

## **Week Behind/ Week Ahead**

To the Parishioners of Saint Joseph Parish

From V. Rev. Felipe Pulido

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### **Week Behind**

**Parish Council** — On Wednesday, April 14, our Parish Council met for the second time this year. We are in the process of developing new by-laws for the Parish Council. These new by-laws will help us rotate members and invite more people to the Council. We are also looking at the program *Servant Leadership* by Jeffry Korgan. This program will help us make a parish pastoral plan. Many thanks to the Parish Council members for donating their time and talents. They share the pastor's responsibility to be wise stewards of the spiritual and material resources of the parish.

**Bookkeeper** — We are accepting resumes for the position of full-time bookkeeper for our parish/school/Child Center. The bookkeeper's responsibilities include payroll, accounts payable, accounts receivable, tax preparation and administration, and Diocesan finance policy and procedure accountability. Candidates will need to provide evidence and/or a level of capability to perform these tasks including satisfactory completion of a bookkeeping exam. Candidates with 2 years' experience and/or training are preferred, but entry-level 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 job description for this position, 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.

**Annual Catholic Appeal 2021** — Our parish goal for the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal is \$147,114.00. I thank all parishioners who have already made pledges. In the last two months we have had a good number of new pledges and have almost made our goal in pledges. **The amount pledged so far this year is \$145,101.50 and the amount collected is \$103,523.67. Three hundred eighty-six families and individuals have participated.** Remember, no gift is too small. We need everyone's participation. Remember our theme for the 2021 ACA, *Revive Your Hope*. Imagine for a moment how many children, youth, young adults, and families in need could be served by the Diocese if you were to give this year. Thanks to your generosity last year, we accomplished our goal and we ask you to be generous this year as well. Your giving makes a difference.

### **Week Ahead**

**Saint Joseph Parish** — On Saturday, April 24, and on Saturday, May 1, we will celebrate our parish First Communions. Our celebration will begin with the Sacred Liturgy in the Big Church at 10:00 am. This is always a time of great joy and thanksgiving in our Saint Joseph community. A

special thank you to Amalia del Pozo and Susan Marsh and the various volunteers who helped form the children in their Catholic faith.

**Secretaries' Day** — On Wednesday, April 21, we will celebrate National Administrative Professionals' Day, also known as Secretaries' Day. We recognize Marisela Valencia, Nancy Trinidad, Bebe Paoli and Jamie Romjue who keep our Parish and School Offices running smoothly and efficiently every day. Let us celebrate our fabulous, hardworking secretaries. If you happen to see them on Wednesday, please tell them how much we appreciate them.

**Parish Yard Sale**— On Saturday, April 24, the Women of Saint Joseph will begin setting up for the Spring Yard Sale that will take place on Thursday, April 29, Friday, April 30, and Saturday, May 1. We need volunteers to help set up and work during the Yard Sale. This is a great fundraiser that promotes community in our parish and neighborhood. Please know that we will follow all the COVID guidelines and protocols given by the Benton County Health Department and the Diocese of Yakima. I hope you will participate. Thanks to all the people who have donated items throughout the year.

**Saint Joseph School** — In preparation for the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker on May 1, the students will continue to learn about Saint Joseph's virtues of prudence, courage, obedience, faithfulness, patience, model for workmen, and justice. Thanks to teacher Mrs. Angele St. Hilaire who planned this project for the school.