SAINT JOSEPH

CATHOLIC CHURCH

June 3-4, 2023

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Based on today's Scriptures, we can say that this feast of the Most Holy Trinity focuses our attention on God's self-revelation as loving and deeply involved with humanity from the moment of human consciousness. More specifically, this feast invites us to contemplate the depth of God's love and God's desire to draw all into divine life. It celebrates the love of God revealed in Jesus and our invitation for God's Spirit to be active in and among us.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sat., June 3—St. Joseph Parishioners
Sunday, June 4— Lily Warne (bday)
Tuesday, June 6— Grace Warne (grad)
Wednesday, June 7— Gerry Price+
Sat., June 10—St. Joseph Parishioners
Sun, June 11—Shirley Kubat+

Next Weekend's Liturgy

First Reading: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-

Responsorial Psalm: 147:12-13, 14-15,

19-20

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Gospel Reading: John 6:51-58

Daily & Weekend Mass Schedule

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

Every Wednesday

Reconciliation 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Adoration 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Benediction 3:00 PM

"Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples.

Preach the gospel to all people."

St. Joseph Parish, Colbert

Background on the Gospel

This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next, however, are designated as solemnities—special days that call our attention to central mysteries of our faith. Today on Trinity Sunday we celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity, one God in three persons.

Today's Gospel is from the beginning of John's Gospel. The passage we read follows Jesus' conversation with a Pharisee, Nicodemus, about what it means to be born of both water and the spirit. Nicodemus approaches Jesus at night and acknowledges Jesus as a teacher from God. Jesus tells him that only those who are born from above will see the Kingdom of God. Nicodemus misunderstands and questions how a person can be born more than once. Jesus tells Nicodemus that no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. Jesus is essentially explaining Baptism, which we celebrate as a sacrament today. Yet Nicodemus, we are told, still does not understand what Jesus is saying. Jesus continues by testifying to the need to be born from above so that one might have eternal life.

After the dialogue with Nicodemus, the author of the Gospel offers his own explanation of Jesus' words. This is what we read in today's Gospel, John 3:16-18.

In the context of today's focus on the mystery of the Holy Trinity, the reading calls our attention to the action of God, who reveals himself in three persons: God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. God the Father, out of love for the world, sent his Son into the world in order to save it. Through the death and resurrection of the Son, we have been given the gift of the Holy Spirit. As three persons, God acts always as a God of love; he does not condemn the world but acts to save it.

The Gospel also calls attention to the response that is required of us. God's love for us calls us to respond in faith by professing our belief in God's son, Jesus, and the salvation that he has won for us. This profession of faith is a sign of the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

-Sunday Connection, Loyola Press

Parish Calendar

Saturday, June 3

Women's Guild Health & Wellness 8:30 AM
Baccalaureate Mass 4:00 PM

Graduation Celebration—Taco Bar 5:00 PM

Sunday, June 4

Most Holy Trinity Sunday
First Communion 10:00 AM

Food Sunday

Monday, June 5

Office Closed

Tuesday, June 6

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Bible Study: Jesus, the Way, the Truth, and the Life

10:00 AM or 6:30 PM

Wednesday, June 7

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

The Vine 6:00 PM

Friday, June 9

Office closed

Share the Word 9:00 AM

Saturday, June 10

Women's Guild Health & Wellness 8:30 AM

Sunday, June 11

Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

| Parish Staff |
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| Rev. Thomas K. Connolly, Pastor |
| Joe Schroeder, Deacon |
| Jeannie Saccomanno, Office Manager |
| Kristina Hittson, Director, Religious Ed. |
| Bill Ryan, Facilities Manager |
| Sydney Wilson, Youth Minister |
| Mary Green, Admin. Assistant |

| | Weekly budget | Weekly actual |
|---------------|------------------|------------------|
| Envelopes | \$ 3,270.00 | \$ 2,837.00 |
| Plate | 577.00 | 583.00 |
| Online Giving | 1,827.00 | 1,394.00 |
| Total | \$ 5,674.00 | \$ 4,814.00 |

| Parish Council |
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| Bob Pedersen, Chair |
| Peggy Ellingson |
| David Kingma Tim Kitt |
| Jean Smith Beth Torchia |
| Finance Council |
| Loretta Barrett Ric Gaunt |
| Joyce Woodard |

Please note: The parish office will move to summer hours beginning Monday, June 5.

Summer office hours are Tuesday—Thursday—9:00 AM—4:00 PM. Closed Monday & Friday.

Please remember these children in prayer as they receive their First Communion:

Declan Burns Noah Little Steven Mummert

Seth Giolitti Jack McCanna Martin Olson

Julia Lesser Josie Moser Zia Serkowski

Congratulations!

Join us in the dining rom after Mass for a reception to honor our First Communicants.

Don't Miss Out!!

There are only a few spaces left for Vacation Bible School - June 22-24

Register today! https://stjosephcolbert.org/vbs

VBS Rehearsal

If you have agreed to volunteer for Vacation Bible School, please plan to attend the rehearsal on Monday, June 19th beginning at 6:00 PM.

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If you need help, just call the parish office. Thank you!

Path to the Pantry: June 2023

Volunteers are the foundation of the North County Food Pantry, a local non-profit food bank serving clients in North Spokane County. We are saddened by the death of Shelley, a long-time volunteer on Wednesdays. At the same time, we welcome new volunteers: Linda (who returns in a new role), Don (who was recruited by his wife), Pam, Doug, Cecil, Sylvia and Kari. The garden volunteers include several families who are teaching their children the value of service to others. We are grateful for those who donate their time, treasure and talent to the Pantry.

As the number of clients visiting the Food Pantry increases, we are in need of new volunteers. If you like to cook for a crowd, we are seeking a cook on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday mornings of the month to prepare a light meal for clients and workers. Food is provided by the Pantry, and our kitchen is well-equipped. The hours are from 8:30-11:45 PM. We are also seeking someone to mow our lawn and keep up the flower beds around our building. We provide a riding lawn mower and garden tools. Please call the Pantry at 509-292-2530 or stop by (40015 N. Collins Rd.) during regular hours (Monday 10-2, Wednesday 8:30-noon).

We are working with a local insurance broker to arrange scheduled visits to the Pantry to provide information on health insurance options for individuals and families. Watch for more information in future editions of the Elk Sentinel. If you have questions about other social services, we can provide referral information that you may find helpful.

Each spring the US Postal Service has a food drive benefiting their community food banks. This year the Colbert and Chattaroy postal carriers picked up over 1100 pounds from homes along their routes and delivered it to the North County Food Pantry!

The Knights of Columbus from St. Joseph's Parish has made a generous cash donation that will allow us to purchase a large cooler to store perishable goods like dairy, eggs, and meat. The second-hand cooler we have used for years is nearing the end of its useful life, so the timing of this gift is much appreciated.

Lastly, we are able to offer a limited inventory of FREE clothing for families and individuals in our community. Our greatest need is for men's jeans. You can drop off donations during regular hours and Lea will be happy to help you on most Mondays and Wednesdays.



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