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# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

NOVEMBER 9, 2025

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# **WEEKEND MASSES**

• Saturday Vigil:

- 5:30 pm (English)
  - 7:00 pm (Spanish)
- Sunday:
  - 9:00 am, 11:00 am, and 5:30 pm (English)
- 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm (Spanish)

# WEEKLY MASSES

- Monday Friday:
- 6:30 am & 8:30 am, Small Church (English)
- Thursday:
- 7:00 pm, Small Church (Spanish)
- Last Thursday of the Month:
- Holy Hour at 6:00 pm followed by Bilingual Mass at 7:00 pm, Small Church.
- Saturday:
- 8:30 am, Small Church (English)
- First Friday Mass:
- 7:00 pm, Small Church (English)

# Vacant

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

## **CONFESSIONS**

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

# **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**

## Receptionist

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Sonia P.

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Bonnie L. Luis A.

# 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

"Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells within you?" 1 CORINTHIANS 3:16 Simply remembering that we are "temples of the Holy Spirit" hould make our daily decision-making relatively easy. If we truly want to imitate Jesus, then our words and actions should reflect he love, mercy, and forgiveness that flow from His Sacred Heart. ry it for one week. Try to remember that we temples of the Holy Spirit and see how it affects the way that you live.

# Collection for November 2, 2025

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Sunday Offering	\$21,387.69
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Building Fund	
School Donations	\$153.50
	\$1,463.24
ACA 2024/2025	
All Souls	\$4,543.00
	\$959.66
Religious Education	
Miscellenous	\$175.00
Holy Day	\$706.00
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Diocesan	\$250.00
Flowers	\$218.00
On-line Giving	\$2,557.80

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

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juit sending you envelopes. Thank you for your generosity.

Prayers

For our Armed Forces: Christian Fraga, Ramon Vargas, an Dimmick, Christy Hylden, Andrew Jacobsen, Alexander Araujo, Lyson Kaas, Christian Shink, Juan Borrego, Estrella Gomez, Erick Miller, Eric Sheldon, Justin Dennis Byerly, Wyatt Beaton., Daniel Arokiam

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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, Patty Brown, Armando Rodriguez, Zara Husan, Raquel Cardoza, Samuel Quintanilla, Pat McKie Szacik, Carmen Nava, Mike Draper, Peter Braun, Yolanda Quintero, Hazel Meister, Sandra Sckiercyzinski, Kolton Hansford, Joanne, Armandino Gamino, Ana Espinoza, Sara and Johnny Joanne, Armandino Gamino, Ana Espinoza, Sara and Johnny Howard, Father Kurt Hadley, Sara Melgarejo, John Lyczkowski, Lexie Day, Maria Barrientes, Randy Walker, Carina Ambriz.

For our recently deceased Rose Daily. 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.

# **EUCHARISTIC**ADORATION

Openings: Tues 6 pm, Thurs 7am, Friday 10am, Sat 4 pm

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

Please call to obtain personal codes for entry.

Carol at 509-582-5011

"Make me ever more recollected, more silent, and more submissive to Your Divine action, more alert to receive Your delicate touches. Draw me into the inmost depths of my heart where You dwell, O sweet Divine Guest, and teach me to 'watch continually in prayer.'" (Divine Intimacy, Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalene, OCD)

# Welcome to our Parish Community!

If you're new to St. Joseph, we extend a warm welcome to you-whether you've traveled from another part of the country, from around the globe or simply from a different parish. Your presence enriches our liturgical celebrations in a wonderful way. If you wish to join our Catholic community, please complete a registration form available on our website.

# MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK



Monday, November 10 6:30 am

† Elaine Loftus

8:30 am No Intentions for this Mass Tuesday, November 11

6:30 am † Helen Kelley McCue

8:30 am No Intentions for this Mass

Wednesday, November 12

† San Juanita Altamirano 8:30 am

† Dennis Houston Thursday, November 13 6:30 am

No Intentions for this Mass 8:30 am

Jerry Johnson (Healing) 7:00 pm

No Intentions for this Mass Friday, November 14

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

† Dennis Houston



Saturday, November 15

8:30 am Alex & Clarine Lysiak

5:30 pm Marie Smith (Birthday)

7:00 pm

† Agustin Mojica Sunday, November 16

9:00 am

Henry and Renee Barr

† Marijo Sullivan † Gene Senger 11:00 am

† Dennis Houston

Mary Ondrak 1:00 pm Miguel Vallejo

Jose Alfredo Farias (Healing)
† Salvador Tiscareno

† Oscar Farias Zepeda

5:30 pm No Intentions for this Mass

7:00 pm

† Luis and Hermelinda Lemus † Pastor and Josefina Martinez

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Sunday Breakfast IOIN US IN DILLON HALL FOR BREAKFAST FOLLOWING THE MORNING MASSES.

