

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 13, 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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Rel. Education Coordinators

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Vacant



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


Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 13, 2024

It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the Kingdom of God." (Mark 10:25) Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. However, we are all called to be generous with all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts. We must be generous, especially with the gifts that mean the most to us! That includes our time in prayer, our talent in participating in Parish ministries, and our treasure in supporting our local Parish and other charities.

Collection for October 6, 2024

Sunday Offering	\$22,019.94
Building Fund	\$638.00
School Donations	\$2,263.00
Religious Education	\$751.27
Religious Retirement	\$55.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$100.00
Holy Day	\$82.00

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, 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, Zara Husan, Raquel Cardoza, Samuel Quintanilla, Pat McKie Szacik, Carmen Nava, Mike Draper, Peter Braun, Yolanda Quintero, Hazel Meister, Sandra Skierczyzinski, Kolton Hansford, Jeannine Soehnlein, Joanne, Marie Smith, Armandino Gamino, Ana Espinoza,** 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.

ADORATION CHAPEL
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Openings:

Friday, 9 am

The Adoration Chapel is open to visitors. Please consider accepting the invitation to sign up for regular weekly hours of Adoration.

Please call to obtain personal codes for entry. Call **Carol at 509-582-5011**, or, en español, **Delmi at 509-528-8896**

"We should never again use the expression, 'When Jesus was on earth' or think of Him as being only in heaven, Jesus is still on earth." (Fr. John Hardon, S.J.)

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

Monday, October 14

6:30 am
† Elaine Loftus

8:30 am
† Amalia Del Pozo

Tuesday, October 15

6:30 am
† Margaret Tobin Loftus

8:30 am
† Clarine Lysiak

Wednesday, October 16

6:30 am
Elma Tirol-De Leon (Birthday)

8:30 am
† Heidi Cook

† Andrew Peters

Thursday, October 17

6:30 am
No Intentions for this Mass

8:30 am
Kaden Harrison (Birthday)

7:00 pm
No Intentions for this Mass

Friday, October 18

6:30 am
† August Tobin

8:30 am
Soledad Correa (Healing)

October 14-20

Saturday, October 19

8:30 am
† Sal & Laurie Pennella

5:30 pm
† Betty Schwartz

7:00 pm
† Agustín Mojica

† Nicolás y Consuelo Manzanares

† Maria Dolores Hernandez

Sunday, October 20

9:00 am
No Intentions for this Mass

11:00 am
Macario Santos Jr. (Birthday)

Izabella Perez Martinez (Birthday)

† Uy Soy Po and Gina Magallanes

1:00 pm
No Intentions for this Mass

5:30 pm
† Terry Ogden

7:00 pm

† Chema Cruz

Scan QR code to request online!



JOIN FR. JOSÉ FOR A PARISH DAY TRIP TO LEAVENWORTH

Saturday, December 14

For more information: 509-586-3820 Ext 101

RESERVE Your Seats by making the full payment and completing waiver forms. No seats are reserved without payment.

Departure: 8 am

Return home: approximately 10:30 pm

Transportation: The charter bus is limited to 50 passengers. First come, first served. All minors must be accompanied by a parent.

Price (Transportation Only)

Adults & Teens (age 13+)	\$80
Seniors (age 65+)	\$70
Kids (ages 2-12 yrs)	\$60



November 1
Solemnity of All Saints
Holy Day of Obligation

Big Church
Masses in English
6:30 am, 8:30 am,
12:05 pm, 5:30 pm
Mass in Spanish
7:00 pm

November 2
All Souls' Day

Big Church
Masses in English
8:30 am
5:30 pm
Mass in Spanish
7:00 pm

**ST. JOSEPH
YOUTH GROUP**

GRUPO JUVENIL SAN JOSÉ



KENNEWICK, WA

Mark your calendars and plan to join us!

- Oct. 18 No Life Night
- Oct. 19 Archery Battle— at the PAC (sign-up previously)
- Oct. 25 Food Drive—Tailgate at the BC parking lot
- Nov. 1 Attend All Saints’ Day Mass
- Nov. 2 All Saints’ Day Festival
- Nov. 8 Life Night // 7:00-8:30 pm // Parish Office

Contact us:



✉ youth06.stjoseph@gmail.com
☎ 509-586-3820 Ext 101
📱 509-302-3244 (call/text)
Find us on Facebook & Instagram:
@youth06.stjoseph



Archery Battle



FOAM-TIPPED-ARROWS

SAT. OCT. 19

PAC (GYM)

1:00-3:00 PM

**Sign up at Youth Group!
Limited spaces available.**

**PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE A
SIGNED PERMISSION SLIP
(WAIVER) IN ORDER TO
PARTICIPATE**

509-302-3244 NT

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FROM POPULAR DONUTS

DONUT SUNDAY

Proceeds for St. Joseph Youth Group

OCTOBER 20

ALL WEEKEND MASSES

Help us beat hunger!

COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE

Friday, October 25

Big Church Parking Lot

Join us in collecting food for our local food bank during the Kennewick & Kamiakin Football game!
Everyone is invited to bring donations to the local food bank for the event.

Tailgate / Food Drop-off

📅 Date **October 25**

🕒 Time **5:00-6:30 pm**

Football Game

Kennewick VS. Kamiakin @ Lampson Stadium

📅 Date **October 25**

🕒 Time **7:00 pm**

FUNDRAISER

10:30 AM—2:00 PM

November 2, 2024

Saint Festival

TRUNK OR TREAT * FOOD * GAMES

PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF THE
BL. CARLO ACUTIS STATUE.

To make additional monetary donation reference # 56800



Scan the QR code to sign up to help. Confirmation, Quinceañera(os), & parents are granted service hours.

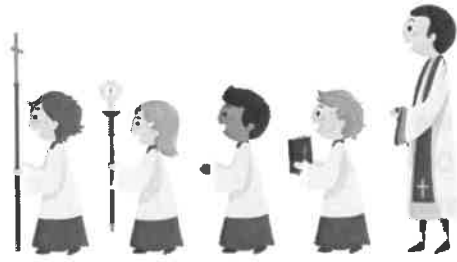
ST. JOSEPH YOUTH GROUP

*Pre Easter Youth Retreat
Pre Pascua Juvenil*

APRIL 11, 12, 13, 2025

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SAT. OCTOBER 26 | BIG CHURCH

SAB. 26 DE OCTUBRE | IGLESIA GRANDE

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

NEW & CURRENT ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

**To sign-up your child scan
the QR code and complete
the form.**



Lunch will be provided,
thanks to the generosity of
the Knights of Columbus.

ENTRENAMIENTO PARA MONAGUILLOS NUEVOS Y ACTUALES

**Para registrar a su hijo(a)
escaneé el código QR
y complete la forma.**



Se proveerá almuerzo,
gracias a la generosidad
de los Caballeros de Colon

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

I did not come to be served, but to serve.
~ Matthew 20: 28

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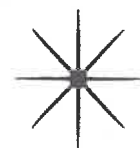
6:00-8:00 pm | Dillon Hall

For all who currently participate in any kind of
ministry in our parish.

~ No Host Bar available. ~

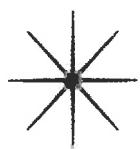
We look forward to your presence.
Last day to RSVP is October 14, 2024.
Scan QR code to RSVP.



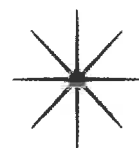


Women of Saint Joseph's

ART-CRAFT BAZAAR



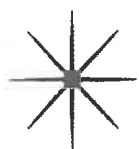
FREE ADMISSION



Friday & Saturday
November 8 & 9



9 AM
to 5 PM



Lunch is available for purchase



Bake Sale

We would love to have your homemade goodies for our Bake Sale! Dillon Hall will be open at 9 am on Thursday, November 7, for those who will be dropping off their home-baked treats. Additionally, we need donated items for our raffle baskets. To arrange for pickup of donated items or for further information, please call Leticia at 509-870-7016.

Thank you for your support!



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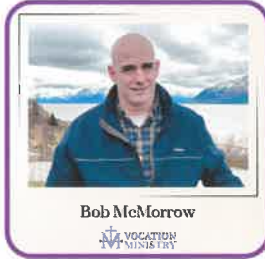
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Church Mission Congress to Focus on Encouraging Vocations

By Christine Corbett Conklin

“Called By Name” is the theme of the Church Mission Congress, set for Saturday, October 12 at La Salle High School, in the Yakima Valley. The focus will be on encouraging vocations in the Diocese of Yakima.

Beginning at 8 a.m. and concluding at 3:30 p.m., the event will include speakers, prayer and reflection, merchandise vendors and raffle prizes. It will offer an opportunity for catechists, vocation committee members and other parishioners to meet and exchange ideas.



