

## Bishop designates chapel for Latin Mass community

BOISE – Bishop Michael P. Driscoll approved the conditional establishment of St. Joan of Arc Chapel within St. George Parish, Post Falls, effective Sept. 5. He also assigned Father Michael T. Irwin as its chaplain. Father Irwin is a member of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter.

The designation of the chapel is a response to a longstanding request from the Latin Mass community in the parish. The status was granted *ad experimentum*, a conditional status subject to review after two years.

The community is currently worshipping in a rented hall, but remains under the parish jurisdiction of St. George's, located at 2004 North Lucas St.

Members of the community must register with Father Irwin, who can be contacted by calling the parish office at 773-4715. The rules that apply to other Catholic parishes and chapels will be applied to St. Joan's, including participation in deanery and diocesan events, ecclesial structures and sacramental life.

The approval comes after more than four years of dialogue between the bishop and leaders in the community.