ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
January 12th, 2020

Pastoral Staff
Pastor: Fr. Michael Blackburn, OFM
Deacon: Dan Ritchie
Deacon: Dave Dudinsky

Parish Staff
Office Manager: Anitra Turney
Youth Ministry: Tammie Fabien
Maintenance: John Wells

Choir Directors
Sun.: Betty Ross
Sat: Mary Lou Bentley

Mass Schedule
Saturday: 5pm (8am @Poor Clares)
Sunday: 10am (8am @ Poor Clares)
M, W, F: 8am @ Poor Clares only
Tues & Thurs: 8am @ St Francis only
Holy Days: 8am and 7pm @ St Francis

Parish Committees & Organizations
Pastoral Council: Frank Taylor
Finance Council: Mark Krigbaum
Women's Club: Dot Verry & Kris Bond

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:
Thurs. 8:30-4pm

Sacraments:

Anointing of the Sick:
Masses with anointing 2 or 3 times a year

Baptism:
Parental preparation is required

Marriage:
contact the parish at least 6 months in advance

Reconciliation :
Saturdays 3:30-4:30 or by appointment

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A WORD FROM FR MIKE

We watched Him three years ago as he stood with the rest of the sinners, waiting to be dipped in the cold waters of the Jordan. It was just the beginning of the dry season, so the river was full and running fast. We had come out to see John, and to hear him preach about repentance. He reminded us of Elijah, seeing him like that out in the desert with his garment of camel's hair, raging against the very people who thought they were God's favorites.

Well, it's the dry season again now. John has been dead for a while, beheaded by the king who didn't like being called a sinner. But John knew the risks.

And, come to think of it, Jesus was ALWAYS with sinners. When he was just a little boy he had visitors from the East who weren't even Jewish. He called his disciples from fishing boats instead of from the Temple. He ate with tax collectors and even prosti-tutes. And now he has been crucified, with a sinner on his right and on his left.

It's as if he wanted us to know, from that very day of his baptism, that he is one with us and will always be with us, even as we stand in the cold waters and wait for redemption.

St VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Dec. Donations: $462.46.
Thank you.

Gas: $40
Avista: $464.22 for 2 families
Utilities: $75.27 for 1 family
Rent: $539 for 3 families + special funds obtained for 1 family
Food deliveries: 2

DAY OF PRAYER AND PENANCE FOR LIFE

January 22nd 12-3PM
Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration
in the church

Immaculate Heart Retreat Center
Silent Day of Prayer
"*Messiah, Model, and Master: Reflections to Recenter Our Lives on Jesus Christ*"
Fr. Kyle Ratuiste
January 15, 2020
Please register in advance:
(509) 448-1224 or visit www.ihrc.net
$40 per person, ($50 with the use of a private room for the day).

Weekend Manuscript Illumination Retreat
"Word and Image: Illuminating the Our Father"
Hannah Charlton
January 17-19, 2020
Please register in advance:
(509) 448-1224 or visit www.ihrc.net
$212 per person, $334 couples, (includes lodging and 5 meals) $126 commuters. Cost of supplies in addition in $28.00

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one.
GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Please join us for this helpful seminar on

Sundays, Jan 12th through March 29th
from 1:30 - 3:30 pm
at St. Peter Church, located at S. Freya and E. 18th
(Parking lot is 1/2 block South of 18th).

A donation of $15.00 for materials would be helpful.
For more information please call: Arlette Popiel 979-2255, or Gloria Riedlinger 443-8030

Pro Life is Pro Family

5TH ANNUAL

WALK for LIFE NORTHWEST

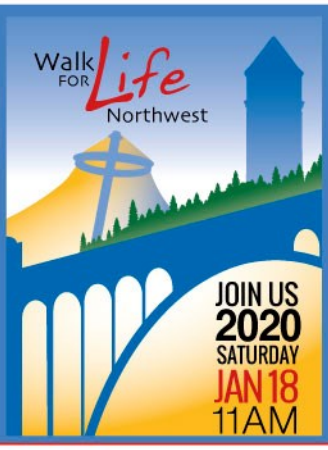
Saturday, January 18 • ROTARY FOUNTAIN PLAZA • Spokane

Rally: 12 NOON

ROTARY FOUNTAIN RIVERFRONT PARK
(Howard & Spokane Falls Blvd)

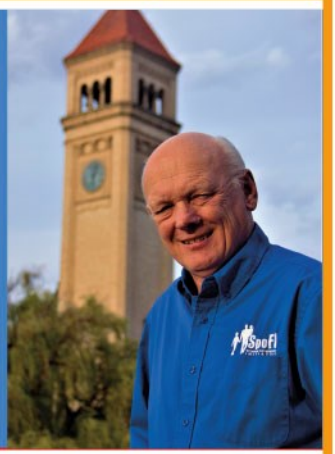
Faire: 11:00 AM

Saturday, Jan. 18, 2020



featuring:

Ron Hauenstein of the Spokane Fatherhood Initiative (spofi.org)



Women Deserve Better than Abortion

Walk for Life NW.org

We are all gathering at the next

WOMEN'S CLUB MEETING

on

Tuesday, January 14th,
in the Conference Room.
It begins at 6:00 p.m.

