

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 10, 2024

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WEEKEND MASSES

MISA EL FIN DE SEMANA

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm (English)

7:00 pm (Español)

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am and 5:30 pm

(English)

1:00 pm and 7:00 pm (Español)

WEEKLY MASSES

MISAS ENTRE SEMANA

Monday-Friday: 6:30am & 8:30am, Small Church (English)

Thursday 7:00 pm, Small Church Español)

Saturday 8:30 am, Small Church (English)

First Friday Mass 7:00 pm, Small Church (English)

CONFESSIONS/CONFESIONES

Notice: Saturdays time has been updated.

Saturdays | 3:30 - 5:30 pm | Big Church

Thursdays | 6:00 - 7:00 pm | Small Church

First Friday | 6:30 - 7:00 pm | Small Church

BAPTISMS

"As a rule an adult is to be baptized in his or her parish and an infant in the parish of the parents unless a just cause suggests otherwise." (Canon Law 587 and 2)

If you are a parishioner who attends St. Joseph and would like to baptize your child in another parish, you will need a letter from the pastor of St. Joseph giving you permission to do so. If you are not a St. Joseph parishioner and want to baptize your child in this parish, you need to get permission from your pastor to baptize your child here. The parents and sponsors must attend a class before the Baptism of the child.

PRAYER CHAIN

To put someone on the Prayer Chain:

Email parish.office@stjoseph-kennewick.org or call the Parish Office at 509-586-3820

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While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. LUKE 24:51

MISSION & CORE VALUES

Our mission and sacred purpose as the parish of St. Joseph is to fully live our Catholic faith, which is rooted in Jesus Christ and the teachings of His Church, to nurture and build our parish so that every parishioner can know, love, and serve God in this world and encourage others to do the same.

Our core values include:

Hope—rooting our ministries and actions in prayer; joyfully carrying them out with competence, care and confidence in God's promise of salvation.

Liturgy—maintaining the highest of ministry standards to bring glory to God through the rites, ceremonies, prayers, and sacraments of the Church.

Community—caring about and addressing the needs of others.

Evangelism—telling others the good news about Jesus.

Giving—practicing stewardship as a way of life by sharing of our time, talents, and treasure to support the mission and ministries.

INQUIRING ADULTS-OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation Of Adults
OCIA is for all adults older than 18 years of age in need of the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion, and/or Confirmation. We welcome your interest in exploring the Catholic faith and invite your participation in our year-round OCIA process. Call the Parish Office for more information.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Anointing is the proper Sacrament for those Christians whose health is seriously impaired by sickness, before surgeries, or anyone over the age of 59. Through the Sacrament of Anointing, the Church supports the sick in their struggle against illness and continues Christ's messianic work of healing. If you need the Sacrament of Anointing, please call the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the priest of the parish where you want to celebrate your wedding ceremony to discuss your situation and set the date in the parish calendar. Do this at least six months prior to the day you are planning to marry.

FUNERALS

Death is something that awaits all of us and our loved ones. Yet we often avoid thinking about it. Please let the Parish Office know how we can help with the farewell to your beloved family member.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE


"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son..." - John 3:16

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for such an amazing gift? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are grateful and generous with our God-given gifts, that we nurture and develop our gifts, and that, in gratitude, we generously give back with increase our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works, and our treasure to support the mission and ministry of our parish and greater Church.

Collection for March 3, 2024

Sunday Offerings	\$22,657.59
Building Fund	\$873.00
School Donations	\$3,544.64
Diocese	\$43.00

The Parish Office closes early on fourth **Wednesdays of each month**. The Office 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. Please call when your ill family member gets better, so we can make room for others on the list of prayers for the sick.**

Openings:

ADORATION CHAPEL

**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION**



**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.

"Yours is to praise Me for those who never praise Me, and to thank Me for those who never thank Me. Yours is to keep vigil of faith before the sacrament of My love, until the veils fall, and I call you to see Me face-to-face eternally."

(In Sinu Jesu)

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

March 11-17

Monday, March 11

6:30 am
† Elaine Loftus
8:30 am
No intentions for this Mass

Tuesday, March 12

6:30 am
Karin Grable (B-day)
8:30 am
Karin Grable (B-day)

Wednesday, March 13

6:30 am
† Julio Segura
8:30 am
† Logan Tober

Thursday, March 14

6:30 am
† Julio Segura
8:30 am
Saundra Hill & Bill Penell
(Healing) 6:15 pm
No intentions for this Mass

Friday, March 15

6:30 am
† Julio Segura
8:30 am
Nick Clapper (B-day)

Saturday, March 16

8:30 am
No intentions for this Mass
5:30 pm
† Barbara "Bobbie" Hobbs

† Rochele Turkington
7:00 pm
† Agustin Martinez Mojica
† Socorro Campos
† Carmelo Garcia Ramirez

