

MY PARISH FAMILY

Immaculate Conception (Colville) – Sacred Heart of Jesus (Kettle Falls)

Pure Heart of Mary (Northport)

February 22, 2026: First Sunday of Lent



MASS AND CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Tuesday, February 24

5:00 p.m. Confessions (Colville)

5:30 p.m. Mass (Colville)

Kaylan Gayda +

Wednesday, February 25

12:00 p.m. Mass (Colville)

Bill Wilburn +

Thursday, February 26

7:15 a.m. Adoration/Confessions (Colville)

8:30 a.m. Mass (Colville)

Mark & Jeannie Curtis (32nd anniversary)

11:30 a.m. Mass (Republic)

Louise St. Hilaire +

Friday, February 27

7:15 a.m. Mass (Colville)

Carol Abernathy +

7:45 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. Adoration (Colville)

Saturday, February 28

3:00 p.m. Adoration/Confessions (Colville)

4:00 p.m. Mass (Colville)

Foster Estelle +

6:00 p.m. Mass (Kettle Falls)

Margie Christensen (birthday)

Sunday, March 1 Matthew 17:1-9

8:00 a.m. Adoration/Confessions (Colville)

9:00 a.m. Mass (Colville)

Pro Populo

12:30 p.m. (Northport 1st Sunday)

John Chapman

4:00 p.m. Mass (Republic)

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Servants of the Sick..... Dave Hewes

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PREPARES..... Pat Taylor

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Men's Catholic Study Group..... Gary Axtell

Women's Group (Laus Deo)..... Loriann Gigous



Welcome Visitors! We are so glad you are here! If you have any questions about our church, our ministries, Mass intentions, etc., please talk with the greeters and they can direct you.



Dear parishioners and guests,

Lent is upon us, and it is a season of tremendous grace. This doesn't mean that something changes in God to make him more inclined to bless us during this time; it means that as we, with God's help, avail ourselves of opportunities to embrace conversion (through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, for example), we open our hearts to receive more deeply the outpouring of his grace.

I can't help but believe that our efforts to foster silence will enrich our journey through Lent, helping us to make more and more space in our hearts for God. However, the *fact* of silence does not guarantee the *fruit* of silence. In order for the silence to do us some good, we should be intentional about the way we practice it. This came to my attention especially in an excerpt, recently shared with me by a parishioner, from a collection of Fr. Henri Nouwen's writings. He comments:

"One of our main problems is that in this chatty society, silence has become a very fearful thing. For most people, silence creates itchiness and nervousness. Many experience silence not as full and rich, but as empty and hollow. For them silence is like a gaping abyss which can swallow them up. As soon as a minister says during a worship service, 'Let us be silent for a few moments,' people tend to become restless and preoccupied with only one thought: 'When will this be over?' Imposed silence often creates hostility and resentment. Many ministers who have experimented with silence in their services have soon found out that silence can be more demonic than divine and have quickly picked up the signals that were saying: 'Please keep talking.' It is quite understandable that most forms of ministry avoid silence precisely so as to ward off the anxiety it provokes.

"But isn't the purpose of all ministry to reveal that God is not a God of fear but a God of love? And couldn't this be accomplished by gently and carefully converting the empty silence into a full silence, the anxious silence into a peaceful silence, and the restless silence into a restful silence, so that in this converted silence a real encounter with the loving Father could take place?"

As we enter Lent, it's a good time for us to examine our own experience of silence. How would you describe yours? Empty or full? Anxious or peaceful? Restless or restful? May all of us, this Lent, practice the kind of silence that opens our hearts and makes us more available to God.

Fr. Kenny St. Hilaire, Pastor

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturdays in Colville.....1 hour before Mass
Saturdays in Kettle Falls..... 30 minutes before Mass
Sundays in Colville: 1 hour before Mass
Sundays in Northport: 30 minutes before Mass
Thursdays in Colville: 7:15 a.m. - 8:15.a.m.
First Fridays in Colville: 7:45 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
All other Fridays in Colville: 7:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

Weekly Contributions: February 14-15

Colville Immaculate Conception: \$4,096.00
Kettle Falls (Sacred Heart): \$620.00
Northport (Pure Heart of Mary): \$566.67
Social Outreach: \$215.00
ICP Capital Improvements: \$295.00
PREPARES: \$300.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for our Colville, Kettle and Northport Parishes: Shelly Perkins, Penny Perkins, Janelle Stroyan, Margaret Olson, Mert Graham, Palin Driver, James Rowland, Elaine Huff, Lisa Huff, Jim Miller, Loretta Bowling, Ella Sprangers & family, Karen Hamel, Kenzie Sackman, Mick, Greg and Luke McCrea.

