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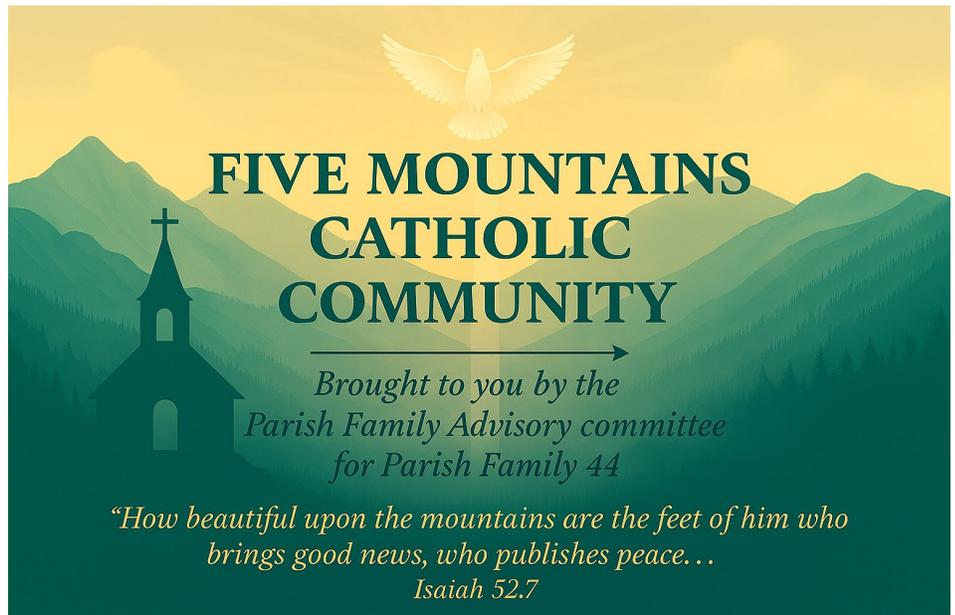
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**FIVE MOUNTAINS
CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY**

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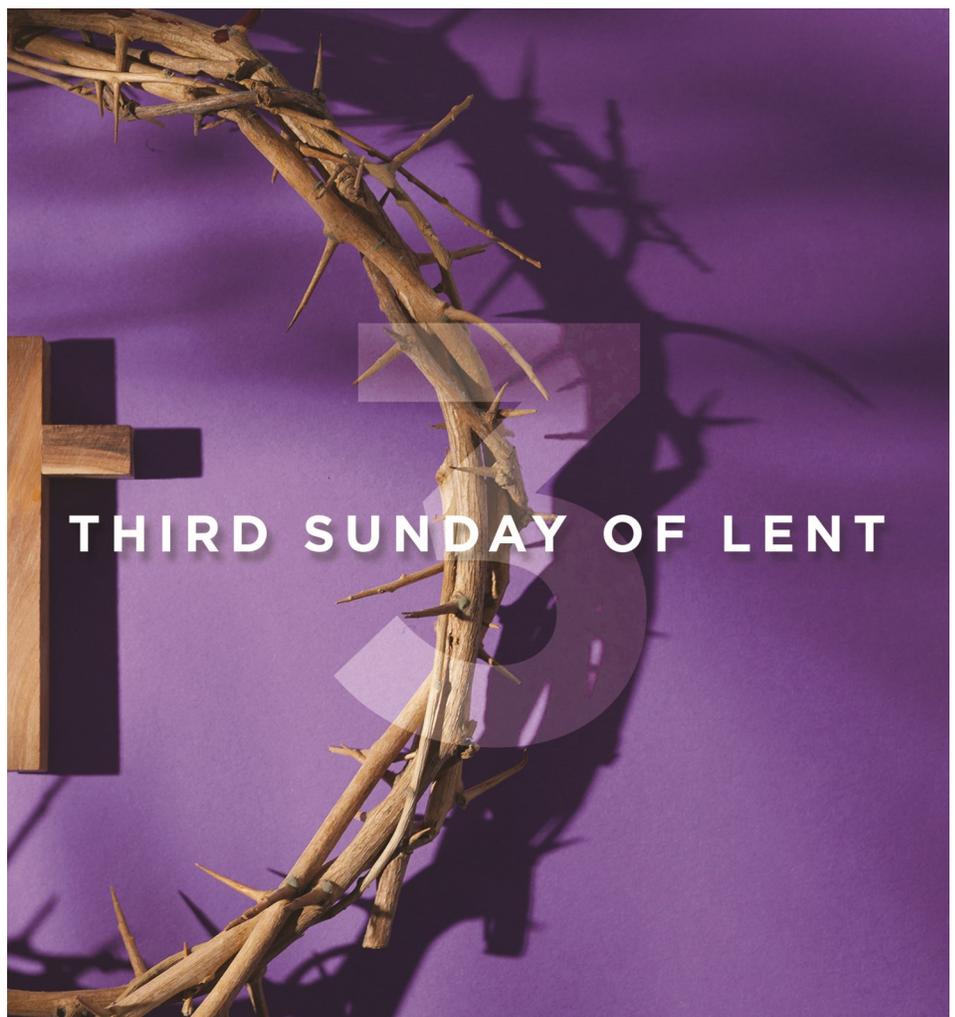
*“How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who
brings good news, who publishes peace...
Isaiah 52.7*

