

# ST. CHARLES PARISH

4515 N. Alberta St., Spokane, WA 99205

January 4, 2026 ♦ The Epiphany of the Lord



## Parish Office

Office Hours: Tuesday– Friday, 9:00 am-3:00pm

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Anne Thomas 509-209-6714

## Sacraments

### Reconciliation

Listed Inside

Or by appointment

### Baptism

Contact the parish office.

Parental preparation is required.

### Marriage

Couples planning to be married to contact the parish office at least six months in advance of desired date.

### Religious Education

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, call Father Soler.

### Religious Education Coordinator

Michelle Lutz

## Consider a gift/bequest to St. Charles in your Will.

I give to St. Charles Catholic Parish, located at 4515 N Alberta, Spokane, WA 99205, the following amount/percentage \_\_\_\_ to be used wherever needed most.

## WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

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

### PARISH CALENDAR

Tue, Jan. 06	After Mass	Church	Parish Rosary for the Preborn- All are welcome
Wed, Jan. 07	10:00 AM	A.C.	Women's Book Study
	5:00 PM	Church	Adoration and Reconciliation
Fri, Jan. 09	11:00 AM	Church	Funeral Mass- Louise Gessner
	5:00 PM	Church	Adoration and Reconciliation
Sat, Jan. 10	3:00-3:30 PM	Church	Reconciliation

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Will report when we return from Christmas Break.

### COFFEE & DONUTS

- Jan. 4 Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast
- Jan. 11 Heather Schelling & Family
- Jan. 18

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Blessed Sacrament  
Weekly Adoration  
Wednesday & Friday  
5:00 p.m.**



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### **Epiphany Celebration**



January 4th after 10:00AM Mass in the gym.

\*Pancake breakfast provided by the  
Knights of Columbus



\*Activities for children provided

\*King Cake for dessert!

### Offerings and Collections at St. Charles

- Drop off your donation in our donation boxes. They are located on the bulletin board on both sides of the foyer.
- Use the Donate button on our website
- Text STC to 73256
- Mail your offering to 4515 N. Alberta, Spokane, WA 99205

### Please Remember in Your Prayers

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

**St. Charles, pray for us!**



*We saw his star at its rising  
And have come to do him homage.*

*Matthew 2:2*

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## St. Charles Borromeo Parish—Spokane, Washington

### LITURGICAL SERVICES

Sat, Jan. 03	8:30 AM	Shirl Lewist†
	4:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sun, Jan. 04	10:00 AM	William Friedenbach
Mon, Jan. 05	<b>No Mass</b>	
Tue, Jan. 06	12:30 PM	Stephen W. Kelly†
Wed, Jan. 07	12:30 PM	Loretta Soudert†
Thu, Jan. 08	12:30 PM	Kathleen O'Neil Isleib
Fri, Jan. 09	11:00 AM	Funeral- Louise Gessner†
Sat, Jan. 10	4:00 PM	Shirley Lewist†
Sun, Jan. 11	10:00 AM	Pro Populo

### Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers for our Funeral Reception Ministry. If you are interested, please call the parish office at 509-327-9573.



### Sisters of the Sword

Jan. 3 at 9:00 AM  
in the Activity Center

We are studying *Courageous Virtue* by Stacy Mitch  
Every 1st Saturday of the month following 8:30 1st Saturday Mass at St. Charles-study starts around 9:10 in the Activity Center. Bring a copy of the book, your Bible, and your journal. Contact Connie Smith with any questions at [csmith@stcharlesspokane.org](mailto:csmith@stcharlesspokane.org).



### Caritas Outreach Ministries

Caritas helps serve neighbors in need. Please help fill their pantry! Donations can be dropped off in the foyer. They need:

- Soups & Chili
- Dry Beans
- Rice
- Pancake mix/ Syrup
- Jelly/ Jam
- Boxed meals
- Peanut Butter
- Cereal
- Pasta
- Canned Meat

If you are interested in volunteering at Caritas, please call them at 509-326-2249. You can also mail donations to  
4718 N Ash St, Spokane, WA 99205

### UPCOMING SCHEDULE CHANGES

**Daily Mass is cancelled on Friday, January 9. We will have a funeral Mass for Louise Gessner.**

### Veritatis Splendor, St. John Paul II

The natural law thus understood does not allow for any division between freedom and nature. Indeed, these two realities are harmoniously bound together, and each is intimately linked to the other.

"From the beginning it was not so" (Mt 19:8)

The alleged conflict between freedom and nature also has repercussions on the interpretation of certain specific aspects of the natural law, especially its universality and immutability. "Where then are these rules written", Saint Augustine wondered, "except in the book of that light which is called truth? From thence every just law is transcribed and transferred to the heart of the man who works justice, not by wandering but by being, as it were, impressed upon it, just as the image from the ring passes over to the wax, and yet does not leave the ring".

Precisely because of this "truth" the natural law involves universality. Inasmuch as it is inscribed in the rational nature of the person, it makes itself felt to all beings endowed with reason and living in history. In order to perfect himself in his specific order, the person must do good and avoid evil, be concerned for the transmission and preservation of life, refine and develop the riches of the material world, cultivate social life, seek truth, practise good and contemplate beauty.

The separation which some have posited between the freedom of individuals and the nature which all have in common, as it emerges from certain philosophical theories which are highly influential in present-day culture, obscures the perception of the universality of the moral law on the part of reason. But inasmuch as the natural law expresses the dignity of the human person and lays the foundation for his fundamental rights and duties, it is universal in its precepts and its authority extends to all mankind. This universality does not ignore the individuality of human beings, nor is it opposed to the absolute uniqueness of each person. On the contrary, it embraces at its root each of the person's free acts, which are meant to bear witness to the universality of the true good. By submitting to the common law, our acts build up the true communion of persons and, by God's grace, practise charity, "which binds everything together in perfect harmony" (Col 3:14). When on the contrary they disregard the law, or even are merely ignorant of it, whether culpably or not, our acts damage the communion of persons, to the detriment of each.





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