NOVEMBER 9 -



# Join us for Thanksgiving Day Mass

Location: Big Church Date: November 27, 2025 Time: 9:00 am (English) 11:00 am (Spanish)

Please Note:
There will be no English Masses at 6:30 am and 8:30 am, and no Spanish Mass at 7:00 pm.
The Parish Office will close at noon on November 26 and will remain closed on November 27 and 28.



November 25 at 11 am, we need your help to switch out Missalettes. Thank you in advance!

Today, 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. Simply visit

www.yakimadiocese.org or scan the QR code.



November 9, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I cannot thank you enough for the extraordinary impact we have accomplished together in our ministries and the mission of the Church.

As we prepare to launch the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) <u>Pledge Weekend</u> on <u>November 8 and 9</u>, I want to express my gratitude to you for the many blessings we enjoy in the Diocese of Yakima because of <u>your commitment</u> and <u>financial generosity</u> 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 uniquely through our Annual Catholic Appeal. On Pledge Weekend, we can renew our personal commitment to participate more fully as good stewards 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 blessing to make our annual pledge 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 can do alone.

Our parish goal this year is \$ 200,248 and your financial support will assist us in reaching that goal. All funds collected more than 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 more convenient.

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

Res. Jose Herrera, Pastor

9 de noviembre de 2025

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

¡No puedo agradecerle lo suficiente por el extraordinario impacto que hemos logrado juntos en nuestros ministerios y en la misión de la Iglesia!

Mientras nos preparamos para lanzar el Fin de Semana de Compromiso de la Cooperación Diocesana el 8 y 9 de noviembre, quiero expresarle mi gratitud por las bendiciones que disfrutamos en la Diócesis de Yakima debido a su compromiso y generosidad financiera con la Iglesia en Washington Central.

# ¡El Espíritu Santo está realmente obrando a través de usted!

Tenemos una oportunidad especial cada año de responder al llamado de Cristo de una manera única a través de nuestra Cooperación Diocesana. Podemos renovar nuestro compromiso personal el Fin de Semana de Compromiso y participar más plenamente como buenos discípulos en su misión para la Iglesia. ¡Qué bendición!

A través de la Cooperación Diocesana, compartimos el mensaje de Cristo al servir a innumerables personas de formas que tal vez no nos demos cuenta. Todos, de alguna manera, disfrutamos de los frutos del trabajo de los ministerios y programas diocesanos financiados por la Cooperación Diocesana (CD). Cuando utilizamos las bendiciones financieras que Dios nos da y nos comprometemos anualmente con la CD, nos unimos a todas nuestras hermanas y hermanos en otras 38 comunidades parroquiales de la Diócesis para hacer el trabajo del Señor, una labor que ningún individuo o parroquia podría hacerlo solo.

Este año, nuestra meta parroquial es \$ 200,248 y su apoyo financiero nos ayudará a alcanzar esa meta. Todos los fondos recaudados en exceso de esta meta serán devueltos a nuestra parroquia para su uso en nuestros propios ministerios y programas.

Yo personalmente apoyo la Campaña Anual de Cooperación Diocesana y los animo a todos ustedes a que hagan lo mismo. Mi esperanza es que todos los hogares en nuestra parroquia hagan su compromiso monetario este año. Si es más conveniente, puede dividir su compromiso y hacer su pago mensualmente. Recuerde que su compromiso es voluntario—es entre usted y Dios. El Obispo y yo, entendemos que suceden situaciones fuera de su control y, puede que cambie su situación financiera. Lo único que necesita hacer es avisar a la Oficina Pastoral del Obispo para que no siga recibiendo los recordatorios mensualmente. Su compromiso a través de su oración es sumamente importante. Le pido que nos recuerde en sus oraciones diarias y pida por el éxito de nuestra campaña.

Muchas gracias por su generosidad. Le ofrezco mis oraciones por usted y por sus seres queridos.

