

St. Joseph Parish, Colbert

This Sunday, July 24

8:30 am Mass (Gregory Morrow)
11:00 am Mass

Monday, July 25

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, July 26

8:00 am Daily Mass (Chris Fischer)
9:30 am Avalon Nursing Home Mass
10:30 am Northpointe Nursing Home Mass

Wednesday, July 27

8:00 am Daily Mass (Wendy Pearson)
10:00 am Quilt Charmers

Thursday, July 28

8:00 am Daily Mass (Ken Carrigan)
12:00 pm Hope House Food Prep

Friday, July 29

9:00 am Daily Mass (Jeanne Akers)
9:30 am Share the Word

Saturday, July 30

8:30 am Aerobics
4:30 pm Reconciliation
5:30 pm Mass

Next Sunday, July 31

8:30 am Mass
11:00 am Mass

Listen for Deacon Pat on the Radio

Our very own Deacon Pat Bradley was asked by Positive Life Radio to record the "Good News Bible Verses" that will play each day beginning the middle of July and going until the end of the month. Tune into 104.9 FM and listen for Deacon Pat.

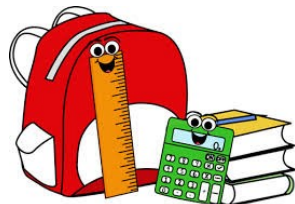
By the way, let us know if you hear him, what time and day. He wants to get an idea how famous he is!!

School Supplies for New Hope

Summer may still be upon us, but at New Hope they are already planning for school supply distribution. There are a number of ways you can help:

- Donate school supplies. Check the parish website for a complete list of needed supplies.
- Volunteer at New Hope to help clients select school supplies. Call or text Jeanna at 509-251-1427 for dates and times.
- Provide cookies or juice for clients to snack on while they wait.
- Donate an instrument to the instrument loan program for band/orchestra students.

Thank you in advance for your continued support of New Hope and their programs.



July 23-24, 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.

Sprague Lake Rest Stop

Over the past couple of weekends, our Knights of Columbus and their wives have been distributing coffee, cookies, and lemonade to travelers on I-90 at the Sprague Lake rest stop. Each July the Knights of Columbus sponsor this community service activity. Most everyone who takes cookies gives a cash donation which is used to help fund other Knights' activities. This project is only successful because of the dedication of many bakers! More than **500 dozen** cookies were donated! Nice job everyone!!

The family of Jerry McCoy wants to express their heartfelt appreciation to everyone who generously supported them during Jerry's illness and most recently his funeral and luncheon. Your support has made this difficult time easier. God bless you all!

19th Annual Inland Northwest Catholic Men's Retreat

This year's retreat will provide teaching, spiritual content, counseling, and fellowship. Mass will be celebrated each day and there will be opportunities for Reconciliation and Adoration. Join men from all across our region for a weekend retreat at Camp N-Sid-Sen on the east shore of Lake Coeur d'Alene on Friday, October 21st through Sunday, October 23rd. The early bird registration fee is only \$105 for the retreat, food, and lodging. You can find a registration form at www.stpiusca.org. For more information you can also call Mike Anderson at 208-664-1498.

Volunteers Needed for Parish Committees

After much discussion, the Parish Council has decided to form two new committees to address particular needs of the parish. The new **Liturgy Committee** will look at ways to provide the best liturgical experience possible here at St Joseph. The Council would especially like members who are also Extraordinary Ministers, Sacristans, Deacons, Musicians, and Ushers. It is expected that this group will meet once a month. The Council has also created a **Maintenance Committee** that will identify and schedule maintenance projects for both the building and the grounds. If you are interested in serving on either of these committees please contact a member of the Parish Council, listed on the front of the parish bulletin.

Save the Date!
Sunday, August 21st
5:30 to 8:00 PM



Join us on the grounds of Colbert Presbyterian Church for a free concert to benefit New Hope Resource Center. There will be food for purchase, a silent auction, raffle items, and great music by "Just in Time." Hope to see you there!!

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Women's Guild Circle Meetings "Going in Circles"

The **Book Circle** will meet again on **Wednesday, August 24th** at 7:00 PM. The book they have chosen is *When Breath Becomes Air* by Paul Kalanithi. FYI: 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.

