

St. Mary Catholic Parish

WORSHIP AND SERVE GOD WITH US IN SACRAMENT AND PRAYER IN OUR FAMILY OF FAITH

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 7:30 - 3:30 Friday - 7:30—Noon

Closed Saturday & Sunday

PARISH OFFICE CONTACT INFO

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(afterhours)

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 14, 2021

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Mass: 5:00pm

Sunday Masses: 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:30am Weekday Masses: Monday, Tuesday 5:30pm Wednesday, Thursday 7:00am

Friday 7:00am & 5:30pm
First Saturday 9:00 am

Confessions

Wednesday 4:30-5:30pm Friday 6:00-7:00pm Saturday 3:30-4:30pm First Fridays 7:30-8:30am

Adoration

Friday 6:00 - 7:00pm First Friday 7:30am - 12pm First Saturday 9:30am - 10:30am

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to St. Mary Parish Community. If you would like to register with the parish, please fill out form on website, stop by the Parish Office, or call (509) 928-3210.

CARE OF THE SICK

Communion is taken to the sick and elderly on a regular basis. Please call Karen Grewe (Homebound Ministry) at (509) 927-4941

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: The family should be registered and active in St. Mary Parish. For arrangements call the Parish office, 928-3210.
 Marriage: Couples must contact the parish at least six months prior to their desired wedding date.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) or RCIC (for children over 7)

Have you thought about becoming a Catholic? Do you know someone who is thinking about it? Please call Marie Bricher at 928-3210 ext. 111 for more information.

Prayer Requests

All those feeling lonely and isolated, those who are ill Irene Z., Susan Curalli., Matt C, Ella Miller, Ann G.

To have a name listed in the bulletin call Suzie in the office at 928-3210. Names will be listed for 3 weeks, then removed unless requested again.

- If a family member is admitted to a local hospital, please call the parish office at 928-3210 if you would like a priest.
- ♦ To add someone to the prayer chain or to be part of the prayer chain ministry please join the *Prayer Chain* group in Flocknote or call the parish office.
 - ♦ For those not "on-line" call Bobbie Bailey at 928-9584.



IS GOD CALLING YOU?

St. Patrick's Seminary Discernment Retreat

FEBRUARY 25 - 27, 2022

Must be a single man 21 years or older. All meals and lodging provided.

To register contact:

Rev. Kyle Ratuiste (509) 313-7100 or kratuiste@dioceseofspokane.org

GriefShare presents: "Surviving the Holidays"

Hennessey Valley Funeral Home: Tuesday Nov 16 (6:30—8:30 PM)

Has a loved one died and you are wondering how you will manage Thanksgiving and Christmas this year? Learn strategies to manage the holidays at this one-time Grief-Share session.

Call Rita McNeilly 509-944-1991 for info, or register online at GriefShare.org

St. Mary St. Vincent de Paul conference members continue to assist our neighbors with food, hygiene products, utility & rental assistance. The emergency assistance message line is (509) 703-7867, a member will return your call. Our pantry is in particular need of hygiene (hand soap, shampoo/conditioner, toothpaste & paper/paper towels) and cooking oil.

Monetary contributions can be dropped in the 3rd Sunday Basket or online at www.stmaryspokane.org : 1. tap on "Give", 2. then "Donation Designation", and 3. scroll down to "St Vincent de Paul"

Parish Collection Report

Weekly income Nov 7: \$6,006.31 Oct total monthly income: \$59,683.37 Yearly Income (Jan - Oct): \$606,424.31 October online giving: \$10,552.00



PRIESTS MASS INTENTIONS

	THE CHOIN TOO IN TENTION	
11/15	MONDAY	The Hardee Family
11/16	TUESDAY	Cheryl Hays +
11/17	WEDNESDAY	Mary Ilgen +
11/18	THURSDAY	Cliff Coleman +
11/19	FRIDAY	Mary Ilgen +
11/20	SATURDAY	Mary Ilgen +
11/21	SUNDAY	
	7:30am	Michel Brown +
	9am	Pro Populo
	11:30am	Don Zappone +

To have a Mass offered by the priest for a deceased person or another intention, please call the parish office at (509) 928-3210 or email stmary@dioceseofspokane.org



Pastor's Column

St. Mary Catholic Parish November 14, 2021 - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Journey Through the Bible, Part 1

Beginning this week, the Sunday bulletin Pastor Column will take a journey through the New American Bible Revised Edition (NABRE), a Catholic translation of the Bible. This Pastor Column journey will focus on the NABRE introduction commentary given for each of the main sections of the Bible. Today, we start with the Pentateuch. The Pentateuch (a Greek word for "five books") is the first five books of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy). Jewish tradition names these five books the Torah ("teaching" or "law") because of the central role of the Sinai covenant and legislation mediated through Moses.