Sunday, March 17

9:00 am
† Jadwiga and Casimir Mosio
† Jack and Adriana Urtis
† Zetilda Kelly

11:00 am
† Gene Senger
† Dr. Carlito B. Arrogante
† Nicanor, Paz Fuentes

1:00 pm
† Florita Vallejo-Meraz
† Eva Nava Rebuelta
† Luisa Candido

5:30 pm
† Youth Pre Easter Retreat
7:00 pm
† Fidelina Segura

† Maria Elena Escobar
† Retiro Juvenil de Pre Pascua



Scan QR code to request intentions

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

St. Joseph Parish

**March 11 at 6:30 pm | Big Church
520 South Garfield St., Kennewick**

**Christ the King Parish - March 12 at 6:30 pm
1111 Stevens Dr., Richland**

**St. Frances Xavier Cabrini - March 13 at 6:30 pm
1000 Horne Dr., Benton City**

**Sacred Heart Parish - March 18 at 6:30 pm
1905 Highland Dr., Prosser**

**Parish of the Holy Spirit - March 20 at 6:30 pm
7409 W Clearwater Ave, Kennewick**

Stations of the Cross (All Fridays during Lent)

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

A NOTE FROM SERRA CLUB OF TRI CITIES

"National Catholic Sisters Week: "God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Him." (John 3: 17) Are you being invited to share the mission of Jesus as a priest, permanent deacon, brother or sister?"



SPRING YARD SALE

Women of St. Joseph
April 26-27
901 Fourth Avenue

Please see the volunteer form inside the bulletin or call Theresa if you would like to help.

Daylight Saving
Sunday, March 10,



will mean losing an hour of sleep and moving the clocks around your house forward one hour. The sun will rise and set an hour later. Mass times will commence at regular times. Don't be late!

We will have olivewood carvings available to purchase after all Masses **March 23-24**. The proceeds 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. Help Christians remain at home by purchasing their lovely art.

Easter Potluck Picnic
Egg Hunt

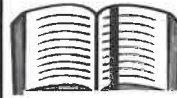
Fil-Am Tri-Cities cordially invites everyone to our annual Easter Picnic, March 30, at the PAC (gym).

Doors open at Noon
12:30 pm Lunch
Bring enough food to feed your family and some to share.

1:30 pm Egg Hunt
Children 0-4 years
5-9 years
10-14 years

Games for children and adults
(Prizes will be given to each age group.)

Please bring two dozen Easter eggs filled with candy.
For more information, call Lito at 509-727-2391.



SUNDAY
LITURGY
REFLECTION

By Fr. Riccardo Keolker

Wednesday, March 13,
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. 3/10 Victor & Wanda Parks
With questions or to sign up, contact Celine Petersen, 509-582-8738, or Irma Valdivia, 509-366-4422.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Commemoration of the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and blessing of palms
March 23 and 24 | All Masses in the Big Church

Vigil
English 5:30 pm
Spanish 7:00 pm

Sunday
English 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:30 pm

Spanish 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm
(30-minute procession to the sound of the Small Church bell only for 11:00 am and 1:00 pm Mass)

TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY – March 28

English | Big Church | 6:00 pm
Spanish | Big Church | 8:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY – March 29

Big Church
Living Stations 2:00 pm
Stations English 3:00 pm

Good Friday Liturgy:

English | 6:00 pm
Spanish | 8:00 pm

EASTER VIGIL - March 30

Easter Basket Blessing
Big Church
1:00 | Spanish
8:00 pm | Bilingual
There will be no Confessions.

EASTER SUNDAY —March 31

Big Church
English | 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 5:30 p.m.
Spanish | 1:00 pm, 7:00 pm

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY (regular Mass schedule)

April 7
2:30 pm Divine Mercy Devotions
English Small Church
Spanish Big Church

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The Knights of Columbus #8179
invite you to
The St. Patrick's Day Dinner
in memory of
Monsignor Desmond Patrick Dillon



Saturday March 16, 2024 St. Joseph Dillon Hall

Social at 5:30pm Dinner 6:15pm

Women of St. Joseph's Dessert Dash 7:00pm

Traditional Corn Beef and Cabbage, Green beer, Irish spirits

Tickets: \$35 per person

Sponsorship Tables:

3 Shamrocks: \$1,500 2 Shamrocks: \$1,000 1 Shamrock: \$750

Proceeds will be shared by Hope Medical & Prepares

Authentic Irish Entertainment 7:00pm- 9:00pm

Door prizes

Drawing at 8:00pm

Tickets available at Hope Medical & St. Joseph's Church Office

For more information contact Jay Wildgen at 509-901-6557



St Joseph's Giant Yard Sale

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

Spring Yard Sale
April 26 & 27

Setup on Sunday, April 21 at 10:00 AM
During the sale, we need cashiers, floor management
and clean-up help!

