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Collection received from last weekend Masses:			
Collection Budget	Received	Gift/Other	
St. Mary's	3153.00	3338.00	142.00
St. Anthony	1211.00	1415.00	56.00
Assumption	754.00	871.00	15.00

SATURDAY
5 pm - Assumption Church, Ferdinand

SUNDAY
7 am - St. Mary's, Cottonwood
8:15 am - St. Mary's, Cottonwood
10:00 am - St. Anthony, Greencreek
Holy Cross - not until summer of 2026

WEEKDAY MASS
Monday - No Mass
Tuesday, 6:30 pm - St. Mary's, Cottonwood
Wednesday, 8 am - St. Anthony, Greencreek
Thursday, 8 am - St. Mary's, Cottonwood
Friday, 8 am - Assumption, Ferdinand
First Saturdays, 8 am - St. Mary's

RECONCILIATION
St. Mary's: Saturday 2:30—4 :00pm
Or by appointment during the week

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
ST. MARY'S
Every Tuesday: 7 am - 6:30 pm.
Third Thursday: 7 pm - 7 am Friday
Every Wednesday—4-6 pm
First Friday: 7 pm Thurs. - 7:50 am Saturday

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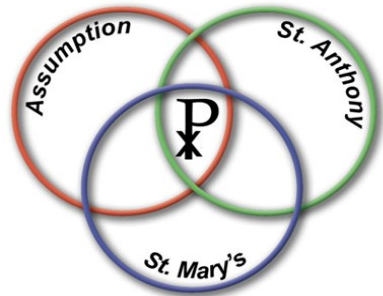
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TRI-PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES		
St. Mary's	Assumption	St. Anthony
Ron Rehder Term ends Jul 2026	Stephen Goeckner Term end Jul 2026	Conrad Arnzen Term ends Jul 2026
Shelley Schlader Term ends Jul 2027	Cara Uhlenkott Term ends Jul 2027	Joe Baerlocher Term ends Jul 2027
Ned Waters Term ends: Jul 2028	Annmarie Schwartz Term ends: Jul 2028	Norm Sonnen Term ends: Jul 2028
Holy Cross		
Diana Graning Term ends Jul 2027		

November 16, 2025 - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



And Holy Cross Chapel



Photo provided by Father Paul

Pray each week for a religious who is from this area or who has served in this area. This week we ask you to pray for: Sister Mary Marge Goeckner was raised on the Camas Prairie and was inspired to enter the convent by her teachers who were sisters. Sister Mary Marge was instrumental in the development of the Released Time program here. She served as chaplain at Holy Family and Sacred Heart Medical Centers in Spokane.

Pray for Peace. Pray for America



The Rosary is prayed EVERY morning at St. Mary's; Sunday at 6:30 am; the rest of the week at 7:30 am.

Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed daily at St. Mary's Church at 3:30 pm. Join us each day or occasionally.

Preparation for Sacraments.
Baptism: Preparation for Parents and Godparents is required prior to Baptism. Classes and online classes are available. Please contact Tri-Parish Office to register.
Marriage: The engaged couple needs to contact the parish priest 6 months prior to the proposed wedding
New to the Parish: Please call 208-962-3214



Father's Corner... The Beach part 3

Here I am, walking on the beach staying a good distance, about 10 feet, from where the waves end on the beach. Then a big wave washes in! I see it coming up high so I start walking away as fast as I can walk, but it is not fast enough! The wave caught up with me and suddenly I was wading in about 6 inches of water. Very unexpected!

What do we do when the unexpected happens? We should expect the unexpected. Life gives us the unexpected all the time. Some are little and some are gigantic. Some are wonderful and some are lousy. What do we do when the unexpected happens?

In the case of the wave washing up around me on the beach, I kept walking until I was out of the water. I had planned on this possibility and had dry socks and shoes in my hotel room.

If the unexpected is a happy thing, do you share it with your family and friends? Do you share it with God and tell Him thank you?

If the unexpected is bad and hard to bear, what do you do? Do you talk it over with your family, your friends, with God? Is the unexpected something that your neighbors and friends can help you with? Con you turn to God and ask for help?

Sometimes there is nothing that we can do with an unexpected problem, like the hail storm we had several years ago at the beginning of harvest that wiped out so much of the crops. Or if there is a life-threatening illness. Do you turn to God for the strength to go out next year and plant crops again? To help you to give comfort and strength to the one who is ill? Do you turn to God and pray for the strength to go on? Are you willing to place your trust in God?

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Question of the Week: Why do we use candles by the altar, by the Tabernacle, and as votive lights?

