

# St. Joseph Parish — Otis Orchards



**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**Saturday, March 25**  
 5:30pm People of the Parish  
**Sunday, March 26**  
 8:00am †Alicia Weber  
 10:30am †Matias Ayento  
**Tuesday, March 28**  
 8:30am  
**Wednesday, March 29**  
 6:00pm Jack & Family  
**Thursday, March 30**  
 8:30am †Rita Hagman  
**Friday, March 31**  
 8:30am †Rita Hagman  
**Saturday, April 1**  
 5:30pm †Bonnie Grant  
**Sunday, April 2**  
 8:00am People of the Parish  
 10:30am †Effie Curry



“He leadeth me beside  
 the still waters.”  
*Psalm 23:2*

**Scriptures for April 2**  
 Ezekiel 37:12-14    Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8  
 Romans 8:8-11    John 11:1-45

### March 26—Fourth Sunday of Lent

The blind man was willing to let Jesus minister to him and willingly did all Jesus asked of him. The Pharisees were more resistant to His message, spending their time and energy to disprove the miracle. Which am I more like, the man born blind or the Pharisees?



### STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

“Lent is about a relationship, the most important one, with God & our neighbor.”  
 Fr. John Lombardi

### WEEK AHEAD –March 27-April 2

Monday	Night Walk Sandwich Making	10am
	Faith Formation Council	6:30pm
	Women’s Faith Study	6:30pm
	Scouts	7pm
Tuesday	After Mass Social group	9am
	Quilters	10am
	Eucharistic Adoration	12:30-3:30pm
	Scripture & Prayer Group	6:30pm
	RCIA	6:30pm
Wednesday	Eucharistic Adoration	6-8am
	Mom’s Group	9:30am
	Youth to Union Gospel Mission	4:30pm
	125th Anniversary Meeting	6:30pm
	Eucharistic Adoration	6:30-10pm
Thursday	Faith Study Group	9am
	Choir Practice	
Friday	Soup and Stations of the Cross	6pm
Sunday	Knights Breakfast	9am-12:30pm
	RE PreK-7th	9:15am
	Hour of Faith	9:20am
	Baptism Class	11:45am
	Youth Night	6pm

### WEEKLY COLLECTION 3/19/2017

Envelopes	Plate	TOTAL	
\$ 6,128.00	\$ 809.17	\$ 6,937.17	
Total for March to date:		\$ 21,347.77	
Needed Monthly		\$ 31,200.00	
Building Fund Total for March		\$ 581.00	
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OPOF Campaign	2013	2016	Total
Pledges	\$727,785	\$463,193	\$1,190,978
<b>Collected</b>	<b>\$677,388</b>	<b>\$212,025.33</b>	<b>\$889,413.33</b>



In today’s Responsorial Psalm: “*Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage.*” Loving and generous God, it is You who call us by name and ask us to follow You. Help us to grow in the love and service of our Church. Give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit to shape its future. Inspire us to know You better and open our hearts to hear Your call.

Knights of Columbus, pancake breakfast donations update for 2017. Since the beginning of 2017, thanks to the wonderful generosity (and appetite) of our parishioners, the St Joseph Knights of Columbus has been able to donate \$602 to the local Mann-Grandstaff Veterans Medical Center (January), \$500 (\$250 each) to two local, Otis-Orchards neighborhood food banks (February) and \$500 to the Greater Spokane Meals on Wheels (March). Our thanks to all who have contributed both time and treasure; making a difference for others.

**The next breakfast will be April 2<sup>nd</sup> (not the 9<sup>th</sup> due to Palm Sunday) with proceeds supporting Breast Cancer Awareness.**



The Knights will be having an **Easter Egg hunt** after the 10:30 Easter Mass and are asking for candy donations to fill the plastic eggs. **WRAPPED** candy can be dropped off in the basket in the gathering area.



### Holy Thursday Feet Washing and Adoration

Please sign up in the gathering area if you would like to volunteer to have their feet washed as part of the Holy Thursday Mass. Also we need people to sign up to spend some quiet time with Jesus after the Holy Thursday Mass. The times are from 8:30pm to midnight.