Rev. Jose Herrera, Pastor

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**St. Joseph Parish** Fr. Jose Herrera, Pastor

# One Minute Meditations

# St. Albert the Great

Possibly one of the Church's greatest intellectuals, St. Albert was the eldest son of a powerful German military official. Despite opposition from his family, he joined the Dominican Order. Being well educated, St. Albert desired to make all the learning of the East available to the Latin-speaking West. He earned his doctorate at the University of Paris in 1245 and taught at Paris and Cologne. He is best known as the master of St. Thomas Aquinas.

# Praying for the dead

Catholics see Purgatory as an expression of God's mercy — a place where souls who die in His grace, but need further purification, are prepared for Heaven. This month, we pray for our departed loved ones, asking God to bring them quickly into His presence.

One tradition is to request a Mass on the anniversary of a loved one's death. If that soul is already in Heaven, the graces benefit others still in need. In God's mercy, nothing is ever wasted.

"Forgiveness comes...through the soul's desire to be united to me [i.e., to God], the infinite Good, according to the measure of love attained by the recipient's desire and prayer. A person receives as much of my goodness as he gives to me." St. Catherine of Siena, *The Dialogue* 

# Christ as King of our hearts

When we proclaim, "Christ is King," we're not making a poetic or symbolic statement. We're declaring a truth that shapes every part of our lives. To live under Christ's rule is to give Him authority over what we believe, how we worship, how we act, and how we spend our time.

What we believe: At the center of our faith is a relationship. Knowing Jesus personally — through the Gospels, through prayer, through the lives of the saints – transforms abstract belief into living faith. When someone asks, "Why are you Catholic?" our answer should come from experience, not just theology.

How we worship: Imagine a king hosting a free, lavish banquet every week for all his subjects. Every Sunday, we're invited to a banquet — not of food, but of grace. To say, "Christ is King" is to obey His words: "Do this in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19). The

Mass is not just a weekly routine; it's a divine encounter.

How we act: Our actions, especially the small ones, speak volumes. Reverence, patience, honesty, integrity,

"You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the truth."
John 18:37

and generosity are everyday ways of making Christ visible through us. These aren't just virtues — they're signs of loyalty to our true King.

How we spend our time: Daily prayer proclaims that Christ reigns not only over Sunday, but over our entire lives. Whether prayer feels powerful or dry, it anchors us in Him. No time given to Christ is ever wasted.

To say "Christ is King" is to surrender everything to Him. It's a declaration that He reigns not just in Heaven, but here, now, in us.

# Why Do Catholics Do That

# Why does the Church offer indulgences?

An indulgence is "the remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven" (Catechism of the Catholic Church). This "temporal punishment" refers to the purification the soul undergoes before entering Heaven.

The power of indulgences flows from Christ's sacrifice and is applied through

the merits of the saints and prayers of the Church. Indulgences are not shortcuts to Heaven or "free passes"; they require repentance and conversion of heart.

To obtain an indulgence, conditions must be met: sacramental Confession, reception of Holy Communion, prayer for the Holy Father's intentions, and performance of the indulgenced act.

# "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Matthew 6:21)

There's a common lesson in driver's education: "Your vehicle goes where your eyes go." Spiritually, the same is true our lives follow what we focus on. What we treasure most lays claim to our hearts. The challenge is to set our hearts on what truly lasts.

"You cannot serve two masters" (Matthew 6:24). What treasure do you set your heart on? A desire for holiness requires us to examine how we live day to day. Are we cultivating trust in God, or grasping for control? Realignment often begins with small, intentional acts: spending time in prayer instead of mindless scrolling; reading the Gospel before the news; choosing simplicity over indulgence and

giving generously to those in need. These are daily decisions that reflect where our heart truly lies.

Trust instead of worrying. Jesus does not condemn wealth. hard work, or responsible planning. Instead, He calls us to live as sons and daughters of God. That means trusting His love, accepting His timing, and offering our lives in service to His Kingdom. Ask yourself: Do I invite God into my decisions, or do I act alone? Am I content to wait on His timing, or do I insist on my own?

When we prioritize the things of God, we invest in a treasure that does not fade - one that shapes who we are now, and endures into eternity.

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# Matthew 24:37-44, Preparing cripture | hearts for Christ's coming

In this Gospel reading, Jesus reminds us that we do not know the day or the hour when He will come for us. "At an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." His message is clear: live each day prepared to meet Him.

Next month, we celebrate His first coming at Christmas. But Christ will come again - at our death, and at the end of time. Advent invites us to ask: "What must I do to be ready?"

Begin by striving to remain in a state of grace. If you are aware of having committed mortal sin, seek God's mercy without delay through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Even if you are not conscious of serious sin,

aim to go to Confession regularly every four to six weeks, if possible. Examine your conscience honestly, and choose one or two areas of sin to actively work on.

