



ST. PAUL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 9, 2026

WELCOME!

OUR MISSION

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.

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND

Sunday

8:00am, 10:30am

Saturday Vigil

4:30pm

WEEKDAY

Tuesday–Saturday

8:30am

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday

9:00am

Saturday

9:00am

ADORATION

Friday

9:00am-9:40am

PARISH COUNCILS

Pastoral Council: Rev. David Brown

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MINISTRY GROUPS

Catholic in Recovery: Jeremy Starr

Catholic Sisterhood: Erin Dowdy

Knights of Columbus: Dan Martin

Koffee Klatch: Tom Meienberg

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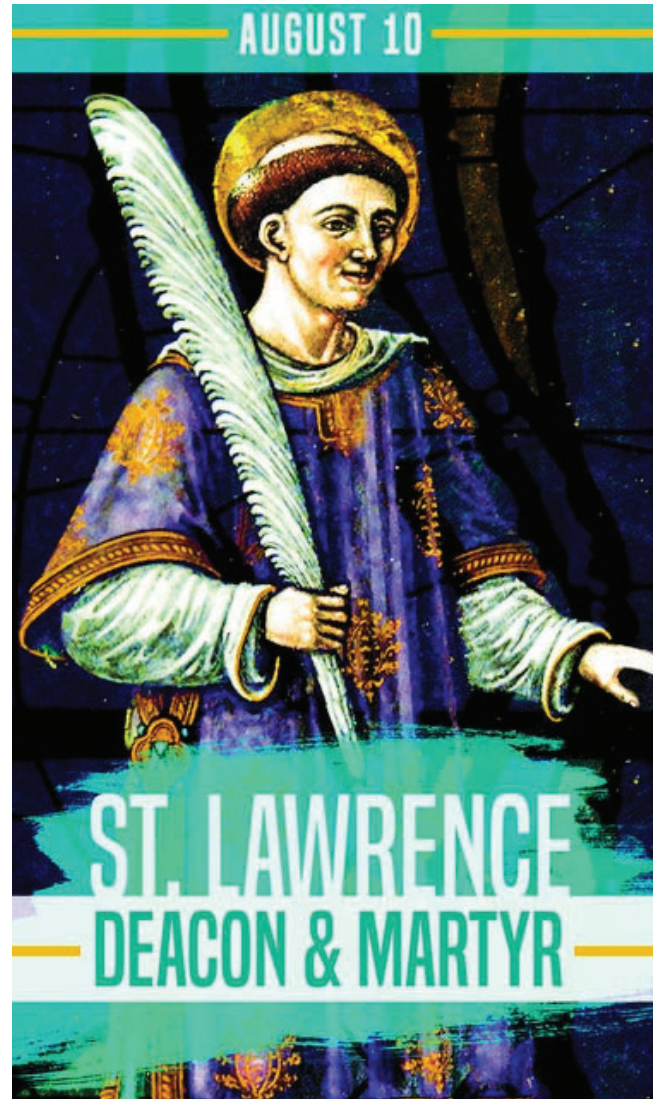
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Having died a martyr for Christ, St. Lawrence is the patron of deacons, chefs and firefighters. Around the time of his feast day, which is celebrated on August 10, the night sky is lit with bright lights. The phenomenon is related to the passing of a meteorite swarm left by a comet. For folk tradition these lights are “falling stars”, tears St. Lawrence shed during his martyrdom.

Father, empower Your deacons to communicate with clarity, wisdom, and love. Remove misunderstandings, soften hearts, and let their words bring guidance, encouragement, and unity. Amen.

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deacon's corner

Man Overboard

What is it within Peter--and within the rest of us--that longs to defy the laws of physics? The movie theaters are filled with stories of superhuman heros: Spider-Man, swinging effortlessly through the air on a single strand of web; Superman, soaring through the sky at will, rescuing others with his otherworldly strength; and the crew members of the Starship Enterprise, transported across vast distances through space on a beam of light. Why do these stories of heros who operate beyond the limits of normal human ability so captivate our imagination?

When I was in 4th grade, my best friend Arty and I went to see one of the earliest Superman movies and were so inspired by Superman's amazing feats that, afterward, we decided we should give *flying* a try ourselves. Once back at Arty's home, we tied pillow cases--like Superman capes--around our necks and climbed a large maple tree in his backyard. Then, sitting on a large limb ten feet above the ground, neither us volunteered to 'fly' first. So in a moment of shared bravado, we both launched ourselves from the tree's limb onto Arty's backyard lawn. Fortunately, neither of us were permanently injured but our inability to fly like Superman didn't dampen our desire to transcend the limits of our physical world.

In this weekend's reading from the Gospel of Matthew, the disciples find themselves--in the dead of night--being tossed by the waves of a violent storm. Then, seeing what appears to be a ghost walking across the surface of the water toward their boat, they become even more terrified. Peter, recognizing the "ghost" as Jesus, cries out to Christ, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."