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March 8, 2026



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



PASTOR'S LETTER

LENT IS A TIME TO CONVERSE TO TRUTH, HOLINESS, AND RECONCILIATION

The Church invites us to experience Lent as a journey toward Jesus Christ, listening to the Word of God, praying, sharing with our neighbors, and doing good works. It invites us to cultivate a series of Christian attitudes that help us become more like Jesus Christ, since, through our sin, we distance ourselves from God. Lent is a time for forgiveness and fraternal reconciliation. Every day, throughout our lives, we must cast out from our hearts hatred, resentment, envy, and jealousy, which oppose our love for God and our brothers and sisters. During Lent, we learn to know and appreciate the Cross of Jesus. Through this, we also learn to take up our own cross with joy in order to attain the glory of the resurrection. During this special time of purification, we have a number of concrete means that the Church offers us to help us live the Lenten season. First and foremost, there is the life of prayer, an indispensable condition for encountering God. Likewise, we should also intensify our attentive listening to and meditation on the Word of God, frequent attendance at the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist, and the practice of fasting, according to each person's abilities. Mortification and renunciation in the ordinary circumstances of our lives also constitute a concrete means of living the spirit of Lent. It is not so much about creating extraordinary occasions, but rather about knowing how to offer up those everyday circumstances that bother us, accepting with humility, joy, and gladness the various setbacks that come our way daily. Likewise, knowing how to renounce certain legitimate things helps us to live detachment and selflessness. Among the various Lenten practices that the Church proposes, the practice of charity occupies a special place. As Saint Leo the Great reminds us: "These Lenten days urgently invite us to the exercise of charity; if we wish to arrive at Easter sanctified in our being, we must take a very special interest in acquiring this virtue, which contains within itself all the others and covers a multitude of sins." We should live this practice of charity in a special way with those closest to us, in the concrete environment in which we move. Thus, we build in the other "the most precious and effective good, which is that of coherence with one's own Christian vocation" (Pope Saint John Paul II). The arrival of Lent, in the context of our journey towards holiness, offers a unique opportunity to reflect on the meaning and importance of this period of spiritual preparation in Christian and missionary life. Lent is a time of purification and renewal of our relationship with God

and with our neighbor. In the context of our quest for holiness, Lent takes on a special meaning. It is a time to take stock of our spiritual life, identify the areas in which we need to grow, and commit ourselves to taking the necessary steps to draw closer to God and his loving plan for us. Holiness of soul, it seems, is an elusive ideal, reserved for a select few. However, if we look more closely, we discover that it is rather the result of our daily efforts, two simple but essential actions: striving to know God's will and striving to do it. Thus, the first step on the path to holiness is the desire to know God's will. This is not merely an intellectual understanding, but a profound relationship with God that leads us to discern his plans for our lives. Prayer, the study of Sacred Scripture, and reflection on the teachings of the Church: all of these help us draw closer to what God has prepared for us. Knowing God's will requires patience and openness to its revelation in our lives. Sometimes this may mean seeking guidance in life's situations; other times it may mean listening in silence, waiting for clear inspiration. But it is always a process that leads us toward an ever-deepening relationship with God. However, knowing God's will is only half the journey. The other half is the effort to carry it out. This is often a more difficult task because it requires consistency, discipline, and courage. Doing God's will means making difficult decisions, being guided by moral principles, and living the Gospel. Holiness of soul is not reserved for the elite. It is a path that each of us can follow if we strive to know and fulfill God's will. It also means being in solidarity with those most in need, recognizing that our penance and fasting must be accompanied by a commitment to social justice and the well-being of others. Ultimately, Lent is about commitment. Let us reflect on and ardently seek that experience, that holiness, and that apostolic commitment. Let us never say no to Christ in our lives, let us never seek to be above what Christ asks of us, because the day we do, we will be distant, indifferent, lukewarm, and mediocre. Ultimately, we will not be authentic human beings, because we will not be living as Christians.

SOURCES: marcaba.org—claret.org—catholicsun.org

FIVE MOUNTAINS CATHOLIC COMMUNITY ~ STEWARDSHIP

Living the Mass: The Eucharist We Celebrate Shapes the Life We Live

Part VI: This Is My Body: The Mystery of the Cross Made Present

As the Eucharistic Prayer reaches its most sacred moment, the Church enters into the mystery at the heart of our faith. The words spoken by the priest at the altar are familiar, yet they carry a depth beyond human understanding: “This is my Body... This is the chalice of my Blood.” In this moment, the sacrifice of Christ on the Cross is made present to us, not repeated, but offered anew in an unbloody manner for the life of the world.