Questions about volunteering?
Please call Theresa @ 509-366-5631

Please circle the task and time in which you would like to help.
Return this completed form to the School or Parish Office.

Set-Up Sunday	Unpacking Week	Cashier #1	Cashier #2	Floor Management	Tear Down
April 21 10:00 AM	April 22, 23, 24, 25 AM or PM	April 26 April 27 AM or PM	April 26 April 27 AM or PM	April 26 April 27 AM or PM	April 27 2:00 PM—Until Finished

Volunteer Name (s) : _____ Phone #: _____

A member of the Women of St Joseph will be calling to schedule and confirm your assignment.

Strong men and women are encouraged and needed to help
with the heavy stuff!

Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world. – Desmond Tutu

Don't ever question the value of volunteers. Noah's Ark was built by volunteers; the Titanic was built by professionals. – Dave Gynn

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\$160/INDIVIDUAL OR \$600/TEAM OF FOUR
LIMITED TO 25 TEAMS - RESERVE EARLY
DEADLINE MAY 10TH FOR GOLF TEAMS

*PACKAGE INCLUDES: ENTRY FOR 4 PLAYERS, GOLF CART (WITH GPS), 18-HOLE PUTTING COURSE, SMALL RANGE BALLS, SLEEVE OF NEW BALLS, AND STEAK DINNER.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, SCAN HERE.

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 - FEATURED IN ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ADDRESSED TO 200 FAMILIES AND PARISH BULLETIN
 - ADDED TO ALL PROMOTIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AFTER MASS AT ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH AND HOLY SPIRIT
 - LISTED AS PRESENTING SPONSOR ON THE READER BOARD AT ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
 - **MARKETING DURING THE TOURNAMENT,**
 - RECOGNITION AS THE PRESENTING SPONSOR DURING THE EVENT (INCLUDES MENTIONS AND BANNERS - PROVIDED BY SPONSOR)
 - OPPORTUNITY FOR A PRE-TOURNAMENT OPENING STATEMENT
 - PROMOTIONAL/INFORMATIONAL TABLE AT GOLF TOURNAMENT
 - **HOLE-IN-ONE CONTEST** - PROMOTION OF GRAND PRIZE AT GOLF TOURNAMENT WITH SPONSOR'S SIGN AND SELECTED HOLE, LISTED ON ALL MARKETING AND SOCIAL MEDIA POST PROMOTING CONTEST (GRAND PRIZE PROVIDED BY SPONSOR)
 - **TEAM OF 4 GOLFERS INCLUDED**
 - **POST TOURNAMENT MARKETING**
 - THANK YOU SHOUT OUT ON SOCIAL MEDIA, SCHOOL NEWSLETTER, CHURCH BULLETIN
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 - PRINT AD IN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER AND CHURCH BULLETIN

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- RECOGNITION AT GOLF TOURNAMENT NAME AND LOGO AT FOOD TABLE
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- LOGO PLACEMENT ON ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL GOLF TOURNAMENT WEB PAGE

BEVERAGE SPONSOR \$500

- RECOGNITION AT GOLF TOURNAMENT NAME AND LOGO DISPLAYED ON BEVERAGE CART
- "THANK YOU" SOCIAL MEDIA POST ON ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE REACHING 1.2K FOLLOWERS (INDIVIDUAL POST)
- LOGO PLACEMENT ON ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL WEB PAGE

INDIVIDUAL HOLE SPONSOR \$250

- NAME AND LOGO DISPLAYED AT INDIVIDUAL SPONSORED HOLES
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- COMPANY OR INDIVIDUAL NAME WILL BE RECOGNIZED IN PRINT AT THE PRIZE TABLE
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 - \$50 - \$99 SILVER
 - \$25 - \$49 BRONZE

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PLAYERS: \$160/PERSON OR \$600/TEAM OF 4 # OF MEALS

1. NAME: _____ E-MAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

2. NAME: _____ E-MAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

3. NAME: _____ E-MAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

4. NAME: _____ E-MAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

TEAM CONTACT EMAIL: _____

PREFER PLAYING WITH THE FOLLOWING TEAM: _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____ **TO ORDER TOURNAMENT POLO SHIRTS, PLEASE VISIT**



JOIN US FOR A DAY OF GOLF AND FUN!



ST. JOSEPH'S LEGACY

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Benefitting St. Joseph's Catholic School

Dear Friends,

It is with great excitement that we invite you to join us for the **Second Annual St. Joseph's Legacy Golf Tournament** benefitting **St. Joseph's Catholic School** on Saturday, May 18th at the award winning Canyon Lakes Golf Course in Kennewick. The four-person best ball scramble will begin at 1:00 p.m. with check-in starting at 11:00 a.m.

