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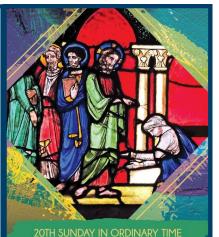
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The woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." - Mt 15:25

AUGUST 20, 2023

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. or by appointment.

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 at 2:00 p.m. Call the parish office for a list of upcoming Baptism dates and to receive registration information for pre-Baptism classes. (735-8558)



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)

Parish Staff:			
Bookkeeper	Philline Go	735-8558	
Secretary	Debbie Forgette	735-8558	
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	Michele Umemoto	735-1743	
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	& Jennifer Moore email: <u>lifeteenh</u>	492-6209	
Confirmation Deacon N	Aike and Carol Gaulke	551-7626	
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults			
	and Sherry Schroeder	405-2242	
Ministers of Music:			
4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass	Julianne Barnaby	735-2163	
9:30 a.m. Mass	Jean McDonald	586-1784	
5:00 p.m. Mass	Perry Kelly	735-8558	
Children's Choir	Paula Bachelor	375-9019	
Ministries of Worship:			
Scheduler for Liturgical M	1inisters Trish Feeney	551-0486	
Eucharistic Adoration	Liz Friedrich	783-6223	
Prayer Line	Adele Ogryzek	627-0201	
Altar Server Training	Zack Rinderer	582-2543	
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Mary Martha Prayer Group	Camille Henneberry	735-4858	
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	& Charlotte Shaber 208		
Bible Study	Judy Turner	438-7938	
Women's Group	Linda Rego	221-1130	
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Catholic Daughters	Linda Garner	627-2748	
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St. Vincent de Paul	Message Line	591-0632	
Scout Troop #275	Teddy Herrera	350-0010	
Natural Family Planning:	Christine Disselkamp	628-8810	
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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 20, 2023 Calendar for the Week: (Note: PCC = Parish Community Center)

Sunday, August 20: Thursday, August 24: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Saint Bartholomew, Apostle Mass at 9:00 a.m. in the church. Mass is also Mass in the church at 9:30 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on Holy Spirit Facebook page. livestreamed on Holy Spirit Facebook page. Stewardship Committee, PCC 5, 11:00 a.m. Celebration Choir, 7:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation, PCC room 9, 3:00 - 4:15 p.m. Mass in the church Friday, August 25: at 5:00 p.m. Weekday Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest Mass at 9:00 a.m. in the church. 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 at 4:30 p.m. and Monday, August 21: the Rite of Benediction at 4:45 p.m. Saint Pius X, Pope Mass at 9:00 a.m. in the church. Mass is also livestreamed on Holy Spirit Facebook page. Saturday, August 26: Scout Troop 275, PCC hall, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Weekdav VIRTUS Safe Environment Training, PCC rooms **Blessed Virgin Mary** 6/8, 6:00 p.m. Rosary for Dorothy Sanchez in the church at 10:30 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial for Dorothy Sanchez in Tuesday, August 22: the church at 11:00 a.m. Luncheon following in The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary PCC hall. Sacrament of Reconciliation, CHURCH, 4:15 -Sunday Vigil Mass in the church at 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. Mass at 5:30 p.m. in the church. Mass is also livestreamed on <u>Holy Spirit Facebook page</u>. Sunday, August 27: Rosary near the tabernacle, following Mass. **Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time** Knights of Columbus Council 10653, PCC room 9, 7:00 p.m. 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. Wednesday, August 23: Weekday Mass in the church Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin at 5:00 p.m. Mass at 9:00 a.m. in the church. Mass is also livestreamed on Holy Spirit Facebook page. Mary Martha Prayer Group, PCC 5, 1:30 p.m.

From the Pastor's Desk ...