During Lent, these words take on particular weight. We are journeying with Christ toward Calvary, and at the altar we discover that the Cross is not distant or symbolic. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, bread and wine become the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. What appears unchanged to our senses is transformed in its very substance. The Church calls this mystery **transubstantiation**, reminding us that Christ is truly present, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity.

This moment calls for silence, stillness, and awe. As the priest elevates the consecrated Host and Chalice, the Church kneels in adoration. Kneeling is a posture of humility and love. It teaches us, children and adults alike, that we are in the presence of something holy. In this quiet reverence, we are invited to look upon Christ with the eyes of faith and to offer Him our hearts.

Saint Thomas Aquinas, who wrote so beautifully about the Eucharist, acknowledged that this mystery cannot be grasped by reason alone. He taught that faith fills the gap where understanding falls short. When we kneel during the consecration, we make a simple but profound act of trust: “Lord, I believe.”

After the consecration, the priest proclaims, “The mystery of faith,” and the people respond with an acclamation. This leads us to the Great Amen, spoken or sung at the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer. This “Amen” is not a routine response. It is the Church’s powerful assent to everything that has taken place on the altar. With this single word, we say yes to Christ’s sacrifice, yes to His Real Presence, and yes to the offering of ourselves with Him.

In many ways, the Great Amen is a moment of stewardship. God has given us His Son completely, holding nothing back. Our Amen is our response of trust and self-gift. It is a commitment to live what we have just proclaimed, to allow Christ’s sacrificial love to shape our choices, relationships, and priorities.

For families, this moment is a quiet but meaningful catechesis. Children may not yet understand all that is happening, but they sense its importance through silence, posture, and reverence. When parents kneel attentively and respond with intention, they teach that faith is something lived, not merely explained.

The Catechism teaches that in the Eucharist, Christ’s sacrifice and the sacrifice of the Church become one single offering (cf. CCC 1367–1368). This truth lies at the heart of stewardship during Lent. We are not only spectators at the altar; we are participants. Our sacrifices, our patience, our generosity, our acts of love, are united to Christ’s perfect offering.

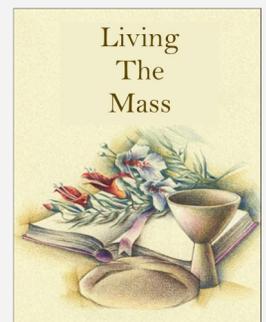
As we continue our Lenten journey, this part of the Mass invites us to reflect deeply. Do we approach the Eucharistic mystery with reverence and faith? Does our “Amen” extend beyond the walls of the church into the way we live? Stewardship of love means allowing the sacrifice we adore to become the sacrifice we live.

Lord Jesus Christ, truly present in the Eucharist, deepen our faith in this sacred mystery. Teach us to adore you with humble hearts and to live the meaning of our Amen each day. May your sacrifice shape our lives in love and service.
Amen.

Catechism References:

CCC 1365–1368, 1373–1377, 1413, 1416

***“The Mass does not
end when we leave
the church;
it continues in the
lives we live.”***



Parishioner Stewardship

If you have annual or semi-annual disbursements from a retirement or investment account and you know the disbursement is going to occur, please contact your Parish PAA and let her know that such a disbursement is on the way. Without such a heads up, your annual giving statement might come as quite a surprise and have tax implications.

LENT

Lent 2026 Hope and Renewal

February 18 – April 4



This Lent, we pray for the who will become Catholic this Easter .

OCIA Prayer

Almighty God and Father, we pray for those in OCIA who journey to You. Strengthen their faith. Open their hearts to the fullness of your love. Deepen their understanding. Set their hearts on fire for love of You. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life for all. Amen.



6:00 pm

Several priests will be available to hear your confession.

Tuesday, March 24 ~ St. John the Evangelist

Wednesday, March 25 ~ St. Rose

Thursday, March 26t ~ St Joseph (Vancouver)

Wednesday, April 1 ~ Holy Redeemer

Stations of the Cross followed by Soup Supper



The Stations of the Cross bring us closer to Christ as we meditate on the great love He showed for us in His most sorrowful Passion! Only in Christ crucified and risen can we find salvation and redemption.

Fridays in Lent at 6:00 pm

February 20 ~ March 27

Sacred Heart (English)

St. Joseph (English)

St. Mary (English)

St. Philip (Spanish) (English -5:00 pm)

St. John (Bilingual)

Soup Supper donations Support Operation Rice Bowl.

