

Year of the EUCCHARIST

SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI 2020 - 2021
CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SPOKANE

Selection from Bishop Daly's Pastoral Letter 05-25:

The Real Presence and Eucharistic Devotion



The Mass is "the source and summit of the Christian's life."²⁶ From her beginning, the Church adored the Eucharistic Food she received as the Body and Blood of Christ. Over the centuries she developed Eucharistic devotions apart from the Sacrifice of the Mass.²⁷ The Middle Ages distinguished itself by an abundant display of Eucharistic piety. In that time, the Elevation of the Host and Chalice became common and the pealing of bells at the Consecration of the Mass became popular. Soon devotions outside of the Mass such as Benediction, Eucharistic processions, and this Solemnity of Corpus Christi itself were celebrated.

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi was first celebrated near Liège in 1246. Pope Urban IV declared it a universal celebration of the Church in 1264. Later Holy Hours, Forty Hours and Perpetual Adoration would be added to the Church's storehouse of Eucharistic treasures. There is a need in these times to renew our Eucharistic catechesis. Studies demonstrate that many Catholics misunderstand Holy Communion to be simply a symbol of the Body and Blood of Christ and not His Real Presence.

In a letter dated December 16, 1955 to a friend, the Catholic author, Flannery O'Connor, relates the story of a dinner party she had attended several years before. At the party was a woman who had been raised Catholic. This woman

fondly remembered receiving Communion as a child. Yet, that which she fondly received as a child, she now believed to be simply a beautiful symbol. O'Connor, sitting quietly the whole while, blurted out, "if it's only a symbol to hell with it."²⁸ Catholic theologians would no doubt have chosen different words, but O'Connor did state the Catholic position most plainly. The consecrated bread and wine are not simply symbols, they are the Body and Blood of Christ.

If God created the world *ex nihilo* [out of nothing] — which He did; if God became man — which He did; is He not able to change bread and wine into His Body and Blood?²⁹ The Church calls this change "transubstantiation." That is, the very substances of bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ. While the substance is changed, the appearance remains that of bread and wine.

There is also a need of catechesis regarding reception of Communion. You may recall as an initial precaution regarding COVID-19, I instructed parishes to discontinue distribution from the common chalice. This caused some to feel they were deprived of receiving Christ whole and entire. Yet, if we tap into the memory of the Church, we discover her ancient teaching that in receiving either the consecrated bread or wine, the communicant receives Christ, whole and entire, His soul and His divinity.³⁰



Mary Queen of Heaven Parish

103 E. Alder Avenue, Sprague, WA 99032
Mailing Address: PO Box 125, Medical Lake, WA 99022
Sacramental Emergency Phone: 509-720-7470

May 16, 2021 The Ascension of the Lord

St. Anne, Medical Lake, WA

Sunday: 9:00 am English Mass

Tuesday: 8:30 am Confession
9:00 am English Mass

Wednesday: 9:00 am English Mass

Parish Office (St. Anne):

Office hours: M,T,W 2:30 pm-5:00 pm

Phone: 509-723-1459

Pastor: Rev. Dale Tuckerman

Parish Office: Michele Flynn

stannemedicallake@gmail.com

Mary Queen of Heaven, Sprague, WA

Sunday: 11:00 am English Mass

12:00 pm Confession

12:30 pm EF Latin Mass

Parish Council:

Pat Whipple, *Chair*

Janet Whipple

Mario Cruz

Deanielle Treis

Father Miller

St. Michael, Reardan, WA

Saturday: 5:00-5:25 pm Confession

5:30 pm Mass

Finance Council:

Pat Whipple, *Chair*

Eric Hanson

Father O'Hara

Sacraments

Penance (Reconciliation):

St. Anne: Tuesday: 9:30 am

St. Michael: Saturday 5-5:25pm

Mary Queen: Sunday 12pm

Baptism:

Contact Parish Office

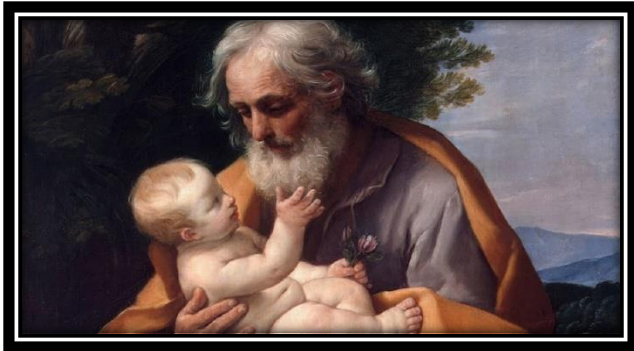
Confirmation:

Contact Parish Office

Marriage:

Contact Parish Office (requires preparation for at least 4 months in advance)

WELCOME
TO OUR
CHURCH



Year of Saint Joseph ...

