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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." - Mt 13:23

MASS SCHEDULE LIVE STREAMED

Saturday Mass: 5:00pm
Sunday Masses: 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:30am
Sunday Mass: 7:00pm from Memorial Day-Labor Day
Daily Mass: 7:30am Monday through Friday

Confessions
Wednesday 4:30-5:30pm
Friday 6:00-7:00pm
Saturday 3:30-4:30pm

Web page: stmaryspokane.org

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to St. Mary Parish Community. If you would like to register with the parish please download a form from our 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, if someone is in need.

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8am - 12 noon
Closed Friday, Saturday & Sunday

PARISH CLERGY

928-3210
Rev. Jeffrey R. Lewis Pastor ext. 109
Fr. Michael Kwiatkowski, Retired Priest in Residence
Deacon Mike Miller 928-3210
Deacon Dan Glatt 928-3210
Emergency Anointing of the Sick: ext. 9

PARISH OFFICE

928-3210
Krista Furtney, Parish Secretary ext. 150
Marie Bricher, DRE & Faith Formation ext. 111
Sharon Greany, Business Manager ext. 107
Mark VanDriel ext. 213

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Greg Hanson, Grand Knight (509) 638-8535
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924-4300
Ben Walker, Principal ext. 202
Chelsea Weiler, School Secretary ext. 200
Lou Turner Advancement Director ext. 206

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.

For the convenience of those with hearing difficulties, Masses at St. Mary can be heard on personal FM-band radios or in the car in the parking lot. Tune to **89.9 FM**.

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Parish Office Summer Hours

Monday - Thursday from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Please be reminded we will NOT have any ministries meeting in campus facilities except the church until further notice.

Everyone is still dispensed from Mass - please see the Act of Spiritual Communion prayer on our back page.

On Monday June 29, the Solemnity of St. Peter and St. Paul, nine new members of our St. Mary family in faith were fully initiated into the Catholic Church. Tanya Lynn Apuyan, Alex Moore, and Rico Ralph Taiwerbwe were baptized, confirmed, and received first Holy Communion. John and Julie Custer, Marty Stephenson, and Dan Israel were formally received into the Church, were confirmed, and received first Holy Communion. And Brittany Taiwerbwe and Hilbert San Nicolas received Confirmation after having been baptized and received first Holy Communion as children.

Congratulations to all of them, and please keep them in your prayers as they continue their pilgrim's journey of faith, now as Catholic Christians.

If you or anyone you know are not yet Catholic but would like to explore the Catholic Christian faith, please contact Fr. Lewis or Marie Bricher (our Director of Faith Formation) at the parish office.



The Society Of St. Vincent de Paul



Your St. Mary St. Vincent de Paul conference members continue to deliver food, paper and hygiene products to the doors of our neighbors in need. We are preparing for an anticipated flow of rental assistance requests after August 1st.

To donate online, please go to:

<http://stmaryspokane.org> and click on "Give", then "Donation Designation" and scroll down to "St. Vincent de Paul."

Thank you for your continued support. Our emergency request line is (509) 703-7867; a member will return the call.

www.oursvdp.com

Prayer Requests

All those feeling lonely and isolated, those who are ill



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

◆ If a member of your family is admitted to a local hospital, please call the parish office at

928-3210 if you would like a priest to visit.

◆ 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" please call Bobbie Bailey at 928-9584

Gather to say the Rosary on Saturdays at 9:00am in the Marian courtyard beside the gym. Bring a chair and your Rosary.

Saturday Morning Rosary

All are welcome to come and participate in saying the Rosary on Saturday mornings at St. Mary from 7:30 to 8:00 am in the Church. We meet every Saturday, no matter weather or liturgical time of the year.

Please join us!



Recently Deceased to Remember in Prayer

Bernard Levernier

May he share in the Resurrection of the Lord!

