

St. Joseph Parish, Colbert

This Sunday, Sept 4

Food Sunday
Religious Ed Registration
8:30 am Mass
11:00 am Mass

Monday, Sept 5 Labor Day Holiday

Parish Office Closed
7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, Sept 6

Fr Brian Presbyteral Assembly
8:00 am Communion Service
9:15 am Nursing Home Ministry

Wednesday, Sept 7

Fr Brian Presbyteral Assembly
8:00 am Communion Service
10:00 am Quilt Charmers

Thursday, Sept 8

Fr Brian Presbyteral Assembly
8:00 am Communion Service
6:30 pm Knights' Fourth Degree Meeting

Friday, Sept 9

9:00 am Daily Mass
9:30 am Share the Word
9:30 am SJFS

Saturday, Sept 10

Knights' Informational
RE Registration
Coats For Kids Collection
8:30 am Aerobics
4:30 pm Reconciliation
5:30 pm Blue Mass

Next Sunday, Sept 11

Knights' Informational
Coats For Kids Collection
8:30 am Blue Mass
9:55 am Religious Ed Classes Grade Pre-5
11:00 am Blue Mass

Daily Mass

Fr. Brian, along with all the Diocesan priests, will be in Moscow, ID this week for their annual Presbyteral Assembly. Deacon Pat will lead Communion Services on Sept 6-8, at 8:00 AM in lieu of Daily Mass.

Regular Office Hours

The parish office is closed on Monday, Sept 5th for Labor Day. We will resume normal hours after Labor Day. We will be open Mon-Thurs 9:00 AM to noon and 1:00 to 4:00 PM.

Safe Environment Annual Update

Emails have been sent to all active volunteers with your username and password to access the online training for Safe Environment. If you have not received an email, please call Davida at 466-4991 to get the information you need.

September 3-4, 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. Contact Grand Knight Mike Kerschen at 991-6633 for more information.

Thurs, Sept 8
Sept 10-11
Thurs, Sept 15
Sun, Sept 18
Thurs, Sept 29

Fourth Degree Meeting at 6:30 PM
Information Meeting after each Mass
First Degree Exemplification
Coats 4 Kids Breakfast after 8:30 Mass
Officer & Directors Meeting at 7:00 pm

The Opus of the Laity

What is the role of the laity in the Church? What is its function in the Body of Christ? What "creative work" does Holy Mother Church expect from her children?



On Saturday, September 17th from 10:00 AM until noon, Deacon Jim Kestell will examine key documents from the Second Vatican Council. Documents which, when woven together, create the beautiful tapestry that is the Opus of the Laity. Everyone is invited and welcome!



Oktoberfest

Tickets will be available after the Masses beginning Sept 10th. Our annual Oktoberfest celebration, hosted by the Fellowship and Hospitality Circles of the Women's Guild is Saturday October 8th after the 5:30 PM Mass. Once again we will be featuring a full German Menu, beer garden and entertainment! Hope to see you there!

BINGO & Potluck Luncheon

On Tuesday, September 13th the seniors of the parish will start up their monthly BINGO party and Potluck Luncheon. The fun begins at noon with lunch and will be followed by an afternoon of BINGO. Bring a dish to share and get ready to have some fun. **NOTE: We are in need of a new coordinator (or two) for this program. If you are interested, please contact the parish office at 466-4991.**



Annual Coats for Kids Collection

The weekends of September 10th-11th and 17th-18th, the Knights of Columbus will be collecting new and gently used winter coats. The Coats for Kids Breakfast will be held on Sunday, Sept. 18th, following both Masses to collect money to purchase new coats. The coats will be distributed to New Hope Resource Center and other local organizations. Please plan on attending the Knights' fine breakfasts, they are always delicious and a fun parish community event!



Twenty-Second Sunday Ordinary Time

Women's Guild Circle Meetings "Going in Circles"

Join the **Health and Fitness Circle** each Saturday morning at 8:30 AM for a fun and lively aerobic exercise session.