December 8, 2020, to December 8, 2021

May: Mary's Month!

The month of May is dedicated to The Blessed Virgin Mary. A good month to begin praying the Holy Rosary every day as a family if you don't already, or if the habit has fallen off!

At Fatima, Mary promised her special protection and greatest graces to those who have a devotion to the Holy Rosary by praying it daily.

She also said: "There is no problem, no matter how difficult it is, whether temporal or above all spiritual, in the personal life of each one of us, of our families... that cannot be solved by the Rosary. There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary."

Pray the Beads for your needs!

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Sign up as a Parishioner: St. Anne

Religious Education:

Instruction in the Faith

Get to know the Faith!

Tuesdays 5:30-6:30 - Parish Hall

Join us at :

St. Anne Hall

or

watch the livestream:

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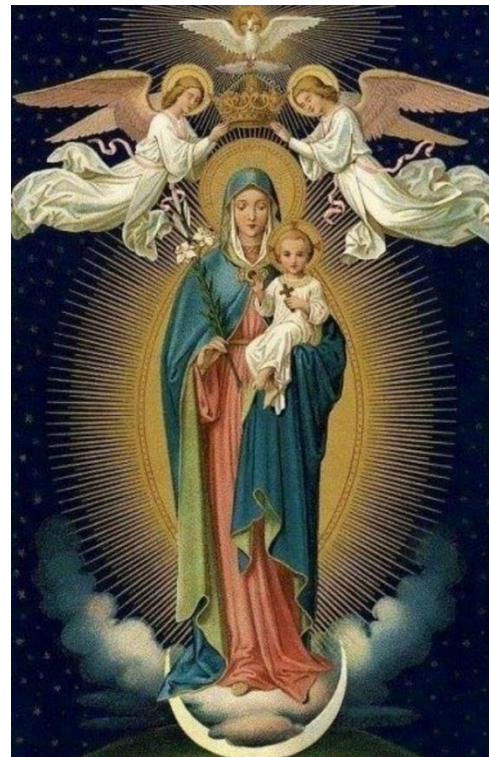
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or

<http://bit.ly/FrTuckLive>

Children's Classes (ages 1st grade-5th grade)

Wednesdays 5:30-6:30 - Parish Hall



Please Remember in Your Prayers

... for all those we hold deeply in our hearts, may they be remembered...

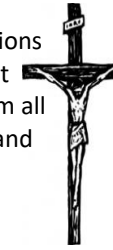
St. Anne, pray for us!

St. Michael, pray for us!

Mary, Queen of Heaven, pray for us!



We fly to Thy protection, O Holy Mother of God; despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin



Welcome ...

to all visitors who are joining us for worship today. May your time with us be grace-filled and may the Lord Jesus bless you and your loved ones today and always.

May at a Glance:

Sunday	M	Tuesday	Wednesday	Th	F	Saturday
16 9:00 Mass at St. Anne 11:00 Mass at MQ 12:30 Latin Mass (MQ) The Ascension of the Lord	17	18 8:30 am Confession-St Anne 9:00 am Mass-St Anne 9:30 am Adoration- St Anne 5:30 pm - St. Anne Instructions Faith No Class - Cancelled	19 9:00 am Mass-St Anne 9:30 am Adoration - St Anne 5:30 pm - St. Anne Religious Ed No class Cancelled	20	21	22 5:00 Confession St. Michael 5:30 Mass - St. Michael
23 9:00 Mass at St. Anne 11:00 Mass at MQ 12:30 Latin Mass (MQ) Pentecost Sunday	24	25 8:30 am Confession-St Anne 9:00 am Mass-St Anne 9:30 am Adoration- St Anne 5:30 pm - St. Anne Instructions Faith Class Resumes	26 9:00 am Mass-St Anne 9:30 am Adoration - St Anne 5:30 pm - St. Anne Religious Ed Class Resumes	27	28	29 5:00 Confession St. Michael 5:30 Mass - St. Michael
30 9:00 Mass at St. Anne 11:00 Mass at MQ 12:30 Latin Mass (MQ) The Most Holy Trinity	31	June 1 8:30 am Confession-St Anne 9:00 am Mass-St Anne 9:30 am Adoration- St Anne 5:30 pm - St. Anne Instructions Faith	2 9:00 am Mass-St Anne 9:30 am Adoration - St Anne 5:30 pm - St. Anne Religious Ed	3	4	5 5:00 Confession St. Michael 5:30 Mass - St. Michael

2021 Middle School Summer Camp

August 15-20

For students currently in 6-8 grade

Register today!

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<https://bit.ly/StAnneGive>

Mary Queen Parishioners, this link is for you also. For envelopes, please call the office.



Message from Bishop Daly:

For Catholics in the Diocese of Spokane, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and other Holy Days of Obligation will resume on **Corpus Christi Sunday– June 6, 2021**