St. Mary of the Rosary, Chewelah

Mass: Saturday 4:00 PM and Sunday 10:00 AM Reconciliation: Sat. 2:30—3:30 PM and by appt.

Holy Ghost, Valley St. Joseph, Jump Off Joe

Mass: Sunday 8:00 AM Reconciliation: Tuesday 6:00—7:00 PM

Sacred Heart, Springdale

Mass: Saturday 6:00 PM Reconciliation: 1st Fridays, 5:00—5:30 PM

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, April 7 Wed., April 8 Thurs., April 9 Mary Hinchliff + Theresa Terhaar NO MASS Patricia Caswell +

Friday, April 10

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday

5:30 PM at Holy Ghost in Valley, followed by Adoration & Benediction from 6—7 PM.

Wednesday

1:00 PM Prov. St. Joseph Hosp. Chapel

Thursday

NO MASS

Friday

9:00 AM at St. Mary of the Rosary, followed by Adoration from 9:30 —10:30 AM.

New Parish Directories

Our new parish directories are here! Because there was no charge for submitting a photograph or for having pictures taken after Mass, no funds were generated to pay for the printing. Therefore, the parish paid the printer for the publication of the books. Because this was a significant expense, we are asking those who would like a directory to donate \$10/book to cover the cost of the printing. You will find the directories to be a valuable resource. They are available in the parish office.

Women's Retreat

All women are invited to attend and bring a friend to the women's retreat, *Creativity and Spirituality*, to be held at St. Mary of the Rosary on Friday, May 15, 6:30—8:00 PM and Saturday, May 16, 9:00 AM—3:00 PM. We will journey through creative/spiritual examples in nature, scripture, prayer forms, and how it is experienced in our personal spiritual growth. This time of reflection, sharing, and fun will open your eyes, deepen your relationships, and send you home with a prayer flag to remember the gift of the cre-

City –Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, May 2, is Chewelah's City-Wide Yard Sale, and St. Mary of the Rosary is going to participate. We are asking parishioners to bring us your "extra stuff," things that you no longer use. We need to be fairly specific about what we can accept because this is only a one-day sale and anything that does not sell will have to be disposed of in some way. Volunteers are needed to help run the sale. Please contact the parish office if you can help. Thanks!

Things that we will accept: household items (dishes, glassware, cookware, bakeware), yard and garden supplies, tools, small pieces of furniture, small appliances, sports and camping gear, games, seasonal decorations, and similar items that are in good condition.

Things that we will *not* accept: old-style televisions, old computers and printers, anything that is broken and set aside "for parts," tires, major appliances (without first checking with Brenda or Fr. Jeff), baby car seats, sports and bicycle helmets.

NO CLOTHES. Clothes are a lot of work to organize and we cannot deal with them at this time.

Items can be dropped off or we will pick them up on April 27, 28, 29, 30, & May 1 between 10AM and 4 PM (or by appointment). Please call the parish office to arrange for your donations to be delivered or picked up.

Annual Catholic Appeal

The Annual Catholic Appeal is well underway. Our goals are:

•	St. Mary of the Rosary	\$22,575
•	Holy Ghost	6,386
•	Sacred Heart	1 806

St. Mary's has received \$11,298 in pledges, which is 50% of their goal. 42 families have participated (25%). Holy Ghost has received \$2625 in pledges, which is 41% of their goal. 10 families have participated (23%). Sacred Heart has received \$345 in pledges, which is 19% of their goal. 3 families have participated (15%).

Save the Date: Vacation Bible School

St. Mary of the Rosary is hosting Vacation Bible School this summer, Monday through Friday, August 10-14. Our theme this year is the Creation story from the Book of Genesis. The times each day for VBS and the materials that we will need are both TBD; more information coming soon!

Dinner and Dance Party in Deer Park

The Chewelah Knights of Columbus invite all our tri-parish parishioners to come to the Dinner and Dance Party to help support men in Seminary. The event will be Saturday, April 11, 6:30—11:00 PM at St. Mary Presen-

2nd Annual Progressive Dinner

On Sunday, April 26, parishioners of Sacred Heart in Springdale will host our 2nd Annual Tri-Parish Progressive Dinner. This year features an Italian-themed four-course dinner, each course hosted by Sacred Heart parishioners in their homes. Next weekend, a sign-up sheet will be available at every Mass. There are only 20 spots available, so be sure to sign up after Mass or call the parish office. When you sign up, provide your contact information to receive directions to parishioners' homes. No cost to join in the fun! We hope to see you there!

Pastoral Council Nominations

We are looking for nominations of parishioners to serve on the Pastoral Councils of both St. Mary of the Rosary and Holy Ghost. Nomination forms will be available at both parishes next Sunday. Please consider who you would like to nominate to represent you among the parish leadership. Questions? Contact Fr. Jeff.

Sacramental Preparation

Some reminders for families registered with *Family Faith Formation* who have children preparing for Confirmation and first Communion: Confirmation takes place on Sunday, May 31, at the 10 AM Mass at St. Mary of the Rosary. The families need to contact Fr. Jeff as soon as possible to schedule interview meetings between Fr. Jeff and the Sacramental Preparation children. Parents should already have their "Sacramental Preparation Objectives" worksheet. Questions? Contact Fr. Jeff.

Family Faith Formation: How We Should Pray

This week's *Family Faith Formation* home lesson topic is "How We Should Pray" covered in Questions 278-279 of *The Apostolate's Family Catechism*. Packets are available on the parish website. Contact Tanya Parrott (936-2594; stgkparrott@gmail.com) with any questions.

Family Faith Formation: By Heart Catechism

Selected questions from the *By Heart Catechism*: 278. What is man's greatest responsibility? It is to do God's will by living in His love and to practice the "new commandment" of love of neighbor.

ative in your life. Pleasing Mercy May 8. For more info or to register scall Lydinday of the Easter Octave) is Divine Mercy Sunday, which is the pinnacle feast of the Divine Mercy devotion.

This devotion began in the 1930s with St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun who was graced with holy apparitions of Jesus Christ in the later years of her life. The central message of this devotion is nothing new, but is a reminder of what the Church has always taught through Scripture and Tradition: that God is merciful and forgiving and that therefore we, too, must show mercy and forgiveness. But in the Divine Mercy devotion, the message takes on a powerful new focus, calling people to a deeper understanding that God's love is infinite and is available to everyone, especially the worst of sinners. This message of mercy that God loves us (all of us, each of us), no matter how great our sins, is a message expressing the Lord's desire for us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus will all be given to share His joy.

The earliest element of the Divine Mercy devotion was the Image; on February 22, 1931 Jesus appeared to her with rays of light (red and pale) radiating from His heart, symbolizing Blood and Water; the red Blood that is the life of souls and the pale Water that makes souls righteous.

This devotion is celebrated also with a Chaplet that is centered on three prayers. "Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world." And: "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world." And: "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world." And it is wholly appropriate for the prayers of this Chaplet to be said at the hour traditionally set aside for commemorating the hour of Christ's death; as Jesus revealed to St. Faustina, "At three o'clock, implore My mercy, especially for sinners; and, if only for a brief moment, immerse yourself in My Passion, particularly in My abandonment at the mo-

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Sacrament of Baptism: Parents contact Rev. Jeffrey Lewis for information.

Sacrament of Holy Matrimony: Couples contact Rev. Jeffrey Lewis at least four months prior to marriage.

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