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SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

JUNE 22, 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

Pastor

Fr. Jose Herrera

Parochial Vicar

Fr. Ricardo A. Villarreal

Fr. Christian Melendez

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Fr. Riccardo Keolker

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Luis A.



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

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) "They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets." (Luke 9:17)

The story of the Loaves and Fishes shows us that when you share what you have, even if it doesn't seem like that much, miracles can happen! Do not think that your gift is too small or insignificant! Each of us has a role in God's plan; you just need to place your trust in the Lord. Nothing is impossible with God. You just may be the answer to someone else's prayer.

Collection for June 15, 2025

Sunday Offering	\$14,828.26
Building Fund	\$694.50
School Donations	\$212.50
Religious Education	\$68.50
1st Friday	\$75.00
Ascension	\$527.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$1,625.00
Fathers Day	\$554.00
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For online giving scan the QR code or visit:

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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.

The Parish Office will be closed Friday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day. We will be open the following Monday, July 7.



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, Nyatt Beaton, Daniel Arokiam.

For our sick: Johanna Stephens, Bill Murray, 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, Joanne, Marie Smith, Armandino Gamino, Ana Espinoza, Sara and Johnny Howard, Father Kurt Hadley, Father John Vogl, Sara Melgarejo, John Lyczkowski, Lexie Day, Maria Barrientes.

For our recently deceased: Jose Parra, Gabriel Bennett, 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.



Pilgrimage to France and Italy with Fr. Tian

When: October 21 through
November 3, 2025
Cost: \$5,583

For more information, please contact:

Juan Ignacio Zurita 786-656-0594

Scan QR code to register



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, June 23rd

6:30 am
† Joseph Ginter
8:30 am
Fr. Ricardo Villarreal (B-day)

Tuesday, June 24th

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

Wednesday, June 25th

6:30 am
No intentions for this Mass
8:30 am
No intentions for this Mass

Thursday, June 26th

6:30 am
Maritoni DeLeon (B-day)
8:30 am
No intentions for this Mass

7:00 pm
† Sofia Chairez Arroyo

Friday, June 27th

6:30 am
No intentions for this Mass
8:30 am
Richard and Clara Gamino

(Anniversary)

Saturday, June 28th

8:30 am
† Sal & Laurie Pennella
5:30 pm
† Bob Sickles

† David Kennedy

† Isabel Moore

7:00 pm

† Agustin Martinez

† Florita Vallejo

† Margarita Manzanares

Sunday, June 29th

9:00 am
† Francis Barr
† William F Buckley

11:00 am

† Juan Barrientes

† Daniel Breslin

1:00 pm

Martha Andrade (Healing)

† José Luis Covarrubias

5:30 pm

† William Sopa

7:00 pm

Padre Arturo Cornejo



Scan QR code to request online!

Beginning Wednesday, June 25, dates may be requested for Mass Intentions for the remainder of 2025

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO OUR CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION!

Join us on Sunday, June 22, 2025, after the 1:00 PM Mass in the parking lot of the Big Church.



SUPPORT THE WORKS OF THE HOLY FATHER THROUGH THE

Peter's Pence Collection

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis to be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more, visit: www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html

Priest Retirement and Seminarian Education Collection 2025

The Diocesan Priest Retirement and Seminarian Education Collection is scheduled to take place the entire month of June and July. If you're able, please donate using the QR code. If mailing in your donation, please make checks payable to the "Diocese of Yakima," with a notation on the check that funds are to go to the Diocesan Priest Retirement and Seminarian Education Special Collection (PR/SE Collection.) Please mail your donation directly to the Diocese of Yakima at P.O. Box 2189, Yakima, WA 98907. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Ana Contreras, at 509-965-7117 ext 305.



