

Stewardship Message

“Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.” (Luke 14:13-14) We have a difficult time with the concept of giving without expecting something in return. Even when we give to charity we often want something in return – a raffle ticket, a dinner, a chance to play golf or our name in print. Yet, as Christian stewards, we need to remember that the true reward for our giving awaits us in heaven.

”Every day-Every way Stewards

That generous giving means sharing with those who cannot repay us.

Collection for September 1, 2019

Sunday Offerings	\$14,201.52
Building Fund Weekly Collection	\$2,697.10
Children’s Offerings	\$314.29
School Donation	\$298.00
Dioceses	\$30.00



Prayers: For our Armed Forces at home and overseas including **Christian Fraga, Steven Hahn, Ian Dimmick, Ramon Vargas, John Hylden, Andrew Jacobsen, Christy Hylden, Alexander Araujo, Tyson Kaas, LT. Col. Lowell Howard, Jr. Christian Shink, Juan Borrego, and Estrella Gomez.**

For our sick including **Drew Schreiber, Rob Jasso, Sr. Robert Joseph, Elaine Himes, Vivian Whitman, Shirley Foster, Lois and Rick Rutherford, Fr. Lawrence Reilly, Gil Gloria, Silvia Rodriguez, Jan Billings, Kathleen Barone, Pat Ray, Monica Moore, Lourdes Nelson, John Walker, Jessica Floeter, Billy Sickles, Christina Dimmick, Nestor Barba, Elizabeth Torres, Rory Valdes, Rosa Nicacio, Eva Bratton, Kim Davis, Francisco Alvarado, Kathy Ramirez, Donna Whitehead, Jan McCallister, Alberto Carranza, Danika Whitsett, Bill Roe, John Curran, Emily Larson, Fr. Tom Long, Bob and Mary Ross, Jerry Mikkelsen, Kelly Freeman, Arlene Callahan** and all parishioners experiencing health problems and for those from our community who have passed away recently.

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, 2pm 9am; Friday: 6pm

Saturday: 12noon, 2pm; Sunday: 7pm

Underlined hours= no adorers

Call Carol, 582-5011, to volunteer for an hour, or hable a Leticia Martinez, 396-4033 si desea ayudar con una hora.

“In adoration we receive His grace into our souls. We then take that grace with us out into the world where it flows into our homes, work, & our peers. This is how Jesus can truly change areas of the world. The more souls we have in Eucharistic Adoration the more rivers of purity will cleanse the world...” (In Sinu Jesu)

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



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 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	6:00am
Morning Rosary	Monday—Saturday, SC	8:00am
Middle School Youth Grp.	Monday Youth RM	6:00 pm
K of C business meeting	Second Tuesdays, Annex #805	7:00 pm
Pro-Life Rosary Tuesdays Planned Parenthood Building		9:20 am
PREPARES Play & Learn Tuesdays, 10am(Sp.) ANX #807 (Eng.)		1:30 pm
Marian Devotion	Rosary/Confession/Mass Tuesday, BC	6:30 pm
PREPARES Support Grp.	Wednesday, Annex #807	3:30 pm
Small Church Community	Wednesdays, Conf. Rm	9:30 am
Moms’ Chatterbox Play Grp.	Thursdays, Annex #807	10:00 am
First Fridays	Mass and Benediction, SC	7:00 pm
Catholic Daughters	Second Saturday, Mothers’ Room, SC	9:00 am
Discalced Carmelite Seculars-	Third Saturdays, Preschool	9:00 am
Jr. Catholic Daughters	Fourth Saturdays, Mothers’ Room, SC	9:20 am

BC– Big Church SC– Small Church



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Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK



September 9-15

Monday	6:30 am (RIP) Elaine Loftus
	8:30 am (RIP) Julianne Turner
Tuesday	6:30 am (Birthday) Ava Castro
	8:30 am (RIP) Jaime Pruneda
	7:00 pm (RIP) Inocencia Hernandez
Wednesday	6:30 am (RIP) Cyndi Petersen
	8:30 am (RIP) Jose Remedios Flores
Thursday	6:30 am (Birthday) Paul St Hilaire
	8:30 am (RIP) Robbie Hutchings
	7:00 pm (RIP) Miguel Tejada
Friday	6:30 am (RIP) Bob Willard
	8:30 am (RIP) Geraldine Mohney
Saturday	8:30 am (Anniv.) Nic & Elma Deleon
	5:30 pm (RIP) Chris Villareal
	(RIP) Anna Phung
	7:30 pm (Health) Florita Vallejo
Sunday	7:00 am St Joseph Parish
	9:00 am Stephanie Packwood Family
	Lysiak Family
	11:00am All Catechist
	1:00 pm Catequistas
	7:00 pm (RIP) Deceased Maran Family

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. All Masses are available for intentions.



Volunteer Opportunities

If you're looking to fulfill some of your volunteer hours, there are several great things happening. You can join our fabulous PTO for their September meeting on 9/5 at 6:30pm in the library. Or if you'd prefer helping to organize the school's largest fundraiser, the first Art & Wine meeting will be Monday 9/7 at 6:30pm. Volunteers are also needed for the Women of St. Joseph's yard sale the week of 9/15. Many hands make light the work!

