

SAINT JOSEPH

CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 29-30, 2023

3720 E Colbert Road
Colbert, WA 99005

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The Treasure of the Kingdom

Religious Education

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

Please visit the parish website to
register and pay at
www.stjosephcolbert.org/reregister.org

Next Weekend's Liturgy

First Reading Daniel 7:9-10,13-14
Responsorial Psalm 97:1-2,5-6,9
Second Reading 2 Peter 1:16-19
Gospel Reading Matthew 17:1-9

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 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: 13:44-46)

Background on the Gospel Reading

Throughout these three weeks we have heard Jesus teaching crowds about the kingdom of heaven, and we have heard Jesus interpret some of his teachings for the disciples. In this week's Gospel, Jesus offers three more short parables.

The first two parables describe the great value of the kingdom of heaven. In the first parable, Jesus says that the kingdom of heaven is like a buried treasure that is worth possessing even if it means giving up everything else. In the second parable, Jesus proposes that the kingdom of heaven is like a pearl of great worth for which one will sell everything else to possess. These parables teach us that we are to place everything we value in the service of the pursuit of the Kingdom of God.

The third parable that Jesus proposes in today's Gospel is different from the first two, but it is reminiscent of the parable of the sower heard in last week's Gospel. The kingdom of heaven is compared to fishing with a wide net. After the fish have been collected, the good fish are kept and the bad fish are thrown away; so too, in the final judgment, will the wicked and the righteous be separated.

Today's Gospel concludes with a curious statement about the scribe who understands the kingdom of heaven. Here a metaphor is offered: this scribe is like the head of a household who "brings from his storeroom both the new and the old." The scribes referred to here are experts of Mosaic law. It is possible that Jesus is here instructing the early Christian community on how to proceed in the interpretation of Jewish law with respect to Jesus' "new" teaching. Jesus' teaching about the kingdom of heaven does not replace the Jewish tradition; it interprets it in a different light.

Sunday Connection, Loyola Press

Parish Calendar

Saturday, July 29

Women's Guild Health & Wellness 8:30 AM

Book Sale 9:00 AM - 1:00PM

Sunday, July 30

Book Sale 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Tuesday, August 1

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

K of C Assembly Meeting 6:30 PM

Wednesday, August 2

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Quilting & Needlework group 9:00 AM

The Vine (bible study) 6:00 PM

Thursday, August 3

Women's Guild Prayer Shawl Circle 10:00 AM

KofC Council 8872 meeting 6:30 PM

Saturday, August 5

Men's Fellowship & breakfast 7:00 AM

Sunday, August 6

Food Sunday

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
on N. Wall Street in Spokane.*



Parish Staff

Rev. Thomas K. Connolly, Pastor

Joe Schroeder, Deacon

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[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

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Joyce Woodard

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

A Weekend Away For Your Marriage A marriage help program that gives couples the opportunity to get away and examine their lives together in a real way. It's based on the belief that marriage is the most significant relationship on earth and is worth investing your time and energy to make it the best it can be.



There are six post-sessions after the weekend to keep your healing on track and further develop the tools learned.

To register for the Spokane weekend: September 8-10, call (509) 448-4287 or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.org

First Annual Knights of Columbus Chili Cook-off 10/21/2023



It may be hot outside, but Fall and cooler weather is right around the corner! We will heat things back up with the First Annual Knights of Columbus Chili Cook-off on **Saturday, October 21**. More information coming in September.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 29 - St. Joseph's Parishioners
Sunday, July 30- Carmen Himenes (healing)
Tuesday, August 1 - Steve Green (healing)
Wednesday, August 2 - Gerry Price+
Saturday, August 5- St. Joseph's Parishioners

The Patroness of France

In the seventeenth century, Louis XIII, the king of France, was moved to dedicate his kingdom to the Virgin Mary. She had appeared to a monk and foretold the birth of an heir, the future Louis XIV, after twenty-two years of childlessness for the king and queen, Anne of Austria. On the tenth of February 1638, the king solemnly proclaimed "the vow of Louis XIII": "We declare that, taking the very holy and very glorious Virgin as special protectress of our kingdom, we consecrate to her our person, our State, our crown, and our subjects, beseeching her to inspire in ourselves holy conduct, and to defend with great care this kingdom against all our enemies, so that, whether it suffers the scourge of war or enjoys the sweetness of peace, it never leaves the ways of grace that lead to those of glory."

This expression of gratitude to the Virgin, which made her the patroness and protector of France, was accompanied by a vow to construct a great altar in the cathedral of Notre-Dame de Paris, to be adorned with a figure of the Virgin at the foot of the Cross, holding the dead Christ in her arms. Louis XIII died before fulfilling this promise, but his son, Louis XIV, saw the monument completed in 1714.

-- *The Little Book of Mary*

Vacation Time!

Fr. Tom will be on vacation August 15 - August 27 and unavailable. Consequently, there is no Daily Mass, Adoration, or Reconciliation during those two weeks. Mass will be celebrated on Saturday and Sunday at normal time here and at St. Mary Presentation Parish by Fr. Jo Hien, retired priest of the diocese.

Tuesday, August 15 is the Immaculate Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass is at 8:30 AM with Fr. Steve Booth at St. Joe's and 7:00 PM at St. Mary Presentation in Deer Park.

	Budget/week	Actual/week
Envelopes	\$3,720.00	
Plate	577.00	
Online gifts	1,827.00	
Total	\$5,674.00	\$

Budget numbers are not available this week.



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