

"WHY IS IT HARD TO BELIEVE **POLITICIANS?"**

Rev. Jesús Mariscal

There is a story about a Dad who would smoke like a train. The day came when his oldest boy turned eighteen and moved out. One day the boy went to visit his parents and very casually excused himself to go out to have a smoke. His Dad went after him. The Dad was worried and said to his son: "Son I have always told you that smoking is bad for you. But as soon as you move out you start smoking? Why didn't you listen to me my son? This is bad for you!" The boy replied to him: "Dad I have been smoking since I was born. You always smoked in the house. When I moved out to my own place, I missed the smell of Tabaco. When I was home with you and mom I smoked without it being my choice, now it is my choice." This son did not believe his Dad that smoking was bad because the Dad would probably tell him not to smoke with a cigarette in his mouth. The same thing happens with politicians.

Why is it hard to believe politicians? It is so hard to believe that they can do much good or want good for the country when many of them cannot even do good for their own families, and are so corrupt financially, morally and exempt themselves from the law. They want to have authority from a set of rules or laws, but they do not give witness with their lives of the things they profess and promise. Some even call themselves saviors and prophets. Such declarations could not be any farther from the truth.

The truth is that Jesus Christ is our ONLY savior. He is the only Way, the Truth, and the Life (Jn 14:6). This is why He was said to teach with authority. He was, is and always will be His own teachings. There was no gap between what He taught and what He did and what was in His Heart. This was the authority with which He taught. This was His Glory with which He taught!

What is in your heart? Is there a gap between what you say to others and what is in your heart? Is there a gap between what you profess and what you live out?





Love God. Live the Eucharist.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LITURGY FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1119

All Are Welcome No. 833 Processional Hymn

Gloria

Responsorial Psalm 95

Holy, Holy, Holy

Amen

Memorial Acclamation

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 4:16

The people who sit in darkness have seen a great light; on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death, light has arisen.

Offertory What Wondrous Love Is This No. 641

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Daily Mass Schedule

No. 250 Monday, Wednesday Friday: 7AM Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8AM No. 251 Spanish Mass Tuesday: 7:00PM

No. 254 Reconciliation

No. 255 Lamb of God

Saturday: 4:00PM or by Appointment

Please call Parish Office

No. 696 Communion Hymn Love Is His Word

No. 948 Four months preparation required Bread of Life from Heaven

Adoration

Baptisms

Weddings

Recessional Hymn Come, Christians, Join to Sing

No. 628 Fridays 7:30AM-6:00PM Benediction

Monday Evening Prayer Weekly 5:30PM-Chapel

Complete Staff listing inside.

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JANUARY

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:30PM & 7PM (Spanish) Sunday: 7, 9, 11AM, 1PM (Spanish) & 7:00PM Life Teen

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 29, 2024

M Jan. 29 Weekday T Jan. 30 Weekday

W Jan. 31 St. John Bosco

Feb. 1 Weekday

Feb. 2 Presentation of the Lord

S Feb. 3 St. Blaise

LAST WEEK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING TOTAL: \$11,359.78

CAPITAL FUND DRIVE

1. Within a few weeks you will be given an opportunity as members present and past, of the family of St. Paul Cathedral in Yakima-to

- 2. In the restoration of our Parish Center, the former St. Paul Cathedral School, valued in replacement value by contractors between 50 and 60 million dollars. As you are aware, the disastrous flood of '20 on the top floor devastated the building and rendered it unavailable for educational, recreational, evangelical, and social activities and affairs which are the essence of the mission of your parish life.
- 3. We hope to embark on an effort to further beautify our Cathedral Church and its surroundings with new pavers in the courtyard and entry area and to repaint the exterior which is beginning to chip. Essential roof repair and maintenance also need to be carried out.
- 4. Our Parish plant, Cathedral, rectory, parish annex, office building, and Haven (for young adults and college student centers) were built and /or purchased by the sacrificial offerings of our parents, families and past generations. Now we present an opportunity to preserve and hand down to future generations the treasure that is ours.
- 5. Please keep alert to upcoming information and notices as we, as responsible stewards of our parish properties, work to preserve, improve and beautify. Our goal for the 1st phase, which will just cover necessary repairs, along with insurance, to allow your parish to better fulfill its mission to serve our people and our diocese more fully and to preserve our treasured resources.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Friday, the Church celebrates the presentation of Jesus in the temple "in fulfillment of the LAW" that every male child should be presented forty days after birth. It is also CANDLEMAS DAY, when the candles used in the church are blessed each year. Have candles to be blessed? Bring them with you to morning (7a.m) mass or to 6:00pm benediction.

BLESSING OF THROATS

On Saturday Feb. 3rd we commemorate St. Blaise, associated with healing of throats. This special blessing with be given at the 8:00am Mass to all who desire it.

LENT

A wonderful opportunity to come closer to the Lord begins in two weeks on Valentine's Day, February 14th. Beginning the first full week of Lent, the following opportunities are present for you:

Mondays: Sung Lenten Evening Prayer 5:30pm

Tuesday: Evening Mass 5:30 pm

Wednesdays: Stations of the Cross (English) 5:30 pm

Thursdays: Evening Mass 5:30pm

Friday: Via Crusis (Spanish) 6:30pm

These are scheduled as well as the usual the usual schedule: Weekday Masses

Mon, Wed, Fri-7:00am

Tue, Thu, Sat-8:00am Tue, 7:00pm(Spanish)

Friday- Adoration 7:30am-Benediction 6:00pm

Communal Celebration of Reconciliations

(Confessions) will be scheduled at all of our city Parishes. Watch the

bulletins for details.

