

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 16, 2025

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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

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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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.



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.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." - Genesis 15:7
 Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses, and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?

Collections for March 9, 2025

Sunday Offering	\$15,489.49
Building Fund	\$578.50
School Donations	\$153.50
Religious Education	\$1,266.35
Ash Wed.	\$5,088.49
Food for the poor	\$6,027.75

For online giving scan the QR code or visit:
<https://pushpay.com/g/stjosephkennewick>



We sincerely appreciate your continued financial support of our parish as you are able. If you prefer to send your offering by mail, please address it to Saint Joseph Parish, 520 South Garfield Street, Kennewick, WA 99336. If you currently use offering envelopes and wish to transition to online-giving or bank bill pay, please contact the Parish Office so we can ask the envelope publishers to quit sending envelopes. Thank you for your generosity.

Prayers

For our Armed Forces: 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, Justin Dennis Byerly, Wyatt Beaton, Daniel Arokiam.

For our sick: Bill Murray, Drew Schreiber, Gil Gloria, Elaine James, Lois and Rick Rutherford, Jan Billings, Rory Valdes, Silvia Rodriguez, Kathleen Barone, Monica Moore, Lourdes Nelson, Jessica Floeter, Billy Sickles, Nestor Barba, Elizabeth Torres, Tim Davis, Kathy Ramirez, Bill Roe, Donna Whitehead, John Durran, Bob and Mary Ross, Alberto Carranza, Danika Whitsett, Terry Mikkelsen, Kelly Freeman, Gus Perez, Jim Nicacio, Arlene Jallah, 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 Sckieryzinski, Kolton Hansford, Eannine Soehnlein, Joanne, Marie Smith, Armandino Gamino, Ana Espinoza, Sara and Johnny Howard, Father Kurt Hadley, Father John Vogl, Sara Melgarejo, John Lyczkowski.

For our recently deceased: *Jhoser Emmanuel Vega Sanchez.*
 Kindly ring us when your ailing loved one finds healing, so we may open space for others on our list of prayers for the sick.

**ADORATION CHAPEL
 EUCHARISTIC
 ADORATION**

Openings: Monday: 4 pm

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.

Carol at 509-582-5011, or, en español,
Delmi at 509-528-8896

"I adore You, O my Savior, present here, God and man, in Soul and Body, in true Flesh and Blood!" (St. John Henry Newman)

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**

Scan QR code to request online!



Monday, March 17th

6:30 am
 Youth Pre Easter Retreat
 8:30 am
 † Zetilda Kelly

Tuesday, March 18th

6:30 am
 † Elaine Loftus
 8:30 am
 † Alex & Clarine Lysiak

Wednesday, March 19th

6:30 am
 The Long Family (Healing)
 8:30 am
 Youth Pre Easter Retreat

Thursday, March 20th

6:30 am
 Youth Pre Easter Retreat
 8:30 am
 Rafael Del Pozo (Healing)

Friday, March 21st

6:30 am
 No intentions for this Mass
 8:30 am
 † Choyo Jensen

Saturday, March 22nd

8:30 am
 Pia Tirol De Leon (B-day)
 5:30 pm
 † Celerina De Leon

Sunday, March 23rd

9:00 am
 † Bill Lewis
 Barr Children (Living)
 11:00 am
 † Basilisa Tatanay

Monday, March 24th

6:30 am
 No intentions for this Mass
 8:30 am
 † Riccardo Birrueta

Tuesday, March 25th

6:30 am
 No intentions for this Mass
 8:30 am
 † Esperanza Meraz Lopez

Wednesday, March 26th

6:30 am
 No intentions for this Mass
 8:30 am
 † Diana L. Gonzalez De Jesus (Healing)

Thursday, March 27th

6:30 am
 No intentions for this Mass
 8:30 am
 † Florita Vallejo

Friday, March 28th

6:30 am
 No intentions for this Mass
 8:30 am
 † Cornelio Valencia Camacho

PRE EASTER YOUTH RETREAT

FULFILLED
Search for Meaning



APRIL 11, 12, 13, 2025 | DILLON HALL

THIS RETREAT IS REQUIRED FOR ALL CONFIRMATION STUDENTS.

