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The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 30, 2026



Daily Mass Schedule & Mass Intentions

Saturday	8/29/26	4:00pm	Amy & Lexi Vantassel
Sunday	8/30/26	9:00am	People of Holy Family
Monday	8/31/26	8:00am	Randy Starr
Tuesday	9/01/26	—	No Mass
Wednesday	9/02/26	8:30am	Donald J. Kopel †
Thursday	9/03/26	8:00am	Liam & Myles Gourley
Friday	9/04/26	8:00am	Bob & Cheryl Hart
Saturday	9/05/26	4:00pm	People of Holy Family
Sunday	9/06/26	9:00am	Doug & Jenni Richardson †

Stewardship
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Week of
August 23, 2026
\$3,399
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Office Hours ▪ **Monday - Friday 8:30am-3:30pm**

This Week Saturday, August 29th:

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

Sunday, August 30th:

- Mass 9:00am
- Coffee & Donuts

Monday, August 31st:

- Mass 8:00am
- Ladies Prayer Group 8:45am

Tuesday, September 1st:

- No Mass

Wednesday, September 2nd:

- Mass 8:30am
- Holy Hour and Confessions after Mass

Special Monthly Collections
September - Bread & Wine, Holy Family School Foundation, Building Maintenance, Holy Family School.

*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.***

Prayer Chain 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.

- Week 1**
- Selene Verdugo

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Ron & Brenda Irvin

Myliissa Schmidt

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Amy Phillips

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Janelle Williams

Laurie Knopes

Perry Decker

Jim Minnette

Steve

Ross Starwalt

Don McConnell

Fr. Roga Urassa

Nicholas Polis

Delores Flerchinger

Mike & Claire McCabe

Pam Polis
- Week 2**
- Tom & JoAnn Harvey

Don Brooks

Dobbs Family

Charlie Sprayberry

Val Godwin

Thursday, September 3rd:

- Mass 8:00am
- Adoration 7:00pm

Friday, September 4th:

- Mass 8:00am

Saturday, September 5th:

- Confessions 3pm
- Mass 4:00pm
- Wine & Cheese

Sunday, September 6th:

- Mass 9:00am
- Coffee & Donuts

Parish Office and School Closed September 7th for Labor Day



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What an exciting start! We’ve loved the smiles, laughter, and excitement that comes with beginning the new school year. Please continue to pray for our school and families this year. We will continue to keep our parish and community, who support us in so many ways, in ours.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR:

- Supporting a family from Spokane who lost their home in the fire.
- HFS has adopted this family for the school year. They have one 4th grade child who attends Catholic School. If you are interested in helping, email Mrs. Gehring sgehring@holyfamilyclarkston.com or call the school 509-758-6621.
- **Family Night – Wednesday, September 2 at 6:30 p.m.**We’ll kick things off in the gym with a general introduction and updates from our school leadership and committees. Afterward, stick around for cold treats, outdoor socializing, tours of the building, and a parent volunteer table where you can learn how to log your hours. Fun for the whole family!
- **Weekly School Mass – Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m.**Join us each week in the church with Fr. Jeff. *Reminder: No shorts or hoodies*
- **FUN RUN – Friday, October 2!**
Save the date! Detailed information and pledge materials will be shared soon.
- **Blood Drive – Thursday, September 17 (1:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.)**Help save lives! Please call the school office to reserve your donation slot.
- **Stop by and see our new classroom carpet!**
Thank you to the Knights of Columbus and the HFS Foundation for donating to our carpet project!

SCRIP:

Want to help earn extra cash for the school while you shop at places you already spend money!? SCRIP are gift cards that you purchase through the school and vendors give back a percent of what you purchase to the school. They are great for groceries, gas, coffee, dining out, etc., and also make great gifts! **We will normally order the first Friday of each month.** Orders will be due that Thursday. **September orders are due Thursday, Sept. 3.** Delivery takes about a week.

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Let us begin...

St. Francis of Assisi once told his brothers, “Let us begin, for up to now we have done so little”. He said this during a time of turmoil in the growing community of followers whose lives were transformed by the Gospel message of faith, service, and simplicity. They were words of encouragement meant to inspire his followers to believe that, with Faith in God, the impossible becomes possible. Please watch for announcements for community meetings in which we discuss the process of renovating our church. This effort must be rooted in Faith or it will not succeed. It is important for all parishioners to participate in these discussions where we plan for the care of the home that God has provided for us to sustain and beautify the place where grow in the witness of our faith.

