

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

NOVEMBER 03, 2024

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

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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

Pastor
Fr. Jose Herrera

Parochial Vicar
Fr. Ricardo A. Villarreal
Fr. Christian Melendez

In Residence
Fr. Riccardo Keolker

Deacons
Mr. William Mich
Mr. Juan Garcia
Mr. German Farias
Mr. Gustavo Valdivia
Mr. Mike Palmieri

School Principal
Dr. Melissa Slater
principal@sjske.org



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.

Parish Staff

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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

November 3, 2024


Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

“And ‘to love Him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself’ is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices.” (Mark 12:33) Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of our love for Him, not out of obligation. Using our talents in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it’s more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all of our gifts, not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones: love, mercy, and forgiveness.

Collection for October 27, 2024

Sunday Offering	\$13,194.47
Building Fund	\$680.00
School Donations	\$187.00
Religious Education	\$736.52
Dioceses	\$35.00
Small Church Repairs	\$1,100.00
All Saint/All Souls	\$829.00

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, Patty Brown, Armando Rodriguez, Zara Husan, Raquel Cardoza, Samuel Quintanilla, Pat McKie Szacik, Carmen Nava, Mike Draper, Peter Braun, Yolanda Quintero, Hazel Meister, Sandra Skierczynski, 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**

“...when I receive the Eucharist, it is a pivotal moment in my week. It’s a moment of transformation, a moment when I get to receive Whom and what I wish to become. And I could never leave that.” (Matthew Kelly, Beautiful Eucharist)

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

Monday, November 4

6:30 am
† Elaine Loftus
8:30 am
† Lawrence Manning

Tuesday, November 5

6:30 am
David Murray
8:30 am
Dolly and Cole Bettendorf

Wednesday, November 6

6:30 am
† Purification De Leon
8:30 am
† Lance Holman

Thursday, November 7

6:30 am
No Intentions for this Mass
8:30 am
† Lance Holman
7:00 pm
† Antonio Solano Rangel

Friday, November 8

6:30 am
† Helen Kelley McCue
8:30 am
† Richard Roman

Saturday, November 9

8:30 am
† Sal and Laurie Pennella
5:30 pm
† Isabel Moore


Sunday, November 10

† Michael Costello
† Linda Albertson
7:00 pm
† Agustin Mojica
† Sara Vaca
† Jesus Ramirez Magana
9:00 am
† Barbara Keen
11:00 am
Myrna Santos (Birthday)
1:00 pm
† Salvador Beltran
5:30 pm
† Joan Harrington
7:00 pm
† Maria de Jesus Vazquez

Scan QR code
to request
online!






DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS
Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour!



GIVE TODAY

Complete your pledge card or give online.

DIocese of YAKIMA

Next week is pledge weekend for the Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. Our parish goal, as always, is 100% participation. Can you imagine the additional good works that could be accomplished with just a 10% increase in donors? To achieve this goal, each of us is asked to prayerfully open our hearts to the needs of our diocese and make a gift as our individual circumstances allow. If you want to donate online, please visit www.yakimadiocese.org or scan the QR code.

November 3, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I cannot thank you enough for the extraordinary impact we have had in our parish community, accomplished *together*, and promoting the mission of the Church through our ministries.

As we prepare to launch the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) **Pledge Weekend** on **November 9 and 10**, I want to express my gratitude to you for the many blessings we enjoy in the Diocese of Yakima because of your commitment and financial generosity to the Church in Central Washington.

The Holy Spirit is truly at work through you!

Each year, we have a special opportunity to answer Christ's call through our Annual Catholic Appeal. On Pledge Weekend, we can each renew our personal commitments to participate as good stewards, acting more fully in His mission for the Church. What a blessing!

Through the ACA, we share Christ's message by serving countless people in ways we may not realize. We all enjoy the fruits of the work of the Diocesan ministries and programs funded by the ACA. When we use God's blessings to make our annual pledges to the ACA, we join with all our sisters and brothers in **38** other parish communities throughout the Diocese to do the Lord's work — work that no one individual or parish could do alone.

Our parish goal this year is \$166,752, and your financial support will assist us in reaching that goal. All funds collected over this goal will be returned to our parish for use in our ministries and programs.

I support the ACA and encourage you to do so as well. I hope every parish household will make some pledge or gift this year. I urge you to prayerfully consider your financial situation and make the most generous pledge your circumstances will allow. Consider the suggested pledge plan and spread your payments over several months if that is more convenient.

Thank you for your generosity. Be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones.