REGISTRATION OPENS UP JANUARY 24:
 \$50 PER YOUTH COVERS MEALS AND MATERIALS
 TALKS | SMALL GROUPS | SKITS | RECONCILIATION | FELLOWSHIP
 EUCHARISTIC ADORATION | PRAISE & WORSHIP | MASS

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

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

Lenten Penance Services

Tuesday, March 25 @ 6:30 pm - Christ the King,
 1111 Stevens Dr., Richland, WA 99352

Wednesday, March 26 @ 6:30 pm - St Joseph,
 520 S Garfield St. Kennewick 99336

Thursday, March 27 @ 6:30 pm - Holy Spirit,
 7409 W Clearwater Ave, Kennewick 99336

Friday, March 28 @ 6:30 pm - St. Frances Xavier Cabrini,
 1000 Horne Dr., Benton City, WA 99320

Monday, March 31 @ 6:30 pm - Sacred Heart,
 1905 Highland Dr., Prosser, WA 99350

Pray for all our catechumens



Easter Vigil



*Rejoice always pray continually give thanks in all circumstances
for this is Gods will for you in Christ Jesus
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*

OCIC

Misael Arenas-Farfán
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ST. JOSEPH PARISH

ST. JOSEPH FEAST DAY FIESTA PATRONAL DE SAN JOSÉ



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
MIÉRCOLES, 19 DE MARZO

MASS (BILINGUAL)
MISA BILINGÜE
6:00 pm | Big Church

POTLUCK
CONVIVIO

Dillon Hall

After the Mass, please join us for a potluck celebration at Dillon Hall. Bring a dish to enjoy and share with everyone. Dillon Hall will be open by 5 PM for those who wish to drop off their dishes.

Last Name

A-N Main Dish

O-U Side dish / salad

V-Z Dessert

Remember. O most pure spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, my great protector. Saint Joseph, that no one ever had recourse to your protection, or implored your aid without obtaining relief. Confiding therefore in your goodness, I come before you. Do not turn down my petitions, foster father of the Redeemer, but graciously receive them.
Amen.

Después de la misa, acompañanos para una celebración de convivio en el Dillon Hall. Traiga un platillo para disfrutar y compartirlo con todos. Dillon Hall estará abierto a las 5 p.m. para quienes quieran dejar sus platillos.

Apellido

A-N plato principal

O-U Plato acompañante / ensalada

V-Z postre



St. Joseph Parish
Fr. Jose Herrera, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

St. Agnes of Bohemia

Imagine refusing marriage proposals from two kings and the Holy Roman Emperor.

For Agnes, daughter of Queen Constance and King Ottokar I, none but the King of Heaven could win her heart. In 1236, after financing the construction of a Poor Clare monastery in Prague, she entered this monastery with seven other noblewomen. Elected abbess, she continued to perform the lowliest tasks in the community. She exchanged letters with St. Clare of Assisi, which survive today.

Scripture is God's love letter

Sacred Scripture isn't just a record of events that happened long ago but is intended for us today. When we read the Bible through the lens of Church teaching, we see God revealing the ways of the love of His heart for each of us, "back then" and still today.

"And what is the secret of perseverance? Love. Fall in Love, and you will not leave him." —St. Josemaría Escrivá

Cultivate a heart for Lent

Just as an experienced gardener prepares the soil before planting to ensure healthy growth, we must prepare the "soil" of our hearts during Lent. This season invites us to clear away obstacles that hinder our relationship with God and nourish our spirits through prayer and the Sacraments. By doing so, we cultivate the "good fruits" that lead to a renewed and vibrant spiritual life.