Bob McMorrow
VOCATION MINISTRY

Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Presenting in English, Bob McMorrow, the founder of a vocation team for the Diocese of Anchorage, Alaska, will discuss creating a culture of vocations in our Diocese. He will include ideas on forming vocations-friendly parishes.

Leticia Ramirez, who has worked in youth ministry as a catechist and leading youth retreats, is especially interested in helping youth to discern their vocations and be open to listening to God’s call for their lives.



Leticia Ramirez
VOCATION MINISTRY

Presenting in Spanish, she too will discuss creating a culture of vocations, including vocation-friendly parishes.

Online registration by October 10 is \$35 for adults (age 20 and up) and \$15 for youth (age 13-19); and \$15 for children (12 and under). Adult registration for the dinner will be an additional \$10.

To register, visit yakimadio.org and click on the blue box for Church Mission Congress.

For more information, call 509-665-9655 or 509-665-7117.

La Salle High School is located at 10000 Lightning Way in Union Gap, Washington, adjacent to Yakima.

Bishop Tyson Gives Address at Texas Ministry Conference

VICTORIA, TX – Yakima Bishop Joseph Tyson was a featured speaker September 14 for the Third Catholic Hispanic Ministry Conference for the Diocese of Victoria, Texas. The title of his presentation was “The Periphery Gives Life to the Entire Church, a Church of Encounter.”

In his opening remarks, Bishop Tyson noted the call of Pope Francis early on in his papacy to be missionary disciples, particularly in reaching out to those who often can be easily overlooked. “We see this vision of parishes renewed by contact with the peripheries in his seminal Joy of the Gospel where he writes: ‘I dream of a “missionary option,” that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church’s customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channeled for the evangelization of today’s world rather than for her self-preservation.’”

Using the Emmaus story from Saint Luke’s gospel of the encounter of the risen Jesus with two disciples, as well as examples drawn from the summer migrant ministry work that seminarians of the Diocese have done, Bishop Tyson lifted up six key themes: Formation of Missionary Disciples; Synodal Discernment; Eucharist; Family as Domestic Church; Fostering Vocations among Youth; and Infusion of Gratitude.

In regard to forming disciples for mission,

the bishop recounted some feedback he got directly from a fieldworker who simply said of a seminarian, “No se ve la zanca al pollo” (loosely translated, “he doesn’t seem to be have it in him.”). It turned out the seminarian had been skipping his fruit-picking assignments.

He later was released from the program.

The same fieldworker, seeing that the bishop had taken her comment seriously, trusted him to help her finally get the ashes of her father properly interred, rather than being passed around among family members.

“Whether seminarians in formation, or lay people studying for ministry in the Church, Pope Francis insists that we become missionary disciples,” the bishop said. “If our churches look empty and our enrollment is down, the problem is not that people are not coming to us. The problem is that we have not yet gone out to them.”

In speaking of synodality, or “walking with one another,” Bishop Tyson noted that often in our polarized society, discussions can move quickly into debates. “But this is not the way of Emmaus,” he said. “We walk with the others. We listen to others. We

eventually reason with others and from there we hear we propose the meaning of vocations may be sharing.”

In the Emmaus story, the bishop said, Jesus was willing to walk in the wrong direction – away from Jerusalem – for a long distance while talking with them and teaching them. Eventually the two disciples invited the unknown stranger in their midst to a meal, and he recognized him in the breaking of the bread.

“We have recently celebrated the

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Bishop Tyson was a featured speaker at a conference in the Diocese of Victoria, Texas.

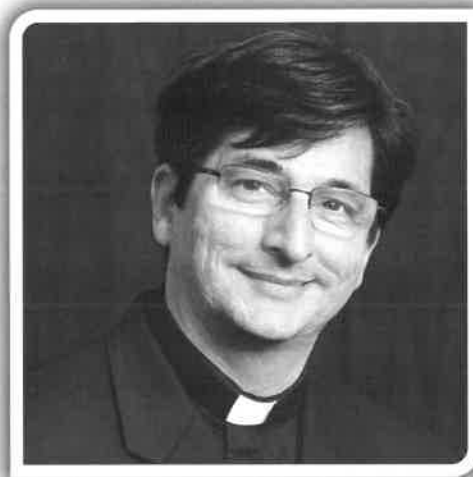
RESPECT LIFE MONTH

An excerpt from a statement by Most Rev. Michael Burbidge, Chairman of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Pro-Life Activities.

“Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist, gives us the gift of life. He calls each of us to respect that gift of life in every human person. While we live in a society that often respects those who are weak, fragile, or vulnerable, they are the most in need of our care and protection. Pope Francis reminds us that ‘every child who, rather than being born, is condemned unjustly to being aborted, bears the face of Jesus Christ, the face of the Lord, who even before he was born, and just after birth, experienced the world’s rejection.’ ... At this time, we need a revival of prayer and action: 1. We must renew our commitment to work for the **legal protection of every human life, from conception to natural death**, and to **vote for candidates who will defend the life and dignity of every person**. 2. We must call for **policies that assist women and their children** in need, while also continuing to help men in our own communities (in Washington State, through PREPARES). 3. We must likewise continue to extend the **compassion to all who are suffering from participation in abortion**, through the Church’s abortion healing ministry like Project Rachel Ministry. 4. Most importantly, we must rededicate ourselves to **fervent prayer** on behalf of life.”

ends:

come to fall! The leaves are falling. So are we. How do we negotiate in the light of the Gospel of Jesus? How do we witness our Catholic faith to our fellow Christians as well as to those who claim no home of faith? The answer, suggests Father Aaron Williams, might be summarized in one word: curiosity. In his fine book titled, *Curious: The Church in a Polarized World*, Father Wessman tells the story of his journey away from the United States over the last ten years. As a Glenmary Missionary, Father Wessman spent a good portion of his time in Italy as part of the international "Curious" movement. He spent time ministering to isolated lay Catholics who wanted to build friendship and engagement, not just within the Church but among Catholics and non-believers. After returning home to the United States and seeing the palpable increase in social and political polarization. Based on data-driven research, he lays out many helpful insights about our social and political challenges here in the United States as well as the implications for Catholic social teaching might



Bishop Joseph Tyson

bring to the table.

But even more, he suggests that when being with others who think, feel and believe differently from ourselves, it is best to assume an attitude of curiosity. Can we ask those opposite from us: "How did you come to your opinion, your belief, your understanding?"

Similarly, Bishop Daniel Flores of Brownsville, Texas, when preaching the Gospel of the Good Samaritan, notes

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ic Revival," the bishop said. "Some of us in Indianapolis. I celebrated that with our migrant workers back in Indianapolis. You want to celebrate the National Eucharistic Revival every Sunday just pay attention to the four verbs in Luke 24 because they appear in the Eucharistic prayer: 'Go, break, eat.'

ing from Eucharist to Family Life, Bishop Tyson noted that parishes would be ministering not simply to youth, but to their parents as well. "Yes, we can have many programs for youth," he said. "But youth are not returning to a home – a church – rich in moral vocabulary, spiritual and religious imagery, they have that profound encounter with Christ that makes us more human and a person that we could never become without God. Again, the periphery can be reached: families and inside our parishes." Speaking of vocations emerging from the series, the bishop recounted the story of the young Anglo man who during the pandemic helped with Facebook ministry at his parish. "He was in his second year of college studying engineering. He had spent time in the summer. So he lived with seminarians, some of whom were in the United States and some of whom were in migrant ministry. As he worked in migrant ministry, he would want to consider becoming a priest and working in our mission. He is now

in Mexico at the Seminario Hispano learning Spanish!"

Finally, in speaking of gratitude, Bishop Tyson noted how the interaction of seminarians with migrant workers helped to deepen a sense of gratitude. "A couple of seminarians were off away from the other workers eating lunch. The workers insisted that the men sit in the shade, and they insisted on sharing their food with the seminarians.

"They prepared a table for you," I told them. "Someday you will prepare the table for their Eucharist, God willing."

After developing the themes, the bishop revisited the difficult topic of overcoming resistance to the teachings of Pope Francis in a society where immigrants and others on the peripheries are often viewed as threats.

"In proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ, we need to be curious about those to whom we want to share the Good News. In bringing the peripheries to the center of parish life, we need to be curious as to how this will be received," he said.

"As bishop, I am painfully aware that a significant number of parishioners ... are deeply resistant to Pope Francis. They are deeply resistant to immigrants," he added. "They are very reluctant to reach out to the peripheries let alone bring the peripheries into the center of parish life.

"Can we leave this day ready to walk the 'wrong way' with those parishioners? Can we

that the story begins with a learned man asking a religiously legal question from Jewish tradition. "Who is my neighbor?" Jesus answers the legal question with the parable of the Good Samaritan. Saint Ambrose suggests that our neighbor is anyone we find in need.