Attend Sunday Mass faithfully, make more time for prayer, and look for opportunities to serve others with love and humility. These practices not only prepare us to welcome Christ when we finally meet Him face-to-face, but they also draw us closer to Him now.

When Christmas arrives, may you greet the Lord not with fear, but with ioy — knowing your heart is open, your hands are ready, and your soul is at peace.

# Feasts & 🔌 **Celebrations**

November 2 - All Souls Day. On this day we pray for the dead, especially our loved ones and the souls in Purgatory. Our prayers and sacrifices can help them get to Heaven faster.

November 4 – St. Charles Borromeo (1584). Born into a wealthy family in 1538 in Lombardy, Italy, St. Charles was chosen for the priesthood to follow in the footsteps of his uncle, Giovanni Angelo de Medici, the future Pope Pius IV. After earning doctorates in civil and canon law by the age of 21, Charles was named cardinal and bishop of Milan. He worked to reform his diocese of

corruption and cared for the poor and sick when a plague struck Milan.

November 23 - Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. God promised his people a king who would be triumphant over their enemies. Jesus is our King, who triumphed over the enemies of sin and death. In Baptism and Confirmation, we are brought under His kingship.

November 30 - 1st Sunday of Advent. During this four-week season, we anticipate the Messiah's birth, remembering the time when He was awaited. During Advent we also look forward to Christ's reign and His coming on the Last Day. We light candles in an Advent wreath each night of the season to signal the coming of the true light of Christ.

# **Do Catholics practice** & tithing?

Tithing is the practice of giving ten percent of your income to the Church. In fact, the word itself comes from an Old English word meaning, "one-tenth." It was based on Jewish tradition in the Old Testament and its first recorded practice was Abraham's offering of a tenth of all he had as a "thank offering" to God for his victory in battle (Genesis 14:18-20). It's still practiced by the Mormon Church.

The Catholic Church does not require tithing; there is no "fixed sum" that God requires of us. Catholics are, however, required to support the material needs of the Church (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #2043). How much — or little is between you and God and in light of the needs of your state in life.

Money isn't the only way to support your parish, diocese, or the Church. Giving of your time to volunteer in your parish, donating some of what you don't need to the poor, and even devoting prayers specifically for the needs of your parish priests are all praiseworthy ways to give back.

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# Annual Catholic Appeal: 'Build the One Body of Christ's

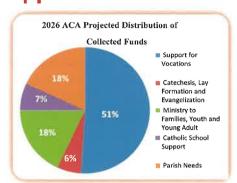
Once a year, Bishop Tyson asks each of us to make a prayerful and sacrificial gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) which funds the programs and ministries offered by the Diocese of Yakima.

Pledge envelopes were mailed to most past donors the third week of October.

# ACA Pledge Weekend

begins November 8 and 9. Envelopes can be picked up at your local parish. Another quick way to donate is to scan the QR code that will instantly redirect the user to the ACA donation page.

This year, our theme is "Build the One Body of Christ." Christ Himself calls us to strengthen our parishes and ministries so that His Body may grow and flourish in every corner of our diocese. As Pope



Leo XIV reminds us, "Only together - only by becoming one Body in which even the most fragile participate with full dignity – do we truly become the Body of Christ, the Church of God." United in this mission, we are called to support the

ACA so that our parishes and ministries remain places where every member of the Body of Christ is welcomed with dignity, nourished by the Eucharist, and sent forth to share the Gospel with the world.

Our 2026 ACA Diocesan Goal is to raise **\$2.0 million**. By giving to the ACA, you are engaging in discipleship by bringing the love of Christ to thousands of our brothers and sisters across Central

Washington.

Did you know? As of Septemb 2025, for the 2025 ACA (cycle No 2024 - Oct. 31, 2025), \$174,953 ha rebated to parishes. When you give Annual Catholic Appeal you: education priests and deacons, bring Christ to at Central Washington University, 1 the literacy growth of migrant child through Literacy Wagon, reach pec who could not otherwise attend Ma receive the sacraments through Mis Ministry, help the Spanish and Eng communities grow closer together joint programs such as

Magnificat, and provide the opportunity for your parish to receive a rebate to use locally.

