# Walla Walla Catholic Parishes

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph | December 26th, 2021

#### Weekend Mass Times

#### St. Patrick

#### Weekday Mass Times

St. Francis Monday - Friday......7 :00am Assumption Wednesday & Friday......8:30am St. Patrick's Tuesday & Thursday ......12:00noon

#### Confessions

Saturdays......Assumption | 2:30PM Sundays.....St. Francis | 8:00AM St. Patrick | 9:00AM Wednesdays.....St. Patrick | 4:30PM (First) Fridays....Assumption | 8:00AM

#### Ministry

Fr. Matthew Nicks, Pastor Fr. David Gaines, Parochial Vicar Fr. Curtis Seidel, Chaplain Catholic Schools Deacon Jim Barrow Deacon Maclobio Robles Deacon Olegario Reyes Anne Guest, R.E. Director Martha Jimenez Youth / Sp. RE Karin Western, Facility Coordinator / Bookkeeper

> Tri Parish Phone: (509) 525-3310 St. Francis: Ext. 1 Assumption: Ext. 2 St. Patrick: Ext. 3

Mailing Address: 408 W. Poplar <u>Walla Walla, W</u>A 99362

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: wwcatholic.org



#### From the Pastor Dec 26, 2021



As a priest looking out into the see large families seated in the pews, I've observed that, customarily, the husband and wife to their troop sitting separately at,

or near, either end of their team of children. The practice always made instinctual, practical sense to me. It's exactly what I would do to help corral the young energy of the little ones.

However, years ago I became well acquainted with a faithful Catholic couple with a different practice. With about a half dozen kids, they took up the better part of your average pew. However, instead of forming bookends, the husband and wife always sat side by side. Similarly, in family photos, they were intentional about always standing side by side.

I asked them about this practice. In response, they shared that, though it wasn't always the most practical, it was one way in which they reminded themselves (and their children) that the primary and foundational relationship within the family was not that of parent and child, but of husband and wife.

On a philosophical level, that makes sense to all of us, right? Children are, quite literally, the fruit of that foundational relationship. If it were not for the love of husband and wife, there would be no children to love. However, often accidentally, this correct ordering of relationships within a family can, unfortunately, change over time. Instead of the couple being the foundation, children become the center of the family, the glue of their parents' relationship.

This is good neither for a child nor for the couple. For the couple, if their children are the congregation, when I foundation, the glue, what happens when their children grow up and move away, or become estranged, or, worse, are lost to some tragedy? As for a child, what happy wholesome child would want the burden of being the foundation and glue of their parents' relationship? Wouldn't every function as bookends child, whether little or grown, prefer that their parents' relationship be the firm foundation from which they could draw a sense of security—a safe harbor in the midst of a tumultuous and, sometimes frightening, world?

> It is no accident that St. Paul, when speaking of family life, always speaks first of the relationship between husband and wife and only afterwards speaks of the relationship of parents to their children.

> On this Solemnity of the Holy Family, one might object to this saying: "Surely, it was the Christ child who was the foundation and glue of the Holy Family!" Indeed, this is true! But He is the glue, not because he is the son of Mary and Joseph, but because he is the Son of the Father. His the foundation, not because he was begotten of the Virgin and adopted by Joseph, but because he is the Creator of them both. He is the rock of their relationship, not because he is their child, but because He is their God.

> Therefore, on this Solemnity of the Holy Family, we pray for all our families, that Christ may, likewise, be their rock, foundation, and glue. May He strengthen the bond of couples and, through their union bless the children entrusted to their care.

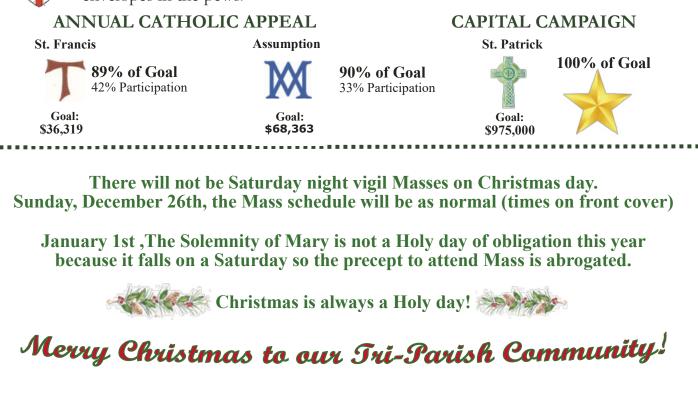
Praise be Jesus Christ! Now and Forever!