PRIESTS MASS INTENTIONS

7/13	MONDAY	Bernie Levernier +
7/14	TUESDAY	Vocations to Holy Matrimony
7/15	WEDNESDAY	Vocations to Religious Life
7/16	THURSDAY	Vocations to Priesthood
7/17	FRIDAY	Mary Ilgen +
7/18	SATURDAY	Annie McCabe +
7/19	SUNDAY	
	7:30am	Annie McCabe +
	9am	Pro Populo
	11:30am	Jim Mengelkamp +

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

July 12, 2020 - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint of the Week: St. Paschal Baylon

Our Saint of the Week this week, in celebration of the diocesan Year of the Eucharist, is the patron saint of Eucharistic adorers: Saint Paschal Baylon. He was a Franciscan lay brother and renowned as a mystic. Born to a peasant family at Torre Hermosa, in Aragon (Spain), on Pentecost Sunday in the year 1540, he was named Pascua in honor of the final day of the Easter season. ("Easter" in most Romance-language nations is some variation of "Pasch," where we get the word "Paschal," as in the Paschal Candle). His parents were poor but very pious. According to accounts of his early life, from the age of seven until about the age of twenty-four, he worked as a shepherd, and it was during this time that he began a life of mortification. He was in fact distinguished for austerity; he was also growing famous for performing miracles. It seems that he enjoyed his simple work and simple life, as he was able to pray while working and be near a church. He was especially attentive to the church bell, which rang at the Elevation of the consecrated Host during Mass. Another noted characteristic is that he had a very honest streak in him; he once offered to pay owners of crops for any damage his animals caused!

During his lifetime, the Spanish Empire in the New World was at the height of its power, although France and England were soon to reduce Spain's influence. The 16th Century has been called the Golden Age of the Church in Spain, for it gave birth to Saints Ignatius of Loyola, Francis Xavier, Teresa of Avila, John of the Cross, Peter of Alcantara, Francis Solano, and Salvator of Horta.

In the year 1564, receiving a vision that told him to enter a nearby Franciscan community, Saint Paschal joined the Friars Minor and gave himself wholeheartedly to a life of penance. Even though he was urged to study for the priesthood, he chose to be a lay brother. At various times, he served as cook, gardener, and official beggar, but it was as a humble porter (that is, the doorkeeper) that he would spend most of his life.

He was careful to observe the vow of poverty. He would never waste any food or anything given for the use of the friars. When he was porter and took care of the poor coming to the door, he developed a reputation for great generosity. Indeed, the friars sometimes tried to moderate his liberality! He continued rigorously to practice his accustomed asceticism, and he displayed a deep love for the Eucharist; he would spend what spare time he had praying before the Blessed Sacrament in the friary chapel. In due course, many people sought his wise counsel.

So great, in fact, was his love for the Eucharist that while on a mission to France, he defended the doctrine of the Real Presence against a Calvinist preacher and in the face of threats from other irate Calvinists.

He died at the friary in Villareal in the year 1592, and people flocked to his tomb immediately after his burial, where miracle promptly were reported. He was canonized in the year 1690, and in the year 1897, Pope Leo XIII declared him patron of all eucharistic confraternities and congresses; today, he is venerated as patron saint of all Eucharistic adorers in general.

Saint Paschal Baylon...pray for us.

FIAT LUX

THE YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

July – Reflections on the Eucharist

During the diocesan Year of the Eucharist, I would like to offer reflections on the Eucharist for the bulletin on a monthly basis. The basis for these reflections will be drawn largely from a great book, a contemporary masterpiece on Eucharistic spirituality called *In Sinu Jesu*, written by an anonymous Benedictine monk. Similar to Saint Faustina's *Diary*, *In Sinu Jesu* is comprised of entries in a prayer journal that this Benedictine monk kept while at prayer in the monastery chapel. And again, similar to Saint Faustina's *Diary*, this monk received visions of Jesus and was given to hear Jesus speak with regard to the mysteries of the spiritual life, in a particular way Eucharistic spirituality.

The monk writes: "O Jesus, I want to go in spirit to the tabernacle where Thou art most forsaken and most forgotten in the world. I want to go where no one adores Thee, where no one bows before Thee, where Thou has only Thy Angels to adore Thee and to keep Thee company. And still, it is a human heart that Thou desirest. . . . I give Thee mine in an offering of adoration and reparation."