### LITURGY SCHEDULE for April 1st & 2nd

Mass	GREETER	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	USHERS	SERVERS
<b>5:30pm</b>	R & B Perry	T Klutz	H Shogren, M Kimber, Deacon Chalo		R Bailey H Osborne
<b>8:00am</b>	D & G Carlsen	S Stuber	B Bendele, T Bendele, R Wood G Carlsen, M Lunneborg	J Rosa D Carlsen	M Lunneborg M Lunneborg
<b>10:30am</b>	J & E Peterson	P Bisson	K Dondero, Holley, J Rich, R Rich M Lamb, I Lamb, Deacon Chalo	M Edwards B Pearson	A Nicholls R Allen

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



## FAITH FORMATION



### CONFIRMATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST

will be celebrated here at St. Joseph on **Sat., May 20 at the 5:30pm Mass.**

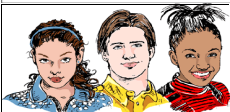


Next preparation session for **students and parents** is **Sun, April 9th, 1-3pm** in the parish hall. The preparation schedule has been sent to all 2nd grade Sunday School families and those who have already expressed interest. Others who would like their student to celebrate these sacraments this year, please contact the parish office so that we might send you a schedule. Call Teresa in the parish office for more information.



### Religious Education for 4 year olds—7th Grade Supporting parents in passing on the Catholic Faith!

**Weekly RE classes Sun, 9:15-10:15am** at Otis Elementary. March 26, April 2, 9, 23 & 30. You can register before RE on Sundays at Otis. Contact Teresa for more information: [religioused@stjoeparish.org](mailto:religioused@stjoeparish.org) or 926-7133.



### Youth Ministry Supporting the Faith and Spirituality of Teens 8th-12th Grades Sundays, 6:00-8:00 pm

Dear Rocking Teens and their Families, We had a great time at the concert last Sunday! Many thanks to Philomena Allen for driving and chaperoning! I would love to have more of you go next time- *Winter Jam* in November!

We will be meeting this week, beginning in the church for our final dress rehearsal for the Stations of the Cross shadow play and have made some set changes to make it more visible for everyone. **We will be performing our shadow play on Friday, March 31st** and could use all of you. Please invite your family and friends to our play, a powerful way to celebrate Lent!

On **Wed, March 29**, we will be meeting at the church at 4:30pm to go to the Union Gospel Mission to serve dinner. Please come and help serve. They also generously feed us afterwards, so we will be returning to the church by 7:00pm. We hope and pray that you have a week where you continue to follow God's call to "give a little of yourselves and be a light to the world". God bless, Meta, Gene, and the Youth Ministry Team. [metaboik@hotmail.com](mailto:metaboik@hotmail.com).

### St. Joseph's Baptism Schedule—2017

**Classes:** April 2 & 9 **Baptism:** April 16 (Easter) Please call the parish office to register or if you have any questions, 926-7133



### Becoming Catholic—RCIA

**Renae Hegarty and Christina Ross**, our RCIA Catechumens, are preparing for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

Our RCIA candidates: **Bill Clutter, Malik Ore, Michelle Privett, Bo Snyder, and Mary Grace Toomey**, already one with us by reason of their Baptism in Christ, are preparing to celebrate Confirmation and Eucharist. Our parish community supports them and prays for them in their desire to become full members of the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil, April 15 at 8:00pm!

## MARCH/APRIL PARISH HAPPENINGS

### Letter Writing Campaign to our Elected Officials: This weekend, March 25/26 at all the Mases in the foyer!!

*Sponsored by the St Joseph Charity and Justice Committee*  
You are invited to sign letters to your Washington or Idaho representatives and senators. Priority issues that are requested in the letters are designated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: **\*Strengthening Poverty-Reducing International Assistance, \*Standing in Solidarity with Refugees, \*Improving and Preserving Access to Health Care.** We will take care of mailing all the signed letters.



### Soup and Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent—Soup begins at 6pm, Stations begin at 7pm.



**Our 8th—12th grade youth** are leading Stations this coming Friday, March 31st with *shadow plays of each Station*. **Our 6th—7th grade youth** are leading Stations on Friday, April 7th, dressed in costumes at each Station. Bring your families to these last 2 Fridays in Lent. (If your family is planning on coming for dinner, if you can, please bring a pot of soup or macaroni & cheese to share.) Donations go to **Rice Bowl**.

How is your Lent progressing?