SCAN ME



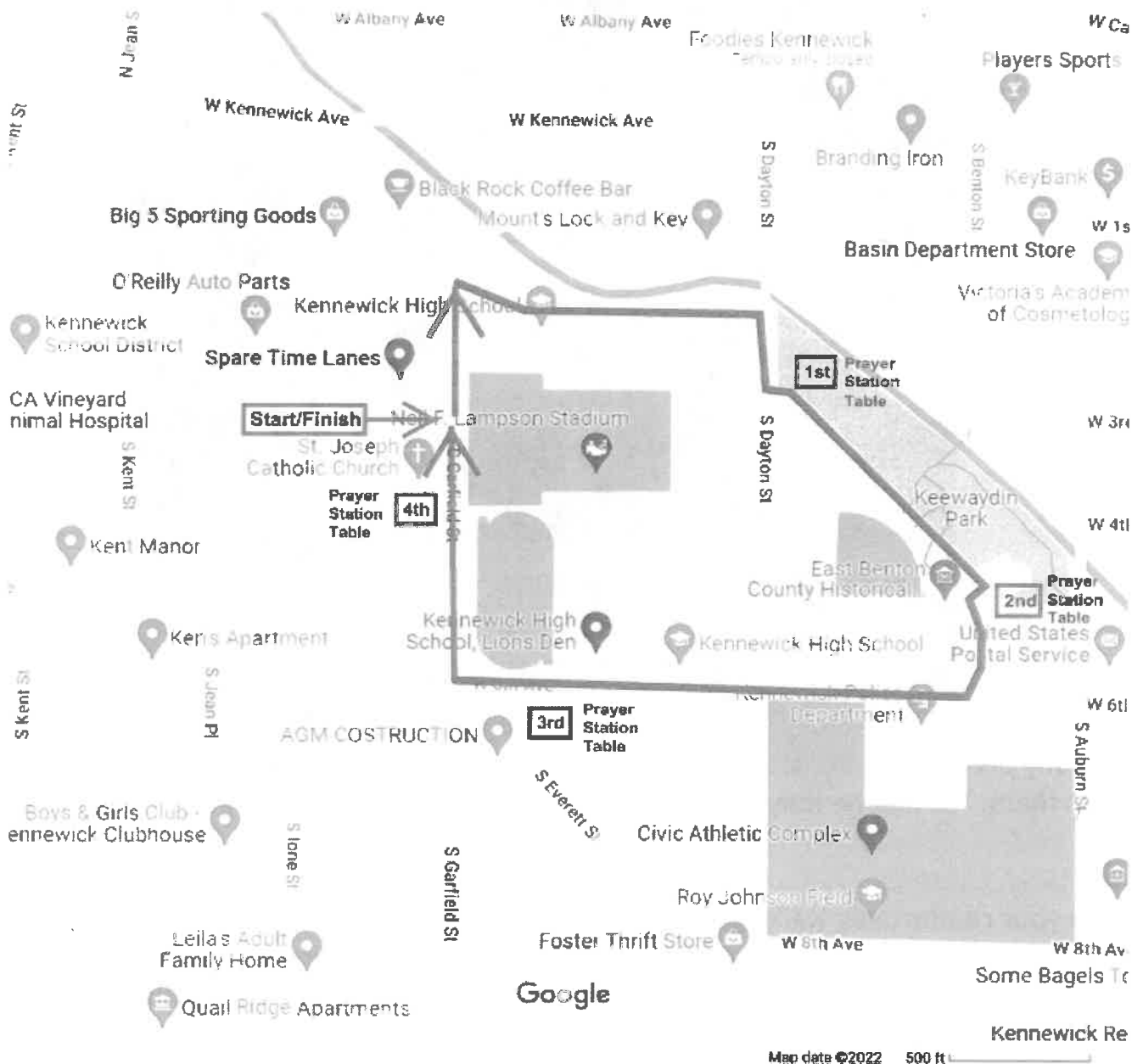
Not Many people will ever stop to visit Jesus in our Church, but one day of the year, we bring Him to them; "so that **he may walk where we walk and live where we live.**" (Pope Benedict XVI).

Put on your comfortable walking shoes, bring your whole family and join us (and millions of Catholics around the world) in the more than 800-year-old tradition of a public Eucharist Procession on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, **Sunday, June 22 Starting approximately at 2 pm**, in the Church parking lot.

