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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Tues. through Sat.: 8:30 a.m.

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

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June 15, 2025 The Most Holy Trinity Sunday

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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.

June 15, 2025 The Most Holy Trinity Sunday

Deacon's Corner

One + One + One = One

I know, but the above equation is based on God-math. In this weekend's reading from the Gospel of John, we celebrate a core doctrine of our Catholic faith; the idea of the Holy Trinity or one God in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The concept of the Trinity where the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are three distinct persons while each remaining fully God was developed in opposition to heresies in early church communities which denied Christ's full divinity.

Historically, the full divinity of the Son is credited to the Council of Nicaea (325 AD) and the concept was later expanded to include the Holy Spirit at the Council of Constantinople (381 AD). It is these two councils that produced the Nicene Creed that is often recited at Mass celebrations solidifying the specifics of our Catholic faith; God as three distinct but unique persons acting in harmony.

To help grasp what appears to be bad math, an often repeated metaphor uses the three states of water (liquid, ice, and steam) to help explain the mystery of the Trinitarian nature of God. The *failure* of this metaphor, while . . .

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Liturgical Volunteers June 21 & 22, 2025

Greeters

Sat: 4:30p-Ray Sun: 8:00a-Ortons Sun: 10:30a-Tom

Lectors

Sat: 4:30p–Katy Sun: 8:00a–Tim Sun: 10:30a–Katie Jo

EMHC

Sat 4:30p-Louie, Melanie, Sue P. Sun:8:00a-Jeremy, Dave, Sally Sun:10:30a-Tom, Jim M, Theresa

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday June 14

8:30 a.m. Stella & Adam Klocek † †

4:30 p.m. Ron Horning †

Sunday June 15

8:00 a.m. St. Paul Parishioners &

Guests

10:30 a.m. Paul Von der Mehden †

Monday 8:30 a.m. June 16 Prayer Tuesday 8:30 a.m. June 17 Ed Krupka

Wednesday June 18 8:30 a.m. Mary H. Pham †

Thursday 3:30 a.m. June 19 Luella Spang †

Friday June 20

8:30 a.m. David Dembkowski †

Saturday 8:30 a.m. Sarah Kutlas †
4:30 p.m. Jerry & Jean-Marie Waldecker † †

† = Mass for Deceased Loved Ones

Pray for the Sick

Bob Simon	Colleen Bushmaker
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	Joseph Barba

Weekly Calendar

Sunday
9:15 a.m.
9:15 a.m.
Sacred Heart

Tuesday
9:00 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
7:00 p.m.

June 15
RCIA
Sacred Heart

Value 17
Koffee Klatch
Quilters
Oregon Right to Life

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. 1:30 p.m.

June 18 Reconciliation Craft & Coffee

7:00 p.m.

Thursday June 19 Juneteenth

Office Closed

Catholic in Recovery

6:00 p.m. Sacred Heart 7:00 p.m. Catholic Sisterhood

Friday
9:00 a.m.

Saturday
9 a.m.-10 a.m.
5:30 p.m.

June 20
Adoration

June 21
Reconciliation
Garage Sale
Volunteer Sign up

Thank you for your generous support. We are blessed.

Weekly Financial Report June 8, 2025

 Identified
 \$ 6,505.00

 Unidentified
 \$ 811.90

 Maintenance
 70.00

 eGiving
 \$ 8,713.50

 TOTAL
 \$ 16,100.40

Readings for June 22, 2025 Corpus Christi Sunday

Reading 1: Genesis 14:18-20 Responsorial Psalm 110:1,2,3,4 Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Gospel: Luke 9:11b-17

Communion Antiphon: John 6:57

Religious Education

Steubenville 2025

Thank you for supporting the 23 Youth Group members attending Steuben-ville NW in July! With rising costs your support has been more important than ever. If you wish to donate, you can put a check in the offering plate with the word Steubenville in the memo or donate online noting that it's for Steubenville in the comments. Thank you for your donations and prayers.

