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# **MINISTRIES BOOKLET**

## STEWARDSHIP

What is stewardship? We have been asked to address this question many times over the years and are not sure that we can give a succinct and cogent answer, but here goes:

Stewardship is a way of life. Specifically it is a gospel way of life which directs our actions and our words to help bring about the Kingdom of God. Stewardship is ordering how we live as individuals in such a way as to give to God from the huge treasure of good things which God has given us.

When we work at St. Vincent's in the food bank stocking shelves or meeting with clients or distributing food, then we are following the scriptures to "feed the poor." When we pray with the ill and visit those in the hospital near death, we are living up to the call of Jesus. When we meet with a troubled teen and quietly listen, we are sharing the good news. When we do our best to share God's love through Jesus Christ, our Lord, and worry about the salvation of those around us, we are giving to the Lord. All of this and more is stewardship.

Time, talent and treasure are the catch words for Stewardship Plans but a deeper meaning might be "sacrificial giving". In other words are we ready to sacrifice ourselves to help make the world a holy place? Are we ready to share of all that we have so that others might have life? Are we ready to join our efforts with others of like mind and spirit to help the people of God? Are we ready to be stretched and to grow beyond our own horizons? Are we ready to join and foster a Catholic Church community united with a common vision of the future? Are we ready to actually use our time, our talent and our treasure in a way that meets the values which we profess to hold? Or do we use our time, talent and treasure for activities which on the grand scale are not too important. Simply asked: Is television or sports or fun more important to us than a strong, loving and giving community family?

### **Stewardship:**

a verb – a way of life – an action – giving to God – duty – responsibility – a gospel way of life – Christ centered – Catholic – called to be.

God Bless!

Your Idaho Falls Catholic Community Pastoral Team

## USHERS

*Holy Rosary: Justin Naderman 754-8744*

*Christ the King: Ron Denney 523-7068*

*Hispanic: Antonio Raya 374-5647*

The Ushers welcome parishioners and guests as they enter the church for weekend Masses and at other special celebrations. They distribute programs and bulletins, collect offerings, help people find seats when attendance is at capacity and identify individuals for the presentation of the Gifts. In general this group strives to assure that the church is comfortable and the ambience is pleasant. The ushers operate informally to ensure these functions are accomplished at each Mass.

is required to provide gifts for all the children of the intended family as well as the food for Christmas Day. Volunteers to help this project succeed are always needed. Schedules and sign-up dates are posted in the Sunday bulletin.

4 **FREEMED:** Please see the listing for *FREEMED* elsewhere in this pamphlet.

**SENIOR LUNCH BUNCH**

Mary Dee Goettsche 522-5809  
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This Ministry supports our widowed, divorced or never married seniors of the Idaho Falls Catholic Community by providing opportunities to gather for social activities. On the first Tuesday of each month seniors meet at a restaurant for lunch which is sometimes followed by card playing at the home of one of the members of the group. Attendees are asked to RSVP to the coordinator listed above.

**SOUP KITCHEN**

Steve Lopez 522-4805

The Catholics of Idaho Falls support *St. Mark's Soup Kitchen* by preparing and serving meals to the community's needy. Every Wednesday of the year and the first Saturday of the month a different Catholic organization or group of volunteers prepare hot meals for approximately 80 people at the kitchen. The teams rotate from week to week so that one team will only work once every other month or approximately six times a year. A team is typically made up of one or two cooks and four to six workers. The team will setup the dining hall, cook and serve the meal, and clean the hall after the meal.

**SPIRITED SINGLES**

Chris Ischay 525-3294

Spirited Singles is a ministry of single, divorced, or widowed people looking for spiritual and social activities while providing support and friendship to one another. This group is comprised of Catholic individuals age 21 or over, single and in Eastern Idaho (non-Catholics are always welcome!) This ministry is devoted to their Catholic faith and continued efforts to please our Lord by realizing their individual calling.

**STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL**

Larry Callin 529-6645

The IFCC Stewardship Council's mission is "To inform and educate members of the Idaho Falls Catholic Community of the personal and communal benefits of discipleship through the sharing of time, talent, and treasure to further the mission of the parish and to build up the Kingdom of God." The council is guided by our vision: "As a community of Christ's disciples the Idaho Falls Catholic Community reflects the four pillars of stewardship: 1) Hospitality, 2) Prayer, 3) Formation and 4) Service." By focusing efforts and energies on the four pillars of stewardship we seek to build community among all parishioners and pastoral staff.