The **St. Joseph's Legacy Golf Tournament** has been established with the purpose of raising funds to support the academic success and developmental growth of our students. All donations received will go directly towards the St. Joseph's Catholic School scholarship program, which plays a vital role in keeping tuition fees affordable for all families. These funds will also contribute towards important capital improvement projects necessary for our school, which has been serving the community for 60 years. Your support will make a significant impact on the future of our students and the continued success of St. Joseph's Catholic School.

As a loyal member of our community, we invite you to support our school as one of our **St. Joseph's Legacy Golf Tournament sponsors**. Our dedicated committee has carefully developed various sponsorship levels for your consideration. In return for your generosity, St. Joseph's Catholic School will proudly showcase your business as a sponsor in our promotional materials (traditional and social media elements) and throughout the event.

Please review the sponsorship opportunities and return the enclosed sponsorship form by **April 26th, 2024**. Please note: The sooner we receive your form, the more pre-event advertising we can offer via our promotional website, flyers, and more. Further details of sponsorship opportunities are found on the following page.

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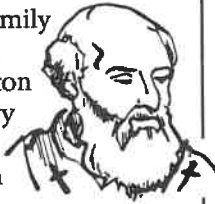
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St. Joseph Parish
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One Minute Meditations

Pope St. Zachary

Born to a Greek family in Calabria, Italy, St. Zachary was deacon to Pope Gregory III before succeeding him as pope in 741. As pope, St. Zachary skillfully negotiated peace for Italy several times, most notably with the Lombards and the Franks: St. Zachary supported St. Boniface's German mission, ransomed slaves sold by Venetian merchants, and supported the restoration of churches. He carried the Church through troubled times with charity, prudence, and skillful leadership.



Trust

St. (Mother) Teresa of Calcutta refused donations beyond the current needs of her community. Accepting such help would mean she didn't trust God to provide for their needs. When we rely on God, we demonstrate our faith, just as Mother Teresa did.

"God is faithful and will not let you be tried beyond your strength; but with the trial he will also provide a way out, so that you may be able to bear it"
(1 Corinthians 10:13).



Finish Lent strong

The last weeks of Lent can feel like the last yards of a marathon. We're just pushing ourselves to reach the finish line of Easter. Instead, think of Lent as a time of silence, simplicity, and sacrifice that helps us become the people God wants us to be. That's the real point of Lent.

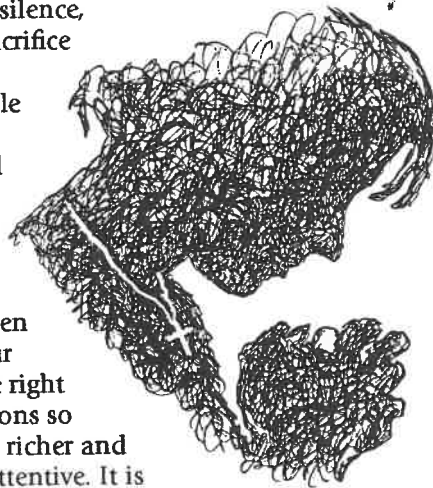
Silence: Prayer is oxygen for the soul. It is during prayer when God speaks to our hearts. Lent done right removes distractions so that our prayer is richer and our focus more attentive. It is critical to find time to be with Him in attentive silence each day.

Simplicity: Avoid material clutter. Consider the six month rule – if you haven't worn it or used it in the last

six months – give it away. Not only will you help those in need, decluttering creates room in our homes and hearts for God.

Sacrifice: Through sacrifice we give back to God what we owe Him. While we can't repay Him for His gifts in equal measure, we can express gratitude with small sacrifices that show our return back to Him in gratitude and love.

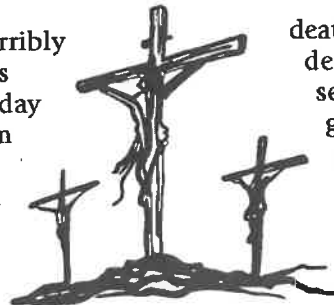
Sacraments: Sacraments are the fuel for fighting evil. During Lent, these spiritual battles intensify. Weekly Mass and monthly Confession keep up our spiritual strength. Don't fight on fumes. Fuel up with the Sacraments.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics call Good Friday "good"?

