

## December 9, 2018

### Stewardship Message

*"And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value..." PHILIPPIANS 1:9-10* Glittery holiday ads can blind us to our stewardship values and distort our needs and wants. It is important that during this season of endless buying we remember that each of us also has the need to give back to God and to those that are in need.

### Every day-Every way Stewards

That we may resist the lure of holiday advertising and instead concentrate on the message of simplicity and trust that is found in the Christmas manger scene.

### Collection for December 2, 2018

Sunday Offerings	\$17,893.05
Building Fund Weekly Collection	\$3,434.95
Children's Offerings	\$1,043.08
School Donation	\$407.00
Priest Retirement	\$25.00



**Prayers:** For our Armed Forces at home and overseas including **Christian Fraga, Journey Brabanty, Steven Hahn, Ian Dimmick, Ramon Vargas, John Hylden, Andrew Jacobsen, Christy Hylden, Alexander Araujo, Tyson Kaas, and Juan Borrego, Christian Shink.**

For our sick including **Drew Schreiber, Rob Jasso, Sr. Robert Joseph, Elaine Himes, Vivian Whitman, Shirley Foster, Lois and Rick Rutherford, Fr. Lawrence Reilly, Silvia Rodriguez, Jan Billings, Kathleen Barone, Monica Moore, Gil Gloria, Lourdes Nelson, John Walker, Pat Ray, Jessica Floeter, Billy Sickles, Christina Dimmick, Rosa Elena Gomez, Nestor Barba, David Pottorff, Elizabeth Torres, Ignacio Jaramillo, Luis Carrasco, Rory Vadlres, Rosa Nicacio, Ruth Hutchings, Eva Bratton, Kim Davis, Frank Hernandez, Francisco Alvarado, Kathy Ramirez, Donna Whitehead, Candelaria Garcia, Jan McCallister, Alberto Carranza, Maria L. Juarez, Danika Whitsett, Bill Roe, Scott Meyer, Rick Meyer, John Curran, Marcie Palmieri, Agnes True** and all parishioners experiencing health problems, and for those from our community who have passed away recently especially; **Maria Seniorina Chavez**, Sister of Maria Chavez.

Be sure to call when your ill family member gets better, so we can make room for someone else on the list of prayers for the sick.

### Eucharistic Adoration:

**Jesus is waiting. Could you please help with Adoration during the times listed below?**

**Monday: 1am, 3am; Tuesday: 12 (midnight), 1pm; Wednesday: 12 (midnight); Saturday: 12(noon), 5pm.**



*Underlined hours = no adorers*

Call Carol, 582-5011, to volunteer for an hour.

*"Roses bloomed in the snow. A poor garment is imprinted with an image of Our Blessed Mother. It has lasted for centuries and no scientist can figure out how the image is on the cloth. She is the woman clothed with the sun. The sun is symbolic of her Eucharistic Son. Both hearts beat as one." (From-Letters to a Brother Priest)*

**The Adoration Chapel is open to all 24/7. Please visit Our Lord any time you would like.**

## Second Sunday of Advent

### Welcome to our Parish Community!

If you are new to St. Joseph, we welcome you – whether you have come here from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish. You have helped us celebrate the liturgy in a beautiful way. If you would like to become a part of our Catholic community, fill out a registration form available in the foyer of the Big Church or call the Parish Office, 586-3820, or just stop by the office. Welcome!

### REGULAR EVENTS AT OUR PARISH

Morning Prayer	Liturgy of the Hours, Monday-Friday, SC	6:00 am
K of C business meeting	Second Tuesdays, Annex #805	7:00 pm
Middle School Youth Group	Mondays, PAC	6:00 pm
Pro-Life Rosary	Tuesdays, Planned Parenthood Building	9:20 am
Marian Devotion	Rosary/Confession/Mass Tuesday, BC	6:30 pm
Prepares	Tuesdays, Annex #809	1:30 pm
Moms' Chatterbox	Thursdays, Annex #809	10:00am
Chancel Choir	Thursdays, BC	6:30 pm
TMIY	Thursdays, Conf. Room	7:00 pm
First Fridays	Mass and Benediction, SC	7:00 pm
Catholic Daughters	Second Saturday, Mothers' Room, SC	9:00 am
Carmelites of the Sacred Heart-	Third Saturdays, Preschool	9:00 am
Jr. Catholic Daughters	Fourth Saturdays, Mothers' Room, SC	9:20 am
	BC– Big Church SC– Small Church	



