

## Stewardship Message


"After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God...." - Mark 1:14

Have you ever thought about how difficult it must have been for Jesus to go to Galilee, knowing that John had just been arrested for teaching the same message that He was proclaiming. It took great love and trust for Jesus to do what the Father had sent Him here on earth to do. In the same way, living a stewardship lifestyle takes great love and trust from us. We must be willing to surrender completely to God, trusting that He will always give us all that we need to fulfill His plan for us.

*Collection for February 11, 2024*

Sunday Offerings	\$18,638.09
Building Fund	\$575.00
School Donations	\$1,256.60
1st Friday	\$150.26
Diocese	\$30.00
St. Vincent	\$100.00

The Parish Office is closed early on the fourth **Wednesday of each month**. We will be open from 9 am to noon on fourth Wednesdays.

 **Prayers:** For our Armed Forces at home and overseas including **Christian Fraga, Steven Hahn, Ramon Vargas, Ian Dimmick, Christy Hylden, Andrew Jacobsen, Alexander Araujo, Tyson Kaas, Christian Shink, Juan Borrego, Estrella Gomez, Erick Miller, Eric Sheldon, and Justin Dennis Byerly, Wyatt Beaton**.

For our sick including **Drew Schreiber, Gil Gloria, Elaine Himes, Lois and Rick Rutherford, Jan Billings, Rory Valdes, Silvia Rodriguez, Kathleen Barone, Monica Moore, Lourdes Nelson, Jessica Floeter, Billy Sickles, Nestor Barba, Elizabeth Torres, Kim Davis, Kathy Ramirez, Bill Roe, Donna Whitehead, John Curran, Bob and Mary Ross, Alberto Carranza, Danika Whitsett, Father Tom Long, Jerry Mikkelsen, Kelly Freeman, Gus Perez, Jim Nicacio, Arlene Callahan, Dominic Nicacio, Luca Nicacio, Phyllis Pelletier, Nancy Park, Marlene Madrigal, Sherri McKie, Hugo Garcia, Vanessa Nicacio, Carol Smith, Pat Leskovar, Tony Wise, Patty Brown, Armando Rodriguez, Jose Del Angel, Zara Husan, Raquel Cardoza, Samuel Quintanilla, Pat McKie Szacik, Carmen Nava, Mike Draper, Peter Braun, Yolanda Quintero, Hazel Meister, Ernie Skwierczynski, Kendra Skwierczynski, Kolton Hansford, Jeannine Soehnlein, Debbie Lord, Joanne, Judy Kirk, and all parishioners with health problems and for those from our community who have passed away recently especially **Arturo Partida**. Please call when your ill family member gets better, so we can make room for others on the list of prayers for the sick.**

ADORATION CHAPEL

**EUCCHARISTIC  
ADORATION**



**Openings:  
WED. 7 am  
FRI. 7 am**

The Adoration Chapel is open to visitors.

Please call: Carol, 509-582-5011, or, en español, Delmi,

509-528-8896, to obtain a personal code for entry.

"When Catholics are asked, 'Do you have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ?' they should answer a resounding YES! There is no closer union with Jesus than when you receive Him in the Eucharist. You too can say with St. Paul, '...and the life I now live is not my own CHRIST IS LIVING IN ME.'" (Gal 2:20)" - Rev. Msgr. Richard L. Carroll, V.F.

## 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, please fill out a registration form available on our website. Welcome!

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

February 19-25

### Monday, February 19th

6:30 am

† Elaine Loftus

8:30 am

† Jaime Martinez

### Tuesday, February 20th

6:30 am

Lynn Wild (Healing)

8:30 am

† Rod Serling

### Wednesday, February 21st

6:30 am

No intentions for this Mass

8:30 am

No intentions for this Mass

### Thursday, February 22nd

6:30 am

Patricia Rae Anderson  
(Healing)

8:30 am

No intentions for this Mass

6:15 pm

† Angela Orozco

### Friday, February 23rd

6:30 am

No intentions for this Mass

8:30 am

All Staff of St. Joseph School

### Saturday, February 24th

8:30 am

No intentions for this Mass

5:30 pm

No intentions for this Mass

7:00 pm

Socorro Alcaraz (B-day)

† Agustin Martinez Mojica

† Sergio Campos

### Sunday, February 25th

9:00 am

† Regan Potter Denke

† Jack and Adriana Urtis

11:00 am

No intentions for this Mass

1:00 pm

† Florita Vallejo-Meraz

† Alejandro E. Sanchez

† Eva Nava Rebuelta

5:30 pm

No intentions for this Mass

7:00 pm

† Almas del purgatorio

Leticia Ramos (B-day)

† Eva Nava Rebuelta



## LENT

Lent is the 40-day season

Pray + Fast + Give of penance in preparation for the celebration of the greatest event in human history: the redemption of the human race by Jesus Christ. Lent began Ash Wednesday, on February 14, and it ends on Holy Thursday, March 28, followed by the Sacred Triduum, March 28-30, and Easter Sunday, March 31.