Although it recalls a terribly sad event, Good Friday is "good" because it is the day when Jesus saved us from our sins, reconciled us with God, and reopened Heaven. Out of what seemed like defeat, God brought victory. By His

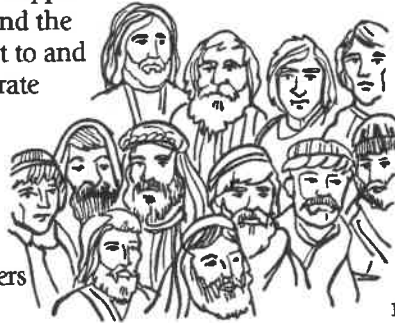


death, Jesus conquered sin and death. On Good Friday, we see more clearly God's goodness, justice, wisdom, power, and love. *"God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us"*
(Romans 5:8).

“By this all men will know that you are my disciples...”

Each Triduum begins by recalling the Last Supper during which Jesus gave us the priesthood and the Eucharist as His means of remaining present to and in His Church. On Holy Thursday, we celebrate discipleship and are all asked to renew our commitment to following Jesus.

Disciples act with love. *“By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another”* (John 13:35). True followers of Jesus know that how we treat others proves that we know Him and follow Him.



Disciples answer the call. God chooses us first, but we must answer the call. If Peter had not dropped his nets and followed Jesus, he would not have been a disciple. Discipleship involves a choice to drop everything for Him.

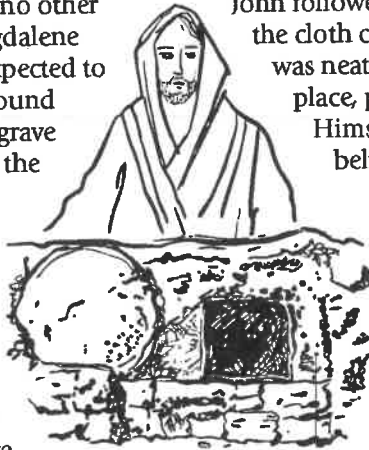
Disciples make other disciples. Ultimately, we need to do what Jesus did, which is to make more disciples. This was His final command, *“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations”* (Matthew 28:19). The Catholic Church’s mission is to make disciples who make disciples.

from **Scripture**

John 20:1-9, Jesus - not death - has the last word

The Resurrection is the keystone of our Faith, making a claim no other faith can. When Mary Magdalene arrived at the tomb, she expected to find a body. Instead, she found the stone rolled back, the grave clothes neatly folded, and the tomb empty. She concluded, wrongly, that thieves had taken the Lord’s body, and she ran to tell Peter and John.

When Peter and John arrived, Peter entered first and also saw that the grave clothes had been left behind, not left in a heap, but neatly arranged. No grave robber would have taken the



body and left the clothes behind. John followed Peter and saw that the cloth covering Christ’s face was neatly folded in a separate place, perhaps by Christ Himself. He saw and believed.

The Resurrection proves that Christ is who He says He is. Therefore, we must give Him our final allegiance. Because Jesus rose from the dead in glory, we also have the hope of rising

in glory with Him on the Last Day. Christ - not death, sin, or evil - has the last word.

Q & A What are the Corporal Works of Mercy?

As followers of Christ, we’re encouraged to care for each other. Jesus’ parable of the judgment of the sheep and the goats (Matthew 25:31-46) lists the ways we can care for those in physical need: *“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me...”* (Matthew 25:35).



These are the Corporal Works of Mercy: to feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty, to clothe the naked, to visit the sick and imprisoned, to shelter the homeless and to bury the dead. Essentially, *“it is by what they have done for the poor that Jesus Christ will recognize His chosen ones”* (Catechism of the Catholic Church #2443).

The Corporal Works of Mercy are about being aware of others’ needs and responding to them. Living the Corporal Works of Mercy is how we can make our love for God and others visible and effective. *“Whatever you did for one of these...you did for me”* (Matthew 25:40).

Feasts & Celebrations

March 8 - John of God (1550). Moved to repentance by a homily of St. John of Ávila, St. John left his career in the Portuguese military to establish a hospital for the sick and poor. After his death, his assistants formed the Brothers Hospitallers.

March 19 - St. Joseph, Husband of Mary (1st century). Jesus’ earthly father and husband to the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph is a model of fatherhood and a protector of families.

March 24 - Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion (1st Century). On

Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion, we recall Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem, when He was greeted by cheering crowds waving palms. This Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week.

March 26 - St. Margaret Clitherow (1586). St. Margaret converted to Catholicism soon after she married, when Catholicism was illegal in England. Margaret continued to practice her faith, even hiding priests in her house so they could say Mass. She remained joyful, faithful, and peaceful until her martyrdom.



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Rite of Election Welcomes Large Number of Catechumens, Candidates —

In what is believed to be the largest Rite of Election ever for the Diocese of Yakima, 460 catechumens and candidates from 26 parishes were welcomed into the Catholic Church on February 18 at Holy Family Church in Yakima. Our Lady of the Desert Church in Mattawa, pastored by Father Lalo Barragan, had the most participants, with 55 in all.

