SAINT JOSEPH

CATHOLIC CHURCH

September 30 - October 1, 2023

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Jesus asks us to think about whether our words and actions are in agreement. It is easy to talk, to pronounce and to make statements. It is more difficult to give time, effort and attention. I profess my faith not only on Sundays in words but also in the time I give to working for the reign of God during the week.

Jesus values a few small acts more than many fine words.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 30 St. Joe's Parishioners
Sunday, October 1 - Mary Riddle+
Tuesday, October 3 - Lauren Walker (bday)
Wednesday, October 4 - Joan Pickel (healing)
Saturday, October 7 - St. Joe's Parishioners
Sunday, October 8 - Ryan Leaver (healing)

Welcome

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

Please pick up a registration form in the lobby and return it to the office. Or you can register on the parish website:

https://stjosephcolbert.org/registration

Ministries

Lectors

9/30 - T. Czapinski 10/1 - M. Kerschen

Extraordinary Ministers

9/30- M. Funk & V. Mullen 10/1 - A. Ascolese, L. Harrison, D. Serkowski, L. Whitman

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

Preach the gospel to all people."

St. Joseph Parish, Colbert

Parish Calendar

Saturday, September 30

Men's Fellowship & Breakfast 7:00 AM Women's Health & Fitness 8:30 AM

Sunday, October 1

Food Sunday
Religious Education 11:15 AM
Blessing of the Animals (after Mass)

Tuesday, October 3

Daily Mass 8:30 AM
Parish Council 6:00 PM
K of C Assembly Meeting 6:30 PM

Wednesday, October 4

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Quilting & Needlework group 9:00 AM

The Vine (social group) 6:00 PM

The Big Build: October 17

To all Knights and spouses, Women's Guild and spouses, parents and children 9 (accompanied by an adult) and older. You can help us (Faith in Action Committee) build Bite to Go kits on October 17 from 5:30 -7:30 PM at the Wolff Family Child



Hunger Center at 402 N Perry, Spokane. You can sign up early by pointing your phone camera at the QR code above. Or log on: https://inland.volunteerhub.com/vv2/

Or check with the Faith in Action people after Mass.

First Reading Ezekiel 18:25-28 Responsorial Psalm Psalm 25:4-9

Second Reading *Philippians 2:1-11* (shorter: Philippians 2:1-5) **Gospel Reading** *Matthew 21:28-32*

The context for today's Gospel is the mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders. Jesus has entered Jerusalem and overturned the money changers' tables in the Temple. Jesus has caught the attention of the religious authorities; the chief priests and elders question Jesus about the source of his authority. Jesus refuses to name for these religious leaders the source of his authority. Instead, he questions the priests and elders through the parable we hear in today's Gospel. The answer given by the religious leaders is correct, but it convicts them for their failure to heed the call of John the Baptist and for their inability to recognize the Kingdom of God.

The situation Jesus poses is rather straightforward. Given the same task by their father, one son asserts his disobedience in words, but then obeys in his actions; the second son obeys with his words, but disobeys in his actions. The question that Jesus poses is pointed and direct: Which son did what the father wanted? All would agree that "actions speak louder than words" and that even if his words were disobedient, the son who did the work as ordered did the father's will.

Jesus' conclusion is also direct. The chief priests and elders, the ones who speak most often about God, did not act accordingly. They did not respond to the message of repentance announced by John the Baptist with a change of heart. Instead, John's message was heeded by those one would not expect to repent—tax collectors, prostitutes, and other sinners. Because of their actions, these sinners will enter the Kingdom of God ahead of the religious leaders.

Jesus could ask us the same question. Do our words indicate our obedience to God? If not our words, do our actions? God desires a full conversion of heart, that our actions (and our words as well) will give evidence of our love for God.

Sunday Connection, Loyola Press

Monday Morning Money Counters

We are in need of two volunteers to count the offertory money from the weekend Masses. This is done on Monday mornings in teams of two and we need one more team! Please call the office if you can help.