**GIVE TODAY!** Complete your pledge card or give online.

# Jubilarians Honored at Yakima Priests Convocation

Two of the most senior priests of the Diocese of Yakima, Fathers Seamus Kerr and John O'Shea, both 96, were honored for 65 years of priestly service at a special Mass October 2 during the annual Convocation of Priests. Other jubilarians recognized at the Mass were Father William Vogel, S.J., 50 years; and Fathers Michael Brzezowski and John Vogl, 25

years. Msgr. John Ecker, vicar general of the diocese, presided at the Mass, held at Christ the King Parish in Richland.

In the absence of Bishop Joseph Tyson, who was away caring for an elderly relative, Msgr. Robert Siler, chancellor of the diocese, presented plaques and papal blessings to both Fr. Kerr and Fr. O'Shea. He noted they were ordained on June 19, 1960, the day after he was born. "Every year on my birthday I am reminded of the gift you have been to me and to our diocese," Siler said.

Both priests were ordained at All Hallows Seminary in Dublin by Bishop John Scanlon of Honolulu, for service in the Diocese of Yakima. They received their first assignments in September of 1960. Both exnressed their gratitude to God for the gift of



Fr. William Vogel, S.J., is celebrating his 50th anniversary of priesthood.

life, of priesthood, and especially for the opportunity to minister to the Faithful of our diocese.

Father Vogel, 80, was ordained June

21, 1975 by Archbishop Raymond Hunthausen of Seattle, for service in the Society of Jesus. His concluding theological studies and postgraduate work were at Regis College in Toronto, Canada. After various assignments with the Jesuits, including pastoral

work in Oregon, he came to the Yakima Diocese in 1997.

His service here has included assignments at St. Joseph Parish in Yakima and several parishes in the Lower Yakima Valley, most notably as pastor of Resurrection Parish in Zillah. He also was a chaplain for many years at Providence hospitals in Yakima and Toppenish. His present assignment is as parochial vicar for the parishes of St. Aloysius in Toppenish and St. Mary in White Swan.

Father Brzezowski, 60, pastor of Holy Spirit Parish in Kennewick, was ordained May 26, 2000, in Yakima by Bishop Carlos A. Sevilla, S.J., after graduating from Mundelein Seminary in Chicago. He is entering the final year of a six-year term as chairman



Fr. John Vogl is marking his 25th anniversary of priesthood.

of the Executive Committee of the C Priests. He has served in the parishes Paul Cathedral and Holy Family in Y St. Andrew Parish in Ellensburg, Sac

> Heart Parish in Prosser, St. 1 Parish in Naches and St. Jua Parish in Cowiche.

Fr. Brzezowski also has advanced studies in canon la Pontifical University of Sala in Spain, and serves in the T and Office of Canonical Ser a part-time basis.

Fr. Vogl, 64, an avid fisl also became a "fisher of me his ordination on May 26, 2 Bishop Sevilla. He attended

Heart Seminary in Hales Corner, Wis He serves at present as associate pas St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Parish in City, with some service at St. Joseph in Kennewick.

Assignments in the Diocese of Y have included service in the parishes Blessed Sacrament in Grandview; H ily in Yakima; and St. Joseph in Wate He also served for a time in two pari the Diocese of Baker, Oregon.

May these priests be richly bless their many continuing years of servi-Dincese of Vakima

# ssage from Bishop Tyson

ends:

re near the end of harvest time. of the apples are coming off the let me begin by thanking you ding your first fruits through the Catholic Appeal.

is issue of our *Central Washington* we feature photos from our hurch Mission Congress. "Build g Church in Christ!" That's the egic initiative of the Diocese of

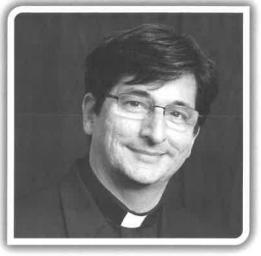
is column, I'm sharing thoughts various layers of consultations ne over these last 14 years during as bishop.

een 2012 and 2019, we did al parish visitations with just If the 39 parishes across Central ton. Fr. Osmar Aguirre, who is Wenatchee and holds a doctorate logy from Rome, teamed up with d also Doctor) Kathleen Ross unding president of Heritage y, to provide a structured parish process.

n COVID-19 hit, we ended the 3ut Pope Francis then started a le consultative process leading 2020-2024 synod process. The of Yakima conducted a large of consultations through parish nd surveys which resulted in a points, or opportunities for ils to share their thoughts. les this, the Diocese of Yakima ted in the Quinto (Fifth) o consultation in Spanish, a national gathering in Fort exas, in 2018. We consulted ens of catechists through our at program.

on Mike Gaulke sorted out the ount of data with the Diocesan Council. He presented six ing areas to clergy as well as ng the 2022 Church Mission

d the Young Church in Christ" he top initiative. Interestingly, ler priority areas varied panish- and English-speaking here in the Diocese of Yakima, ack was consistent across all and cultural groups. Youth was oncern.



