

St. Joseph Parish, Colbert

This Sunday, Mar 20 - Palm Sunday

New Hope Easter Basket Collection

- 8:30 am Mass
- 9:45 am Carpenters' United in Sanctuary and RE K-5
- 11:00 am Mass
- 1:00 pm First Reconciliation for 2nd Graders
- 7:00 pm Youth Group for High School youth

Monday, Mar 21

- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, Mar 22

- 8:00 am Daily Mass
- 9:15 am Nursing Home Ministry
- 7:00 pm Knights' Play Practice

Wednesday, Mar 23

- 8:00 am Daily Mass
- 10:00 am Quilt Charmers
- 6:00 pm Mid-Week Mass

Thursday, Mar 24 - Holy Thursday

- No Daily Mass*
- 12:00 pm Hope House Food Preparation
- 6:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, Mar 25 - Good Friday

- 6:00 pm Veneration of the Cross

Saturday, Mar 26 - Holy Saturday

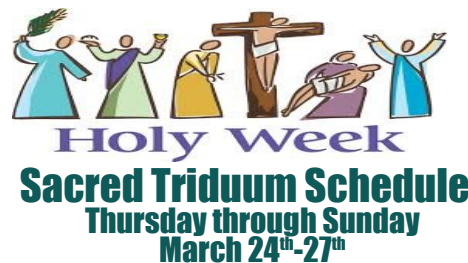
- 8:30 am Aerobics
- 7:30 pm Easter Vigil

Next Sunday, Mar 27 Easter Sunday

- 8:30 am Mass
- No Religious Education Grades K-5*
- 11:00 am Mass
- 7:00 pm Youth Group Easter Party

Rice Bowls for Catholic Relief Services

Please return your Rice Bowls no later than Sunday, April 3rd. The money collected will be sent to Catholic Relief Services in support of the wonderful work that they do around the world serving the poorest of the poor and in disaster relief. Thank you for your generosity. do around the world serving the poorest of the poor.



Holy Week
Sacred Triduum Schedule
 Thursday through Sunday
 March 24th-27th

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| Holy Thursday Mass | 6:00 PM |
| Good Friday Veneration of the Cross | 6:00 PM |
| Holy Saturday Easter Vigil | 7:30 PM |
| Easter Sunday Masses | 8:30 & 11:00 AM |

March 19-20, 2016



Knights of Columbus

Becoming a Knight of Columbus can transform your life to support your parish, give back to your community, and grow in your faith.

- Thur, Mar 31
- Thur, Apr 7
- Sun, Apr 10
- Thur, Apr 14
- Sat, Apr 16

- Officers' & Directors' Mtg at 7:00 PM
- Council Dinner Meeting at 6:30 PM
- Youth Scholarship Breakfast
- Fourth Degree Meeting at 7:00 PM
- Opening Night!!

Novena to the Divine Mercy

Beginning Friday, March 25th at 3:00 PM Fr Brian will lead us in a Novena to the Divine Mercy. Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena which would begin on **Good Friday**. He gave St. Faustina an intention to pray for on each day of the Novena (nine days). In her diary, St. Faustina wrote that Jesus told her:

"On each day of the novena you will bring to My heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy ... On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces for these souls."

A standard rosary can be used to recite the chaplet, and the entire devotion takes just 20 minutes—about the time it takes to pray the rosary. If you are unable to join Father Brian here at church each day 3:00 PM, please stop what you are doing and pray the chaplet on your own. Pick up one of the Divine Mercy cards that have the chaplet on the back. They are available all around the church.

Do You Want to Be an Altar Server?



If you are interested in becoming an altar server and serving God and God's people at Mass you may contact Frank Cresci at frankcresci2525@gmail.com or call 509-869-7924. Children who have received all of their Sacraments of Initiation and are in 4th Grade or older are eligible to be an Altar Server.

Annual Catholic Appeal

The diocese received an ACA envelope pledge from The Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes with a donation of 67 cents. Now what makes this an inspiration is the fact that it had the donor's name on the envelope and for his address he wrote HOMELESS. The highlight of this is the fact that he felt compelled to participate and to be a part of something greater than what he had. This is the true meaning of giving. As small as this donation might seem, it is the bigger picture for them. Participation is important- no matter how big or small the donation.

