

## MY PARISH FAMILY

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

**October 15, 2023: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)**



### MASS AND CONFESSION SCHEDULE

#### Tuesday, October 17

5:00 p.m. Confessions (Colville)

5:30 p.m. Mass (Colville)

*Special Intention*

#### Wednesday, October 18

7:15 a.m. Mass (Colville)

*Whitty Whitten +*

#### Thursday, October 19

7:15 a.m. Adoration/Confessions

8:30 a.m. Mass (Colville)

*Ann Brenda*

11:30 a.m. Mass (Republic)

*Patricia Wood +*

#### Friday, October 20

7:15 a.m. Mass (Colville)

*Jeanine Boucher-Colbert*

#### Saturday, October 21

3:00 p.m. Confessions

4:00 p.m. Mass (Colville)

*Paulina Ball + / Robert Buxton +*

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

*P. St. Hilaire Intention*

#### Sunday, October 22 Mt 22:15-21

9:00 a.m. Mass (Colville)

*Pro Populo*

12:30 p.m. Mass (Curlew 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

*Edward Borgias +*

4:00 p.m. Mass (Republic)

*Patricia Wood +*

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### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

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

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



Dear parishioners and guests,

In last Sunday's column, I began to broach a topic that will be crucial in our discussion of reasons to be and stay Catholic. For some, it's a difficult topic. I hope, however, to present it using reasonable arguments and thus avoid some of the emotional baggage that can accompany this theme. The topic is *authority*.

All our beliefs rest on some kind of authority. We believe some things because people have done scientific research to arrive at their conclusions. For example, we might take a medication prescribed by our doctor, not knowing how exactly the medication works, but trusting that the doctor and the chemists who developed the drug have enough knowledge to make them authorities on the subject.

In some cases, we may trust the authority of others not based on their scientific study but on their life experience. My father did not have a college degree and never did any formal research to become a farmer, but after more than forty years of growing potatoes, I would trust him as an authority to tell me how to do it!

We believe some things because of our own personal experience and not necessarily based on someone else's expertise. Perhaps a friend recommends a particular electrician, so we hire the electrician to do some work. In the end, we're dissatisfied with the work done by the electrician, so our belief about the quality of this electrician's work is no longer based on the friend's word, but on our own personal experience.

There are times when we trust our own reasoning or skill or opinion as an authority sufficient for belief. An example of this would be when we make an assumption about something. Perhaps we've had an argument with someone, and we subsequently assume that the other person is upset with us, without having any solid evidence on which to base that belief.

I offer these examples simply to illustrate that everything we believe rests on some form of authority. Try it! Think of something you believe to be true and ask yourself why you believe it. Even if you answer, "There's no reason; I just do!" you find your own judgment to be a sufficient authority.

Not every authority is a legitimate authority, and in the coming weeks we're going to look at what constitutes legitimate authority on matters of religion.

Father Kenny St. Hilaire, Pastor

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Please pray for our Colville, Kettle and Northport Parishes. Olin Birdsong, Oscar and Evelyn Romo, June Machala, Jonathan Coe, F. Hendricks, Phil Anderson, 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 and Holy Communion, please call the Parish office.**

### **Weekly Contributions: October 7-8**

Colville (Immaculate Conception): \$2,261.00

Kettle Falls (Sacred Heart): \$896.00

Northport (Pure Heart of Mary): \$30.00

ICP Capital Improvements: \$45.00

Social Outreach: \$25.00

*Online giving not included.*



It's time again for the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA): our primary opportunity to support the work of the Catholic Church across Eastern Washington. You should have received information about the ACA in the mail; if not, materials are available at the church.

