

## **Week Behind/ Week Ahead**

To the Parishioners of Saint Joseph Parish in Kennewick

From V. Rev. Felipe Pulido

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### Week Behind

**Saint Joseph School** – Saint Joseph Catholic School is now accepting registrations for the 2021-2022 school year. If you have children ready for pre-school through eighth grade, please consider registering today. If you register before April 2, you will receive an “early bird” discount. For more information, go to [www.sjske.org/admission](http://www.sjske.org/admission) or call the School Office at 509-586-0481. Please know that financial aid is available through the Central Washington Catholic Foundation. Thank you, Bebe and Jamie in the School Office, for always being ready to help school families.

**Saint Joseph Parish** – On Monday, March 7, Belen, our bookkeeper, gave us two weeks’ notice. Thank you, Belen, for your good work. Now we are accepting resumes for the position of full-time bookkeeper for our Parish, School and Child Care Center. Candidates should have at least 2 years of bookkeeping training (Business College degree or A.A. with emphasis in Accounting.) Experienced candidates are preferred, but entry-level qualified applicants are encouraged to apply. The position is open until filled. If you know anyone who might be interested, please encourage him/her to apply. To complete an application and to access a complete description of job responsibilities, please use the following link to Applitrack on your browser: <http://www.applitrack.com/yakimadiocese/onlineapp> If you have any questions, please contact Sue Schoolcraft at 509-965-7117.

**Father Lawrence T. Reilly** – Father Reilly reports that he has been diagnosed with a malignant tumor that appears to have metastasized from the slow-growing colon cancer he has lived with for several years. The tumor is on his pelvic floor and is causing severe pain. He is consulting with his doctor about different options for treatment. He would very much appreciate your prayers. Let’s continue to pray as well for all of our seriously-ill parishioners.

**Knights of Columbus** – Friday, March 5, the Knights had their second Drive-through Fish Fry dinner. It was a great success! Thank you to all the Knights who prepared the delicious meals. Thanks also to Grand Knight Jeremy Strohmeier for designating March 5 as Clergy Appreciation Night. I got my fish, potato, corn, roll and coleslaw free! Thank you so much, Council 8179, for all you do for our parish priests. The last Fish Fry this year will be Friday, March 19. Get your tickets after all weekend Masses or on the night of March 19.

**New Cook for Our Priests** -- We just hired a new cook for our priests. Marlene is a long-time parishioner who loves Saint Joseph Church and its priests. She will be preparing one meal per day for our priests, three days per week. Thank you, Marlene, for sharing your great cooking skills with us.

## Week Ahead

**Webinar - Welcome Back Plan for the Parish** -- On Tuesday, March 16, some members of the Parish Council, Saint Joseph Parish staff, and some parish volunteers will connect to a webinar from [Prenger Solutions Group](#) titled *Welcome Back Plan for the Parish*. They will learn creative ideas and preview a month-by-month plan we can use to engage our parishioners, welcoming them to active participation in the Eucharist, the other sacraments, and the parish.

**Bishop Joseph Tyson** – On Friday, March 19, the Feast of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Bishop Tyson will be here celebrating the 5:30 pm Mass in English and the 7:00 pm Mass in Spanish. I thank Bishop Tyson for joining us on this feast of our patron saint in this Year of Saint Joseph. Please come and celebrate with us on March 19.

**Ethan's Birthday** – On Saturday, March 20, our seminarian Ethan Pfeifer will be 22 years old! Thank you, Ethan, for your excellent assistance during our weekend liturgies. We have been following the Health Department and Diocesan guidelines and protocols during the COVID-19 pandemic. Ethan has been creative and patient while supervising the many volunteers. He also assists with a variety of other duties in the parish. Once again, thank you, Ethan, for jobs well done and keep up the good work. If you see Ethan on March 20 or before, wish him Happy Birthday.