As we move more deeply into Lent we may find our resolve to acts of prayer, fasting and almsgiving waning a bit! It may be helpful to remember our goals: drawing closer to Christ, turning from sin, and turning our hearts towards a more just world. During Lent some people find it beneficial to come to daily Mass (Tues, Thurs, Fri 8:30 a.m.; Wed 6:00 p.m.) and/or to spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament (See schedule on the front of the bulletin). Living the Christian life requires persistence and commitment. Christ offers us – in many ways – all the graces we need.

### RICE BOWL—ENCOUNTER COMMUNITY

We encounter Maria in Mexico, where a community of hard-working women share joys, sorrows and fellowship while growing economic opportunity at a greenhouse.

How have your communities helped you encounter Christ anew this Lent?

Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more. Don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app!



*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** March 26, April 2, 9 & 23 at **9:20am** in the church.



### ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

As of last week, \$ 60,581 has been pledged for the Annual Catholic Appeal which is 71% of our goal from 36% of our parishioners. Thank you for your support of this year's ACA. If you have not made a pledge, please prayerfully consider supporting this vital ministry. **Checks payable** to Annual Catholic Appeal or online [www.dioceseofspokane.org](http://www.dioceseofspokane.org).

## ON GOING PARISH HAPPENINGS

Thank you to all who contributed ideas for our celebration logo! This is the one chosen:

Our **125th Anniversary Celebration committee** meets **Weds 6:30pm** in the conference room. If you want to be involved please call Cheri Hoag-burg at 863-3748 or email at [choag-burg@hotmail.com](mailto:choag-burg@hotmail.com).



**ST. JOSEPH PARISH**  
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**Night Walk** A group of volunteers serves sandwiches, cookies, coffee and water, and distribute clothing to our homeless brothers and sisters in Spokane the **2nd and 4th Monday of each month. We will next be making sandwiches and bagging cookies Monday, March 27th** at 10:00am. For additional information regarding this ministry please contact **Deacon Chalo** at 509-263-9553, or by email at [gmartinez@dioceseofspokane.org](mailto:gmartinez@dioceseofspokane.org)

### Monday Night Women's Faith Study

We are studying **'Conversion', Following the Call of Christ**, by Bishop Robert Barron. Walk-ins are welcome for any of our studies. We meet in the cry room from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Contact Sue Moss for more information at 710-1575 or [sooymoss@gmail.com](mailto:sooymoss@gmail.com).

### Opening God's Word with the Sunday Scriptures.

Reflection and prayer guided by parishioner Rick McLean **weekly on Tues, 6:30—7:30pm in the Cry Room off the foyer.** Everyone is welcome, men, women, and older teens. Attend when you are able; this one hour a week might become a priority when you discover the **rich graces from this spiritual practice.**

**St. Gabriel's Group (Mom's Group)** meets Wed, 9:30-11:30am, and are studying the book **"Good News about Sex and Marriage"** by **Christopher West**. Check out the parish website for a calendar and to see what the group represents. Any questions call or text Jaymie Miner, (509)999-6631 or [angeljaye1@aol.com](mailto:angeljaye1@aol.com).



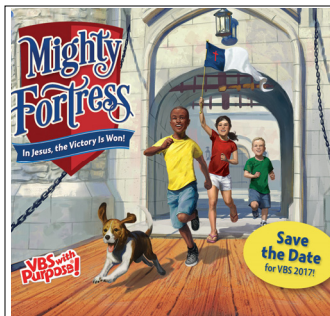
### "The Great Religions of the World"

Join the **Thursday Morning Faith Study Group** from 9-10:30am in the hall studying the lectures from the Great Courses. The next part of the series has just started. Anyone interested is welcome to join them. For information please call or email Dave Bailey at 951-1492 or [9511492@gmail.com](mailto:9511492@gmail.com).



**Rosary:** Parishioner Gary Wycoff will be leading a Rosary every Saturday at 10am in the Eucharist Chapel (thru the winter months). Special prayers will be said for all of the violence in the world. Everyone is welcome!

<http://stjoeparish.org/> Bookmark St Joseph's to be up to date on everything at the parish!  
<http://dioceseofspokane.org/> Catholic Diocese of Spokane is now on Facebook! Go to [www.facebook.com/pages/Catholic-Diocese-of-Spokane/116335971744555](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Catholic-Diocese-of-Spokane/116335971744555) and "like" them to follow the happenings around the Diocese.