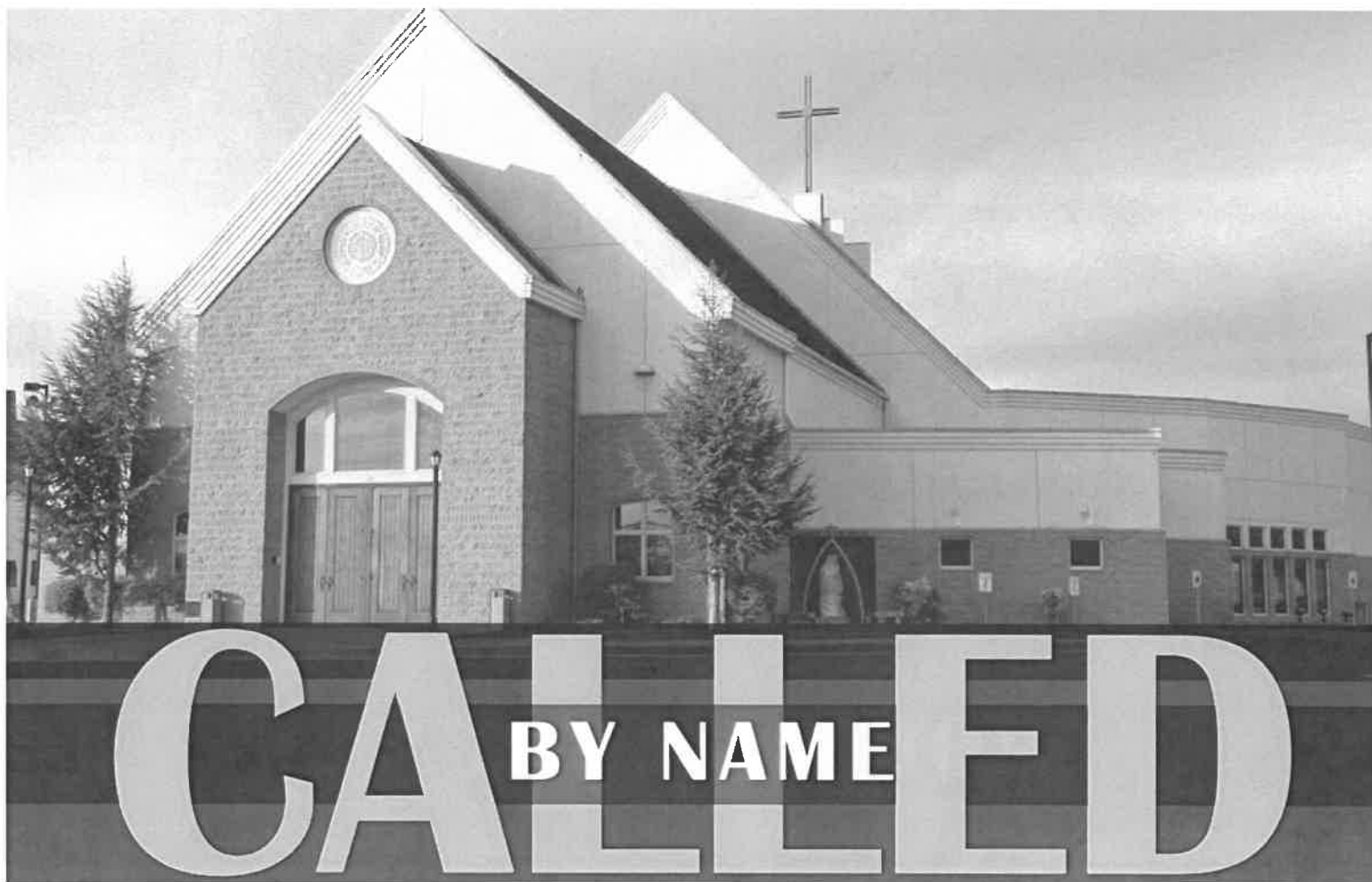
Jesus Christ, present in the Eucharist, will be carried in a monstrance under a canopy along the streets of Kennewick. During the procession, we walk and sing in adoration behind Him (as King David did with the Ark of the Covenant) as a **public testimony of His presence**, and pray for blessings for ourselves and our entire community. There are three stations at Keewaydin Park where we stop to worship. Then ending with benediction at our 4th station in the Big Church.

Please don't miss this powerful and beautiful testimony. Bring all your friends to **literally** walk with Christ.

Google Maps



The participants in this procession will walk alongside the Blessed Sacrament, utilizing the sidewalks along the route. Parish volunteers will help guide participants and ensure that traffic is not impeded. There will be four prayer station tables at various locations along the route. Two of these stations will be located in Keewaydin Park; one will be located in the parking lot next to the new track at Kennewick High School; the final station will be in the Big Church.



