#### 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 (at Holy Ghost) Reconciliation: Tuesday 6:00—7:00 PM at HG

## **Sacred Heart, Springdale**

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

#### Mass Intentions

November 22 John Parsons

November 23 Noriko Hattori Parsons

November 24 Those in need in our community

November 25 No Mass

Nov. 26, 4:00 PM Rev. Severyn Westbrook +

#### Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday 5:30 PM Mass at Holy Ghost in Valley,

followed by Adoration from 6:00-7:00 PM

Wednesday 1:00 PM at Prov. St. Joseph Hospital Thursday Thanksgiving; Mass at 9:00 AM

Friday No Mass

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## Thanksgiving Mass

Mass on Thanksgiving Day, November 24, will be offered at St. Mary of the Rosary at 9:00 AM. You are invited to bring food for the Chewelah Food Bank. We will also take up a collection for the Good Samaritan Fund.

### Parish Office Closures

The parish office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 24 & 25.

#### World Missions Collection

Thank you to everyone who turned in their donation for the World Missions Collection. Our donations support the bishop's work as he shepherds the Catholic population of Eastern Washington.

## 2015-2016 Financial Reports

Last year's financial report was distributed last weekend as a bulletin insert. If you were out of town and did not get one, there should be some extras located in each church. You can also stop by the parish office and pick one up.

## "Unwrapping the Gift of Jesus" A Mini-Retreat for Busy Women — December 3

Before the craziness of Advent truly sets in, prepare to savor the season with the Jesse Tree, the family tree of Christ as we experience the fullness of Christmas like never before through the grace of waiting.

The retreat will start with Mass, then have two sessions, followed by lunch and one more powerful message. There is no cost but please RSVP and bring a Bible, a branch, an empty can (15-20 oz.) and a salad topping for our shared lunch.

The retreat will be led by former parishioner, Alisa Kostecka. It will be Saturday, Dec. 3, beginning with First Saturday Mass at 9:00 AM and concluding at 2:30 PM, just in time for confession for those who desire. Please RSVP to the parish office by December 1.

#### Food for the Poor

Would you like to contribute towards a house for "Food for the Poor"? Last weekend, Monsignor Dempsev told us about the poorest of the poor who live in the Caribbean area and his mission to be of service to them. Food for the Poor can provide a house for \$3600 and a well for \$285. As this Year of Mercy comes to a close, we are looking for people from our parishes who would like to practice the Corporal Works of Mercy one last time during this Holy Year, as Pope Francis asked. The 2nd Corporal Work of Mercy is to provide drink to the thirsty, and we were told how contaminated their surface water is. The 4th Corporal Work of Mercy is to provide shelter to the homeless, and we learned that most people live in shacks made of mud and paper. If you can contribute to this project, make your check out to St. Mary of the Rosary and place it in an envelope in the collection. We will collect donations through December, and early in January we will send a check to the organization with our request that it be used to provide a family with a house and a well. If 18 families provide a one-time gift of \$200, we can meet this goal. Well is already donated.

### Free Community Dinner

A free potluck dinner will be provided to members of our community on Wednesday, November 30, from 6:30—8:00 PM or until the food is gone, whichever comes first. If others not involved with *Family Faith Formation* are able to help out, your food donations will be most appreciated. Fr. Jeff will bring the sign-up sheet around to each Mass.

## K of C Apple Cup

Knights of Columbus members, both Cougar and Husky fans, are invited to watch the Apple Cup football game on the American Legion's "big screen" on game day!

#### Operation Santa

In lieu of the Tree of Sharing, this year Chewelah will help provide Christmas gifts to children from low income families through a project called Operation Santa. It is possible for you to buy gifts for this project yourself and then drop them off at specified locations. However, to simplify this gift-giving opportunity for our parishioners, we will be taking up a second collection at all Masses on November 26 & 27 and giving the money to the leaders of this organization. If you choose to donate by check, you can make it out to St. Mary of the Rosary. We will deposit all checks and cash and write one check to Operation Santa. Thank you for your generosity.

#### **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION**

### Purgatory and the Last Judgment

This week's *Family Faith Formation* topic is "Purgatory and the Last Judgment," covering Questions 294-295, 298-300 in *The Apostolate's Family Cate-chism*. Home Lesson packets are available on the parish website and are also in your email (if you registered for *Family Faith Formation*). Please contact Fr. Jeff for more information or if you have any questions about this tri-parish religious education program.

## Ву-Heart Catechism

- 294. What is Purgatory? It is a place of spiritual cleansing for anyone who dies in a state of grace but not yet free from all temporal punishment incurred due to sin or free from all attachment to the things of Earth
- 295. **What is the Beatific Vision?** This is immediate vision of God, face-to-face, which can only be possible in Heaven.
- 296. What is the Last Judgment? It is the universal judgment of the human race at the resurrection of the dead at the end of the world and the Second Coming of Jesus Christ.

## "Forty Weeks" with Fr. Jeff

This Wednesday, November 23, is 4th Wednesday in November, and our *Forty Weeks* spiritual formation component of *Family Faith Formation* continues this evening, 6:30 to 8:00 PM, at St. Mary of the Rosary parish hall. Hope to see you there!

#### Needed: Reverence at Mass!

We are now in Year 3 of our "Know Love Serve" pastoral plan, and one of the priorities is Liturgical Renewal. Like everything else, when we want change in the world, we must always begin with ourselves. Therefore, in order to make our Masses more reverent, we ourselves must first become more reverent. Let's reflect upon some basic concepts which exhibit reverence and see where we might potentially be able to evoke change.

- 1. Show up on time. In a way, we begin our worship of God the moment we begin our journey to Mass, whether by car, bike, or on foot. Don't short-change yourself by arriving late. Try to arrive a few minutes early so you have time to open your heart to receive all the blessings of the Mass before it begins.
- 2. While at church, disconnect from ordinary life and connect with the spiritual realm by severing yourself from your cell phone during Mass. Don't just turn the phone off; PLEASE leave it in the car. We are not truly present at the Mass if our mind is wandering to sending or receiving text messages. Train your brain to stay focused on God.
- 3. Holding conversations during Mass. Seriously?! This is rude to God and everyone around you. Again, train your brain to stay focused on God and the holy sacrifice of the Mass.
- 4. Genuflect and Bow, as appropriate. Genuflecting and bowing shows reverence for the Real Presence. When we genuflect or bow, we direct our attention to the tabernacle (or the monstrance, if at Holy Hour), not the crucifix. If no tabernacle is present, one should bow or genuflect towards the altar.
- 5. Dress should be modest and clothes should be clean.
- 6. Allow the priest to leave the church before you do. Early exits are distracting to those around you. Have your children use the restroom *before* Mass.
- 7. "Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi, Lex Vivendi" *As* we worship, so we believe, so we live. Liturgical worship is the foundation of Catholic identity. Take the time to do it right.

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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