Uproot the Weeds: Studies suggest that forming a new habit takes at least three weeks, depending on its nature. Begin by uprooting unhealthy habits and replacing them with holy, life-giving practices. Start small but be consistent — like waking up just five or ten minutes earlier to pray. Even small acts of self-discipline build the spiritual strength needed to face greater

challenges, including temptations.

Nourish the Soil: Spiritual growth isn't possible without grace. Mother Teresa, despite her incredible work, insisted on a daily Holy Hour, affirming, "How can we last even one day living our life without hearing Jesus say, 'I love you'— impossible." Follow her example by creating and following a routine of daily prayer, weekly Mass, and monthly Confession.

Preserve the Fruits: Commit to practices that bring new life, like choosing kindness over gossip, and prayer over screen time. By nurturing these habits, you'll encounter Jesus' love more deeply and reflect that love to others.

As we journey through Lent, may our hearts become fertile ground where faith, hope, and love can blossom abundantly.

Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics give something up for Lent?

Catholics around the world make sacrifices during Lent to remind us that God is greater than anything the world can offer. By giving up small comforts or practicing acts of self-denial, we acknowledge that every good gift comes from Him. The sacrifice serves to remind us.

True love requires sacrifice. God demonstrated this perfectly by giving His only Son for our salvation (John 3:16). Our Lenten sacrifices help us imitate this divine love. By uniting our sacrifices with Christ's ultimate sacrifice on the Cross, we become more like Him.

The virtue that leads to a balanced life

Prudence is the virtue of wise decision-making, guiding us to apply moral principles in everyday life with clarity and integrity. It empowers us to navigate complex situations with fairness and sound judgment.

Act justly and fairly by treating others with justice, free from favoritism or prejudice. For example, when caring for children, prudence ensures we give equal attention to each child, fostering an atmosphere of respect and equality.

Balance courage and caution by finding the middle ground between fear and recklessness. Prudence empowers us to make bold yet responsible choices. For

example, taking out a mortgage for a comfortable home is a prudent investment, whereas going into excessive debt to impress others is not.

Master desires and avoid greed to keep from becoming enslaved by life's pleasures. This virtue helps us avoid excessive consumption. Prudence allows us to appreciate good food, fine entertainment, or the latest technology without falling into excessive consumption.

Prudence brings us practical wisdom. When we practice prudence, we not only make better decisions but also move closer to living a balanced, fulfilling life.

from **S**cripture

John 9:1-41, Faith gives us true sight

In this Gospel reading, Jesus cured a blind man on the Sabbath by making mud and smearing it on the man's eyes. This cure was two-fold; the man received both physical sight and the sight of faith. As he was being questioned by the Pharisees, his understanding of who Jesus was moved from knowing Him as simply a man, to acclaiming Him as a prophet, and finally, to worshipping Him as the Son of God.

While the faith of the cured man progresses, the spiritual sight of

the Pharisees does the opposite. In their anger, they were blinded to the truth—that the curing of the blind man was God's work. Furious that Jesus failed to observe the Sabbath, they refused to believe that the man had been blind from birth and had been healed by Jesus.

In Baptism, we are given the gift of faith—the ability to “see” God and our life in relation to him. The longer we follow Jesus and learn from Him, the better we understand Him. However, through sin, we can become spiritually blind.

Feasts & Celebrations

March 6 - St. Colette (1447). St. Colette was born in Corbie, France. She was orphaned at seventeen and gave her inheritance to the poor. She later became a Franciscan Tertiary and later reformed the Poor Clares. She founded seventeen convents under the reformed rule.

March 17 - St. Patrick (493). Born in Scotland, St. Patrick was kidnapped and brought to Ireland as a slave. He escaped but later returned to become the bishop of Ireland and is credited with establishing the Church there.

March 19 - St. Joseph, Husband of Mary. Jesus' earthly foster father and husband to the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph is a model of fatherhood and protector of families.

