm

We will have small **Fair Trade event** here in the parish hall. Contact the parish office for more information.



2015 St Josephs' Parish campout is scheduled for **July 14-17.** What a great vacation idea at only \$92.38 for three days. Payment plans are available. Registration forms are available on the table outside the Parish office. Questions, call the parish office 926-7133.



WOMEN'S SCRIPTURE STUDY, meets **Mondays, 6:30-8pm in the parish cry room.** Our topic is the Gospel of Luke. All are welcome to join or visit the group. Call or email Mary 509-475-6320, mehduncan@gmail.com

Morning Faith Study Group, Thursdays 9am

Studying 2 DVDs - "Sabbath" by Lauren F. Winner and "The Faith and Practice of the Earliest Christians" by Tony Jones. The format will be part DVD and part the book by Lauren Winner called "Sabbath", intertwining the two DVD's and her book (\$10) for the classes.

Outreach Eucharistic Ministry—We Need You!

An essential parish ministry involves taking the Eucharist to those unable to attend Sunday Mass. **Currently Sacred Heart Hospital is also in need of volunteers** to take Eucharist to patients. If you are interested in serving your fellow Catholics through the Eucharist, please leave your name in the parish office, or call Sharon Elliott 924-0336. Training will be provided.

St Joseph Partnering with Otis Orchards Elementary

We have a wonderful opportunity to help our community in a very meaningful way by partnering with the children at Otis Orchards Elementary School. Our parish, through the Charity and Justice Committee, has been working with Otis Orchards to provide weekend meals through the Bite-2-Go Program since March 2015. This year, we expanded our volunteer efforts to include a Reading Program. Children not reading at grade level have a severe disadvantage and their odds of graduating are significantly lowered. We are looking for about six more volunteers that will work with at risk children on a 1-on-1 basis for approximately 15 minute sessions. Each session involves helping kids to correctly read out loud their weekly assignment. Sessions will be at Otis Orchards and specific times and days will be determined later. If you are interested in volunteering or getting more information regarding our support for Otis Orchards Elementary, please contact Mary Cameron, mhcameron79@hotmail.com or Jim Baumker, jabaum@comcast.net.

Thank you to all our St Joseph's family for the many prayers, expressions of love, sorrow, cards and just being there for us during our beloved Mary's illness, passing and final rites. Your support was very comforting and meant an awful lot to us. You are truly family. May God bless you all for your kindness. Ted Shepard and family.



2016 NICYC "A Night in Italy"

St. Pius X Catholic Church, CdA
Friday, April 22, 5:30-8pm

Come join us for our annual North Idaho Catholic Youth Camp fundraiser! There will be a silent auction, complimentary wine tasting, Italian dinner and a "really cool raffle" with a great prize package. Tickets are \$20 per person, adults only. You can purchase your tickets online at www.nicyc.org via Pay-Pal or you can pre-register and pay at Will-Call on arrival. \$10 Raffle tickets can be purchased that night. *Please help our youth grow in Christ, fellowship and lots of fun!*

Can you give the gift of time? **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Without the hard work and good hearts of our volunteers, there would be no **Spokane Valley Partners**. To volunteer, all you need is a positive attitude, a warm smile, a willingness to assist those in need and a quick phone call to **Cora** at **509.927.1153**, ext. 19.

The following days and times are most-needed, but we're flexible and can accommodate anyone who is able to help.

Clothing Bank: Mon, 12:30 - 3 pm;

Front Desk: Tues, Noon - 4 pm or Friday, 8am - Noon
10814 East Broadway Avenue, Spokane Valley, WA 99206,
devdir@svpart.org

St Joseph volunteer lawn crew needs you!

The guys are looking for someone to join the team to help with weed whacking. Please contact the parish office.



Community Garden

Spring has "sprung" and it's time to start on our vegetable gardens. This year, we ask everyone who has a garden to contribute a portion to our local food banks. Just bring your produce to Church and we will deliver. Also, the Church's Community Garden, which is on the southwest corner next to the tool shed, is looking for volunteers to tend some of the raised bed gardens, whose output will all be donated. Contact Mark Schuller (509-869-7661, markman@me.com) or any member of the Charity and Justice Committee for more information.

The **St Gabriel's Moms group** is **compiling a recipe and tradition cookbook** and we need **YOUR** help. We're looking for scrumptious recipes, family traditions, and accompanying photos surrounding Christmas, Lent, Easter, and Feast Days. We plan to sell the finished cookbook as a fundraiser for the Year of Mercy & the "Bite to Go" program at Otis Orchards Elementary. Please send submissions to Sevrina Ryan at Sevrina.Ryan@gmail.com as soon as possible! If the recipe comes from a source other than you, please cite as appropriate. **Families**—Looking for ways to get your children involved in the Jubilee Year of Mercy? We'd like their help. The mother's group is holding a cover competition for this liturgical cookbook. "Foods of Our Faith: Liturgical Recipes and Traditions" is set to be completed and available by mid October. The cover contest is open to all children grades K-8. 1st prize is a \$20 Amazon Gift Card; 5 runner ups will be chosen for the section covers and \$10 Amazon Cards. Submissions should be sent to Sevrina Ryan **by May 1st** to qualify for the contest.

In anticipation of St Joseph Parish 125th anniversary next summer, we are having a registration drive. If you have not already registered, please do so.

☉ Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers & Greeters ☉

Please let Cindy know availability info **for the May-June schedule**. Please email, call or drop a note in the parish office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Year Devine Mercy Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe December 7-14, 2016

Anyone interested in joining this pilgrimage should sign up as soon as possible because the space is limited to 25 and it is first come-first serve and for financial reasons, the pilgrimage would have to be canceled if most of the reserved spaces are not essentially filled by September 1st. Talk to Deacon Chalo for details and reservation forms.