St. Augustine of Hippo might have captured Peter's --and our--longing best when he wrote, "Our hearts are restless until they rest in you." The restless heart longs for something beyond itself—for a fullness of life that this world cannot provide. Peter's decision to leave the boat and walk to Jesus on the water--as well as his decision after the crucifixion to swim ashore to be with the resurrected Christ--is an expression of our longing as well: a desire to leave the safety of our lived experience and be free of the physical boundaries that confine us. We long, ultimately, to rest in Christ and enter into the fullness of life our hearts have always desired. Amen?

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STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Financial Report August 2, 2026

Identified \$10,172.00

Unidentified \$ 1,275.60

Maintenance \$ 501.00

eGiving \$ 3,444.09

Total \$15,392.69

St. Vincent de Paul \$ 2,514.20

READINGS & INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 8

8:30am Bob Lavoie †

4:30 pm Jim Turin †

Sunday, August 9

8:00am St. Paul Parishioners & Guests

10:30am Sal & Faye Russo ††

Monday, August 10

No Mass Prayer Time 8am-3pm

Tuesday, August 11

8:30am Don Lister †

Wednesday, August 12

8:30am Robyn Everett

Thursday, August 13

8:30am Cecilia Connelly

Friday, August 14

8:30am Valencia Alvarado †

Liturgical Volunteers

August 15 & 16, 2026

Greeters

4:30p-Kay

8a-Wendy

10:30a-Penny

Lectors

4:30p-Bob

8a-Katie Jo

10:30a-Jim H.

EMHC

4:30p-Richard, Susan, Vicky

8a-Sally, Jeremy, Dave

10:30a-Lynda, Jim H; Carla H.

PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR...

William Thompson	Douglas DeWald	Justin Allensworth
Faline Sikes	Colleen Howard	Timothy McDonald
Judah Sikes	Joyce Rauschert	Peggy Crisp
Raini Nelson	Cheryl Suzuki	Eric Brandon
Gracie Guardino	Sharon Wade	Susanne Simonich
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Pamela Blanton	Patty Roland	Guy Allison
Tracy Villada	Ally Angelastro	Ella
MirianTworek-	Frank Paula	Colleen Bushmaker
Hofstetter	John Ressler	Joseph Barba



WEEKLY READINGS

- Sunday, August 9, 2026: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33
- Monday, August 10, 2026: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26
- Tuesday, August 11, 2026: Ez 2:8-3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
- Wednesday, August 12, 2026: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:15-20
- Thursday, August 13, 2026: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/Mt 18:21-19:1
- Friday, August 14, 2026: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12
- Saturday, August 15, 2026: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

These readings are part of the liturgical cycle and can be found on the USCCB website for further details and reflections.

Youth Group

High School Youth Group meets all summer. This summer we are including incoming 8th graders for most events. Please Check the Bulletin or follow us on St Paul Youth Group on Instagram at [stpaulyeugene](#) for updates.

Registrations for Fall Ministries will be out August 15. This includes Sacramental Prep, Confirmation, OCIC, Youth Group, Religious Education for 3-5th grade, and Liturgy of the Word. Lots of Amazing Opportunities this Fall for our community to grow. Contact kwhite@archdpdx.org

INVITE THE HOLY SPIRIT INTO YOUR LIFE

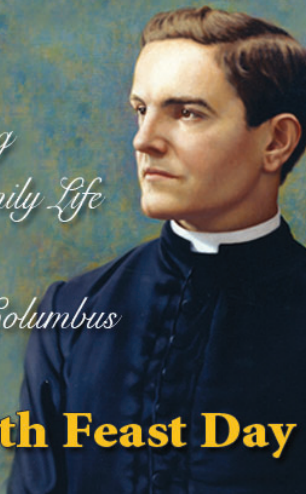
The **Women of St. Paul** invite you to their August meeting on the 11th at 6:30 in the St. Paul Room. We will be taking a look at our successful garage sale and turning our attention towards fall and the upcoming events. Come, make some new friends and be a part of some great parish activities.

Blessed Father Michael McGivney

*Apostle to the Young
Protector of Christian Family Life
and
Founder of the Knights of Columbus*



August 13th Feast Day



Blessed Fr. Michael Joseph McGivney was a diocesan priest from Connecticut born to an Irish immigrant family. Together with men from his church, St. Mary's in New Haven, he founded what is now the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization — the Knights of Columbus. Men over 18 are invited to attend the Knights meeting Thursday, August 13 at 6 pm to learn more about their mission, "Knights put their faith into action through hands-on service in their parishes and communities".

St. Paul Catholic School

A little bit about our St. Paul School Faculty

- St. Paul teachers hold credentials and are licensed by the state of Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices Commission.
- Several teachers also hold advanced degrees and special endorsements.
- Many of our teachers are St. Paul alum.