COME & SEE

Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi", "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day. It was about four in the afternoon.

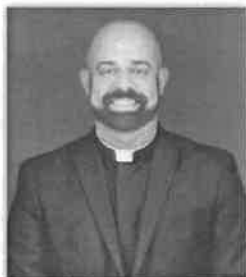
John 1:38-39

Saturday, June 28, 2025 | 9:30 am to 5 pm

A delicious BBQ lunch will be provided.

St. Joseph Catholic Church | Dillon Hall

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"Come, follow me"

Luke 18:22





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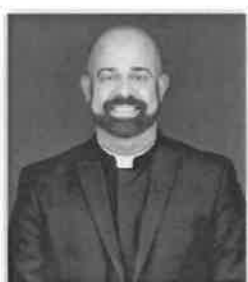
“Jesús se volvió y, al ver que lo seguían, les preguntó: <<¿Qué buscan?>> Le contestaron: <<Rabí (Que significa Maestro), ¿dónde vives?>> Jesús les dijo: <<Vengan y lo verán.>> Fueron, vieron dónde vivía y se quedaron con él aquel día. Eran como las cuatro de la tarde.” Juan 1:38-39

Sábado, 28 de junio, 2025 | 9:30 am a 5 pm

Se proporcionará un delicioso almuerzo.

Parroquia de San José | Dillon Hall

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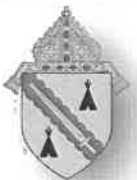
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"Ven y Sígueme"
Lucas 18:22





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Fathers Seamus Kerr and John O'Shea: 65 Years of Irish Wisdom and Love

By Christine Corbett Conklin

When a very young Father Seamus Kerr and Father John O'Shea set out from Ireland in 1960 for the Diocese of Yakima, little did they know what was ahead of them! Now, as the two senior priests celebrate 65 years of priesthood, there are countless memories to recall – some humorous and many very meaningful, as they have devoted themselves to the service of God's people.

Father O'Shea, 96, who resides at Richland Assisted Living, recalls his first glimpses of the Yakima Valley with many large signs proclaiming, "Quaker State" (insurance). "How is a Catholic priest going to manage with all of these Quakers?," he wondered. Wanting to come to America to be closer to his cousins, Father O'Shea also was surprised to learn that his cousins' home in New York was a fair piece down the road from Yakima.

For Father Kerr, 96, in residence at Holy Apostles Church in East Wenatchee, the very first baptism he performed was very memorable. Called from Holy Family Parish in Yakima to baptize a Native American woman near

the Ahtanum Mission, he needed to make three attempts to cross a snow-covered bridge. Finally reaching the home of this woman, who was in her 90s and laying still in a coma, he asked if someone could give him a small water pitcher to use. All that was available was a huge, two-gallon pitcher with a serious crack in the bottom.

As Father did his best to pour a little water over the woman, the pitcher gave way with all of its water, deluging the woman, who jumped up in bed. "Everyone thought she'd risen from the dead," Father recalled with a laugh.

Father Kerr, who comes from Belfast in the North of Ireland, went on to serve as pastor and/or associate pastor at Holy Family; St. Andrew, Ellensburg; St. Joseph, Waterville; Holy Trinity, Goldendale; St. Joseph, White Salmon; Holy Apostles; St. Mary, Mansfield; and St. Rose of Lima, Ephrata, before beginning his current residence at Holy Apostles.

Father O'Shea, who hails from County Cork, in "the good part of Ireland," the South, has served as pastor or associate pastor for St. Joseph, Sunnyside; St. Patrick, Granger; St. Paul Cathedral and Holy Family, Yakima; Christ the King, Richland; and Holy

Spirit, Kennewick. He also has spiritual director for the English Cursillo for our Diocese.

The two priest only survivors of a of seven young priests who traveled from to the United States summer of 1960.

Looking back, O'Shea says that he is "thankful for 65 years of priesthood." He has particular meaning in ministering and helping the people. One friend noted

Father O'Shea used to sail out to sea to call on parishioners, he would say, "I'm out saving souls!" There have been challenging times, he admits, since being assigned to a Spanish-speaking parish upon arrival from Ireland, not being able to speak Spanish

Father Kerr has especially fond memories of helping to grow the number of Hispanic parishioners, the Holy Apostles, years ago, when there were no options open for priests in the area.