Visit us at www.sjske.org & like us on Facebook!

Anointing of the Sick Mass Celebration



Join us **Thursday, September 19, at 11:00 am** in the Big Church for a Mass and celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. This Sacrament is available to all who are chronically ill or elderly (over 59 years of age.) Those facing surgery are also welcome to participate. Everyone is invited to join in prayer for those who are sick and for their caregivers. The Mass will be followed by a luncheon at Dillon Hall.

"Come to Me all who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

WSJ News

Please mark your calendars: Yard Sale, Set up Sunday September 15 at 1:00 pm in the PAC.
Yard Sale September 20 & 21. Please volunteer to help.
Fall Business Meeting, Wednesday, September 25 at 6:00 pm in Holy Grounds, please plan to attend.



St Joseph Parish Family Day Trip Saturday, October 5

Multnomah Falls & The Grotto Peaceful Catholic Shrine and Garden



In order to reserve your seat (s) please register, fill out waiver form and pay in full at the parish office before Monday, September 16.

All minors must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

Price: Includes transportation and entrance to the Grotto. Meals not included.

- Age 5 and under \$35.00
- Age 6-12 \$40.00
- Age 13 and up \$55.00

Transportation: Charter Bus

Departure: 6:15am from the PAC (gym) 901 W 4th Ave

Pack a lunch: we will be stopping at Multnomah Falls for lunch.

Knights of Columbus News



Knights of Columbus will be moving cars for McCurley Dealerships on Sept. 17th, from 8:30AM to 2:30PM, and returning on Sept. 22nd, from 5:30 PM to 10:00 PM. If you are a regular volunteer driver for these moves, please call John Dickey at 509-319-5790 or Rick Barrickman at 509-380-2289 to advise them of your availability. If you are not a Knight, but would like to volunteer as a driver for these moves, all volunteers over the age of 25 are welcome. Please call and advise us of your availability.

Scrip

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



STUDENTS OF MAGNIFICAT, CATECHISTS & LAITY, SAVE THE DATE!!!

You are cordially invited to join us for Magnificat Day & Faith and Science on **Saturday, September 21, 2019 commencing at 9 am at Holy Spirit Parish in Kennewick, WA.** This year we will only be offering one Magnificat class in English.

WHAT IS MAGNIFICAT?

Magnificat is a program of faith formation for all the people who want to learn more about their Catholic Faith. Through classes of theology taught by teachers specialized in different topics we are looking to enhance the spiritual growth of each student as well as in the in-depth study of the pastorals and theological aspects of our faith in order to awaken in each on the desire of server to the Lord by being Missionary Disciples: Witnesses of God's Love in the distinct ministries that we serve in, and continue to learn how to teach our catechetical programs with children.

KNOW MORE ABOUT NEW PROGRAMS ANCHORING SCIENCE IN OUR FAITH

This year, we are pleased to offer 7 Essential Modules developed by Fr. Robert Spitzer of the Magis Institute that take on the 4 secular myths currently threatening the faith of our youth in the Catholic Church:

Science has proven God does not exist.

Suffering proves God does not exist. If God was all loving and all-powerful he would and could stop suffering.

Humans are just like other animals- a bunch of conglomerated atoms and molecules there is no proof of any transcendent "soul" within us.

There is no proof at all that Jesus was anything special and certainly not divine. There is no real proof of his existence or resurrection- just myths

At each Magnificat class, we add a 2nd session that will examine the Essential Modules that provide you discussion points to use with your child or friends when they question the relationship between Faith and the secular science-based world. Join us in discovering this remarkable material.

Magnificat Calendar 2019-2020

Holy Spirit Parish

7409 W. Clearwater Ave. Kenn.

September 21	"Human Identity Catholic Response to Secular Ideologies" Bishop Joseph Tyson	Anchoring Science in our Faith: "True Happiness" Bishop Joseph Tyson
November 2	"Medical Ethics in the Face of Death" Fr. Jaime Chacon	Anchoring Science in our Faith: "Why Would God Allow Suffering?" Bishop Joseph Tyson
February 15	"Dante's World Today: Hell, Purgatory, Heaven" Fr. Peter Steele/ Fr. Daniel Steele	Anchoring Science in our Faith: "Scientific Evidence of a Soul." TBA
March 7	"Passing on the Faith: Parents as Educators, Grandparents as Wisdom Figures" Gaulke M/K	Anchoring Science in our Faith: "Why Be Catholic?" Bishop Joseph Tyson
April 18	"Jesus Christ: Our Source of Identity; Our Measure of Spiritual Growth" Christian Melendez	Science & Faith: "Evidence of God, and, Jesus' Resurrection & Divinity" Bishop Joseph Tyson



Parental Notification of Abortion Act

Support the Parent Notification of Abortion Act Ballot. This measure would require that physicians notify parents or guardians before performing abortions on minors, with exceptions for medical emergencies or by court order, and provide criminal penalties and civil liability for violations. You could sign the petition after all Masses this Sunday, September 8.

