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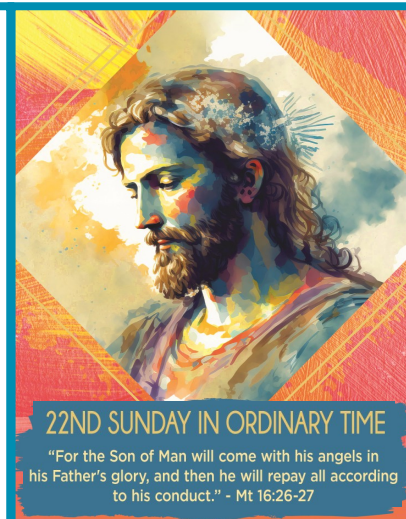
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Parish Community Center (PCC) Coordinator	Presently Unstaffed	

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6th to 8th Grades/Edge	Danielle May	528-9780
9th to 12th Grades/Life Teen	Jennifer Moore	492-6209
	& Joe Bliss	216-402-3118
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Confirmation	Deacon Mike & Carol Gaulke	551-7626
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults	Joe & Sherry Schroeder	405-2242

Ministers of Music:

4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass	Julianne Barnaby	735-2163
9:30 a.m. Mass	Paula Bachelor	375-9019
5:00 p.m. Mass	Perry Kelly	735-8558
Children's Choir	Presently Unstaffed	735-8558

Ministries of Worship:

Scheduler for Liturgical Ministers	Trish Feeney	551-0486
Eucharistic Adoration	Liz Friedrich	783-6223
Prayer Line	Adele Ogryzek	627-0201
Altar Server Training	Zack Rinderer	582-2543

Parish Ministries:

Mary Martha Prayer Group	Camille Henneberry	735-4858
Welcoming Committee	Jan Beardemphl	948-3367
PCC Nursery	Wynona Vaz	222-8982
Ministry to Sick and Shut-Ins	Deacon Eric Shaber & Charlotte Shaber	208-521-7846
Bible Study	Judy Turner	438-7938
Women's Group	Linda Rego	221-1130
Elizabeth Ministry	Catherine Maier	771-2372
Weekend Mass Refreshments	Judy Urrutia	438-5039

Councils and Committees:

Parish Council	Jim Carey	627-0321
Finance Council	Bob Baemmert	531-2085
Stewardship	Lenice & Pat Nagle	582-6893
Evangelization	Presently Vacant	
Voice of the Spirit	Dieter Bohrmann	987-3158
Parish Library	Ann Stevens	396-2723

Charter Organizations:

Catholic Daughters	Ann Garcia	579-2361
Knights of Columbus	Bernie Ip	551-0738
St. Vincent de Paul	Message Line	591-0632
American Heritage Girls	Erin Leistritz	406-579-1891

Natural Family Planning:

Carol Gaulke	619-5464
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AUGUST 30, 2026

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 9:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses:

Monday: 9:00 a.m.
 Tuesday: **5:30 p.m.**
 Wednesday through Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday: 4:15 - 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 3:00 - 4:15 p.m.

Please visit our Holy Spirit Facebook page to join livestream events:

<https://www.facebook.com/HolySpiritParishCommunity>

Office Hours: Monday through Friday

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and
 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The Sacrament of Baptism

Babies and young children are usually baptized during Mass on Saturday or Sunday, or on Saturday before 12:00 p.m. Call the parish office for a list of upcoming Baptism dates and to receive registration information for pre-Baptism classes. (735-8558)



Holy Matrimony

On Being Married at Holy Spirit ...

Engaged couples who wish to be married at Holy Spirit Parish are asked to contact the parish office at least nine months prior to their desired wedding date. The couple and the priest will then meet to begin the Marriage preparation program. (735-8558)

Deaths

What should I do when there is a death in my family? Please call the parish office and speak with the office staff and the pastor before making arrangements with the funeral home, to ensure that the church is available at the desired date and time. (735-8558)

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 30, 2026

Calendar for the Week: (Note: PCC = Parish Community Center)

Sunday, August 30:

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass in the church at 9:30 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Sacrament of Reconciliation, PCC room 9, 3:00 - 4:15 p.m.