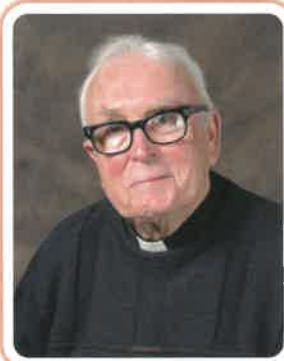
He thinks "it's wonderful" to be celebrating 65 years of priesthood. "The priesthood is marvelous," he said. "The things that have happened

to me since I came here (from Ireland) are incredible...I know God wants me to be in this Diocese and I'll stay in the Diocese...I'd love to have another 65 years if God would allow it!"

May Father O'Shea and Father Kerr be richly blessed for their many continuing years of service to the Diocese of Yakima. Please keep them both in prayer for good health, happiness, and a never-ending supply of Irish wisdom.



Father Seamus Kerr, in earlier years at St. Andrew Parish, Ellensburg



Father Kerr



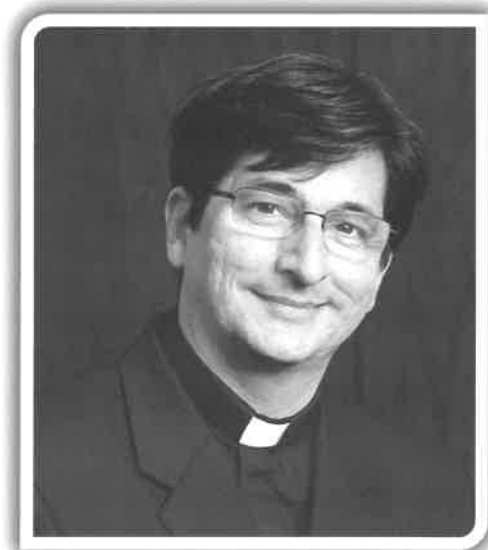
A younger Father O'Shea posed with his Mother.



Father O'Shea

Message from Bishop Tyson

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students graduate, summer
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stories in this June's *Central
ton Catholic* uplift many of
fruits of our Faith. You'll
welcome back the Christian
s into the Diocese of Yakima.
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nsor La Salle High School
Yakima, they've reorganized
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of Yakima, is even lower. How
vot to reach new families
lower income? And how do
r the spiritual and social glue
ds communal unity among
- a unity that can easily melt
der the heat of social media
etal polarization.
Leo's motto, "In Illo Uno
- "In the One, We are One"
ts that our unity comes
ly from Jesus Christ, who



Bishop Joseph Tyson

is the linchpin of the Church and
the focus of our Faith. His opening
homily calls us to unity. "In this our
time, we still see too much discord,
too many wounds caused by hatred,
violence, prejudice, the fear of
difference and an economic paradigm
that exploits the Earth's resources and
marginalizes the poorest," the new
Pope said in his homily during his
inauguration Mass on May 18.

"For our part, we want to be a
small leaven of unity, communion
and fraternity within the world," he
told the estimated 150,000 people
gathered in and around St. Peter's
Square. "We want to say to the world,

with humility and joy: Look to Christ!
Come closer to Him! Welcome His
word that enlightens and consoles!
Listen to His offer of love and become
His one family: 'In the one Christ, we
are one.'"

This is why we can rejoice in the
ordination of our new permanent
deacons as well as a new Jesuit priest
who hails from Yakima: Father Peter
Berger S.J. Indeed, Father Seamus
Kerr's and Father John O'Shea's 65th
ordination anniversary this month
as priests bookends the blessing of
ordinations as the unity in Christ for
which they stand.

May we give thanks to God for the
many fruits he has brought forth here
in the Diocese of Yakima!

With every best wish and blessing!
Yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Joseph J. Tyson
Bishop of Yakima

Christian Brothers Are Returning to La Salle

De La Salle Christian Brothers
returning to La Salle High
n Union Gap, with several
working in various capacities
hool beginning with the
school year. The Christian
had previously served at the
with the last two leaving in
they consolidated in larger
ities.
ner John Montgomery, FSC,
named President of La Salle
ool as of July 1. With his
ion of these duties, current
t Ted Kanelopoulos will
a leadership role as Principal.

