

MY PARISH FAMILY

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

Immaculate Conception (Republic)
 St. Patrick Mission (Curlew)

May 17, 2026: The Ascension of the Lord



MASS AND CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Tuesday, May 19

5:00 p.m. Confessions (Colville)

5:30 p.m. Mass (Colville)

Nathalie Harris +

Wednesday, May 20

12:00 p.m. Mass (Colville)

Father Kenneth St. Hilaire

Thursday, May 21

7:15 a.m. Adoration/Confessions

8:30 a.m. Mass (Colville)

Art & Agnes Taylor +

11:30 a.m. Mass (Republic)

Christopher Appel

Friday, May 22

7:15 a.m. Mass (Colville)

Father Bob McNeese anniversary

Saturday, May 23

3:00 p.m. Adoration/Confessions

4:00 p.m. Mass (Colville)

Father Steve Werner anniversary

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

Christopher Ramm +

Sunday, May 24 John 20:19-23

9:00 a.m. Mass (Colville)

Pro Populo

12:30 p.m. Mass (Curlew 4th Sunday)

Mitchell Carey

3:30 p.m. Confessions (Republic)

4:00 p.m. Mass (Republic)

Andrew Frey

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Women's Group (Laus Deo)..... Sandi Dotts

Altar Society (Republic).....

Please Pray for our priests and parishes in transition.



Dear parishioners and guests,

Happy and blessed Easter! Christ is risen; alleluia!

Today, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, when Jesus went up to heaven to take his seat at the right hand of the Father. Before ascending, he instructed his disciples: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" (Matt. 28:19-20a). Jesus wants his disciples to be instruments of conversion in the lives of others, helping them to know, love, and serve God.

And so, I share the next excerpt from Fr. Donald Haggerty's book *Conversion: Spiritual Insights into an Essential Encounter with God*. He writes:

"Toward the close of the Spanish Civil War, two soldiers from the Communist Republican faction were returning to their barracks after a night of drinking and cavorting with prostitutes. They were walking down a dusty road not far from a Carthusian monastery when the bells of the monastery began chiming loudly in the early morning light. With the bells ringing, their conversation halted, and they walked on in silence. The war ended not long after, and first one, then the other, joined this monastery. Around 1961, a newly ordained auxiliary bishop, later to become Cardinal Archbishop of Madrid, paid a visit to the monastery, hoping to meet these men and hear their story. He had heard on a number of occasions about their conversions and their entry into the monastery. He was received into the monastery by the abbot, and they took a slow walk through the corridors and grounds of the monastery. The bishop was waiting for a chance to ask if these men were still there. When he inquired, the abbot nodded and guided him outside. They entered the Carthusian graveyard, where among the simple white crosses the abbot stopped in front of a grave, silent for a while, brushing the loose dirt with the toe of his sandal. 'This is one of them,' said the abbot. 'And the other?' Looking up now into the face of the bishop, the abbot replied, 'I am the other.'"

Conversion – deep conversion – often happens where we least expect it. Perhaps we see how someone is living, and we think to ourselves, "They're not really 'disciple material.'" We know, however, that God works in mysterious and surprising ways. Let's not write anyone off – including ourselves! – as potential candidates for a major turnaround.

Fr. Kenny St. Hilaire, Pastor

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturdays in Colville:.....1 hour before Mass
Saturdays in Kettle Falls:..... 30 minutes before Mass
Sundays in Colville: 1 hour before Mass
Sundays in Northport: 30 minutes before Mass
Sundays in Republic:..... 30 minutes before Mass
Thursdays in Colville: 7:15 a.m. - 8:15.a.m.
First Fridays in Colville: 7:45 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
All other Fridays in Colville: 7:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

Weekly Contributions: May 9 - 10

Colville (Immaculate Conception): \$3,567.67
Republic (Immaculate Conception): \$2,217.00
Kettle Falls (Sacred Heart): \$708.00
Northport (Pure Heart of Mary): \$546.67.00
ICP Capital Improvements: \$115.00
PREPARES: \$550.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK IN FERRY COUNTY

Ron Bacon, Constance Brenner, Elizabeth Ciais, Rhonda Hinsperger, Dave Jordan, Mouse Kreele, JR Lake, Shawn Lipscomb, Cathy Louck, Jim Nash, Frances Piszker, Barbara Rochelle, Karen Slaton, Matthew Spurgeon, and John Stotts

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK IN STEVENS COUNTY

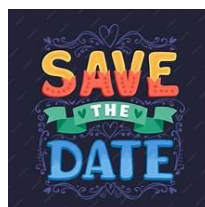
Eirn Binder, Shelly Perkins, Penny Perkins, Janelle Stroyan, Margaret Olson, Mert Graham, Palin Driver, James Rowland, Elaine Huff, Lisa Huff, Jim Miller, Loretta Bowling, Ella Sprangers & family, Karen Hamel, Kenzie Sackman, Mick, Greg and Luke McCrea.