Father José Herrera, Pastor



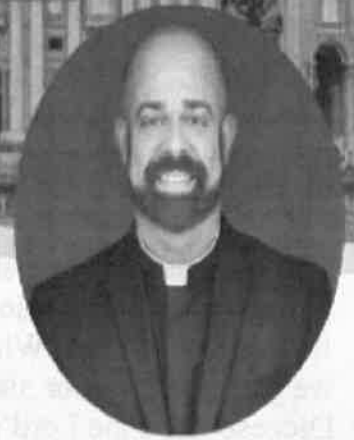
Pilgrimage to France and Italy Peregrinación a Francia e Italia

Paris - Lourdes - Rome - Assisi - San Giovanni Rotondo - Lanciano
París - Lourdes - Roma - Asís - San Giovanni Rotondo - Lanciano

From October 21st to November 3rd, 2025
Desde el 21 de Octubre al 3 de Noviembre, 2025

INCLUDES / INCLUYE

-  Flight tickets / Tickets aéreos
-  Accommodations / Hotelería
-  Tips / Propinas
-  Meals according to itinerary /
Comidas de acuerdo al itinerario
-  Travel assistance / Asistencia en viaje
-  Travel Express representative /
Representante Travel Express



Spiritual Director / Director Espiritual
Fr. Christian Meléndez

Assisted by Deacons / Asistido por los Diáconos
Juan García and Gustavo Valdívía

INFORMATIVE MEETING / REUNION INFORMATIVA
WEDNESDAY 20th NOVEMBER / MIERCOLES 20 DE NOVIEMBRE
7:00 PM

St. Joseph Parish
Parroquia San José
Kennewick, Washington

Total cost of the trip USD 5,583 | Book up with USD 400
Costo total del viaje USD 5,583 | Pago inicial USD 400



For more information, please contact:
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Juan Ignacio Zurita +1 (786) 656-0594

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Escanee para registrarse

DAY OF THE FAITHFUL DEAD – DAY OF THE DEAD – MESSAGE FROM FATHER JOSE

Every year on November 2 we remember all the faithful deceased. We remember at Mass and during the month of November those who have preceded us in death, but still need our prayers. Why do we pray for the deceased? When the Sadducees approached Jesus to question him about whether the dead are resurrected, Jesus told them: “God is not a God of the dead, but of the living.” (Matthew 22:32). We pray for the faithful deceased because for God they are alive and they need our prayer to come to see God face to face. The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us about this: “From the earliest times, the Church has honored the memory of the deceased and has offered suffrages in their favor, in particular the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that once purified, they may reach the beatific vision of God.” (#856).

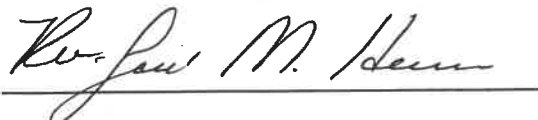
For many, All Souls Day is “Day of the Dead.” The best way to call November 2 is All Souls Day and not “Day of the Dead” because as Jesus says: “God is a God of the living and not of the dead.”

One of the things that greatly characterizes All Souls' Day is the altar we put at the entrance of the church where photos of the deceased and flowers are placed to remember those who have already gone before us, but who still need our prayers, especially the celebration of the Holy Mass. The altar to the faithful departed has nothing to do with Halloween or similar things. In Mexico, many people celebrate the day of the faithful departed by painting their faces or making representations of skeletons. These customs have nothing to do with the Catholic Church and its teachings. These customs have nothing to do with the altar that we set up in the parish to remember the faithful departed. The only way we remember the faithful departed is by offering the Mass and praying for them. The altar of the faithful departed is to remember them throughout the month of November and so that we pray for them.

For many people it may seem unpleasant or that it does not make sense to set up an altar for the faithful departed. I greatly respect that opinion, but we are a multicultural parish of different nationalities, and as such, I respect all demonstrations of faith that each nationality brings to our parish, as long as they do not go against the faith we profess.

Unfortunately, the commemoration of the faithful departed has lost its true meaning for many people, including Catholics who are misinformed about this commemoration. The Church assigns November 2 as a special day to pray and remember those who have gone before us and need our prayers, especially the Holy Mass. This is the true meaning of the Commemoration of all the faithful deceased each year.

My wish as your pastor is that we take into account the true importance of November 2. Throughout the month of November, we pray for all the faithful departed. Let us make the celebration of November 2 something more Christian and more in accordance with the teachings of the Church. Let us pray with joy and faith for all our faithful departed. May our prayer increase our desire to reach eternal life.



