

# **REJOICE! BE JOYFUL,** EXULT AND BE SATISFIED.

Msgr. John A. Ecker, Pastor

This is the overriding theme of this weekend of the fourth Sunday in Lent, the Sunday we refer to as "LAETARE SUNDAY" referring to the Entrance antiphon of today's mass.

What is there to rejoice about? We know the world is in a mess We read and we see daily the horrific wars in the Ukraine, in Syria, and Israel and the Gaza Strip and threats of wars in the Orient. We look at our own country and see daily the lack of cooperation and unity of our own government and the ineptitude of the governing bodies. We see the tempestuous weather in so many parts of the world because of the pursuit of money and profit and the pollution of the world's resources. We even find problems in our own Catholic Church with dissonant voices raised from within against our Holy Father. Here at home in our beautiful state of Washington so many are flocking to it for abortions.

And, yes, in spite of all these things we are summoned to rejoice!! And, as people of Faith, we have so much for which to rejoice as we prepare for Easter, Jesus' resurrection from the dead and His promise to bring us with Him. We have the consolation and strength of the sacraments to nourish us; we have God's loving mercy and forgiveness to envelop us, our community of Faith to encourage and surround us and the all-abiding love of God, who cares for us, to fill us with joy.

We're half way to Easter in the second half of the Penitential Season of Lent. Spring is right around the corner, so Rejoice, be glad and grateful for the Faith we share.

## DID YOU REMEMBER? To turn your Clocks ahead. Today we begin daylight saving time!

# **Lenten Family Healing Retreat (Spanish)**



The basic and essential thing for our physical, psychological, emotional, and spiritual health is to be in harmony with ourselves, with God and with others. If we achieve a conscious encounter with God, no matter what situation or illness we are suffering, we will always be well. We invite

you to heal and strengthen your relationship with God, with yourself and with everyone around you.

> March 13, 14 and 15 from 6:00pm-9:00pm-Cathedral March 17 from 10:00am-12:45pm-School Gym





Love God. Live the Eucharist.

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

## LITURGY FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** 

1037

Processional Hymn **Amazing Grace** No. 650

Responsorial Psalm 137

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

Gospel Acclamation John 3:16

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life

Offertory O God. You Search Me

No. 580

#### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Holy, Holy, Holy No. 304

Memorial Acclamation from Belmont Mass

> Save Us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free

No. 218 Amen

Lamb of God No. 311

Communion Hymn In This Place Your Word Is Planted No. 595 The Cry of the Poor

Recessional Hymn

The Church' One Foundation No. 736

March

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#### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday-Friday 9:00AM-4:30PM (Closed 12:00 Noon-1:00PM)

#### **Weekend Mass Schedule**

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

#### **Daily Mass Schedule**

Monday, Wednesday Friday: 7AM Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8AM Spanish Mass Tuesday: 7:00PM

#### Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00PM or by Appointment

**Baptisms** 

Please call Parish Office

# Weddings

Four months preparation required

#### Adoration

Fridays 7:30AM-6:00PM Benediction

# **Monday Evening Prayer**

Weekly 5:30PM-Chapel

Complete Staff listing inside.

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# FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (LAETARE)

# **EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 11, 2024**

M Mar. 11 Lenten Weekday Mar. 12 Lenten Weekday W Mar. 13 Lenten Weekday TH Mar. 14 Lenten Weekday Mar. 15 Lenten Weekday S Mar. 16 Lenten Weekday

# LAST WEEK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING TOTAL: \$13,785.80

#### LENTEN MASSES AND SERVICES

This week we continue our services of extra Lenten opportunities to draw closer to the Lord. Besides the ordinary schedule, the following are recommended for you (in the Chapel). Mondays: Sung Lenten Evening Prayer 5:30pm Tuesdays: Evening Mass 5:30 pm Wednesdays: Stations of the Cross 5:30pm Thursdays: Evening Mass 5:30pm Fridays: Via Crucis (Spanish) 6:30 pm

The morning Mass schedule, Tuesday evening Spanish Mass (7:00pm), Adoration Fridays and Benediction following at 6pm continue.

Take advantage of these additions during the Lenten Season!!

#### FRIDAYS OF LENT

The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence (no meat) and Good Friday (29 March) is also a day of fast (no eating between meals).



### "LOOKING AHEAD"- NEXT WEEK

#### 1) COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES

(Celebration of Reconciliation)

Although confessions are heard every Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 PM in our Cathedral, our Lenten celebrations will be held as follows:

Wednesday March 20th 4:00 PM Holy Redeemer Church and 7:00 PM Holy Family Church Thursday March 21st

4:00 PM St. Joseph Church

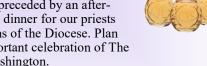
7:00 PM CATHEDRAL

Plan to celebrate this sacrament in time for Holy Week and Easter.

#### 2) SOLEMN CHRISM MASS-NEXT TUESDAY

The annual Mass in which our Bishop blesses the Holy Oils for the consecration of sacred vessels, churches and the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and Anointing Of The Sick and the priests of our Diocese renew their commitment to serve our Diocese of Yakima, will be celebrated

here in our Cathedral on Tuesday, March 19th, the Feast of Saint Joseph, Patron of our Diocese, at 7:00 PM, preceded by an afternoon of reflection and dinner for our priests and permanent deacons of the Diocese. Plan to join us for this important celebration of The Church of Central Washington.