Empowering Growth in Ghana By supporting CRS Rice Bowl, you help parents and caregivers in Ghana to receive training in health, nutrition and early childhood development. That means, young children in these communities are better able to thrive and meet critical milestones in their growth. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-2 to read this week's Story of Hope



Lenten Retreat

St. Mary of Guadalupe Mission, Ridgefield, WA

All are invited to a Lenten Retreat *With Fr. Vu Tran*

Theme: "Five Loaves and the Two Fish"
Saturday, March 21st, 2026

beginning with 9am Mass

9am – 2pm Retreat in the church

12pm Lunch in the Hall

A Lenten retreat is a wonderful opportunity to prepare for Holy Week and Easter. **Mark your calendar! Don't miss out!**

Hope you have a blessed Lenten Season.

Happy Easter! God bless!

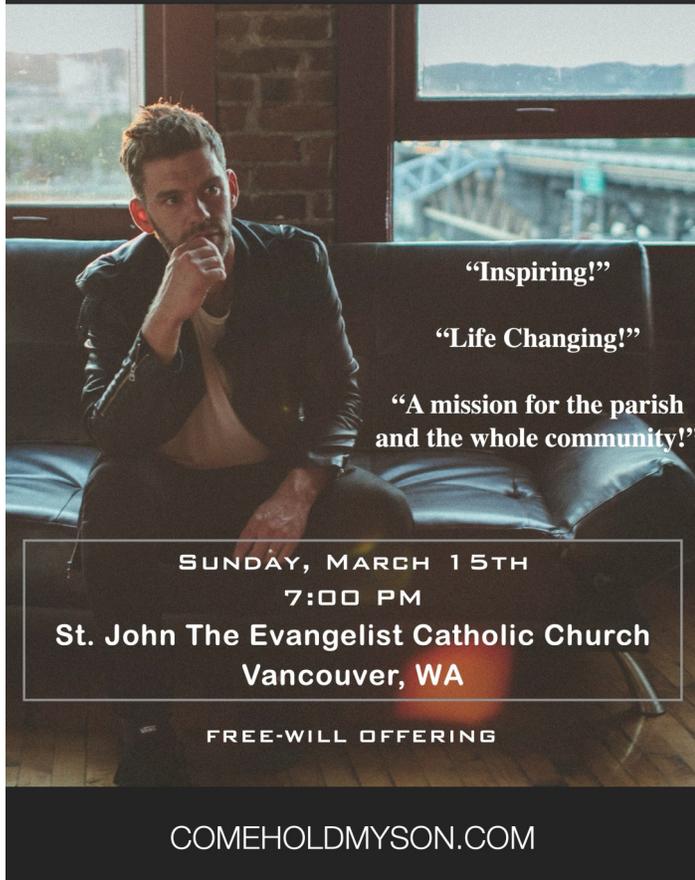
(Please RSVP for lunch count. A free will donation accepted)



UPCOMING EVENTS

DANIEL OBERREUTER

LENT PARISH MISSION CONCERT



“Inspiring!”

“Life Changing!”

“A mission for the parish and the whole community!”

SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH
7:00 PM
St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church
Vancouver, WA

FREE-WILL OFFERING

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St. John the Evangelist Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

The Legion of Mary invites you to welcome the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima into your home. The Pilgrim Virgin is a beautiful, visible reminder of Our Blessed Mother who constantly intercedes for us. The Pilgrim Virgin Statue is a Blessed replica of our Lady of Fatima. It is a traveling sacramental for your home to create a prayerful, sanctifying space where family and friends are encouraged to pray the Rosary and meditate on its mysteries. The Legion of Mary will transport the statue to your residence and pray welcoming prayers with you. The statue will remain in your home for one week Friday to Friday. At the end of visitation, Legion of Mary members will retrieve the statue, and pray farewell prayers with you. Contact the St. John Parish Office for more information on how to sign up.



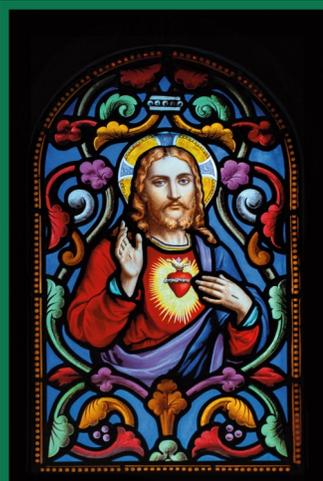
Consecrating the United States to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

In June 2026, as part of the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. bishops will consecrate the United States of America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Five Mountain Catholic Community will be offering special events on the **First Friday** of each month leading up to the bishops consecrating our nation to the Sacred Heart in June.