Mass in the church at 5:00 p.m.



Monday, August 31:

Weekday

Mass in the church at 9:00 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Tuesday, September 1:

Weekday

Holy Spirit Mommy and Me, PCC nursery, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation, CHURCH, 4:15 - 5:00 p.m.

Mass in the church at 5:30 p.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Knights of Columbus Council 10653 officers, PCC room 9, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 2:

Weekday

Mass in the church at 9:00 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Mary Martha Prayer Group, PCC room 5, 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 3:

Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Mass in the church at 9:00 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

St. Vincent de Paul, PCC room 7, 10:00 a.m.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults, PCC room 7, 7:00 p.m. A

American Heritage Girls parent meeting, PCC hall, 6:45 p.m.

Celebration Choir, church, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, September 4:

Weekday

Mass in the church at 9:00 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 9:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., in the vestibule. Concludes with *Prayers for Priestly Vocations* and *Prayers for Peace* at 4:30 p.m. and the *Rite of Benediction* at 4:45 p.m.

Saturday, September 5:

Weekday

Saint Teresa of Calcutta
Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday Vigil Mass in the church at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 6:

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass in the church at 9:30 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Prayer Angels for Peace, PCC hall, 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation, PCC room 9, 3:00 - 4:15 p.m.

Mass in the church at 5:00 p.m.



STEWARDSHIP: In today's reading, St. Paul exhorts the Romans to total stewardship. Brothers and sisters, he urges, "... offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God."

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Thank You

Thank you to all who volunteered in the ice cream booth at the Water Follies and the Benton Franklin County Fair this year. We had a lot of fun and sold a lot of ice cream to benefit our Knights of Columbus' charitable work in our parish and throughout our community.

HERE'S THE SCOOP!



The Knights of Columbus will be hosting Ice Cream Socials after all Masses next weekend, September 5-6. Plan to join us for fellowship and a sweet treat, totally free! Like in past years, cups and cones will be available.



Church Mission Congress 2026
Saturday, October 10, 2026
at La Salle High School in Union Gap



This year marks 75 years of faith, service, and evangelization in the Diocese of Yakima. The theme of the Church Mission Congress this year is *Youth with a Mission: A 75-Year Legacy for the Diocese of Yakima*. The purpose of the Mission Congress is to provide vision and leadership for those serving in the Church and to deepen our shared commitment to proclaiming the Gospel. As participants, we are encouraged to grow in knowledge of our faith, strengthen our ministry skills, and actively participate in the life of the Church through service to others.

Visit yakimadiocese.org or use the QR code to learn more and to register.



When traveling, visit www.masstimes.org to find Mass and Reconciliation schedules and church locations worldwide.

The Benton County Jail Chaplain's office welcomes donations of clothing, shoes, and socks for men and women, and white boxer shorts for men. Please bring your donations directly to the window in the front lobby at the Benton County Jail, 7122 West Okanogan Boulevard, Building B, in Kennewick. The lobby is open Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Here at Holy Spirit, our Jail Ministry will collect toiletry bags. Please fill a ziplock bag with **only** soap, deodorant, toothbrush and toothpaste. These filled bags can be placed in the box next to the Food Bank box in the hallway near the church kitchen.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

All dates are tentative.

Monday	August 31	Fr. Michael Brzezowski
Tuesday	September 1, 5:30 p.m.	Paul Stein RIP
Wednesday	September 2	Larry Cleveland RIP
Thursday	September 3	Peter & Lorna Dreisbach
Friday	September 4	Rita Bensch RIP
Saturday	September 5 4:00 p.m.	David Johns RIP
Sunday	September 6, 5:00 p.m.	Antonia Jiminez & Alphonse Carrillo

The Sunday morning Mass is normally offered for the people of the parish.

To have your need added to our parish prayer phone chain, please call Adele Ogryzek at 627-0201.