The “catechumens” are individuals who are preparing to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation at Easter, while the “candidates” are individuals who have already been baptized in a Christian faith and will receive Eucharist and Confirmation at Easter. Most were adults, although others were as young as seven years of age.

To begin the ceremony, catechumens, candidates and their sponsors processed into Holy Family, holding their parish banners. The Holy Family choir provided music.

The ceremony was co-chaired by Deacon Gene Ockinga of St. Joseph Church, Wenatchee, and Deacon Johnny Reyes of St. Rose of Lima Church in Ephrata, with guidance from long-time coordinator Ree



Bishop Tyson gave the homily for the Rite of Election.

Kearns of Holy Family Parish.

Bishop Joseph Tyson was the principal celebrant for the rite, with Father Dan Dufner, pastor of Holy Family Church, concelebrating. Father Michael Kelly from Holy Family Parish and Father Ruben Meléndrez from St. Andrew’s Parish in Ellensburg assisted, along with Deacons Ockinga and Reyes, and Deacon Kerry Turley of St. Joseph Parish in Sunnyside.

In his homily, Bishop Tyson focused on the verse from the Gospel accounts in which “Jesus was led by the Spirit, into the desert, in order to be tempted by the devil.” In a summary of his talk, the Bishop remarked

that this unusual passage may refer to Jesus being led into evil, but rather holiness grows in its proximity to evil, as referenced by the Benedictine Dom Vovier.

“God...brings good out of evil and makes saints out of sinners! He creates martyrs out of the persecuted!,” Bishop Tyson said. “This is what God is doing for us. Even today, our mission is constant and stressful.”

As explained by Deacon Ockinga, catechumens and candidates are not in a period of “purification and enlightenment,” but rather continuing their prayer and study of the Faith, in preparation for the Easter sacraments in their parishes in which they will receive the sacraments.

The February 18 rite was “long and beautiful,” he said, lasting about two and a half hours.

Bringing everyone together like this does serve a purpose, he observed. “The beauty of it to me is they get to see many other people throughout the diocese who are doing the same thing, are on the Faith journey.” **See more photos:**

Amid Holiday Rush, Remember the True Meaning of Easter

As you’re out there buying those chocolate eggs, new clothes and perhaps a plush bunny or two, don’t forget to keep Christ in mind! With the flurry of commercial activity that has come to surround Easter, it’s easy to forget that this is the high point of the Catholic Church year. It’s also ironic that many of the symbols of the day that have become the subject of toys, treats and games

actually are based upon the historical event which purchased our eternal salvation.

Take the **Easter bunny** for example. This popular chocolate or plush creation is a symbol of new life. According to history.com, “the Easter bunny has become a prominent symbol of Christianity’s most important holiday.” With a long history of symbolizing fertility, the bunny “embodies

the rebirth that comes in the Easter season, and our culture has tasked them with delivering all those symbolic eggs that mark Easter Sunday,” says catholiccourier.com.

Another interesting take on the Easter bunny is that, “Some early Christians used the rabbit as a symbol of Christ after his resurrection. You see, rabbits can be seen and then they disappear and begin being seen somewhere else,” reports bayoucatholic.org.

“**Easter eggs** are said to represent Jesus’ emergence from the tomb and resurrection,” according to history.com. “It’s easy to see why the Church adopted eggs as symbols of returning life,” agrees catholiccourier.com. The egg is “a sterile and shelled little object that suddenly explodes into new life... And those cracked and no-longer-needed shells certainly resemble an empty tomb.” Likewise, a **baby**

chick can symbolize the miracle of new life, leaving the tomb, according to bayoucatholic.com.

Lambs are another popular symbol of Easter. In every Mass, we hear Jesus referred to as the “Lamb of God.” It also is the Biblical reference of “Isaiah painting their doorposts with sacrificial lamb’s blood so that God would ‘pass over’ their homes,” as they were in the nine plagues including the death of firstborn sons, according to history.com.

Even the flowers of the season, **Easter lilies**, have religious significance. “Their growth from dormant bulb underground to flowers symbolizes the resurrection and hope of Christ’s resurrection,” says history.com. The “white of the lily symbolizes purity, and there’s a legend that the flowers of Gethsemane, where Jesus prayed before His impending death, were full of lilies,” adds catholiccourier.com. Some call the shape of the Easter lily a true symbol like those used in Jesus’ time to an