St. Philip ~ 9:00 am Mass

St. John ~ 9:00 am Mass (English) & 7:00 pm Mass (Spanish)

Sacred Heart ~ 9:00 am Mass, Pray the Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

School subsidy applications for St. John the Evangelist, St. Philip, St. Mary, Sacred Heart and St. Joseph will be distributed in early March. Remember, in order to be considered for a subsidy, the family must be a registered member, a Stewardship Pledge must be filled out and a parent must be actively participating as a volunteer in a parish ministry. NO exceptions.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

● SH Sacred Heart

Wed. (3/11) 9:00 am: Paul Byron+
 Friday (3/13) 9:00 am: Those who have no one to pray for them
 Sat. (3/14) 5:00 pm: Ruchard Jaskey+
 Sunday (3/15) 8:30 am: Sr. Pat Hansen SP
 10:30 am: Lyndon Fischer

◆ SJW St. Joseph the Worker

Sunday (3/1) 12:30 pm: Canonization of Ven. Fulton Sheen+ in honor of Msr. Richard Sosemon+

▲ SP St. Philip

Wed. (3/11) 9:00 am: Irina Palacios
 Friday (3/13) 9:00 am: Jeff Lycan
 Sunday (3/15) 8:30 am: Pro Populo
 1:00 pm (Spanish): Alvaro Vejar

◆ SM St. Mary of Guadalupe

Wed. (3/11) 6:00 pm: Angela, Noah, Elijah Lycan
 Thurs. (3/12) 9:00 am: Jannelle McInnes +
 Sunday (3/15) 10:30 am: Chris Crawford +

■ SJE St. John the Evangelist

Monday (3/9) 9:00 am: (SPI) Linda Eklofe (RIP) Gary Eklofe
 7:00 pm: (Spanish) (RIP) Octavio Beltron; Enrique Rincon; (SPI) Erick Rodriguez
 Tues. (3/10) 9:00 am: (Spanish) (SPI) Jamie y Antonia; Blas; (RIP) Enrique Lopez
 Wed. (3/11) 9:00 am: (RIP) Targe Mandt
 Friday (3/13) 9:00 am: (SPI) Theo McLeod
 7:00 pm: (Spanish) Almos del purgaterio
 Sat. (3/14) 5:00 pm: (RIP) Annette Hogan
 Sunday (3/15) 9:00 am: (RIP) Jim Cookman
 11:00 am: (Spanish) (SPI) Luis, Bianca, Camila, Ky Blas; Luis Herrera; Jamie y Brenda Blas; (RIP) Gustavo Morales
 5:00 pm: (Spanish) (RIP) Almos del purgaterio

CONFESSION

● SH Sacred Heart

Saturday (3/7) 3:30 pm-4:40 pm

▲ SP St. Philip

Wednesday (3/4) 8:30 am
 Friday (3/6) 8:30 am
 1st Saturday (3/7) 8:30 am & 9:30 am

◆ SM St. Mary of Guadalupe

Wednesday (3/4) 5:30 pm
 Thursday (3/5) 8:30 am

■ SJE St. the Evangelist

Monday (3/2) 8:00 pm
 Saturday (3/7) 3:30 pm-4:45 pm

PRAYER AND DEVOTIONS

● SH Sacred Heart

Wednesday (3/4) 8:30 am: Rosary
 9:30 am-11:00 am: Adoration
 Friday (3/6) 6:00 pm: Stations of the Cross

◆ SJW St. Joseph the Worker

Thursday (3/5) 11:00 am: Rosary
 Friday (3/6) 6:00 pm: Stations of the Cross

▲ SP St. Philip

Wednesday (3/11) 8:45 am: Liturgy of the Hours
 9:30 am: Rosary & Divine Mercy
 5:00 pm: Men's Prayer Group,
 Thursday (3/12) 6:00 pm: (Spanish) Divine Mercy,
 Friday (3/13) 5:00 pm: (English) Stations of the Cross
 6:00 pm: (Spanish) Stations of the Cross

◆ SM St. Mary of Guadalupe

Sunday (3/15) 7:00 pm: Charismatic Prayer Group
 Thursday (3/12) 9:30 am-12:00 pm: Anointing of the Sick, Rosary and Adoration
 6:00 pm Ridgefield ADORE (Adoration)
 Friday (3/13) 6:00 pm: Stations of the Cross

■ SJE St. John the Evangelist

Monday (3/9) 8:00 pm: to 9:00 pm: Adoration
 Wednesday (3/11) 6:00 pm: Chaplet of Divine Mercy in the O'Shea House
 Thursday (3/12) 9:00 am: Morning Prayer (Lauds) English
 7:00 pm: Works of Mercy - (Spanish) Divine Mercy Group, Room K
 Friday (3/13) 6:00 pm: (Bilingual) Stations of the Cross

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

John Lovejoy, Gayle Dever, Pat Pratt, Maria Antoinette Guerra, Carolyn Carpio, Galen Byrd, Mary Proulx, Kari Logue, Heather, Paul Gerhardt, Antonia Taitano, Epi, Ben Klein, LaVonne Millard, Dick Derby, LuAnn Hutchins, Laurie Thompson, Bob Clark, Scott Clark, Lynn Hainley, Faye Lister, Jeff Rice, Mike Speilman, Al Strickfaden, Anne Flynn, George & Carmen Brandreth, Ron Marquez, Shirley Keller, Don Mass, Tony Giovingo, JoAnn Heichel, Butch and Margaret Martin, Olivia Branch, Jack Otokichy, Flor Carrillero Baltazar, Mary Jo Piazza, Ron Hertz

Those who are sick and unable to join us today, the men and women in our Armed Forces, and all the faithful departed, especially Curtis Penderson & Patrick McIntire.