Bishop Joseph Tyson

Hence this year's Church Mission Congress with Dr. Juan Carlos Montenegro and Luis Chacón – Salesian lay missionaries from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. They spent a preparatory day with us during our recent Yakima Priest Convocation and then returned to spend all day Saturday, October 11, with about 350 parish leaders at our Church Mission Congress. What was most notable is that about a third of our Congress attendees were youth themselves.

Statewide, as our three dioceses move towards a common middle school-age confirmation, our senior high school youth are ripe to be agents of evangelization by becoming peer ministers on their high school campuses. Parish leaders are exploring how to better accompany youth and focus both on catechesis and spiritual development. Indeed, without a profound relationship with Jesus Christ, catechesis becomes random information.

This is also why some of the movements are so very key here in the Diocese of Yakima. I'm grateful to Fr. Tomás Vidal and the leader team of parents and youth who make up Arco Iris. For those of you familiar with Cursillo, Arco Iris is built on that spiritual footprint. Only instead of separate Cursillo retreats for women and men, Arco Iris has youth retreats and parent retreats. Arco Iris itself means "Rainbow" in Spanish and refers to the famous Cursillo song "De Colores."

As one youth said with sharp humor some years ago, "When we go to school we act American. When we go home we act Mexican. And when our parents come to school we don't know how to act.." Not only Arco Iris – but great youth ministry in the Diocese of Yakima – builds the bridges among generations that anchor our youth in their rich Catholic heritage at the heart of so much of Mexican culture AND help the youth develop the English language and vocabulary to become missionaries here in the United States.

While I have yet to live an entire Arco Iris due to my schedule, I do try to make the closing Mass – the Clausura – where I can hear the testimonies of how lives are changed through friendship with Christ and friendship with each other. Such friendships, built on religious testimonies, are often what leads youth and their parents to a deeper exploration of their faith and a richer and more profound study of the church's catechetical teachings.

Youth are not simply the future. As we saw at our most recent Church Mission Congress, they are our current reality. And we are able to reach these first fruits of family life thanks to your first fruits you give through the Annual Catholic Appeal.

So my thanks to you and my thanks to the youth who are building up the one Body of Christ here across Central Washington.

With every best wish and blessing!

Yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Joseph J. Tyson Bishop of Yakima

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

# How Well Do You Know The Terms Used In Our Catholic Faith?=

As part of the rich heritage of the Catholic Church, there are many terms used to describe everything from altar settings to personnel and practices of the Faith. How many of the following terms do you know?

Answers follow at the end.

- 1. What do you call the raised platform from which the Epistle and Gospel are read at Mass?
  - a. Etagere
  - b. Armoire
  - c. Ambo
  - d. Altar
- 2. What is a "conclave"?
  - a. The small bowl used for washing the priest's fingers
  - b. The priest, deacon and others who assist at Mass.
  - c. An annual gathering of the priests of a diocese.
  - d. The gathering of cardinals to elect a new pope.
- 3. This person or persons can exercise the church's judicial powers, to hear marriage cases.
  - a. Court of the realm
  - b. Tribunal
  - c. Senate
  - d. Vicarage

- **4**. Catholic priests and deacons are required to pray these evening prayers each day.
  - a. Vespers
  - b. Eventide
  - c. Summa
  - d. Collate
- 5. Remembrance of God's saving deeds, like the memorial in every Eucharistic Prayer at Mass.
  - a. Analogy
  - b. Anamnesis
  - c. Recollection
  - d. Reflection
- **6**. The education of young people and adults in the faith of the Church.
  - a. Catechesis
  - b. Rote learning
  - c. Doctrination
  - d. Inscription
- 7. This chalice-shaped vessel or bowl holds consecrated hosts, for distribution of Communion.
  - a. Paten
  - b. Diskos
  - c. Ciborium
  - d. Corporal
- **8**. This colorful outer garment is worn by clergy in celebrating Mass.
  - a. Chasuble
  - b. Cincture
  - c. Stole
  - d. Cape