You don't climb a mountain in leaps and bounds, but by taking it slowly.

— St. Gregory the Great

St. Gregory's Feast Day is September 3rd

SAINTS FUN FACTS by John Sheppard

St. Gregory was born in Rome around 540. At age 34 he was appointed Chief Magistrate of Rome. He built six monasteries in Sicily and a seventh in his own home in Rome. He became a priest at 35.

He was unanimously elected Pope and is known above all for his contributions to the Liturgy of the Mass and Office. He is one of the four great Doctors of the Latin Church and is considered to be the patron saint of teachers.

Gregory died on March 12th in the year 604.



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Sacraments — If you are a parishioner and have children in 3rd or 4th grade interested in receiving Confirmation & 1st Eucharist this school year please contact the parish office or email holyfamily@dioceseofspokane.org.

HOW YOU CAN HELP
THOSE AFFECTED BY THE
Spokane Wildfires

As our community begins the difficult work of recovery, there are many ways you can support our neighbors in need.



PRAY TOGETHER

Join Bishop Thomas A. Daly for a Holy Hour for Those Affected by the Wildfires.

Friday, August 7

5:00 p.m.

St. Charles Parish

The Holy Hour will be followed by dinner and a presentation by local attorneys at 6:00 p.m., offering guidance and resources for those impacted by the fires.



MAKE A MONETARY DONATION

Financial gifts provide the greatest flexibility in meeting immediate and long-term recovery needs.

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• Toiletries and hygiene
products
• Blankets and bedding

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• Bottled water
• Pet food and supplies



Before donating items,
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to confirm their most
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throughout the
recovery effort.



Thank you for your continued prayers,
generosity, and support for our neighbors
during this difficult time.

“Bear one another's burdens,
and so fulfill the law of Christ.”
— Galatians 6:2

Father Jeff's Weekly Letter

30 August 2026
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
What's Not to Love?

Greetings,

Love is a funny thing. On the one hand, it causes us to hold those we love to a higher standard than other people. On the other hand, love lets us overlook things in the ones we love that we might not be so flexible with in strangers. Love can inspire great strength in us and also, great anger. Love is the means by which we hope for perfection in the ones we love while not requiring perfection from them,

I love our Church. Not just the building in which we pray or the community with whom we gather but our Church, the Church Militant and the Church Triumphant. I love the Church because of who the Church is and what the Church is.

It is no secret that the history of our Church is not perfect. We have suffered poor leadership, unholy popes, bishops, and priests. We have suffered scandal and even come down on the wrong side of history a couple of times. This is because, while the establishment of our Church is perfect, we, her members, decidedly are not. The good news is that, even in our imperfection, Holy Mother Church has nothing but love for us and has no deeper hope for us than the perfection she knows is possible for us.

It is important for us to remember that, while the Church is made up of people, people are not the foundation of the Church. While the way things are done in the Church have changed from time to time, the Church remains unchanged because her foundation is Jesus Christ. Good popes or bad, good bishops or bad, good priests or bad, Novus Ordo or Traditional Latin Mass, ancient buildings or brand-new edifices, and even the times and events of the Church cannot change what and who the Church is.

Things will always change, in the Church and in the world in general. People come and go, pastors and priest are assigned and then moved, and events change, but the Church will never change. That is why I love the Church. No matter what changes in the world, the Church will always be the source of stability and surety for me. Even if everything else goes to pot, the Church will always remain.

I love the Church. I love being a priest in and for the Church. I love Holy Family and having the privilege to serve here as pastor. Our church here reflects the Church Militant throughout the world and the Church Triumphant in the Kingdom of Heaven. What's not to love?

Blessings,

Fr Jeff Core



Parish Groups:

If you would like something in our weekly bulletin it needs to be sent by email to, holyfamily@dioceseofspokane.org NO LATER than end of work day on Wednesday the week of.

Calendar Correction:

The Catholic Daughters will meet on September 14th at 6:00pm in the Fr. Root Memorial Hall.

PARISH/CHURCH USE

Just a reminder, if you would like to hold a meeting, event or needing to use the hall/church please make sure you contact the parish office **first** and make sure you are on church calendar. Thank you.

