

Good Shepherd Catholic Community

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St. Mary's Church

Mass - Sunday 8:30:a.m.

Confessions - Before or After Mass

99 West Center Street

Soda Springs, ID 83276

Blessed Sacrament Church

Mass - Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Confessions - Before or After Mass

270 North 8th Street

Montpelier, ID 83254

St. Peter's Church

Mass - Sunday 2:00p.m. (Español)

Confessions - Before or After Mass

302 East Oneida Street

Preston, ID 83263

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Mass - Saturday 5:00p.m.

Confessions - Before or After Mass

132 South 1st Street West

Lava Hot Springs, ID 83246

St. Paul's Mission

Mass - 1st Sun of Month 5:00 pm

2nd-5th weekends: Sat 7:00 pm

Confessions - Before or After Mass

233 Samaria Lane,

Malad, ID 83252

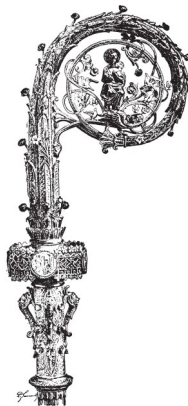
Daily Mass @ St. Mary's

M, W, F 9:00 am

Thurs. 6:30 PM

Confessions—

Before or after Mass



September 2022

*Hail, O
Holy
Cross,*

*Glory of
the World,*

*Our true
Hope!*



*Sweet
the
Wood!*

*Sweet
the Nails!*

*Sweet
the Load
it
Carries!*

Month of the Holy Cross

The Word of the Lord...

September 4th; 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 9:13-18 (*Who can conceive what the Lord intends?*)
Psalm 90 (*In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.*)
Philomon 9-10, 12-17 (*Receive him no longer as a slave but as a beloved brother.*)
Luke 14:25-33 (*Anyone of you who does not renounce all possessions cannot be my disciple.*)

September 11th; 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 (*The Lord relented in the punishment He had threatened to inflict on His people.*)
Psalm 51 (*I will rise and go to my father.*)
1 Timothy 1:12-17 (*Christ came to save sinners.*)
Luke 15:1-32 (*There will be great joy in heaven over one sinner who repents.*)

September 18th; 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 8:4-7 (*Against those who buy the poor for money.*)
Psalm 113 (*Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.*)
1 Timothy 2:1-8 (*Let prayers be offered for everyone to God who will everyone to be saved.*)
Luke 16:1-13 (*You cannot serve both God and mammon.*)

September 25th; 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1a, 4-7 (*Their wanton revelry shall be done away with.*)
Psalm 146 (*Praise the Lord, my soul!*)
1 Timothy 6:11-16 (*Keep the commandment until the appearance of the Lord Jesus Christ*)
Luke 16:19-31 (*You received what was good, Lazarus what was bad; now he is comforted, whereas you are tormented.*)

Lectio (*read*); Oratio (*pray*); Meditatio (*reflect & relate*);
Contemplatio (*dwell w/ God*); Actio (*go & announce the Gospel*)

Celebrate!

St. Michael Prayer

St. Michael the archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world, seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

At the end of September, right after the Fall equinox, Holy Mother Church invites us to celebrate “Michaelmas” (think the *fall* version of Christmas. On September 29th we celebrate the **Feast of the Holy Archangels: Michael, Gabriel, & Rafael**. This is traditionally the day when we celebrate the victory of the archangel Michael over Satan in the war of heaven. Pull out your Bibles and invite your LDS neighbors over for a riveting reading of Revelation 12:7-9. This day is a great day to celebrate our triumph over Satan the Father of Lies, and victory over temptation and the bond of sin. Like Michael and the angels, let’s bind and remove any attachments we have to sin. Let’s never be fooled by the devil and his angelic demons, who are weak, imbecile creatures. They have no power over us, for *nothing can*

separate us from the Love of Christ.

Since the 70’s Gabriel and Rafael have been added to the day’s feast. Try to find when they are referenced in the Holy Bible. Gabriel in Lk 1:18-20, 26-3 and Rafael in Tobit 12:15-22. For your Michaelmas party, I would greatly encourage Angle Food Cake, Deviled Eggs, Flamin’ Hot Cheetos, and a goose. Pull out your swords, don your helmets, gird your loins, and go make some spiritual battle!