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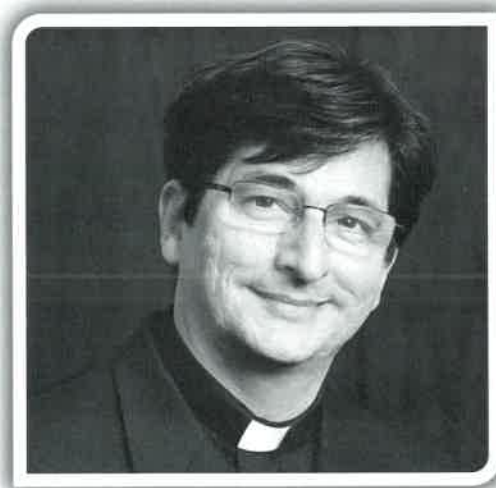
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to start off by thanking the many teams across the Diocese of working with the Rite of Christian of Adults (RCIA) as well as the of the RCIA for youth. On Sunday 18, we had the largest Rite of ver!

es well that so many parishes are evangelization, both of those not received sacraments and may the Faith as well as those who to us already baptized in other out desiring to deepen their comith Christ by coming into full on with the Catholic Church. tly, I had the chance to talk r Thomas Gaunt S.J., who famous Center for Research in plate (CARA) at Georgetown in Washington, D.C. He made an g observation. He noted that for urchgoers, Eucharist comes first. Eucharist that we go out in mis- world. Indeed, the very word comes from the same Latin stem on." Mass is ended. We are sent in

ther Gaunt noted that with young youth, it is often the other way charist is the capstone. His recicates that young people will often ipate in service projects, go on reats, engage in Bible studies, and is in youth groups. Their regular on in Sunday Eucharist comes at an evangelization process.

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Bishop Joseph Tyson

refuge in Emmaus. They are going the wrong way.

And disguised as a fellow traveler, Jesus approaches them and goes the wrong way with them. He doesn't start by correcting them. He starts by listening to them. He listens to them for so long that the sun begins to set. It is nightfall. He acts like He is going to go on further – the wrong way – but the disciples invite Him to stay and to eat with them. Jesus does not force an invitation. But He accepts. And what would have been a meal becomes the Eucharist because they recognize Him in the breaking of the bread, "whereupon He vanishes from their sight."

With the Rite of Election, those to receive the Easter Sacraments enter into a phase the Rite terms as a period of "purification and enlightenment." All of us can use this time to prepare to confess our sins through the Rite of Penance at a regular time in the parish, or at a special parish service.

Those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil celebrate the "Scrutinies" on the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent. In Masses at which the scrutiny rite is celebrated, they hear stories from the Gospel of St. John. First, they hear the story of the Woman at the Well, which asks: "Where have we tried to quench our thirst in inappropriate ways?"

Then they hear the story of the Man Born Blind, which asks, "Are we blind to the wiles of sin in our lives? Finally, they hear the story of the "Raising of Lazarus," which asks, "What sin needs to be overcome to become fully alive in the Christian life?"

The final phase of the RCIA is "mystagogia." This is a time to gather the newly initiated and have them look back at the Easter Vigil and savor their sacramental encounter with Christ. It is also the time to ask how they will live out their initiation in an evangelizing mission to the world. For many, this may be involvement in parish life. But it should also include some involvement in the many needs of the surrounding community. The homeless. The gangs. The needy. The poor.

The Easter Vigil can easily become a "graduation." But Vigil is not the end of the RCIA process. Indeed, the mystagogia phase suggests that it is only the beginning. Being sent out as missionary disciples means that, like Jesus, we will meet people going the wrong way. We will want to walk with them. Listen to them. Accompany them. If the CARA research from Father Thomas Gaunt S.J., is any indicator, most youth and young adults will come to the Church because of a prior accompaniment that helped them have their questions heard, assisted them in establishing a relationship with God, and allowed them to observe and even take part in Christian charity. Eventually that may lead to an invitation to them to break bread and be part of Eucharist.

I hope this issue of the *Central Washington Catholic* inspires you to consider how you live out the Faith in a way that witnesses the resurrection of Jesus Christ, crucified and risen!

With every best wish and blessing!

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Joseph J. Tyson
Bishop of Yakima

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t news and foreshadowing the that are predicted to sound when rns, according to bayoucatholic.

ross, which is used in everything er designs to chocolate molds, is as symbol for Catholics: it was the which Jesus died to bring us to a Him. Likewise, the **dogwood** Easter symbol because "it is widely hat the cross on which Jesus was was made of the wood" from such

a tree, according to eastergoodfriday.com. As the tree blossoms at about this time of year, it is "a living memory of the event which took place centuries ago." The shape and markings of the blossoms also are said to mimic everything from the crown of thorns to the nails used in the crucifixion.

So, as we continue our journey through the Lenten season, let's remember that everywhere we look, there are reminders of the true meaning of Easter and the eternal joy that it celebrates.

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Participants from Many Parishes Joined in February 18 Rite of Election—

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Participants from Holy Apostles Parish in East Wenatchee were happy to be present for the Rite.



Father Kurt Hadley and participants from Holy Redeemer Parish, Yakima, processed in.



