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Daily Mass Schedule and Mass Intentions

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| Easter Vigil | 04/19/25 | 8:15pm | People of Holy Family |
| Easter Sunday | 04/20/25 | 9:00am | Jerry & Pat Kazda † |
| Monday | 04/21/25 | 8:00am | Janet Osborne |
| Tuesday | 04/22/25 | _____ | No Mass |
| Wednesday | 04/23/25 | 8:30am | Patty Watson † |
| Thursday | 04/24/25 | _____ | No Mass |
| Friday | 04/25/25 | 8:00am | Mary Gay McRae † |
| Saturday | 04/26/25 | 4:00pm | Gary Broemeling † |
| Divine Mercy Sunday | 04/27/25 | 9:00am | People of Holy Family |

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



Do not be amazed!
You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified.
He has been raised; he is not here.
Behold the place where they laid him.
But go and tell his disciples and Peter,
“He is going before you to Galilee;
there you will see him, as he told you.”
Mark 16:6-7

A reflection for Easter Sunday

Our Eastern Rite sisters and brothers use that Easter proclamation to greet each other throughout the fifty days of Easter. It is a beautiful example of the Easter faith spilling over from our liturgical celebration and affecting every other area of our lives.

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit and addressing a crowd in the first reading, says, “you know what has happened all over Judea” and proceeds to give what we might today call an “elevator speech” version of the good news of Jesus. He claims authority to do so as a witness, and beyond that, “one who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.”

For us here and now, we cannot presume, even in so-called Christian countries, that our hearers will know anything about Jesus, much less his message and his revelation of God's all-encompassing love and mercy. If we were to greet each other on the street, reminding ourselves of Jesus' victory over sin and death, we would also need to be prepared to respond to curiosity from those around us. We too should have an "elevator speech" ready at hand. It doesn't need to quote scripture chapters and verses, but it does have to come from someone who can identify as a table companion of Jesus, close enough to share in his life-giving meal.

Our Easter Triduum began with the celebration of the Lord's supper on Holy Thursday. We have been reading principally from Luke's gospel this year, and Jesus spends a lot of time at the table in this gospel. He is criticized for eating and drinking with the wrong kind of people, he and his disciples are criticized for not following all the ritualistic washings prescribed in the law, but it is at the table that Jesus shares his life, his very self. And it is no wonder that the lasting memorial of his presence is in the form of food. He invites those who hear him to be less concerned about their place at the table and to be willing to host those who have no way of paying back in kind. He describes a lavish meal for a son who ran off and wasted his inheritance, and at another meal a woman known as a sinner lavishly washes Jesus' feet with her tears and dries them with her hair.

As table companions of Jesus, we should be concerned for all those who do not have people with whom to feast, and for those who lack the basic necessities for their table. As Catholics who recognize Jesus in the breaking of the bread, we should be eager to welcome people to the feast that God has prepared and to make sure that all feel welcome.

Our gospel today begins with Mary of Magdala who comes upon the empty tomb with the stone rolled away. She has to share this astonishing and confusing news with Peter and John who race each other to the entrance of the tomb. They discover that Jesus, whose painful death they witnessed, could not be contained by the tomb but rose again to new life. No wonder they can't wait to share that news. In a world of so much loneliness and pain, we should be as eager to share the hope of Jesus' love that could not be conquered by death.

<https://uscatholic.org/articles/202504/a-reflection-for-easter-sunday-5/>

We Believe In The Power Of Prayer



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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Nancy DiMeo
Evelyn Nanik
Liz Samayoa
Dan Grassel
Eileen Jeffreys
Donna Heimgartner
Joan Baune
Jeremy Purcell
Linda Wagner

Week 2

Melva Boyle and Family
Sheila McDougall
Dave Massaro
Kauffman Family
Stapleton Family
Michael Cheek
Yvonne Pecora
Dick Jacobs
Lisa Carey
Tina Flerchinger
Vivian Piatt
Mary Gocke
Zach Paris
Janeen Smith
John & Viola Keller
 & Family
Kathy Renggli
Libby Camron
Anne Anderson
Sandy Wanta
Janice Williams
Travis Tate
Emmet Agee

Week 3

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Nelson & Family
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Verla Day
Thelma Fales
Melanie Stellmon
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Week 4

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Keela Carter
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Doreen Isaac
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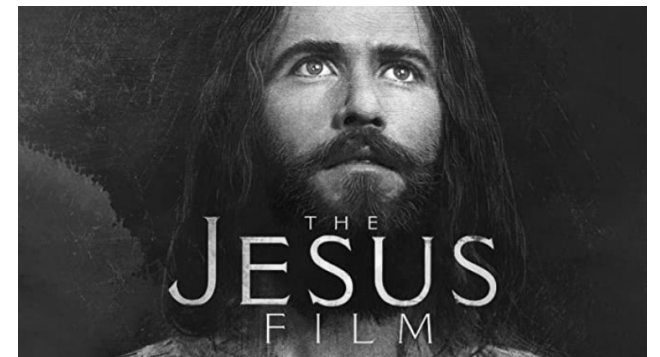


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<https://watch.formed.org/movie-night/videos/the-jesus-film-english>



“The Eucharist is a mystery of love. It makes all of us who eat the same bread into a single body, living by means of one spirit. It makes us one family – brothers and sisters united in solidarity with one another.” – Saint Paul VI

Please return your filled rice bowls in the marked totes in each entry way.