BLESSING OF STUDENTS & EDUCATORS:

We will offer a special blessing to students, educators, and school support staff at all Masses on the weekend of **August 26th and 27th.** The Kennewick School District begins the new academic year 2023-2024 on Wednesday, August 30th; so, my hope is that this blessing will have a few days to do its work before everyone begins school again. All students—from kindergarteners to college/university students and adult learners—will be welcome to receive this blessing. We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to infuse all learners and teachers with knowledge, understanding, wisdom, and a love of learning.

HOLY SPIRIT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Our parish's Religious Education (RE) programs will be resuming in mid-September. Please keep following the articles related to RE in the interior of the Parish Bulletin. These weekly articles will provide you with specific and up-to-date information regarding each program. RE registration materials were sent out last week to those students and families that participated in our programs last year. The same materials are available at the parish office and at our parish's website: www.holyspiritkennewick.org.

God's Blessings,

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HOLY SPIRIT PARISH STEWARDSHIP



Did you know that the Parish of the Holy Spirit is a *tithing parish*? We are; and so are a few other parishes in the Diocese of Yakima. What this means is, we offer 10% of our Sunday income each month to assist worthy charitable causes—both yildwide. The members of the Parish

locally and worldwide. The members of the Parish Council advise Fr. Michael regarding the charitable organizations that we choose to help; and these vary from month to month.

We are currently assisting the following organizations with financial help: **Tri Cities Food Bank**, **Hope Medical**, **PREPARES**, **our St. Vincent de Paul Conference**, **St. Joseph Catholic School**, **FOCUS** (*Fellowship of Catholic University Students* assisting both Jeremiah Nguyen and Jaclyn Gazewood in their lay ministry work with university students), **Unbound** (assists families living in poverty on their path to become self-sufficient), **B5's Community Learning Center** (assists refugee and immigrant families in our local area), and **Esther's House** (assists victims of sex trafficking in our local area). We also sent a check to **Catholic Charities Hawaii** to help with Maui wildfire relief.



Ready for school to start? We are! Registrations for Religious Education for preschool through 5th grade, Edge and Life Teen will be starting soon. Some upcoming dates to note: Confirmation parent meeting (for students in grade 8 only) on **Sunday**, **September 10th at 2PM**. Life Teen parent meeting (for students in grade 9-12) on **Sunday, September 10th at 3:30 PM**. Edge parent meeting (for students in grades 6-8) on **Sunday, September 17. Tuesday**, **September 19th** is the start of our Tuesday afternoon Religious Education classes. We are looking forward to a faith filled school year! STEWARDSHIP: In today's second reading, St. Paul tells the Romans, "God's gifts and his call are irrevocable." To what is God calling me today? What gifts are mine to share?

August 6: \$21,019.75 Recorded givers: 173

Thanks for your giving of time, talent and treasure.

For online giving, visit: https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/holy7409270

Thank you for maintaining your financial support of our parish as you are able. If you'd prefer to mail an offering, please send it to Parish of the Holy Spirit, 7409 W. Clearwater Ave., Kennewick, WA 99336. If you are currently using offering envelopes and would like to switch to online giving (or billpayer from your bank), please call the parish office so we can discontinue your envelope mailings with our printing service. Thank you.



Holy Spirit seeks volunteers to help plan and prepare meals for our LifeTeen and Edge nights on Sunday evenings. LifeTeen and Edge run from September to May. If you've got the gift of hospitality and are

interested in helping feed our youth before their Edge/ LifeTeen classes begin, please contact Jennifer Moore (509-492-6209) or Joe Bliss (216-402-3118).



Join us for the **Backpack for Adults!** This innovative human and spiritual development program improves your relationship with yourself, others and God. Participants learn greater critical thinking skills, self-

awareness and overall mental and spiritual wellbeing. Each lesson is grounded in the Catechism of the *Catholic Church* and contemporary neuroscience. Classes are lively, informative and engaging. We're expanding the program this year to offer many more lessons from this unique course. Join us Thursday mornings from 10 am to 11:30 am for ten sessions beginning September 14th. PCC Room 9. Childcare provided. Cost is \$35. Everyone is welcome! Contact Meg Maas (509) 308-8768 or Monica Weis (509) 521-7309 to sign up or for more information.

