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Daily Mass Schedule and Mass Intentions

Saturday	9/14/24	4:00pm	People of Holy Family
Sunday	9/15/24	9:00am	John Esser
Monday	9/16/24	—	No Mass
Tuesday	9/17/24	—	No Mass
Wednesday	9/18/24	—	No Mass
Thursday	9/19/24	—	No Mass
Friday	9/20/24	8:00am	Fred Rivera †
Saturday	9/21/24	4:00pm	People of Holy Family
Sunday	9/22/24	9:00am	Elaine Kinzer †

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Office Hours · Monday - Friday · 8:30am - 4:00pm

Holy Week Ministries Schedule

Please register for open positions on your MSP app or call the parish office. Thank you!

Ministries for	Altar Servers	Reader	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ushers
Saturday September 21st 4:00pm	Addy Aceveda Not Filled	Marleen Driscoll	Lynette Ausman	Leonard Babino Ron Flerchinger Jerry Hume Gene Kasper
Sunday September 22nd 9:00am	Gabe Arnzen Marcus Mills	Joan Baune Don Tuschoff	Pat Mills	Mark Ackerman Ernie Aguilar Tim McConnell Bob Uptagrafft.

September and October Ministry Schedules are in the South Entry. Make sure you stop and pick one up.

New Time: The Men of Holy Family Catholic Church are invited to come for a Holy Hour of silent prayer every Thursday at 7:00pm in the Church.

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Treasure:

The collection for the week of
09/08/2024
Actual: \$8,183

Special Monthly Collections

September - Bread & Wine Fund, Holy Family School, Building Maintenance Fund
If you have your weekly/monthly donations automatically taken out of your bank account, here is a list of the “special collections” you may not know of. Thank you.

This week at Holy Family...

Sunday, September 15th:

- Mass 9:00am
- Coffee and Donuts
- Confirmation/1st Communion Prep Class 10:30-11:30am

Monday, September 16th:

- **No Mass**
- Ladies Prayer Group 8:45am

Tuesday, September 17th:

- No Mass

Wednesday, September 18th:

- **No Mass or Confessions**

Thursday, September 19th:

- **No Mass**
- Men’s Holy Hour 7:00pm

Friday, September 20th:

- Mass 8:00am

Saturday, September 21st:

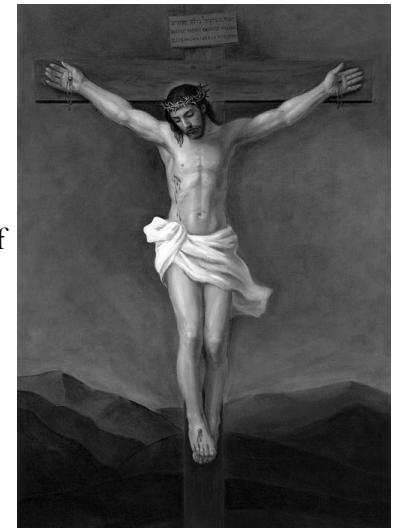
- Confessions 3:00pm
- Mass 4:00pm

Sunday, September 22nd:

- Mass 9:00am
- Coffee & Donuts
- Confirmation/1st Communion Prep Class 10:30-11:30am

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Feast day: Sep 14



The feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross celebrates two historical events: the discovery of the True Cross by Saint Helena, the mother of the Emperor Constantine, in 320 under the temple of Venus in Jerusalem, and the dedication in 335 of the basilica and shrine built on Calvary by Constantine, which mark the site of the Crucifixion.

The basilica, named the Martyrium, and the shrine, named the Calvarium, were destroyed by the Persians in 614. The Church of the Holy sepulcher which now stands on the site was built by the crusaders in 1149.

However the feast, more than anything else, is a celebration and commemoration of God's greatest work: his salvific death on the Cross and His Resurrection, through which death was defeated and the doors to Heaven opened.

The entrance antiphon for the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is: "We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our resurrection: through him we are saved and made free."

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/saint/the-exaltation-of-the-holy-cross-594>

Parish Hall

If you are a parish group that uses the Parish Hall this is for you. There have been numerous occasions after the use of the hall that volunteers have to go down and put things away/clean up. Here are a few things to consider that need to be done after any group use.

- The sound system/projector screen. This must to be shut down correctly and the screen put away after each use.
- Tables- if a table is taken out from the closet to use, please wipe it down and put it away when done.
- Perishables – Please make sure not to “store” anything in the hall walkin. They get forgotten then rot or spoil.
- Now required by each group, i.e., Knights, Catholic Daughters, Social Concerns, Foundation, Prayer Group, (sorry if I am missing anyone), will need to pick up a Rental Agreement for Use of Church Facilities. This will need to be reviewed by each group, signed and returned to the parish office.
- If you use any of the ovens or stovetops, those also must be cleaned after use.
- If you DO meet in the parish hall, it is YOUR group responsibility to make sure it is on the Church Master Calendar.
- REMEMBER, we have this beautiful, **new**, facility to use. Let’s keep it looking nice. The old saying “Leave it better than you found it.” should apply.