Participants from St. Andrew's Parish, Ellensburg stood with Bishop Tyson.



< Members of the contingent from St. Aloysius Parish, Toppenish, posed with their banner.



The Rite of Election began with a procession into Holy Family Church. >

“Two Hearts” Women’s Retreat

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Guest speaker will be Sonja Corbitt.
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CRS Rice Bowl Serves the Poor

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Annual Mass Is Scheduled

All are welcome to attend the annual Lenten Mass, scheduled for 7 p.m., on Saturday, March 19, at St. Paul Cathedral. Bishop Joseph Tyson will be the principal celebrant, with priests of the Diocese of Yakima concelebrating and assisting. This beautiful rite will include both the anointing of the holy oils used in rites throughout the liturgical year and a renewal of promises by priests. Please pray for the clergy of our Diocese as we work together to build the Kingdom of God.

Weekends Planned for April

Are you interested in re-igniting your faith? Do you want to develop a better relationship with God?

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If you are interested in attending or have any questions about Cursillo, contact Lynn Anderson at 509-731-6975 (for the women's weekend) or Dan Sisk at 509-731-6975 (for the men's weekend).

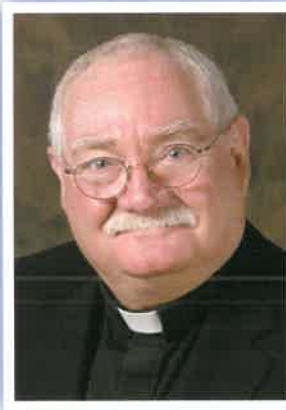
Funeral Mass Held for Father Gary Norman, Senior Priest of Diocese

A funeral Mass was held February 13 at St. Paul Cathedral for Father Gary Norman, 79, a senior priest of the Diocese of Yakima. Burial followed at Calvary Cemetery.

Father died on January 31 at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center following an auto accident and subsequent stroke.

After retiring in 2014, he moved to Prescott, Arizona, assisting at Sacred Heart Parish there and traveling extensively to preach for Food for the Poor. He was on one of these mission trips when the accident occurred.

Born in 1945 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, Father had a business career in fashion footwear before entering the seminary. He was ordained by Bishop Francis George, O.M.I., in Yakima in 1974, after completing studies at the



Father Gary Norman

Toronto School of Theology and Sacred Heart Seminary in Wisconsin.

In the Diocese of Yakima, Father served as a parochial vicar at Holy Family Church in Yakima from 1994-96 and at Christ the King Church in Richland from 1997-2000. He was pastor at St. Rose of Lima Church in Ephrata from 2007-2014, and also served as administrator of Saint Joseph Parish in Waterville. In between

these assignments, he was stationed in the Diocese of Juneau, Alaska, where he used his pilot skills to minister to a widespread flock, and in the dioceses of Great Falls-Billings, Montana; Sacramento, California; and Las Vegas, Nevada.

Among Father's leisure interests were weaving, playing the guitar, ceramics and camping.

Please keep Father Norman in your prayers, along with all of our other deceased clergy and religious.

Dr. James and Roberta Guzek Honored for Medical Mission Work

Dr. James and Roberta Guzek, parishioners of St. Joseph Church in Kennewick, have received the 2024 Monsignor Anthony Brouwers Award from Mission Doctors Association, honoring their tremendous service in medical mission work.

The award was presented February 24, in an online ceremony originating in Los Angeles, California, where the Association is based. The couple were celebrated for “unyielding commitment to serving the medically underserved and exemplifying the essence of faith-driven medical service across the globe.”

An eye surgeon, Dr. Guzek made his first mission trek to Ruhunu Eye Hospital in Sri Lanka in 1987. Since that time, he has traveled to Ghana, helping to establish an eye clinic; to Ethiopia; South Sudan; Ecuador; and most recently, the Nuba Mountains of Sudan. He plans to return to Sudan in November. In addition to performing eye surgeries, Dr. Guzek has a major focus on teaching local medical staff, upgrading their skills and helping to connect them with resources.

Among other family participation, Dr. Guzek, Roberta and three of their children traveled to Ecuador together for a medical mission trip, about six years ago, with the family doing support work for medical procedures. They also lived

in Ghana from 1998-2003.

Regarding the award, Dr. Guzek simply observed that, “There is such joy in being in God's providence.” Roberta expressed appreciation

for local support for the missions, noting that, “The prayers of the people here are so powerful.”

Continued prayers for the medical mission work are appreciated. Anyone who wishes to offer financial help can make out a check to Gifting the Gift of Sight and mail to Dr. James Guzek at 1142 Foxtrot Lane, Richland, WA 99352. To learn more about the Mission Doctors Association, visit <http://www.MissionDoctors.org>.



Dr. James and Roberta Guzek