**St. Joseph's Vacation Bible School** is scheduled for **Mon, June 26th—Thurs, June 29th.** At **MIGHTY FORTRESS**, children confidently celebrate that Jesus is their champion and God is our Mighty Fortress and our Shield. Because the victory is won, every day is a day to celebrate!

### **2017 Parish Campout**

This years campout is scheduled for **July 13-16.** Cost is the same as last year @ \$92.38 with payment plans available. Start now and your payments would only be \$18.48/month. Space is limited so register early! Any questions call Brad at 208-683-1878 or see him after 10:30am Mass. Registration Forms under the poster in the gathering area.



All Catholic high school youth!! The **2017 Steubenville Northwest Conference at Gonzaga University** is the weekend of **July 28-30.** This weekend offers an amazing gathering where **over 1,000 teens** are able to laugh, cry, sing, pray, and be encouraged in Christ. Dynamic speakers who instruct and challenge teens (Fr Mike Schmitz, Mary Bielski, **youtube them!!** And more...) Vibrant music, praise and worship! Registration information will be available soon. Dorm space is limited, so talk with Meta or Gene Boik if you want to attend, [metaboik@hotmail.com](mailto:metaboik@hotmail.com)

## IN THE COMMUNITY

**Catholic Renewal Ministry Spirit-filled Conference** **Fri, April 7, 6:30-9pm** (check in 6pm) and **Sat, April 8, 9am-6pm**, with a **Healing Mass at 4pm. Gonzaga Prep, 1224 E Euclid, Spokane.** Cost: free will offering. Robert Canton will address the topics: *The Roles of the Holy Spirit in a Person's Life, The Charisms of the Holy Spirit and How to be a Miracle Worker Through the Power of the Holy Spirit.* To register go to [www.CatholicRenewalMinistry.org](http://www.CatholicRenewalMinistry.org) or mail your info before March 30 to CRM/Linda Pettis, 1018 W Glass, Spokane, WA 99205. Please include your name, address, phone & email.

**Spokane Valley Partners**  
**1st Annual Spokane Civic Theatre Fundraiser**  
**"Noises OFF" Wed, April 12**

6:30pm social hour and raffles, 7:30pm curtain. 1020 N Howard St, Spokane. Free parking in Spokane Arena lots. **Noises OFF** presents a manic menagerie as a cast of traveling actors rehearses a flop called Nothing's On. Tickets are \$30 each with all ticket sales going directly to Spokane Valley Partners' programs & services.

**Catholic Singles Mingle**

All ages of single adults are welcome to check out Catholic Singles Mingle! Every week we have events, such as game nights, art-walks, eating out, outdoor events, seminars, hikes, dancing, etc.! No dues. Call Cathy at (509) 226-1380, or see our website at [www.meetup.com/Catholic-Singles-Mingle](http://www.meetup.com/Catholic-Singles-Mingle).

## AROUND THE DIOCESE

### A Musical Comedy Adaptation of **Mary Poppins**

Presented by The Knights of Columbus of St Joseph, Colbert  
**Sat, March 25th, 7 p.m. & Sun, March 26th, 3 p.m.**  
In support of Missionaries of Charity and Catholic Charities Rising Strong Program. The **all male cast** will bring you two hours of laughter the likes you have never experienced with the magic of Mary Poppins. Refreshments will be available both before the play and at intermission. The play will be held at St Joseph Parish, Colbert, 3720 E Colbert Rd just off Hwy. 2. Tickets are \$11 each and can be purchased on the parish website—[stjosephcolbert.org/](http://stjosephcolbert.org/). For further information please contact Art Smalley at (509) 995-0873 or [asmalley0821@aol.com](mailto:asmalley0821@aol.com)

**St. Mary Parish** invites all to participate in our **parish mission** with our guest, **Fr. Richard Hauser, SJ**. Fr. Hauser is one of several speakers promoted through Dynamic Catholic and a professor at Creighton University. Our mission runs from 7-8:30 pm for three nights, **March 26, 27, and 28** in the church at 304 S Adams Rd, Spokane Valley. If you have any questions please contact the parish office 509-928-3210.