The **Community Outreach Circle** will again be preparing a meal for the women at Hope House in downtown Spokane on **Thursday, July 28th beginning at 12:00 PM**. If you would like to help in the kitchen or contribute some of the groceries, please contact Connie Schmidt at 951-5623.

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

Earn Money for New Hope Resource Center

Do you already have a Fred Meyer rewards card? Using your card can benefit New Hope without affecting your personal rewards. Simply go to www.fredmeyer.com, click on the Rewards tab, then on the Community Rewards tab, then on Link Your Reward Card Now. Follow the onscreen instructions from there, choosing New Hope Resource Center as the organization.

Shopping at Safeway, Albertson's, and Yoke's can also generate money for New Hope. Go to www.escrip.com. Begin by signing up on the left hand side of the screen. Follow the steps, choosing New Hope Resource Center as the organization. You may use your store rewards cards or your phone numbers. You will need to this for each store.

You can monitor your eScrip activity through the website. By downloading an application it is possible to have money donated from online purchases at other retailers as well. Begin this process at www.escrip.com. If you shop online for home or business please consider registering. It all adds up!!

Finally, if you use Amazon, instead of going to amazon.com, go to smile.amazon.com. From there you can select New Hope Resource Center as your charity and a percentage of each purchase will be electronically sent to New Hope each time you purchase.

Thank you for your ongoing support of New Hope!!



Safe Environment Annual Update

Each summer we begin the process of updating all of our Safe Environment information. This is the mechanism that the diocese has put in place to ensure that all those who work with children and young people in our parish have been properly trained in order to safeguard our most vulnerable members. If you are currently one of our many volunteers who work with children, youth, or vulnerable adults and have completed your Safe Environment training in the past, it is now time to do your annual update. You will be receiving an email from Davida that will walk you through the process. The email will include your password and a link for you to follow online. When you receive this email please take a few minutes (like 10!!) to take the online test. Thank you in advance for your help!

Youth Group Corner

Thank You!!

The Youth Ministry team would like to thank you all for the great turnout at our three movie nights. The response has been so positive that we will continue them next summer with more movie nights, more spread out over the summer.

New Youth Ministry Programs

For those of you who missed the parent meeting last Sunday, you can access a video posted on the Youth Ministry website explaining the new Youth Ministry programs. We will be having another parent meeting before the school year begins. Stay tuned!

High School Bonfires

Mark your calendars now for the High School Bonfire set for Friday, August 12th. This is a great chance for high school youth to gather during the summer to enjoy fellowship and s'mores!! Be there!!



For more information about Youth Ministry at St Joseph Parish, please contact Joshua Haxton at 466-4991.

Josh's Absence

My friends, may the God of peace and love fill your lives with his abundant blessings!

Your support for me has been a tremendous source of encouragement. It is a testament to the kind of community we have at St Joseph where we are concerned for our fellow parishioners; a true sign of the kind of love we as Christians are called to. I truly believe that I am doing as well as I am because of your prayers, my friends in Christ.

I have one more procedure to endure, which I hope will be the last for a while. They found a tumor on my right kidney. They are unsure if it cancerous or not, but seeing as how my kidneys don't work anyway, we have decided to remove it. This Thursday I underwent surgery to remove my right kidney. I have been quite nervous for this operation, but I am reassured by the prayers I know are being offered for me.

I am planning on recovering for about a month, but I am hopeful it will be less. However, I will be absent again for at least a few weeks. I will miss you all terribly, and will want to return to celebrate the Eucharist with you all as soon as I can. In the meantime, I will continue to plan and work, as much as I can, on next year's programs. I plan to hit the ground running when I return in August, ready to launch into the new year's craziness!

I will be offering up any discomfort or pain I may experience for you all, my community. I will also be offering it up in a special way for a member of my youth program, Gregory Morrow. His indomitable spirit is an inspiration to me, as I am sure it is to many of you as well.

Be well my friends, and be assured of my prayers for you all, always.

In the peace of Christ,

Your brother in the Lord,

—Josh