Names will be kept on the list for two months. To add or remove a name to our prayer list, please contact Garri Linardos in the Sacred Heart office. (360) 687-4515, or email g.linardos@sacredheartbg.org

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EVENTS

SH Sacred Heart

Sunday (3/8)	6:00 pm	Youth Group, Hall
Monday (3/2)	5:00 pm	OCIA Family Night, Hall
Tuesday (3/3)	10:30 am	Book Club, Hall
	4:00 pm	St. Vincen de Paul Meeting, Hall
	5:30 pm	CGS Level 2, Hall
Wednesday (3/4)	10:00 am	CGS Level 1 & 2, Hall
	5:30 pm	CGS Level 1, 2 & 3, Hall
Friday (3/6)	9:45 am	Sunday Scripture Group, Hall
	6:30 pm	Soup Supper, Hall

SJW St. Joseph the Worker

Friday (3/6)	6:30 pm	Soup Supper, Hall
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SP St. Philip

Sunday (3/8)	11:00 am	Elementary Faith Formation, Hall
Monday (3/9)	6:30 pm	OCIA Adult (Spanish)
Tuesday (3/10)	6-8:00 pm	Choir Practice, Church (Spanish)
Wednesday (3/11)	6:00 pm	Jr./Sr. High Youth Group, Hall
Thursday (3/12)	5:30 am	OCIA Youth/Children
Friday (3/13)	6:30 pm	Soup Supper, Hall
Sunday (3/15)	11:00 am	Elementary Faith Formation, Hall

SM St. Mary of Guadalupe

Sunday (3/8)	9:00 am	Elementary Faith Formation, Hall
Tuesday (3/10)	9:30 am	Bible Study with Joanne Oberreuter, Hall
Friday (3/13)	6:30 pm	Soup Supper, Hall
Sunday (3/15)	9:00 am	Elementary Faith Formation

SJE St. John the Evangelist

Monday (3/9)	5:30 pm	OCIA, (English) Vogel Hall
	5:30 pm	Children's Choir Practice, Room K
	6:00 pm	Quinceañera Class, Library
	6:30 pm	Rehearsal for Via Crusis & Pentecost, Room E
	7:00 pm	OCIA, (English) Vogel Hall
	7:00 pm	Bible Study (Spanish), in the Library
Tuesday (3/10)	9:45 am	Faith Sharing & Bible Study (English), Fireside Room
Wednesday (3/11)	6:30 pm	Prayer Group Renewed in the Holy Spirit, Fireside Room
Thursday (3/12)	9:30 am	St. John's Quilt Group Meeting, Room E
	1:00 pm	Bible Study (English), Fireside Room
	5:30 pm	OCIA (Spanish), Vogel Hall
	6:00 pm	(CDA) Monthly Meeting, Fireside Room
	7:00 pm	OCIA (Spanish), Vogel Hall
Friday (3/13)	10:15 am	Bible Study (Spanish), Fireside Room
	10:30 am	Legion of Mary, Library
	6:00 pm	Children's Choir Practice, Room F & K
	6:30 pm	Soup Supper, Vogel Hall
Saturday (3/14)	9:00 am	Baptism Class (Spanish), Room K
Sunday (3/15)	12:30 pm	Via Crusis Rehearsal, Salón de la Chimenea & E
	6:00 pm	Confirmation Class, Fireside Room
	7:00 pm	Mission Concert, Daniel Oberreuter, Church

Bulletin Articles

Following are submittal timelines for any news or announcement your group or ministry wants published in an upcoming bulletin. You can submit your articles to your parish office, or to Garri Linardos at g.linardos@sacredheartbg.org

March 15 bulletin: submittals due to parish office by March 2

March 22 bulletin: submittals due to parish office by March 9

FIVE MOUNTAIN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY (FAMILY 44) JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Cemetery Sexton for St. John's Cemetery

Cemetery sexton has the authority to enforce cemetery rules, works with volunteers and hires paid individuals (as needed). Is responsible for marking plots and opening-closing columbarium niches.

The sexton will also have the authority/responsibility for:

Supervisory position overseeing the operation and maintenance, routinely exercises independent judgement in carrying out the details of the work program, involves administrative duties regarding recordkeeping of interment of remains, burial maps, handling burial permits, fees and sales of cemetery plots and services, alongside the office staff.

The successful candidate will lead and participate in performing various landscaping and horticultural functions, maintenance tasks, and equipment operation. Oversee the procurement of materials, work orders, and record-keeping for all cemetery functions and duties related to burials and cemetery management. [HR1.2-](#)

[EmploymentApp2019Parish.pdf](#)

Salary: Any offered salary is determined based on internal equity, internal salary ranges, market data, applicant's skills and prior relevant experience, degrees and certifications.

