

St. John Vianney Catholic Parish

St. Paschal Catholic Parish

Seventh Sunday of Easter, Ascension of the Lord
May 17, 2026

Welcome!

To make St. John Vianney or St. Paschal your parish home, register with the office or online!

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Deadline is noon Monday

SJV Parish School 509-926-7987
Principal: Janelle Turcotte
Secretary: Joan Olson
Website: www.st.johnvianney.com

SP Educare 509-922-7616
Director: Mary Jo Paschall

Prayer Chains
SJV: Jayne Seaboldt 509-921-0945
If unavailable: Mary McLeslie 509-926-0460
SP: Rosalie Thompson 509-443-7268

Assistance Program
If you need assistance with food, utilities, or prescriptions, please call the SJV office Tues.—Thurs., 9 a.m. to noon

Catholic Family Service Counseling
Call the Diocesan Office 509-242-2308

SJV & SP Parish & Finance Council Members

SJV Parish Council:
Ric Wesselman (Chair), Greg Takisaki, Angie Nordhus, Ruth Ann Pfeifer, Sue Kappen, Mark Sullivan

SJV Finance Council:
Erik Wakeling (Chair), Barbara Ewers, Nick Durgan, Cathy Suda, Greg Takisaki

SP Parish Council:
Kathy Foreman, Fred Meyer, Joan Dunn, Emily Klein, Lori Sullivan, Tom Lutyens

SP Finance Council:
Bill Trudeau (Chair), Fred Meyer, Carmen Ballard



Mass Times:

SJV: Daily Mass Tuesday - Friday at 8:15 a.m.
Sat. Vigil 4 p.m.
Sun., 10 a.m.

SP: Sun. 8 a.m.

Eucharistic Home Visits

If you are homebound or ill, and want to receive Holy Communion, please call the office.

Eucharistic Exposition for Adoration

SJV: Wed. 9a.m. - 5p.m.
2:30 p.m. — 3:30 pm Every First Saturday is
Holy Hour for Vocations
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Every Last Saturday is
Holy Hour for SJV School

SP: Tuesdays 5-6 p.m.

Confessions By appointment, and regularly at:

SJV: Sat. 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

SP: Tuesdays 5-6 p.m.

Sacraments of Baptism & Holy Matrimony

Parents seeking baptism for their child should fill out a baptism request form on our website 3 months before intended baptism date. Engaged couples should contact the office 6 months before the intended wedding date to begin marriage preparation.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Interested in becoming Catholic, or want to ask about our OCIA program? Please call the office at 509-926-5428.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The St. John Vianney Catholic Church Family:

- Seeks to grow in our faith,
- to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ
- and to serve the people of God.

Office: (509) 926-5428 SJV / SP

Mailing Address: P.O.Box 141125, Spokane Valley, WA 99214

SJV Location: 503 North Walnut Road / SP Location: 2521 North Park Road

Website: www.sjvchurch.org / Email:sjv@dioceseofspokane.org / Facebook: StJohnVianneyCatholic

LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday May 23		SJV	
Lectors	Dan B.	Greg T.	
EMs	Vicky M.	Sue H.	Deacon Don
Sunday May 24		SJV	
Lectors	Ivan G.	Mike H.	
EMs	Erik W.	Shirley K.	Deacon Don
Sunday May 24		SP	
Lector	Marilyn F.		

Stewardship Report - SJV

5/10/26	Collected	Budgeted	YTD Collected	YTD Budget	Difference
Offertory:	\$ 7,312	\$ 7,692	\$ 365,276	\$ 346,157	\$ 19,122
Assistance	\$ 370		\$ 35,351		
Building	\$ 400		\$ 55,045		
School:	\$ 490		\$ 32,932		

Stewardship Report - SP

5/10/26	Collected	Budgeted	YTD Collected	YTD Budget	Difference
Offertory:	\$ 1,042	\$ 1,481	\$ 68,986	\$ 66,635	\$ 2,351
Assistance	\$ -		\$ 4,280		
Building	\$ -		\$ 4,164		
Fuel	\$ 50		\$ 1,760		
School:	\$ -		\$ 50		

MASS INTENTIONS

	Offered For	Requested By
Tue	+ Barbara Mustard	Lynn John
Wed	+ Hazel Clark	J. Williams
Thu	Vocations	
Fri	+ James Pantaleo BD	Shirley Pantaleo
Sat	+ Richard Hamilton	Mike Baird
Sun	8 am People of SP	
	10 am People of SJV	

If Mass is ever canceled, please know that the intention will be offered in the next available Mass.

2026 VBS June 15 - 19



Join us for a week of fun, faith and fellowship at Vacation Bible School! Open to those entering K-5th grade in Fall 2026.

Students share in the joy of Christ's grace and mercy and discover ways to connect with Him through prayer, lessons and activities. Cost is \$35 and lunch is provided. Bring hat, water and sunscreen.

Visit SJVchurch.org/vbs or scan the code for more information and to register or volunteer by May 27 to secure backpack and a VBS designed T-shirt.



2nd collection for the Assistance Fund - THIS WEEK

BLOOD DRIVE

May 31

Support SJV and our community by giving blood May 31. Use the QR code to register. This is an opportunity to help SJV School earn a STEM grant.



HEROIC



A diocesan one-week summer camp where middle school students have an opportunity to engage with their faith through sacramental experiences, developing relationships, and participating in outdoor activities.

