

# ST. JOSEPH PARISH

*"Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples.  
Preach the gospel to all people."*

January 17-18, 2026

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 PM

Sunday Mass 10:00 AM

Tuesdays 8:30 AM

Wednesdays 8:30 AM

## RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

## ADORATION

Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

## PRAYER REQUESTS

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## PARISH REGISTRATION

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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## PARISH CALENDAR

### Sunday, January 18

Religious Ed classes 11:15 AM

OCIA class 11:15 AM

Used Book Sale 9:00 AM— 12:00 PM

### Monday, January 19

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday—Office Closed

### Tuesday, January 20

No Daily Mass

Women's Guild Book Club 1:30 PM

### Wednesday, January 21

No Daily Mass, Reconciliation or Adoration

### Friday, January 23

Share the Word (explore the Sunday readings) 9:00 AM

### Saturday, January 24

Women's Health & Wellness class 8:30 AM

Used Book Sale 9:00 AM—2:00 PM

Used Book Sale (parishioners only) 3:30—5:30 PM

### Sunday, January 25

Used Book Sale 9:00 AM—12:00 PM

Religious Ed classes 11:15 AM

OCIA class 11:15 AM



# Men's Conference

February 21  
7:00AM-4:00pm  
@ Gonzaga Prep

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# GOD

alone

INCOME	Budget/week	Actual/week
Envelopes	\$ 3,385.00	\$ 4,056.00
Plate	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,016.00
Online gifts	\$ 1,865.00	\$ 2,506.41
Building Fund		35.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,613.41</b>
Kids collection		\$

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, January 17 - St. Joseph Parishioners**  
**Sunday, January 18 - Bob Moore (bday)**  
**Saturday, January 24 - St. Joseph Parishioners**

### Parish Staff

Rev. Thomas K. Connolly, Pastor  
 Joe Schroeder, Deacon  
 Jeannie Saccomanno, Office Manager  
 Bill Ryan, Facilities Manager  
 Emily Busch, RE Coordinator  
 Sydney Wilson, Youth Minister  
 Mary Green, Admin. Assistant

### Parish Council

Kira Busch | Michael Grieshaber  
 Paul Hittson | Lara McHenry  
 Ellen Stoner | Joe Winkler

### Finance Council

Joleen Cooney | Ric Gaunt | Jim Novello  
 Richard Vann | Joyce Woodard

### Eucharistic Ministers/Lectors

**Saturday, January 24—Renee M., Mary F.**

**Lector: Mindy S.**

**Sunday, January 25—**

**Dey S., Anita A., Scott C., Natalie S.**

**Lector: Lara M.**

**First Reading** *Isaiah 49:3,5-6*  
**Responsorial** *Psalms 40:2,4,7-10*  
**Second Reading** *1 Corinthians 1:1-3*  
**Gospel Reading** *John 1:29-34*

### Background on the Gospel Reading

This Sunday we break from our reading of Matthew's Gospel (the primary Gospel for Cycle A) to read from John's Gospel. We heard Matthew's account of Jesus' baptism last Sunday, on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Today, we hear John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus as found in John's Gospel. John's Gospel differs from the other Gospels because John does not describe Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist. Instead, John the Baptist announces that he knows that Jesus is the Son of God.

In today's reading, John the Baptist sees Jesus approaching and cries out, giving witness about who Jesus is. In John's testimony he says that he saw the Spirit descend upon Jesus. By this sign, John the Baptist knew that Jesus was the one who is to come after him.

John the Baptist uses two titles for Jesus that are familiar to us. John calls Jesus the "Lamb of God" and the "Son of God." By using these titles, John the Baptist identifies Jesus' ultimate purpose: to redeem sinful humanity.

John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus clearly distinguishes John's baptism from the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John baptizes with water; Jesus will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John also puts his practice of baptism in the context of Jesus' ministry. The purpose of John's baptism was to make Jesus known to Israel.

John the Baptist's sense of purpose is clearly identified in this reading: he baptized in order to prepare for and make known the ministry of the One who was to follow. John's witness is an excellent example of what it means to be a disciple. By our Baptism, we are called to make Jesus known to all the world by our words and by the witness of our lives.

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