To have your need added to the list which is published in the bulletin once each month, please call the parish office.



This weekend, we take up a second collection for our St. Vincent de Paul Conference. This month, we met a homeless lady whose circumstances prevented her from staying at the Union Gospel Mission. We helped her with gas and food, and gave her a housing resources list. We meet the first and third Thursdays each month at 10:00 a.m. in PCC room 7. If you feel called to help the poor, please stop in.

St. Vincent de Paul was born April 24, 1581, in a village of southwest France now known as the village of "Saint Vincent de Paul."

ULTREYA

The September Ultreya of the Cursillo movement will be held **Monday, September 14th** (the first Monday, September 7, is Labor Day) at Christ the King in Richland. We'll begin by praying the Rosary at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel, with the meeting starting at 7:00 p.m. in the multi-purpose room. Please come, and invite your friends to join us to renew our commitment to evangelizing our environment.



AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS: We are inviting girls interested in fun, service and faith! Any girls 5-18 years old are encouraged to join our fun loving troop. We focus on outdoor (and indoor) adventures, learning skills to serve our community, and growing in our Catholic identity. Contact Erin Leistritz by email at erin.leistritz@gmail.com for more information, and plan to come to our parent meeting on **Thursday, September 3 at 6:45 p.m.** in the PCC hall. Childcare is provided for the parent meeting.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

OCIA classes continue on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in room 7 of the PCC. Entrance is through the door across from the church near First Avenue.

While OCIA is our process for bringing adults into full communion with the Catholic Church, it is much more. OCIA begins with an 8-week "Inquiry" period, a time when anyone that is simply curious or has questions about Catholicism is welcome to attend. OCIA meetings will continue on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. through April with time off for holidays. If Thursdays do not work in your schedule, please contact our directors, Joe and Sherry Schroeder at 509-405-2242.

If anyone is interested in joining the OCIA team, please contact Joe and Sherry. You need not be a theologian, just someone that loves Christ and His Church.



School is starting soon and here at the Parish of the Holy Spirit we are getting ready for our Religious Education classes as well! Registration forms were emailed to those who attended our classes last year. If you did not receive one, please look on the table in the vestibule, download one online at www.holyspiritkennewick.org or come into the office and pick one up. **Please register by Tuesday, September 1st** so that we can be prepared for your child to participate in our classes. Thank you!

Elementary School:

Preschool (age 4-5) through Grade 5 - Tuesdays 4:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. starting September 15th

Middle School:

Edge - Sundays following the 5:00 p.m. Mass through 8:00 p.m. starting September 20th with a Parent Meeting and fun night for the kids

High School:

LifeTeen - Sundays following the 5:00 p.m. Mass through 8:00 p.m. starting September 20th

** Dinner is provided after 5:00 p.m. Mass before Edge and LifeTeen!*

** Parents are requested to sign up to help serve dinner at least twice during the year.*

Looking for your child to receive the **sacraments** like First Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation?

Our sacrament preparation program is **two years long** so that each student first has a year of regular religious education, followed by a year of focused sacrament preparation (in addition to the regular classes). This is consistent with the *Sacramental Preparation Policies* of the Diocese of Yakima.

For parents of 8th grades students who would like to receive **Confirmation** this year please attend the Parent Meeting on September 13th at 2:00 p.m. in the PCC hall.



We are also looking for **volunteers** to help with our youth programs. No experience is needed, just a set of willing hands, a willing heart, and a willing spirit to share your time, talents and faith with our parish's children and youth.

Any questions, please contact Karen Gorham at the parish office (509) 735-8558 or at karen@holyspiritkennewick.org.