Transitus of St. Clare

Please join the Secular Franciscan Fraternity for a special service celebrating the Transitus (passing from this life to eternal life) of St. Clare. It will be at 6:30 pm on Monday August 10 in the St. Paul Room of the St. Paul Parish Center. All are invited!

Weekly Calendar August 11-15

Tuesday	9am Koffee Klatch
	9:30am Quilters
	6:30pm Women of St. Paul
	7pm Catholic in Recovery
Wednesday	9am Reconciliation
	1:30pm Craft & Coffee
Thursday	6pm Knights of Columbus
Friday	9am Adoration
Saturday	9am Reconciliation



ADULT EDUCATION Classes

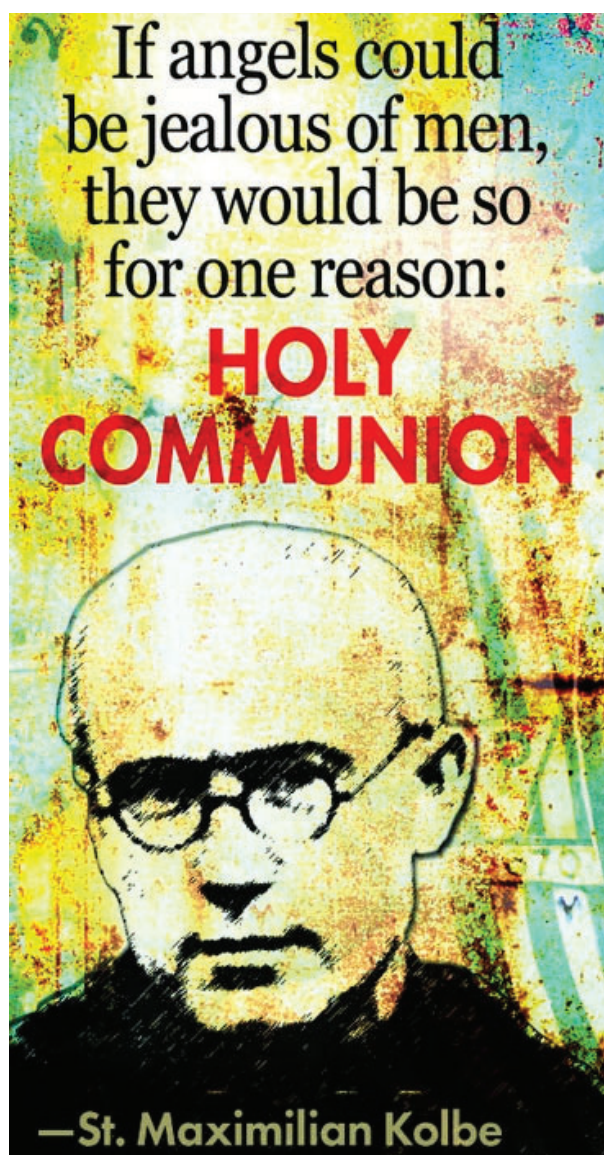
The OCIA Rite unfolds like a journey that includes three major liturgical steps. Each liturgical step moves the catechumen formally into another Period of the Catechumenate. Each Period prepares the catechumen to make the next formal step, by catechesis and pastoral care. After the formal step, the process helps the catechumen to lean into the graces they have received and move forward to a closer relationship with Christ through full communion with the Church. Registration opens soon.



As a young, newly ordained priest, I admired a senior priest who was gifted, beloved, and had changed countless lives. But soon I learned that he had fallen in catastrophic and destructive ways. The painful juxtaposition of good and evil was complex to process. How could someone so seemingly good also be so broken and deceptive? It forced me to confront a sobering truth: leadership in the Church is no guarantee against weakness or sin.

Peter teaches that truth in this week's Gospel. When he sees Jesus walking on the sea, Peter does what leaders do. He goes first. ***"Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."*** But when he sees how strong the wind is, he becomes frightened and, beginning to sink, cries out, ***"Lord, save me."*** Immediately, Jesus stretches out his hand and catches him.

St. Thomas Aquinas observes that Peter overcomes the greater danger of the waves but falters before the lesser threat of the wind. This is the paradox leaders often face. It is not always the great trials that undo us, but the smaller, quieter temptations, such as subtle fears and compromises, that lead us to sink. The good news is that Jesus does not abandon Peter. He saves him before it is too late. Our frail humanity lives within a rhythm of grace, risk, failure, and mercy. Jesus helps Peter overcome both the obvious and hidden sources of fear, and he promises to do the same for us. So, let us pray for all, especially our spiritual leaders. Father John Muir



The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



During the fourth watch of the night,
Jesus came toward them
walking on the sea. Mt 14:25



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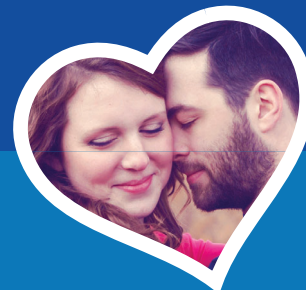
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