(Please remember, this list rotates each week.)

If you or someone you know is sick or homebound and would like to receive a visit, Holy Communion, or Anointing of the Sick, please call the parish office.



Mickey Kester has been gracing us with her beautiful floral arrangements for over fifty years! She would like to step back from the floral arranging and focus on her other ministry, the Friendship Feast. She will be retiring on June 1, 2026. Thank you Mickey for all your years of hard work!



Father Kenny has been with us for nine years. He would like to hold a couple of special meals and have the opportunity to say goodbye and express his gratitude. The first will be at SHJ on Saturday, June 27, after the 6:00 Mass. The second will be at ICP (Colville) after the 9:00 Mass on Sunday, June 28. These will be potlucks, so please mark your calendar and plan to bring a dish!



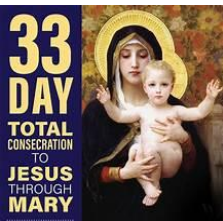
Mystery of Faith (Adult faith formation)

Mystery of Faith is viewing and discussing a 10-part series “Jesus: The Way, The Truth and the Life” from Ascension Press. We are discussing session 6 “The True Israel.” When Jesus begins his ministry, he announces that the time of fulfillment has come. And so he selects twelve of his disciples as the patriarchs of a renewed Israel. The shocking thing is that he welcomes into this renewed Israel of the last days exactly the kind of people shunned by the pious, such as prostitutes and tax collectors. He even accepts Samaritans and Gentiles, allowing them to experience the healing power that is a sign of the kingdom. Jesus ignores many of the traditions of the elders on Sabbath regulations and purity rules. Instead, he redefines holiness in terms of purity of heart and mercy—being merciful as God is merciful. Since the Father is forgiving, Jesus demands of his disciples a lifestyle of unlimited forgiveness that is unknown in Jewish tradition at that time.

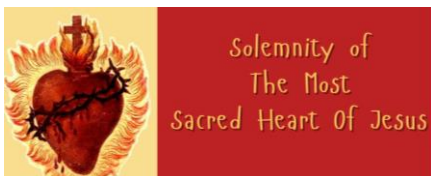
*Sessions are at 6:15 p.m. in the ICP Library.
A light dinner is provided.*



May Crowning at Immaculate Conception Colville & Sacred Heart of Jesus, Kettle Falls.



The Men’s Catholic Study Group is doing a **33-Day Consecration to Jesus through Mary**. Meeting time is 6:15 p.m. on Tuesdays at the Colville parish hall basement. Any man can come to the meeting. Questions? Please contact Dave Hewes (509-680-3885) or Phil Stalp (509-675-3131).



Friday, June 12 **Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**, 9:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Information Corner for Republic/St. Patrick Mission



Our next potluck dinner will be Sunday, May 24. This is a change from what was previously published, as Father will be away for the Knights of Columbus State Convention on May 17. The potluck is always a nice opportunity to share a meal together and to visit with fellow parishioners.



The next regular HOLY HOUR with Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at Immaculate Conception in Republic will take place **this Thursday**, May 21, after the 11:30 a.m. Thursday Mass. Increasing the amount of time we spend in Eucharistic Adoration is one of the best things we can do if we want to increase the level of happiness in our life. What to do during Adoration? Just look at Him and let Him look at you!



Sunday, May 31, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass in Colville, there will be a special blessing for all our graduating high school seniors. If you know any graduating seniors, please invite them to Mass.

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Parish Registration

If you are new to any of our three our Parishes, please call the office to register and update your information. (509) 684-6223



Welcome, Visitors! We are so glad you are here! If you have any questions about our church, our ministries, Mass intentions, etc., please talk with the greeters and they can direct you.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP

The Knights of Columbus are accepting applications for the 2026 Anton Pfeifer Scholarship. All graduating high school seniors who are parishioners of Immaculate Conception, Sacred Heart, or Pure Heart of Mary may apply. This year a \$750 scholarship will be awarded to the most deserving student. Application forms will be mailed out upon request and will also be available at the parish office in Colville. Please contact Dr. Ramon Canto at (509) 680-2827 or e-mail rgc129@yahoo.com for an application form or for any questions. The deadline for submission of applications is Tuesday, May 26, 2026.



Our prayer teams at ICP (Colville) are available to pray with anyone who would like to engage in intercessory prayer with others. Teams

will generally be available after Masses on the first and third Saturday/Sunday of the month at ICP.

If you would like to advertise your business here please call the Colville office.

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