March 20 - St. Cuthbert (687). St. Cuthbert joined the Benedictines at the Melrose Abbey. For his holiness, fervor and charity, he was made abbot of the Lindisfarne Abbey. He retired to be a hermit.

March 25 - the Annunciation. The angel Gabriel visited the Blessed Virgin Mary with the extraordinary news of her role as the mother of God. Even at her young age, she had complete confidence in God's grace and trusted in his wisdom.

Q & A Why don't I feel better after Confession?

After Confession, many feel lighter, more peaceful. Other times, we may feel no change, or even sadness. Still, we are forgiven. Here's how to find peace.

Make amends: That lingering unease might be God's gentle nudge to make things right. Forgiveness is given in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, but healing continues through restitution. If you confessed to stealing \$20, you're forgiven—but you still need to return it. Making amends completes the reconciliation process.

Reject false guilt: “Healthy” guilt alerts us to sin, like a burglar alarm. Once you've confessed, the alarm should turn off. If guilt lingers, recognize it as a temptation to doubt God's mercy. God doesn't hold grudges and neither should you. If you're struggling, seek help from a priest, counselor, or trusted Catholic friend.

Then do what pleases Him most – be still and let Him love you.

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Wenatchee Deacon Among 23 Ordained in Rome February 23

VATICAN CITY (CNS) – “Being ordained is not an ascent but a descent, whereby we make ourselves small, lower ourselves and divest ourselves,” Pope Francis said in a message to 23 men from eight countries, including Juan Cruz González from the Yakima Diocese and two others from the United States, who were ordained permanent deacons in St. Peter’s Basilica.

The Feb. 23 ordination Mass at the Vatican was the culmination of a three-day Holy Year celebration that drew thousands of deacons, plus their wives and others, from more than 100 countries to Rome for communal prayer, discussion and celebration of the diaconate. Bishop Joseph Tyson, Fathers Osmar Aguirre and Alex Trejo, and nine permanent deacons and their spouses from our Diocese joined Deacon Juan and his wife Veronica and their family for the Mass.

Archbishop Rino Fisichella, pro-prefect of the Dicastery for Evangelization, celebrated the Mass with 2,500 deacons and delivered the homily prepared by Pope Francis. The Pope was originally scheduled to preside over the Mass but remained hospitalized with pneumonia and was in “critical



Deacon Juan Cruz and Bishop Joseph Tyson were pictured in Rome at the ordination. Photo courtesy of Sandra Barros

condition,” the Vatican said.

In his homily, the Pope reflected on three essential dimensions of the diaconate: forgiveness, service and communion.

“Forgiveness means preparing a welcoming and safe future for us and our communities,” the Pope wrote. “The deacon, invested in a ministry that leads him toward the world’s peripheries, must see – and teach others to see – in

everyone, even those who cause a brother or sister wounded in spirit in need of reconciliation, guidance and help.

“Your greatest liturgy will be and your most humble service will be your greatest act of worship,” the Pope wrote.

After the Gospel reading, the ordination rite began with each candidate stepping forward as his name was called, signifying his readiness to embrace the diaconate. The men then lay prostrate on the floor of the basilica, symbolizing total surrender to God.

In the most ancient part of the rite, the bishop laid his hands on the heads of the candidates for the sacrament of holy orders, the cardinal rite. The candidates then knelt before the archbishop, who laid his hands on their heads and called the Holy Spirit upon them. Each newly ordained deacon was then vested with a stola and a dalmatic (vestment with sleeves) to signify the beginning of their ministry of service.

Among the other newly ordained deacons from the United States, Americans was Bryan Inderhees of the Diocese of Columbus, Ohio, who was also participating in the Jubilee of Deacons. The ordination at the Vatican was a powerful reminder

Continued

Remember the Catholic Disciplines of Lent

Lent is the 40-day season of penance in preparation for the celebration of the greatest event in human history: the redemption of the human race by Jesus Christ. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5, and ends on Thursday, April 17, followed by the Sacred Triduum, April 17-19, and Easter Sunday, April 20.