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## **ADULT EDUCATION**

*Eric & Charlotte Shaber: 523-6825*

The adult education programs seek various ways to continue Catholic education. Classes will be facilitated by priests, deacons, or professional subject matter experts who will try to provide the latest Catholic theological understanding on the subject matter involved. Following specific interests or needs educational opportunities will be added.

Volunteers are needed to develop additional educational opportunities or to host a program. Success of this program is dependent on the extent of our support through attendance. Catholicism is so rich and goes so deep that the more we study the more wonderful and exciting our faith will become.

## **ALTAR SERVERS**

*HR: Tony Larosa - 522-9820*

*Hispanic: Juan Manuel Cortez: 529-0531*

Any child who has received First Communion and is in fourth grade through high school and has a desire to serve is welcome. These young people are trained by the pastor or his designee and added to the Parish Corps of Servers. Training may be one or two sessions for one to two hours. Schedules are made up monthly and you serve at least once a month.

## **BAPTISM PREPARATION**

English: Pat Morey 522-4061

Spanish: Lila Lopez 528-9258

Baptism preparation class is for parents and Godparents of infants and children seven years old and younger. One class lasting between two to four hours is required. Applications are available at the church office along with the preparation package needed in order to review the Sacrament. This class will help impress upon the parents and Godparents the responsibility of the Godparents for the children of Catholic Christians. The classes in English are once a month and the Spanish classes meet the last Sunday of the month after the 1:00 p.m. Mass.

## **BIRTHRIGHT**

Kacey Torman - 552-0929

Cell: 403-9384

Birthright is an interdenominational crisis center. It defends the right of every child to be born and the right of every woman to give birth. Birthright extends its help to approximately 200 people annually. Birthright helps women find the resources in the community that enable them to carry their children to full term. They teach parenting skills and coordinate with adoption agencies. Services offered include friendship with women in crisis situations, free pregnancy testing and free maternity and baby clothing. Volunteers for this ministry must be compassionate, nonjudgmental and over the age of 25 and should be pro-life. Training will be manuals and on the job partnering with another volunteer. No counseling experience is needed. Volunteers are requested to give an average of two hours per week.

## **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**

Call church office 522-4366

English: Extension 20

Spanish: Extension 22

This ministry is the Catholic Church's way of welcoming as well as instructing persons who are not currently Catholic but who are thinking of becoming members of the Catholic Church. This ministry is also for non-Catholics who want to learn about the Catholic Church or for those baptized Catholic but have not received First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. After a period of instruction, reflection, prayerful discernment and various rites a person may choose to join the Catholic Church. RCIA serves anyone in the community and the surrounding area who has a serious interest in Catholicism. There is a need for adults to serve as sponsors for the candidates during their period of discernment. Any Roman Catholic in good standing is eligible to become a sponsor.

## **ROSARY**

English: Daily after 8:00 a.m. Mass. Mondays at 12:00 noon at Holy Rosary Church

Spanish: Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Rosary Church

## **ROSARY MAKERS**

Gene & Doris Rieth 522-0718

The Rosary Makers of Idaho Falls function under our Ladies Rosary Makers ministry. Cord and chain rosary making is taught at their meeting on the first Tuesday of the month at Our Ladies Guadalupe room from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Additionally, there are possibilities available to repair rosaries. Donations of finished Rosaries have been made to local and foreign missions, the military and to prisons. The ministry also teaches the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade of Holy Rosary Bi-parish School to make and pray the rosary. One Friday a month the ministry prays the rosary in the school with the students.

## **SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES**

Marie Olson, Director 522.6280

This ministry functions as a charitable non-profit organization with a tax designation under SOIC. Saint Vincent de Paul functions in four main areas:

- 1 **Thrift Store:** The store offers clothing for the entire family and some small household items. The store is located at 433 May Street with shopping hours Monday, through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. Donations may be made during store hours. Volunteers help in the store area and also to receive and sort incoming items.
- 2 **Christian Ministries:** Assistance with food is provided to people in need. The hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.
- 3 **Christmas Baskets** (Ellen Close): This is a nondenominational community effort spearheaded through the Saint Vincent de Paul organization with the Idaho Falls Catholic Community and the First Presbyterian Church. Contributions are also made through other denominational churches and organizations from Eastern Idaho. This ministry provides Christmas for over 450 families. Much time and effort

## **PROGRESSIVE DINNER**

Westside: Bob & Betty Anderl 522-1980

Eastside: Need a coordinator

Each fall the Idaho Falls Christian Community participates in two separate interdenominational dinners. The churches involved each prepare from one of five predetermined food groups; appetizers, salads, soup and bread, main course or desserts.

