

MY PARISH FAMILY

Immaculate Conception (Colville) – Sacred Heart of Jesus (Kettle Falls)
Pure Heart of Mary (Northport)

February 11, 2024: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS AND CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Tuesday, February 13

MARDI GRAS

3:30 p.m. Confessions (Colville)

4:00 p.m. Mass (Colville)

Paul & Sharon Sprangers

Wednesday, February 14

ASH WEDNESDAY

7:15 a.m. Mass (Kettle Falls)

Couples preparing for marriage

11:30 a.m. (Republic)

Eric Wood +

5:30 p.m. Mass (Colville)

Souls in Purgatory +

Thursday, February 15

7:15 a.m. Adoration/Confessions

8:30 a.m. Mass (Colville)

Phil Anderson +

Friday, February 16

7:15 a.m. Mass (Colville)

Ramona Hincks +

7:45 a.m. Adoration

Saturday, February 17

3:00 p.m. Confessions

4:00 p.m. Mass (Colville)

Michael Leija

6:00 p.m. Mass (Kettle Falls)

Msgr. John Cihak

Sunday, February 18 Mark 1: 12-15

9:00 a.m. Mass (Colville)

Pro Populo

12:30 p.m. Mass (Northport 3rd Sunday)

Leona Monroe Mellat +

4:00 p.m. Mass (Republic)

Patricia Wood +

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Joe Fazzari (ICP), Dave Hewes (SHJ), Art Paine (PHM)

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PREPARES..... Pat Taylor

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Sacrament Instructions

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: Please call to schedule instruction and a date for the baptism.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: As scheduled or by appointment at any parish location.

MARRIAGE: Schedule an appointment with Fr. Kenny at least 6 months prior to setting the wedding date.



Dear parishioners and guests,

We've tried this year to avoid waiting until the last minute (after the Mardi Gras party?) to make plans for our observance of Lent. I suggested that we take a prayerful look at our relationship with

God and begin to consider what Lenten practices would have a potentially medicinal (healing and strengthening) effect. Two weeks ago, we considered prayer practices. Last week, we considered fasting. This week, let's spend some time looking at almsgiving.

The practice of almsgiving helps us to recognize the direct connection between love of God and love of neighbor. St. John says, "whoever does not love a brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen" (1 John 4:20). We cannot love God without also having concern for our neighbor.

The question is: how could some form of almsgiving help to improve my relationship with God? Perhaps the first step is *becoming aware* of my neighbor's needs. That in itself might be an excellent Lenten resolution for many of us: I will go out of my way to find out what other people's needs are. I will focus less on what I need/want and more on how I can help others. I will take notice of people who are asking for assistance, and I will consider listening to their story.

Lenten almsgiving is not necessarily about giving more money. There are a lot of people who could give a lot more money, but that wouldn't at all guarantee them any change of heart. The poor widow in the gospel comes to mind: she put two small coins in the treasury, but Jesus praised her because she gave out of what she needed, not out of any excess she had left over (see Mark 12:41-44).

I challenge you to identify some area of your life (not necessarily involving finances, but possibly) in which you give out of your excess, and not out of your need. Pray and see if there's some practical way you can expand your heart this Lent to give of yourself like the poor widow in the gospel gave of herself. That's the kind of almsgiving that changes hearts.

After we have spent some time reflecting on what practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving might help our relationship with God, all that is left is to make the decision. With a prayer to the Holy Spirit, let's make a firm resolution to embrace the work of deepening conversion through our Lenten observance. With God's help, may we remain faithful to our commitments and arrive at Easter with hearts and minds made pure.

Fr. Kenny St. Hilaire, Pastor



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Fridays: 7:45 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

All other Fridays: 7:45 a.m. - 8:45 p.m.

Every Thursday: 7:15 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for our Colville, Kettle and Northport Parishes. Olin Birdsong, Oscar Romo, June Machala, Jonathan Coe, Cinda Lorenzetti, Kenton Foundas, Chris Miller, Arvilla Vickers, Peter Perkins, Janneth Brown Drury, Monty LeCaire, Brittney Gagnon, Monica Parazoo, Pat Graham, Margie Christensen, Meggie Hyman, Dale McLeod, Mila Stewart, Lori Elledge, Susan Williamson, Mike Miller, and Lynn Gray.

(Please remember, the list rotates each week.)

If you or someone you know are sick or homebound and would like to receive a visit, Holy Communion or anointing of the sick, please call the Parish office.