St Joseph Parish has a goal of **\$62,200** for the 2016 ACA. Many of you have made pledges already. To date members of our parish have pledged **\$40,970** which represents **66% of our goal**. These pledges have been made by less than **24% of our members**. If you have not already done so, please take the time to prayerfully consider a pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Thank you!!

Palm Sunday

Women's Guild Circle Meetings "Going in Circles"

The **Book Circle** of the Women's Guild met last Wednesday, and had a great discussion on *Brooklyn* by Colm Toibin. Thanks to Sue Kerschen for the great refreshments. Join the group next month on Wednesday, April 13th following the 6:00 PM Mass for a discussion of *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein. Everyone is welcome!!

The **Community Outreach Circle** will again be providing dinner for the women at Hope House. If you are interested in helping prepare the dinner on Thursday, March 24th at noon, please contact Connie Schmidt at 951-5623.

The **Community Outreach Circle** will meet on Monday, April 11th at 7:00 PM in St Clare's Room. Hope to see you there!!

If you are interested in the Women's Guild, please contact Patt Perlman at 464-1497.

Formed.org

We are excited to announce that our parish has subscribed to a dynamic new online resource called FORMED. Every parishioner has 24/7 access to the best Catholic content on any device, including your computer, smartphone, or tablet with internet access. With FORMED you will find video programs that explain the Catholic faith, explore the deepest meaning of marriage, receive Bible studies on a variety of topics, and includes inspiring audio talks. It is like Netflix for Catholics!! You can access FORMED at FORMED.org, then scroll to the bottom of the page and enter our parish access code in the box entitled "Does your parish already have FORMED?" Our access code is J642V2. You will need to register by setting up a user name and password. From there you will have free access to all the resources on the site including movies, books, programs, and audio recordings. There are resources for adults, children, and youth. If you have questions you can call Davida at 466-4991.

Life Line Screening Event

Following the success of last summer's Life Line Screening, we are pleased to again offer a preventive health event. Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings here on **Friday, April 8th**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes four vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149. All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount on any package, please call **1-888-653-6441** or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.



Youth Ministry Corner

The Youth Ministry program here at St Joseph Parish welcomes any Middle School or High School student to join us for our group meetings. The Youth Group (High School) meets on Sunday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Altius (Middle School) meets on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. Join us!!

High School Youth Group

- Sundays @7 PM
- Sun, Mar 20: *A Crown of Thorns, A Crown of Glory*
- Sun, Mar 27: Easter Party

Altius - Middle School

- Wednesdays @7 PM
- Wed, Mar 23: No Altius due to Holy Week
- Wed, Mar 30: Easter Party

For more information about Youth Group, please contact our Youth Minister, Josh Haxton at 466-4991.

Inland Northwest Blood Center Blood Drive

Fun Facts about Blood Donation: Someone needs blood every two seconds; there are 43,000 pints of blood needed each day in the United States; every unit of blood collected can save as many as three lives; there is no substitute for human blood! Mark your calendars NOW for the upcoming Blood Drive on Sunday, April 10th. The Knights of Columbus and Colbert Presbyterian Church have partnered again to bring this blood drive to our neighborhood. The Inland Northwest Blood Center will be at Colbert Presbyterian on that day from 9:00 AM until 12:00 PM collecting blood.

How Does Your Garden Grow??

The Fellowship Circle of the Women's Guild is pleased to announce that Phyllis Stephens, the KXLY Radio and TV gardening expert will be coming to St Joseph on Tuesday April 5th. Mrs. Stephens, a Master Gardener and the former gardening columnist for the Spokesman Review will be here to help us get our gardens ready for yet another year of beautiful blooms. So grab your friends, mark your calendar, bring your gardening questions, and sit back and enjoy an amazing evening of planning for another great summer of beautiful and prosperous gardens. The fun will begin at 7:00 PM in the Dining Room. Light refreshments will be served.

Diocesan Demographic Study

Bishop Thomas Daly is endorsing a qualitative and demographic study to be conducted in the Diocese of Spokane for our Catholic Schools. This will help the Bishop establish a clear vision on how to strengthen the Catholic schools in our diocese. With your help we can gather valuable information. Please take a couple of minutes and go to this link today and take the short 8 question anonymous survey. Thank you for your assistance with this important diocesan study.



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