# Pulpit Announcements



Thank you for your support of the Annual Catholic Appeal! If you have not yet pledged, please go online at <u>dioceseofspokane.org</u> or use one of the blank envelopes in the pews.





# Walla Walla Catholic Schools

Strong in Virtue, Exceptional in Learning, Generous in Service

WWCS Mother/Son Brunch is January 30th!

It is almost time for the WWCS Mother/Son brunch! This is an opportunity for the schools to recognize and appreciate the important role that all mothers have in the formation of our awesome students. Mothers and sons in the WWCS system from grades 6-12 are invited to attend! All attendees are welcome to start the day with Sunday Mass at 9:30 AM, with the brunch following Mass. Look for more details coming soon!

#### Sacred Music Question of the Month Music at Mass: What is the Mass Ordinary?

Want to enroll your child at the ELC, Assump-

tion, or DeSales for the 2021-22 school year?

Contact our Enrollment Coordinator, Geoff

White, for more information and to schedule a

tour! Email Geoff at gwhite@thewwcs.com, or

contact him by phone at (509) 525-9283.



To learn the answer, scan the QR code with your phone!

We would love to see members of our parish community get out to support our student athletes! To view the full game schedules for all of our sports seasons, check out the athletics page on our website. **thewwcs.com/ seasons-and-teams** 

**DeSales Catholic High School** Principal: John Lesko 919 E Sumach St, Walla Walla, WA (509) 525-3030 Assumption Catholic Grade School Principal: John Lesko 2066 E Alder St, Walla Walla, WA (509) 525-9283 Assumption Early Learning Center Geoff White - ELC/Director 2096 E Alder St, Walla Walla, WA (509) 525-9478

# Tri-Parish Faith and Formation

#### **Sacraments**

#### <u>Baptism</u>

Baptism classes are the first Saturday of every month. Please contact Deacon Jim Barrow at: jimb@bmi.net or call your parish office.

#### *Confirmation & First Eucharist* For information, please contact

Annie Guest: **509-906-4429** 

#### Marriage Preparation

Contact one of the priests at least 4 months before your desired wedding date.

#### <u>RCIA</u>

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is starting up soon. Contact Andrew Neal at: andrew.neal.84@gmail.com Or contact your parish office.

#### **Adult Education**

#### Natural Family Planning

For information on learning family planning methods approved by the Catholic Church call: Kathy Martuscelli at 529-1020.



If you have a loved one homebound, in a nursing home or facility who is Catholic, get them on the list to receive Holy Communion. Call your parish office for contact information.

WOMEN OF FAITH: All women are invited to participate in this fall's offering- Church of the Holy Spirit, Acts of the Apostles (1-14) by Stepehn Binz. We will begin on Thursday October 7, 1-3 pm. We will gather in the St. Patrick Nursery. All Covid 19 protocols willbe observed. If you would like to participate, please email Sue Logsdon at slogsdon@hotmail.com or call her at 529-3719. The book is about \$14, plus shipping and tax.

#### THE TRI-PARISH PRAYER GROUP

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Matt.18:20 We meet in the ST. PATRICK'S NURSERY Monday 4:00 to 5:00pm. You are welcome to share your prayer requests and/or join with us. For more information please call Loraine Valencsin at 529-4378 or Sue Erlebach at 520-6324. WA State COVID Protocol followed.

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Sacramental Prep & Religious Ed Tri Parish R.E. Director | Anne Guest DRE@thewwcs.com 509-906-4429 Classes at Assumption Catholic School 2066 E Alder, Walla Walla <u>Spanish Sacramental Religious Ed</u> <u>Tri Parish Youth Group Leader</u> Martha Jiminez 509-525-3310 St Patrick's Parish office 408 W Poplar St, Walla Walla

JOIN US FOR YOUTH GROUP SUNDAY NIGHTS IN THE YOUTH ROOM! 5:00pm Middle school | 7:00pm High school