Save the date for this year's
**Holy Family School Foundation
Dollar Auction.**

Saturday, September 19, 2026
In the Fr. Root Memorial Hall
in us at 5:00pm for Chili & Hot Dogs
Auction will start at 6:00pm
\$8 per person



Grief and Caregiver Support Group - Sponsored by St. Joseph Family Hospice. Join us at the Lewiston City Library on the third Tuesday of every month. Caregiver support group is from 3:00-3:50pm and Grief Support Group is from 4:00-4:50pm. Questions please call 208-799-5275.

**Join us for our next
Holy Family School Blood Drive
September 17th
From 1:30-6:00pm in the
Father Root Memorial Hall**

Every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood and or platelets.
Approximately 30,000 units of red blood cells are needed every day in the U. S.



*There is no place that is far from God
St. Monica*

**September Ministry schedules are out on the bulletin tables.
Please make sure you take one on your way out of church.**

Ministries Schedule	Altar Servers	Reader	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ushers
Saturday September 5th 4:00pm	Sydney Hinkelman Ella Miller	Marlene Driscoll	Lynette Ausman	Leonard Babino Ron Flerchinger Gene Kasper Not Filled
Sunday September 6th 9:00pm	Vivian France Charlotte France	Pat Wolf James Browitt	Kerri Bailey	Mark Flerchinger Ron Gosselin Tim McConnell Thomas Stapleton
Saturday September 12th 4:00pm	Sydney Hinkelman Ella Miller	Linda Kazda	Evelyn Williams	Leonard Babino Ron Flerchinger Gene Kasper Tom Ledgerwood
Sunday September 13th 9:00am	Thang Dao Bella Schumacher	Marvin Entel Kathy Dobbs	Charlotte France	Ernie Aguilar Brian Babino Steve Nuxoll Pat Wolf

There is Something for Everyone - Do Not Miss Out!!!

Calling all Altar Servers NEW and OLD!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

We will be holding a training for NEW Altar Servers and a refresher course for CURRENT Altar Servers after Mass on September 12th & 13th.

We are looking for more **READERS** for Saturday night Mass. If you are interested in reading please email holyfamily@dioceseofspokane.org or let the parish office know.



Here are some interesting facts about St. Teresa of Calcutta or Mother Teresa. Her Feast Day is September 5th:

1. **She devoted her life to her faith at the age of 12.** The youngest of three children, Mother Teresa was born into a devout Catholic home to parents of Albanian descent. She was baptized the day after she was born in Skopje, North Macedonia, and throughout her life witnessed her mother caring for those less fortunate. She also became fascinated with the lives of missionaries and by the age of 12 committed herself to religious life. At the age of 18 she joined the Sisters of Loreto, an Irish community of nuns who sent missionaries to India. She trained for several months in Ireland before going to India. *She never saw her mother or siblings again.*
2. **She once had to beg for food.** When Mother Teresa first arrived in India for her missionary work, she had no income and little access to food. Experiencing hunger, she was forced to beg for food from people on the street. This experience gave her a more personal understanding of the suffering many of the poor people living on the streets of India were going through.
3. **She received more than 120 honors and awards.** Mother Teresa was awarded more than 120 awards and honors both during her lifetime and after she passed away. Some of these include the Padma Shri in 1962, the Ramon Magsaysay Peace Prize in 1962, the Jawaharlal Nehru Award for International Understanding in 1969, the Pope John XXIII Peace Prize in 1971, the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979, and the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian award, in 1980.
4. **She has an airport named after her.** There are many roads and buildings named after Mother Teresa. However, one that particularly stands out is an airport. The international airport in Albania was renamed in 2001 to honor the saint. Its name is now the Tirana International Airport Nënë Tereza (Mother Teresa).
<https://www.ncregister.com/cna/mother-teresa-5-facts?>

OCIA
(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

OCIA will begin on September 20th after Mass in the Fr. Root Memorial Hall from 11:00am-12:30pm. OCIA is a formation class presented by Fr. Jeff that will help adults prepare to receive the Sacraments and enter the Catholic Church during Easter Vigil.

If you or someone you know is interested in the Catholic Faith please call the parish office at 758-6102 or email dparis@dioceseofspokane.org to register for class.

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you put into what you do
that counts.
Mother Teresa*