From the earliest time Christians have used candles for praying. In the early Church candles were lit before the tombs of the dead especially those of martyrs. Since most graves were in catacombs, the tunnels under the cities, there was no natural light. Candles gave people a means of seeing. In the early Church when it was illegal to be a Christian and being so could get you killed, the Church would meet for Mass over a Saints' grave and use candles to give light in the catacombs. Later, after year 300, and the time of Constantine, candles were used to add splendor to the liturgy. Now at least two candles must be used for Mass in remembrance of our history. You can also use 4 or 6 candles or 7 if the Bishop is present.

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OCIA Classes are held at St. Mary's Church, next class will be Wednesday, November 19th, 6:45-8:15 pm. Questions – please contact Joel & Taylor Wimer: tbarjwimer@gmail.com We encourage all those who are not baptized to consider coming or if you are an adult and have not been Confirmed this is the class for you. Classes will run until April. If you know of anyone or if you are interested please contact Joel or Taylor. Taylor's cell: 208-451-3695

Youth Ministry Calendar of Events
Nov 17: Confirmation Class, 7:00 pm, CEC
Nov 22: YM selling breakfast and lunch at the Craft Fair at PES “Christmas on the Prairie”
Nov 24: Thanksgiving Feast for Jr & Sr High, in the back rooms of **St. Mary’s Church**, 6:30 pm

Poinsettias for sale! Youth Ministry fundraiser \$16 ea. Email, call or text Sarah - her contact information is on back of the bulletin; or call the office 208-962-3214; or write your name on the list on bulletin board.

Tri-Parish Calendar of Events
Nov 16: Coffee Hour following 8:15 am Mass
Nov 16-21: Father Paul gone to visit family
Nov 19: Patriotic Rosary, 4 pm, St. Mary’s Church, with Eucharistic Adoration 4-6 pm.
Nov 19: OCIA Classes at St. Mary’s, 6:45-8:15 pm
Nov 20: Third Thursday Adoration, St. Mary’s, begins 7 pm Thursday through to 7 am on Friday
Nov 22: Annual Craft Fair in the Prairie Elementary Gym our Youth Ministry is selling breakfast and lunch
Nov 25: Evening Mass, 6:30 pm, for KC deceased, and a Healing Mass. Father Paul will anoint the elderly, sick and those wanting anointing following Mass.
Nov 26: Patriotic Rosary, 4 pm, St. Mary’s Church, with Eucharistic Adoration 4-6 pm.
Nov 26: OCIA Classes at St. Mary’s, 6:45-8:15 pm.
Nov 27: Thanksgiving Mass, 9 am, St. Mary’s
Nov 30: Legacy Sunday
Dec 3: Advent Night sponsored by PFFP, St. Mary’s
Dec 4-6: Adoration over First Friday at St. Mary’s, begins 7 pm Thursday through to 8 am Saturday

Thank you to the St. John Bosco high school students who often put up and take down chairs in the back rooms of St. Mary’s Church for events, special Masses, and funerals.

Cottonwood Community Blood Drive in the Cottonwood Community Hall, Tuesday, Nov 18. 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm. If you want to schedule an appointment please call Brenda Kaschmitter 208-962-2112 OR go online Vitalant.org

- Legacy Sunday - Legacy Gifts can include:**
- A bequest in your will or trust
 - Naming the Parish or ministry as a beneficiary of a retirement plan or life insurance policy
 - Establishing a donor-advised or endowment fund with the Idaho Catholic Foundation

Happy Birthday!

Nov 16: Lisa Forsmann, Zane Graning, Judell Schmidt, Izak Wimer
Nov 17: Brooke Bennett, Lake Bennett, Tristan Ortiz, Agatha Walser
Nov 18: Raymund Anderson, Robert Enneking, Eli Goeckner, Eli Hinds, Tim Kinzer, Henry Lustig, Lillianne Lustig, Kim Schumacher, Linda Shaul, Mary Spencer
Nov 19: DeDe Goeckner, Nolan Rehder
Nov 20: Molly Blinn, Felix Nuxoll, Gerry Parmantier, Kim Uptmor
Nov 21: Bridget Ingram, Julie Schumacher, Eileen Uhlenkott, Renee Verdino
Nov 22: Luke Harris, Henry Rehder, Norma Schumacher, Zane Stubbers

*Happy Anniversary 40 years and more !
Denis & Terri Duman, Nov 18th, 47 years!*

Greencreek Altar Society Christmas Party Invitation & Vacancy Announcement: Greencreek Hall on **December 6, 2025**, begins 4:30 pm. We will start with the business meeting, then our annual dinner, and finish with the traditional \$30 value gift exchange. Please consider serving in a leadership role in the Greencreek Altar Society to be decided at the meeting.

Several of you have paid \$20.00 for Idaho Catholic Register - Thank you very much! Annual Subscription rate is \$20.00 you may send to the Diocese or you can make your check payable to your parish, mark it for the ICR, and place it in the collection.