"Come, then, let us observe the Feast. Truly wondrous is the whole chronicle of the Nativity. For this day the ancient slavery is ended, the devil confounded, the demons take to flight, the power of death is broken, paradise is unlocked, the curse is taken away, sin is removed from us, error driven out, truth has been brought back, the speech of kindliness diffused, and spreads on every side, a heavenly way of life has been 'in planted on the earth, angels communicate with men without fear, and men now hold speech with angels." – St. John Chrysostom

Learning about our faith has never been more accessible! FORMED.ORG Lots of offerings for the Christmas season! Watch from your phone or computer and on Roku! Our Free parish access: wwcatholic.formed.org

# Tri-Parish Outreach and Evangelization



If anyone is interested in a 30-day preparation and consecration to our Lady, they can contact Katherine Anderson by phone: 541-701-7937 or email: unitedtohiswill@gmail.com

#### Service of Lessons and Carols Celebrate the end of the Christmas season with Scripture, traditional carols & choral



St. Patrick's Catholic Church 415 W. Alder St., Walla Walla Thursday, January 6, 2022 6:00pm Reception follows in Blanchet Hall For more information, contact Jo Anna Gogl, <u>gogl@miriamtech.net</u> or 509-529-0778

Latin Mass has been moved from the second to third Sunday in December. No Latin Mass Dec. 12th Latin Mass Dec.19th 2:00pm at St Patrick's



Are YOU or someone you know Interested In learning more about the Catholic Church? Contact your parish office or email Andrew Neal at: andrew.neal.84@gmail.com

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Mission Statement: The Tri-Parish Catholic Social Concerns Ministry is made up of parishioners from St. Patrick, St. Francis and Assumption parishes, who strive, in the light of Gospel values, to raise awareness of and address social concerns in our community and society through word and deed. For more information regarding this column, contact Sue Logsdon at slogsdon@hotmail.com.

# **<u>DISCIPLESHIP</u>** requires passing on the faith based on a solid foundation of knowledge:

To pass on the pass to others we must continually grow in knowledge and understanding of the faith. St. Paul states in 1 Cor 3:11 "No one can lay a foundation other than the one that is there, namely Jesus Christ."

**Pope Francis** in his magisterial document *Evangelii Gaudium* has "drawn attention to the fundamental bedrock of what we ought to be passing on – the **Kerygma**. 'Jesus Christ loves you; he gave his life to save you; and now he is living at your side every day to enlighten, strengthen and free you.'" The Catechetical Review

**REFLECT:** I can't pass on what I don't believe or know. How often do I attempt to deepen my faith through further instruction? Do I know enough about the Sacraments, Prayer, Morality, the Saints, Social Justice to share the Catholic foundation with others? In which area of the faith do I need to become more knowledgeable?

ACT: Some FREE ways to grow in knowledge of the faith are:

Formed.org (wwcatholic.formed.org) The Pope's Missions (Missio) (info.missio.org) daily reflections from Pope Francis

Saint of the Day (franciscanmedia.org)

Daily readings with reflection (dailyreadings@usccb.org) from USCCB

Daily Gospel reflections by Bishop Barron (wof@wordonfire.org)

Volunteer as a Religious Ed/Sacramental Prep catechist, help with RCIA, offer to lector at Mass

# Tri-Parish Ministries and Evangelization



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** 

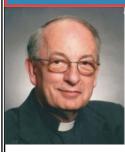
Is God calling YOU to become a Knight? Application forms are available from any member of the Knights of Columbus. Website: www.koc766.org **New Grand Knight: Jeff Elstrom** jeffelstrom@gmail.com



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS Court St. Cecelia # 668

Deanna Smith, Regent 525-1516 Or Monesa Grant Vice Regent 509-240-7724

**PRAY THE ROSARY TO END ABORTION** The Students for life from DeSales meets on the first Sunday of the month to pray the rosary to help the unborn in danger of abortion. Please join us on the first Sunday of the month at 2:00pm in front of **Planned Parenthood on first street. Please** join us in praying for an end to abortion!



A Silent Post-Christmas retreat with: Father Mike Saveleskey Wednesday, January 12, 2022, 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM **Following Jesus in Ordinary Time in Ordinary Ways** Using selected scenes from the Gospel narratives, we take time to explore the often hidden

dynamics of our Christian journey into God's Kingdom. Grace and blessing abound for those whose hearts are attentive and for those who have made a decision to follow Jesus, the Word of God incarnate in our work-a-day world. Jesus summons us to break through the walls of personal prejudice and pitfalls of culture to walk with him in faith. We call him "Teacher and Lord," and indeed He is! We say, "Yes," and choose to be disciples along the way. \$45 per person \$55 with use of a room for the day. This Day of Reflection is Silent.