Lenten Disciplines

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

The Church specifies certain acts of penance during the season of Lent:

1. Self-imposed observance of fasting on all weekdays of Lent is strongly recommended.
2. Catholics are obliged to fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, March 5, and Good Friday, April 18.
3. The Fridays of Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.
4. Catholics age 14 and older are bound by the law of abstinence.
5. The law of abstinence forbids the eating of meat.
6. The law of fasting is obligatory for Catholics from the age of 18 through the age of 59.
7. The law of fasting prescribes that only one full meal be taken per day; the other meals, if needed, should be

significantly smaller, but in accordance with one’s health needs. Fasting assures the avoidance of food between meals.

The “substantial observance of these laws is a grave obligation.”

1. Anyone who neglects all the laws of penance, or deliberately shows contempt for the Church’s discipline, may incur a grave sin of serious sin.

2. Occasional failure to observe the penitential regulations is not serious sin.

3. Proportionately grave circumstances – sickness, dietary needs, social obligations – excuse from the obligation of fast and abstinence, but not from seeking out other forms of penance.

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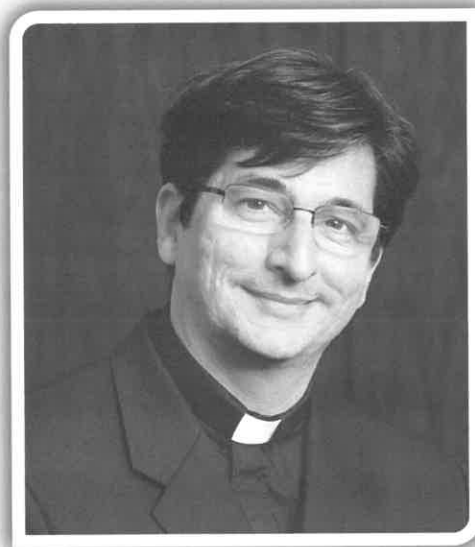
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r of celebrating the Feast of the
Peter in Rome at the Church
Maria del Rosario. The Pope's
, or chair representing his
as Bishop of Rome, is at the
basilica. By tradition, a chair
to have been used in the first
y Saint Peter himself is inside
y above the altar of St. Peter
n Rome.

hair was restored and, for the
ever, Pope Francis showed it
e recent Synod on Synodality
which just concluded in Rome
October. Why the devotion
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calendar alongside the saints
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version based on the "Petrine
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lleague about 1 Timothy 3:15,
eaks of the church as the pillar
ation of truth. After a pause
hn asked his colleague which
Which is the correct church?
nterpretation of scripture is



Bishop Joseph Tyson

correct? That was a key moment when
Scott Hahn identified the "chair of
Peter" and the "Petrine ministry" not as
a diminishment of Sacred Scripture but
the key support of sacred scripture.

This "Petrine Ministry" became the
linchpin of grasping the sacred scrip-
tures – especially the Gospel of John –
as key in understanding the Eucharist.
The Eucharist is not a "symbol" but the
actual body and blood of Jesus Christ
in all of His humanity and all of His
divinity. We draw this conclusion, Scott
Hahn noted, based on the bible – based
on sacred scripture.

Every age has lived in a world divid-
ed by borders and frontiers. Every age
has faced a wide variety of rulers. Every
age has been shaped by kingdoms, re-
publics, principalities and other worldly
powers. So we should consider it no
accident that one of the key titles for the
Holy Father is "Supreme Pontiff." Span-
ish speakers can see the word "Puente"
in the word "pontiff" for this is the
Latin root for bridge. In a world that
emphasizes the need for walls, the Holy
Father is titled the "supreme" bridge.
He provides bridges between nations,
peoples, races, cultures in every age. He
is the final authority of what we believe,
and how we understand and assimilate
sacred scripture in our own day. He is
the final authority for interpreting faith
and morals.