### **GOALS**

ICP-Colville: \$46,913

SHJ-Kettle Falls: \$8,435

PHM-Northport: \$2,293

ICP-R-Republic: \$16,698

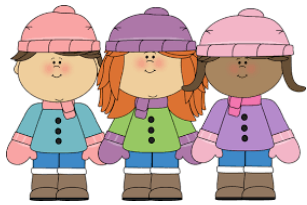
### **We still need a few volunteers to prepare dinners for Wednesday Youth Group!**

Our youth group meets each Wednesday evening at ICP for dinner, a few games, catechesis, and Adoration. Instead of buying pizza for them every week, we would like parishioners to get involved. Would you



consider volunteering to fix one meal for the teens and their teachers? Grab a friend or another family and have some fun making dinner for this great group of kids. Or just make extra portions of what you're already making. Details will be provided as your day of giving approaches. **Many thanks to those who have already signed up**, and thanks to *you* for giving this some consideration!





### Knights of Columbus Upcoming Events:

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual **Coats for Kids** distribution **this Saturday, October 21**, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at both ICP and SHJ. **Knights Breakfast Fund Raiser:** Sunday, October 22, after Mass in the Colville parish hall.



**Fr. McGivney Pie Auction:** November 19 after Mass in Colville. **Tootsie Roll Drive:** date/time to be determined. All men of the parish are invited to join. Meetings are held second Thursdays of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Please contact Randy Carstens for more information.



### Blessing of the Animals

In the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals, Father Kenny gave a blessing at Immaculate Conception on October 4 for our furry friends and companions. There were four dogs and two cats present to receive the blessing. Thanks to all who participated! Remember, Father is always happy to come over and bless your home or your farm animals as well.



### Mystery of Faith Series: The Foundations of our Faith

- Mystery of Faith, October 17<sup>th</sup>. We continue our study of Saint Peter.

Peter, amidst our Lord's Passion, falls asleep; he falls at a distance; and he denies. But then he is forgiven at the dawn of the Resurrection by our Lord with mercy. Then he is given the admonition to feed the sheep. Peter would become a great shepherd because he could speak from the heart of the forgiveness that he found in Christ. Peter becomes the model for our discipleship as well. We are to witness to the world, as Peter did, that we have found the mercy of the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. In His resurrection, we participate in His freedom, and we want to share that good news!



You are invited to Sacred Heart Parish in Kettle Falls for a candlelit Eucharistic Holy Hour with Taizé music **this Monday, October 16, at**

**7:30 p.m.** It will be a beautiful evening of adoration and meditative song. October 16 is the feast of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, who introduced the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus into the Church. Please come!



### Wine, Cheese, Coffee and Donuts

After the 4:00 p.m. Mass this Saturday at ICP, the monthly wine and cheese social will take place. After the 9:00 a.m. Mass on

Sunday, coffee and donuts will be served. Both events take place in the parish hall. Please come and enjoy a time of fellowship and good eats!



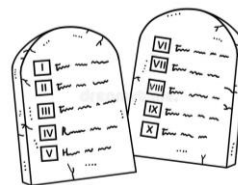
October is "**The Month of the Rosary.**" Each of our parishes has rosaries available at the back of the church. If you need one or an extra one for a friend or family member, please feel free to take one.



**This month's Synod on Synodality at the Vatican** — is essentially a major workshop for Church leaders and lay people on how to work together for the good of the Church. Please pray for the Synod on Synodality:

*We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts. Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.*

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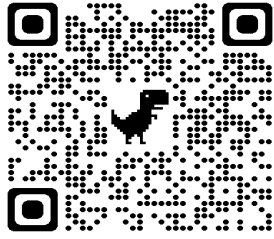
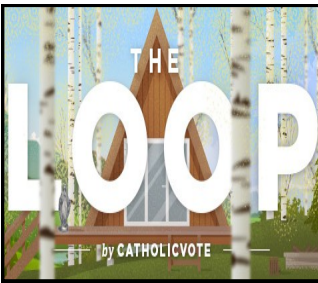


A Confirmation student was asked to list the Ten Commandments in any order. He wrote: "3, 6, 1, 8, 4, 5, 9, 2, 10, 7."

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