**Westside:** Holy Rosary. This group holds their dinner on the third Friday of September. Monies garnered from this dinner are donated to various organizations, i.e., City of Refuge, Food Bank, etc. These churches are located in the Idaho Falls Historical District. The diners are encouraged to walk to the various churches where each course is served.

- Holy Rosary
- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
- First Presbyterian Church
- Trinity United Methodist Church
- LDS 16<sup>th</sup> Ward, 9<sup>th</sup> and Boulevard

**Eastside:** Christ the King. These churches schedule their dinner for the fourth Friday of September. Funds raised are donated to the City of Refuge and the Haven Temporary Shelter.

- Christ The King
- New Life Assembly of God
- St. Paul's Methodist Church
- First Christian Church
- LDS Church, 12<sup>th</sup> and Woodruff

Notification of these events occurs in the Bulletin. Tickets are pre-sold. All are welcome.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Marilou Hart 524-0116

The Idaho Falls Catholic Community Religious youth Education program is separated into three categories; Elementary, Junior High and Senior High students. These programs all use the teachings of the Council of Bishops with their requirements for religious education.

## **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN (RCIC)**

Mary Haley 524-0116

This program is a one year basic study of the teachings of the Catholic Church and a personal discovery of faith. It is the student's choice to join the Catholic Church. This program is for grades 6 through high school. Younger children are baptized and go through First Reconciliation and First Communion classes. The class is held once a month with weekly work sheets. A retreat is included. You do not make a commitment to become Catholic by being in the class, this is a discernment process. Classes start in September and end at Easter. A student must wait for next year to enter the class after December first.

## **BOY SCOUTS**

Brian Harris 523-6982

A Boy Scout troop is sponsored by Holy Rosary which accepts boys aged 12 through 18, 11½ if transferring out of the Cub Scouts. This unit follows current principles and practices of the Boy Scouts of America. The troop offers camping hiking, skiing, canoeing and many other activities. Scouting stresses character development, citizenship, service and adventure.

## **BROWNIE SCOUTS**

Call the school each Fall for the new leader's name – 522-7781

A Brownie Scout troop is sponsored by Holy Rosary which accepts girls from grades 1, 2 and 3. This unit follows current principles and practices of the Girl Scouts of America. The troop meets after school and participates in age appropriate activities. The Brownies also sell Girl Scout cookies for their fund raiser. A Daisy program is available for girls of kindergarten age.

## **CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF IDAHO**

Kathleen Hall 782-0027

Catholic Charities of Idaho works to strengthen family life and support human dignity through professional social services that meet the needs of individuals, family and groups. In the Eastern Deanery, the focus of the organization is its immigration services with children and families at risk. Youth development is emphasized with school retention assistance, with crises pregnancies and family support through counseling, educational workshops, and support groups. Catholic Charities of Idaho also provides technical assistance and education to parishes seeking to begin or expand their efforts in parish social ministry. Services are offered to all regardless of religion, race/ethnicity, or income. Services are available in Spanish as well as English. Volunteer opportunities include serving as a middle school tutor, or as a mentor to a young mother or pregnant teen. Catholic Charities of Idaho main office is at 745 W. Bridge St in Blackfoot. The Idaho Falls office is located at 228 ½ Ninth St.

## **CATHOLICS CAN COME HOME AGAIN**

Frank Fogerty 523-7251

This ministry provides a means to help those Catholics who do not regularly attend mass or receive the sacraments, or Catholics who have left the church. It is a time and place where they may bring their problems or issues and obtain help in sorting them out. During this time they obtain information and encouragement to continue their journey within the Catholic family. It also provides an opportunity to deepen and clarify ones understanding of the church and its teachings. The ministry includes some semi-structured sessions as well as an opportunity for individual meetings. The entire ministry is steeped in respect and confidentiality.

## **CHOIR/MUSIC**

Choir: Ann Boehmer 589.0567

Youth: Jim Lucas 522-1204

Spanish: Alvaro Ponce 522-4366

This ministry handles the coordination of the music, musicians, Choir and the Cantors for all the Masses and for other special occasions occurring in the Idaho Falls Catholic Community.