Are you interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound and care facilities? Contact Kathy: 529-1020 or Shirley: 240-1407.

#### Walla Walla Vallev **Eucharistic Adoration**

Thursday 12pm - Saturday 12pm At Assumption Church in the Adoration Chapel Greg & Sue Fazzari: gfazzari@thewwcs.com Mike & Terri Neal: nealfamily@live.com Don & Kathy Martuscelli: kathy.martuscelli@gmail.com If you are interested in an hour, Contact us at: triparishadoration@gmail.com

Are you interested in LATIN MASS? To receive notifications about Latin Mass, text 84576 with the phrase WWLATIN.



# Check out the Tri-Parish App

To Get the App Search in the App Store or Google Play Store for: Walla Walla Catholic www.ParishSolutionsCo.com/Walla Prayers, Readings, Bible, Catechism & More!



#### Elizabeth Ministry

We are a woman-to-woman mentoring program to support women during the joys, challenges and sorrows of the childbearing years. We provide peer support, spiritual nourishment and inspirational resources. For assistance or if you are interested in joining our ministry, contact: Nancy Milton We provide peer support, spiritual nourishment and inspirational resources. Support may be provided in the form of visits, phone calls, e-mails, greeting cards, prayer, and other assistance. Contact Nancy at: nancyjmilton8@gmail.com or 916-612-1546.

# **Chesterton Society Meeting**

his is a fun group full of folks who love G.K. Chesterton. For more information, contact Kathy Wikman, 509 386-7813 or email: kwikman3@gmail.com

## St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

#### 722 W. Alder Street - Walla Walla, Washington 99362 (509) 525-3310 Ext. 1



O riginally founded in 1915 as a spiritual home for Italian immigrants, St. Francis Parish is a community of Roman Catholics who draw strength and vision from the Gospel and participation in the sacramental life of the Church. Inspired by their patron saint's spirit of humility and simplicity, they strive to be instruments of God's peace and reconciliation by serving those in need in the Walla Walla Valley.

MASS INTENTIONS DEC. 25– JAN. 2 Friday, December 24th 4:30pm | William Valente+ Saturday, December 25th 8:30am | Charles & Mildred Martuscelli+ Sunday, December 26th 8:30am | Joe Landoni+ Monday 7:00AM | Michael P. Salazar+ Tuesday 7:00am | John & Geneva Biagi+ 12:00pm | Juan Venegas Wednesday 7:00am | Benefactors Thursday 7:00am | Joe Landoni+ 12:00pm | Salvador y Josefina Esquivel + Friday 7:00am | Caso Family Sunday, January 2 8:30am | Peggy Louise Stalder+

It has been many years since St. Francis has held a Christmas Pageant. Please come to support the children of our parish St. Francis Christmas Pageant

and Epiphany Dessert Social <u>Thursday, January 6, 2022</u>

6PM in the St. Francis Parish Hall

Please bring a dessert to share!



Tuesday & Thursday 8:00a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Office Manager: Terri Neal Leave a message at 525-3310 Ext. 1 or email: <u>stfrancis@wwcatholic.com</u>

#### **Organizations**

Finance Council: Chair: Dominick Elia, Lorraine Manuel, Andrew Neal, Kevin Magnaghi

**Pastoral Council**: Stephen Fausti, Donny Biagi, Marguerite Daltoso, Chad Kjeldgaard, Rosalie Lesko, Patrick Frierson, Christina Magnaghi,

#### St Ann's Altar Society

All women of St. Francis are invited and encouraged to join St Ann's. Please call Lisa Cox (386-3238) for more information. Saint Ann, Pray for us.



Please Join us for an Altar Society Meeting Saturday, January 8th at 10am. All women of the parish are invited! Come and meet other parishioners and help plan out our year. You can also sign up to help clean the altar for our Lord (less than an hour commitment) one time, once a month or as often as you would like. Hope to see you!