In a world that wants to build walls,

the Holy Father wants to build bridges.
Perhaps this is why it is so important
in our own time that we weigh care-
fully the words of the Holy Father on
the contentious questions of migrants,
refugees and asylum seekers. It is no
accident that his first trip out of Rome
as Holy Father was to Lampedusa – an
island in the middle of the Mediter-
ranean Sea that has seen thousands of
refugees in transit, even as others died
at sea.

In his recent communication to us
bishops of the United States, he em-
phasized that those who cross borders
without authorization, including mi-
grants, refugees, and asylum seekers,
are not automatically "criminals." Pope
Francis's words can be seen as a bridge
between two extremes. He writes:

"The rightly formed conscience
cannot fail to make a critical judgment
and express its disagreement with any
measure that tacitly or explicitly identi-
fies the illegal status of some migrants
with criminality. At the same time, one
must recognize the right of a nation to

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power of hope and help and healing. We encourage you to come forward and speak out.**

**The Yakima Diocese has a sexual abuse hotline for those who wish to report some incident concerning
a priest, bishop, deacon or diocesan employee or volunteer. (888) 276-4490.**

Open Access Protects Children and Adults Alike

Courtesy of Virtus

An important part of the Protecting God's Children program is monitoring how adults interact with children. An important part of monitoring is making sure that the policy of open access is followed. Open access dictates that adults interact with children in the open – in sight of other adults – or in a place where adults are invited and encouraged to go.

For child sexual abuse to occur, the offender must have time alone with a child outside the sight and hearing range of other adults. Open access is meant to keep a child from being isolated with an adult, and to provide a policy that anyone can cite to help encourage and require others to comply.

Even with an open access policy, there are times when certain adults need to maintain a certain level of confidentiality in their relationship with a child. Some common examples include:

- A principal administering discipline.
- A counselor providing guidance.
- A priest hearing a confession.

These one-to-one sessions are important for adult and child alike and, again, require a certain level of privacy and confidentiality. However, even during these moments, the rule regarding open access applies.

Open access does not prevent principals, teachers, and counselors from disciplining or counseling students, but it does place a burden on them to choose wisely where they conduct such activities.

First, the adult should make the determination whether another adult should (or at least can) be present. If no, then the adult should discipline, tutor or counsel in an office where there are windows as part of the door or part of a wall. If no windows are present, then a slightly open door will suffice so long as another adult is nearby or so long as the location is in a public setting such that the open door invites welcome.

If it's important to preserve the confidentiality of the child, the child can remain hidden from view, but the adult must make sure to remain visible to others through a window or a door. This may require repositioning a desk

or placing a chair for the child in a place where the child's identity is hidden from open view, but the adult can be seen.

For a coach providing one-on-one teaching to a player, all that is necessary is that other adults can




view the coach at all times. This of instruction can take place in open. The same rule applies to p and confessions. The Sacramento Reconciliation should not take j for example, in a locked room v no windows. Of course, approp: privacy should be provided, but the point of complete isolation.

Open access requires profes and clergy who work with child re-examine how they conduct t work or ministry. This type of c is not always easy. But the fact r children have been abused duri to-one sessions with adults.

At first the necessary behavi: changes may seem burdensome keep in mind that the primary j of open access is to protect child Your support of the needed cha will help to encourage others to same.


Remember also that open a protects adults – principals, tea counselors, coaches, clergy, vol: and others – from rumors, spec and false claims. As long as oth: can see you, they can help prote: if your actions are ever called ir question. By choosing to be alo: with a minor, you are giving up important protection for yours:




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News

Around the Diocese

Father Darrel Surman Dies in Zealand



Father Darrel Surman, a senior priest of the Diocese of Yakima, died January 20 in New Zealand.