To which Jesus responded in prayer: *I want you to speak to the faithful of the Holy Mass as a true sacrifice. They have forgotten this. No one thinks any more to tell them that the action of the Eucharist renews My sacrifice upon the Cross, and that I am present upon the altar as upon the Cross, as both Priest and Victim. It is the whole of My sacrifice of love that unfolds before their eyes. You must tell them this.*

We must have it clearly in mind that the Mass is first and foremost a Sacrifice. It is the sacramental participation in the once-and-for-all Sacrifice of the Cross of Christ on Golgotha. We do not offer the Sacrifice *again*; rather, the Sacrifice is offered *anew*.

What we *receive* in the Mass is secondary to what we *give*. What we receive is grace, especially when we receive the Lord in the Eucharist worthily and well (that is, without any mortal sin on our soul), but we receive grace also simply by virtue of being present at the Mass and actively participating in the Sacrifice.

We attend the Mass primarily to *give* to God, to offer to God a sacrifice of praise, to offer to God the renewed Sacrifice of the Cross of Christ on Golgotha. We attend the Mass only secondarily in order to receive. Sacrifice takes precedent over Communion.

The Church clearly teaches this. In fact, it is a Precept of the Catholic Faith that we must attend Mass each Sunday and each Holy Day of Obligation; it is a Precept also that we need only receive Holy Communion once any given liturgical year. Clearly, then, the Church understands that our presence at the Mass in order to worship, in order to offer sacrifice, is far more important than being present at Mass in order to receive Holy Communion.

Prayer: *O my Jesus, I place myself in spirit before Thy Eucharistic Face to adore Thee, to make reparation, to say to Thee all that Thy Spirit of Love will cause to rise in my heart. I come to look at Thee. I come to listen to Thee. I come to receive from Thee all that Thy open heart desires to say to me and to give to me today. I thank Thee for having made Thyself close to me. I praise Thy mercy. I confess the redeeming power of Thy Precious Blood. Amen.*



ST. MARY CATHOLIC PARISH

"I am the Bread of Life.... You are the Light of the world.... Let there be light!"

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

So shall my word be
that goes forth from my mouth;
my word shall not return to me void,
but shall do my will,
achieving the end for which I sent it. (Is 55:11)

PSALM:

The seed that falls on the good ground will yield a
fruitful harvest. (Ps 65)

SECOND READING:

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as
nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us.
(Rom 8:18)

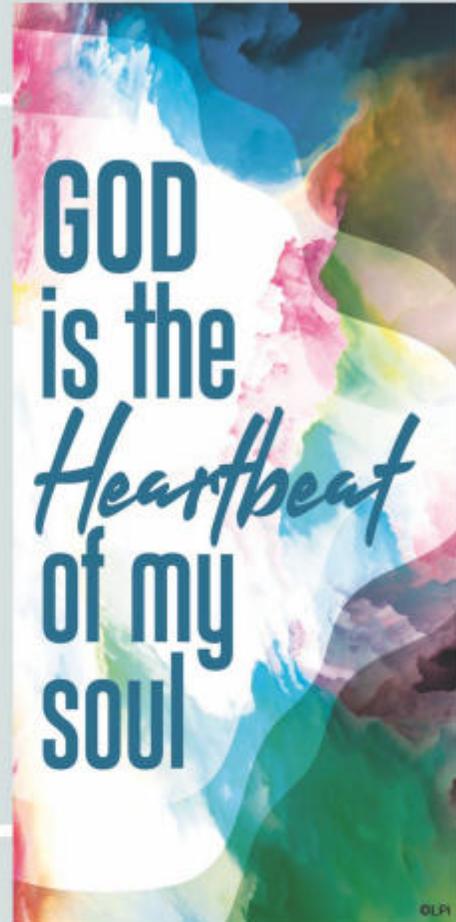
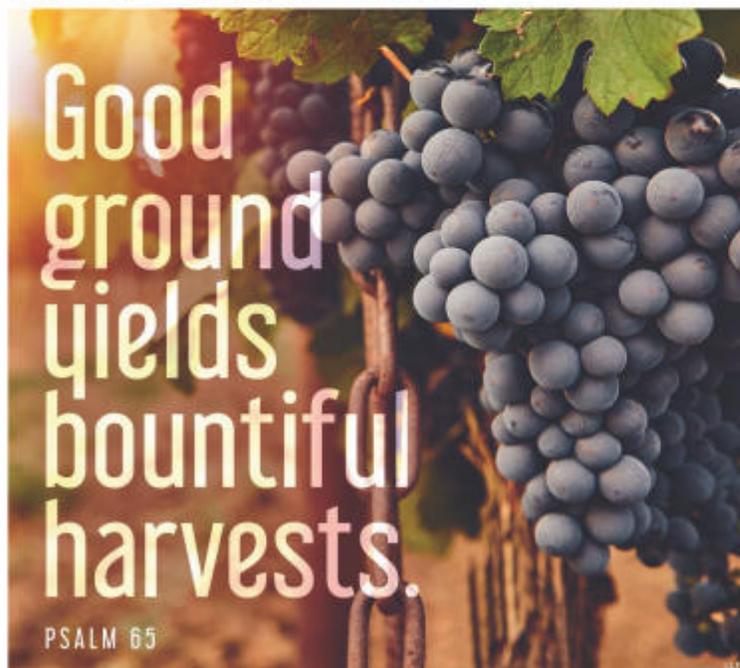
GOSPEL:

