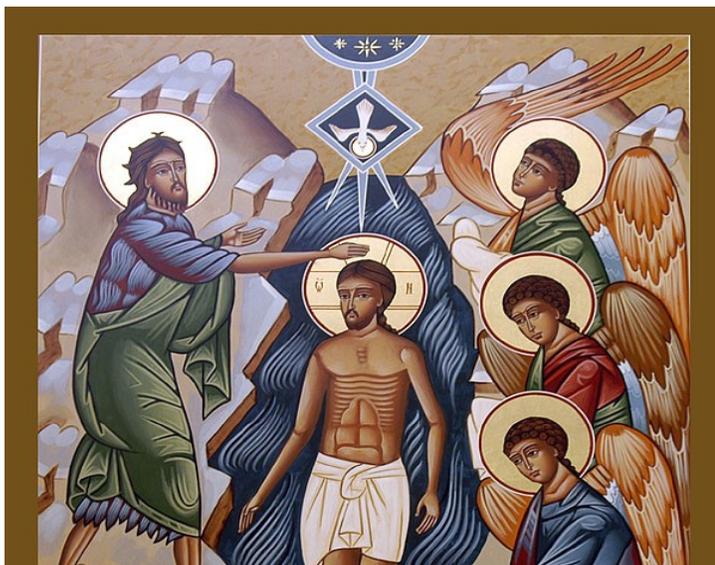


Sacred Heart Catholic Church

219 E. Rockwood Blvd.
Spokane, WA 99202

The Baptism of the Lord
January 10, 2021



Prayer In A Time of Pandemic

Heavenly Father, loving and healing God: In faith, we come before You asking for your grace, wisdom, and trust in this time of anxiety and distress.

Keep us safe and protect the most vulnerable among us with the healing hand of your Son, Jesus. Comfort those already afflicted and bless them with perseverance and hope.

Grant insight and wisdom in abundance to those who search for vaccines, generosity to those who care for the infirm, and consolation to those families who have lost a loved one.

Give us all a full measure of compassion and boundless care for the common good so that we might fully contribute to every effort to halt the further spread of this contagion. May your Holy Spirit breathe courage, commitment, and compassion into our hearts.

May we, parishioners of Sacred Heart Church, find our strength in your Son's heart, where humanity and divinity touch, and where healing is most richly found.

AMEN.

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Mass Schedules:

WEEKENDS:

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 pm

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm (in person)

Sunday: 10:00 am (livestreamed)

WEEKDAYS:

Not available while Covid-19 remains high

HOLY DAYS:

5:30 pm

Religious Education:

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

To Be Announced

Religious Education, Kindergarten to Grade 6:

To Be Announced

For livestream events, schedules, and contact persons,
visit our website:

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“Hearts on Fire!” 2021 Catholic Men’s Conference

“WHAT DO YOU HUNGER FOR?”

This year’s Hearts on Fire Catholic Men’s Conference may look different, but the goal remains the same: to connect men to Jesus. On Saturday, January 30, join this “small group” conference at a parish, at home with friends, or virtually.

Dr. John Bergsma will be streamed live from the St. Paul Center Studio, to your chosen location. Registration and additional information is available at www.dioceseofspokane.org. Cost is \$20.

2021 PARISH CALENDARS

Thank you once again to Holy Cross Funeral & Cemetery Services for providing our 2021 Parish Calendars. They are available in the vestibule of the Church with enough for one per family, please.



We also have a gift book for each parish family that we intended to mail to you, but the postage costs were too high, so they too are available in the vestibule and the parish office for you to pick up at your convenience. The book is titled, *I Heard God Laugh*, by Matthew Kelly

Funerals at Sacred Heart

During this time of pandemic, there are limitations on how we celebrate the funerals of our loved ones. Please contact Father Codd to begin the discussion of how best we can honor the memory of those who have recently died and entrust them into the loving hands of the Lord.

ON-LINE GIVING !

For those interested in making their donations to Sacred Heart digitally, we now offer this service through our parish website:

shparishspokane.org/donate



New to the Parish?

We look forward to getting to know you! Please contact our office by phone: 747-5810, e-mail: office@shparishspokane.org, or through our website: shparishspokane.org, to register.

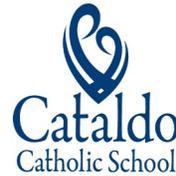
Welcome!

Religious Education News

We have exciting news to share! Starting in mid-January, our Sacramental Prep classes for 1st Communion and Confirmation, and Religious Ed classes for pre-school through 6th grade will start up again, as VIRTUAL programs! Mary Cooper, our Faith Formation Chairperson, veteran high school teacher of Theater, Stage, and English, and parent of two teen-age Cataldo alums, and her mother Darlene Wilburn, herself a veteran teacher of both Sacramental Prep and Religious Ed classes for over 50 years, have generously offered to get this program off the ground, until a permanent catechist can be found. If you are interested in having your children prepare for the sacraments in the Spring, or participate in virtual Religious Ed classes, please contact the office, by phone at (509)747-5810, by email at office@shparishspokane.org, or through our website, under the Religious Education tab.