St. Gabriel Prayer

O God, who among all the angels chose the archangel Gabriel to announce the mystery of your Incarnation, mercifully grant that we who solemnly keep his feast on earth may feel the benefit of his patronage in heaven: who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

St. Raphael Prayer

Vouchsafe, O Lord God, to send unto our assistance Saitn Raphael the archangel, and may he, who, we believe, evermore stands before the throne of your majesty, offer unto you our humble petitions to be blessed by you. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Feast!

In September, Holy Mother Church is getting us ready for the change of seasons. You know, like it is starting to get cold at night and we know that the great white frost is coming, but also she gives us a bit of an advent of the Advent. A time to prepare for the Season of Advent that will begin on Nov. 27th. It's time for our discipleship to be tested by the Cross. Remember on Sunday, how Jesus is traveling to Jerusalem, according to the Gospel of Luke. At Jerusalem we find the

SEPT 14 Cross. In September we commemorate the Cross in a special way by the **Feast of the Exultation of the Holy Cross** on September 14th. Usually, we Catholics, are ready to “feast” on a feast, but this feast carries more of a “Holy Week type of feel.” We remember & celebrate how Christ has taken the symbol of torture & death and turned it into a symbol of victory & triumph, life & salvation. Do you have a Cross in your home? Is it one of those sweet, golden, ones covered in flowers or more like the true Cross covered in the blood of your saviour? This would be a great day to celebrate the feast by venerating the Cross in your home. Think of what we do on Good Friday and try to imitate that.

*I adore You, O Christ, and I praise You,
Because by Your Holy Cross,
You have redeemed the world.*

SEPT 15 The power of the Cross doesn't end until we also honor the Mother of Jesus who though she was born without the stain of original sin, she was not saved from the scourge of suffering. This feast, **Our Lady of Sorrows** commemorates the great sufferings that Mary experienced in her life alongside her son Jesus. Tradition & the Bible give us 7 Sorrows, they are as follows (look them up in the Bible): {1} The Prophecy of Simeon (*Lk 2:25-35*); {2} The Flight into Egypt (*Mt 2:13-15*); {3} The Loss of the Child Jesus in the Temple in Jerusalem (*Lk 2:41-51*); {4} The meeting of Jesus and Mary on the Way of the Cross (*Lk 23:26-31*); {5} The Crucifixion (*Jn 19:17-18, 25-30*); {6} The Removal of Jesus' Body from the Cross (*Mk 15:43-47*); {7} The Burial of Jesus (*Jn 19:39-42*).

A good way to celebrate, may include of meal that is both sweet & sour and of course of 7-Up. Father hopes to visit a replica of the *Pieta* statue at the Cathedral in Boise.

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“The Lord is my Shepherd”

Fortunately, in the past few years of instability in the world, our Catholic missions have continued to sail through the turbulent waters. **Financially we are stable**, we have a core group of faithful members, and thanks be to God, we have seen the return of sheep into the fold and furthermore we pray that our future mission efforts will draw even more into the flock of Christ.

During the last weeks of September you will receive a brochure introducing our **“The Lord is my Shepherd” Program**. The goal of this program is to reach out to each member of our parishes and help them commit towards consistent tithing and to **increase our Sunday offertory contributions**. On or before the Commitment Weekend, October 1 & 2, you are invited to prayerfully consider how you and your family can help Good Shepherd Catholic Community by financially supporting our ministries, furthering our mission, and reinforcing our future.

We ask that all faithful parishioners complete a Commitment Card. A card will be included in the brochure mailing for you to:

- mail to the church using the pre-addressed envelope included in this mailing.
- or bring your card to Mass next Sunday.
- or you may visit our parish website at goodshepherdidaho.com/steward and

complete an electronic Commitment Card.

The back of the Commitment Card has a place for you to include any prayer intentions you wish to share. We welcome all intentions and they will be prayed for collectively over the next few weeks.

Tithing, giving of alms, and charitable giving are foundations of our Christian faith. We heard a few Sundays ago in the Book of Sirach that **alms atone for sins**, we will hear this coming Sundays, many passages *anyone who does not renounce all of his possessions cannot be my disciple, praise the Lord who lifts up the poor, you cannot serve both God & mammon, you received what was good, Lazarus what was bad; now he is comforted, whereas you are tormented*. Let's not be afraid to make a plan, today, to support our local church. It is too easy to put it off until tomorrow. Whether you give financially weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually, **your gifts in the Sunday collection** go towards the upkeep of our churches and the spreading of the Gospel.