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

School

Marist Catholic High School will be offering many athletic camps this summer. Camps offered will be: • Boys Basketball (entering 4th -8th) and Girls Basketball (entering K-8th) • Volleyball Camp (Girls entering 6th -10th) • Boys and Girls Soccer (entering K-8th) • Cheerleading (entering PK-8th) More information can be found on the Marist website. Visit https://athletics.marisths.org/

Parish News





Corpus Christi at the Cathedral

Join Archbishop Sample and other Catholics for Corpus Christi at the Cathedral in Portland on Sunday, June 22.

June is Celebrate Life Month

Lane County-Oregon Right to Life presents TIME FOR Q&A, giving you a chance to ask your questions and know better why we're Pro-Life with a video and discussion from Live Action Founder Lila Rose from UC Irvine. Please join us Tuesday, June 17 at 7 p.m. in the St. Paul Room of the Parish Center.



Catholic Community Services

C.C.S. is kicking off their annual Back to School Drive on June 1st to support over 200 children enrolled in their family-focused programs. Throughout June and July, you can donate school supplies to the donation box in the back of the Church. These donations help ensure local students—many facing housing instability—start the school year with the tools they need to thrive.

Parish News



Cuban Mission Trip

We did youth ministry, workshops on resilience and coping, passed out food, did some gardening and yard work, and we also had an excursion day where we went to the beach, a restaurant, some markets, and some museums! We were busy and taken care of very well. God was working hard through us and the Cuban people. They are amazing and so full of love and gratitude. Thank you for all your support. Alecia Skinner



Juneteenth

Please join us for Mass Thursday, June 19th at 8:30 a.m. The Church and office will be closed following Mass.

Through Christ our Lord, empower us to walk together as one; reflecting His love, grace and peace. Amen.

Volunteers Needed

The annual Parish Garage Sale will be July 10th-13th, but volunteers are still needed from July 1st-July 14th to assist with gym set up, donation collection, sale duties, and take down efforts. Please consider signing up after Masses on June 21st and 22nd for half days, full days, or flexible hours for this fun fundraiser, which benefits our parish, school, and community. School parents and grandparents may receive Family Participation Program (FPP) hours for the 2025-2026 academic year. The sale is sponsored by the Women of St. Paul and the local Knights of Columbus.

Community

Eugene/Springfield Corpus Christi Procession

The vicariate-wide Jubilee Procession will depart Saint Mary at 2 p.m. on June 22, and travel 6.8 miles to conclude at St. Alice. For more information please visit the St. Alice website.

Deacon's Corner (cont'd)

reflecting the characteristics of water in three different states while remaining fundamentally the same substance is dependent on conditions *external* to water. Whereas, the three distinct persons of the Trinity coexist independent or free from any external influences.

Staying with the water metaphor, I got to thinking, not of the three independent states of water, but of the water molecules themselves. The molecular compound of water exists when the atomic elements of hydrogen and oxygen bind to form a single water molecule from three atoms. This metaphor also fails in at least two counts because water is only made of two distinct atoms-hydrogen and oxygen. In addition, water molecules are polar molecules meaning that the polarity that binds the hydrogen and oxygen atoms together causes the oxygen atom to be more electronegative and hydrogen to be more electropositive. So no relational equality.

A more satisfying metaphor to me for the Trinitarian concept of God is our sun with its light, and its heat; each essential or fundamental to all life forms on earth. Light illuminates and heat warms with both light and heat inseparable from the sun. Each coexisting in perfect harmony without losing their individual uniqueness. So likewise for those of us with faith in a Trinitarian God who illuminates the path of the faithful, a Trinitarian God who provides comfort from a world that can be bitterly cold and harsh, and a Trinitarian God with a shared purpose of redeeming us from ourselves.

But maybe ultimately there isn't a perfect metaphor to explain the perfect relationship that exists between the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Too often I think we are tempted to bypass faith by settling on a *reasonable* explanation that seeks to render an inexpressible mystery of God into something that can be understood or grasped by our human minds. The Trinitarian God is a *spiritual* mystery beyond what words or human reason can reconcile. Such it *is* the nature of our God. Amen?



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