

PLANNING FROM THE HEART

INSPIRATIONAL STORIES, NEWS AND CHARITABLE GIVING STRATEGIES

Father James Peak Establishes Endowment to Honor His Parents

Joe and Rose Mary Peak moved to the Silver Valley in 1978 after purchasing the Enaville Resort, better known as the Snake Pit, the oldest restaurant in Idaho. Although this business occupied most of their time, their true passion was serving people apart from the restaurant.

Joe was known throughout the community as an organizer and friend. He founded the Youth Basketball League, wrote a weekly outdoors column for the local paper, helped bring about Rails-To-Trails and gave fishing advice to many traveling up the North Fork of the Coeur d'Alene River. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and helped at the pancake breakfasts and annual mostaccioli dinners.

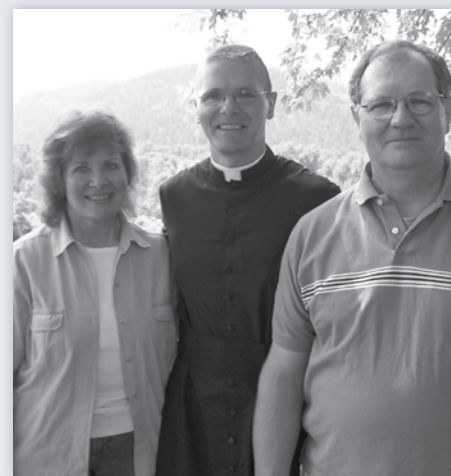
Rose Mary played the organ at Saint Rita's for more than three decades and served in the Catholic Daughters of the Americas council. She played piano for many seasons at the Sixth Street Melodrama in Wallace. Her music consoled those who mourned, brought joy to the downcast and helped people raise their prayer to God in song.

Joe and Rose Mary passed away in 2012—she in January, he in November—after hard-fought battles with cancer.

“My parents truly loved their neighbors and performed countless spiritual and corporal works of mercy. They fed the hungry, consoled the dying and cared for the elderly and less advantaged in their community with joyful hearts while asking nothing in return,” says their son, Father James Peak.

“Even in the most difficult times, they generously supported the Catholic Church with their time, talent and treasure without counting the cost. Their love of God and neighbor through selfless service played a vital role in my discernment of the priestly vocation. This endowment fund will continue their legacy of service to the People of God in the Silver Valley.”

You, too, can help ensure the Church is provided for with a gift in your estate plan. To learn more, please contact Margaret Hampton at mhampton@rcdb.org or (208) 342-1311, Ext. 5139.



This photo was taken after Holy Mass at the Cataldo Mission on the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary, which is where the Coeur d'Alene Tribe makes their annual pilgrimage to sacred grounds. The Peaks' support of the tribe led to them being honored at their funeral by Coeur d'Alene Tribe members.



Living a Generous Life

Why do you give? Do you want to make a real difference in our parish life? Is your generosity a reflection of your values, or a way to inspire others to give? Whatever the reason you support the Church, it's clear you believe in what we do.

Because of your connection to the Church, it's natural that you would like our work to continue well into the future. How? By making a future gift as part of your legacy.

Create Your Legacy

You can continue your generosity long after your lifetime. Some options include:

- **Percentage giving.** Through your will, you can designate percentages of your estate as you see fit. For example, designate 5% of your total estate to the Church, while leaving 95% to loved ones.
- **Blended giving.** Give an outright gift of cash or other assets today, combined with a future gift, such as naming the Church in your will.
- **Beneficiary designation.** A simple form is all it takes to name us as a beneficiary of your retirement plan assets, unneeded life insurance policy or donor advised fund.



Honor Someone Special

Making a gift in honor of someone else keeps that special person's memory alive through your generosity to a shared cause.



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