

# SAINT JOSEPH

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 22-23, 2023

3720 E Colbert Road  
Colbert, WA 99005

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Religious Education classes begin  
Sunday, September 24  
after Mass for children grades  
PreK - entering 6th grade

Please visit the parish website at  
[www.stjosephcolbert.org/reregister.org](http://www.stjosephcolbert.org/reregister.org)

	Budget/week	Actual/week
Envelopes	\$3,720.00	\$ 2,502.00
Plate	577.00	414.00
Online gifts	1,827.00	1,663.00
Total	\$5,674.00	\$ 4,579.00

### 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

**First Reading** *Wisdom 12:13,16-19*

**Responsorial Psalm** *Psalm 86:5-6,9-10,15-16*

**Second Reading** *Romans 8:26-27*

**Gospel Reading** *Matthew 13:24-43 (shorter form: Matthew 13:24-30)*

## Background on the Gospel Reading

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers three parables to describe the Kingdom of Heaven. All three parables use commonplace experiences to describe aspects of the Kingdom of Heaven. The first parable is longer and more detailed than the next two, and it alerts us to the two-fold reality of the Kingdom of Heaven. The beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven can be found in this world. The fruition of the Kingdom of Heaven, however, will not be realized until the final judgment. In the meantime, as Jesus' explanation to the disciples cautions, any effort to judge the progress of the Kingdom of Heaven is premature. Only God, in the final judgment, will distinguish the fruit of the Kingdom of Heaven and offer its reward.

The second and third parables call to our attention the abundance that will result from the small beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven. Just as a mustard seed—the smallest of all seeds—will become a large bush, so too God will bring his Kingdom to full bloom. As a small amount of yeast will leaven the entire batch of bread, so too God will bring about the expansion of his Kingdom. In each case the image is of the superabundance that God brings out of even the smallest of signs of the Kingdom.

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*Sunday Connection, Loyola Press*

## Parish Calendar

### Saturday, July 22 - Sunday, July 23

Book Sale 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Saturday

Book Sale 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Sunday

### Tuesday, July 25

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

### Wednesday, July 26

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Quilting and Needlework group 9:00 AM

### Thursday, July 27

Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00 PM

### Friday, July 28

Share the Word (bible study) 9:00 AM

Book Sale 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

### Saturday, July 29

Women's Guild Health & Wellness 8:30 AM

Book Sale 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

### Sunday, July 30

Book Sale 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

## Mass of Remembrance

*The first Saturday of each month a Mass of Remembrance is offered at 9:00 AM in the chapel at Holy Cross Funeral & Cemetery*



### Parish Staff

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

### Welcome

*We want to extend a warm welcome to new parishioners.*

*Please pick up a registration form in the lobby and return it to the parish office.*

*Or you can register on the parish website:*

<https://stjosephcolbert.org/registration>

### Parish Council

Bob Pedersen, Chair | Peggy Ellingson

Michael Grieshaber | David Kingma

Ellen Stoner | Beth Torchia

### Finance Council

Loretta Barrett | Ric Gaunt

Jeff Lesser | Richard Vann

Joyce Woodard

**July 22-23, 2023**

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**Please note:** Summer office hours are Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday—9:00 AM—4:00 PM.

### Anne, the Mother of Mary

The Gospels do not tell us the name of Anne, the mother of Mary - we know it thanks to apocryphal texts. These tell that after believing herself to be sterile for twenty years, Anne gave birth to Mary. The texts also say that when Anne's aged husband, Joachim died, Anne remarried and was widowed again. She married a third time; from these latter two unions were born two daughters. Mary Salome and Mary Jacob. Each of these would go on to give birth to sons who would become apostles or disciples of their cousin Jesus: John the Evangelist, James, Judas, Simon, and James the Less. Anne's daughters and grandchildren would thus play a major role in early Christianity in Palestine.

Elsewhere, veneration of Anne would take on different facets. In the sixth century, a church was dedicated to her in Constantinople, followed by other churches built in her honor. Her iconography includes scenes of her teaching Mary to read. In distant Brittany on the coast of France, one finds Anne's most fervent devotees, the earliest of whom closely linked her to the tradition of the Celtic goddess Dana. The Bretons chose Anne as patron saint and began pilgrimages, such as the ones to Sainte-Anne-d'Auray and Sainte-Anne-la-Palud. According to Breton legend, Anne was born in Brittany and only went to Palestine to give birth to Mary, finishing her days in her native land near the sea.

- *The Little Book of Mary*



## used book sale

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
3720 E Colbert Rd., Colbert WA 99005

July 21 - July 23

AND

July 28-July 30

Friday - Saturday - 9:00 - 1:00

PM Sunday - 9:00 - 12:00 PM



### Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 22 - St. Joseph's Parishioners

Sunday, July 23 - Ray Blaisdell + & family

Tuesday, July 25 - William Akers+

Wednesday, July 26 - Ann Hunter+

Saturday, July 29- St. Joseph's Parishioners

### Next Weekend's Liturgy

**First Reading** 1 Kings 3:5,7-12

**Responsorial Psalm** 119:57,72,76-77,127-130

**Second Gospel Reading** Romans 8:28-30

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 13:44-52

(shorter form: Matthew 13:44-46)

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