- **9**. These are some of the "Corporal of Mercy," acts which meet people's needs.
  - a. Put money in Sunday collect call your Mother, help the environment
  - b. Help with parish festivals, platrees, join the church choir
  - c. Teach children about Church help clean the Church, pray for sinners
  - d. Feed the hungry, give drink thirsty, clothe the naked, visi sick
- **10**. What is the term for the Euchar to those who are close to death?
  - a. Last Supper
  - b. Viaticum
  - c. Nouriture
  - d. Sustenance

rs: I) c. Ambo; 2) d. The gathering of als to elect a new pope; 3) b. Tribunal; espers; 5) b. Anamnesis; 6) a. Catechesis; fortium; 8) a. Chasuble; 9) d. Feed the isorium to the thirsty, clothe the visit the sick; 10) b. Viaticum visit the sick; 10) b. Viaticum

Sources for information include United States Conference of Catholic website, usccb.org; thesacredheart.co mycatholicschool.org; and vatican.ve

# The Seal of Confession Will Remain Intact

The Washington State Catholic Conference (WSCC) has announced good news regarding a successful lawsuit by Washington bishops. The bishops challenged a state law that would have required priests to violate the seal of confession if they were told in the confessional of any abuse committed.

The Washington State governor, attorney general and county prosecuting attorneys have agreed to a court order "finding that the state law violates our free exercise and have agreed not to force priests into the impossible choice between obeying God or complying with the law," the WSCC reported. A judge signed the final order on October 14, putting the permanent injunction in place.

The Catholic Church teaches that all said in the Sacrament of Confession is confidential. Priests and Church personnel are already required to report any suspected abuse learned of outside of confession, the WSCC stressed.

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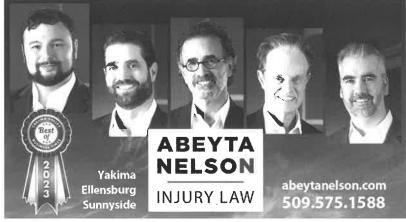
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# News

# n Around the Diocese

g Adult Retreat Coming Soon lere I Am, Lord" is the theme of a a Diocese young adult retreat for 18 to 26 years old, planned for Friovember 7 to Sunday, November 9 np Koinonia in Cle Elum. e retreat will feature praise and p, Adoration and Confession, nd other prayer experiences plus unity-building activities, games cial events. The weekend is deto give young adults an opportureconnect with God, themselves eir peers in the Diocese. e cost is \$60 per person, with lodg-

I meals included. r registration or additional infori, contact Marcus Ayers, campus er at Central Washington Univermarcus.ayers@yakimadiocese.org.

Days Are Approaching merous Holy Days from the ic calendar are just around the

vember 1 is the Feast of All Because it falls on a Saturday this lass attendance is not required. er, it's still a good idea to attend nonoring the many saints, known known, who have gone before us. cember 8 is the Feast of the ulate Conception. Since this feast ls on a Monday, Mass attendance is ed for Catholics. In the Diocese of a, permission has been granted to Mass instead on December 12, the f Our Lady of Guadalupe. cember 25, Christmas, is also a ay on which Mass attendance is ed, falling on a Thursday this year. onderful time to celebrate the birth Savior, Jesus Christ. ecial circumstances, such as work responsibilities or caring for ne in need may dispense a person ne obligation of attending Mass on

## Know About Events

Day.

th the upcoming Christmas, many special events are scheduled parishes.

the Central Washington Catholic, appy to help publicize parish open to the public. Let us bout your upcoming religious sion, holiday bazaar, parish rsary celebration or other special

consideration for publication, obert.siler@yakimadiocese.org n on the first day of the month of tion.

# **Church Mission Congress 2025**



At the October 11 Church Mission Congress, held at La Salle High School, Bishop Joseph Tyson and Father Michael Kelly led a bilingual morning prayer and welcome.

Dr. Juan Carlos Montenegro, Executive Director of the Salesian Family Youth Center in Los Angeles, was a featured speaker at the Church Mission Congress.





Luis Chacon, Public Relations and Government Affairs Coordinator at the Salesian Family Youth Center in Los Angeles, shared insights with attendees at the Church Mission Congress.

# Central Washington Catholic Foundation's 2025 Celebration of Faith

More than 300 supporters from across the Diocese of Yakima gathered on October 11 for the Central Washington Catholic Foundation's Celebration of Faith.





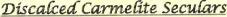
Congratulations to the 2025
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Award recipients, from left to right:
Sister Josie Ramac (Sisters of
Providence), Ted Kanelopoulos (on
behalf of Gloria White), Lisa Jacobs,
Elizabeth and Keith Henry, Socorro
Cervantes, and Kristine Peugh.