Father Surman, 87, was born February 19, 1937, in

Illinois. He attended St. Edward Thomas Seminaries in Kenmore, from 1950 to 1962, and was ordained to the priesthood at Christ the King Catholic Church in Richland on February 20, 1962, by Bishop Joseph

Hearty. After his ordination, Father Surman served at Marquette and Carroll High Schools in Yakima until 1974, and was a member of the faculty of the University of St. Joseph in Ethiopia in 1975. From there he moved to Wellington, New Zealand, where he taught at Erskine School of the Sacred Heart, retiring after 30 years of ministry.

After his retirement, Father Surman dedicated much time and energy to ministering to the country's firefighters. He served as secretary of the New Zealand Firefighters Welfare Society from 2007 to 2015. He continues to pray for all our brothers and sisters in the clergy and religious.

Special Holy Year Masses Planned at St. Paul Cathedral

In observance of the Jubilee Holy Year, special Masses will be offered at St. Paul Cathedral in Yakima at 5:30 p.m. (English) and 7 p.m. (Spanish) on the first day of each month in 2025. All are welcome to concelebrate. These special Masses, with the accompanying jubilee indulgence, will be followed by a reception in the Cathedral atrium.

Each month, a specific group of individuals will be recognized and named in prayer. The March Mass, on March 4, will honor all those named in the legal and governmental

Wenatchee Deacon Among 23 Ordained in Rome Continued from page 1



Deacon Juan Cruz Gonzalez from Wenatchee placed his hands into the hands of Archbishop Fisichella as he promised perpetual obedience to the Bishop of Yakima. Photo by Vatican Media.



Archbishop Fisichella imposed hands on Deacon Juan before invoking the Holy Spirit to come upon him during the Prayer of Ordination. Photo by Vatican Media.

of the church's global reach and the universality of the diaconate.

"Sometimes we can get stuck in our own view of the church in Columbus, the church in Ohio, the church in the United States," he said, but the diaconate "is something that's around the world, and this is a message from Christ as well that we need to be able to spread and share this joy for everyone."

Hinderhees said the expansive role of the diaconate in the United States, where some 40 percent of the world's 50,000 permanent deacons minister, serves as a model for the wider church.

A Message from Bishop Tyson Continued from page 2

defend itself and keep communities safe from those who have committed violent or serious crimes while in the country or prior to arrival."

This is the Holy Father teaching us in a matter of faith and morals. If this part of the papal magisterium rubs us the wrong way, then we may have an indicator that our reaction comes from a poorly-formed conscience. Are we open to being formed by the teachings

"Here's a way that we've found that we can take advantage of men who have this calling," he said. Through the diaconate "almost all of us who have already been married can support the clergy, support the church, support our priests, while still living both the sacred life and our lives as married men."

Although Pope Francis remained in the hospital, the Vatican released a message from him to accompany the Angelus prayer at midday. Greeting participants in the Jubilee of Deacons, the Pope urged all deacons to dedicate themselves to proclaiming the Gospel and commit themselves to charity.

"Carry out your ministry in the church with words and actions, bringing God's love and mercy to all," he wrote. "Do not be afraid to take the risk of love!"

of the Holy Father? Are we working on becoming more fully Catholic? Failure to do so is failure to imitate what we consume: the Body of Christ in all of His humanity and all of His divinity. As Scott Hahn realized, our actual assimilation of the Word of God is directly related to our assimilation of the Eucharist.

May we increase our devotion to the "chair of Peter" and the Petrine ministry. May we come to better appreciate the gift of the papacy and the gift of our current Holy Father, Pope Francis, as we recognize the inherent dignity of all who live in our midst across the Diocese of Yakima and with whom we are in communion in the Catholic Church.

May we embrace the "Chair of Peter," and all that this offers us in enriching our prayer, our worship and our lives of faith!