A NOTE FROM ST. SERRA CLUB OF TRI CITIES

Jesus said to a Canaanite mother, begging Him to cast out a demon that was tormenting her daughter, "O woman, great is your faith!" (Matthew 15:28) It takes faith to hear God's call in our lives. And His call takes us on unexpected journeys of deeper trust and love. Is God calling you to live as a priest, deacon, sister, or brother?

On Saturday, September 30, St. Patrick's Church will host a Wholehearted Women's Gathering. Wholehearted is a one-day retreat offering inspirational talks, Adoration, Reconciliation, moving music, and much more. Tickets are on sale now. For more information email wholeheartedpasco@gmail.com. See the poster advertising this event in the vestibule.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS All dates are tentative.

Monday	August 21	Mark Ortmeier	
Tuesday	August 22, 5:30 p.m	n. Mike Ortmeier	
Wednesday	August 23	Winifred & Erika Frölich RIP	
Thursday	August 24	Laura Verstuyft RIP	
Friday	August 25	Paul Cleary RIP	
Saturday	August 26, 4:00 p.m	h. Eli Ziegler	
Sunday	August 27, 5:00 p.m	n. Paul Cleary RIP	
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Please pray for the repose of the soul of Dorothy Sanchez. May she rest in peace with the risen Lord.

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.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC-**RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS** By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Prayers God Always Answers

When I was a child, my mother bought a book called "The Prayers God Will Always Answer." I remember my anticipation as I cracked the spine and turned to the first page.

I had been spending a lot of time asking God – begging God, actually – over and over again for some specific things that were not materializing. Frankly, it was beginning to feel a lot like that time I asked Santa Claus for a new house, only to wake up on Christmas morning to find ordinary, non-house-shaped presents under the tree – and a growing sense of suspicion that my faith had been illplaced.

To the great disappointment of my pre-teen heart, my mother's book was not a directory of magical phrases God is compelled to obey. It was a list that included things like "Forgive me" and "Help me." I tossed it aside, disappointed.

I marvel at the wisdom and the confidence of the Canaanite woman who persists in begging Jesus to heal her daughter. She is ignored, and still she will not be deterred. The disciples try to dismiss her — still, she presses on. Christ himself challenges her, and her faith makes her ready to offer a reply.

Somehow, I am sure that even if Christ had said, "No, it cannot be done for you as you wish," she would have still dropped to her knees before him, because she knew what I did not: God is not a vending machine, and he's not the genie from "Aladdin." Prayer is not a negotiation, but a relationship.

The story of the Canaanite woman is not a story about how to get God to give you what you want. It is a story about the prayers God always answers.

"Then Jesus said to her in reply, 'O woman, great is your faith!'" — Matthew 15:28

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A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a time to rejoice in the beauty of your marriage, family and faith. It's a great time to

rekindle your romance, learn new communication tools and enjoy a weekend away from distractions. The next Spokane Weekend will be **October 6-8** at Immaculate Heart Retreat Center. For more information call Ken & Cheryl at 509-922-9813 or sign up at <u>www.wwme.org</u>.



The **September Ultreya** of the Cursillo Movement will be held at Christ the King Church in Richland, on **Monday, September 11th** (rather than the first Monday of September). We'll begin by praying the Rosary in the chapel at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting following at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Declan Theo Leistritz, son of Kris and Naomi Leistritz, was baptized at Holy Spirit on August 13. May God's blessings of peace and joy be with him and protect him all of his days.



The Benton County Jail Chaplain's office welcomes donations of men's coats, shirts, pants, and shoes. These are important items for inmates who are released from the facility, many of whom are homeless. The Chaplain's office can also use Bibles (large staple-free with soft covers) at the jail facility. Your gift could make a difference in the lives of those who are incarcerated.