- When: August 9-14, 2026
- Where: Shoshone Mountain Retreat
- Who: Students currently in grades 6-8
- Cost: \$450, with a \$50 deposit at registration

Register at <https://givebutter.com/middle-school-camp-registration-copy-d7h4my>

RUMMAGE SALE

July 23 & 24 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
July 25 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

We can start accepting donations on Monday June 29 from 9 a.m. to noon at the SJV school gym

Visit <https://sjvchurch.org/events-news> for more information or to volunteer



Rev. Raymond Kalema

SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF PRIESTLY ORDINATION

MAY 17, 2026

Services for Jerry Nichols June 12, 2026



10:30 a.m. - Rosary followed by Mass at SJV
noon - Reception in SJV Kathy Reisenauer Parish Hall

May his soul rest in peace.

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Sunday Reflection

"Go therefore and make disciples of all Nations.... I am with you always..."

Friends, if you've ever watched a relay race, you know the most important moment isn't the sprinting. It's the handoff, the passing on of the baton. There could be four runners, one race, one mission. But the race is won or lost in the exchange zone, that brief moment when one runner stretches forward with the baton and the next runner reaches back to take it. Today, on the Feast of the Ascension, we stand in that moment. The Ascension of our Lord is that moment for the Church. It is the great handoff, and the Mountain of Galilee is the exchange zone.

At the beginning of his public ministry, the first words of Jesus to his would-be disciples on the sea of Galilee were a simple invitation *"come follow me..."* this is the moment the first runner begins the race. Jesus takes the baton and runs with it healing, teaching, forgiving, lifting up the poor, confronting injustice, showing the world the face of the Father. For three years the disciples ran behind Him, learning His pace, His rhythm, His heart. And now at the end of His ministry here on earth, Jesus' last words are; *"Go, make disciples of all nations."* In other words, Jesus is asking the eleven disciples, go carry on the work of the Gospel, go continue the race I began, go run with the same mercy, the same courage, and the same love. The Ascension is not Jesus leaving us, rather it is Jesus sending us.

Jesus has run his part of the race. Now it's ours as His disciples. We are the ones who carry the Gospel into our homes, workplaces, schools, and neighborhoods. We are the ones who show the world that Christ is alive. We are the ones who run with the baton of mercy, justice, compassion, peace and joy. As Mother Theresa once said, *"we are His hands to reach out to the needy, His feet to accompany those who struggle, His eyes to see the needs of the poor, His ears to listen to the cries of so many in deep sorrow, and His heart to show mercy and*

forgiveness to the sinners". We are sent to be witnesses of hope to those whose suffering blinds them to the greater picture of the victory He has won for us. So today we all ask ourselves, when people see me, do they see Jesus? When people listen to me, do they want to know Jesus? When people see our actions, do they want to join our community, share our life, and take the Gospel as the foundation of their life?

We also read from our Gospel a detail that is both comforting and honest, *"They worshiped, but they doubted."* In almost all relay races, the second runner is often nervous, filled with doubt and questions in his or her mind. What if I drop the baton? What if I'm not fast enough? What if I'm not ready? The disciples felt the same way. They worshiped Him, but they were unsure. They truly loved their master, but they were afraid. And yet Jesus doesn't take the baton back, He doesn't say, *"you're not ready, or come back when you're perfect."* He simply stretches out his hand and places the mission into their hands. Jesus continues to say: *"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me."* In a relay, the second runner doesn't run alone. They always run with the momentum of the first runner behind them. In just the same way, Jesus is saying: *"You're not running on your own strength, you're running with mine."* This means that mission is not ours alone. It is His mission but carried in our hands.

And lastly, Jesus ends with the words every runner needs to hear: *"I am with you always."* He doesn't say *"I was with you, or I will be with you someday."* But *"I am with you, now and always."* In your doubts, in your fears, in your confusion and all through the race. Today, He says to all of us His followers, *"as I hand over this baton to you on this race, just keep going, don't stop, because you are not alone. I am with you."*

SCHOOL NEWS SPRING CONCERT



Let our students take you on a musical journey as they share their gifts with our community.

Wednesday, May 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the SJV church.

Pro-Life Rosary

Join in prayer to intercede for the lives of the unborn. Prayer of the Rosary will be held outside of Planned Parenthood in the Valley every Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon. Contact Mary Riehle at 509-995-5575 with questions.

Pray for the repose of the soul of

Susan Robinson
May she rest in peace.



YOUNG AT HEART



Join us for our **Young At Heart** Potluck Luncheon Thursday, May 21 at noon in the Kathy Reisenauer Parish Hall at SJV

Everyone is welcome regardless of age!

This is our LAST YAH lunch until September.

The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary and all are encouraged to pray the Rosary. You are invited to join us at SJV 30 minutes before daily Mass Tuesday-Friday in the Chapel of Peace.



The parish office will be closed on Monday, May 25. Happy Memorial Day!



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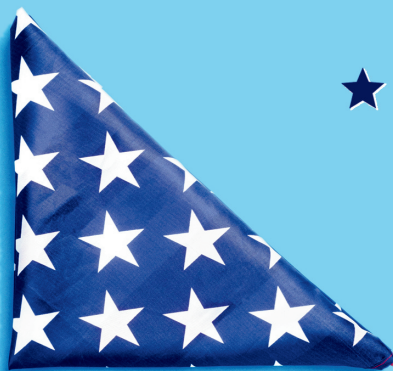
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