### **Broken & Given Retreat**

**Catholic Women's Retreat, Sat, April 1– Sun, April 2**  
*Broken & Given* retreat will be a time to explore God's word and unpack the sacraments to find out what it means to live "cruciform" and abundantly right where you are. A Retreat for Catholic Women this Lent, you can get away, slow down and savor time with the Lord and with other women at the beautiful Clearwater Lodge at Davis Lake. The cost of this all-inclusive retreat is \$95-\$170 based on lodging selection. **Register by March 29** at [www.stjosephcolbert.org](http://www.stjosephcolbert.org). For more information contact Alisa Kostecka at [littlealisa@gmail.com](mailto:littlealisa@gmail.com) or (509) 710-7559

**St Joseph' Parish**, 1517 W Dean, Spokane, is sponsoring a **fund-raising Reader's Theatre**, April 2 at 3pm in the Parish Hall. The title of our presentation is "**The Perilous Passing of Prudence Proudwell**." It is a melodrama by Donald Mellen. A donation of \$10 is suggested; children under age 12 only 25¢. Refreshments are included and a raffle of various items will also be available with tickets at only \$1 each.

### **Natural Family Planning (NFP)**

Couples who have learned to embrace their shared fertility as a blessing have discovered their communication, relationship, and love life are better with Natural Family Planning. To learn more visit <http://live-the-love.org> or call 509-590-8576. A series of classes is starting 9:30am Saturday, **April 22**, at St. Peter Parish, 3520 E. 18th Avenue, Spokane, 99223. To register for this class or a self-paced on-line class, go to <http://register.ccli.org>.

The Missionaries of Charity would like to invite you to join them in a **Novena on the 13<sup>th</sup> of each month** beginning in February and continuing until October. This is in commemoration of the apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. The Novena will be held at St. Patrick's Church, 5021 N Nelson St, Spokane and will begin with Mass at 6:00 pm. A rosary procession in the neighborhood will follow and conclude with the Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

### **Chrism Mass**

The faithful of the Diocese of Spokane are invited to the Chrism Mass which will be celebrated at **5:15 pm on Tues, April 4th** at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes. Bishop Daly will be joined by the priests of the diocese for this annual blessing of Holy Oils. The name of this Mass comes from the Sacred Chrism which is one of the oils to be blessed and then used for celebrations of Baptism, Confirmation and Ordination to the Priesthood. The other oils to be blessed are the Oil of the Sick And the Oil of Catechumens. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

### **Immaculate Heart Retreat Center**

6910 S Ben Burr Rd, Spokane, (509) 448-1224

For more information or to register in advance: [www.ihrc.net](http://www.ihrc.net)

**Silent Day of Prayer:** 9am-3pm, begins with the Rosary, and includes the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Mass, two conferences, lunch and concludes with Adoration. \$38/ \$48 with a room. Please register in advance.

**April 6, Thurs:** "*The Prodigal Son Retold from a 1st Century Point of View*", Msgr. Kevin Codd

**May 17, Wed:** "*Mary and Her Fatima Message: Celebrating 100 Years*" Fr Kenny St. Hilaire

**Coffee and Contemplation.** 9-11 am, Cost \$10—includes roll & hot beverage. Come enjoy spirited discussion & prayer time. People of all faiths welcome!

**April 19:** "*Crossing the Threshold with SoulCollage*" Heather Berndt

### **Upcoming Retreats**

**Holy Week Retreats** "*Walking with Our Lord and His Cross Towards the Resurrection*" Fr Michael Maher, SJ

**Women's:** April 10—12. **Men's** April 13-15

**Women's Healing Retreat,** May 5—7, Thea Loughery & Sarah Compton

**Weekend Serenity Retreat,** June 2—4, Fr Emmerick Vogt

**Weekly Serenity of the Heart AA Meeting, Every Friday at 12 noon.** The group is always open for more members. Call Barb at (509) 688-5640, if you would like to come, or simply come to the meeting. All are welcome!

**Private Directed Retreats** are always available: Ignatian, or Scriptural Spiritual Direction retreats. 3-Day, 5-Day, 8-Day, or 30-Day. We can tailor a retreat to your spiritual, and emotional needs. For more information or to register in advance. Please call: (509) 448-1224 or visit [www.ihrc.net](http://www.ihrc.net) Cost per day is dependent on the length of the retreat with meals.

### **Taize Prayer**

**7-8pm** at Immaculate Heart Retreat Center. Please join us for a beautiful hour of contemplative Taize worship and song. The Brothers of Taize espouse the Gospel message "that they all be one, Father, as You and I are one."  
**Sundays,** Mar 26, Apr 30, & May 28.

**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.