President: Lisa Cox Linens: Claudia Deccio, Debbie Kleinhesselink

Thank you to Bachtold Christmas Trees for donating our beautiful trees again this year! We appreciate it so very much! May our Lord Bless them abundantly for their generosity! Please thank them with your sponsorship and get your trees there next year.

## Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church

2098 E. Alder Street Walla Walla, Washington 99362 (509) 525-3310 Ext. 2



In 1953, Bishop Charles D. White established the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Walla Walla. The community undertook the building of a grade school. Over the next decade, there were added a convent, the rectory and our spacious modern church. Following the example of our Patroness, Assumption Parish strives to live a sacramental life, witnessing the Gospel, in our service to others.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS DECEMBER 24-JAN 2**

Fri, 4:00pm	12/24/21 Lorraine Konen +
Fri, Midnight	12/24/21 Michael Paul Salazar+
Sat, 10:30am	12/25/21 David Ferraro +
Sun, 10:30am	12/26/21 Assumption Parishioners
Wed, 8:30am	12/29/21 Mary Denton
Fri, 8;30am	12/31/21 Nick Yragui +
Sat. 10:30	01/01/22 Milton & Lorraine Konen +
Sun, 10:30am	01/02/22 Assumption Parishioners

## ASSUMPTION

CHURCH LIBRARY

"Love the Lord your God with all your mind."

We have several books in our library by Matthew Kelly; The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic, Rediscover Jesus, The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity, and Life is Messy. These books will be placed in the check out area for easy access. We encourage everyone to take advantage of our parish

### Solemnity of Mary Mother of God-Jan. 1



"Hail, holy Mother! The Child to whom you gave birth is the King of heaven and earth forever" With this ancient greeting, today, the eighth day of the Octave of Christmas and the first of the year, the Church greets the Blessed Virgin Mary, invoking her as Mother of God. In her the eternal Son of the Father took our very flesh and through Her became "son of David and son of

Abraham" (Mt 1,1). Thus Mary is his true Mother the Theotokos. If Jesus is Life, Mary is the Mother of Life. If Jesus is Hope, Mary is the Mother of Hope. If Jesus is Peace, Mary is the Mother of of Peace, Mother of the Prince of Peace. Entering the new year, let us ask this holy Mother to bless us. Let us ask Her to give us Jesus, our full Blessing, in whom the Father blessed all history once and for all, making it become the history of salvation." Homily by St John Paul II We WELCOME you to Assumption Parish. If you wish to learn more about us, please fill out the Welcome Card located in the pew racks.

#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday: 9am-12pm Thursday: 9am-12pm

**OFFICE MANAGER:** Mary White Email: **assumption@wwcatholic.com** 

#### **PASTORAL COUNCIL:**

Anne Golden, Mike Levens, Patty Konen, Sally Buchanan-Rojo, Jerry Anhorn Jr, Michelle Moramarco, Chandra Hall



Anointing of the Sick

If you or someone you know is homebound, and wants to receive the Sacrament of Anointing, please contact your parish office at 525-3310.

Set up online giving. It is easy and there is a button on our new website: wwcatholic.org or sign up here: https://osvonlinegiving.com/4582

#### TRI-PARISH DIAPER DRIVE

Please put your donations in the Baby carriage in the back of Assumption Church of diapers and wipes for Catholic Charities and other agencies in town that are in need of diapers. It will be there year round.

#### **BABY BASKET MINISTRY**

Mary Owens, 525-3697 and Kit Chryst, 301-0818, are looking forward to preparing a basket of gifts for your newborn. We are just a phone call away to schedule a time to do a no contact or in person contact (with masks on, of course) delivery. Waiting to hear from you!

# St. Patrick Catholic Church

#### 408 West Poplar Street Walla Walla, Washington 99362 (509) 525-3310 Ext. 3



) orn of the original 1846 Diocese B of Walla Walla, St. Patrick Parish is a culturally diverse community of Roman Catholics who, in cooperation with other Christians in the Walla Walla Valley, strive to worship God, foster spiritual growth among its members, and serve others according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

# Wishing you a blessed hristmas Season!



# From the ladies of LIGHT MINISTRY

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR PARISH! https:osvonlinegiving.com/4583 There is also a button on our website: wwcatholic.org



#### WELCOME BABY MINISTRY

If you are expecting a baby or recently had a baby, please let us know so we can get a new baby gift basket to you. We would also love to provide you and your family with some meals as you get settled. Please call Jennifer Caso with your baby news.(509). 301-7103.