There are three specific groups within this ministry:

**Choir:** This group is responsible for three masses, one on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and the other two on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. and at 11:00 a.m. The choir also sings at special feasts and holy days. The ministry is always interested in developing a different musical approach. This ministry also coordinates the music books with the pastoral team and helps to mend the binders. For information or to volunteer please contact the coordinator at the number listed above.

**Youth:** This group handles the teen Mass and music on Sunday evening at the 6:00 p.m. Mass. The sacred music used in this Mass is attuned to the youth of our community. It is lively, more relevant and encourages youth participation in the mass. The music is upbeat and brings the worship to the youth. The teen band consists of youth and adults and they invite musicians to participate with this group.

**Hispanic Choir:** This ministry provides the music for both Spanish Masses as well as other special events occurring in the parish. The masses are family oriented and the following choirs; Las Angelitas, Christo Esta Vivo and a youth choir; La Annunciation provide the music. Musical instruments used feature the base guitar, tambourines and the drums.

## **CHRISTIAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Glenda Barlow 529-4107

The Christian Services Committee is a decision making body. This ministry decides how the monies donated by the parish as well as individual contributions are donated to the needy. The committee meets formally and informally six or seven times a year. Benefiting organizations are St. Vincent de Paul and non-denominational groups such as The City of Refuge, Birthright, the Idaho Falls Food Bank, and the Good Shepherds' home. There is, as well, a donation to the Christmas Basket Project. Individual special needs are also met from time to time through the above organizations and recommendations through parish referrals.

## **CHURCH RIDES**

Call Tina at church office 522-4366

This ministry helps transport parishioners to & from weekend masses. If you're unable to attend Mass due to transportation problems, or if you are able to provide transportation for one or two members to Mass contact the coordinator listed above.

## **MARRIAGE PREPARATION**

English: Michael & Tammie Whyte 528-6410

Spanish: Alfredo & Maite Avila 542-2503

Any Roman Catholic who wants to be married in the Catholic Church must complete a marriage preparation course or attend an engaged encounter weekend. The marriage preparation courses are a series of five or six classes covering numerous subjects, including Spirituality, the Sacrament of Marriage, Communication, Parenting, Intimacy, and Finances. These classes are taught by married couples from the parish both in English and Spanish. Classes are typically held twice a year, once in the spring and once in the fall.

## **MEDJUGORJE PRAYER GROUP**

Elmer Fleishman 529-3515

Medjugorje is a town in Bosnia Herzegovina where, in 1981, a group of six children reported that the Blessed Mother appeared to them in an apparition and continues to appear to them daily. The Church has neither declared the apparition false nor has it rejected the report. According to the children, the Blessed Mother requested that people attend mass, pray, and keep God in their lives. The Medjugorje prayer group meets weekly at 5:20 p.m. in the Christ the King Chapel where they pray the scriptural rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

## **MOTHERS OFFERING MUTUAL SUPPORT (MOMS)**

Anita Garcia 529-0051

The Mothers Offering Mutual Support ministry gathers weekly in the preschool room at Christ the King. This group is open to all and especially parents of infants and small children. While parents are developing bonds of friendship through communications, crafting and games, the children are also establishing friendships through play. The group meets on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Coffee and pastries are offered.

## **NEW LIFE PRAYER GROUP**

Kerry Ponce 523-4558

Molly Graber 228-6981

This ecumenical prayer group offers charismatic prayer and community. The ministry meets at Holy Rosary Rectory on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. The evening offers a scripture rosary along with prayer and praise. Petitions are offered at the close of the get-together.

## **JUNIOR HIGH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Mary Haley 524-0116

This program centers on students from sixth through eight grades. Its goal is to deepen the basic knowledge of faith into a personal commitment and deeper understanding of the Catholic Church and God. A youth group format is used which includes games, music in small and large group classes twice a month on Monday nights. Retreats and large fun activities are offered every month to deepen Catholic friendships.

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Holy Rosary & Christ the King:  
Ron Denney and Pat Wellington

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal service organization open to men actively living their Catholic faith. The minimum age to join is 18. The main directorates of the council include: church, family, youth, community and council. This ministry develops many opportunities for the men of the council to contribute their time and talents to the stewardship of our community. Many of the activities are family based and thus provide children wonderful opportunities for stewardship. Projects are varied with participation in the following: rummage sale, soup kitchen, golf tournament, international dinner, Arch highway clean-up, support for a seminarian to name a few. These councils are always in need of men interested in being actively involved in the work of Christ.