The unity of the Pentateuch comes from the single story it tells. God creates the world and destines human beings for the blessings of progeny and land possession (Gen 1–3). As the human race expands, its evil conduct provokes God to send the Flood to wipe out all but righteous Noah's family. After the Flood, the world is populated again from Noah's three sons and their wives (Gen 4–9). From this new world, God chose one family; Abraham and his wife, Sarah, are landless and childless, but they are promised a child and the land of Canaan. Amid trials and renewed promises, Isaac is born, and Abraham assumes ownership of part of the Canaanite land (Gen 12–25). In Gen 25–36, the story is told of how Isaac's son, Jacob (later named "Israel") becomes father of twelve sons, and Gen 37–50 tells of how the rejected brother Joseph saves the family from famine when they journey to Egypt. Thus is Genesis.

In Egypt, a pharaoh who never knew Joseph enslaves "the seventy sons of Jacob" (that is, the Hebrews), keeping them from their land and destroying their male progeny (Ex 1). God then commissions Moses to lead the people out of Egypt to their own land (Ex 2–6). With ten plagues, God defeats Pharaoh, and free at last, the Hebrews leave Egypt and journey through the Red Sea to Mount Sinai (Ex 7–18), where they enter into a covenant to be the people of God and so be shaped by the Ten Commandments and other laws (Ex 19–24). Though the people commit apostasy when Moses goes back to the mountain for the plans of the tabernacle, Moses' intercession prevents the destruction of the Hebrews by God (Ex 32–34). A principle has been established, however: even the people's apostasy need not end their relationship with God. The book ends with the cloud and the glory taking possession of the tent of meeting (Ex 36:34–38). The children of Israel in Ex 1 are now the nation Israel, for all the elements of nationhood in antiquity have been granted: a god and temple, a leader, a land, and an authoritative tradition. Thus is Exodus.

Israel remains at the holy mountain for nearly a year. The entire story from Ex 19:1 to Num 10:11 takes place at Sinai. The rituals of Leviticus and Numbers are delivered to Moses at the holy mountain, showing that Israel's worship was instituted by God and is part of the very fabric of the people's life. Parts of Exodus (Ex 25–31, 35–40) describe the basic institutions of Israelite worship (the tabernacle, its furniture, and priestly vestments). Leviticus, aptly called in rabbinic tradition the Priests' Manual, specifies the role of priests to teach Israel the distinction between clean and unclean and to see to their holiness. In Num 10:11–22:1, the journey continues at last, this time from Sinai through the wilderness to the Jordan. Thus is Leviticus and Numbers.

The final book of the Pentateuch (Deuteronomy) consists of four speeches by Moses to the people who have arrived at the plains of Moab, across the Jordan from Canaan, ready to conquer the land. Each speech is introduced by a literary formula: "This is the law/word/blessing." The book ends with the death of Moses on the eve of the Hebrews crossing the Jordan to being the conquest of Canaan. Thus is Deuteronomy.

It is traditionally held that Moses himself is the principal author of the Pentateuch, in much the same manner as King David is held to have composed the Psalms and King Solomon is held to have composed the wisdom literature. Though there are inconsistencies in the text (for example, the two "beginnings" of the first humans, in Gen 1 and Gen 2) as well as duplications (for example, Gen 12, 20, and 26), Mosaic authorship is assumed because of the prevalent theory of inspiration: God inspired authors while they wrote. The Pentateuch tells a coherent story that begins with the creation of the world and ends with Israel taking its land. Though the story entertains, as all great literature does, it is important to understand that it is a theo-political work, too, meant to establish how and why descendants of the patriarchs are a uniquely holy people among the world's nations.

— Fr. Lewis



Quarterly and Annual Report – St. Mary Conference Spokane Valley

Quarter: Q4 2021 (July-Sept)

Date: Nov 1st, 2021

St. Mary conference Q4 and year-end summary update

With another year of the pandemic behind us, we continue to serve those neighbors in need. Overall, this year has seen less requests than last year. We believe this is due to the increase in federal assistance and increase in the benefits provided by the supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP). Additionally, the eviction and utility shut-off moratoriums combined with additional federal and utility assistance have reduced requests that we have received. In saying that, these moratoriums are ending soon, and we expect an increase in the requests for assistance.