**St. Joseph Catholic Church, Kennewick**  
**Also check out our updated website**  
[www.stjoseph-kennewick.org](http://www.stjoseph-kennewick.org)

### Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

**December 10-16**

Monday	6:30 am (RIP) Elain Loftus 8:30 am (RIP) Pauline McAloon
Tuesday	6:30 am (RIP) Pam Spencer 8:30 am (Birthday) Alice Marie Chuang 7:00 pm
Wednesday	5:00 am 6:30 am (RIP) Holy Souls 8:30 am (RIP) Richard St Hilaire 7:00 pm (RIP) Raul Beltran
Thursday	6:30 am (RIP) Holy Souls 8:30 am (RIP) Lysiak Souls in Purgatory 7:00 pm
Friday	6:30 am (RIP) Holy Souls 8:30 am (RIP) Lysiak Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	8:30 am (RIP) Holy Souls 5:30 pm (RIP) Edwin & Violeta Gosiengfiao (RIP) Gladys Gonzalez (RIP) James Van Lanen 7:30 pm
Sunday	7:00 am St Joseph Parish 9:00 am (RIP) Monica Duncan 11:00am (RIP) Holy Souls (RIP) Carmelita Ablaza (RIP) Gladys Gonzalez 1:00 pm (RIP) Washington Jaime (RIP) Cielo Campuzano 7:00 pm (RIP) Alison Ward

Contact the Parish Office to request a Mass for a special intention or the repose of a soul or in honor of someone's birthday, feast day, anniversary or in memory of the day someone died. The suggested donation is \$10.00. The Sunday 7:00 am Mass is celebrated for St Joseph Parish. Other Sunday Masses and the Vigil are available for Mass intentions.



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## Registration is Now Open

Have you been searching for a school with strong academics with an emphasis on faith and values? St. Joseph's Catholic School has an excellent Montessori Preschool, an established all day kindergarten program, and rigorous 1st-8th grade curriculum.

Registration is currently restricted to existing families. Places are reserved on a first come first serve basis, so get your registration in now! For registration packets or more information, please see the [Admissions](#) page or call and schedule a tour.

Visit us at [www.sjske.org](http://www.sjske.org) and like us on Facebook!

## Celebrate Mary in December

Saturday, December 8, is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which is the patronal feast of the United States and a holy day of obligation. In view of the great devotion many of our people have for Our Lady of Guadalupe, Bishop Joseph Tyson is dispensing the obligation to attend Mass December 8 for those who attend a Guadalupe Mass on Wednesday, December 12. As is already the case, Catholics who are unable to attend Mass on a holy day of obligation may seek a dispensation from a priest or deacon of the Diocese, who can either excuse the person from the obligation completely, or commute it to another pious work, such as praying the Rosary.

### Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast

Tuesday, December 11, all night vigil at Dillon Hall  
Wednesday, December 12

4:00 am Serenade at Dillon Hall

4:30 am Serenade at (BC)

5:00 am Mass in Spanish at (BC)

6:30am and 8:30am Mass in (SC)

7:00 pm Mass in Spanish (BC)



### Giving Tree News

If you took an angel form the giving tree and did not sign for it please call Joanne Andrick at 396-3597 so she can record your angle. Thank you



### Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Children's Mass 4:00 pm

Christmas Eve Mass 6:00 pm (Eng.)

8:00 pm (Sp.)

Christmas Day 9:00 am (Eng.)

11:00 am (Sp.)



"The mystery of the Holy Night, which historically happened two thousand years ago, must be lived as a spiritual event in the 'today' of the Liturgy. The Word who found a dwelling in Mary's womb comes to knock on the heart of every person with singular intensity this Christmas." - Saint John Paul II



## Tri-Cities Advent Penance Services

Parish of the Holy Spirit, Kennewick

December 10 • 7:00 pm

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Parish, Benton City

Thursday, December 13 • 7:00 pm

Christ the King Parish, Richland

Monday, December 17 • 7:00 pm



**"The transformation of the heart that leads us to confess our sins is a gift from God ... it is 'His work.' As we leave the confessional, we wear His strength that restores life and rekindles the enthusiasm of faith. After confession we are reborn."**

Pope Francis

### Scrip



Remember to purchase your gift cards at the Parish or School Offices. Proceeds benefit St. Joseph School. We have gift cards from a variety of vendors.

