

September 24, 2017

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prayers for the Ill

To better facilitate this list it will be completely deleted on **October 1st** unless you contact the office at 447-2685 and ask for your loved one to remain.

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| Gladys Bishop | Tim Koenig |
| Mary Boisen | Kathy Lee |
| Carl Burrell | Margaret & |
| Laurel Christie | Kevin McGlocklin |
| Johnnee Curtis | Sharon Moeller |
| Butch Davaz | Yesenia Sandoval |
| Clifford Doty | Nancy Sanger |
| Matt Finnegan | Roman Vasquez |
| Russ Fletcher | Dylan Warner family |
| Barb & Dave Floyd | Rosie Yopez |
| Jim Hines | Tony Yopez |
| Rose Kirby | |

**God won't ask why it took
you so long to seek
Salvation, but He'll lovingly
take you to your mansion in
heaven, and not to the
gates of Hell.**

PRAYER CHAIN CONTACT

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*Happy
Birthdays*

This Month's Birthdays

- Gianna Aiken.....9/1
- Connor Johnson.....9/3
- Kelly Murphy.....9/9
- Rebecca McKee.....9/10
- Duane Sanger.....9/10
- Nancy Sanger.....9/12
- Casey Scott.....9/12
- Lauren Murphy.....9/13
- Genevieve Maesner.....9/15
- Don Dirks.....9/16
- Jake Winkler.....9/24
- John Bailly.....9/29
- Michael Johnson.....9/29
- William Pahler.....9/29
- Jayce Waterman.....9/30



Our Lady of Fatima: 100 Years Later

ONE DAY WOMEN'S RETREAT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:00 am-1:00 pm

Immaculate Conception, Colville

*Fr. Kenny St. Kiluire will lead this retreat which is
sponsored by Catholic Daughters of the Americas,
Court St. Monica (Kettle Falls).*

All women from the area's parishes are invited to attend this no-cost retreat. The day begins with Mass and ends with a light lunch with time for reflection and confessions. Please join us!
RSVP by Oct. 7- Mary 675-6085 or email 3brightsmiles@gmail.com



HURRICANE DISASTER RELIEF

With another major hurricane off the U.S. coast, many are wondering how to help. If you are asked about the Church's participation in the recovery efforts and how to respond, people can text USADISASTER to 71777 or visit www.catholiccharitiesusa.org to donate. This seems to be the lead agency working on behalf of the Church for Hurricane Harvey and now Hurricane Irma.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL



Next weekend, throughout the Diocese, is ACA Commitment Weekend. Our goal is \$32,105 and as your pastor I ask that each parish household participate in order for our parish to reach its goal. By now you should have received the ACA materials from Bishop Daly and I ask that you respond with a generous spirit as this year a Parish Rebate Program has been implemented. Once our parish surpasses our goal, 100% of the overage is returned to us. If you have not contributed in the past, please consider doing so this year and if you have contributed in the past please consider the possibility of increasing your contribution this year.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF PEND OREILLE COUNTY

BISHOP'S STATEMENT ON SHOOTING AT FREEMAN HIGH SCHOOL

While we are still learning more information, at this time I would like to ask that you join me in prayers for all those impacted by the shooting at Freeman High School this morning. Tragically, Police reports indicate that one student has passed away and others are injured. This senseless act of violence has shaken our community. We thank the many first responders who quickly arrived to protect students, take the suspect into custody, and transport victims. My sincere prayers are with all Freeman High School parents, students, faculty, and staff. Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us.

DEAR PADRE

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Why don't we end the Our Father with an Amen during Mass?

When we pray the Our Father outside of Mass, we conclude by saying, "Amen." I remember this discussion growing up. My father noticed that the pastor of our parish insisted on saying "Amen" after the Our Father by adding his very loud "Amen!" and inviting parishioners to follow. We know early Christians prayed the Our Father daily, though its inclusion in the eucharistic liturgy happens later, and its placement in the liturgy is not yet consistent. An early reference to the placement of the Our Father from a late-fourth-century text places it at the end of the eucharistic prayer (A Commentary on the Order of Mass of The Roman Missal, 597). Here the people would have responded with the final petition, "deliver us from evil" or "Amen" (597). Today the Our Father is part of the Communion rite, but we do not end the Our Father with an Amen because in the current structure of the Communion rite the Our Father forms part of a unit. Immediately following the Our Father, the celebrant elaborates on the final petition ("deliver us from evil"). He then says the prayer for peace, which concludes with an Amen. These elements are all connected, one flowing to the next and culminating with the people saying, "Amen" ("Mystagogical Implications," A Commentary on the Order of Mass of The Roman Missal, 616). Thus, we do conclude the Our Father with an Amen at Mass, but because it is part of a larger prayer during the Mass, the Amen doesn't immediately follow "deliver us from evil."

—Fr. John Schmidt, CSsR