Enter into Lent with joyful open hearts, to come closer to the Lord.

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66 YEARS OF PRIESTHOOD

Our pastor, Monsignor Ecker observes on Saturday, February 3rd, this anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood of which he has ministered to the people of the Cathedral Parish for 43 years (broken

service: 1958-1966 and 1988 to the present time). He is grateful for your long-suffering patience and for your "putting up with him" for such an extended time and offers his gratitude to God for the privilege of serving here all these years!!



MSGR. ECKER FOUNDATION AND KNIGHTS **OF COLUMBUS CRAB FEED**

Is scheduled for February 24, 2024 at Queen CRAB FEED Gym. Doors open at 5:00 PM. Tickets are \$75/ person. Meal includes all you can eat crab,

potato, coleslaw, bread, and two drinks! Must be 21+ to attend. Tickets are available at eckerfoundation.org or by contacting Shane Smith at (509) 949-7785.

Proceeds are to benefit Christ the Teacher Catholic School Scholarships and the Knights of Columbus programs.

Tickets will be available after every Mass on Feb 3rd and

"PREPARES"

The annual collection to assist pregnant mothers and their children from birth to five years of age, a Pro Life effort through the Washington State Catholic Conference, including the three Dioceses in our state, will take place two weeks from now February 10th and 11th. Special envelopes will be in the Cathedral next weekend to facilitate your generosity. A wonderful program to reduce abortions in our own state and dioceses we highly recommend this to your generosity. Plan now in advance to be part of our Pro Life activi-

Valentine Boxes Volunteer Services Catholic Charities



Each year with your help, Volunteer Services delivers a "Valentine Box" of food to help 70 of the low-income elderly and low-income adults with disabilities deal with winter budgets. There will be a Valentine decorated box in the fover next week to collect your gener-

ous donations of non-perishable food items (sorry, we can't use products past their expiration date). Donations to be used for purchasing fresh produce are also very welcome and checks can be made out to Volunteer Services and mailed to 5301 Tieton Dr. Suite C Yakima WA 98908. More Info? Call Lou Ann at 509-965-7105. Your generosity brings so much hope and joy to our clients. Thank you!

OUT OF TOWN

As director of seminarians, Father Jesus has responsibilities not only to our parish as paro-

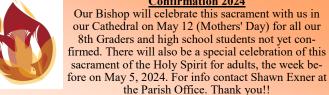
chial vicar but to our diocese. As part of his duties, he is called to visit and encourage our seminarians in their places of study. He is out of town be out fulfilling this aspect of his ministry until Jan 31. Please hold all calls for him until his return.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jb 7:1-4, 6-7, Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23, Mk 1:29-39



Confirmation 2024



Parents meeting on Wednesday February 7th for all high school (7:30pm –9:00pm) and 8th grade students (6:00pm–7:15pm) in The Cafeteria of our parish center (School building).

ST. VINCENT CENTERS

Support St. Vincent Center Food Bank by helping with daily operations. Volunteers are needed Monday and Thursday from 9AM-12PM and Thursday from 3-5PM to help prepare donations, restock shelves, assemble boxes and perform light janitorial tasks. We would love to have you join our team!

Go to https://catholiccharitiescw.org/services/involvement/volunteer -opportunities to begin the process of becoming a volunteer. Thank you!

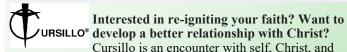


La Salle School Tours

Families are invited to schedule a tour of La Salle by contacting Mrs. Kanelopoulos at 509.225.2928 admis-

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

Also on this feast we raise up, honor and thank our Religious women and men who consecrate themselves to the Lord as members of Religious Congregations: in our area- The Jesuits, La Sallian Christian Brothers, Sisters of Providence and Dominicans of Tacoma who staffed our parish schools for its first century plus. Thank you for your present and past service for the people of Central Washington and beyond!!



others. It is a short course in our Catholic Faith. Cursillo offers a simple method to form, or deepen, the Christian life in four areas: Spirituality, Mentality, Activity and Community. An Englishlanguage weekend in 2024 for men will be April 4–7 and for women, April 11-14. Both will be at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church's Fatima Center in Moses Lake. If you are interested in attending or if you have any questions about Cursillo, call Luann Anderson at 509-731-6975 (for the women's weekend) or Dan Sisk at 509-942-4085 (for the men's weekend).



BINGO, BINGO BINGO!

The YLI Ladies are going to have Bingo on Sunday, February 4th, at the KC Hall on 5502 West Chestnut Ave. from 2pm-4pm for an afternoon of fun playing bingo.

Remember children are welcome. Our project for this year is bringing an awareness of libraries and what the libraries' needs are for Catholic Schools and /or other needs in the community.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

TO: Father Darrell Mitchell, Cherly Smith, Mary Christianson, James Clement, Andrew Peter McCarthy, Renae Donaldson, Lavenia Malesich, Joyce Ring, Lisa M. Roybal, Julie Taylor, Dallas Taft, Katie Arnold, Linda Kaminski, Jessica Pell, Rachel Rief Suhm, Glen Thiesfeld, Anabel Burch, Kathleen Kinzel, Chuck Stillwagon, Kailee Wayenberg, Barbara Halbert, John Marley, Christine Semon, Chester Chua and all who celebrate this week!