Final collection of Rice Bowls will be April 27th.

HEY! YOU! Do you attend Holy Family regularly? Are **YOU** registered with the parish office? If you are unsure, please call the parish office at 509-758-6102 to find out.



Knights of Columbus Scholarships

It is that time again! If you are a graduating Senior in High School you qualify to apply for this year's Knights of Columbus Scholarship.

Scholarship forms can be picked up at the parish office Monday—Friday from 8am to 3pm.

Good Luck! Scholarships must be returned to parish office no later than April 30th, 2025 at 3:00pm.

Letter from Father

20 April 2025
Easter Sunday of the Lord’s Resurrection
Living the Easter Promise takes Sacrifice.

Greetings,

I’ll start with wishing you a happy and blessed Easter season. My prayer is that these next fifty days are spiritually fruitful for you and your families. While this annual letter would usually be colored with the joy of the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, there is some solemn news that prevents me from being as joyous as I usually might be.

Last Sunday, Palm Sunday, in Zikke, Nigeria, fifty-four Christians were slaughtered in an attack on their Palm Sunday services. The attack went on for over an hour and left 103 households destroyed and the entire village displaced. The government response was apparently intentionally slow and the Christians were not able to defend themselves as they had been disarmed previously by government security forces. They truly were left as lambs at the slaughter.

Now, this could be a moment to despair, when one might ask, “Where was God in all of this?” To do so, in my humble opinion, would be a missed opportunity to seek understanding in the sacrifice and suffering of Jesus Christ, which is still in effect today. Events such as these help us see just how urgently we still need the Gospel in a world that is so tilted towards evil.

At every weekday Mass, we pray for Christians throughout the world who have dedicated their lives to be witnesses to the Faith, especially for those who experience violence and hatred for their work. I would never consider myself to be a scholar or even a middling student of Plato, but one of his assertions has stuck with me since the first time I heard it. He said, “No one is more hated than he who speaks the truth.”. When we speak the Truth to the world, we are often rejected and hated for what we hold and believe. This is exactly how the world treated our Savior. He came with the Truth and the world rejected Him. Easter reminds us that He triumphs over every evil thing in the world. St. Paul hit the nail on the head when he wrote to the Church in Rome, “*For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord*”

Remember and take comfort in this Easter Season and always that when evil things happen to us, we have recourse to Him who suffered and died for us and, ultimately, delivered us from anything not of Heaven.

Blessings,

Fr Jeff Core

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Have a **blessed Easter!** Jesus died for our sins so that we might be saved. We are blessed to have a faith and Savior who has unconditional love for us! How lucky we are to be surrounded by our faith, and learn about this great love on a daily basis. Thank you for the continued support and prayers of Catholic education.

Please note:
Our HFS front door entry will be CLOSED for a couple of days! If you need anything from the school office, please call first. 509-758-6621

A special thank you to our HFS Foundation who wanted to donate to a special project at our school! After listening to a presentation on several projects and needs, they chose the entryway. The tile was loose and the cement was chipping. We have a company putting an overlay on the cement to spruce it up and fix the steps. We are so lucky to have a supportive parish community wanting to help our school! Thank you!! If you have a group who would be interested in hearing about our school and how you can help, please reach out to Sheri Gehring and she’d be happy to come and present.

- Important Dates:**
- 4-21 – No school; Easter Monday – School and office are closed
 - 4-22 – MAP testing begins for grades K-8
 - 4-23 – Mass at 8:30 a.m. by 3rd
 - 4-25 – No school; Asotin Co Fair
 - 5-10 – HFS Auction; doors open at 4 p.m., live begins at 7 p.m.
 - 5-15 – Blood Drive 12:30-6 p.m. - contact the school office to sign up!

We need your help!
With the generous backing of the Irene Horrigan Trust, HFS is delighted to participate in the **Horrigan Match Endowment** program through the Catholic Foundation of Eastern Washington. This is the second year we have been given this unique opportunity. This gift is designed to support our school's endowment, leaving a lasting legacy of **perpetual support**. 100% of the money goes to future assistance at Holy Family School. What makes this opportunity even more impactful is that your funds will be matched dollar for dollar, with our school eligible for a matching grant of up to \$10,000. As these funds grow, they will provide **future tuition assistance**. Last year, with your support, we were able to exceed our matching goal. Your participation in this program is not only an investment in our school's future, but also a direct contribution to shaping the educational journey of students to come. **To make a contribution to the Horrigan Match**, you can write a check to The Catholic Foundation of Eastern Washington, with memo: CFS00119, (drop checks off at HFS) or donate online: <https://catholicfoundationspokane.org/horrigan-match-1>. Be sure to select Clarkston, Holy Family. (there are no fees) All contributions are due prior to **April 30, 2025**.

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