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Holy Family Catholic Church



February 9, 2025 The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him.

Daily Mass Schedule and Mass Intentions

Saturday	02/08/25	4:00pm	People of Holy Family
Sunday	02/09/25	9:00am	Joan Stubbers †
Monday	02/10/25	8:00am	Claudia Winkler†
		11:00am	Funeral Mass for Donna Janikowski †
Tuesday	02/11/25	8:30am	The Feast of our Lady of Lourdes
			Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday	02/12/25	8:00am	Beverley Acker †
Thursday	02/13/25	8:00am	A.A Hayden † & Family
Friday	02/14/25	8:00am	Kevin Olberding
Saturday	02/15/25	4:00pm	People of Holy Family
Sunday	02/16/25	9:00am	Elaine Kinzer†

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COMING UP Sunday, February 9th:

- Mass 9:00am
- Coffee & Donuts
- Parish Town Hall

Monday, February 10th:

- Mass 8:00am
- Ladies Prayer Group 8:45am
- Donna Janikowski Funeral Mass 11:00am
- Catholic Daughters 6:30pm

Tuesday, February 11th:

- Mass 8:30am -
 - Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes
- Knights of Columbus 7:00pm

Wednesday, February 12th:

- Mass 8:00am
- Holy Hour and Confessions after Mass

Thursday, February 13th:

- Mass 8:00am
- Mass at St. Joseph Hospital Chapel 12:30pm
- Eucharistic Adoration & Holy Hour 7:00pm (ALL ARE WELCOME)

Friday, February 14th:

• Mass 8:00am

Saturday, February 15th:

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

Sunday, February 16th:

- Mass 9:00am
- Coffee & Donuts
- Sacrament Prep 10:30am
- OCIA 11:00AM

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Ministries for	Altar Servers	Reader	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ushers
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Reflection for the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C readings present us with rich themes that call us to reflect deeply on our faith. Through the stories of Isaiah, Paul, and Peter, we explore God's holiness, human unworthiness, witnessing to faith, and the call to follow Jesus. These reflections aim to help us understand these themes and how they apply to our

Responding to God's Holiness

In the first reading for the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, Isaiah has a vision of God's holiness. He sees the Lord on a throne with angels around Him, singing praises. The scene is full of awe and majesty. This vision reminds us of God's greatness and the importance of honoring Him in our lives.

Isaiah's reaction to this vision is one of unworthiness. He feels unclean and inadequate before God. He says, "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips." This humility is crucial in our relationship with God. Recognizing our unworthiness helps us understand the need for God's forgiveness and mercy.

In the Gospel, Peter also feels unworthy. After witnessing the miraculous catch of fish, he falls at Jesus' knees and says, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." Peter's reaction is similar to Isaiah's, showing that encountering God's greatness often makes us aware of our own sins.

When we feel unworthy, we should remember that God still calls us. Isaiah and Peter were both chosen despite their feelings of inadequacy. God does not call the perfect; He perfects the called. Our response to God's holiness should be one of humility, repentance, and readiness to serve, just like Isaiah and Peter.

Witnessing to Faith and God's Grace

In the second reading for the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, Paul reminds the Corinthians of the gospel he preached to them. He emphasizes that Christ died for our sins, was buried, and rose again on the third day. Paul is a witness to these truths, having seen the risen Christ himself. This message is central to our faith and should be shared with others.

Paul acknowledges that he is not worthy to be called an apostle because he persecuted the Church. However, he credits his apostleship to God's grace working in him. "By the grace of God, I am what I am," Paul says. This shows that any good we do is because of God's help, not our own merit. It's a reminder to rely on God's grace in our own

Sharing our faith, like Paul, is essential. We may feel unworthy or inadequate, but God's grace enables us to witness effectively. Our personal experiences of God's grace can be powerful testimonies to others. We are called to share the gospel, trusting that God will work through us despite our weaknesses.

Our witness should be consistent and sincere. Paul's life was changed by God's grace, and his actions reflected his faith. As followers of Christ, our lives should show the impact of the gospel. By relying on God's grace, we can overcome our shortcomings and be effective witnesses of our faith.

Following Jesus

In the Gospel for the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, Jesus calls Peter, James, and John to follow Him. They were fishermen, likely illiterate and not scholars of Scripture. Yet, Jesus saw potential in them. He calls ordinary people to be His disciples, showing that anyone willing to follow Him can be used for His purposes.

The fishermen's response is immediate. They leave everything and follow Jesus. This act of leaving behind their livelihood and security demonstrates their trust and commitment. It teaches us that following Jesus often requires sacrifice and a willingness to let go of our own plans.

Jesus' choice of these unlikely followers highlights that He values a willing heart over qualifications. He does not look for the most educated or the most skilled, but for those ready to give themselves fully to Him. This gives hope to all of us, as it shows that we don't need to be perfect to be used by God.

Our call to follow Jesus is similar. We might feel unqualified or unworthy, but Jesus invites us to trust Him and follow Him wholeheartedly. By answering this call, we embark on a journey of faith, trusting that Jesus will guide and equip us. Like the fishermen, we are called to leave behind anything that hinders our commitment and follow Jesus with our whole heart.

Lord, help us recognize Your holiness and our need for Your grace. Strengthen us to witness our faith with courage and sincerity. Guide us to follow You wholeheartedly, leaving behind anything that holds us back. Amen.

