

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

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



unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground
and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat

John 12:24

March 16 -17, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Lent

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 PM

Sunday Mass 10:00 AM

Tuesdays 8:30 AM

Wednesdays 8:30 AM

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

ADORATION

Wednesday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

PRAYER REQUESTS

stjosephcolbert.org/prayer-chain

PARISH REGISTRATION

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM



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Altar server training with Deacon Joe!



Faith in Action Ministry is hosting a **BIG BUILD** on

Tuesday, April 9 from 5:30 - 7:30
PM at the Wolff Family Hunger
Solution Center - 402 N Perry St.,
Spokane

We will build food kits for hungry
students on weekends during the
school year. This is a fun way to help
others in our community!

Please stop by the table after Mass
to sign up **Or Sign up here:**

[http://stjosephchurch-
colbert.inland.volunteerhub.com](http://stjosephchurch-colbert.inland.volunteerhub.com)

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 16- St. Joseph Parishioners

Sunday, March 17 - Jerry Kubat+

Tuesday, March 19 - Jerry Arness (bday)

Wednesday, March 20 - Al Woodard (repose)

Saturday, March 23 - St. Joseph Parishioners



9:30 AM -- Easter Sunday

Please donate to the candy supply for
the Easter egg hunt. There are
baskets in the lobby for individually
wrapped candy. **Thank you!**

INCOME	Budget/week	Actual/week
Envelopes	\$ 3,250.00	\$ 5,727.40
Plate	\$ 577.00	\$ 611.00
Online gifts	\$ 1,481.00	\$ 1,606.00
Total	\$ 5,308.00	\$ 7,944.40
Kids collection		\$ 56.20

Are You Prepared?

End of Life Workshop

Planning for Your Spiritual & Corporal Needs

Saturday, April 13 • 9:00am – 12:00pm

St. Joseph Cemetery Chapel

(17825 E. Trent Ave., Spokane Valley, WA 99216)

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Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, March 23 -

Valerie M., Peggy E.

Sunday, March 24 -

Scott C., Natalie S.,

Cindy G., L. Whitman

March 16 - 17, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Lent

PARISH CALENDAR

Saturday, March 16

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 PM

K of C Chili Feed 5:00 PM

Sunday, March 17

Religious Education 11:15 AM

Youth Group 6:00 PM

Tuesday, March 19

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Bible Study: No Greater Love 10:00 AM

Bible Study: No Greater Love 6:30 PM

Wednesday, March 20

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Quilting & Needlework Group 9:00 AM

The Vine 6:00 PM

Stations of the Cross/Soup Supper 6:00 PM

Thursday, March 21

Seder Meal 6:00 PM

Friday, March 22

Share the Word (bible study) 9:00 AM

Saturday, March 23

Women's Guild Health & Fitness 8:30 AM

Sunday, March 24

Palm Sunday Mass 10:00 AM

No Religious Education

STYLE SHOW AND DESSERT SOCIAL

Saturday, April 13 -- 1:00 – 4:00

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First Reading *Jeremiah 31:31-34*

Responsorial Psalm *51:3-4,12-13,14-15*

Second Reading *Hebrews 5:7-9*

Gospel Reading *John 12:20-33*

Today's Gospel reading is taken from the Gospel of John.

Chapter 12 of John's Gospel is a preparation for the beginning of the passion narrative to follow. Jesus has just raised Lazarus from the dead—an important sign in John's Gospel, which inspired many people to believe in Jesus.

This event also marks the turning point in Jesus' conflict with the Jewish authorities. John's Gospel tells us that the Sanhedrin met after this event and made plans to kill Jesus.

In the 12th chapter of John's Gospel, Jesus is anointed at Bethany and enters Jerusalem in triumph. We again see evidence of the significance of the raising of Lazarus to this event; John reports that the crowds also gathered to see Lazarus.

Following his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, Jesus predicted his suffering, death, and Resurrection and prepared his disciples to believe in the salvation that his death would accomplish. Using the metaphor of the grain of wheat, Jesus presented the idea that his dying would be beneficial. He also taught that those who would be his disciples must follow his example of sacrifice. This theme will be repeated in John's account of the Last Supper, when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples as an example of how they must serve one another.

The final section of today's Gospel might be read as John's parallel to the agony in the garden. Unlike the Synoptic

Gospels, the Gospel of John does not record Jesus' anguished prayer in the garden of Gethsemane before his arrest. Although comparable words are found in today's reading, Jesus gives a confident response to the question he raises when asking God to save him from his impending death. After announcing his conviction that it is for this purpose that he came, a voice from heaven speaks, as if in answer to Jesus' prayer. This voice, like the one heard at Jesus' baptism and Transfiguration—events reported in the Synoptic Gospels—affirms that God welcomes the sacrifice that Jesus will make on behalf of others. In John's Gospel, Jesus teaches that this voice was sent for the sake of those who would believe in him.

We also hear Jesus speak about the cosmic framework against which we are to understand his passion, death, and Resurrection. Through his death and Resurrection, Jesus conquered Satan, the ruler of this world. In this way the world is judged, but the judgment is not condemnation.

Instead, through Jesus' dying and rising, salvation is brought to the world.

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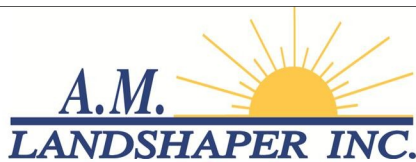


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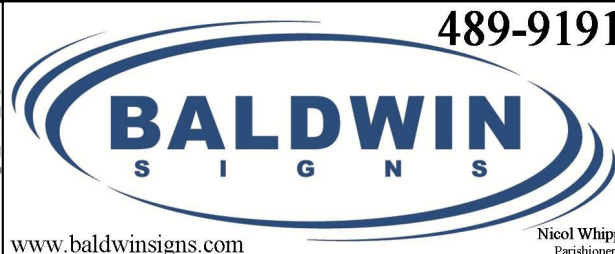
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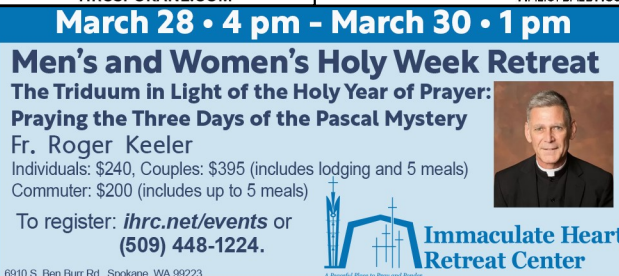
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Fr. Roger Keeler

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