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June 1, 2025 The Ascension of The Lord

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Tues. through Sat.: 8:30 a.m.

Fridays: 9:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION:

ADORATION

Wed. & Sat.: 9:00 a.m.

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cil: Rev. David Brown

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Knights of Columbus: Tom Meienberg

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Phone: (541)344-1401 School Website: www.saintpaul-school.org Principal: Christine Penwell

Mission Statement

Professing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we are inspired by the example of our patron Saint Paul, educating our children, serving others and supporting one another as loving witnesses for the Lord.

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Deacon's Corner

The Day I Walked on Water (sort of)

My wife and I loved spending summer afternoons and evenings in Morro Bay, CA, A small beach community that is known for its delicious fish-and-chips and a huge granite monolith, affectionately known as Morro Rock, that sits at the outer edge of the harbor's seawall. The Morro Bay boardwalk runs along the eastern edge of an estuary that stretches for about 8 miles from Morro Bay Harbor south to another small beach community called Baywood Park. Years earlier, I had spent many hours on the north side of Morro Rock surfing the waves that push against this formable rock barrier.

My wife Deborah, showing no interest in surfing, agreed to try kayaking in the estuary which for the most part is only about 3'-4' deep at high tide. So one afternoon we rented a tandem kayak and paddled out into the calm waters of the estuary only to find ourselves fighting one another instead of the current; she wanting to go in one direction while I had control of the steerage. She swore that she . . .

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Liturgical Volunteers June 7 & 8, 2025

Greeters

Sat: 4:30p-Vicky Sun: 8:00a-Ruth Sun: 10:30a-Ray

Lectors

Sat: 4:30p–Vicky Sun: 8:00a–Susan F. Sun: 10:30a–Janet

EMHC

Sat 4:30p-Susan D, Vicky, Richard Sun:8:00a-Ruth, Blake, Terri Sun:10:30a-Zeny, Sue P, Steve K

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday May 31

8:30 a.m. Emilio Antonio Duarte † 4:30 p.m. Archdiocese of Portland

Sunday June 1

8:00 a.m. Gavin Torrence †
10:30 a.m. Ty DePaoli †
1:00 p.m. First Communicants

Monday June 2

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Tuesday June 3 8:30 a.m. Ed Krupka

Wednesday June 4

8:30 a.m. Mary T. Pham †

Thursday June 5

8:30 a.m. Josephine Stephenson †

Friday June 6 8:30 a.m. Thuy Pham †

Saturday June 7

8:30 a.m. Robert Bercellie † 4:30 p.m. Valencia Alvarado †

† = Mass for Deceased Loved Ones

Pray for the sick.

If you would like to be included on our prayer list, please phone the parish office.

Colleen Bushmaker Bob Simon William Thompson Timothy McDonald Faline Sikes Cheryl Suzuki Judah Sikes Ray Miller Raini Nelson Larry Wade Gracie Guardino Sharon Wade Ella Doralyn Bocchi Kirk Bembry Patty Roland Pamela Blanton Loretta Cook Tracy Villada Stephanie Cook Sr. Miriam Ally Angelastro Carmen Isabel Frank Paula Singh John Ressler Kelly Bryson

Weekly Calendar

Sunday June 1 Snack & Chat 9:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. **RCIA** Sacred Heart 9:15 a.m. Snack & Chat 11:30 a.m. High School Youth Group 7:15 p.m. Tuesday June 3 9:00 a.m. Koffee Klatch 9:30 a.m. Quilters 7:00 p.m. Catholic in Recovery Wednesday June 4 9:00 a.m. Reconciliation 9:00 a.m. SVdP **Book Club** 9:30 a.m. Craft & Coffee 1:30 p.m. **Thursday** June 5 6:00 p.m. Sacred Heart 7:00 p.m. Catholic Sisterhood Friday June 6 9:00 a.m. Adoration Saturday June 7 9 a.m.-10 a.m. Reconciliation 5:30 p.m. Garage Sale Sign up

Thank you for your generous support. We are blessed.

Weekly Financial Report May 25, 2025

 Identified
 \$ 6,035.00

 Unidentified
 \$ 788.25

 Maintenance
 \$ 175.00

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 \$ 6,040.00

 TOTAL
 \$ 13,038.25

Readings for June 8, 2025 <u>Pentecost Sunday</u>

Reading 1: Acts 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm 104:1,24,29-30,31,34

Reading 2: Romans 8:8-17 Gospel: John 20:19-23

Communion Antiphon: Acts 2:4,11

Religious Education

Congratulations to our 18 Youth receiving their First Communion. We are proud of you!

