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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 1ST 2026

The Blessed Path

In the readings since Christmas, Jesus has been revealed as the new royal son of David and Son of God.

He is sent to lead a new exodus that brings Israel out of captivity to the nations and brings all the nations to God.

As Moses led Israel from Egypt through the sea to give them God's law on Mount Sinai, Jesus too has passed through the waters in baptism. Now, in today's Gospel, He goes to the mountain to proclaim a new law—the law of His Kingdom.

The Beatitudes mark the fulfillment of God's covenant promise to Abraham—that through his descendants all the nations of the world would receive God's blessings (see Genesis 12:3; 22:18).

Jesus is the son of Abraham (see Matthew 1:1). And through the wisdom He speaks today, He bestows the Father's blessings upon "the poor in spirit."

God has chosen to bless the weak and lowly, those foolish and despised in the eyes of the world, Paul says in today's Epistle. The poor in spirit are those who know that nothing they do can merit God's mercy and grace. These are the humble remnant in today's First Reading, taught to seek refuge in the name of the Lord.

The Beatitudes reveal the divine path and purpose for our lives. All our striving should be for these virtues—to be poor in spirit; meek and clean of heart; merciful and makers of peace; seekers of the righteousness that comes from living by the law of Kingdom.

The path the Lord sets before us today is one of trials and persecution. But He promises comfort in our mourning and a great reward.

The Kingdom we have inherited is no earthly territory but the promised land of heaven. It is Zion where the Lord reigns forever. And, as we sing in today's Psalm, its blessings are for those whose hope is in the Lord. *-Dr. Scott Hahn*

2ND ANNUAL TRI-PARISH

Soup & Stations of the Cross

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Parish Soup Volunteer Schedule:

- St X: 2/20
- St. Pats: 2/27
- Mary Queen: 3/6
- St. X: 3/13
- St. Pats: 3/20
- Mary Queen: 3/27

Stations: 5:30
Supper: 6:00
Mary Queen Parish



St. Patrick our Patron Pray for us and our families!

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me. Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ lying down, Christ in sitting, Christ in rising up, Christ in the heart of every person who may think of me, Christ in the mouth of every person who may speak of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me!

- St Patrick's Breastplate

WEEKEND SCHEULE

Saturday

3pm – Confessions (**St. Francis Xavier**)

4pm – Vigil Mass (**St. Francis Xavier**)

Sunday

7:30am – Holy Mass,
(**St. Francis Xavier**)

9:00am – Holy Mass (**St. Patrick**)

11:00am – Holy Mass,
(**St. Francis Xavier**)

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St. Joseph of Leonessa, Priest February 4th

Eufranio Desideri was born in 1556 at Leonessa, in Umbria, Italy, and pursued higher studies at Viterbo. At eighteen he rejected an offer of a noble and lucrative marriage.

Instead, Eufranio joined the Capuchin Franciscans at Viterbo. Taking the name of Joseph, he became a humble, and obedient religious, mortified to a heroic degree. He believed deeply and preached constantly that every Christian must be a living book in which others can read the teaching of the Gospel.

In 1587, Joseph was sent to Turkey as a missionary among the Christians at Pera, a suburb of Constantinople. He served the Christian galley slaves of the Turks and preached the Faith to the Moslems, making himself liable for imprisonment under Turkish law.

Joseph was imprisoned twice and ultimately sentenced to a cruel death. His right hand and foot were pierced with hooks and hung over a weak fire for three days. On the fourth day, he was miraculously released and his sentence commuted to banishment.

The Saint returned to Leonessa and continued to labor with great success in apostolic endeavors, being favored with God's gifts. Worn out by his labors, Joseph died at Amatrice, Italy, on February 4, 1612, and was canonized in 1745 by Pope Benedict XIV.

PRAYER: O God, You made St. Joseph and illustrious preacher of the Gospel. Through his intercession, enkindle us with love and with his zeal for souls that we may serve You alone. Amen.



HEARTS ON FIRE

Men's Conference

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

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Presenter: Bishop Thomas Daly

Calling All Families!

St. Francis Xavier's Catechism and Sacramental Preparation classes are beginning THIS MONTH!

Class Dates & Time: 2/21, 3/28, 4/18 at 9:00am-11:30am

Classes will take place at St. Thomas More: 505 W St. Thomas More Way Spokane, WA 99208

Classes are divided by "Pre", "Post", and "Prep" for sacraments. Ages are flexible depending on the needs of the student.

Sacrament Date: Confirmation and First Communion- **Monday April 13 at 5:30pm at St. X.**

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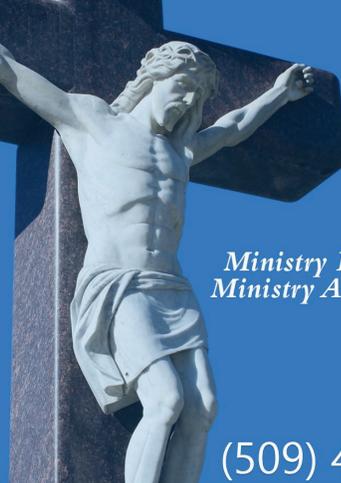


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