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

Parish Council

Bob Pedersen, Chair | Peggy Ellingson Michael Grieshaber | David Kingma Ellen Stoner | Beth Torchia

Finance Council

Loretta Barrett | Ric Gaunt

Jeff Lesser | Jim Novello | Richard Vann

Joyce Woodard

Around the Diocese

Laudato Si Day of Prayer and Action - October 28, at IHRC 8:00 am—4:00 pm, Speakers are Anna Johnson and Ben Chu.
The day will end with Mass with Bishop Skylstad.
Cost is \$50. This includes lunch.



Join us for a Healing Mass on Wednesday, October 18 at 11:00 AM followed by lunch. This time of prayer and devotion will focus on the need for all kinds of healing – spiritual, physical, emotional and the healing of relationships. This Mass is for those with any of these issues and anyone over 65.

Please call the office to RSVP. 509-466-4991

Thursday | October 12 | 6:00 - 8:00 PM Kalispel Country Club 2010 W Waikiki Rd | Spokane, WA

Join us for an evening of fellowship with women from the diocese. Bishop Daly will give a brief address and there will be plenty of time for connecting!

We will be in a heated tent outside, so please dress accordingly. Registration includes one drink ticket and light hors d'oeuvres. Additional drinks are available for purchase. This is a 21+ event.

Please register at dioceseofspokane.org/women. Space is limited.

	Budget/week	Actual/week
Envelopes	\$ 3,187.50	\$ 5,845.00
Plate	750.00	597.00
Online gifts	1,562.50	1,434.00
Children's Fund		37.16
Total	\$5,500.00	\$ 7,876.00

Path to the Pantry: October 2023

As you might expect, the number of clients The North County Food Pantry served over the last month has increased. We extended our hours significantly during the Oregon Road Fire to



help displaced families, and invited those affected to visit as often as needed for food, a meal, showers, toiletries or clothing. The outpouring of support from our community and beyond has been extraordinary. We have been the beneficiary of gifts of food, supplies, cash and volunteer help, all reflecting the generosity of people during a time of crisis.

Because of limited storage space, we are only accepting warm winter clothing like coats and boots. We do welcome donations of household items, small kitchen appliances, linens, blankets, tarps (12'x12' or larger), tents for 4-6 people, and hand held tools.

While this is not a comprehensive list, we do wish to recognize those who have helped us over the last several weeks:

- Jim donated several large storage closets that we desperately needed. He offered his truck and trailer to transport the units and volunteers loaded and installed the units at our facility.
- Through Roger's efforts, Bomba Bamboo Socks donated hundreds of high quality crew socks (men's sizes in black).
- Jim B. provided storage racks for the dry box we are using to store goods for people who lost so much during the fire.
- The Women's Auxiliary from St. Mary's Parish spent hours sorting and organizing donated clothing. They were assisted by homeschool students.
- Sara, the insurance broker that spends time helping clients at the Food Pantry, has been a tremendous resource.
- Bloomsday brought in brand-new colorful t-shirts in all sizes for children and adults. These are crew shirts from past years.
- Bon, has gathered information and been instrumental in directing families to resources as they look to recover and rebuild.
- Pantry volunteers Dawn, Roger, Judy, Jodie, Matthew and Debbie have prepared more meals than they can count for people who have visited the Pantry for respite and a hot meal. And to all volunteers who have worked extra hours to serve our community!

Thank you!

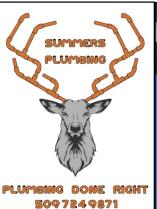
Annual Catholic Appeal 2023

Many of you have received a request for this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. Your pledge can be made on the diocesan website using the QR code here. Position your phone camera on the square, wait for it to recognize the web address, and

then it will connect you to their giving page. This year St. Joseph has a goal of raising \$ 61,964.00 for the appeal. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the ACA this year.



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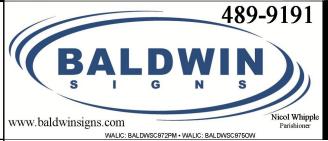
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