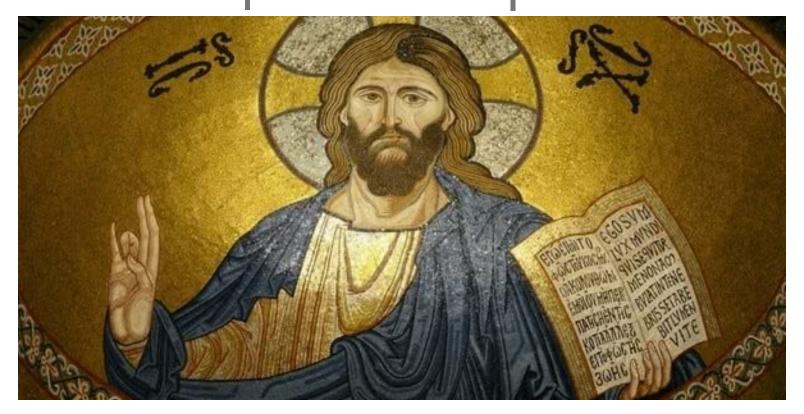
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Welcome

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

Call the office for assistance.

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

Preach the gospel to all people."

Parish Calendar

Saturday, November 25

Mass 4:00 PM

Community Outreach selling Raffle tickets for baskets

Sunday, November 26

Community Outreach selling Raffle tickets for baskets

No Religious Education

Tuesday, November 28

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Bible Study: Walk with the Blessed Mother 10:00 AM Bible Study: Walk with the Blessed Mother 6:30 PM

Wednesday, November 29

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Quilting & Needlework group 9:00 AM

Thursday, November 30

K of C Officers meeting 7:00 PM

Saturday, December 2

Men's Fellowship & Breakfast 7:00 AM Women's Guild Health & Wellness 8:30 AM Community Outreach Bake sale & Raffle

Annual Catholic Appeal - The parish has met it's goal! Thank you!

The Knights of Columbus will be accepting donations on December 9 & 10 and will be hosting a Brunch after Mass on Sunday, Dec. 10 to raise funds to provide Andrew Kelly, Spokane Seminarian with two \$500 stipends in 2024. Tickets will be available before and after Mass on Sat Nov 25, Sun Nov 26, Sat Dec 2 & Sun Dec 3. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door on December 10.

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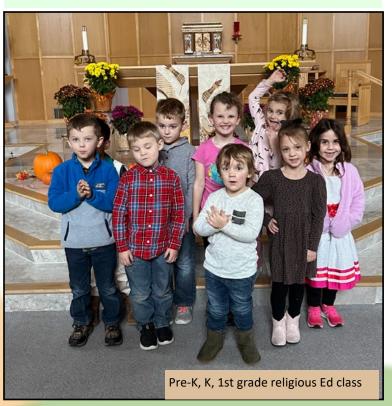


It's time again for our annual Tree of Sharing project. We have teamed up with the local schools to serve our closest neighbors in need. Please help us bless our neighbors with a Christmas they would otherwise not experience.

The Tree of Sharing is in the lobby, and tags will be available for check out before the Thanksgiving Mass on **Wednesday at 6:00 PM**. We will use the same system of gift tags on the Tree of Sharing, allowing everyone in the parish a way to participate. Please take a tag (or two) and help us spread the love of God as we celebrate the miracle of the birth of His Son. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Sat, Dec 23	4th Sunday of Advent	4:00 PM
Sun, Dec 24	St. Mary Presentation	3:30 PM
	St. Joseph	5:30 PM
	St. Joseph	8:00 PM
	St. Mary Presentation	Midnight
Mon, Dec 25	St. Mary Presentation	8:00 AM
	St. Joseph	10:00 AM



First Reading Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17 Responsorial Psalm 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.

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.

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



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Food Sunday Donations

Each week there are people in the parish who include a donation for the food bank as part of their contributions to the church. Some people put cash in the collection and note that it is for the food bank. Others use the Food Bank donation envelopes. And still others use our



online giving platform. Over the past year more than \$5,000 has been collected! The Knights of Columbus will deliver those funds to the North County Food Pantry and it will be put to good use - especially as we head into the holidays. Thank you for your amazing generosity!!

Extraordinary Ministers

Saturday, November 25- Leslie F. and Mary F. Sunday, November 26 - Natalie S. & Lehsley W.

Our wonderful choir is looking for kids to sing with their ensemble during the 5:30 PM Mass on Sunday, Christmas Eve!

There are two rehearsals prior to Christmas Eve Mass:

Saturday, December 9 at 1:30 PM & Saturday, December 12 at 1:30 PM. Children will need to attend both rehearsals and



arrive at 5:00 PM on Christmas Eve for caroling prior to Mass. Please contact Kristina at 509-530-9042 if your child(ren) can participate! Thank you!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 25 - St. Joseph's Parishioners
Sunday, November 26 - Reed Friedman+
Tuesday, November 28- Sheila Warne (bday)
Wednesday, November 29 - Gerrie Brittin+
Saturday, December 2 - St. Joseph's Parishioners

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