

# St. Anthony Parish

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**Worship Schedule** Masses: Saturday 4:30 PM  
Sunday 9:30AM  
11:30AM in Vietnamese  
Tuesday — Friday 8:00 AM

**Holy Hour:** Tuesdays 8:30AM-9:30AM

**Confessions:** Tuesdays at 8:30-9:30AM and 6-7pm

**Baptism:** Contact the parish office

**Marriage:** Please contact the parish office at least six months before desired wedding date.

**Parish Pastoral Council:** President—Cindy Ecklund  
Vice President—Rick Mannino  
Janet Murphy      Abbi Spilker      Rene Heidt  
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**The Parish Council meets Third Wednesday of the month at 6pm in Wilson Hall, except July & August**

**Finance Council:** President—Luke Anderson  
Nina Heidt

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul** President – Kathy Loe  
Monthly meeting:

Second Saturday, 8am in Wilson Hall 509-216-1093.  
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Contact Jan Russell to add a name to the prayer chain

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Betty Lease, Kerry Williston, Justin Maddox, Patrick Byrnes, Christopher, Beth, Van Doughty, Sr. Madonna, Cindy, Edna Mae (Morbeck) Schultheis, Angela Morbeck, Tina Lesser, Ashley & Family.



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** — This is collection weekend for our parish St Vincent de Paul Society – the blue buckets are at the back of the church; online giving is also an option via the parish website. Thank you for your generosity – these are tough times for many of our neighbors.

**HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION—JANUARY**

For prayer with the Word of God. —Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

### Parish Mass Intentions & Events †

**Saturday, 1/10**

8AM St Vincent de Paul Society Meeting in Wilson Hall

NO 3:30PM Confessions

4:30PM Mass: Patty Norton †

**Sunday, 1/11 The Baptism of the Lord**

9:30AM Mass: Patrick Coony

11:30AM Mass in Vietnamese

**Monday, 1/12**

12:30-3 Trinity Band in Wilson Hall

**TUESDAY, 1/13 ST HILARY**

8AM Mass: Edward & Lucy Reckelhoff †

8:30AM Adoration & Confession

12:30-3PM Trinity Band & Strings

6-7PM Confession

**WEDNESDAY, 1/14**

8AM MASS: Edward & Lucy Reckelhoff †

**THURSDAY, 1/15**

8AM Mass: Edwin & Caroline Reckelhoff †

1-4PM Mahjong

**FRIDAY, 1/16**

8AM Mass: Edwin & Caroline Reckelhoff †

9AM Mass with Trinity School

12:30-3PM Trinity Music

**Saturday, 1/17 St Anthony**

NO 3:30PM Confessions

4:30PM Mass: Patrick Coony †



# JANUARY 11, 2026

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Pastor's Corner —My brothers and sisters in Christ, May the Lord continue to bless our families and our parish community!

Today we conclude the Christmas season with the beautiful Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. At the waters of the Jordan, something extraordinary takes place: Jesus, the beloved Son of the Father, steps into the river not because He needs purification, but to stand in solidarity with us. In this humble act, He sanctifies the waters and reveals the deep meaning of our own baptism.

The Gospel tells us that as Jesus is baptized, the heavens open, the Spirit descends like a dove, and the voice of the Father proclaims: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." This moment is a powerful revelation of who Jesus is, but it is also a revelation of who we are. Through baptism, each of us has heard these same words spoken over our lives: You are my beloved son; you are my beloved daughter. Our identity is not rooted in what we do or fail to do, but in God's unconditional love.

The prophet Isaiah speaks of the servant chosen by God, upon whom the Spirit rests—a servant who brings justice, healing, and hope without breaking the bruised reed or quenching the smoldering wick. This is the mission Jesus embraces at His baptism, and it becomes our mission as well. Baptism is not simply a ritual from the past; it is a lifelong call to live as people of compassion, mercy, and courage in a wounded world.

Saint Peter reminds us in the Acts of the Apostles that God shows no partiality. The grace revealed in Christ is offered to all. When we live our baptism faithfully, we become witnesses to that truth. Our words, our choices, and our love can open the heavens for others and help them discover the presence of God in their own lives.

As members of the communities of St. Joseph and St. Anthony, this feast invites us to remember our baptismal promises. Do we renounce sin and all that diminishes life? Do we trust in the Father, follow the Son, and allow the Spirit to guide us? Each day offers us a new opportunity to answer "yes." May this feast renew our hearts and strengthen our resolve to live as beloved children of God. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, let us go forth to bring Christ's light, justice, and peace to all we meet.

May God bless our Parish! May the Lord continue to provide us with deeper faith and love in the Eucharist!

God bless you!

Fr. Gus Ruiz

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**BUSY BAGS** —Parents, busy bags have been donated for your children to borrow during mass. Please take a bag from the back of the church and return it when mass ends. We are looking to make more and could use donations of items and money. If you'd like to donate, please see Alyssa Richards or the parish office.

### CONFESION

Confession is moving!!!

Starting Tuesday, January 6th, 2026 Confession will be on Tuesdays from 6-7pm.

Starting Saturday, January 10th, 2026 there will no longer be confession on Saturdays at 3:30pm.

### SPOKANE LIVE Wholehearted26 | Whom Do You Seek?

Join women from around the Spokane Diocese and the Inland Northwest for a day of inspiration, faith, fellowship, and fun at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Otis Orchards. This is your year to come if you've never attended, or your year to invite someone new if you've already been. Come for personal time for prayer, Confession, Adoration, tons of laughter, a fabulous lunch, door prizes, and a great time together! Saturday, February 7, 2026, 9 AM-4 PM.

### OUR GIFT TO GOD

We thank God for you! Your gifts throughout the year are gratefully acknowledged.

#### **December 6 & 7**

4:30 Mass: \$880

9:30 Mass: \$549

11:30 Mass: \$1,196

**Total: \$2,625**

#### **December 13 & 14**

4:30 Mass: \$424

9:30 Mass: \$375

11:30 Mass: \$498

**Total: \$1,297**

#### **December 20 & 21**

4:30 Mass: \$412

9:30 Mass: \$681

11:30 Mass: \$490

**Total: \$1,583**

#### **December 27 & 28**

4:30 Mass: \$357

9:30 Mass: \$358

11:30 Mass: \$658

**Total: \$1,373**

**Total Other Donations: \$7,102**

**Total Online Donations for December: \$1,262**

**Total Donations for December: \$15,242**

#### **January 3 & 4**

4:30 Mass: \$831

9:30 Mass: \$432

11:30 Mass: \$540

**Total: \$1,803**

#### **January 10 & 11**

4:30 Mass: \$

9:30 Mass: \$

11:30 Mass: \$

**Total: \$**



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