The **Craft and Hobby Circle** will meet Sat, Sept. 13th at 10:00 AM. They will be working on crafts for the Christmas Bazaar.

For September the **Book Circle** has chosen *Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Barrows and Shaffer. The discussion of that book will take place on Wed, September 14th at 7:00 PM.

If you are interested in the Women's Guild, please contact either Sue Kerschen at 464-2984 or Denise Pilgeram at 238-6940.



Blue Mass

TO HONOR THE WORK OF ALL PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL

Please join us September 10th or 11th, at the 5:30 PM Vigil on Saturday, 8:30 AM, or 11:00 AM on Sunday. We will be celebrating a Blue Mass to honor the work of all public safety personnel.

This special Mass can be celebrated annually in honor of those who serve our country, state, and local municipalities, i.e. military, law enforcement, firefighters, EMT, and other first responders; including all who have fallen in the line of duty. All of our safety personnel are invited to attend in uniform this year for a special blessing thanking them for your service.

Preschool through 5th Grade

Elementary Religious Education gets underway September 11th from 9:55 AM to 10:55 AM. Your catechists are busy planning the year, and are anxiously awaiting your children.

This year Josh Haxton, our Director of Youth Ministry, will be assuming the responsibilities of Director of Faith Formation, which includes coordinating the elementary religious education program. Should you need anything or have any questions, you can reach him at his email address, or by calling the office. He will be making the time between the Masses on Sunday a special time dedicated to being available to parents and catechists.

We are offering the following classes:

- Preschool, for ages 4 and 5
- Kindergarten and 1st Grade Combo Class
- 2nd Grade Sacramental Prep Class
- 3rd Grade Class
- 4th Grade Class
- 5th Grade Class

Please register your children online or in the office. If you have any questions please call the office at 466-4991 or email us at admin@stjosephcolbert.org.



Dive In!



Do you find yourself questioning if God is real?

Do you wonder if he listens to you when you pray?

Do you want to have a deeper relationship with God?

Do you seek the truth?

The Youth Ministry Programs are designed to help you answer these questions and more.

Come and find God's purpose for you, discover how to pray, find the answers you have been looking for. Check out the table in the gathering space of the church for more information.

•Sixth through 8th graders can enroll in the Altius Middle School program, held on Wednesdays, starting September 28th from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. There will be an Altius Kick-Off Event Sunday, September 24th for youth and their parents.

•Ninth through 12th Graders will register for Youth Group Nights, held on Sundays, starting September. 25th from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. There will be a parent orientation meeting Sunday, September 11th at 9:30 PM in the Youth room.

Register online at www.stjosephcolbert.org

Attend at the Altar of God

KEEP CALM AND BECOME ALTAR SERVER!

"The closer you are to the altar the more you will remember to speak with Jesus in daily prayer...be nourished by the word and the body of the Lord... to go out to others, bringing them the gift that you have received... giving with enthusiasm the joy you have received." - Pope Francis

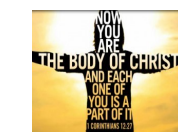
Discover the joy of serving at the altar by joining our Altar Server program; the Attendants of St. Joseph Parish.

If you would like to belong to the most elite group of servers in the Diocese, and work your way up in rank from an Apprentice who wears an alb and cincture, all the way up to Assistant Master of Ceremonies wearing a cassock and surplice, then be sure to check out the Youth Ministry table in the gathering space.



Ministry Fair

On September 24th and 25th, we will be having a Ministry Fair. Tables and sign-up sheets for each ministry and committee will be in St. Francis after all Masses. There are many talented parishioners in our parish who would like to participate in the life of the parish. A representative from each ministry will be available to answer your questions. Please take the first step and join us!



Ministry and Committee leaders, please contact Sue Kerschen at 464-2984, or the parish office at 466-4991, to confirm your "booth" and availability.