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 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information, call the Chaplain's office at 783-1310, extension 3830.

Catholic Schools Scholarships

If you are a registered family at the Parish of the Holy Spirit (with a history of supporting our parish financially) and you have sons/daughters enrolled in one of the Catholic schools in the Tri-Cities ...



- St. Joseph's School
- Christ the King School
- St. Patrick's School
- Tri-Cities Prep

... then you should know that Holy Spirit tuition reduction scholarships are available for the upcoming academic year. For further information, contact Pat Moore (<u>pat@holyspiritkennewick.org</u>) or the parish office soon, as our Scholarship Committee will be meeting in the coming weeks.

RUMMAGE SALE



Plan to SHOP and HELP at the Holy Spirit Women's Group Rummage Sale on **Thursday, September 14** and **Friday, September 15** from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the PCC hall. Rummage sale setup will begin on **Tuesday morning, September 12** at 10:00 a.m.

Drop off clean, gently used or new donations for the sale on **Friday, September 8** from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Park on First Avenue and come through the double doors into the PCC hallway where volunteers will assist you.

We will NOT be accepting donations of furniture or other large or heavy items. Please call Linda Rego at 509-221-1130 for a full list of accepted items. Thank you.

The Stewardship Committee continues to encourage the growth of our Holy Spirit community. Thank you in advance for participating in our upcoming name tag weekend August 26 - 27. Let's strive to get to know more of our parishioners by name!



A big thank you to the Liturgical Ministers for wearing name tags each weekend during Mass.

VIRTUS SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

All adult volunteers currently working with or planning to work in any capacity with minors or vulnerable adults at our parish must complete **VIRTUS Safe Environment Training** before starting their ministry. Deacon Ken Ellis is offering a training session at 6:00 p.m. on **Monday, August 21** in PCC rooms 6/8. Create an online VIRTUS account and register at <u>www.virtusonline.org</u>. Call Deacon Ken at 509-948-4355 or the parish office at 509-735-8558 for more information.



Serving at the altar of God is a true privilege! There are opportunities for all adults—both women and men— as well as young people of

our parish in grades 4 through 12, to train to serve the Lord and our parish in this important way. Those in grade 3 who have received First Eucharist may also be considered after speaking with Zack Rinderer. Family members are encouraged to train together and serve together. Training sessions are currently being planned. If you are interested, please call Zack Rinderer at 582-2543.



If you missed the 139th annual Black and Indian Mission Collection last weekend, it is not too late to give. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! Envelopes for this collection may be found in the vestibule, or visit <u>https://blackandindianmission.org/donate</u> to give online. Our Parish community

August 20, 2023 **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)** Isaiah 56:1, 6–7 / Romans 11:13–15, 29–32 / Matthew 15:21–28



Build Love Not Walls

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

n Robert Frost's poem "Mending Wall," he tells how each spring he meets with his farming neighbor, and the two of them walk along on either side of the stone wall that marks their property to replace the stones toppled by the ice of winter. His neighbor loves the idea of a wall, inspired by his father's advice that "good fences make good neighbors." Frost, however, is not convinced and keeps suggesting that "something there is that doesn't love a wall," as if walls are not intrinsic to God's creation.