Christmas on the Prairie Craft Fair will be held at the Prairie Elementary School on November 22nd. **Our Youth Ministry will be selling breakfast and lunch** at the Craft Fair as a fundraiser from 9 am-2 pm.

<u>Penance Services before Christmas</u> all to be held 6:00 pm	
December 4	St. Anthony, Greencreek
December 9	St. Theresa’s, Orofino
December 10	St. Catherine’s, Kamiah
December 11	Sts. Peter & Paul, Grangeville
December 15	St. Mary’s, Cottonwood
December 16	St. Mary’s, Moscow
December 17	All Saints, Lewiston
December 19	Holy Trinity, Nezperce

Save the date: Idaho Mass for Life 2026 in the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, Boise, Saturday, January 24, 2026, 11:00 am. This is an annual **Mass for Life celebrated by Bishop Peter Christensen**. Life March & Reception follow.

St. Mary’s Ministry

All Sundays **7:00 am:**
Please come early and volunteer
Nov 16, Sunday **8:15 am:**
Greeters: Kris & Erika Shears and Family
Servers: Eli/Tysen Duman, Joseph Waters
Lectors: Henry L., Kelsie D. **Child Lit:** Denise
EM: Jim R., Jon, Marilyn, Derik, Kris
Nov 23, Sunday **8:15 am:**
Greeters: Roger & January Trombetta
Servers: Johnny/Madison Duman, Lake Bennett
Lectors: Jim/Jon **Child Lit:** Grace
EM: Roger, Steel, Sarah, Roger/January

St. Anthony Ministry

Nov 16, Sunday **10:00 am:**
Greeters & Gifts: Andy & Molly Terhaar and Family
Lector: Faith **Servers:** Maddie, Evvy, Hazel
EM: Norm, Shawn, Johanna **Sacristan:** Molly
Nov 23, Sunday **10:00 am:**
Greeters: Dale & Jeanne Stubbers and Family
Lector: Johanna **Servers:** Decklan, William H., Adele
EM: Levi, Shane **Sacristan:** Rhonda

Assumption Ministry

Nov 15, Saturday **5 pm:**
Servers: Ava, Matt, Hailey
Lector: Nick **EM:** Carri, Ryan
Nov 22, Saturday **5 pm:**
Servers: Del, Tessa, Lena
Lector: Lynn **EM:** Virgil, Annmarie

The **Help** Telephone Number will direct any mother in need to the nearest Pregnancy Resource Center (PRC) where she will be given a fee pregnancy test, a free ultrasound, educational and abortion-alternative advice, spiritual comfort, emotional support and more.



Mass Intentions for the Weekend

Nov 15, Sat	ASSUMPTION	5 pm:
+Wilfred & Emelia Frei +Debra Frei, bd 11/15		
Nov 16, Sun	ST. MARY’S	7 am:
All Tri-Parish Parishioners		
Nov 16, Sun	ST. MARY’S	8:15 am:
+Lee & Barbara Rehder (Lee, da 11/25; Barb, da 11/6)		
Nov 16, Sun	ST. ANTHONY	10:00 am:
+Dan Karel, bd 11/19 +Marge Lamb		
Nov 17 & 18, Mon & Tues	No Mass	
Nov 19, Wed	St. Anthony	8 am:
Liturgy of the Word with Communion		
Nov 20, Thurs	St. Mary’s	8 am:
Liturgy of the Word with Communion		
Nov 21, Fri	Assumption	8 am:
Liturgy of the Word with Communion		
Nov 22, Sat	ASSUMPTION	5 pm:
+Fred & Minnie Haberman		
Nov 23, Sun	ST. MARY’S	7 am:
All Tri-Parish Parishioners		
Nov 23, Sun	ST. MARY’S	8:15 am:
+John Remacle by Denis & Terri		
+Alan Hoene, da 11/17, by Claudia		
Nov 23, Sun	ST. ANTHONY	10:00 am:
+David Spencer, bd 11/21		
+Ron Sonnen, da 11/26		

PROJECT DAY PRAYER

The 27th year of **Project Day Prayer** is upon us! We hope to be putting the prayer cards together in November.

We have about 150 Prayer Providers praying for almost 600 school children.

If you are currently a Prayer Provider and want to change your status (like to be listed as a prayer couple instead of individually or if you want your name removed form the list) please let us know.

We are always praying for more Prayer Providers to join the prayer team! If you would like to become a Prayer Provider for some local children, please contact us.

For more information or to change your status please contact: Kathy Rehder (208)962-3380, or Frank Bruno (208) 816-2837.

Rachel’s Vineyard Post Abortion Healing Weekend Retreat
Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ. May 1-3, 2026; in Garden Valley, ID. Sponsored by Holy Apostles Catholic Church. All calls handled with discretion. Call Mary Cool 208-484-6113 or email MaryPat_8@hotmail.com