

Weekly Schedule & Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 6th, 2025

7:40 am — The Rosary is recited — Colfax
8:00 am — Sunday Mass — Colfax
9:00 am — VBS Registration — Colfax
11:00 am — Sunday Mass — St. John

Tuesday, July 8th, 2025

8:00 am — Daily Mass — Colfax
6:30 pm — Parish Council Mtg. — Colfax

Wednesday, July 9th, 2025

8:00 am — Daily Mass — Colfax

Thursday, July 10th, 2025

8:00 am — Daily Mass — Colfax
8:30 am — Reconciliation — Colfax
8:30 am to 6:00 pm — Adoration — Colfax
5:00 pm to 5:45 pm — Reconciliation — Colfax

Thursday, July 10th, 2025 (continued)

7:30 pm — Knights Meeting — Colfax

Friday, July 11th, 2025

8:00 am — Daily Mass — Colfax

Saturday, July 12th, 2025

4:30 pm — The Rosary is recited — Colfax
4:30 pm to 4:50 pm — Reconciliation — Colfax
5:00 pm — Vigil Mass — Colfax

Sunday, July 13th, 2025

8:00 am — Sunday Mass — Colfax
10:00 am — Sunday Mass — St. John

Vacation Bible School:

Monday, July 14: 9:00 am — 12:00 noon
Wednesday, July 16: 9:00 am — 12:00 noon
Friday, July 18: 9:00 am — 12:00 noon

Mass Intentions:

Tue. July 08 8:00 am — Ron & Tricia Hinnenkamp requested by Their Family
Wed. July 09 8:00 am — Lynda Hiller requested by L. Hiller
Thur. July 10 8:00 am — † John J. McInerny requested by P. Simmons
Fri. July 11 8:00 am — † Sharon McKiernan requested by D. McDonald
Sat. July 12 5:00 pm — Paula Huffman requested by B. & C. Lothspeich
Sun. July 13 8:00 am — † Anna Lee Morris requested by M. & R. Johnson
10:00 am — St. John: † John Burke requested by L. Hiller

Lectors

Saturday, July 12th, 5:00 pm - Chris Thompson

Sunday, July 13th, 8:00 am - Youth Lector

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& OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH, ST. JOHN

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July 6th, 2025

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Scripture Readings

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 66:10-14c / Psalm 66
Galatians 6:14-18 / Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

Responsorial Psalm 66

Let all the earth
cry out to God with joy.

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Therefore said he
unto them,
The harvest truly is
great, but the
labourers are few: pray
ye therefore
the Lord of the harvest,
that he would
send forth labourers
into his harvest.

Luke 10:2

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday — Colfax at 8:00 AM
Sunday — St. John at 11:00 AM-1st Sunday of month
10:00 AM all other Sundays

DAILY MASS — COLFAX

Tuesday through Friday: 8:00 AM — Colfax

RECONCILIATION

4:30 pm to 4:50 pm Saturdays before Mass—Colfax
8:30 am after Thursday Daily Mass—Colfax
5:00 pm to 5:45 pm Thursdays—Colfax
Or by appointment, contact (509) 397-3921

PARISH OFFICE HOURS — COLFAX

Tuesdays & Fridays - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

ADORATION SCHEDULE — COLFAX

Thursday after 8:00 AM Mass until 6:00 PM

SACRAMENTS

Call the Parish Office to prepare for the sacraments of baptism, wedding, first communion and confirmation.

LOCATIONS

St. Patrick Parish — 1018 S. Main St. Colfax, WA 99111
St. Joseph Parish—2nd & Star Lacrosse, WA 99143
Our Lady of Perpetual Help — 325 W. Liberty
St. John, WA 99171

Reflection

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Church, as explained by the Second Vatican Council, is by her very nature missionary, since according to the plan of the Father, she has her origin in the mission of the Son and the Holy Spirit. This is the grace and vocation proper to the Church, her deepest identity. She exists in order to evangelize. Consequently, she can never be closed in on herself. She is rooted in specific places in order to go beyond them. Her action, in adherence to Christ's word and under the influence of his grace and his charity, is fully and currently present to all people and all peoples, to lead them to faith in Christ.

In the First Reading, Isaiah sees many blessings in store for the people. They will know the joy of being God's special people. The passage begins by saying that we should rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad for her, all of us who love her. The prophet sees the blessing in store for his people. They will know the joy of being God's special people. The prophet joyfully announces the transformation that has taken place in the royal city of Jerusalem. The city now can consider itself as a mother of a large family with plenty of resources to keep them alive and healthy. The prophet calls them to rejoice with her in joy, all of those who had been mourning over her. Based on these words, it appears that their joy should be for the physical City of Jerusalem. The verse that follows implies that Jerusalem is alive, being a life-giving body.

In today's Second Reading, Paul tells the Christian community that in order to bring God's reign into our personal world, we must boast of nothing other than the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. The cross of the Lord means the whole Christ event. He expresses with joyful pride what Christ crucified has done to him. He tells them that whosoever has to boast must boast in the Lord. Paul is happy to explain to them the marks of Jesus branded on his body, and he has been carrying them. This does not mean that Paul had the marks of the cross of Christ on his body. Paul in fact was referring to all the suffering that he had to endure for Christ. He has surrendered totally to Christ who is crucified. Nothing else in his life means anything to him. He endured illness, flogging, and stoning, all sorts of persecutions for Christ. These marks that he carried on his body were proof that he was a slave of Christ.