Father José M. Herrera

DIA DE LOS FIELES DIFUNTOS – DIA DE MUERTOS – MENSAJE DE PADRE JOSE

Cada año el día 2 de noviembre recordamos a todos los fieles difuntos. Recordamos en las Misas y durante el mes de noviembre a quienes nos han precedido en la muerte, pero aún necesitan de nuestras oraciones. ¿Por qué oramos por los difuntos? Cuando los Saduceos se acercaron a Jesús para cuestionarlo sobre si los muertos resucitan, Jesús les dice: “Dios es no es un Dios de muertos, sino de vivos.” (Mateo 22:32). Oramos por los fieles difuntos porque para Dios están vivos y necesitan de nuestra oración para llegar a ver a Dios cara a cara. El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica nos dice al respecto: “Desde los primeros tiempos, la Iglesia ha honrado la memoria de los difuntos y ha ofrecido sufragios en su favor, en particular el sacrificio eucarístico, para que una vez purificados, puedan llegar a la visión beatífica de Dios.” (#856).

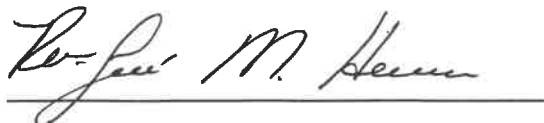
Para muchos el Día de los Fieles Difuntos es “Día de Muertos.” La mejor manera de llamar el 2 de noviembre es Día de los Fieles Difuntos y no Día de Muertos porque como lo mencionó Jesús: “Dios es un Dios de vivos y no de muertos.”

Una de las cosas que caracteriza mucho el Día de los Fieles Difuntos es el altar donde se ponen fotos de los difuntos y flores para recordar a quienes ya murieron, pero que aún necesitan de nuestra oración, en especial la celebración de la Santa Misa. El altar a los fieles difuntos no tiene nada que ver con Halloween o cosas semejantes. En México muchas personas celebran el día de los fieles difuntos pintándose la cara o haciendo representaciones de esqueletos. Estas costumbres no tienen nada que ver con la Iglesia Católica y sus enseñanzas. Estas costumbres no tienen nada que ver con el altar que ponemos en la parroquia para recordar a los fieles difuntos. De la única manera que recordamos a los fieles difuntos es ofreciendo la Misa y orando por ellos. El altar de los fieles difuntos es para recordarlos durante todo el mes de noviembre y para que oremos por ellos.

Para muchas personas puede resultar desagradable o que no tiene sentido el poner el altar a los fieles difuntos. Respeto mucho esa opinión, pero somos una parroquia multicultural de diferentes nacionalidades, y como tal, respeto todas las demostraciones de fe que cada nacionalidad aporte a nuestra parroquia, siempre y cuando no vayan en contra de la fe que profesamos.

Desafortunadamente, la conmemoración de los fieles difuntos ha perdido su verdadero sentido en muchas personas, incluyendo católicos que están mal informados sobre esta conmemoración. La Iglesia asigna el 2 de noviembre como un día especial para orar y recordar a quienes han fallecido y necesitan de nuestras oraciones, en especial la Santa Misa. Este es el verdadero sentido de la Conmemoración de todos los fieles difuntos cada año.

Mi deseo como párroco es que tengamos en cuenta la verdadera importancia del día 2 de noviembre. Durante todo el mes de noviembre oramos por todos los fieles difuntos. Hagamos de la celebración del 2 de noviembre algo más cristiano y más de acuerdo con las enseñanzas de la Iglesia. Oremos con alegría y fe por todos nuestros fieles difuntos. Que nuestra oración aumente nuestro deseo de llegar un día a la vida eterna.



Padre José M. Herrera



St. Joseph Parish **MINISTRY FAIR**

Discover the various ministries at St. Joseph Parish and see how they can support your faith journey. Connect with fellow parish members who share your interests in activities like singing, decorating, teaching, and more!

Find out how you can share the talents you've been blessed with.



**Breakfast by the
Knights of
Columbus after
all morning
Masses.**



**Tacos & Tostadas
after the Masses
in Spanish.**

**Proceeds will go
towards paying
the Bl. Carlo
Acutis statue.**



**Sunday, November 10
After all Masses**



Dillon Hall

**ST. JOSEPH
YOUTH GROUP**
GRUPO JUVENIL SAN JOSÉ



Grade: 7th—12th grade

Nov. 10 (Sun.) Youth Mass—9:00 am

Nov. 8 Life Night // 7:00-8:30 pm // Parish Office 

Nov. 15 Life Night // 7:00-8:30 pm // Parish Office

Nov. 22 XLT / Adoration // 7:00-8:30 pm // Small Church

Contact us:

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☎ 509-586-3820 Ext 101

📱 509-302-3244 (call/text)

Find us on Facebook & Instagram:

@youth06.stjoseph

Please mark your calendar.