Brother Montgomery brings more than
25 years of administrative leadership
and school experience in settings from
San Francisco to Berkeley, Los Angeles
and Fresno, California.

Additional Brothers joining Brother
John will be named in coming weeks.

In a release issued by the Lasallian
District of San Francisco/New Orleans,
the Brothers noted that they "cherish
the opportunity to partner with
dedicated faculty and staff to serve the
students who (stet) God has entrusted
to their care with the faith and zeal
characteristic of the La Salle High
School community."

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as regards a bishop, priest, deacon or diocesan employee or volunteer. (888) 276-4490.

Remember Christ's Compassion, Show It to Others, Pope Says

By Cindy Wooden

VATICAN CITY (CNS) – Being religious does not automatically mean someone is compassionate, and yet for a Christian compassion is a clear sign of following Christ, Pope Leo XIV said. Before being a religious matter, compassion is a question of humanity! Before being believers, we are called to be human, the Pope said May 28 as he held his weekly general audience in St. Peter's Square.

The Pope's main talk focused on the Gospel parable of the Good Samaritan, a story the Pope said offered important lessons for Christians but also was a source of hope. The lack of hope, at times, is due to the fact that we fixate on a certain rigid and closed way of seeing things, and the parables help us to look at them from another point of view, Pope Leo said.

The parable of the Good Samaritan is an obvious lesson in being compassionate and recognizing all men and women as neighbors, he said. But it also says something about the compassion of Jesus.

"We can also see ourselves in the man who fell into the hands of robbers, for we have all experienced the difficulties of life and the pain brought about by sin,"

he said in his English summary. "In our frailty, we discover that Christ himself is the Good Samaritan who heals our wounds and restores our hope. Let us turn, then, to the Sacred Heart, model of true humanity, and ask Him to make our heart ever more like His," the Pope said.

"The wounded man on the side of the road represents each one of us," he said, "and remembering all the times that Jesus stopped to take care of us will make us more capable of compassion." Being



(CNS photo/Lola Gomez)

compassionate, he is not just a feeling means taking action you want to help one, you cannot keep your distance you have to get in get dirty, perhaps contaminated," the Pope noted that in the able, the Good Samaritan cleans and bandages

man's wounds and takes him to safety.

At the end of the audience, Pope Leo again pleaded for peace in Gaza and Ukraine. "From the Gaza Strip to heaven ever more intensely the mothers and fathers who, clutching lifeless bodies of their children, are continually forced to move in search of food and safer shelter from the shelling," the Pope said. "To the leaders, I repeat my appeal: Cease firing; free all the hostages; fully respect humanitarian law."

U.S. Bishops Encourage Congress to Protect the Poor, Vulnerable

WASHINGTON – As the U.S. Congress considers the draft text of the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act" in the budget reconciliation process, Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (US-

CCB), encouraged lawmakers to uphold human life and dignity and the common good.

"My brother bishops have sent a comprehensive letter to Congress commending parts of the budget proposal that will

support human life and dignity, while also strongly encouraging them to reconsider provisions that will harm the poor and disadvantaged, our immigrant brothers and sisters, and our environment," The archbishop said.

"To our elected lawmakers, I echo the call of my

brother bishops and urge you to remain consistent in protecting human life and dignity and supporting the common good so that families can flourish. I underscore the grave concerns expressed by my brother bishops and implore you to address the real and substantial problems that would result from provisions in the bill before it advances further."

The USCCB's letter on the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act," as currently proposed in the House of Representatives, is found here: <https://tinyurl.com/4f85h2p>.

A USCCB chairman's letter on funding the abortion and "gender transition" industries in budget reconciliation may be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/yf85h2p>. The faithful are encouraged to write to their elected members of Congress on these issues here: <https://www.usccb.org/y9stmwxz>.

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Masses Continue

The Holy Year Jubilee Masses continue on the first Tuesday of each month at St. Paul Cathedral in Yakima. The English Mass is held at 5:30 p.m., followed by the Spanish Mass at 7 p.m. In July, Masses will be held on Sunday, July 1, with special recognition for clergy and seminarians. The next Masses will be on Tuesday, July 5, honoring youth. And September Masses, slated for September 2, will recognize students and teachers. A reception follows each Mass, in the Cathedral Assembly Place.