Benefits: A comprehensive package of benefits is offered including two medical plan options, dental, vision, life, accidental death and disability, long term disability, pension, 403(b), HSA, FSA, and generous sick leave, vacation, and holidays.

Please call Lori Jimerson in the Parish Office for more information or if you have questions about any of these positions, (360) 573-3325, or email paa@stjohnvancouver.org

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

St. John the Evangelist VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – KITCHEN LEAD

St. John's Funeral Reception Ministry is seeking two caring and organized volunteers to serve as Kitchen Lead Persons, helping our parish offer hospitality and comfort to families during times of loss.

This ministry role includes:

- Connecting with the person coordinating funeral arrangements to explain what the Funeral Reception Ministry provides
- Confirming details such as the expected number of guests and any special requests from the family
- Prior to the reception: ordering sandwich trays and purchasing punch ingredients and ice
- On the day of the reception: delivering items to the parish and overseeing setup
- Assisting with the preparation of punch and coffee and ensuring food is ready for serving

This is a meaningful opportunity to serve others through a ministry of presence, care, and hospitality. Training and support are provided.

If you are interested or would like more information, please see contact information below:

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Laura Fernandez ~ (360) 314-2090

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● Sacred Heart Grounds Clean-up Party Saturday, March 28th 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

It is time to clean up after winter
and prepare our grounds for Easter.

Bring your tools and gloves.
Refreshments provided.

For more information contact our facilities supervisor,
Doug Moschetti, in the parish office.
306-687-4515 d.moschetti@sacredheartbg.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

▲ St. Philip

"In memory of the loved ones who have died. A candle is lit.

The beloved survivors gather to talk and share their memories, happy and sad they may be; there is amongst each other loving support." (Barbara Dunlap)

"The Seasons of Hope" Saturday six week program continues March 7th & 14th, 10:00 - 11:30 A.M. in St. Philip Hall. Anyone with questions &/or would like to attend, please call Barbara Dunlap 503-964-0057



● Sacred Heart

Sunday Scripture Prayer Group:

Breaking Open the Word ~ Journey of Faith
9:45 am to 11am ~ Fridays at Sacred Heart

We meet for faith sharing and contemplating what meaning the readings have for you and what actions you might take in your daily life, what action God is calling you to do. All are welcome.

● Sacred Heart Book Club

Tuesdays at 10:30 am We are currently reading "A Song for Nagasaki" by Paul Glynne.

▲ St. Philip Women's Group

Second Friday's (April 13) 6-8 PM in St. Philip Hall. We will be taking a break for Lent and meeting again in April. Please join us for a potluck meal and time of prayer and fellowship with the women of our parish.

▲ St. Philip ~ PREPARES Retreat

Is a Pro-Life Ministry, that gives Pregnancy & Parenting Support, A Volunteer SW Regional Retreat will be held on Saturday, April 11th, 10AM-2:15pm. Doors Open at 9:30am, here at St. Philip. Free Light Breakfast & Lunch Provided! See flyer or the bulletin for more detailed information. Join us learn how you can support this ministry. RSVP is required.

◆▲ St. Philip and St. Mary Parish Council

The Parish Council meets on the fourth Thursday of each month in the parish hall at St. Philip. Parishioners interested in attending should contact the parish office on the day of the meeting to assure the meeting is occurring.

■ St. John the Evangelist Faith Sharing Group

Tuesdays at 9:45am in the Fireside Room.

■ St. John's Quilt Group

Thursday, March. 12, 9:30am-12:30pm in Room E. All parishioners are welcome. Bring your stitchery skills (great or small), your ideas and enthusiasm as we begin a new year.

FAITH FORMATION

● Sacred Heart ~ Middle School and High School Youth Group



Second Sunday, 6-8 pm March 8, April 12...

This youth group is now open to middle school students as well. Please call the office to register your middle school Child.

◆ St. Mary of Guadalupe Elementary Faith Formation ~ K - 5th Grade

Classes are on Sundays from 9 am to 10:15 am in the Hall. March 1, 8, (15th Service Sunday— St. Patrick Celebration.



◆ St. Mary of Guadalupe Youth Group ~ 6th—12th Grade

Classes are on Sundays from 9 am to 10:15 am in the Hall. March 8, (15th Service Sunday— St. Patrick Celebration.



▲ St. Philip ~

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Session Dates: March 8 & 22. Easter Vigil on April 4. We meet immediately following the 8:30 AM Mass at St. Philip in Woodland, in the church. All are welcome! Inquirers into the Catholic Faith or Catholics who want a refresher.