"All Christians, by the nature of their lives, are obliged to live in a spirit of penance whereby our exterior acts of prayer, self-denial and charity bear witness to the inner values of our Faith."

## Stations of the Cross (All Fridays during Lent)

English | 6:00 pm | Small Church  
Spanish | 6:00 pm | Big Church

February 13, 2024

## LETTER TO OUR BELOVED PARISH COMMUNITY

Greetings my brothers and sisters in Christ,

A special thanks to our beloved pastor **Father José Herrera** for all his support in this journey of evangelization for our children and young people in our community. We also thank our priests: **Father Ricardo Villareal, Father Tian and Father Riccardo Keolker**.

I want to begin by thanking everyone for your support and valuable collaboration, in different ways. Your generous contributions have made God's providence present. The contributions have made possible the economic improvement and growth of the Religious Education program and the Youth Group of our parish. Your support has made it possible for many catechists and young people to attend the Catechetical Congress in California this year. Our Pastor was very helpful in approving all the fundraisers in our community, which encourages and continues to encourage catechists and young people to serve voluntarily in our community.

Thank you for all your support and prayers, your faithful support to help raise funds for this purpose benefits the entire community. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped in different ways.

We also, thank our sponsors: **Knights of Columbus, Hacienda del Sol and Carnicería la Cabaña**. Thank you very much again for all your generous donations.

***MAY GOD FILL YOU WITH BLESSINGS***

Sincerely,

Religious Education Program

Youth group





Holiday Mass times, weather cancellations, ministry updates, & more delivered to your phone.

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# PREPARES Open Your Heart Campaign 2024



Pregnancy & Parenting Support

## A Life-Affirming, Life-Changing Promise of Support

PREPARES is a parish-based partnership with your local Catholic Charities providing families in need, free of charge, the following:

- Food
- Diapers and Wipes
- Clothing
- Housing Referral
- Support Groups
- Parenting Classes

Open Your Heart...   
To Infants & Children in Need

## Ways to Help



### DONATE

Support PREPARES by donating to the **OPEN YOUR HEART APPEAL** by mail or online at **PREPARESforlife.org**.



### VOLUNTEER

Become a trained PREPARES volunteer at a local Catholic parish as a **FAMILY COMPANION** or **SUPPORT GROUP** member for Moms and Dads. Both opportunities provide practical, emotional presence and support to families in need.



### ASSIST

Sponsor a parish based **NEEDS DRIVE** to collect and distribute food and household needs or a **CLOTHING CLOSET** accessible to PREPARES families. Establish a parish **TRAVELING CRIB** for the collection of baby essentials. Provide age-appropriate **PREPARES BAGS** filled with infant and child items such as diapers, wipes, blankets, toys, and books.

## PREPARES STATEWIDE 2023

———— 14,120 ————  
Families Served

———— 188 ————  
Parishes Engaged

———— 742 ————  
Trained Volunteers  
& Companions

———— 12 ————  
FTE Ministry Team  
Members

———— 36 of 39 ————  
Washington Counties  
Served

For more information about PREPARES, visit [preparesforlife.org](https://preparesforlife.org)

## A NOTE FROM SERRA CLUB OF TRI CITIES

"Make known to me Your ways, LORD; teach me Your paths. Guide me by your fidelity and teach me, for You are God, my savior." Psalm 25: 4-5 God is always teaching us to follow Him in fidelity. Is His path leading you to be a priest, permanent deacon, brother or sister?



Serra Club of the Tri Cities supports and encourages vocations to the priesthood, permanent diaconate, and consecrated religious life. We pray, we communicate, we educate, and we support financially and spiritually. For more information about our club and how you could join us as members, please call

Cocot and Morie Ratuiste of St. Patrick Parish, 509-521-7888 (C) or 509-845-6995 (M)

Kyle and Karl Hadley of St. Joseph Parish, 509-430-8846 (Ky) or 509-531-4898 ((Ka)

Liz Johnston of Holy Spirit Parish, 509-308-1861

Jean and John Stadvold of Christ the King Parish, 402-660-2076

There will be a Women of St. Joseph's meeting on Tuesday February 20th at 6:00pm.