SUPPORT THE 2019 COLLECTION FOR BEIT MERY HERMITAGE AND THE RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS



The weekend of September 14-15 our parishes will have the envelopes for the Retirement Fund for Religious collection. This annual appeal benefits 30,000 elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests – women and men who have consecrated their lives to serving God and the Church, including our diocesan hermit, Sr. Janet Strong.

As Christians, we are called to “serve the Lord with gladness” (Ps 100:2). Our elderly religious offer a shining example of what it means to answer this call. During their days of active ministry, they worked tirelessly to build Catholic schools and hospitals, promote social justice, and embrace the neediest among us. In retirement, many continue in volunteer ministry, and all pray for the needs of our Church and world. Inspired by love, their service – past and present – is marked by joy and a deep desire to do the will of God. As you may know, many religious communities find it increasingly difficult to provide for aging members. Most older religious worked for little or no pay. Today, their communities do not have enough retirement savings. At the same time, health-care costs continue to rise, and fewer members are able to serve in compensated ministry. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious provides vital funding for medications, nursing care, and more. It also helps religious congregations plan for future retirement needs, even as they continue to serve the People of God.

Proceeds are being split, with half being retained by the Diocese to support the hermitage and Sr. Janet’s healthcare needs, and the other half sent to the national fund. I understand you are asked to support many worthy causes. I invite you only to give what you can. Most importantly, please pray for God’s continued blessing on all our women and men religious.



Rachel’s Vineyard is for anyone who has experienced emotional/spiritual pain after an abortion ... women and men of all faiths are invited to begin the healing process. The next retreat is scheduled for March 2020, but help is available now. Contact Lisa at (509) 421-7847 or email: rvcentralwa@gmail.com. More information is available at www.rachelsvineyard.org. Rachel’s Vineyard is a confidential/safe place to connect with others and process your experience. Space is limited. Need-based scholarships are available. The sponsor is the Cornerstone Ministry of the Diocese of Yakima.

“If the emotional and spiritual wounds of a past abortion have been sapping faith, love and joy from your life, I can promise, that if you enter this process for healing, your life will begin to change. A journey into Rachel’s Vineyard is a gift only you can open your heart to receive. ... A new chapter of your life awaits you. ... Take courage, God is calling you towards peace, love, hope, and freedom.” (Dr. Theresa Burke, Founder of Rachel’s Vineyard Ministries)

RETROUVAILLE A LIFE LINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Marriage - Saving – the Weekend Phase – During the weekend phase of Retrouvaille a series of presentations are given by a team of three couples and a priest. The team presents a technique of communication that enables couples to look well at most areas of their relationships. After each presentation they have time in the privacy of their rooms to discuss the previous presentation. Retrouvaille is for any couple that would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Visit www.Retrouvaille.org for emotional testimonials. For confidential information or to register for the September 13-15, 2019 Spokane weekend, call 509-520-4118 or 800-470-2230 or visit the web site at www.Retrouvaille.org.



Discerning Moral Order in Imaginative Literature

A Presentation for Parents and Teachers

Saturday, September 14, 2019, at 2 pm.

Blessed on First Catholic Bookstore, 120 W 1st Ave, Kennewick 509-572-3811.

Children find fantasy a fitting arena for their growing awareness of the mysteries and dangers of human experience. This presentation provides points to ponder and provocative questions parents can use to help their children recognize potential pitfalls in modern fiction.

Meditation

I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. Philemon 1:10

My father grew up in a faithful Catholic family. As an altar boy, he was taught to revere the Eucharistic Lord. In those days, the Eucharistic fast was very strict, and the priest was the only one to distribute communion to the kneeling faithful. His faith sustained him through the grim years of service in World War II and throughout his marriage as he became father to five children, all raised in the Church.

But by the time I was growing up in that same parish, post-Vatican II, many things were changing. Latin chant was replaced by the twang of folk music, the practice of kneeling to receive the Eucharist had vanished along with the altar rails, fasting times were reduced to an hour, and lay people served alongside the priest as Eucharistic ministers.

Distressed that the careful reverence for the Eucharist seemed to have been forgotten, my father began to question all he had been taught. Finally, he stopped going to Mass altogether, saying he felt he was “a Catholic without a church.” A young adult by this time, I also strayed away from the Church, although for different reasons.

Over the years, my father always continued to pray the rosary. It was his advice to pray the rosary that eventually helped lead me back to the Church. When I returned to my faith, I invited him to Mass with me. Although he attended with me at times, he never came back to the sacraments.

Although he did not return to the Church, his faith in Jesus remained with him all his life. When he became sick with cancer and had exhausted all treatment options, he told me simply, “I am putting myself in the hands of Jesus and Mary.”

He died on Our Lady’s birthday, September 8th, 2009. I continue to pray for him, entrusting him in prayer to God’s mercy. I believe that Our Lady loved him and watched over him, interceding on his behalf. I like to think that our Blessed Mother sent his soul with a little note to her Son Jesus, saying, as Paul says of his dear child Onesimus in today’s scripture, “*I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you.*”