### Building Campaign Collection

We thank you for your pledges to the Building Campaign. You have helped us get closer to reaching the \$1,000,000.00 goal, but we are not there yet. Every second week-end of the month we will have a **second collection** to help us reach our goal. May God continue to bless and multiply everything you do for our Parish.



### Blood Drive

The blood drive for December has been **canceled**. Join us Tuesday, February 12, from 12 noon—5pm in Dillon Hall. You can help save a life!!

### Christmas Trees

The Knights of Columbus will sell fresh cut Noble Firs in the St. Joseph Parish parking lot. Monday through Friday 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm and Saturdays and Sundays from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.



Get your tree early and enjoy it all Advent through Epiphany!



### 2019 Father-Daughter Ball A Night of Glamour

The 2019 Father -Daughter Ball is fast approaching. The event will be in Dillon Hall, from 6-9 pm Saturday, January 12, 2019. **NOTE** that this is the SECOND Saturday in January.

The ball is an "after dinner" dress-up affair, with some simple snacks, activities, music, dancing, and prizes. The event is for fathers and their daughters, grandfathers and granddaughters aged newborn to age 99. Tickets are available in the Parish Office, as well as in the foyer as announced after select Masses. Seating is limited, and there will be **no ticket sales at the door**.

**\*\*If you are a mother, father without daughters, or brother Knight in the area, or anyone else who would like to help make this event a success, please contact Jeff or Imelda Jewell at 628-5350. We could really use the extra hands, both in planning and execution!**



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## Food Drive

Help our families in need this Christmas Season, please bring non-perishable foods, etc.. beans, rice, oat meal, canned soup and sauces, pasta, and any dry or canned food. Please make sure they are not expired!! Drop off in the foyer or the Parish office.



### Annual Leavenworth Trip

Saturday, December 15, full day trip to the Bavarian Village town of Leavenworth, WA. for its annual Christmas Tree Lighting Festival. Departure 7:00 am, in front of the big Church. Return approx. 10:00 pm. There will be a dinner stop in Wenatchee.

RT fare is \$45.00 for adults 13 and up and \$35.00 for children 2 - 12yrs. Payment in full is required by Monday, Dec. 10 at time of completed application available at the parish office.



**Even Diamonds Start as Coal** - Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or do

you feel helpless? Retrouvaille is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Visit [www.Retrouvaille.org](http://www.Retrouvaille.org) for emotional testimonials. For confidential information or to register for the February 15-17, 2019 Spokane weekend call (509) 520-4118 or (800) 470-2230 or visit the web site at [www.Retrouvaille.org](http://www.Retrouvaille.org).



**A Mass of Remembrance and Healing for Infant and Pregnancy Loss**  
Friday, January 4, 2019 at 6:00 pm  
at Our Lady of Angels  
Catholic Church in Hermiston

A Mass of Remembrance and Healing for Pregnancy and Infant Loss will be held in our parish on Friday, January 4 at the 6:00 PM Mass. Our Lady of Angels parish wishes to lovingly extend this invitation to mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters, grandparents, and all who grieve the death of children as a result of miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion, or early infant death. These losses can be recent or from years past.

All babies' names will be written on cards and placed on the altar to be prayed over during the Mass. If you are unable to attend there will be cards available in the narthex the weekend of December 29-30 for you to write your child's name.

If you would like to take part in this very special Mass from afar, please email your baby's name to Kristi at the email address below or call Colleen or Kristi. We hope we can join in prayer with you on January 4.

For more information call: Colleen 541-567-3974 or Kristi 541-571-0997 Or email Kristi at [smalleys@eotnet.net](mailto:smalleys@eotnet.net)



## Meditation

*"And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more... so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ." Phil 1:9-10*

The letters of St. Paul offer us some of the earliest glimpses of life in the first Christian communities. Today we hear part of his letter to the Philippians. Although he writes from prison, Paul's words are full of hope and reassurance, instruction and guidance.

In this letter and many of his others, Paul affirms that love can make us pure, blameless and ready for the day of Christ. Some of our greatest saints have followed this way of love, finding it the quickest path to Jesus. St. Therese of the Child Jesus, desiring to serve God in some great way yet living a humble and obscure life in a cloistered Carmelite convent, discovered her vocation in St. Paul's call to love.