Columbarium

We know that the Columbarium and personal niches are extremely important to some people and especially the families who have loved ones there. When each family purchases a niche, they sign a form regarding the cleanliness and uniformity of each niche and the Columbarium area. I would like to remind the church community of these guidelines and ask that they are followed. If you are wanting to place flowers for a birthday, anniversary or such, please contact the parish office before so we are aware, and please remove them in a reasonable timeline. **What is signed by the person purchasing a Niche.**

9. Holy Family Church arranges for the maintenance of the Columbarium. Nothing of either a permanent or temporary nature shall be affixed to or on the Columbarium.
12. The use of any ornamentation on or proximate to any niche by any subscriber is prohibited. The Church will be responsible for plants or cut flowers or seasonal decorations at specific times during the year and arranges for the maintenance of the Columbarium.

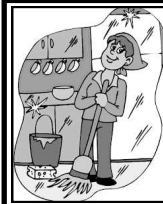


SAVE THE DATE

Holy Family School Foundation Dollar Auction
September 28, 2024 starting after Saturday Mass in the parish hall.
Anyone interested in donating a Theme Basket of items please
notify Lynette Ausman 208-305-9649.

For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it,
but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it.

Mark 8:35



Kitchen Deep Clean - It has been a while since the parish kitchen got a **good deep cleaning**. If you would like to volunteer to help get the kitchen clean in time for the various events this year, please let the parish office know. Thank you!

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Confirmation and 1st Communion

If your child is in 4th grade (and not attending Holy Family School) and has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation or 1st Communion, classes have started. Join us Sunday's starting at 10:30am in the Church Annex.



If you or someone you know are interested in joining the Catholic Church, our OCIA program will start October 6th at 11:00am in the Parish Hall. Please call the parish office at 758-6102 to get your name on the list.

The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time readings highlight faith, trust in God, and the call to follow Christ. These themes show us how to live out our faith in everyday life.

Listening to God: Isaiah speaks about listening to God and not rebelling. We are called to be attentive to God's voice in our lives.

Enduring Suffering: Isaiah describes the suffering servant. Suffering can be a part of our journey with God.

Faith and Works: James emphasizes that faith without works is dead. Our actions must reflect our faith in God.

Confessing Jesus as Messiah: In the Gospel, Peter confesses Jesus as the Messiah. Recognizing Jesus' true identity is essential for our faith.

Carrying the Cross: Jesus calls us to take up our cross and follow Him. We must be willing to face challenges for our faith.

Losing Life to Save It: Jesus teaches that losing our life for His sake leads to true life. Sacrifice is part of our commitment to Christ.

<https://young-catholics.com/3386/24th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-year-b/>



Do you have a child in 5th grade or above who would like to be an Altar Server?

Altar servers assist the priest by taking responsibility for many of the details in the preparation of the altar and vessels for weekend Masses and other special celebrations of the Church year.

Requirements for a child are that he or she be at least eight years of age, have received Confirmation and 1st Communion and be able to understand and carry out their responsibilities appropriately and with reverence. Additional servers are needed at all weekend liturgies and for funeral and wedding masses. Training will be provided and we accommodate busy schedules.

At this time we have 43 children who are registered at Holy Family. We have ONLY 9 children who are currently serving as altar servers.

If you have a child interested please call the parish office at 509-758-6102.

"Do not allow the sad spectacle of human injustice to disturb your soul."

St. Padre Pio

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<https://watch.formed.org/videos/restless-heart>

Prayer Requests



Please contact Cheryl Fuqua at 758-6936, Linda Wolf at 751-2370 or the parish office at 758-6102 or email to dparis@dioceseofspokane.org if you would like someone to be added.

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Melva Boyle
Sheila McDougall
Wessels Family
Dave Massaro
Kauffman Family
Michael Cheek
Yvonne Pecora
Dick Jacobs
Lisa Carey
Tina Flerchinger
Vivian Piatt
Gayle Williams
Mike B
Mary Gocke
Zach Paris
Reid Wagner
Scott Arnone
Cyndi Broenneke
Janeen Smith
Marilyn & Bill Cockschott
John & Viola Keller
& Family
Ross Starwalt
Kathy Renggli
Mary Jacobs

Week 2
Marty & Chierie
Nelson & Family
Mary Ellen Hill
Christian Morgan
Verla Day
Thelma Fales
Melanie Stellmon
Val Godwin
Adakys Ravis
Mary Lou Scharnhorst
Marv Kinzer
Melissa Lowe
Marguerite Sitton
Kathy Ross
Lois Hill
Ronald Cooney
Don Tuschoff
Ida May Hamilton
James & Sharon Tuschoff

Week 3

Tom & JoAnn Harvey
Irene Cicrich

Don Brooks
Mike & Ann Elsensohn
Joy Nye
Keela Carter
Courtney & Adeline
Paterson
Gene Breeding
Richard Fanning
Larry & Patty Dwyer & Family
Melissa Lowe
Sebastian
Dee Johnson
Marion Tunnclyff
Ken Schmidt
Kristina Jones
Sarah Wimer
Joan Anderson
Charlie Hill
Garrett Dobbs
Brighton & Emery
Schumacher
Ginny Kaufman
Renee Anderson
Doreen Isaac
Brenda Irvin
Gayne Bafus