OCIA -Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

(Spanish) Are you or someone you know considering becoming a Catholic? We will have classes in Spanish to explore the Catholic Faith on **Mondays**, 6:30-8:30 pm. Email us at: churchoffice@stphilipwoodland.com

OCIA - for Children / Youth

It's a special faith journey for children aged 7-17 who want to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.) **Touching Safety Class will be given to both classes on March 5th @ 5:30pm in the Parish Hall.** If you know someone who is interested and have questions, please call the church office: (360) 225-8308. Email us at: churchoffice@stphilipwoodland.com

Elementary Faith Formation

~ 1st - 5th Grade

Classes are held Sundays at 11:00 am to 12:15 pm in the Parish Hall. March 8, 15, & 22.

Jr./Sr. High School Faith Formation

~ 6th - 12th Grade

Classes are held on Wednesday evenings from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the parish hall.

Classes: March 4, 11, 18 & 25.

OUTREACH

Red Cross Blood Drives:

Go to RedCrossBlood.Org to make your appointment today. It only takes an hour to give blood, and each blood donation can help save up to 3 lives. Please remember to fill out your Rapid Pass before arriving. Give blood, save a life.

■ St John's the Evangelist

Monday, March 16th, noon- 5:30pm. Please contact Rhondi to reserve a spot. 503-758-3893

◆ St. Mary of Guadalupe

Outpost Volunteer schedule:

For March 15th

Outpost Dinner Sunday 3-22

Outpost lunches on Tuesday 3-24 Wednesday 3-25,

Thursday 3-26, Friday 3-27, Saturday 2-28

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

■ St. John the Evangelist

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry Served the Following Number of People in January:

Food Assistance-736 (196 households) 11,040 pounds of food

Rental Assistance-28 (12 households)

Utility Assistance-6 (4 households)

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● Sacred Heart

SvDP Friends of the Poor Walk Planning Meeting

Tuesday, April 7th at 5:00 pm.

We need your help to plan this community event to support the St. Vincent de Paul.

◆ St. Mary SAVE THE DATE!

The second annual Spring Into Hope Gala Dinner to benefit St. Vincent de Paul will be held on Saturday, May 2, 2026, at St. Mary's.

■ Ozanam House ~ St Vincent de Paul March Food Pantry Needs

- Canned Chili
- Canned Mixed Fruit
- Refried Beans
- Canned Peaches
- Diced Tomatoes

◆ St. Mary Feed My Lambs Collection

Feed My Lamb — We will be picking up donated items for Neighbors Helping Neighbors on Sunday March 15th. Neighbors Helping Neighbors has been helping residents of Ridgefield, La Center, Felida and Salmon Creek for the past 40 years. They could use donations of canned meats, pasta, rice, boxed dinners, canned fruits and vegetables. They could also use dishwashing soap, paper towels and toilet paper. Any donation is greatly appreciated.

■ St. John the Evangelist Prepares Service Dates and Hours

- 2nd Sunday of the month— Diaper distribution from 12:30 pm
- 4th weekend of the month—Baby & Infant store open after all weekend Masses

We are currently in need of diapers sizes 5, 6, 7, and baby wipes. Donations can be dropped in the Narthex. We appreciate your support!

For more information on ways you can support this ministry, or to schedule an appointment to obtain diapers and other items at no cost, please contact Marina Diaz at 360-521-4981. Please remember, we only accept baby and infant clothing donations, NO adult clothing

● Sacred Heart Meal Train

If you are in need of meal delivery or would like to volunteer to provide meals please contact Shirley Howard howardkska@gmail.com

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Feb. 18—March 29

Deepen Your Lenten Journey, Join 40 Days for Life!

Are you seeking a meaningful way to enrich your Lenten journey this year? We invite you to join us in prayer and peaceful witness as we pray together to end abortion, the leading cause of death worldwide.

Since 2007, the 40 Days for Life movement has made a significant impact—saving over 26,100 lives and helping close abortion facilities in more than 1,000 cities across 64 countries.

Campaign Details:

- **Dates:** February 18 – March 29
- **Location:** NE 116 Ave., one block north of Mill Plain, across from Planned Parenthood
- To sign up or for more details, please contact your 40 Days for Life representative through your parish office:
- **Saint John the Evangelist:** Ann Maker-360-573-3325
- **Sacred Heart:** Anthony Kutch- 360-687-4515
- **Saint Mary of Guadalupe:** Marie Holland-360-225-8308
- Vancouver Leader:** Gerry Parmantier (call/text: 360-831-7542, email: gerry1968@q.com)
- Please review instructions and additional details at:**
www.40daysforlife.com/en/vancouver

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November 3-13, 2026

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Fall Pilgrimage to Italy – November 3–13, 2026

Join St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church on an 11-day pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome! Experience daily Mass, attend a Papal Audience with Pope Leo XIV, explore St. Peter's Basilica and the Vatican Museums, venerate relics of Christ's Passion, and walk in the footsteps of Saints Francis and Clare. The trip includes roundtrip airfare from Portland, four-star hotels, a ProRome tour manager, professional guides, daily breakfast and one additional meal, and all tours and tickets. **Cost: \$4,972 per person.** For more information or to register, visit www.prorometours.com/vancouver, call (434) 953-1112, or email office



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