We will meet at the yard sale shed behind the gym. This is open to all women that are members of our parish.

## DAILY MASS READING

2024 Feb 18 SUN: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT  
Gn 9: 8-15/ Ps 25: 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/ 1 Pt 3: 18-22/ Mk 1: 12-15

2024 Feb 19 Mon: Lenten Weekday  
Lv 19: 1-2. 11-18/ Ps 19: 8. 9. 10. 15/ Mt 25: 31-46

2024 Feb 20 Tue: Lenten Weekday  
Is 55: 10-11/ Ps 34: 4-5. 6-7. 16-17. 18-19/ Mt 6: 7-15

2024 Feb 21 Wed: Lenten Weekday/ Peter Damian, bp, dr  
Jon 3: 1-10/ Ps 51: 3-4. 12-13. 18-19/ Lk 11: 29-32

2024 Feb 22 Thu: Chair of Peter, ap F  
1 Pt 5: 1-4/ Ps 23: 1-3a. 4. 5. 6/ Mt 16: 13-19

2024 Feb 23 Fri: Lenten Weekday/ Polycarp, bp, mt. Day of abstinence from meat (age 14 and up).  
Ez 18: 21-28/ Ps 130: 1-2. 3-4. 5-7a. 7bc-8/ Mt 5: 20-26

2024 Feb 24 Sat: Lenten Weekday  
Dt 26: 16-19/ Ps 119: 1-2. 4-5. 7-8/ Mt 5: 43-48

## Sacrament Reception Dates

### OCIA( Adults) and RCIC (Children)

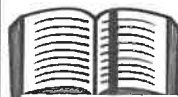
Easter Vigil the elect for Baptism & Full Communion  
March 30 • 8:00 pm

Confirmation Year Two (MS/ HS): Saturday, April 20  
5:30 pm (English)

Confirmation Year Two (MS/ HS): Saturday, April 20  
7:00 pm (Spanish)

First Communion: Saturday,  
April 27 • 10 am (Spanish)

First Communion for Children:  
Sunday, April 28  
11:00am (English)



## SUNDAY LITURGY REFLECTION

By Fr. Riccardo Keolker

Wednesday, February 21  
at 2:15 pm  
On Facebook and YouTube.

## Traveling Vocations Crucifixes

Courtesy of the Serra Club of the Tri Cities, St. Joseph Parish has two Traveling Vocations Crucifixes—one at the 9:00 am Mass and one at the 1:00 pm Mass. Sign up to take a crucifix (box includes the crucifix, rosary, and prayer cards) home for one week and pray for vocations—all vocations, but especially vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Vowed Religious Life. We pray that more men and women will hear God's call and say yes. Remember, without priests, we would not have access to the Holy Eucharist and other sacraments.

2/18 Elissia Rodriguez

2/25 Doug & Danette Hester

With questions or to sign up, contact Celine Petersen, 509-582-8738, or Irma Valdivia, 509-366-4422.

## Bible Study

Hebrews

"The New & Eternal Covenant"

Wednesday, February 21-April 10

Time: 9:30 –11:00 am

Location: Parish Office—Second Floor

Cost: \$28 for material

For more information or to register, contact  
Laura Sieler at 509-585-7630.

We will have olivewood carvings available to purchase after all Masses **March 23-24**. The proceeds are to support Catholic families in the Holy Land since producing the carvings is a major source of income for Christians there. The wares were made by more than 80 families in Bethlehem. Examples of items available are: beautiful and unique nativities, crucifixes, rosaries, and statues. The Christian population in the Holy Land has decreased from 22% to less than 2% in the past two decades. You can help Christians stay in their Holy Land homes by supporting their art.

## Knights of Columbus Fish Fry's!

March 1 and March 22 in Dillon Hall  
Meal served from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm

March 22 on Fish Fry will be a Clergy Appreciation Dinner. Come and show your support and appreciation for all our priests and permanent deacons.

### Great Menu:

Deep Fried Fish, Clam Chowder, Baked Potatoes, Coleslaw, French Fries, Corn, Rolls, Hot and Cold Beverages

Adults \$15

Seniors (55&over) \$13

Takeout Meals \$13

Youth (5-7) \$11

Meals for Children 4 and under are free.