**Office Hours:** 

**Tuesday-Friday** 9AM -1:00PM | 2:00PM-7:00PM

**Office** Manager: Griselda Sanchez Email:stpatrick@wwcatholic.com

#### **Pastoral Council:**

Antonio Caso, Salvador Esquivel, Shawna Sweeney, Steve Droke, Catherine Worden, Monica Gaffrey, Roger Treis.

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We are looking for volunteers who would like to help serve doughnuts, coffee & milk, and clean up after on a rotating basis. If you could email us or catch us after Mass and kindly provide us your full name and preferred Email, we would greatly appreciate it.

Warm Regards, Bonnie and Matt Stroemel Contact us at: Mathias.Stroemel@providence.org

#### **Parroquia San Patricio** 408 West Poplar Street Walla Walla, Washington 99362 (509) 525-3310 AVISOS EN ESPAÑOL La Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José



A acida original de la Diócesis de Walla Walla de 1846, la parroquia de San Patricio es una comunidad diversa culturalmente de Católicos Romanos que, en cooperación con otros cristianos en el Valle de Walla Walla, se esfuerza por adorar a Dios, fomentar el crecimiento espiritual entre sus miembros y servir a los demás de acuerdo al Evangelio de Jesucristo.

#### BAUTISMOS Y PLATICAS PREBAUTISMALES

La próxima platica pre Bautismal se llevará acabo el <u>7 de febrero 2022</u> a las 7PM en el salón Natividad. Para asistir a la clase pre Bautismal en enero, tendrá que registrarse **antes** del 4 de febrero. Pase por la oficina parroquial para registrarse para las clases pre-bautismales y el bautismo de su hija o hijo. El próximo Bautismo se llevara acabo el <u>26 de febrero</u>.

**CAMPAÑA CAPITAL:** ¡Gracias por su apoyo a la Campaña Capital! Si aún no se ha comprometido, todavía hay tiempo para hacerlo.

#### LA OFICINA ESTARÁ CERRADA

Del 23 de diciembre hasta el 3 de enero la oficina estará cerrada. Se volverá abrir el martes, 4 de enero. ¡Feliz Navidad y Próspero Año Nuevo!

#### MISA EN LATIN

Para recibir notificaciones sobre la Misa en Latín, envíe un mensajes de texto al 84576 con la frase

#### QUINCEAÑERAS

Comuníquese con Martha en la oficina para obtener más detalles.

#### ORACIÓN A LA SAGRADA FAMILIA

Jesús, José, y María. Que nuestras familias estén cada día, protegidas por vuestro Santo Amor, para que en nuestros hogares reine siempre la Paz. Amen.

;COLOREA LA SAGRADA FAMILIA

¿Qué podemos aprender de la

<u>San José</u> Como jefe de

a familia? familia, actuó siempre como Dios le pidió, teniendo fe y confianza en Él.

<u>a Virgen María</u>

Crió, educó y siguió a su Hijo Jesús, mostrandole su auténtico amor maternal.

Jesús

Sin dejar de respetar a sus padres de la tierra, cumplió fielmente lo que su Padre del Cielo le mandó.

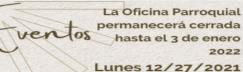


Navidad no es la celebracion de una fecha, sino de un hecho, el nacimiento del Salvador.

#### 26 DE DICIEMBRE DEL 2021

Horario de Oficina: Martes - Viernes 9:00am – 1:00pm | 2:00pm-7:00pm Office Manager: Griselda Sánchez Correo Electrónico: <u>stpatrick@wwcatholic.com</u>

**INTENCIONES DE MISAS** Sábado Diciembre 25 9:30 AM | Antonio Caso 12:00 PM | Jesús y Juana Lomelí + Domingo Diciembre 26 7:30 AM | Tri Parish Parishioners 9:30 AM | Hosei + 12:00 PM | Juanita Vieyra + **Lunes Diciembre 27** 7:00 AM | Michael P. Salazar + **Martes Diciembre 28** 7:00 AM | John & Geneva Biagi+ 12:00 PM | Juan Venegas Miércoles Diciembre 29 7:00 AM | benefactors **Jueves Diciembre 30** 7:00 AM | Joe Landoni+ 12:00pm | Salvador v Josefina Esquivel + **Viernes Diciembre 31** 7:00 AM | Caso Family Sábado Enero 1 7:00 PM | Aurelio Sánchez **Domingo Enero 2** 7:30 am | Chuck and Lee Johnson + 9:30 am | Joe Hilario + 12:00pm | Feligreses de la Tri Parroquia



