



# SACRED HEART PARISH

Third Sunday of Easter

April 10, 2016

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2016

Our Sacred Heart response to this year's Annual Catholic Appeal continues to grow! The goal for our parish is \$53,674, and our most recent report indicates that 116 of our 278 parish households have already responded with a total of 52,800 in pledges. A most appreciative "Thank you!" to those who have contributed so far to this year's Appeal. May each of the remaining households respond generously to Bishop Daly's appeal for participation in the Annual Catholic Appeal 2016. The success of this year's Appeal is critical to carrying out the mission of the Church.



## Youth Year of Mercy Pilgrimage

Our parish junior and senior high students (as well as families, if they wish!) are invited to join Father Kevin on **Saturday, May 14 at 1:00 PM**, for a walk to Our Lady of Lourdes via St. Aloysius and the Centennial Trail and enter the Cathedral through the Holy Door in celebration of the jubilee Year of Mercy. We will have snacks along the way. Please meet in the parking lot at Sacred Heart. Contact Paul Macias for more information or to RSVP. (509)251-5818 pmacias@dioceseofspokane.org



**LIVE EDITION OF "TIME WITH THE BISHOP" on Tuesday, April 19:** Bishop Thomas Daly will host another one-hour live edition of "Time with the Bishop" from noon-1 p.m. on Sacred Heart Radio, KTTO 970 AM in Spokane. Please call with questions and comments and interaction with Bishop Daly: 327-3695. Questions for Bishop Daly can be emailed to: [inlandregis-ter@dioceseofspokane.org](mailto:inlandregis-ter@dioceseofspokane.org), or write: Time with the Bishop, Communications Office, P.O. Box 1453, Spokane, WA 99210

## VOLUNTEERS, UPDATE YOUR SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING ONLINE!

Parish volunteers who are required to take the Safe Environment training must update their training annually. If you have not already done so, please go online to [virtus.org](http://virtus.org) and complete the annual update. This is about a ten-minute process and it keeps Sacred Heart in compliance with diocesan policy. For instructions on how to complete your training update, pick up a blue instruction sheet in the back of the church or contact Paul Macias. (509)251-5818 pmacias@dioceseofspokane.org

## Mass Intentions This Week

**SAT, April 9 - 5:00 p.m.** People of the Parish  
**SUN, April 10 - 10:00 a.m.** +John Johnson by Anita Lamp

**WEEKDAY MASSES—7:30 A.M.**  
Father Kevin will be on vacation from March 28 through April 14. There will be NO weekday morning Masses through April 15th.

**Mass Readings for Next Weekend:**  
Acts 13:14, 43-52; Revelation 7:9, 14-17; John 10:14

**Liturgical Minsters Schedule** can be found on our website: [shparishspokane.org/liturgical-ministry-schedules](http://shparishspokane.org/liturgical-ministry-schedules)

## Our Parish Sacrificial Offerings This Week:

Envelope & Plate Offering: \$ 5,284.00  
Outreach: \$ 145.00

In order to meet our 2015-16 budget, an average weekly collection of \$5,713.00 is needed. Thank you so much!



**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](mailto:shparish@qwestoffice.net).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_



## Contemplative Prayer

Our Contemplative Prayer group meets every Monday in the Upper Room of the parish offices from 11:00 a.m. to approximately 12:15. All are invited to join us. No previous experience is necessary. Newcomers will receive Contemplative Prayer 101 before we begin.

## POOR CLARE TEA

Sunday, April 24, 2016, Noon - 2 p.m.  
The Hemmingson Center, Multi-Purpose Room, Gonzaga University. Come celebrate with the Sisters one hundred and two years of serving Spokane. *All are welcome.*



## Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars! VBS 2016 will be June 27-July 1 at St Peter's. We are looking for adult and youth volunteers for set-up and for the week of VBS. Contact Paul Macias @ 251-5818 [pmacias@dioceseofspokane.org](mailto:pmacias@dioceseofspokane.org)

## Cataldo's Centennial Auction & Dinner

Save the date for Cataldo's Centennial Celebration, on *Saturday, May 7, 2016 at 5:30 pm.* The event will be held at the Convention Center downtown. For ticket information, to make a donation or for advertising and underwriting opportunities please contact Anita Condon at [acondon@cataldo.org](mailto:acondon@cataldo.org) or (509) 624-8759.



**St. Augustine's, Sacred Heart and Cataldo Alumni Information Needed:** Cataldo is updating its alumni records. You can help out by sending an email with your name (include maiden name if applicable), graduation year, mailing information and email to [acondon@cataldo.org](mailto:acondon@cataldo.org). We are planning an alumni tour day on Wednesday, November 23 and would love to be able to invite you! We would also love any old pictures that you may have. You can email copies, or swing by the front office and we can scan them for you. You may also drop them in the mail to Cataldo Catholic School, 455 West 18th Avenue, Spokane, WA 99203.

## Our Parish Website: Renovated and looking good!

We have just completed a major update of our parish website. It is more user-friendly and has lots of helpful information for you! Among many features, you can now find on its pages:

- ❑ Father Kevin's recent homilies (audio)
- ❑ Father's Lenten Reflections (audio)
- ❑ Our Liturgical Ministers Schedules
- ❑ Catholic News updated daily
- ❑ Today's Mass readings from the Scriptures
- ❑ Links to other Catholic spirituality and prayer sites.

[Shparishspokane.org](http://Shparishspokane.org)

## A Word from Father...



Dear Friends,

Some of the good folks on our parish Liturgy Committee asked me to look for an opportunity to give a bit of teaching on the Sign of Peace in our liturgy. They suggested that it is good from time to time to be reminded of the significance of this ritual in the Mass so that we do it meaningfully and give it the significance that is its due. So here goes a brief attempt to respond to their request!

First things first: Where does the Sign of Peace or "Kiss of Peace" come from? At least some liturgists suggest that the Kiss of Peace originated very early in the prayer life of the Christian communities when they were still predominantly Jewish. Those early Christian-Jews, (or Jewish Christians?), would celebrate what we know as the Liturgy of the Word on the Jewish Sabbath, Saturday, and then regroup on Sunday, the First Day of the Week and the day marking the Resurrection, to celebrate the Eucharist. Before they departed on the Sabbath after sharing the Scriptures, they would offer to one another the blessing of "Shalom", a kiss or some other gesture. "Shalom" being the Hebrew word for peace, but more than just "peace" as in the absence of stress, violence, war, but "peace" in the sense of wholeness, holiness, at-one-ness with God, self, others. It is the Peace of God's Kingdom present among us even now. It was not a social greeting as much as it was a blessing or a prayer as they went off to their homes to pass the night before regathering for the Lord's Supper the next day. It echoed Jesus' own greeting to his disciples in his apparitions following the Resurrection: he inevitably said, "Peace be with you."

From there, the Kiss of Peace became a permanent fixture in the Christian liturgy, usually celebrated following the Liturgy of the Word, but later on bouncing about into other "spots" in the liturgy. There continues to be substantial discussion in liturgical circles about where the Kiss of Peace should be, many arguing that it should be restored to its venerable spot following the proclamation of the Word and before the Eucharist. In the renovation of the Missal that was recently completed, it kept its Vatican II placement following the Lord's Prayer and just before the Breaking of the Bread/Lamb of God.

More important than the "when" of the Kiss of Peace, in my opinion, is the "why" and the "how". I've touched a bit on the "why" already, so next week, I'll share a few words about the "how" ...which is what our Liturgy Committee asked me to do originally!

In the meantime, have a joyous Easter week!

*Fr. Kevin*