Planning, keeping track, and consistently writing the check are all keys to successful tithing. Good Shepherd can assist you by offering you the chance to **set up automatic giving through our website** or provide paper envelopes for the Sunday's of the year. Contact Fr. Joseph for any assistance.

Parish Events

Safe, Secure, Easy Online Giving!

Log onto www.goodshepherdidaho.com/give today and make safe, secure, & easy donations to your Catholic parish. One time donations or monthly donations can be set up.

Never worry about forgetting your checkbook or wallet. If you're out of town, easily continue supporting your local Catholic missions.



Results of Parish Picnic Dessert Auction

It was a riveting night in Soda Springs on Aug. 27th. Amidst the gusts of wind, the voice of the prophet auctioneer, & the astute orthography of our very own Vanna White, a total of \$1,473.00 was gained from an arrangement of pies, cakes, wine, & eatibles to support our missions. The painting of our Mother Mary by Rick Aubrey was auctioned and sold for an additional \$555.00 benefit.

Parish Events

Marriage Enrichment Retreat

A fun and faith-filled retreat for married couples of all ages is being offered in Pocatello at Holy Spirit Catholic Community on Saturday, October 8th from 10am to 4pm. Led by the founders of "Witness to Love Marriage Re-

newal Ministry". \$50 cost, scholarships are available through the Diocese. If it's been a while since you focused on your marriage, take advantage of this helpful, faith-filled opportunity.

Date and Time: Saturday, October 8, 2022
from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Where: St. Anthony Parish Hall, 524 N. 7th Ave., Pocatello, Idaho

Cost: \$50 (plus fees) per couple includes lunch, snacks and materials.

Add on a "date night" at Portneuf Valley Brewery in Pocatello from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m, following the marriage retreat event.

Fr. Lustig will be on Retreat: Sept. 12-16.

St. Mary's, Soda Springs

Anniversary of Dedication of St. Mary's

Wednesday, Sept. 21st. Mass @ 6:30 PM
42nd Anniversary of the Dedication of St. Mary's Church. Dedicated on 9-21-80. Wine & Cheese social to follow!

Door to door Street Mission in Soda Springs

Father will be visiting homes of parishioners and your neighbors to spread the gospel, on Sept. 21-23. Do you want to join our mission? Do you know someone that needs a visit

from a priest in the Soda Springs area? Do you want host Father for lunch or dinner? (*Missions in Grace will be at a later time*).

Our Lady of Lourdes, Lava Hot Springs

Monthly Holy Hour & Mass

On Thursday, Sept. 20th. Holy Hour @ 5:30 PM with Confessions available, Mass to follow. Special intention is for healing of the sick in our communities under the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes

Blessed Sacrament, Montpelier

Monthly Holy Hour & Mass

Wednesday, Sept. 28th. Holy Hour @ 5:30 PM with Confessions available, Mass to follow.

St. Paul's Malad City

Saturday evening Masses

Sept. 10, 17, 24: all at 7:00 PM. In October, we are scheduled to move our Saturday evening Masses to 3:00 PM for our winter schedule. This is open for dialogue, if anyone has a better solution.

Yard Sale for St. Paul's Mission! Date TBD

Monthly Holy Hour & Mass

Friday, Oct. 7th. Holy Hour @ 3:00 PM with Confessions available, Mass to follow.

September Calendar

St. Peter's Preston

Baptism of Yaretzi Padrazo

Sept. 10th @ 12 PM

Catechism Classes Begin on Sept 11th

Meeting & Class with Parents and students for 1st Communion & Confirmation on Sept. 11th at 3:30 PM

Classes will be on most Sundays from 12:30-2:00 PM. A schedule will be issued to parents. We will also be starting a middle/high school youth group that meets one/two times a month.

Kermés, Auction, Food fair Fundraiser

Saturday, Sept. 24th. 3:00 PM-10:00 PM. At the Park in Preston next to the fairgrounds & rodeo arena.

Join the community in Preston for their annual Kermés, which is a food fair and fundraiser. Not only will there be an abundance of tacos, enchiladas, & elotes, but there will also be an auction/raffle and live music/dances.

Monthly Holy Hour & Mass

Wednesday, Oct. 5th. Holy Hour @ 6:00 PM with Confessions available, Mass to follow at 7:00 PM