(Please remember, the list rotates each week.)

If you or someone you know is sick or homebound and would like to receive a visit, Holy Communion, or Anointing of the Sick, please call the parish office.



Birthdays for the month of March 2026!

- 1 Sandi Dotts, Randy Johnson
- 4 Brian Estelle
- 6 Michelle Hardwick
- 7 Greg Rainer
- 8 Dorothy Gray
- 9 Chris Long
- 10 Elliott Harris
- 11 Oliver Harris
- 12 Parker Sackman
- 18 Lenny Benson, Tim Montowski, Sr
- 19 Cathy Beedles
- 20 Wayne Miller
- 22 Jacob Harris
- 23 Craig Linn, Kyle Sackman, Rod Vining
- 24 Seamus Kinard
- 29 Lenny Neyens
- 31 Tim Montowski

If you have a birthday in March and do not see your name above, please call the office and help us update our records.



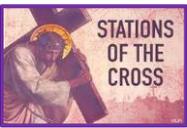
Mystery of Faith (Adult faith formation)

Mystery of Faith is presenting an 8-part series on the Gospel of St. Luke from Ascension Press, titled "Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled" with Jeff Cavins. This is week four and we will explore early miracles the Jesus performed. As the Gospel progresses, Jesus' teachings become more challenging, his miracles become more dramatic, and his enemies become more infuriated.

Sessions are at 6:15 p.m. in the ICP Library, with a light dinner provided.



Mardi Gras 2026: Special thanks to Lori Roberts, Fr. Kenny, Margaret Arendas, Marti Axtell, Alex Beaudry, Mike & Cindy Campbell, Ray & Sue Canto, Jody Carpenter, John and Sandi Dotts, Theresa & Julian Estelle, Pam Gotham, Mary Kirpes, Dave Hewes, Sandy Hopkins, Janey Kuh, Jef Lant, Royce Larsen, Betty Urhausen, Allie and Kody Usher, Valorie Anderson and the Youth Group, Claire Worley, the Haran Irish Dancers, the 22 families that donated desserts, and the staff at the Ag Trade Center. It was a great time, and we look forward to next year – Feb 10, 2027!



Stations of the Cross will be prayed at ICP and SHJ every Friday of Lent (except Good Friday) at 5:30 p.m., followed by soup suppers.



Lenten Soup Suppers: Each Friday during Lent (except Good Friday), soup suppers are held at Immaculate Conception and Sacred Heart in immediately after Stations of the Cross.

At Sacred Heart of Jesus, Walt Stichart facilitates a 30-minute bible study at the end of the soup supper. As a reminder, Lenten soups are meatless. Meat-based broths are technically permitted, but please use non-meat broth wherever possible.



If you are a firefighter, teacher, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), or first aid responder, we are asking for your help if an emergency occurs at a church event.

Thanks to grant funding, we now have four Automated External Defibrillator (AED) devices. You will find them in the ICP parish hall, in the vestibule, and at the rear of the Sacred Heart building. The fourth AED will be placed in Republic. Please make sure you know where these devices are located when you enter the buildings, so you can respond quickly if needed.



REQUIESCAT IN PACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Cheryl Taylor**, and the consolation of her family.

+Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her+

Taizé Holy Hour: Come to Sacred Heart of Jesus in Kettle Falls for a Taizé Evening Hour of Adoration and Prayer on **March 2 at 7:15 p.m.** The music of Taizé is uniquely beautiful and strikes a note that touches the heart. Please come and enjoy this time of reflection and contemplation!



Journeying through Lent with CRS Rice Bowl: Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. We have the power to make the work a better place for all. Rice Bowls are available in the vestibule.



Laus Deo Women's Ministry - The Ten Virtues of Mary. Nine Wednesdays, from March 11 until May 13, from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at the ICP parish hall.

Please fill out a new registration form that can be found in the vestibule. If you are new to Laus Deo, please contact Loriann Gigous at (928) 266-5057 with questions. If you cannot make a session, your registration will give you full access to all videos and discussion questions.



There's still time to submit photos for Parish Directory. If you missed getting your photo taken by Universal Directories and would like to submit a photo, please email your photo to cindycampbell55379@yahoo.com. There is a \$15 fee, but the good news is that you will receive a free copy of the parish directory. We can also accept a scanned photo. Any questions, contact Cindy.



Looking for a great way to enrich your faith? Sign up for FORMED.org, There is no cost to you. To sign up for your free account, go to FORMED.org, click "Find Your Parish Subscription" and enter 99114 and follow the instructions. **Father's pick for this week:**

Whole 40: Making a Spiritual Plan for Lent



Make sure you visit our parish website! It has a wealth of information.

www.myparishfamily.org

Business of the week – Thank you!

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