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

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

ADORATION

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July 27, 2025 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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.

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Deacon's Corner

Seek With All Your Heart What Only God Can Give

Some time ago I heard a story about a young man who was very handsome and who was married to a woman who was very beautiful. But after many years and several children, their attraction for one another and their youth began to fade. The man often dreamed of being married to a younger woman, much like the woman he had fallen in love with years before.

As the years took their toll, the man took up gardening and one day while planting Spring flowers, his spade hit something solid buried in the soil. Carefully removing the dirt from around the object, he discovered an ancient oil lamp. Finding a rag he tried to rub off the clumps of dirt crusted on the lamp when slowly and miraculously a genie appeared before him.

The genie explained that he had been buried for many years but was still able to grant one wish to whoever was fortunate enough to find the lamp. The genie cautioned the man that he would grant only one wish but once granted, it was irrevocable; period. No turning back. After a few moments, the . . .

Liturgical Volunteers August 2 & 3, 2025

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Greeters

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

Lectors

Sat: 4:30p–Vicky Sun: 8:00a–Susan Sun: 10:30a–Corby

EMHC

Sat 4:30p-Susan, Vicky, Richard Sun:8:00a-Dave, Ruth, Sally Sun:10:30a-Sue P., Zeny, Steve

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday July 26 8:30 a.m. Laura Vandehey 4:30 p.m. Dan Brown †

Sunday July 27

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

Guests

10:30 a.m. Harry Watts †

Monday 8:30 a.m. July 28 Prayer Tuesday July 29

8:30 a.m. Father Vincent Lopez

Wednesday July 30

8:30 a.m. Aramando Vrias Moreno †

Thursday July 31 8:30 a.m. Tai

Friday August 1 8:30 a.m. Mark Zalonis

Saturday August 2

8:30 a.m. Mary H. Pham † 4:30 p.m. St. Paul Parishioners &

Guest

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. RCIA

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Koffee Klatch
9:30 a.m. Quilters
7:00 p.m. Catholic in Recovery

Wednesday July 30 9:00 a.m. Reconciliation

Friday 9:00 a.m. Adoration

Saturday August 2
9 a.m. - 10 a.m. Reconciliation

Sunday August 3 9:15 a.m. RCIA

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

— 2 Corinthians 9:7

Thank you for your generosity.
We are blessed.

Weekly Financial Report July 20, 2025

\$ 6,109.99
\$ 100.00
\$ 826.00
\$ 9,249.01
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Readings for August 3, 2025 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Responsorial Psalm: 90:3-4, 5-6,12-13,

14 & 17

Reading 2: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Communion Antiphon: Wisdom 16:20

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Thank you for supporting our teens attending Steubenville NW. 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.

Registration for ministries starting soon.

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

SCHOOL

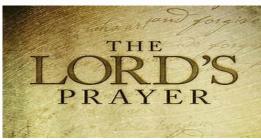
Enrollment Openings!!

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





In the Our Father, the object of the first three petitions is the glory of the Father: the sanctification of his name, the coming of the kingdom, and the fulfillment of his will. The four others present our wants to him: they ask that our lives be nourished, healed of sin, and made victorious in the struggle of good over evil. Catechism of the Catholic Church #2857

Volunteers

On a recent visit to a care facility I saw a puzzle in one of the community rooms and then a day or two later I read this article... Like working a puzzle together, we each contribute something, but not everything, to the tasks that lie ahead. We each have our different gifts; some might build out the frame or sort the pieces while others work on one section of sky in the landscape, but we all need each other. Some of us might serve at a food bank or a prison while others engage in political advocacy or leadership. Contemplatives pray for the world. Even working for justice and peace in our workplaces and our families helps to build up that world.

My capacity to hope is strengthened by knowing I do not have to do it all by myself. Perhaps someone after me would come to complete it. Likewise, our work may not be completed even in our lifetimes, but our contribution is still meaningful and contributes to the emergence of a most beautiful and hopeful picture of what might yet be. Marina Berzins McCoy

Parish News



Catholic Community Services Back to School Drive

There are two weeks left to donate school supplies to ensure local students - many facing housing instability - start the school year with the tools they need to thrive. Place items in the box in the Church entryway.

Dear God, we offer our gratitude for the donors who nurture our dreams. Through their support, they enable us to pursue our passions and make a positive impact on the world. Amen

Thank you!

Our parishioners came through once again to put on a tremendously successful Parish Garage Sale! All the many donations, volunteer & staff hours, shoppers, and prayers will greatly benefit our parish, school, and community. We are especially proud of the efforts of the Women of St. Paul and the local Knights of Columbus who work on this sale almost year-round.



The St. Paul Youth Group

Thank you to all 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 done it without YOU!

Lunch Bunch Cancelled

Lunch Bunch **will not** gather on Thursday, July 31.

*Check the weekly calendar in the bulletin for the most up-to-date event info.

Community

Nocturnal Adoration

St. Mary's Church in Eugene offers Adoration in their Chapel from 6:45 p.m. -7:45 a.m. on the second Saturday of the month. Call Michael at 541-852-6304 for more information.

Deacon's Corner (cont'd)

man told the genie that he wanted to be married to a younger woman. Again, the genie cautioned the man that once he granted the man's wish, the wish would be final. Hearing no objections, the genie instructed the man to close his eyes and after several minutes, he opened his eyes again only to discover two things: the genie had vanished leaving the man alone in his garden and second; he was now 20 years older than his current wife. A silly story with an important lesson worth considering.

In this weekend's Gospel reading from Luke, it is easy to assume that if we are: persistent in our asking, we will receive, if we are persistent in our seeking, we will find, and if we are persistent in knocking, the door will be opened to whatever we want. I think it is easy to translate a causal reading of this scripture as a promise of fame, fortune, and power. It easy to conclude that if God is good, why wouldn't he give us that new car, success at our work, a bigger home, fame, fortune or a younger wife, like the story in the beginning of this Deacon's Corner? The door at which we knock will be opened for us; just keep knocking and the God who gives good gifts will grant us everything we desire, much like a human father who fulfills his children's Christmas wish list.

The true gift, however, to what God is offering to our unwavering persistence is recorded in the last line of the reading, "How much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?" The Gospel of Luke is pointing us in the direction of God; God living in us as the good gift, the true gift worth seeking with all our heart, all our mind, and all our strength. And what possibly could be a greater gift than God-the-Holy-Spirit taking up residence in our human bodies. What could be better than the peace that comes from experiencing the love from the creator of all that exists in the heavens and on earth? What could be better than a friendship, like no other, in which we are a beloved child at peace with an all-powerful, all-knowing God who exists in both this realm and the realm that follows this life? Amen?



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