Kateri Mass, Picnic Planned

Faithful are invited to join in the annual Kateri Tekakwitha Mass and picnic, scheduled to begin at 10 a.m., Sunday, July 19 at the Ahtanum Indian Reservation, 17740 Ahtanum Road in Ahtanum, WA.

The historic mission was founded in 1821, with the restored chapel dedicated in 1871. There is a special devotion to St. Kateri, since Bishop Joseph Tyson led the review of documents pertaining to Kateri's alleged miracle, the cure of Western Longton resident, Jake Finkbonner. For more information on the event, contact the pastoral office at (509) 965-7111 or email info@yakima-diocese.org.

This is Focus of 2025 Church Mission Congress

"Building the Young Church" is the theme of the 2025 Church Mission Congress, scheduled for Saturday, September 11, at La Salle High School in Richland, WA.

All interested youth, parents, catechists, lectors, ministers of Holy Communion and youth ministers are invited to attend this event which focuses on providing vision and leadership in evangelization and faith formation.

The Congress will run from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. More information is available from Valeria Flores at (509) 965-7117 or valeria.flores@yakima-diocese.org.

Yakima Valley Native Ordained by Bishop Tyson As Jesuit Priest

Deacon Peter Berger, 41, was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Joseph Tyson on June 6 at St. Paul Cathedral in Yakima. The son of Deacon Duane and Carol Berger of Holy Redeemer Parish, Father Berger is a member of the Jesuit Order. He is the fifth of seven children.



Father Peter Berger

As he prepared for his ordination, Father Berger observed, "As a deacon, I was always moved and challenged when I had to preach on Jesus' words, 'The Son of Man came to serve, not to be served.' I am excited and feel daunted to serve in a new way as a priest, especially through the spiritual ministry of the sacraments."

Born in Sunnyside, Washington, and homeschooled through high

school, Father Berger received his Associate of Arts degree from Yakima Valley College and spent time as a volunteer with Reach Youth Ministries before entering Mount Angel Seminary in Oregon. He later went to the Novitiate of the Three Companions in Culver City, California, and completed a Master's Degree in philosophy at Saint Louis University. After spending time teaching at Bellarmine College Preparatory in San Jose, California, he completed a Master's of Divinity degree at Regis College in Toronto.

Father Berger now will serve as associate pastor at St. Aloysius Parish in Spokane. Let's keep him and all of our clergy and religious in our prayers!



Guillermo Olivares Barron



Juan Jose Reyes Garcia



Marco Antonio Gomez



Pedro Uriel Zepeda Magana



Apolinar Rojas Maldonado



Gerardo Sanchez Mejia



Moises Perez Mejia



Ernesto Gonzalez Zaragoza

Diocese of Yakima Welcomes Eight New Permanent Deacons

The Diocese of Yakima is blessed to have eight new permanent deacons, following ordinations held May 30. Eight married men, from across the Diocese, were ordained at St. Joseph Church in Wenatchee in a beautiful evening ceremony.

The new deacons and their wives include: **Guillermo Olivares Barron** (Norma Olivares), Blessed Sacrament Parish, Grandview; **Juan Jose Reyes Garcia** (Filomena Reyes), St. Joseph Parish, Wenatchee; **Marco Antonio Gomez** (Yanet Paz), St. Pius X Parish, Quincy; **Pedro Uriel Zepeda Magana** (Lilia Zepeda), St. Joseph Parish, Sunnyside; **Apolinar Rojas Maldonado** (Indeliza Rojas), Holy Apostles Parish, East Wenatchee; **Gerardo Sanchez Mejia** (Maria Gabriela Sanchez), St. Pius X Par-

ish, Quincy; **Moises Perez Mejia** (Socorro Perez), St. Joseph Parish, Wenatchee; and **Ernesto Gonzalez Zaragoza** (Hortencia Gonzalez), Holy Redeemer Parish, Yakima.

These "permanent" deacons are distinguished from "transitional" deacons who are seminarians preparing for the priesthood, usually in their last year before priestly ordination. Permanent deacons are able to baptize, witness marriages, preside at funeral liturgies, proclaim the Gospel, preach homilies and assist at the altar, among other responsibilities.

