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

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

ADORATION

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



July 20, 2025 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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 Better Part

Recently I was talking with a good friend and she asked me, 'You don't seem to worry much?" Which got me wondering if I do worry enough? Mostly I don't devote a lot time to worrying but there are things that do cause me to be anxious like: treating innocent people in our country as criminals, the overt gun violence in our country, the severe weather causing so much destruction and death, and so on. But mostly I try and stay focused on the good things in my life such as my wife, our home, our dog Emma who makes us laugh every day, our parish friendships, my new leather mailbag bought to carry my laptop computer (silly, I know), weekly breakfast with friends, and so on.

There are so many things we can be thankful for however there are circumstances much more personal or closer to home, as they say, that can upend our world. The author Stephen King likes to say, "Life can turn on a dime." Recently I was approached by a parishioner who had just been diagnosed with cancer. Having gone through a cancer diagnosis of my own . . . Continued on Page 3

Liturgical Volunteers July 26 & July 27, 2025

Greeters

Sat: 4:30p-Gerry Sun: 8:00a-Blake Sun: 10:30a-Tom

Lectors

Sat: 4:30p-Randel Sun: 8:00a-Katie Jo Sun: 10:30a-Janet

EMHC

Sat 4:30p-Carla L., Susan, Brian Sun:8:00a-Blake, Dave, Jeremy Sun:10:30a-Adam, Jim, Theresa

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday July 19

8:30 a.m. Mary K. Newsom † 4:30 p.m. Becky Kinzie †

Sunday July 20

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

Guests

10:30 a.m. Glenna Clemens †

Monday 3uly 21 8:30 a.m. Prayer Tuesday July 22

8:30 a.m. Mary N. Pham †

Wednesday July 23

8:30 a.m. Margaret James Temple †

Thursday July 24

8:30 a.m. Cody Temple †

Friday July 25

8:30 a.m. Father Vincent Lopez

Saturday July 26

8:30 a.m. Laura Vandehey 4:30 p.m. Dan Brown †

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 July 20 9:15 a.m. RCIA

TuesdayJuly 229:00 a.m.Koffee Klatch9:30 a.m.Quilters

7:00 p.m. Catholic in Recovery

Wednesday July 23 9:00 a.m. Reconciliation

Friday July 25 9:00 a.m. Adoration

Saturday July 26 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. Reconciliation

Sunday July 27 9:15 a.m. RCIA

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Weekly Financial Report July 13, 2025

 Identified
 \$ 6,336.00

 Unidentified
 \$ 1,021.00

 Maintenance
 \$ 17.00

 eGiving
 \$ 4,355.00

 TOTAL
 \$ 11,729.00

Garage Sale Cash & Checks \$ 13,824.06

Readings for July 27, 2025 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Genesis 18:20-32 Responsorial Psalm 138:1-3, 6-8 Reading 2: Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Communion Antiphon: Psalm 103:2

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Thank you to Every Parish Group, Family, and Individual who supported our teens to attend Steubenville Northwest. It was a truly life changing experience for our 24 who were able to attend. We could not have attended without your generosity and prayer.

Please check out our Instagram stpaulygeugene and Facebook St. Paul Youth Group to see photos of the trip and for ways to get your teens involved! High Schoolers we meet ALL summer! Times and locations vary.

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

SCHOOL

ENROLLMENT OPENINGS!!

Next year is quickly approaching and we still have some spots in the following grades: 1st, 2nd, 5th & 6th.

Please visit saintpaul-school.org for more information and share with family and friends who might be interested in joining our school community.

Parish News





"Martha, you're anxious and troubled about many things, but only one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the better part. It won't be taken from her." Which part are we choosing? Are we choosing the Martha path? Are we anxious and troubled about many things? And do we need to be? Is that necessary? Is that what God is calling us to? How do I ask God to give me the grace to release the things that I'm anxious about, to release the things that I'm troubled about, to trust that He is going to take care of those things?" Matthew Kelly



Summer Reading Opportunities

Many schools including St. Parish Paul School offer a summer reading challenge to encourage students to read during their vacation time. We have a large selection of books for all grades as well as books for Mom and Dad. Saints, religion, humor, and mystery to name a few topics. Stop by our Parish Library Monday / Friday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

"Only God knows the good that can come about by reading one good Catholic book." St. John Bosco

Parish News



Meal Train

Thank you to the many Parishioners, groups, and families that help provide food for First Place Family Center every Thursday. If you would like to help visit https://signup.com/go/XNevezt Not going to be in town but would still like to help? You can make a donation to the Food 4 Families Fund at the church (see Dawn in the office) or on the St. Paul Parish website under the e-giving tab in the details section be sure to put Food For Families. If you lavish your food on the hungry and satisfy the afflicted; Then you shall rise in the darkness, and your gloom shall become like midday Isaiah 58:10

All are Invited

The St. Francis of Assisi Secular Franciscan Fraternity of Eugene invite you to join in the Transitus of St. Clare prayer service on Sunday, August 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. This is a celebration of the transfer of St. Clare of Assisi to eternal life. This service is held the night before St. Clare's feast day of Monday August 11. For more information contact Dave Olszyk, Councilor at 541-689-8070.



Catholic in Recovery

Find healing and new life through the help of twelve-step recovery and the sacramental love and mercy provided by the Catholic Church. Meetings are held on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. Come to a meeting or call Jeremy at 541-915-5602 for more information. Through the Sacraments, God shares his holiness with us so that we, in turn, can make the world holier. USCCB

Community

Salt & Light A Catholic Young Adult Ministry

The goal of our ministry is to connect young adults in their 20's and 30's to Christ and His Church by hosting social events, serving the community, and more. For more information please email saltlightoregon@gmail.com

Deacon's Corner (cont'd)

several years ago, followed by chemo treatments, the side effects of numerous medicines, and the daily anxiety, "Is any of this treatment working and how much time do I have left on this side of things?" I have to say I have experienced my share of being "anxious and worried about many things."

I am not sure I have a good answer to comfort those who have serious things or circumstances going on in their lives but I do know that I have come to a place in my life where there is a degree of letting go followed by a very real experience of peace. I have found it futile to worry about the outcome when everything around me invites me to an awareness of the preciousness of everyday life; even the most ordinary things: our dog Emma chasing 'chuck-it' balls or rolling on her back as a signal to scratch her belly, a glass of good wine or aged bourdon, and so many other things so easily taken for granted.

In this weekend's reading from the Gospel of Luke, Jesus seems to recognize that there are many things Martha (or you and I) can be anxious or worried about but he asks us to, "chose the better part." The 'better part' being the practiced awareness that Jesus is near. In Jesus' day, sitting at a rabbi's feet, meant that a man (or in this case Mary) was choosing to be a disciple of that rabbi; choosing to be a disciple with the single-minded purpose of opening their life, with all its worries and concerns, to the one who has promised us peace.

If we choose to sit at Jesus' feet in pursuit of discipleship, listening wholeheartedly to what Jesus has to teach, then I believe we will then find the things that cause us to be anxious or worried about lost in the conversation. Whether it is the death of a loved one, a prodigal child, the diagnosis of a serious illness or disease, a child who rejects our faith, and so on; none of these things will ever, can never, keep us from a life in which Jesus, our Rabbi, is always near. This, I believe, is why Mary chose the "better part."

Amen?



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