We continue to adapt our approach to ensure the safety of our members as well as those we serve. Our conference is conducting twice per month Zoom meetings and assist our neighbors largely via phone call discussions. Assistance has been provided largely via the phone with grocery deliveries being dropped at the neighbor's doorstep. We have started some 'In Home' visits this fall. It is nice to meet with our neighbors face to face and discuss their situation. Lastly, we moved the food pantry in Nov 2020 into the new maintenance building. While the space is smaller it is very efficiently organized making it easier for us to serve our neighbors. We appreciate the parish providing us this space for the groceries and other supplies that we provide as part of our assistance. Thank you to all that support the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Below is a summary of assistance that we provided to our neighbors this quarter as well as for the year.

- Q4 Rent/mortgage assistance: 7 neighbors \$4582.80. YTD: 35 neighbors \$14,215.91
- Q4 Utility assistance: 3 neighbors \$645.96. YTD: 18 neighbors \$4,102.98
- Q4 Other assistance: 2 neighbors \$280.39. YTD: 10 neighbors \$797.75
- Also, we donate \$600 quarterly to National and International SVdP. YTD: \$2400
- This year we started handing out "spirit bags" (hygiene products, water and healthy snacks) to homeless people that we meet when we are out. For Q4 we spent \$880.26 on supplies. <u>YTD</u> we have spent more than \$2,319.52. We average about 50-60 bags per month.

Thank you to all that make our <u>SVdP</u> conference run smoothly. We are especially thankful for the parishioners that continue to support us through their generous donations.

Yours in Christ,

Bill Flerchinger President

TURKEY BINGO

NOV. 14TH

2:00 - 5:00 IN THE GYM

We are looking forward to seeing everyone again! Come enjoy a great time and win a Turkey!!

 Bingo Games for all ages! - special games for Seniors and kids

Winners receive a free Thanksgiving

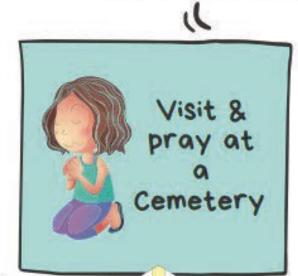
Turkey

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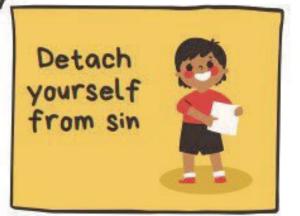
- Popcorn
- Sweets
- Soft drinks



SOULS IN PURGATORY EVERY ON THE HOLY DAY IN NOVEMBER!









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from sins (ask
Fr Lewis for
more info).

Guatemala Mission News: Our SERRV and EARN link is open and available once again. This is an easy and compassionate way to help both the medical clinic and impoverished artists from around the world. All you do is visit the website below, browse products, and shop! Once you order and pay, your order will be mailed to you. Then SERRV sends us 20% of all sales which will be donated to the medical mission.

https://www.serrv.org/?a=StMaryGuatemala

On the top of the first page of the link you will see a note that states that 20% of your online order today will be donated to St Mary Catholic Church. Thank you!

PREPARES / Lambs Closet Monthly Report

New Families helped: 2 / Total Families: 3 5 bags + accessories handed out this month.

Through the generous support of the St Mary Parish Community we have been able to assist local families as well as help PREPAREs programs in the Northern counties with items we have in surplus.

Contribute to St. Mary Catholic Church from your IRA by December 31, 2021 Donating directly from a qualified retirement account to St. Mary Catholic Church can help us continue our mission to help others know, love, and serve Jesus Christ. It can also help you reduce your taxable income.

Those 72 years of age are required to take an annual minimum distribution from their IRA. The IRA distribution creates taxable income. If you are in a position where that money is not needed, and you would rather use it for charitable purposes, you can designate a portion, or all of it, as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QDC). This allows you to fulfill the required IRA distribution without increasing taxable income. Call us at 509-928-3210 or email sgreany@stmarysspokane.org.

Respect Life Join us in praying at Planned Parenthood on Thursdays at 11:00 - Noon. The address is 12104 E Main St., Spokane Valley. Contact Rose Hays at 509-990-5708 for questions.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Mondays from 10 am to 12 noon in the Adult Center. Crochet or knit shawls for those who are ill or in hospice. If you know someone who is ill and may be comforted by a shawl handmade with love and a prayer, shawls are available at the Parish Office.





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