



SACRED HEART PARISH

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 30, 2015

Special Meeting for All Our Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick and Home-bound

If you visit our parish's sick or home-bound, and especially if you bring them Holy Communion, it is very important that we gather soon to discuss this important ministry in our community!



Please plan on gathering in the church on ***Friday, September 4, 10:00 am***, for a most helpful presentation on the special character of this ministry and how to exercise it with dignity and pastoral care. ***Sister Sharon Bongiorno, FSPA***, pastoral minister at the Cathedral parish, will be our presenter. We will end with lunch at 11:30 am.

It is very important that we know ***who*** is going to ***whom***, so we will be making new lists of both visitor and visatee to make sure we do not miss anyone and that they can be visited regularly by Father Kevin.

Father Kevin expects that all who visit our sick and home-bound participate in this brief workshop; if you are ***not*** able to join us at this time, please let Nancy know as soon as possible so we can make other accommodations to bring you on board.

Coffee and Donuts...and MORE!



Following the Labor Day holiday, we will begin offering Coffee and Donuts in the parish social hall every Sunday after the 10:00 am Mass.

We'll have something very special after the 5:00 pm Saturday Mass. Don't miss out on this opportunity to get to know one another and our new pastor!

We Need You!

Catholic Charities Volunteer Information Session

Make volunteering part of your Fall routine! Please join us for a Volunteer Information Session and learn about the many volunteer opportunities available and how to help others in need. The session will be held Tuesday, September 22nd from 10:00 a.m.-11:15 a.m. at the Catholic Charities Family Services Center, 12 East 5th. Please RSVP for the session to Kassi Kain at 358-4270 or kkain@ccspokane.org.

Welcome Back!



Our parish Social Events committee is already hard at work and is planning some wonderful gatherings to welcome everyone back after their summer vacations and offer plenty of opportunities to gather as a vibrant and growing parish.

Among those things on our schedule are the following:

- ☐ Saturday, Sept 12: *Wine & Cheese after the 5:00 pm Mass*
- ☐ Saturday, Sept 19, 6:00 pm: *Welcome Back BBQ & Movie*
- ☐ Sunday, Oct 4, 11:00 am: *Sunday Brunch*

Presbyteral Assembly

Father Kevin, along with all the priests of the diocese, will be meeting with Bishop Daly for their annual Presbyteral Assembly, *Sept 8-10, Tuesday through Thursday*. There will be no daily masses during those days nor will Father Kevin be available for appointments or meetings.

Mass Intentions This Week

SAT, Aug 29- 5:00 p.m. +Barbara Holsinger
SUN, Aug 30- 10:00 a.m. People of the Parish

WEEKDAY MASSES—7:30 A.M.

TUE, Sept 1 Maxine Kremensky (health)
WED, Sept 2 +Jerry Tkaczyk
THUR, Sept 3 +Philip Gilbert by Jeanne Gilbert
FRI, Sept 4 Special Intentions of our Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick & Home-bound

READINGS: Sept 6: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 35: 1-7 Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10
 James 2:1-5 Mark 7:31-37

Is there illness or special needs in your family? Our community looks forward to praying for you. Send your request to Judy Felgenhauer, jfelgen@comcast.net

NEW TO SACRED HEART PARISH? WELCOME! We look forward to getting to know you!

Please return this form to the parish office or e-mail the information to: shparish@qwestoffice.net.

Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Home Tel: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

Religious Education: Call For Volunteers!

Summer is coming to a close, Sunday school will be starting up September 20th and Sacred Heart is looking for catechists. No prior teaching experience is required. All the training, lesson plans and materials will be provided for you—just come and share your time and your enthusiasm for your faith! Commit to teaching as much as every week or as little as once per month. Contact Paul Macias with questions or to sign up:

(509) 251-5818

writetopaulhere@gmail.com



New South Side Youth Ministry!

Beginning late September, Sacred Heart Parish together with Saint Augustine and Our Lady of Fatima Parishes will inaugurate a new approach to youth ministry on the south side of Spokane. Under the leadership of our three pastors and with the coordination of Sue Harmon, pastoral minister at St. Augustine's, we will be gathering our young people on Sunday evenings from 7:00-8:15 pm. The Senior High and Junior High groups will meet on alternate Sundays.

We will be needing the help of volunteers to assist us with both age groups, so if you would like to support our young people as they grow in faith, please contact Father Kevin or Nancy at the parish office, 747-5810, or shparish@qwestoffice.net.



Remember Your Parish...

When it comes time to revise your will and after you've taken care of your family, please remember Sacred Heart Church in your will. Your attorney can simply add these or similar words to your documents:

I hereby give, devise, and bequeath to Sacred Heart Catholic Church, in Spokane, WA, a Washington non-profit corporation, (describe gift) ...



A Word from Father...

Dear Friends,

"It has been a quiet week in Lake Woebegon..."

For many years now, Garrison Keillor, famed host of the radio program, Prairie Home Companion, has begun spinning his weekly tale of life in a small Minnesota town with those words. He goes on to tell of the ordinary struggles and joys of the folks who populate his fictional hometown in a homespun but also, often enough, lyrical manner.



I think what makes his stories so attractive is the respect he has for each of the characters he has invented, even with all their foibles and failings. Keillor seems to love them, in spite of themselves. From his position above the fray of strained personal relationships, misunderstandings, and comic mishaps, he seems able to see first the foundational goodness within each one individually and all of them together.

Perhaps in some way, this is not unlike God's way with us. As he beholds us, not just in spite of our failings, but even because of our failings, God feels compassion, care, and places tremendous trust in us. He loves us, period, and cannot un-love us as we bumble along through life. He respects us enough to give us our freedom; he loves us so much that he cannot abandon us. So he accompanies us and cherishes our stories as they unfold week after week, quiet or not-so-quiet this or that week might be.

Oh, that we might see one another the same way! What a difference it would make in all our families, villages, communities, and churches! Let us learn from Lake Woebegon's narrator, and even more from the Lord himself, to delight in the wondrous life stories of one another!

Have a quiet week filled with grace and peace!

Fr. Kevin

Our Parish Sacrificial Offerings This Week:

Envelope & Plate Offering: \$ 4,216.00

Outreach: \$ 95.00



"Every worthwhile gift, every genuine benefit, comes from above," says St. James in the second reading. But, he reminds us, true worship of God involves using those good gifts to benefit the less fortunate. Good stewardship is not optional; it is the hallmark of our faith!