6/1 High School Youth Group 7:15- 9:15pm (time change) Senior Night. 8th graders welcome! Bring a Friend.

Thank you for all of your support for our 23 Youth Group members attending Steubenville NW in July! Please pray for us.

Contact Religious Education Coordinator, Kristin White

(kwhite@archdpdx.org), with questions about Religious Education at St. Paul Catholic Church.

School

Congratulations to our 8th grade students who will be graduating on June 9th.

Father, protect these graduates on their journey ahead. Grant them strength to overcome challenges. May they grow in faith and wisdom daily. Surround them with supportive and loving people.

Parish News





Care for Creation

All are welcome to a meeting of the Eugene-Springfield Laudato Si' group, Sunday, June 8, at 1:30 p.m. at St. Thomas More (Newman Center). There will be prayer & reflection followed by planning for the October 4 Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope for Creation. Further info: contact Virgil at 402-285-2261.



Parish Garage Sale Donations

The annual Parish Garage Sale in the school gym will be July 10th-13th. We again look forward to the wide variety of donations from our parishioners. Donations can be dropped off in the gym Saturday, July 5th - Tuesday, July 8th from 9am-4pm.

New this year!! The Garage Sale Committee wants to offer our Parish community the opportunity to donate large items (furniture, bikes) early this year! Call Mark Oberle (541-206-8614) to find out if your donation qualifies for early drop off and to set a donation appointment time.

Large items or large amounts of donations may also be picked up on Saturday, July 5th and Sunday, July 6th by appointment only. Please call Mark Oberle (541-206-8614) no later than July 3rd for information and an appointment time.

Parish News



Summer with the Saints

This summer, take the opportunity to learn about the saints celebrated by the Catholic Church during the summer season through video content on Formed. To sign in, go to the sign-in page at Formed.org and enter your full name, email address, and phone number. Type in our zip code, 97401, choose St. Paul Eugene and start enjoying Formed! It's Free!



Pope's Prayer Intention June 2025

That the world might grow in compassion.

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.



You are Not Alone

It is the aim of Catholic in Recovery to share the Good News that God can bring about healing and recovery, even in the most hopeless of cases. Meetings are held every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Paish Center.



Breakfast is Served

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting breakfast on Sunday, June 8 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Breakfast is free, donations are appreciated.

Community

Save the Date

Saint Benedict Festival Saturday, July 12th, from 12 pm to 4 pm. Experience the fullness of Benedictine hospitality at Mount Angel! Order tickets online at mountangelabbey.org/sbf

Deacon's Corner (cont'd)

would never again sit in a (tandem = divorce) kayak unless she had her own kayak where she had control of her own fate.

We talked with the business owner who had rented us the tandem kayak about our conundrum and he, with a *knowing* smile, suggested we each try a Necky kayak, which he just happened to be the dealer for. Necky's are oneperson kayaks designed with pedal controlled rudders ideal for cruising lakes and estuaries. These kayaks proved to be a superior alternative to the tandem kayak we had rented earlier, allowing us both to control our direction and speed. The one thing we couldn't control was the tide change, which in the estuary could be anywhere from 3' to 4'.

So having little experience with the importance of tide change and kayaking, we set off in our new kayaks to the far side of the estuary where the surface of the water was the least affected by the wakes of boats coming and going in the middle of the estuary not realizing that the current tide was headed for a significant *low* tide when much of the water in the estuary would recede.

As we were cruising along the western side of the estuary, I ran aground on a sand bank in about 3 inches of water while Deb, because of her lighter weight and smaller draft, was still sitting in her kayak. Stuck in the sand, I had no other alternative but to climb out and walk my kayak off of the sandbank with the strap that was hitched to the nose of my kayak. I could see people on the opposite bank watching us as Deb continued to paddle her kayak while I followed her, appearing to walk on the surface of the water with my kayak in tow.

This of course was an illusion to the observer but when Jesus, in this weekend's Gospel reading, was taken up into heaven, it was not an illusion or a symbolic act but a visible statement of the supernatural work of God in Jesus' life demonstrating that the glorified son of God is no longer bound by earthly limitations. This should give us hope that our future destiny as well is no longer bound by earthly limitations. Amen?



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