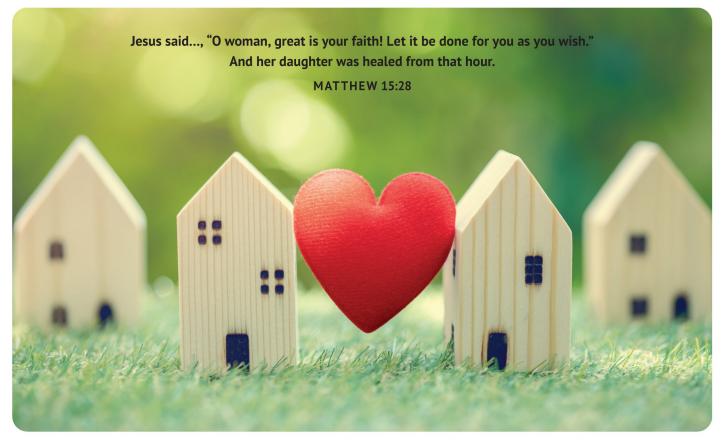
We humans seem to like our boundaries. As children, we divide ourselves between girl germs and boy germs and draw imaginary lines in the back seats of cars. Later we build walls everywhere—the Great Wall of China, the Berlin Wall, the structures at Mexico's border, backyard fences, and gated communities. We set up national boundaries, build emotional walls, relegate people to ghettos and the other side of the tracks, and we differentiate among religions, arguing over which is God's preference. We seem to use walls rather than love to give us our identity.

Some Scripture scholars suggest that this Sunday's Gospel event was a turning point where it became clear that Jesus came to save not only the Jewish people but all people, believers and unbelievers alike. Seeing her faith, Jesus

willingly cured the Canaanite woman's daughter. With God there are no boundaries or walls—not those of nations, not those imposed by languages and customs, not those we use to divide people of faith.

-Reflect-

Have you ever felt isolated by a wall? Who built it—you or someone else?



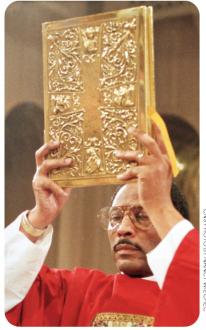
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Dear Padre,

Why are the Scripture readings for Mass so piecemeal? We read part of a verse then jump to another part. *Doesn't reading it like this distort the meaning of the passage?*

The readings for Mass are in a book called the *Lectionary*. Our current *Lectionary* was set up after the Second Vatican Council. It uses a three-year cycle for the Sunday readings, so over three years we hear the majority of the Bible at Mass. Its introduction states, "The present Order of Readings for Mass, then, is an arrangement of biblical readings that provides the faithful with a knowledge of the whole of God's word, in a pattern suited to the purpose" (General Introduction to the Lectionary, Second Edition, 60).

So the readings are not "piecemeal" but rather arranged so that we are exposed to the whole of God's word within three years. At times a given reading may not be complete-for example, the second reading for today is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans, chapter eleven, verses 13–15 and 29–32. This is



done not only for brevity but for clarity. Those who organized the Lectionary thought that this excerpt made the message clearer or gave better emphasis to a point in the reading. It certainly is good to get out your Bible and read the whole section so you can see what is missing, but when the word is proclaimed at Mass, the current arrangement is most effective.

MONDAY

- August 21 St. Pius X, Pope Jgs 2:11-19 Mt 19:16-22
- **TUESDAY** August 22 Queenship of the **Blessed Virgin** Mary Jgs 6:11-24a Mt 19:23-30

WEDNESDAY August 23 Weekday Jgs 9:6–15 Mt 20:1-16

THURSDAY August 24 St. Bartholomew, Apostle Rev 21:9b-14 Jn 1:45–51

FRIDAY August 25 Weekday Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16,22 Mt 22:34-40

SATURDAY August 26 Weekday Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 Mt 23:1-12

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SUNDAY August 27 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 22:19-23 Rom 11:33-36 Mt 16:13-20

Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

Since 1964, the Redemptorists' Scrupulous Anonymous free monthly newsletter has ministered compassionately to those struggling with scrupulosity. To subscribe, visit ScrupulousAnonymous.org.



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Each one of us has our own story and...it is not always a clean story.... Many times it is a difficult story, with a lot of pain....What do I do with my story? Do I hide it? No! We must bring it before the Lord. "Lord, if You will it, you can heal me!"

ANGELUS, ROME, AUGUST 16, 2020



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