Hope you can come.
We would like to see you.

January 25
at the Mirabeau Park in the Valley.
Buy tickets today at
www.dioceseofspokane.org/mens2020

St. Therese Guild
will be collecting diapers starting
1/5/20 through 2/9/20
to support CAPA
(Childbirth and Parenting Assistance).
There will be a big
donation box
in the back of the church
to drop donations.
All diapers accepted
(size 6 & pull-ups are especially needed).
Thank you for your generous support!

CHILDBIRTH AND PARENTING ASSISTANCE
a program of Catholic Charities

"NEELIN' NEIGHBORS"

KATHY BROMLEY

She's a regular in the choir for many years. Maybe you have noticed her; she is the lady with the pony tail. Kathy has been a member of this parish all her life. She has been married to Brian for 40 years. The family includes 2 children and 2 grand-children. Her favorite activities include bowling (including league play) and watching her grand-kids sports and dance. The family wouldn't be complete without her pet cats, "Rascal" and "Prince Charlie".

OUR YOUTH IN MINISTRY

MIRANDA CUBBAGE

The first time I saw Miranda, I thought I was seeing a younger version of my grand-daughter. Miranda is 13 and a 8th grader at Salk. She plays softball and volleyball. Prior to attending Salk, was a student at St. Charles for 6 years. She has been serving on the altar, for the last 6 years. Just like her cousin, Elizabeth, she very much enjoys spending time with her family. After high school, Miranda would like to go to chef school. She has a very special friend, a pet Lizard named Chester. I didn't ask her who she was thinking of when the pet was named. Ask her. There is probably a story there.

Regular Meetings and Activities:

Coffee & Donuts
Every Sunday after mass
Women's Club (w/c)
2nd Tues of month 7pm
St Thérèse Guild
2nd Weds 6pmYouth room
St. Elizabeth's Guild
1st Monday after W/C 1:00pm
Immaculate Heart Guild
2nd Wed 1pm Conf. room
Our Lady Queen.
2nd Wed. of month, 7:00pm
St. Vincent de Paul Society
1st Sunday 11:30
Peace & Justice
2nd Tues 9:30am in conf rm
Bible Study
Wednesdays 7pm conf room
St Faustina's Guild
3rd Tues 2pm
Pastoral Council
1st Tuesday of month, 7pm
Secular Franciscan Order
2nd Sat of month 9am
Knights of Columbus
3rd Sunday after Mass
Contemplative Prayer
Tues 10am & Thurs 6:30pm
Women's Bible Study
Tues 1pm conference rm
Adorationof the Blessed Sacrament
Thursdays 8:45-4pm in the side chapel

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Our annual envelope budget is:$93,200.00

Year to date budget:	$48,604.34
Actual year to date collection:	$55,473.00
Year to date:	$ 6,868.66

Attention engaged and married couples:

Fertility Awareness-Based Methods

(FABMs) of family planning are safe, effective, and affirming of all stages of your life together. To learn more visit www.live-the-love.org, please e-mail nfpuser@gmail.com, or call 509-590-8576.
A series of classes is starting
Saturday, January 18, 2020,
9:30am in the Upper Room at St. Peter.
To register for this class, or a self-paced on-line class, go to http://register.ccli.org.

Please remember in your prayers:
Frank Rose, Steve Rij, Don & Mary DeLuca, Florence Himelspach, Kathy Bromley, Dana Duvanich, Janice Duvanich, Anita Smith, Rita Loft, David Francis, Ramona Jones, Marylin Connolly-Overbey, Kathy White, James Baxter, Ellen Turnbull, Michael Brick, Kathryn Brown, Tom Chadler, Melissa Bromley, Mike Arcondizzy, Steve Wren, MaryAnn Forcier, Gary Turnbull, Brian Chandler, Marlene Weller, Charlie Johnson, Colleen Pounder, Frank Heisig, Nancy Sims, Stanley Mundell, Jean Rottmayer, Joyce Johnson, Tom Bienemann, Helen Arnzen, Kelly Carrubba, Linda McPeek, Fr Skok & Jan Martin

January 4-10th
Carolyn Helton Jim Sicilia
Pam Austin Elizabeth Morton
Dora Nauditt-Tylock
Alma Schultz

January 11th-17th
Catherine Worstell Steve Wren David Allen
Robin Bienemann Lynette Larter Ryan Johnson
Eva McChesney

Happy Anniversary

January 4th
Val & Florence Himelspach—66 years!