Holy Spirit Women's Group Presents
Treasure Boutique Sale
Thursday and Friday, September 10-11, 2026



Donations now being accepted:

1. **GOOD CLOTHING** for all ages (Pants, slacks, shirts, blouses, sweaters, skirts, dresses, coats, jackets, snowsuits, jumpers, etc.)
2. **FASHION ACCESSORIES** (purses, hats, shoes, scarves, neckties, belts, suits, jewelry, vintage clothing and Halloween costumes)
3. **HOUSEHOLD LINENS** (tablecloths, napkins, towels, blankets, duvet, quilts, fashion pillows, doilies, kitchen towels, washcloths, etc.)
4. **TOYS AND GAMES** (clean dolls, stuffed animals, board games, puzzles)
5. **HOLIDAY DÉCOR** (Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas décor, but **NO TREES**)

Please call or text Linda Rego at 253-370-6368 for questions about how or what to donate.
Proceeds allow us to provide funeral luncheons. Thank you for help and your donations.



MASS OF INSTALLATION AS PASTOR
REV. FR. MICHAEL KELLY

Sunday, September 20, 2026

Holy Family Catholic Church: 9:00 a.m. (English)
5315 Tieton Drive | Yakima, WA 98908

St. Juan Diego Catholic Church: 11:30 a.m. (Spanish)
15800 Summitview Rd | Cowiche, WA 98923

Presided by
Most Rev. Joseph J. Tyson

Bishop of Yakima

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I Just Told You!

MIGUEL DULICK

Would it surprise you to know that Jesus uses the same Greek verb to chase Peter away—“Get behind me, Satan!” (Matthew 16:23) that he used to call him in the first place—“Come after me” (Matthew 4:19)? Pity the translator who must assign opposite meanings to the same word! Jesus changed Simon’s name to Peter when he called him, and now he changes it to Satan for his demotion. But, as harsh as the rebuke is, maybe we could say Jesus does want Peter behind him, but not *too* far behind. In fact, immediately after dealing with Peter, Jesus issues a general call, using the same “trigger” word: “Whoever wishes to *come after* me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.”

The cross! That’s how the controversy started, when Peter “took Jesus aside” (literally, “collared” him) to forbid even the thought of any passion or any cross. (See Matthew 16:22.)

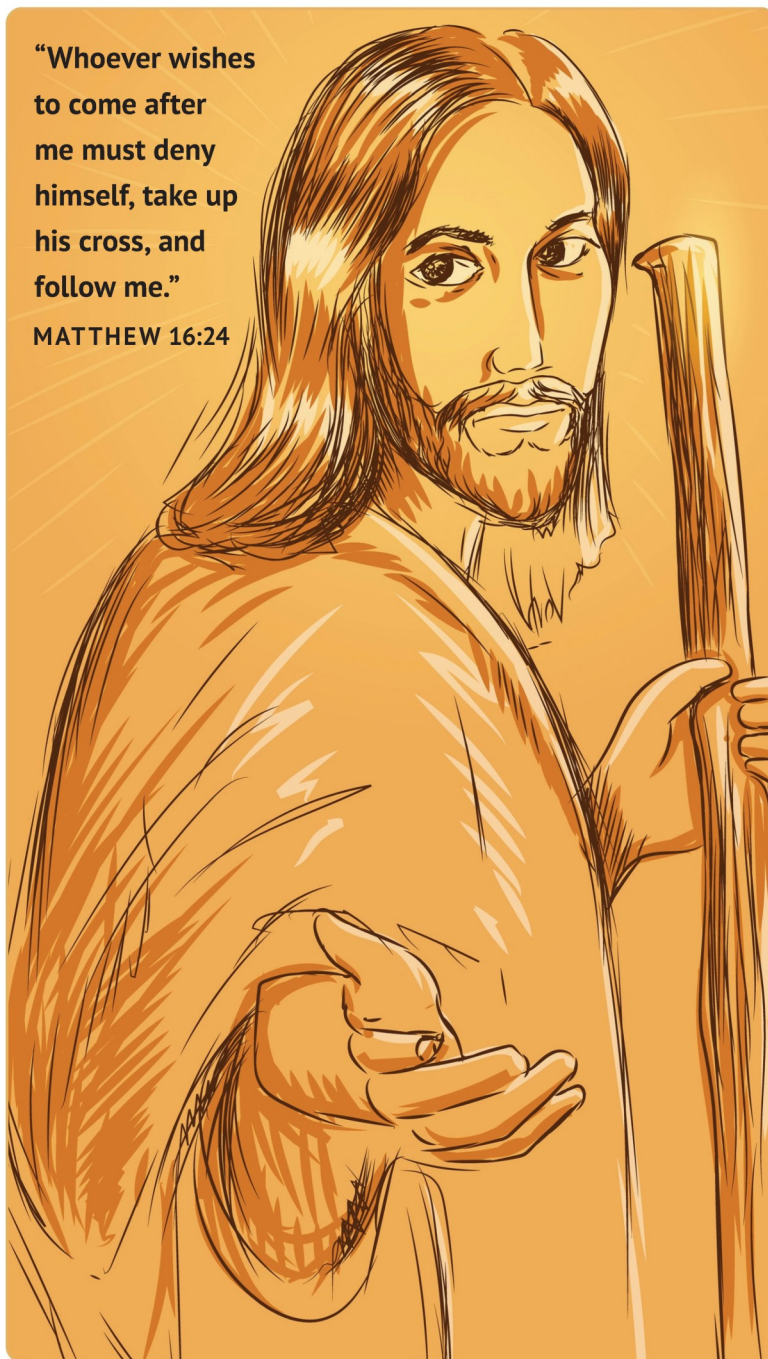
How am I tempted as Peter was to avoid any talk of a cross? I don’t even want to admit I’m a sinner, much less that there is a cross for me. Paul, in his letter to the Romans, has some advice for all of us who think like Satan: “Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God,” and “Do not conform yourself to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God” (Romans 12:1–2). Everything for Jesus. ●