4th Sunday of Lent, reminding all of the joy feast for we are preparing during the Lenten season. Even in the midst of this penitential time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving., we are called to rejoice in the Lord whose resurrection from the dead we anticipate with joy.

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#### **OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

Within a few weeks, look for a mailing from Our Sunday Visitor and the Cathedral which will be the official beginning of our drive for 3½ million dollars as the first phase to restore this great building for use as a parish center: for religious education classes, LifeTeen, SPYEdge, social and parish gatherings, retreats, funeral luncheons, Knights of Columbus and sports activities and recreation for our youth and adults. Please prayerfully consider your response now (hopefully double it) and take part in this essential part of our parish! Also, as we previously announced, we intend to paint the outside of the Cathedral and beautify its grounds. WE NEED EVERY-ONE IN OUR FAMILY OF FAITH TO BE AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT--Phase ONE.

### ANNIVERSARY (13) OF THE ELECTION OF POPE **FRANCIS**

The church commemorates our Holy Father's election as Supreme Pontiff this Wednesday and we pray for him, that he may continue in good health, to lead the Church with vigor

#### PARISH COUNCIL



Our Parish Advisory Board meets this Monday, March 11th at 6:00 PM in the office conference room to pray, discern and plan for the good of our parish community. Questions, suggestions, critiques? Contact Sandi Hayes, President, or one of the members (posted in the Vestibule of the Cathedral).

#### RISK MANAGEMENT

Each year our diocese holds this meeting, dealing with human resources, with safety of children and vulnerable adults and matters pertaining to wellbeing and protection of the people. This year's meeting is Wednesday at Holy Family Church Murtagh Hall from 10 am to 2:30 pm. Your priests and parish representatives will be attending in your name. Pray for us as we discern and work for safety and protection of all.

#### St. Patrick's Day!



If you'd like to support Catholic students while having a great time, we invite you to celebrate with us. La Salle's 25th Annual St. Patrick's Day Gala & Auction takes place March 16th at La Salle High School. Call (509) 225-2990 or email snelson@lasalleyakima.org for tickets. Call

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#### **ABUSE HOTLINE**

Our Diocese has a private hotline for those who wish to report incidents of sexual abuse regarding clergy, diocesan or parish employees or volunteers



# **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jer 31:31-34, 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15, Heb 5:7-9, Jn 12:26 Jn 12:20-33

#### "LOOKING AHEAD"

In two years our Diocese celebrates the **75th anniversary** of our establishment as a diocese and for St. Paul's; the 75th anniversary as a CATHEDRAL.

Besides the diocesan celebrations and, as a center of these observances, we also mark the 75th anniversary of St. Paul's being named the CATHEDRAL OF THE DIOCESE OF YAKIMA. Our goal is to make sure our Cathedral Parish is in great form, everything brought up to date and restored for this major event in the history and life of The Church of Central Washington. This (2026) will be a year: to remember the past and especially the parishioners who have built up our parish to be what we are; to celebrate the present and all who are part of our parish family; and to confidently face the future as a vibrant and joyful parish family. Keep it in mind!!

#### **Walking Together Toward Resurrection** Family and Friends, please plan to join

us on Saturday, March 23, 2024, from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM to a Walking Together Toward The Resurrection Fair as we joyfully await Holy Week and Easter. St. Paul Cathedral Parish will be hosting family games, giveaways and raffles. Food and drinks will be provided. For questions and more information please contact: Maria Santiago 509-969-3424



#### **IGNITE CONTINUES:**

Looking for an idea of what to sacrifice for IGNIFE Lent? Join us in spending an extra 30 minutes, immediately following Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evenings, as we keep watch and pray through our Lenten Journey.

#### **ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024**

If you haven't yet donated to this essential effort for our Diocese and Bishop, THERE'S still time. Extra Envelopes are in the Cathedral vestibule pamphlet racks. Thank You!! "Everyone should have a share in the ministry of our Bishop and Diocese"!!



Consider trying out Catholic Netflix 'FÖRMED' for FREE this holiday season! Questions? Give us a call!



#### PARKING AT THE CATHEDRAL

Please, for your own protection DO NOT PARK CARS ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF WEST CHEST-NUT AVE, as cars may be ticketed (immediately next to the Church). Cars parked there are also in the way of emergency vehicles.

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**TO:** Sarah Bersing, Erna Forde, Connie Lunceford, Mary Sziebert, Adelas Harvey, Kathi Keck, Terry Shumaker, Baxter Mata, Normalissa Strom, Reedy Jr. Berg, David Ruck, Jonathan Sauer, Clarence Kautzman, Allyah Morfin, Hayden Sevigny, Lorita Stohr, Patricdia A. Todd, Drake Chandler, Brad Christianson, Kaitlyn Ditter, Chuck Hiebert, Heidi Keck, Kyle Welsch, Daniel Paganelli and all who celebrate this week!-