Today's Gospel Reading tells us of the missionary journey of the disciples. The persons who had lived with Jesus and understood his mission and his work now go out to continue his mission. Luke tells us that Jesus appointed seventy disciples or seventy-two and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. The disciples go in pairs and not as isolated individuals. In order that the fire of love may blaze in the hearts of men and women of every race and nation, Jesus sends his disciples, two by two to perform his task. The disciples of Christ are called to testify to the love of God in all of their life, and even in their death as well.

Jesus tells them that there is seriousness about seeking and spreading the message of peace. He tells them not to indulge in distractions but to get on with their work. Jesus recommends his disciples as they go on their mission, not to weigh themselves down with all

kinds of bags and baggage. Their security is not in material possessions, such as money, property, protection, and comfort. His advice is that the missionaries as they go to proclaim peace and kingdom take no walking staff, or a travelling bag or sandals, but trust fully in the divine providence. It is not in their status and standing high in the eyes of others that they proclaim the Kingdom; it is not in the power and influence that they can wield that they win over people. Their security comes from deep within, security that no one or no circumstance can take away from them.

The work of the disciples is not going to be easy, as they will be required to enter very precarious situations with absolute minimum equipment. They will be like lambs being sent out to work among wolves. The core of their message must be peace. They, in reality, explain what Jesus is about and what the kingdom of God is about. This was the message at the Nativity and later at the resurrection. The disciples have their mission for the kingdom carefully planned out by Jesus for them. It includes three things: first, they have to establish a community, a community of love. Second, they are called upon to heal those who are sick. Thirdly, they are to announce that the kingdom of God is close at hand. Ultimately, they are called upon to proclaim Jesus in their mission.

The mission was dangerous and difficult, yet indeed challenging to the disciples. The seventy-two returned with joy and their hearts filled with thanksgiving. They were back from their mission rejoicing and excited. They discovered they could do the same things that Jesus was doing. They could do the healing, drive away demons and even bring the dead to life. They were the extension of Jesus in every possible way. To be a labourer in the harvest is for the happiness of others to be as important as your own. It is to experience inner peace and to be a bringer of peace to others. Their life was transformed with the mission given to them.

Jesus is the messenger of the Father: he is the beloved Son, the one in whom the Father put all his love. Jesus is he who comes to bring to the world all of God's love for men! For love wants to propagate itself always further and further: all love – and God is love – is in God from all eternity, but he can and always wants to pour himself out into the creatures whom he calls to participation in his own life. And therefore Jesus, who is God, has no other desire than that of seeing the love of God spread out more and more across the earth.

One word that occurs and is repeated in all three readings today is "peace". Peace is not merely the absence of war or maintaining a balance of power between adversaries. It is the tranquility of order, it is the effect of justice and it is the effect of charity. Isaiah, in the First Reading, speaks of God sending "flowing peace, like a river". Paul speaks of the peace and mercy that come to all who become that transformed person in Jesus Christ. Jesus summoned his seventy-two to communicate God's love, to bind up wounds, and to be peacemakers in a troubled world. Let us spread the Kingdom of peace and love to all.

May God Bless Us...Fr. J. Jeyabalan HGN (Fr. Jey)

Events Around the Parish

Vacation Bible School (VBS) July 2025 :

Registration for Vacation Bible School is this weekend! VBS will be **Monday, July 14th, Wednesday, July 16th, & Friday, July 18th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.** Sign up sheets are still available in the vestibule for the students and volunteers. The theme this year is Blessed Michael McGivney. Please pray for the success of this event for our children as they are the future of our Parish and Church!

St. Patrick Mobile Meals Sign-up: The schedule for St. Patrick Mobile Meals on Wheels is complete for July and a copy of the schedule is in the vestibule of the church. Thank you all for donating your time to this community service. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

Steubenville NW 2025 : Steubenville NW 2025 will be held in Spokane on **Fri. July 11th thru Sun. July 13th** this year. We have 2 students who are signed up for this important formative event along with their chaperone. Please include them in your prayers. If you would like to contribute to the costs associated with this event, you may place your donation in the weekend collection, noting it is for the Steubenville NW. Thank you for your generosity.

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"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one," and "Peace begins with a smile."

Saint Mother Teresa



PREPARES NEWS: A big thank you to our volunteers who helped with diaper distribution last month from St. Patrick parish hall and the Colfax food pantry. We served 22 families and distributed 692 last month.

On Tuesday, July 8th we will be distributing diapers from 9:00am to Noon at the Parish Hall. Please pray for the families we serve. *"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love."* ~ Mother Teresa

Calendar for Bill Rogers' Ride to Mass:

July 13 — Drivers Needed

July 20 — Lois Doty

July 27 — Martin & Linda Marler

August 3—Drivers Needed

Calendar for Fr. Jey's Ride to St. John:

July 13 — Tim & Heidi Danaher

July 20 — Drivers Needed

July 27 — Martin & Linda Marler

August 3—Drivers Needed

If you can assist with providing rides to Fr. Jey and/or Bill, please contact the Parish Office.

May 2025 Collections & Expenses:

Colfax: Revenues: \$ 12,251 Expenses: \$7,447

St. John: Revenues: \$ 662 Expenses: \$1,401

Lacrosse: Revenues: \$ 272 Expenses: \$ 858

Please remember to continue your regular contributions to your parish during the summer. The bills still have to be paid!