## **LECTOR**

English: Michael Whyte 528-6410  
Spanish: Maria Ochoa 542-9890

A lector must be a Catholic of high school age or older, have a strong voice and be willing to read at one Mass per month. The coordinator has the responsibility to train new lectors, assign qualified lectors to every Mass, maintain an up-to-date file of available lectors, communicate any necessary information to all lectors, and coordinate assignments with the Eucharistic ministry.

## **LIGHTS OF CHRIST PRAYER GROUP**

Yvonne Ramos 552.8752

This prayer group meets twice monthly at the Idaho Falls Health and Rehabilitation Center from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the chapel. A scriptural rosary is said along with other special prayers such as: prayers for Divine Mercy, the sick, spouses, peace and for the prayer site. There is also open prayer time as well as a formal prayer for intentions. Meditation time is accompanied by music.

## **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Dan & Charlotte Ackerman 529-9840

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is dedicated to participating in the renewal of the church in our time by providing the Catholic Marriage Encounter weekend experience, a local support community, and by sharing our marriage values in every way we can. Couples interested in making a good marriage better, attend a weekend program and encounter couples who wish to contribute in helping other couples grow in closeness. This ministry sponsors, post-weekend programs, community night or community renewal, dialog support groups, family nights, community campouts, and outreach.

## **COFFEE HOUR**

Call Tina at church office 522-4366

Coffee hours are held at Holy Rosary following the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass and at Christ the King following the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. These get-togethers are a wonderful way to meet your fellow parishioners and to welcome newcomers. Each week a different group is needed to host a coffee hour. This activity can easily be handled by a group of two, families, prayer groups, any of our organizations or a retreat group. First time volunteers are helped by the coordinators listed above. Time requirement is approximately two hours on a Sunday morning.

## **COLLECTION COUNTING**

Deacon Rick Bonney or Tina 522-4366

Committees are set up to count all the money donated through the weekly collections. After the last Mass of the weekend this ministry spends one hour totaling and accounting for the donations. Each chapel has five groups of four or five individuals who rotate each week throughout the year.

## **COLLEGE AGE BIBLE STUDY**

Dan Suci 403-3041

College age and older meet Thursday at Holy Rosary Church after adoration.

## **COMPANIONS BY YOUR SIDE: No One Should Die Alone**

Jeanne & John Salisbury 522-5002

"Companions by your Side" is a nondenominational ministry of service to the dying. It is dedicated to providing a loving presence from the community at large by being present as support for those who are preparing to depart this world. Volunteers provide a caring "friend" and companionship in a one on one basis. This can be accomplished through a care facility or private home situation. Volunteers for this ministry are trained by Hospice of Eastern Idaho along with side by side training from the Companions By Your Side ministers. Training is between two and four days.

## **CONFIRMATION**

High School, Marie Tracy 522-4366 ext. 18

Preparation for confirmation is included in the Religious Education Program. Preparation classes for this sacrament involves a one year preparation period beginning in the tenth grade. Youth candidates for confirmation need to have been baptized, received First Communion and First Reconciliation. Those youth that have not received these sacraments and are in the ninth grade are referred to the RCIC program.

Adults, Rick Bonney, 522-4366 ext. 13

Adult preparation for confirmation is a one year Program. To participate in the Adult Confirmation Class you must be over 21-years-of-age, been baptized, received First Communion and First Reconciliation. Those adults that have not received these sacraments are referred to the RCIA program.

## **CUB SCOUTS**

Mike Busch 524-0369

A Cub Scouting program is offered to boys from 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades. This is a parent based troop sponsored by Holy Rosary. There are five to ten boys to a pack and approximately five packs to a den. The Cub Scouts promote academics, athleticism, religion and citizenship through activities geared toward the youth. This unit follows current principles and practices of the Boy Scouts of America.

