November
14-15
2026

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Joseph

Catholic Church



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 14 - St. Joseph Parishioners

Sunday, November 15 - Farol Stroyan+

Tuesday, November 17 - Sue Kerschen+

Wednesday, November 18 - Eleanor and Frederick Sears+

Thursday, November 19 - Mike Ori (healing)

Friday, November 20 - Nick and Tom Winter+

Welcome!

MISSION STATEMENT

"Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples. Preach the gospel to all people."

MASS TIMES

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:30 AM
Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday 10:00 AM

ADORATION

Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

BAPTISM

Parents seeking Baptism for their child should contact the Pastor. It is expected that you are a registered parishioner taking part in the liturgical life of the Church - which includes attendance at Mass.

NEW TO THE PARISH?

Registration forms are in the lobby, or online:
stjosephcolbert.org/registration

OFFICE CONTACTS

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This Sunday's Readings

First Reading Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17
Responsorial Psalm 23:1-2,2-3,5-6
Second Reading Corinthians 15:20-26,28
Gospel Reading Matthew 25:31-46

Today's Gospel passage is the conclusion of Jesus' discourse with his disciples. It is about the end of time, the coming of the Son of Man, and the final judgment. We hear this description of the final judgment at the conclusion of our liturgical year, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. In the context of Matthew's Gospel, this passage might also be read as a conclusion of Matthew's report on Jesus' life and ministry; the remaining chapters report the events of Jesus' Passion and Resurrection.

In today's Gospel, Jesus describes to his disciples the scene of the judgment of the Son of Man. All the nations will be assembled before him, and he will separate them as a shepherd separates sheep and goats upon their return from the pasture. The judgments made by the Son of Man will be based upon the acts of mercy shown to the least ones—the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. Indeed, Jesus, who suffered on the Cross, identifies himself with the least ones.

Recall that last week's parable of the talents taught us that the gifts that we have been given are intended to be used for the service of others, especially the least among us. Our judgment before God will be based not only on how we have used these gifts and talents, but also on how we have extended ourselves in service to these least ones. Indeed, Jesus tells us that whenever we have served these least ones, we have served Christ himself.

When we read today's Gospel in the context of the chapters that follow in Matthew's Gospel, we learn the extent to which Jesus identifies with the least ones. In accepting death on the cross, Jesus shows himself to be one of the hungry, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. To accept Jesus is to accept him who suffered and died on the Cross as one of the least ones.

--Sunday Connection, Loyola Press

Parish Calendar

Tuesday, November 17
Daily Mass 8:30 AM
Bible Study: The Gospel of Luke 10:00 AM
Book Club 1:30 PM
Bible Study: The Gospel of Luke 6:30 PM

Wednesday, November 18
Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Thursday, November 19
Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Friday, November 20
Daily Mass 8:30 AM
Tree of Sharing in the lobby
Share the Word 9:00 AM

Saturday, November 21
Men's Fellowship & breakfast 7:00 AM
Women's Health & Fitness 8:30 AM

Sacristans/Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers/Coffee & Donut Hosts

Saturday, November 21
Sacristans - Patrick and Rebecca
Lector - Pete
Eucharistic Ministers - Renee & Mary M.

Sunday, November 22
Sacristans - Dave and Cathy
Lector - Mike K.
Eucharistic Ministers - Janet, Deirdre, Linda H., Lehsley

Coffee and Donut Hosts

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www.dioceseofspokane.org/protect

Give Online

Hello RE families!

This week we are focused on the following lessons:

Grades K/1 - God speaks to us in silence, in the bible, and through helpers. We are also learning about the Ten Commandments and why we follow them.
Grade 2 - When we love others as Jesus did, we show our love for God.
Grade 3 - God, our creator saved the Israelites from slavery and brought them to the promised land. Through his son, Jesus, God saves us from sin and brings us to himself.
Grades 4/5 - We are called to worship through prayer and service.
Grade 6 - Learning about the Holy Spirit and its presence in our lives and hearts.

As always, thank you for trusting us with your kiddos. We are so grateful to be able to teach and serve them each week. As a reminder, we will not meet for class on 11/29 in observance of Thanksgiving!

Emily Busch
Director of Religious Education

TREE of SHARING

It's almost time for St. Joseph's annual Tree of Sharing!

We are once again partnering with Meadow Ridge Elementary in Mead to bring Christmas joy to 20 school families in need. Together, we can help provide gifts and a holiday meal for their families during this special season.

The Tree of Sharing will be in the church lobby beginning **Saturday, November 21**. We invite everyone to participate. Simply choose a tag or two from the tree and help share God's love as we celebrate the birth of His Son, Jesus Christ.

If you are able to help, please wrap, and return your gift and tag to the church by **Sunday, December 6.** To ensure we can serve all families, we ask that gifts not exceed $35 in value. Tags will also include requests for basic necessities, such as laundry detergent and toilet paper.

In lieu of the December Food Sunday collection, donations will be used to help provide Christmas meal items for these families.

DATES TO REMEMBER

November 21 - Tags available for pickup in the church lobby.

November 28-December 6 - Collect holiday meal items at St. Joseph.

December 6 - Return wrapped gifts with tags, and basic necessity items to church.

Thank you for your generosity and for helping make Christmas brighter for those in need!



FR. TOM'S NATIVITY SCENES ARE COMING!

Fr. Tom is displaying more than 2,000 nativity scenes from around the world in the church beginning Friday, November 27 through Saturday, December 14.

His collection began with nativity sets he gave his parents as a teenager and later inherited. Through extensive travel, he has gathered scenes from dozens of countries, including Korea, Japan, India, Egypt, France, Germany, Ukraine, and many others.

What interests Fr. Tom the most is how different cultures portray the birth of Christ through their own traditions, clothing, and artistic styles. His collection ranges from tiny two-inch sets to displays more than two feet tall, featuring materials such as olive wood, chalk, and hand-crafted textiles. Some are elaborate and highly detailed, while others are simple, yet all celebrate the same story of Christ's birth.

Among his favorites are gifts from parishioners, students, and friends, including a handcrafted nativity from Iran and a Fontanini village from Italy.

The display will open at 10:00 AM every day and close at 5:00 PM during the week, 6:00 PM on Saturdays, and 3:00 PM on Sundays.

Please note: We will be setting up the Nativity scenes beginning on Sunday, November 15. All groups that may be meeting during that time will be moved to classrooms.

Pope Leo's Intention for November

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

- Pope Leo

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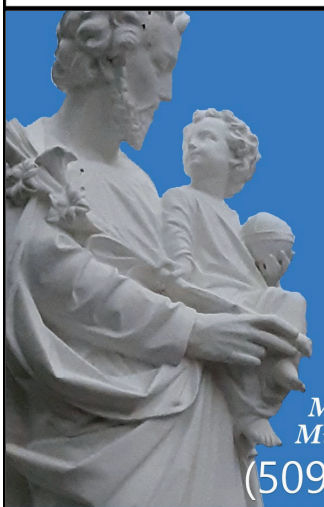
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