"But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit,
a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.
Whoever has ears ought to hear." (Mt 13:8-9)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 12, 2020

Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Henry
Tuesday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin
Wednesday: St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Thursday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Saturday: St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest
Next Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



REFLECT

FIRST READING

The prophet Isaiah assured the captive Israelites exiled in Babylon that God's word is reliable and purposeful. Does this bring you comfort or distress?

SECOND READING

Paul speaks of a spiritual connection and yearning for freedom (redemption) shared between us and creation itself. What do you think a redeemed creation looks like?

GOSPEL READING

Why do you think Jesus explains the parable of the sower to his disciples but not to the crowds?

Kids Corner

READ THE
GOSPEL &
COLOR



The farmer is God. The seed is God's Word. That makes the soil your heart. If your heart is angry or stubborn, God's Word can't sink in. If your heart is shallow, God's Word can't take root. Instead, you will worry about getting power or riches. If your heart is discouraged by people who hate God, your faith will choke. If your heart is soft, God's Word will change your life, and it will show.

PRAYER

God, help my heart to be soft. Help your Word to change my life.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Visit a garden center. Learn why plants need good soil to grow.

JULY 12, 2020

The Immaculate Heart Retreat Center is back open!
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"Word and Image: Illuminating the Our Father"

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Women's Faith Sharing and Prayer

All are welcome to join us on Saturday mornings from 8:00-9:00am to share the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday, pray together and share life. We are currently meeting outside just east of the school gym by the new Mary Statue which has lots of space for social distancing. Be sure to bring your own chair!

If you would like your name to be added to our email list for updates, contact Sue Harrell at harrellnw@msn.com or call (509) 991-2514. Or you can just show up! Come once in a while or come every week, we'd love to see you!



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The Year of the Eucharist
Diocese of Spokane

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† "Let there be light."

† "I am the Bread of Life.... You are the light of the world."

† *Be the light!*

The diocese is committed to helping victims/survivors of sexual abuse and to protecting children and vulnerable adults. Volunteers who supervise other volunteers who work with minors and vulnerable adults are required to report any suspected abuse by others they supervise. Contact Roberta Smith, Victims Assistance Coordinator (509) 353-0442 office phone or (509) 998-8340 cell phone.

You may also go to the Diocesan website:

<http://www.dioceseofspokane.org/safe-environment>.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



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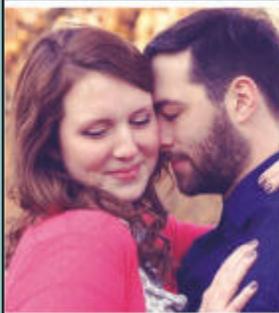
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Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.

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