## **CURSILLO**

Church Office 522-4366

The Cursillo ministry is a structured "retreat" format consisting of a three day weekend. Following the retreat you begin living the "Fourth Day". The Cursillo movement began in Spain. It was introduced into the United States and allowed Catholic men and women to recognize that by living the life of Christ we can bring about change in our life. The weekend focuses on three aspects of spirituality; Christian action; Christian study; and Christian piety. The Cursillo is based on a small Christian community in action where men and women gather in prayer for reflection on the three focus factors. The Fourth Day continues with a weekly meeting answering the following three points of the past week; your closest moment to Christ; your Christian study; and your Christian action.

The retreats are conducted every two years in English and every year in Spanish.

Fourth Day Groups - George Mesina 524-5350

## **DAYTIME BIBLE STUDY**

Barbara Smith 524-3388 or Joretta Burke 522-5989

The purpose of these studies is to spread knowledge of the bible and how to apply these lessons to everyday activities. Approximately fourteen continuing study sessions are held each spring and fall, alternating between the Old and New Testament. The sessions are structured scripture studies using *"The Little Rock Scripture Booklet"* accompanied by a question and answer session. This gathering is held at Christ the King Parish Center from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## **ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Marilou Hart 524-0116

The Elementary program covers children age four through ten with First Communion preparation for the older grades. These children are taught the fundamentals of Catholicism using the *"Blest Are We"* series. Included in this process is a two year class that culminates in Reconciliation and First Communion in second grade. Older sacramental preparation students are using a variety of books depending on the grade of the student.

## **EMAIL PRAYER CHAIN**

Joe & Ann Delmastro 522-1972, Email: delmas@ida.net

The prayer chain is a conduit for prayer requests. These requests can come from anyone for any need. Requests are forwarded by Email to the prayer chain participants (currently numbering about 200). Participation is open to anyone who wishes to pray for the needs of others.

## **IFCC KNITING AND CROCHET GROUP**

Emily Barger 542-6490

Pat Woolf 524-0072

The group consists of men and women who craft items that are distributed through various Church ministries and local organizations. One group of beneficiaries are parishioners who are confined to convalescence centers during the holidays. Following one of the older traditions of the Church, prayer shawls are also crafted. The care and love of knitting and crocheting are combined into a prayerful ministry that reaches out to those in need of love and solace. These articles are available for distribution by the Homebound Visitation Ministers. The prayer shawls are accompanied with a pamphlet stating why the shawl has been made, the history of the shawl, as well as the blessings and good wishes of the community. Each of the articles made is blessed before distribution. The group is open to everyone who wishes to participate. Many people choose not to attend meetings, but still participate by donating their handcrafted items to be blessed and donated.

## **IFCC LUNCHEON**

Mary Dee Goettsche 522-5809

Email: marydeegoettsche@cableone.net

This ministry helps the Idaho Falls Catholic Community and friends get together for a prepared luncheon and friendship. This group meets on the third Friday of the month at Christ the King hall at 1:00 p.m. This service is supported by the attendees' donations. Accompanying the luncheon is a 20 to 30 minute program of diverse content including musicians, speakers, and educational or experience based topics. Please RSVP to the coordinator as listed above.

## **IFCC RETREAT GROUP**

Mike & Judy Rybecki 525-3316

This group conducts an evangelization retreat for area Catholics on one weekend each year. The Idaho Falls Catholic Community retreat is a journey designed to help renew our baptism and confirmation. It also encourages renewed commitment to our faith and to our Catholic community through the living witness of fellow parishioners and small group sharing of the essential aspects of our faith. Retreatants experience the simplicity and power of being a Catholic Christian. Our mission as Catholic laity is to evangelize our world through our example and by what we say. Prepare to share.

## **JAIL MINISTRY**

Kerry Ponce 523-4558

The Jail Ministry offers to inmates of any religion friendship, prayer, and scripture sharing. Their purpose is to let the inmates know that God loves them. Inmates are provided with bibles and the *"Living Faith"* booklet. Sometimes letters are written to prisoners that have been transferred. Approximately 25 contacts (personal and written) are made each month. Training is accomplished by accompanying a volunteer during visitation sessions. Two to three hours per week are asked of the volunteers. Reading materials include *"Outline of the Catholic Faith."* Volunteers are subject to a background check done by the Bonneville County Sheriffs officers. A copy of a driver's license is needed. Volunteers should be good listeners, compassionate, and nonjudgmental.