Parish Office Manager Opening: Our Lady of Fatima

Parish is currently accepting applications for an Office Manager. Three to five years of office experience is required as well as a working knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Publisher, Outlook, Excel). Experience with PDS preferred. To apply, please send a resume and two letters of recommendation to: 1517 E. 33rd Ave, Spokane, WA 99203 or email cbonin@dioceseofspokane.org. No phone calls, please. Position is open until filled.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Live Edition of “Time With The Bishop”, Tues, April 19

Bishop Thomas Daly will host another 1 hour live edition of “Time with the Bishop” from noon-1 p.m. on Sacred Heart Radio, KTTO 970 AM in Spokane. Please call with questions and comments and interaction with Bishop Daly: 327-3695. Questions for Bishop Daly can be emailed to: inlandregister@dioceseofspokane.org, or write: Time with the Bishop, Communications Office, P.O. Box 1453, Spokane, WA 99210-1453.

Poor Clare Tea, Sunday, April 24, Noon - 2 p.m.

The Hemmingson Center, Multi-Purpose Room, Gonzaga University. Come celebrate with the Sisters one hundred and two years of serving Spokane. All are welcome.

St Paschal Parish will be celebrating its **centennial** July 16-17. All are welcome. For information call Cindy Koker 509-869-2799

“When I see that the burden is beyond my strength. I do not consider or analyze it or probe into it, but I run like a child to the Heart of Jesus and say only one word to Him: ‘You can do all things.’ and then I keep silent, because I know that Jesus Himself will intervene in the matter, and as for me, instead of tormenting myself, I use that time to love Him.”

St. Faustina

Visit LiveMercy.org to sign up for daily inspiration.

Catholic Daughters Annual Spring Tea & Fashion Show

Sat, June 4, 11am—2pm St. Thomas More Parish Center Come and enjoy a delicious tea, fashion show and silent auction, presented by the Catholic Daughters Court #196. Tickets are \$20. For tickets, please call Kathy Imholt 466-3392

Taizé Sunday Evening Prayer Service held at Immaculate Heart Retreat Center on the **last Sun of each month** from **7-8 pm**. The **next dates are April 24, May 29**.

For questions or more information call Andi at 448-9736.

All are invited!

Healing of Families

Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament

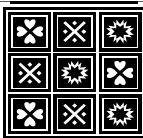
Tuesdays 7:00 pm, St Thomas More (in the chapel), 505 W St Thomas More Way, Spokane.

Prayers for you and your family, Eucharistic songs, Rosary, Scripture readings, Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

BEAUTIFUL QUILTS AVAILABLE

The Chancery Quilting Ladies have beautiful cotton quilts available in sizes crib—queen.. Prices are reasonable ranging from \$20-\$40. Now is an excellent time to get a gift for someone for a birthday, a baby shower or even for a graduate. All profits go to Catholic Charities.

Call (509) 487-4423 or (509) 328-5688 for more information. Located in the St. Anne Children & Family Center basement, 25 W 5th Ave, Spokane—open on Fridays.



Immaculate Heart Retreat Center

6910 S Ben Burr Rd, Spokane

For more information or to register in advance:

(509) 448-1224 or visit www.ihrc.net

Breakfast with the Bishop - “*Being Intentionally Catholic – a Basic Decision of Life*”, Bishop Emeritus William Skylstad
May 17: “From Pews to Shoes—Walking the Talk”

Barbeques with Bishop Skylstad. Summer Barbeque with beer & wine and talk over desseert & Coffee. Starts with Mass at 5pm, ends at 8pm. Cost is \$25, register in advance.

June 7: “*The Power of Mercy in a Troubled World*”

July 12: “*The Crises of Leadership in our World: How are we genuine ‘Salt & Light’*”

Aug. 23: “*The Church—A Prophetic Leader of Relationships in a Global World*”

Silent Days of Prayer: 9am—3pm, cost is \$38 with an additional \$10 for a room

May 18, “*Mary: Receiver and Proclaimer of Mercy!*”

Fr Victor Blazovich

June 15, Jubilee Year of Mercy. “*A Pilgrimage of Mercy*”

Fr. Daniel Barnett

Mother’s Day Champagne Brunch, May 8, 9am-2pm

All you can eat buffet, carving station, omelet bar, decadent desserts and a special gift for mom. Adults \$30, Children \$10 (age 6-12). All proceeds support IHRC’s Ministry.

Upcoming Retreats:

May20-22: For Men & Women “Attaining Interior Freedom and Peace in the School of the Holy Spirit” Fr. Jacques Philippe. Cost \$196/person, \$302/couple, \$110/commuter

June3-5: Serenity 12 Step Retreat “Practical, Simple, and Basic: the Genius of the 12 Steps” Fr Thomas Weston, SJ Cost: \$192/person, \$294/couple, \$110/commuter

June 27-July 1: Weeklong for Men & Women Contemplation in Action. Fr Jeffrey Core. A Week of spiritual refreshment alongside time set aside to work on the Retreat Center. Meals & lodging included free, able-bodied persons needed!

Beginning Experience Weekend

Have you become widowed, separated or divorced and wondering how you cope now that you are alone? You do not have to suffer alone. The Beginning Experience programs serve those of all faiths, transforming lives and making a real difference. Participants become more effective parents, they develop healthier family relationships, and they begin to deal with the pain of their loss, their anger, and so much more. The impact of the weekend is profound and long lasting. When you are ready, Beginning Experience wants to help. We offer a weekend twice a year. Our spring weekend is **May 20-22 at Immaculate Heart Retreat Center** in Spokane. Please call Marlene (509) 534-1797 to register and/or visit www.beginningexperienceofspokane.us.

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