I hope this issue of the *Central Washington Catholic* sparks your curiosity about others, especially those who think different from you. May we all become inquisitive instruments of dialogue especially in those social and political places that seem most challenging, most polarized and most contentious.

"Go, go, go!" Those closing words from Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle of the Philippines at the National Eucharistic Congress in July are meant to remind us that the word "Mass" and "Mission" come from the same root: "to be sent."

With every best wish and blessing!
Yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Joseph J. Tyson
Bishop of Yakima

be curious about what they think and why? Can we listen to their experiences with curiosity?"

Before inviting the participants to spend some time in quiet reflection and then share comments, Bishop Tyson echoed the closing words of Cardinal Luis Tagle, who represented the Holy Father at the National Eucharistic Revival in Indianapolis and ended it by saying "Go!"

"Can we do the same? Can we walk with people going the 'wrong way' and be curious as to why? Can we work with those different from us to bring the marginalized of our community and of our world back into the center of parish life? Can we find projects and experiences in our community that all can share?"

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National Migration Week Celebrated in Diocese of Yakima

In a world marked by immense suffering, the plight of migrants and refugees stands out as a pressing global issue. The World Day of Migrants and Refugees (WDMR) Sunday, September 29 was an opportunity for the global church and the Catholic faithful to engage in prayer, reflection, and action on behalf of our brothers and sisters who are forced to flee their homes.

National Migration Week is a uniquely US-based celebration that builds on the ideas put forth in WDMR and shaped accordingly for the American public. This year we celebrated National Migration Week September 23 – 29. Pope Francis' latest message for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees,

was read in all of our parishes at the weekend Masses.

In his message, Pope Francis emphasized the theme "God Walks with His People." This theme served as a reminder that God consistently accompanies His people throughout history, guiding and providing for them, much like He did for the Israelites.

Pope Francis drew a parallel between the experiences of migrants today and the ancient Israelites' journey from slavery to freedom, highlighting the similar challenges of oppression and hardship they face. Pope Francis stated, "Like the people of Israel in the time of Moses, migrants often flee from oppression, abuse, insecurity, discrimination, and lack of opportunities for devel-

opment. Similar to the Jews in the migrants encounter many obstacle path: they are tried by thirst and h they are exhausted by toil and dise are tempted by despair."

As Catholics, we are comman Jesus (MT 25) to provide support ; for the most vulnerable among us, the naked, the hungry, the imprisc the stranger. Through this outrea called to accompany migrants at al of their journey: from the point of through transit, and to their final c tion.

To read Pope Francis' full mes visit the Diocese of Yakima websit yakimadiocese.org.

Vatican Sees Spiritual Value of Medjugorje, Doesn't Judge it Supernatural *Continued*

"It should be noted that such experiences occur above all in the context of pilgrimages to the places associated with the original events rather than in meeting with the 'visionaries' to be present for the alleged apparitions," the dicastery added.

The 10,000-word notification looked in-depth at hundreds of the "alleged messages," highlighting the positive, orthodox character of most of them while cautioning that some contain questionable theological affirmations or appear to be more a reflection of the young people's thoughts than what the church would expect from Mary.

Archbishop Aldo Cavalli, the resident apostolic visitor to Medjugorje, is charged with determining whether to allow the publication of alleged messages revealed in the future or alleged messages from the past that have not yet been published, the notification said.

At the news conference, Cardinal Fernández said the wording of some of the messages is "not exactly from St. Thomas Aquinas." As an example, he pointed to one about the faithful departed being happy when Masses are celebrated for them, a statement which could give the impression that even those in purgatory can be happy.

A key principle in the church's evaluation of phenomena like Me the note said, is that "when one re an action of the Holy Spirit in the a spiritual experience, it does not everything belonging to that expe is thereby free from all imprecisio imperfections, and areas of possib confusion."

Affirming the spiritual value c alleged apparition or a specific dev it said, does not exclude the possil "some error of a natural order, not to bad intentions, but to the subje perception of the phenomenon."

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highlight of the night will be honoring eight Champions of Catholic Education. The evening Leadership Luncheon will be presented by Msgr. Thomas Champoux, who served as both Director of the Board of Catholic Charities and served as Pastor of Christ the King Church in Richland since 1997. The award will be presented to **Dr. Roy Heynderickx**, who served for 15 years as President and Interim Co-President of St. Marcellus University in Lacey, Washington. He served as a Commissioner and Evaluator on the Northwest Commission on Higher Education and Universities. The St. Thomas Community Award, will be given to **Rick Orth**, who has served for 14 years on the Yakima Prep Board of Directors, and spent much time in other volun-

teer activities.