Weekly Contributions: February 3-4

Immaculate Conception (Colville): \$6,417.07

Sacred Heart of Jesus (Kettle Falls): \$1,404.00

Pure Heart of Mary (Northport): \$265.00

Social Outreach: \$220.00

PREPARES: \$200.00

ICP Capital Improvement: \$155.00



Our Servants of the Sick ministry will have a training session

February 15, at 10:30 a.m. on how we bring our Eucharistic Lord to our home-bound Catholics. We're currently in need of substitutes. Here's a chance to learn how we share the Eucharist with those who don't have the mobility needed to come to Mass. Fr. Kenny will be supporting and explaining how the *Rite of Communion of the Sick* is to be followed to provide the Church's gift of the Eucharist. There will be an opportunity to attend the Thursday community lunch in the Church hall after the meeting. For questions, please call Dave Hewes (509) 680-3885 or ask Pam in the office.



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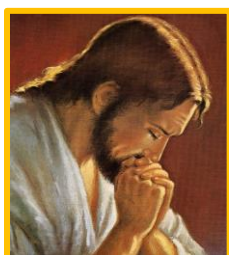
CRS RICE BOWL: Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Through participation in CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and poverty, and how, with our prayers and sacrifices, we have the power to make the world a better place for all. Rice Bowls are available in the vestibule.



Presence-The Mystery of the Eucharist
ICP is supporting the **Year of Parish Eucharistic Revival** by offering a six-session series called **"Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist"** each Tuesday evening during Lent, beginning on February 20. Workbooks will be available for the series. Please prayerfully consider joining us during Lent for this series.



Lori Roberts has created the perfect Mardi Gras dinner. We will be enjoying traditional Mardi Gras fare including chicken and sausage gumbo, shrimp and chicken jambalaya, homemade mac and cheese and all the fixings. This weekend (February 10 and 11) is the final opportunity to purchase tickets. Join 165 of your fellow parishioners at the Ag Trade Center on February 13 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. (Remember, Mass will be at 4:00 p.m.) Tickets are \$15 per person, \$35 per family, or \$100 for a table. Proceeds from the Dessert Dash will go to fund Youth Group activities such as the Steubenville NW Youth Conference. You are welcome to bring a beverage of your choice. Tickets will not be available at the door. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer your time, talent, and gifts, please contact Cindy Campbell at 612.423.4290 or call the parish office at 509.684.6223.



Adorers Needed: Jesus asks His disciples, "Could you not watch one hour with me?" How about 30 minutes? Are we really too busy to spend some time with Our Lord? On every Friday we have Adoration from 7:45 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. On the first Friday of each month, we have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament beginning after the 7:15 a.m. Mass until 5:45 p.m. Benediction. We are looking for visitors for all hours (or half hours). To sign up, or for more information please contact Cecily Van Cleave or the parish office. 509-684-6223.



The Evangelization team at Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Moses Lake is hosting an Evangelization Retreat the weekend of February 23-25 (Friday through Sunday). Visitors from other parishes are welcome. The retreat has received rave reviews from past retreatants! Contact the parish office for a registration form.



The PREPARES ministry is hosting its monthly diaper distribution on Saturday, February 17, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Any parent, including expectant moms, grandparents, or foster parent who needs diapers for a child in their care is welcome to come and pick up 50 diapers or 26 pullups per child and one packet of baby wipes per family per month. All PREPARES activities are free of charge and open to people of all faiths and backgrounds. For more information, contact Pat Taylor, 509-942-9592. Thank you for your prayers and support!

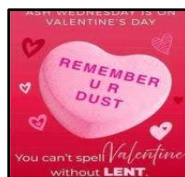


Soup Suppers on Fridays during Lent after Stations of the Cross at ICP and SHJ. Volunteers are needed at ICP to bring a soup or some bread or rolls or help with the hosting or cleanup. Sign-up sheets are in the vestibule.

Please bring your **last year's palms** to church. We will burn them to be used for Ash Wednesday. There is a basket in the gathering area to place them. *Remember, they are blessed and can't be thrown out – only burned or buried.*



Prayer Warriors for the 40 Days of Lent! Are you interested in being a Prayer Warrior for an individual or family during the 40 days of Lent? We need people who will commit to praying for a person or family each day of Lent. You will receive the first name of a person and their family to pray for – all we ask is that you pray each day for that person and their family. Call Cindy Campbell at 612-423-4290 or email cindycampbell55379@yahoo.com You can also sign up by calling the Parish office @ 509.684.6233



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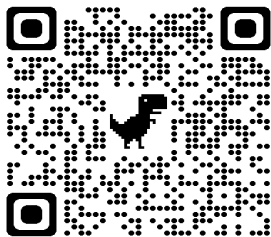
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