In her memoir, *Story of a Soul*, St. Therese tells of finding the heart of her vocation:

"Since my longing for martyrdom was powerful and unsettling, I turned to the epistles of St. Paul in the hope of finally finding an answer. By chance the 12th and 13th chapters of the 1st epistle to the Corinthians... I found this encouraging theme: *Set your desires on the greater gifts, and I will show you the way which surpasses all others.* For the Apostle insists that the greater gifts are nothing at all without love... love is surely the best path leading directly to God... Love appeared to me to be the hinge for my vocation. Indeed I knew that... the Church had a heart... aflame with love... love sets off the bounds of all vocations, that love is everything... love is everlasting.

Then... I proclaimed: O Jesus, my love, at last I have found my calling: my call is love... In the heart of the Church, my mother, I will be love, and thus I will be all things..."

This call to love is the heart of all Christian vocations. Whatever our station in life, we are all called to increase love in the world. This Advent, let us seek out little ways to show great love every day, because it is love that will prepare us for the coming of the Child Jesus at Christmas.

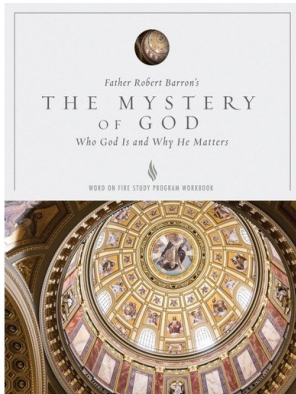


**Christmas Collection for Catholic Charities**  
ST. VINCENT CENTERS Each year, your offering at Christmas goes to support the work of Catholic Charities. Motivated by Christ's love, Catholic Charities brings hope to life by embracing people, strengthening families, and empowering to thrive. Catholic Charities serves those most in need throughout the lifecycle – from expectant mothers and families with young children to grandparents raising their grandchildren and the elderly struggling to live independently. Please give generously to help your neighbors in need. To learn more about the Catholic Charities network of services, visit [www.catholiccharitiescw.org](http://www.catholiccharitiescw.org).

## Surviving Divorce

**Divorced?** The twelve-week *Surviving Divorce* program runs weekly on Mondays, beginning January 7th at 6:30 p.m. at Christ the King Church in the Youth Center (take driveway from Long Street for entrance on lower level.) The cost of the program for participants (\$20) includes the *Surviving Divorce* Personal Guide and all program materials. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic Church teachings. For more information about the *Surviving Divorce* program visit <https://ckadultr.com/2018/07/17/surviving-divorce/> Questions? Call Elizabeth at 509-420-4509 or email [gretchen@ckparish.org](mailto:gretchen@ckparish.org).





## The Mystery of God

Who God is and Why He Matters

WHAT DO WE REALLY MEAN BY "GOD"?

Atheism is on the rise. Skeptical thinkers like Richard Dawkins, Christopher Hitchens, and Sam Harris vigorously attack belief in God as irrational or, even worse, dangerous. The so-called New Atheism has attracted millions of young people thanks to bestselling books such as *The God Delusion* and *God Is Not Great*.

How should Christians respond? How can we turn the tide of secularism and draw people back to God?

In this new six-part film series and study program, Bishop Robert Barron reaches into our rich intellectual tradition to teach us how. Using the insights of St. Augustine, St.

Thomas Aquinas, Pope Benedict XVI, he uncovers a clear yet sophisticated understanding of what we mean by "God".

Who is God? And why does he matter? Watch this series and you'll not only learn the answers yourself, but you'll discover how to share them with others - especially those who no longer believe.

### Date, Time Location

Begins Wednesday morning and evening (separate classes) January 9, 2019 Dillon Hall: each class will meet once a week for seven weeks, 9:15-11:00 am or 7:00-8:30 pm on January 9, 16, 23, 30 and Feb. 6, 13, and 20.

### Cost/Registration

\$35.00 for required Mystery of God Study Guide and Pocket Guide to Answering Atheists by Bishop Robert Barron's Word on Fire ministry. Please register by Fri. December 21, 2018, so course materials can be ordered.

### Contact

Parish Office at 586-3820

Bob de Lorenzo at (509) 585-4901

## Mystery of God Study Program Registration Form

Bishop Robert Barron's  
The Mystery of God  
Who God Is and Why He Matters

To register for the upcoming *The Mystery of God: Who God Is and Why He Matters* study program, please complete this form and return it to the Parish Office along with the **\$35.00** registration fee by **Friday, December 21, 2018.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Which class do you plan to attend? Morning: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever participated in a formation program ? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If yes, approximately how many programs have you completed? \_\_\_\_\_