Other honors for the evening will include the presentation of three St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Religious Education Awards, to: **Gail Tri**, **Doris Rosenow** and **Emma Mendoza**. Tri, who worked for many years as a nurse at St. Elizabeth Hospital, has been active in various ministries at Holy Family Church in Yakima, including teaching religious education classes for almost every age group from preschool through eighth grade. Rosenow, who spent 25 years as a teacher and Principal at St. Rose of Lima School in Ephrata, has served in Religious Education at Our Lady of Fatima Parish

in Moses Lake, St. Joseph Parish in Kennewick and now has returned to St. Rose of Lima Parish as Pastoral Assistant of Administration. Mendoza is the Director of Religious Education at St. Paul Cathedral Parish in Yakima, whose most meaningful contributions have included development of a vibrant sacramental preparation program for First Communion and a focus on classes for the Order of Christian Initiation for Children.

Two St. John Baptist De La Salle Educator Awards also will be presented to **Cecilia Couture** and **Casey Devine**. More than 20 years ago, Couture began a music program at St. Rose of Lima School in Ephrata, which is still going strong. She is passionate about incorporating her love of the teachings of Jesus into her programs for children, and also plays for church choirs. Devine has served at St. Rose School in many capacities including teaching preschool, computer lab and PE. She helped start an in-house hot lunch nutrition program and has even volunteered for the lunch program.

Congratulations to all of the award winners!

Seer Sees Spiritual Value of Medjugorje, Doesn't Judge it Supernatural

VATICAN CITY (CNS) – With some Catholics can benefit spiritually from messages and spiritual practices associated with the alleged apparitions of Medjugorje, Bosnia-Herzegovina, the Vatican Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith. The note does not imply a declaration of the moral character of the phenomenon, but it does mean that the tens of thousands of messages from Mary published over the past 30 years proposed “seers” are authentic, the Dicastery said in a long “Note About the Spiritual Experience Connected with Medjugorje,” released Sept. 19. The note, with the approval of Pope Francis, the Dicastery did, however, recognize “the abundant and positive” fruits, which are associated with devotion to Mary, Queen of Peace, and with devotion to Medjugorje. Cardinal Víctor Manuel Fernández, Secretary of State, presented the note at a conference Sept. 19. He said he had spoken with the alleged visionaries, but that no formal notification was prepared, he wrote. The note of them with some “suggestions” for the future. He provided no further. The cardinal also showed reporters the

official “nihil obstat” – a declaration of no objection – issued by Bishop Petar Palić of Mostar-Duvno, the diocese where Medjugorje is located, authorizing public devotion there to Mary, Queen of Peace.

While it is possible that a pope could go further and make a declaration about whether the alleged apparitions and messages have a supernatural origin, Cardinal Fernández said he asked Pope Francis if he wanted to move in that direction and the pope said, “Not at all.”

The devotions in Medjugorje began after six young people, aged 10 to 16, said Mary



A statue of Mary is seen outside St. James Church in Medjugorje, Bosnia-Herzegovina, in this 2011 file photo. (CNS photo/Paul Haring)

began appearing to them in June 1981. Three of them say they still have apparitions of Mary each day, while the other three have them only on special occasions.

The Vatican's positive judgment of the spiritual experience connected to Medjugorje highlighted: “abundant conversions; a frequent return to the sacraments, particularly, the Eucharist

and reconciliation; many vocations to priestly, religious and married life; a deepening of the life of faith; a more intense practice of prayer; many reconciliations between spouses; and the renewal of marriage and family life.” *Continued on page 3*

World Mission Collection Set

There will be a special collection in all parishes of the Diocese of Yakima on the weekend of October 19 and 20, for World Mission Sunday.

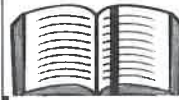
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The collection taken up on this day is unique, as it is mandated by the Code of Canon Law and is essential for the survival and growth of the Church in mission territories. These funds support the pastoral and evangelizing work of the Church, including building churches, providing healthcare and education, and training future priests and religious. In places where resources are scarce, your generosity makes a profound difference. As we reflect on the theme "Go and Invite Everyone to the Banquet," let us remember that our participation and support help invite countless souls to the feast of God's love.



Sunday Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus invite you to join them for Sunday breakfast in Dillon Hall after the morning Masses on **October 13**.

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