**HOMEBOUND VISITATION MINISTRY**

Vicki Wilson 523-5759

The Homebound Visitation ministry is an opportunity for ordinary Catholics to live out their faith in an extraordinary way by taking the Holy Eucharist to people unable to attend Mass due to illness or injury. The goal of this ministry is to meet the spiritual needs of our faithful homebound by sharing the compassion, care and love of our Lord Jesus Christ with those who need to hear the Good News but cannot attend Mass. This is a Eucharist outreach program visiting nursing homes, assisted living and retirement facilities, and homebound faithful parishioners on a regular basis.

**HOSPITAL VISITATION**

Louise Newman 522-3495

This ministry offers the Eucharist to hospital bound patients. To carry the host you must be a commissioned Eucharistic Lay minister. Training also includes a short course at the hospital on the rules and regulations for visiting patients. A yearly tetanus injection is required. To develop a comfort level, side by side training with a current minister is used.

**HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE**

Marianne Magnani 523-2999

Gerry Reilly 529-8337

This ministry welcomes new parishioners and returning Catholics. It encourages parish togetherness by updating the Ministries booklet and hosting coffee hour four times a year to welcome newcomers.

**IDAHO CATHOLIC SEMINARIAN FUND**

David Koelsch 524-4293

This ministry was incorporated because of concern about the church's ability to fund the training and nurturing of candidates for the priesthood in the Diocese of Boise. The fund's goal is to provide a sustained source of funding for seminary students. The fund is accumulating the money needed to start providing at least \$1,000 annually from its earnings for needy seminarians. It is incorporated under the laws of the State of Idaho as a non-profit charitable organization and is declared by the IRS to be a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization.

**IDAHO FALLS COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN**

Carol Hodges 522-6021

Mary Ledzema 529-4029

The Council of Catholic Women is a social organization that meets monthly from September through May. All women of the church over the age of 18 are members of this ministry. Themes for these meetings offer a variety of subjects from games to arts and crafts to, and including, a lecture on the history of the rosary. This group is responsible for one fund raiser annually, The High Country Antique Show and Pie Sale. Donations from this benefit the parish community and several outreach programs. This ministry is called upon to clean the church and to help in the preparation of funeral dinners.

**ENVIRONMENT**

CTK: Jo Browning 522-4457 &amp; Patti Kriegh 522-2219

HR: Jane Reece 523-9261

Hispanic: Lila Lopez 528-9258

This ministry develops the spirit of the liturgical seasons within the churches. A group of four or five people is involved to keep the colors and displays including flowers, figures, and fabrics current. Each change involves working on a ladder and in the highest parts of the church. Replacing candles, laundering altar linens, and ordering flower arrangements are among the duties of this ministry.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS***English: Tim Lienenger 523-4186**Spanish: Maria Delosangelos Morales 206-0672*

In order to serve as a Eucharistic minister, one must be confirmed, able to serve at one or two Masses per month, and willing to attend an hour long training session. New ministers are trained and added to the cadre of Eucharistic Ministers. Responsibilities include assisting in the distribution of the Eucharist and washing the Sacred Vessels after Mass. Schedules for Eucharistic ministers are mainly emailed but can be mailed as a hard copy to those without email access. Recruitment is ongoing.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Mary Doering 529-1978

The Consecrated Host is exposed in the Monstrance on the altar at Holy Rosary on Thursdays after the morning Mass until 6:00 p.m. Volunteers may register on a sign-up sheet located on the table at the rear of both Holy Rosary and Christ the King. The slots are listed in one hour increments. Confessions are heard on Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Benediction follows at 7 p.m.

**FIRST COMMUNION & FIRST RECONCILIATION**

School: 522-7781

RE Program Marilou Hart 524-0116

This ministry is included in the Religious Education Program and the Holy Rosary School Program.

**FREEMED**

John Buzzel 528-6337

FREEMED is a nondenominational program designed to aid low income people with no prescription insurance to obtain prescription medication at little or no cost. Ten counties are served in Southeastern Idaho. FREEMED is an umbrella organization of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. This ministry assists clients with information and paperwork to access over 270 pharmaceutical company Patient Assistance Programs. There is communication with over 300 health care providers. Pickup and delivery of paperwork is provided by volunteers. Funding is provided by grants and donations from private individuals, businesses, and foundations.

## **FUNERAL DINNERS**

Cathy Kelsch 529-2307

Funeral Dinners are available for parish members and are held in Christ The King Parish Center following the conclusion of services. While making funeral arrangements families are asked by the priest if dinner services are needed. If needed, volunteers from the parish are called upon to provide foods for the dinner. A list is maintained of volunteers to setup, serve food, and to help clean up. If you would like to help, please call Cathy Kelsch.