**7PM:** Grupo de Jovenes Adultos (19-30 años) en el Salón de San Francisco

Miercoles 12/29/2021 7 PM: Misioneros de Jesús en el Salón Natividad

Jueves 12/30/2021 6PM: Preparacion Sacramental

> Sabado 1/1/2022 7PM: Misa - Madre de Dios

Domingo 1/2/2022 9-9:30AM: Confesiones en la iglesia 10AM: Catecismo



RICA

Para mas información

llame a la oficina.



#### CARTA DEL PARROCO 26 DE DICIEMBRE DEL 2021



Como sacerdote mirando hacia la congregación, cuando veo familias numerosas sentadas en las bancas, he observado que, habitualmente, el esposo y la esposa funcionan como sujetalibros para sus niños, sentados por

separado en, o cerca de, uno de los extremos de su equipo de niños. La práctica siempre tuvo un sentido práctico e instintivo para mí. Es exactamente lo que haría para ayudar a acorralar la energía de los más pequeños.

Sin embargo, hace años conocí a una pareja católica fiel con una práctica diferente. Con alrededor de media docena de niños, ocupaban la mayor parte del banco promedio. Sin embargo, en lugar de formar sujetalibros, el esposo y la esposa siempre se sentaban uno al lado del otro. Del mismo modo, en las fotos familiares, tenían la intención de estar siempre uno al lado del otro.

Les pregunté sobre esta práctica. En respuesta, compartieron que, aunque no siempre era la más práctica, era una forma en la que se recordaban a sí mismos (y a sus hijos) que la relación principal y fundamental dentro de la familia no era la de padres e hijos, sino de esposo y esposa.

A nivel filosófico, eso tiene sentido para todos nosotros, ¿verdad? Los niños son, literalmente, el fruto de esa relación fundamental. Si no fuera por el amor de un esposo y una esposa, no habría hijos a quienes amar. Sin embargo, a menudo de forma accidental, este orden correcto de las relaciones dentro de una familia puede, desafortunadamente, cambiar con el tiempo. En lugar de que la pareja sea la base, los hijos se convierten en el centro de la familia, el pegamento de la relación de sus padres.

Esto no es bueno para un niño ni para la pareja. Para la pareja, si sus hijos son la base, el pegamento, ¿qué pasa cuando sus hijos crecen y se alejan, se distancian o, peor aún, se pierden en alguna tragedia? En cuanto a un niño, ¿qué niño feliz y sano desearía la carga de ser la base y el sostén de la relación de sus padres? ¿No preferirían todos los niños, ya sean pequeños o mayores, que la relación de sus padres sea la base firme de la que puedan extraer una sensación de seguridad, un puerto seguro en medio de un mundo tumultuoso y, a veces, aterrador?

No es casualidad que San Pablo, al hablar de la vida familiar, siempre hable primero de la relación entre el esposo y la esposa y sólo después hable de la relación de los padres con sus hijos.

En esta Solemnidad de la Sagrada Familia, uno podría objetar este dicho: "¡Seguramente fue el Niño Jesús quien fue el fundamento y el pegamento de la Sagrada Familia!" De hecho, ¡esto es cierto! Pero Él es el pegamento, no porque sea el hijo de María y José, sino porque es el Hijo del Padre. Él es el fundamento, no porque fue engendrado de la Virgen y adoptado por José, sino porque es el Creador de ambos. Él es la roca de su relación, no porque sea su hijo, sino porque es su Dios.

Por eso, en esta Solemnidad de la Sagrada Familia, rezamos por todas nuestras familias, para que Cristo sea también su roca, fundamento y pegamento. Que Él fortalezca el vínculo de las parejas y, mediante su unión, bendiga a los hijos confiados a su cuidado.

¡Alabado sea Jesucristo! ¡Ahora y siempre!

En Cristo,

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