With every best wish and blessing!
Yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Joseph J. Tyson
Bishop of Yakima



The Chair of St. Peter in 2024 at St. Peter's Basilica, exposed for the first time since 1867. Public Domain via Wikimedia Commons.

**A NOTE FROM
SERRA CLUB OF THE TRI CITIES**

"This is My Beloved Son. Listen to Him." (from Luke 9: 28-36) Is our Lord asking you to follow him in tending His flock as a priest, permanent deacon, brother, or sister?



SOUP NIGHT

Organized by St. Joseph Youth Group

Soup served after Mass in Dillon Hall

March 20, 27, and April 3



Soup nights are times of community fellowship which incorporate the Lenten themes of **fasting** (a simple meal—soups and bread), **almsgiving** (a donation), and **prayer**.

Each night, a different ministry will provide soups. We appreciate all the ministries that have signed up to bring soups so far!

Free will donations will benefit:

St. Vincent De Paul and Mother Theresa Meal Ministry.

Each night, Youth Group members, Quinceañeras, Confirmation students, and parents will volunteer to assist with setup, serve soups, and clean up. Register by visiting

<https://linktr.ee/youth06.stjoseph>

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

March 28 is the Clergy Appreciation Dinner.

Dillon Hall

Meal served from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm

Same Great Menu:

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

Adults \$15
Teens (13-17) \$13
Youth (5-12) \$11
Seniors (55 and over) \$13
Takeout Meals \$13
Meals for Children 4 and under are free.



Come and show your support and appreciation for all our priests and permanent deacons.

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Tickets will be limited to ensure proper seating and cover cost. Sales will begin on the weekend of February 15 and 16.

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

**DILLON HALL | DOORS OPEN 5:30 pm | DINNER 6:00 pm
\$15 PER PERSON**

Knights of Columbus, Kennewick is holding a raffle with the following prizes:

1st Prize: Pit Boss Deluxe Griddle
2nd Prize: \$200 cash
3rd Prize: \$100 cash



Each ticket purchased contributes to charitable works. Tickets are available now, and winners will be announced on May 12, 2025 (attendance not required). Grab your tickets for just \$5 each Don't miss your chance to win!

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.

3/16 Mark & Mary Ann Showalter
3/23 David & Alexandria Barr

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

Encounter Christ in the Eucharist

The Eucharistic Missionaries warmly invite you to a monthly Holy Hour—a sacred time of prayer and reflection before the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Join us on the last Wednesday of each month at 7 PM in the Small Church as we come together in faith and devotion.



We've got a bit of a holy laundry situation!

Altar server ALBS need some TLC in the form of repairs, cleaning, and ironing. If you're ready to lend a hand, give Deacon Bill a ring at the Parish Office (509)586-3820

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

April 12 and 13 | All Masses in the Big Church

Saturday Vigil
English 5:30 p.m.
Spanish 7:00 p.m.

Sunday
English | 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 5:30 p.m.
Spanish | 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Bilingual | 3:30 p.m. - Closing Youth Retreat Mass

(Procession to the sound of the Small Church bell only for 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Mass)

TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY – April 17

English | Big Church | 6:00 p.m.
Spanish | Big Church | 8:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY – April 18

Big Church
English 3:00 p.m.
Spanish Living Stations 4:00 p.m.

English | 6:00 p.m. Veneration of the Cross
Spanish | 8:00 p.m. Veneration of the Cross

9:00 p.m. | The March of Silence - beginning in the Big Church

EASTER VIGIL - April 19

Big Church
1:00 p.m. | Easter Basket Blessing
8:00 p.m. | Bilingual
There will be no confessions

EASTER SUNDAY - April 20

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

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY - April 27

2:30 p.m.
English | Small Church
Spanish | Big Church

Blessed Carlos Acutis Canonization | 9:00 a.m.

April 27
English | 11:00 a.m., 5:30 p.m.
Spanish | 1:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.

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