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"Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted" Mark 5:4 Donna Janikowski passed away January 11, 2025. Please join us in her Funeral Mass, February 10, 2025 at 11:00am.



Would you like to be a part of our Adult Choir on Saturday or Sunday? If you are interested in joining, please contact Mrs. Ravanera at gravanera@holvfamilvclarkston.com.



Holy Family Parish Town Hall

Please join us THIS Sunday in the Father Root Memorial Hall after 9:00am Mass. We will be discussing the Bazaar for 2025.



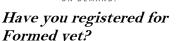
Holy Family Catholic Church invites you to come for Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour of silent prayer every Thursday at 7:00pm in the Church.

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Please contact Cheryl Fuqua at 758-6936, Linda Wolf powerful woman in the history of the Vatican." 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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Letter from Father

9 February 2025 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Love Thy Enemy

Greetings,

Every year, the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes hosts the Novena of Our Lady of Lourdes in preparation of her feast day on the eleventh of February. Our Lady of Lourdes is the patroness of the Diocese of Spokane and so we observe this feast with great joy. Each night of the novena, parishioners of the Cathedral gather with the priests of the Cathedral and Bishop Daly to pray for healing from illness and infirmity, whether it be physical or spiritual for themselves or others. It is a beautiful tradition,

Last Tuesday evening, during the Prayers of the Faithful, a deranged man rushed the sanctuary and assaulted Fr. David Gaines, who serves as the master of ceremonies for the Cathedral. The man landed a few punches on Fr. Gaines before he was wrestled to the floor by Fr. Gaines and others who had come to his aid. This was quite a shock to all of the attendees.

Here is where things took a turn from what we might have expected. Even as he was wrestling the man to the floor, Fr. Gaines could be heard telling him, "You're OK, you're OK". Spokane Police arrived and took the man into custody and the novena service continued, but not before Fr. Gaines learned his name, Josh. By all rights, Fr. Gaines should have returned the man's punches and made him pay for his transgressions and, if he were following the world's rules, that is what he would have done. But, Fr. Gaines chose the rule of the Gospel, "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father."

We live in a time and atmosphere where it is perfectly fine, perhaps even expected, that we not only hate our enemies, but seek their destruction as well. Whether we merely disagree with someone regarding a preference or have vastly different political or social views, the total hatred and rejection of the other has become the standard. I believe that this is because of our fallen, sinful nature. It is so much easier to follow the rules of the world because the world demands so little of us. The Gospel, on the other hand, demands much. Love your enemies? Pray for those who persecute you? What psychopath came up with that? It doesn't make any sense. And that is the point, the life that Jesus calls us to in the Gospel doesn't make any sense when view through the lens of worldly wisdom. It only makes sense when we start to see through the eyes of Faith and Charity.

What a wonderful world it would be if we could just follow through with that simple command, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you. I spoke with Fr. Gaines the day after the attack to let him know that we were relieved that he was alright and would be praying for his peace of mind. He very humbly also said, "Make sure to pray for Josh too, he really needs our prayers". We don't often get a real-world example of the things Christ asks us to do but that was certainly it if there ever was one. Now, Fr. Gaines and Josh probably won't become best friends and hang out together on weekends and such, but I know that Fr. Gaines does not hate a man who presented himself as an enemy, at least for a moment. Instead, by following the command, he turned an enemy into someone with whom he can seek the Kingdom of God. Would that we follow his example and try to do the same.

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В	lessings,

Fr Jeff Core

The Story of Our Lady of Lourdes

On December 8, 1854, Pope Pius IX proclaimed the dogma of the Immaculate Conception in the apostolic constitution *Ineffabilis Deus*. A little more than three years later, on February 11, 1858, a young lady appeared to Bernadette Soubirous. This began a series of visions. During the apparition on March 25, the lady identified herself with the words: "I am the Immaculate Conception."

Bernadette was a sickly child of poor parents. Their practice of the Catholic faith was scarcely more than lukewarm. Bernadette could pray the Our Father, the Hail Mary and the Creed. She also knew the prayer of the Miraculous Medal: "O Mary conceived without sin."

During interrogations Bernadette gave an account of what she saw. It was "something white in the shape of a girl." She used the word *aquero*, a dialect term meaning "this thing." It was "a pretty young girl with a rosary over her arm." Her white robe was encircled by a blue girdle. She wore a white veil. There was a yellow rose on each foot. A rosary was in her hand. Bernadette was also impressed by the fact that the lady did not use the informal form of address (*tu*), but the polite form (*vous*). The humble virgin appeared to a humble girl and treated her with dignity.

Through that humble girl, Mary revitalized and continues to revitalize the faith of millions of people. People began to flock to Lourdes from other parts of France and from all over the world. In 1862 Church authorities confirmed the authenticity of the apparitions and authorized the cult of Our Lady of Lourdes for the diocese. The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes became worldwide in 1907.

Reflection

Lourdes has become a place of pilgrimage and healing, but even more of faith. Church authorities have recognized over 60 miraculous cures, although there have probably been many more. To people of faith this is not surprising. It is a continuation of Jesus' healing miracles — now performed at the intercession of his mother. Some would say that the greater miracles are hidden. Many who visit Lourdes return home with renewed faith and a readiness to serve God in their needy brothers and sisters.

There still may be people who doubt the apparitions of Lourdes. Perhaps the best that can be said to them are the words that introduce the film *The Song of Bernadette*: "For those who believe in God, no explanation is necessary. For those who do not believe, no explanation is possible."

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