More information will be provided soon.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception—Dec. 9

Novena / Rosary & Mass Our Lady of Guadalupe - Dec. 3-11

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe—Dec. 12

Parish Trip to Leavenworth—Dec. 14

Posada (Christmas novena)—Dec. 15-23

*If you would like to help with donations or volunteer,
please contact the parish office Ext. 101.

Nativity Comedy Play (Pastorela) - Dec. 21

*If you would like to help with stage design/building and making costumes
please call the parish office Ext. 101.

Parish Trip to the Grotto & Mt. Angel Seminary in Portland Oregon
Saturday, June 21, 2025

Thank you to everyone who contributed by donating food for the Kennewick Food Bank on Friday, October 25th. We successfully collected 400 pounds of food.

A special thanks to the youth group members, confirmation students, parent volunteers, and the Knights of Columbus who assisted with grilling.



You may bring your donations to the parish office during November.



Liturgical Art & Environment Committee

This Ministry creates seasonal decorations using their artistic gifts that help to set the mood for the liturgical seasons. The atmosphere of reverence and beauty all reflect the glory of God whether in the beauty of a flower arrangement, the care of a plant, or images and signs of the paschal mystery.

The Liturgical Art & Environment Committee (all volunteers) will be responsible for the design and planning of decorating the Big Church / Dillon Hall for the upcoming celebrations. The committee is seeking parishioners who are interested in helping decorate for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe in December. This decorating will also include the altar in Dillon Hall. There is much to be done, and your assistance would be greatly appreciated!

If you would like to volunteer, please plan to attend a meeting on **Tuesday, November 12, at 6:00 PM in Dillon Hall**. We will need assistance with floral arrangements, ironing, sewing, and woodworking.

Green envelopes will soon be available for monetary donations to cover the cost of flowers and a Mariachi group for December 12. To make a donation, please indicate # 51114 on the envelope or check memo.



Chair: **Angel Machado**

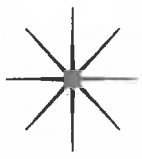
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Thank you to Fr. Ricardo Villarreal for coordinating the altar server training on Saturday, October 26. Approximately 45 children and youth attended the training.

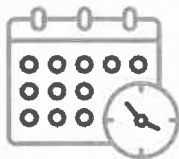
We also want to thank the Knights of Columbus for their generous contribution to be able to provide lunch for those in attendance.



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!



NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK BULLETIN FOR NOVEMBER 3-9, 2024

**FATHER RYAN STAWAISZ
HEROIC SERVICE IN HIS FINAL DAYS**

Shortly before his ordination, Ryan Stawaisz received a devastating S cancer diagnosis-his second one after successfully beating cancer as a junior in college.

Despite his diagnosis, Fr. Ryan began his priestly ministry at Prince of Peace in Houston in 2019. Just two years later, on June 21, 2021, the young priest passed away, leaving a lasting impact on his parishioners, many of whom attested to his tremendous witness.



The new film "Love God's Will" tells the heroic story of Fr. Ryan Stawaisz's selfless ministry through the eyes of his family, friends, and fellow priests.
Palomita Films, palomitafilms.com

Those who knew Fr. Ryan were deeply touched by his selfless ministry, even in his final days as a priest—so much so that he has inspired a film about his life.

His brother Ross Stawaisz says he hopes Fr. Ryan's story will show the "need to stand up for some things. You need to live your life in a way that emulates Christ."

Fr. Ryan's mother, Susan Stawaisz, said she has heard from several cancer patients on how the movie has touched them: "I feel like anybody who's gone through any kind of suffering can relate to offering up your suffering and suffering heroically."

Read the feature story about Fr. Ryan and his family at catholicnewsagency.com



Jeffery Bruno

SERRA SPONSORS 50 ORDERS

Above, an army of young sisters from the Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary process into the National Eucharistic Congress. They are members of one of the fastest-growing religious communities in the U.S., with a large presence in Miami.

In the months leading up to the National Eucharistic Congress, Serra International raised more than \$150,000 to sponsor the presence of more than 50 religious communities.

"It was amazing to walk through the convention hall and see hundreds of young sisters," said one attendee. "Just seeing their joy and vibrant smiles gave me a lot of hope for the future of the Church!"