Gary & Betty Riebe
Amy Phillips
Emily Segebartt

Week 4

Bob Sheppard
Dona McCann
Stapleton Family
Pat Williams
Erica Pena
Sue Buratto
Russ Bashore
Nick Menegas
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Betty Eggleston
Jo Caetano
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Dan Grassel
Eileen Jeffreys
Donna Heimgartner
Zenaida Bulota
Tom Rodgers

Letter from Father

15 September 2024
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Over 63 Million Reasons

Greetings,

It's election season again and as is incumbent (a little voter humor there) for this season, the argument about a "woman's right to choose" has taken center stage in so many of the campaigns to which we are exposed every day. It seems insane to me that we must argue about something so basic as a person's God given right to life but there are plenty of people who disagree with me and view the barbaric practice of abortion not as the murder that it is, but as a mere private choice made individually.

One of the weak arguments for in utero infanticide is that the fetus is not yet fully formed and therefore, only "potential" human life. One need only to begin to look at this argument from a critical thinking point to see that it is intrinsically flawed. In an atmosphere of "follow the science" here is the evidence needed to show that a child in the uterus is a unique human being. More than 90% of MDs and over 95% of medical textbooks say that life (human or otherwise) begins at the moment of conception. Once that life has been conceived, it can only become a human being, made in the image and likeness of God. That fertilized egg cannot become a dog or a fish or a tree or anything else other than a human being. The only potential in that event is in the moments before the sperm united with the egg in a literal flash of creation. That is the science. It has been observed and proven.

I recently heard someone make the analogy between an unborn child and a lottery ticket. He said to imagine that you had played the lottery, let's say with a prize of \$63 million. Now, imagine in your excitement as you were rushing to the lottery office to claim your prize, someone on the bus grabs the winning ticket and sets it on fire, destroying it. In shock you yell, "You fool! That was worth \$63 million!" Now, imagine if her response is, "No, it was only potentially worth \$63 million. It's not really be worth that until you cashed it in." What would your reaction be? Would you accept such a flawed line of so-called reasoning? I submit that you would not. I think that every single one of us would be filled with anger at the person who destroyed our winning ticket because of ignorance.

Now apply that argument to an unborn child. Can we really say that a child in the womb is mere potential? Ask any woman who has carried a child through pregnancy. She can tell you that she does not have within herself a mere "clump of cells" but a living, moving, energetic human being. There is more observable evidence for you.

More than 63 million children have met the violent death of abortion since it was legalized by the Roe v Wade decision in 1973. And even though that greatly flawed decision was overturned, abortion, even up to the moment of birth, remains legal in many of the United States. We still have a great deal of work to do not only to make abortion illegal but to change the culture from one that allows a child to be viewed as a choice to a culture that holds children to be the gifts from God that they are.

We must storm Heaven with prayer for the conversion of those who support this barbaric practice. We must double those prayers for women and couples who find themselves considering abortion as the only option they have to an unexpected pregnancy. And we must be willing to add our voices and efforts to organizations that support those women and couples in making good and holy decisions in support of the gift of life. We owe our efforts to the more than 63 million children who have never had the chance to enjoy life as we do.

Mary, Queen of Heaven, pray for us!

Blessings,

Fr Jeff Core

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Join us for praying the rosary and birthday celebrations. We will be celebrating **August and September birthdays** after rosary on Wednesday, September 18th, and then, those attending with their honored birthday student, may join them for brunch in the school cafeteria following. If you have a special birthday student, make sure this is on your calendar!

We hope you will attend our **HFS Foundation's Dollar Auction** on Saturday, September 28th from 5:30-9 p.m. This is such a great family event! Bring the kids and lots of dollar bills. They will have the time of their lives. The food is tasty and the dollar auction exciting! Thank you to our Foundation for putting on this event.

Our **Fun Run** is in full swing! If you would like to support a student or staff member, please make a donation on our 99Pledges site or drop off a donation at the school office. Thank you for your dedication to making our school successful. As of Thursday we were at \$6,840 out of our \$15,000 goal. Please donate today! <https://app.99pledges.com/fund/holyfamilyclarkston24>

Donations to our Fun Run will help support the purchase of new SS/History Curriculum and with the installation of our Playground Shade. The school received partial grant funding for both projects: \$9K for curriculum from the Nazareth Guild and \$10K from the NezPerce Tribe for the shade. We appreciate the generosity of donors who make our projects and commitment to education possible.

Thank you for fundraising! Did you know:

- The cost to educate each student is **over \$10,000**
- Tuition is \$5,491
- That's a difference of **\$4,509**

Thank you to our families for fundraising and our community and donors for making up the difference!

Thank you for being an integral part of our school's journey and for your dedication to the education and well-being of our students.

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