The legacies of Marquette High School, St. Joseph Academy, and St. Joseph Marquette were celebrated with memorabilia tables.



# A NOTE FROM SERRA CLUB OF THE TRI CITIES

"Brothers and sisters: You are God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a wise master builder, I laid a foundation, and another is building upon it." (1 Corinthians 3:9) Are you being called to be a priest, permanent deacon, sister, or brother and to build up the Body of Christ?





"Come into me as Adorer, as Restorer, as Savior. O Eternal Word, Word of my God, I want to spend the rest of my life in listening to You, to become wholly teachable that I may learn all from You. Then through all nights, all voids, all helplessness, I want to gaze on You always and remain in Your great light."

~St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, OCD

Is God calling you into deeper communion with Himself? Maybe He is calling you to a vocation as a Discalced Carmelite Secular! For more information call Wendy Nuxoll at 509-551-0013.

Join Us for the Ministry Fair!

Make sure to mark your calendars for our Ministry Fair on November 16, 2025, right after the 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, and 1:00

The Ministry Fair will highlight all of our parish ministries and offer you a chance to discover how you can contribute your time as a valued member of our parish community. Representatives from each ministry will be on hand to answer your questions and help you with the signup process.

## FATHER-DAUGHTER SNOWFLAKE BALL

It is that time of year again. Dad, Grandpa, Uncle give the special young lady/ladies in your life an evening that will spark wonderful memories for years to come: bring her to the twenty-Sixth **Annual Father-Daughter Snowflake**Ball on Saturday, December 6, 2025, at the St. Frances X. Cabrini Catholic Church Social Hall in Benton City. This social event of the year is open to young ladies ages toddler to 18. The event includes corsages, souvenirs, door prizes, music, and a picture for each young lady. For reservations and pre-payments call Lynda at 588-4235 today! Space is limited and we do sell out.

December 8, 2025 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)

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



St. Vincent de Paul, St. Joseph Conference We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Women of St. Joseph for their generous contribution of \$1,000. We also appreciate all parishioners who donated to SVDP on the recent 5th Sunday (August 30). Thanks to your kindness, we were able to assist 69 of our neighbors in need, amounting to over \$7,200.

We truly value your support! The winter months can be particularly challenging for those facing hardships. We kindly ask you to continue supporting SVDP through your prayers, donations, and volunteering. Thank you, and God bless!





# **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.

11/9 Nick & Bernadette Clapper
11/16 Valerie & Paulo de Vera
With questions or to sign up, contact Celine Petersen, 509-582-8738, or Irma Valdivia, 509-366-4422.

St. Joseph's School and St. Joseph Youth Group are joining forces to raffle this Moreno Sculptures and Concrete Statues created statue, purchased and provided by anonymous donors.

This statue stands 2 feet in height and allows you to silently evangelize the Gospel from your home. All proceeds will support the following:

- 1. Purchase of a propane barbecue to be available for all ministries at St. Joseph's. This BBQ will be held by the Youth Group only to ensure someone is tracking the location and ensuring availability.
- 2. The remainder of the money will be split evenly between the school and the youth group.
- a. The school will use it for student scholarship support. b. Youth Group will use for conference attendance scholarship support.

Tickets: \$10 each. Tickets available at the school & parish office during office hours.

The target date for the drawing is November 16. However, the drawing may be later if sales of all 300 raffle tickets aren't complete by that date.

## JOIN THE ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH CHOIR!

Come and sing your praises with our Parish Choir! Rehearsals on Thursdays at 6 PM. Contact Bonnie Lee for more information 701-361-4014 or music.director@stjoseph-kennewick.org, or just come to the Big Church at 6 pm on Thursday! We'd love to have you join us!!

## Join Fr. José for a Parish Day trip to Leavenworth Saturday, December 20

To reserve your seats, please complete the full payment and submit the waiver forms at the Parish Office. Seats will not be reserved without payment. Transportation is provided by a charter bus with a limited capacity of 50 seats, available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Departure time:8:00 am Price (transportation only) \$60 Kids (ages 2-12 yrs.) \$70 Seniors (age 65+) \$80 Adults & Teens (age 13+)

For more information: 509-586-3820 Ext 101





St. Joseph's Children's Center is currently enrolling children ages 1-5 into our childcare program.

To receive more information please email childcareinfo.org.

Join us for the Youth Mass on Sunday, November 9, at 11:00 AM. Service hours will be granted for youth, parents, Quinceañeras, and confirmation students.



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