Following the ordinations, a reception was held in the St. Joseph Church courtyard.

Please join in praying for these eight new deacons who have dedicated their lives to service in our Diocese.

A NOTE FROM SERRA CLUB OF THE TRI CITIES



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ--
Corpus Christi--June 22, 2025: "Whoever eats
My Flesh and drinks My Blood remains in Me
and I in him." (John 6: 57) Will you ensure that the Holy Eu-
charist remains available to all of Jesus's People by serving
the Church as a priest?

Special Collection for Bishop Joseph Tyson's 20th Anniversary

Our Dioceses is organizing a special collection to honor Bishop
Joseph Tyson on the occasion of his 20th anniversary as a Bishop.
This presentation will take place during our annual clergy picnic
and we hope it will be a delightful surprise for him. Everyone de-
serves affirmation, including Bishops! We encourage you to con-
tribute to this meaningful collection.
Thank you for your support!

CorChristi Summer Camp - Register Now!

Incoming 6th-10th graders are invited to CorChristi Camp, a Catho-
lic summer camp filled with adventure, faith, and friendship! Camp
runs July 13-18 at Lazy F Retreat Center in Ellensburg. Don't miss
this chance to grow in faith and fun! For registration and
more information visit www.corchristi.net/camp

Religious Education

REHEARSAL DATE:

Wednesday - English Religious Education & St. Joseph's School
Attendance is required for candidates and sponsors only.

- **Date:** Wednesday, June 25th
- **Time:** 6 PM
- **Location:** Big Church

CONFIRMATION MASS:

Wednesday - English Religious Education & St. Joseph's School

- **Date:** Friday, June 27th
- **Time:** 5:30 PM
- **Location:** Big Church
- **Arrival Time:** Candidates must be present by 4:30 PM.

Blessed be the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Most Immacu-
late Heart of Mary!

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 6 pm in the Small Church as we come together in faith
and devotion.

Let us deepen our love for Jesus in the Eucharist, lifting our hearts
in adoration and intercession. Come and be renewed in His
Presence. We look forward to praying with you!
Our next Holy Hour is June 25.

Memorial Flowers

Thank you **Women of St. Joseph** for donating
flowers for the weekend of **June 21-27**. Thank you
for enhancing the Liturgy with live flowers.

Flowers for the Tabernacle: in gratitude to the **Women of
Saint Joseph**.

If you would like to provide flowers for the upcoming
Sundays, call the Parish Office (509-586-3820, Ext 101) or
Angel Machado (509-438-4257.)

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.

June 22 Elizabeth Robas
June 29 Joe & Pat Barajas
July 6 Bob & Tina Daily

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

9:15 am on Wednesdays
on FaceBook Live

Presented by Father Riccardo Keolker



2025-2026
Continuing Formation and
Sacramental Preparation

Registration is now open.
For more information, contact our
Religious Education Coordinators.

For English Classes: Nancy Murray at 509-586-3820 Ext. 107
rel.ed.wed@stjoseph-kennewick.org

For Spanish Classes: Maria Rodriguez 509-586-3820 Ext. 105
rel.ed.sat@stjoseph-kennewick.org

COME & SEE
CALLED BY NAME RETREAT

Saturday, June 28, 2025 | 9:30 am to 5 pm | Dillon Hall

*Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "what
are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi", "where are you
staying?" He said to them, "come, and you will see." So they went
and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day.
It was about four in the afternoon. John 1:38-39*



Next Sunday, June 29, is a Fifth Sunday and there will
be a collection after Mass for the Society of St.
Vincent de Paul. We have been helping a record num-
ber of people lately, so please be generous. The
need is great - we have spent more this last quarter
than we did in the last six months of last year. The
greatest needs are for help with utilities and gasoline. And you can
always make a check out to St. Vincent de Paul at any time and
get it to the parish office. Thank you in advance.

ADORATION CHAPEL EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Openings: Tuesday: 3 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



O Jesus, in this wonderful sacrament You left us a memorial of
Your Passion. Grant us so to venerate the sacred mysteries of Your
Body & Blood that we may ever continue to feel within us the fruit
of Your Redemption. You live and reign forever and ever. AMEN

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