RECENTLY ORDAINED PRIESTS ORIGINS *of* PRIESTHOOD

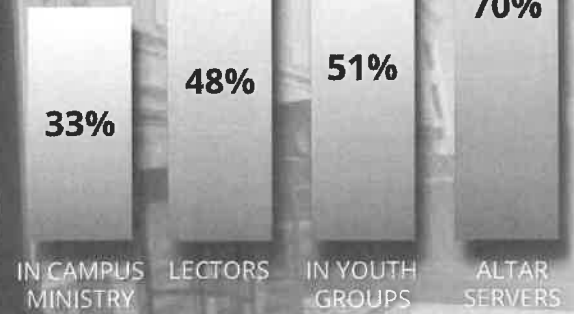
Pope Francis has emphasized that seminarians must be "men of communion" who arise organically from the communities they serve, then return after seminary to minister even more profoundly.

That vision is slowly becoming a reality in the U.S., with most of the priests ordained in 2024 reporting active involvement in their parishes and schools.

According to CARA's recent study of men ordained in 2024, the average age at which they first considered the priesthood was 16. Between 32% and 42% went to a Catholic elementary school, high school, or college. About 60% obtained college degrees before seminary, and 70% had full-time work experience. A full 75% reported regularly participating in Eucharistic Adoration before entering priestly formation.

Jeffery Bruno, Archdiocese of New York

RECENTLY ORDAINED PRIESTS INVOLVEMENT BEFORE SEMINARY

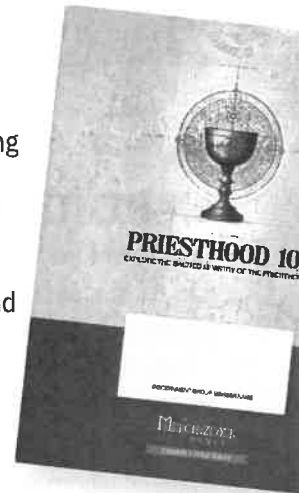


According to the annual survey by The Center for Applied Research (CARA) at Georgetown University



SMALL GROUPS DEEP DISCERNMENT

The Melchizedek Project, a long-standing program that starts priesthood discernment groups for young men, was re-launched this summer with a new format. It's now easier to start and run the group, with robust leader training and excellent videos that spark discussion. Want to help your parish priest start a group? Sign up for training at melchizedekproject.com



FATHER-SON SEMINARY TRIP

"I dream of a day when young men enter seminary, not *looking* for a father, but having been *brought* by their fathers," said Deacon James Keating of Omaha, who is renowned for his work in priestly formation.

About 45% of seminarians say they were discouraged by a friend or family member from considering the priesthood. And while some parents are tentatively open to the idea, many aren't thrilled about it.

But a real revival of a "vocations culture" requires that parents actively encourage their sons and daughters to seriously consider priesthood and religious life. Think about it this way: just as you would take your teen son to visit prospective colleges, why not try to arrange a visit to a seminary?



A NOTE FROM SERRA CLUB OF THE TRI CITIES



This is National Vocation Awareness Week, "What do you want Me to do for you?" Jesus once asked this question of a blind man. Could your answer be: Please, Lord, give me the grace of a vocation to be a priest, a deacon, a brother, or a sister?"



SUNDAY LITURGY REFLECTION

Wednesdays, at 9:15 am

On Facebook and YouTube.

By Father Riccardo



Traveling Vocations Crucifixes

Courtesy of 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.

11/3 Jane Wild
11/10 Kyle and Cindy Meyer

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

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When: Friday and Saturday November 8 and 9

Where: Dillon Hall
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Grades: 7-12

Date: Fridays /Time: 7:00-8:30 pm

Location: Parish Office (Second Floor)

Cost: There is no cost to be a part of this Youth Group. We fundraise to support the ministry. (Social nights will have a small fee to offset costs.)

The calendar is subject to change. Scan the QR code for up-to-date information.

f @ youth06.stjoseph 509-302-3244 Text/ 509-586-3820 Ext 101

JOIN FR. JOSÉ FOR A PARISH DAY TRIP TO LEAVENWORTH

Saturday, December 14

For more information: 509-586-3820 Ext 101

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Return home: approximately 10:30 pm

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First Sunday
November 3
10:15 am

Third Tuesday
November 19
9:15 am



To see a list of donations needed or to volunteer to help, please contact Cindy Meyer through the parish links by visiting: stjoseph-kennewick.org/mtmm/

November Ultreya
Christ the King Parish
Monday, November 4

A Rosary will be prayed in the chapel at 6:30, with the meeting beginning at 7:00 pm in the multi-purpose room. Please come, one and all, and bring a friend, relative, neighbor, acquaintance or anybody you can in get off the street. Regards, God Bless You!

HAPPY Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day Mass Schedule

The Parish Office will be closed November 28-29

Big Church
English 9:00 am
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