## **GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

Larry Harrison 522-2668

General intercessions are written for Sunday Mass to reflect the current needs of the church, the world and the Idaho Falls Catholic Community.

*For personal requests please contact the prayer chain through Joe and Ann Delmastro at 522-1972 or delmas@ida.net.*

## **GIRL SCOUTS**

Call the school office to get current leaders' names – 522-7781

The 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls of Holy Rosary are offered a role in the Girl Scouts of America through a troop sponsored by the Trinity United Methodist Church. The unit follows current principles and practices of the Girl Scouts of America. Scouting stresses character development, citizenship, service and adventure. This troop meets in the early evening. Girl Scout Cookies are sold as a fund raiser.

## **GRIEVING SUPPORT GROUP**

Deacon Wence Rodriguez 522-4366

Meets on the first and third Saturday of the month at 9:00 am in the Guadalupe Room of the Parish office at 145 9th Street.

## **GUADALUPANA**

Rosa Raya 390-0118

This Hispanic women's ministry aids our Catholic community by raising monies through their cooking projects. Two of their service projects include the planning and cooking for the feast day of our lady of Guadalupe and the making and selling of Mexican foods during the high country antique auction. Monies earned from these may then be returned to individuals with specific needs. They may also be distributed to other organizations such as the food bank.

## **HEAD SACRISTAN**

English: Larry Harrison 522-2668

Spanish: Rafael Ruiz 569-7470

This ministry is charged with ensuring that all of the pre-mass preparations are completed. Includes checking the books for the Lectionary and the Sacramentary for proper location and placement and setting the Credence Table and Ambo for the Eucharistic ministers. Volunteers are trained and helped until they are comfortable being on their own.

## **HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & ACTIVITIES**

Marie Tracy 522-4366 ext. 18

The Senior High Religious Education program is geared to grades nine through twelve. Included is a one year preparation class for the sacrament of confirmation beginning in the tenth grade and above. The program is developed around the teen Mass held on Sunday night. After the Mass the teens enjoy education on everything from rosary to social justice. This moves the youth forward into an active adult life with God and the Catholic community. Also offered are Bible study classes for confirmed youth. This program also includes deanery activities and social events.

## **HISPANIC PRAYER GROUP**

Julio Vincente 716-3253

Each Friday evening there is a prayer group at the Holy Rosary church. There are two separate prayer groups; the Charismatic Prayer Group alternates Fridays with the Cursillo Prayer Group. (For additional Fourth Day information see the Hispanic Cursillo entry.) Activities are handled through a Bible Study session as well as through announcements and petitions. There is also music & singing for further religious adoration and reflection. This ministry also helps to spearhead retreats incorporating various aspects to enhance the experience.

## **HISPANIC YOUTH MINISTRY**

Raquel Delgadillo 522-4366 xt 22

To reach our youth age 14 and older who are seeking Christ is the goal of this ministry. Through this group, youth are helped to experience a personal commitment with Jesus Christ serving as their Lord and Savior. They are shown the great spiritual wealth of the Catholic Church. This ministry is integral for enabling leadership to develop allowing them to act as disciples thus showing others what Jesus Christ commands of them. A general meeting and a doctrine formation meeting are held weekly. Two retreats are held yearly following these themes. Every third Sunday the youth are in charge of the preparation of the mass including the praise ministers, the Eucharistic ministers, the readers and the hospitality team.

## **HOLY ROSARY BI-PARISH SCHOOL**

Principal: Marilyn Reilly 522-7781

Holy Rosary is a state-accredited parochial school serving the Idaho Falls Catholic Community and its missions. The curriculum is under the direction and supervision of the principal of Holy Rosary Bi-Parish School, the Pastor of the Parishes and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Boise. Instruction is provided to children of pre-school age (3), pre-kindergarten, kindergarten and grades one through six. A multi-age (spectrum grades one through three) class provides an alternate approach to serve young learners. The school maintains a continuous curriculum improvement cycle through the "Seven Correlates of Effective Schools" and the school improvement team.

All parents and volunteers of Holy Rosary Bi-parish school must complete a free two hour Safe Environment Workshop. Included is a background check which is done through the school and the parish. This is done to help ensure the safety of all involved in these programs.