

SAINT JOSEPH

CATHOLIC CHURCH

January 27-28, 2024

3720 E Colbert Road
Colbert, WA 99005

www.stjosephcolbert.org
509-466-4991



Weekly Mass Schedule

Tuesday 8:30 AM

Wednesday 8:30 AM

Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 10:00 AM

Every Wednesday

Reconciliation 9:00 - 2:30 PM

Adoration 9:00 - 3:00 PM

Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, February 3 - Peggy E.

Sunday, February 4 - Natalie S.,
Anita A., Bob P.

Welcome to St. Joseph Parish!

*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](https://stjosephcolbert.org/registration)*

*"Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples.
Preach the gospel to all people."*

Parish Calendar

Sunday, January 28

Mass 10:00 AM
Religious Education 11:15 AM
Winter Book Sale 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Monday, January 29

Women's Guild Board Meeting 10:00 AM

Tuesday, January 30

Daily Mass 8:30 AM
Community Outreach Meeting 7:00 PM

Wednesday, January 31

Daily Mass 8:30 AM
Adoration & Reconciliation 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Saturday, February 3

Men's Fellowship Group 7:00 AM
Women's Guild Health & Wellness 8:30 AM
Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 PM

Sunday, February 4

Food Sunday
Religious Education 11:15 AM
Youth Group 6:00 PM

First Reading Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Responsorial Psalm 95:1-2,6-7,7-9

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Gospel Reading Mark 1:21-28

Today's Gospel continues our reading from Mark and describes what some believe was likely to have been a typical day in Jesus' ministry. Jesus and the disciples that chose to follow him in last week's Gospel arrive at Capernaum, a small village on the Sea of Galilee. Jesus teaches in the synagogue on the Sabbath. Mark reports that the people respond to Jesus' teaching with astonishment, noting Jesus' authority and contrasting it with the scribes'. Early in Mark's Gospel we already find evidence of the tension that will manifest itself fully in Jerusalem.

After Jesus' preaching, an astonishing thing happens. A man possessed with an unclean spirit calls out to Jesus. As we see in this example and throughout Mark's Gospel, the spirits and demons seem to know Jesus and are often fearful of him. In fact, they seem to understand Jesus' identity better than his disciples. As we will read again in Mark's Gospel, Jesus orders the spirit to be quiet and drives the unclean spirit out of the man. Jesus' ability to heal those possessed by demons is an indication of his power over evil.

In the prescientific age of Jesus' time, illnesses were understood to be manifestations of evil and sinfulness. Possession by unclean spirits may have been a way to describe what we might call mental illness today. It may have even been a way of describing certain kinds of physical conditions. There is evidence that there were many kinds of exorcists and healers in first-century Palestine. Jesus appears to be like these healers, but he heals with unique authority and connects his healing activities with the words of his preaching.

The crowds see in Jesus' cure of the possessed man further affirmation of his authority. Jesus' power to heal gives greater credence to his teaching. Jesus impresses the crowds through his words, which are manifested with power in his deeds. Mark's Gospel tells us that because of the authority with which he healed, Jesus' fame spread throughout all of Galilee.

Sunday Connection, Loyola Press

INCOME	Budget/week	Actual/week
Envelopes	\$ 3,250.00	\$ 2,475.00
Plate	\$ 577.00	\$ 359.00
Online gifts	\$ 1,481.00	\$ 1,730.00
Total	\$ 5,308.00	\$ 4,564.00
Kids collection		\$ 44.15

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

Ric Gaunt | Jim Novello
Richard Vann | Joyce Woodard

Request prayers at
stjosephcolbert.org/prayer-chain
or call the Parish Office at
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Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

NO GREATER LOVE

A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH
CHRIST'S PASSION



This bible study begins on Tuesday, February 13 with a session at 10:30 AM and again at 6:30 PM each Tuesday ending on March 19. The cost is \$30.00 for materials. You can register in the lobby, the office, or by calling Ric at 509-981-3588.

Dear St. Joseph Catholic
Church community,
Thank you for supporting
our meadow Ridge
families this holiday
season. The gifts of
food, clothes, toys, etc
made for happy kids
and grateful parents
Christmas morning.
You are a wonderful
neighbor and "spreader"
of God's love to all.
Happy New Year!
♡, Debbie Wieckert "Dul"
School Social Worker

From Meadow Ridge Elementary

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 27- St. Joseph Parishioners
Sunday, January 28 - Russell Thomas+
Tuesday, January 30 - Richard O'Neil (bday)
Wednesday, January 31 - Radtke Family
Saturday, February 3 - St. Joseph Parishioners

The Knights of Columbus in the parish have provided two wheelchairs and a wheeled walker for use at Mass. The wheelchairs are located around the corner from the water fountains, and folks can use them to pick up or drop off folks at their cars.



Path to the Pantry February 2024

NOTICE: The Food Pantry will follow the Riverside SD emergency and weather closing protocol. If school is canceled, the Pantry will be closed. Late arrival for Riverside Schools will NOT affect our hours of operation. We will be open regular hours on late arrival days.

In the January 2024 edition of the Elk Sentinel, the North County Food Pantry made an appeal for storage equipment and for volunteers. We are so grateful to this community for responding so abundantly when we ask. Teresa is transporting excess donations from New Hope Resource Center to the Pantry on a regular basis, and Tom donated some sturdy weatherproof shelving! As we accumulate more household items for fire victims, we could use more shelving units to borrow until the end of the year. If you can help, please call Sandy at 509-292-2530.

Community support is vital to our mission of serving families in our local community. Spokane County Fire District #4 collected and delivered over a ton of non-perishable food at year-end. St. Joseph Parish, Watsons Market and Rockwood/Multicare North Spokane Medical Clinic also made cash and/or food donations to the Pantry. Country Church of the Open Bible underwrites our physical space and is a vital community partner in so many ways. Our volunteer cooks feed staff and clients hearty and healthy meals in a home-like setting each week. They are Debbie, Dawn, Roger, Judy, Karen, Jodi, Matthew and Melissa. The Pantry truly is a "gathering place" where neighbors share a meal or a warm beverage around our family dining table.

Clients and volunteers have noticed a significant increase in numbers served over the past several months. This means clients are having to wait longer. Because this is a hardship for many, we will be making a change to help expedite service beginning February 5. Once every 30-ish days, clients will still receive government commodities and will be able to "shop" for foods they prefer from our shelves. Clients visiting us more frequently for a "supplemental" order will be asked to select from a list of fresh produce, dairy, bakery and excess inventory items. Supplemental orders will be filled by volunteers and delivered to clients in our parking lot. We will continue to serve customers in our waiting area with non-food needs (service referrals, medical equipment, laundry and shower facilities), and invite ALL to enjoy a hot meal, a cup of coffee and neighborly conversation.

Lastly, as the winter weather continues, we are in need of new adult-size waterproof winter gloves.