News from Cataldo Catholic School



Cataldo Parent Club: We are on Instagram! Follow us at [Cataldo_Parent_Club](https://www.instagram.com/Cataldo_Parent_Club) to stay up-to-date with Parent Club happenings.

Volunteer Opportunities: As more students return to school for in-person learning, Cataldo School is in need of a few specific types of volunteers:

- ◆ Drop Off Health Screening
- ◆ Recess Duty
- ◆ Substitute Teacher (must have a college degree)

If you are interested in and available to help, please contact the school office at (509)624-8759.

Catholic Schools Week is coming—January 24th-30th. Watch this space for more information!

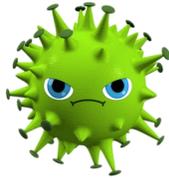
Mass Intentions This Week

- Sat., Jan 9th** +Edward Mertens Jr by Mary Conley
Sun., Jan 10th +David Akins by John Buckmaster

Our Parish Prayer Chain: Is there illness or are there special needs in your family? Our community prayer chain looks forward to praying for you! Send your request to *Judy Felgenhauer*, jfelgen@comcast.net.

Church Safety

As the Covid-19 pandemic continues to be part of our present experience and especially this winter when positive cases are rising quickly, we continue to ask all our parishioners to exercise a high level of caution when coming to our church services or visiting our parish offices.

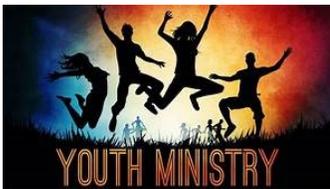


The parish offices are closed to non-essential visitors, but Aggie is in most days for the usual hours. If you need to visit the office, please ring the doorbell and once inside, please remain in the entryway; visitors are not allowed in the confined area of the offices themselves. Hand sanitizer and masks are available in the entryway.

When in church, keep masks covering fully both mouth and nose and assiduously maintain 6' social distancing. Please do NOT join in singing the hymns and acclamations. Please observe both rules both within and outside the church.

For our part, we continue to disinfect surfaces regularly including the restrooms. Air filters in the church have been upgraded to eliminate most bacteria and viruses and the outdoor air mix is now set at 50% to keep the environment within as safe as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation and care!



Sacred Heart Youth!

Our parish youth group is going strong, meeting every week over Zoom and YOU are invited to join us each Thursday evening at 6:30 pm! We welcome all 7th to 12th graders...and you are most welcome to invite your friends as well! Every week, we enjoy time for games, prayer, and learning more about our faith together.

We are ordering new Youth Group T-shirts designed by our own YG artists. There are two designs, so if you'd like one please contact us! (They are \$26 per shirt).

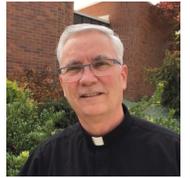
We are currently meeting by way of Zoom so please contact us so we can send you the Zoom invite. Just email us at: youthgroup@shparishspokane.org

Abby and Justin Hurtubise

Blue Envelope Fund

Thank you for your generosity in donating to our Outreach Fund! Your donations to the Blue Envelope Fund help us support our 99202 neighbors in need with their power bills, rent, and city utilities, as well as other neighborhood charities like Meals on Wheels. Blue envelopes are found in the pack of offering envelopes many of you receive by mail, or you can indicate "Blue Envelope" on your check or online donation.

A Word from Father...



Dear Friends,
Welcome to 2021!

There has been a lot of nay-saying about the past year, and not without good reason; 2020 was a year that held all kinds of unpleasanties for us all. The rough and tumble election season which seemed endless and lacking in "decorum" to put it mildly, the protests that erupted in our city streets during the summer, and the steady onslaught of the corona virus that has so disrupted our usual lifestyles and caused so much anxiety, trauma, and untimely death made 2020 a year memorable for its unusual amount of, well, STRESS!

We can only hope that this new year will bring with it healing on all fronts. And there is good reason to hope! The long-awaited vaccines are now beginning to make their way into our arms and our political and governmental systems can take a deep breath, take stock, and settle down into pursuing the common good, and especially redoubling our efforts to respond to the needs of those who too often have found themselves at the bottom of the social and economic heap and unjustly so.

But with all that said, let us not be too fierce in our disparagement of the past year. Yes, it has been a rough one, but it has also given us opportunities, if we dared take them, to extend ourselves, care more deeply for others, and live our faith in trying times. If we look beyond the surface of the previous twelve months, we can see, as people of faith always do, that God was at work, teaching us new ways to love as Jesus loves because of the new circumstances and challenges we were asked to face. This was the golden thread that our Jewish ancestors in the Old Testament always saw running through the ups and downs of their history: God NEVER abandoned them! The most difficult times were, in fact, when God was most deeply showing forth his love for his Chosen People. It is also the deepest truth in our own Christian tradition; at the heart of Jesus' story is the revelation that when darkness, injustice, and even the horror of death (death on a cross!) abound, so much more does God bring forth new light, new love, new life out of those horrors.

As we look back and look forward in these early days of 2021, let us find God's hand in all that was and trust in his presence in all that will be.

Fr. Kevin

Reconciliation

Just a reminder that Father Kevin is available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation every Saturday from 4:00—4:45 pm, in the entry area of the social hall or by appointment throughout the week.