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**“Whoever wishes
to come after
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his cross, and
follow me.”**

MATTHEW 16:24



Reflect

What cross are you carrying? Can you unite it with Jesus’ cross and offer it as prayer?

Dear Padre,

Are we required to disobey or break an evil law?

According to St. Thomas Aquinas, a just law has four characteristics. It must be (1) an ordinance of reason, (2) for the common good, (3) properly promulgated, and (4) by a legitimate authority. According to St. Augustine, evil is a lack of something that should be there. When applied to law, if one of the four characteristics is missing, the law lacks something that should be there, and thus is evil. An unjust law, in other words, is an evil law. As Christians, we are generally encouraged to obey the laws of the state. As the Apostle Paul states, “Let every person be subordinate to the higher authorities, for there is no authority except from God” (Romans 13:1). At the same time, we also have the responsibility of forming our consciences according to God’s revelation in Scripture and Tradition as interpreted by the divinely ordained teaching authority of the Church. Although we are not bound to follow an unjust law, the degree to which we should actively disobey it depends on the level of evil the law promotes. Because of its serious nature, a law promoting abortion, for example, should be actively resisted through peaceful protests and appropriate legal and civil activism. Laws that promote lesser evils need to be carefully evaluated by Church authorities and our own well-informed consciences. ●



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Fr. Dennis J. Billy, CSsR / DearPadre.org

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

War is back in vogue, and a zeal for war is spreading. The principle established after the Second World



War, which prohibited nations from using force to violate the borders of others, has been completely undermined. Peace is no longer sought as a gift and a desirable good in itself... Instead, peace is sought through weapons as a condition for asserting one's own dominion.

ADDRESS TO DIPLOMATIC CORE, ROME, JANUARY 9, 2026

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Monday

August 31
Weekday
1 Cor 2:1–5
Lk 4:16–30

Tuesday

September 1
Weekday
1 Cor 2:10b–16
Lk 4:31–37

Wednesday

September 2
Weekday
1 Cor 3:1–9
Lk 4:38–44

Thursday

September 3
St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
1 Cor 3:18–23
Lk 5:1–11

Friday

September 4
Weekday
1 Cor 4:1–5
Lk 5:33–39

Saturday

September 5
Weekday
1 Cor 4:6b–15
Lk 6:1–5

Sunday

September 6
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ez 33:7–9
Rom 13:8–10
Mt 18:15–20



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