

# St. Frederic Catholic Church

175 S. 13th St., St. Helens, Oregon

## Mission Statement

*St Frederic is a Catholic Christian Community that works and prays together to deepen our love of God and to share that love by ministering to each other and the extended community in holiness and justice.*

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## OFFICE HOURS

Available by phone

December 6, 2020  
2nd Sunday of Advent



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## Mass Schedule by appointment only:

Saturday at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

Thursday at 9:00 a.m.

Adoration: Friday at 9:00 a.m.

Call 503-397-0148 or go to <https://stfredericchurch.org/reopen> to sign-up.

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

Dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass is still in effect.

Masses can still be seen online or on TV:

Mass can be seen on EWTN at 5:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 9:00 p.m. & 9:45 p.m.

Mass can be listened to on Mater Dei Radio (88.3 FM) at 5:00 a.m., noon & 8:00 p.m.

# Financials

## Financial Report for November 29, 2020

The budget for July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 is \$3,713 per week. These are expenses to maintain our liturgy, ministries, personnel, and facilities throughout the church compound.

Week 22	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
<b>Need:</b>	<b>\$ 3,713.00</b>	<b>\$ 81,686.00</b>
<b>Collection:</b>	<b>\$ 1,488.00</b>	<b>\$ 60,260.76</b>
	<b>\$-2,225.00</b>	<b>\$-21,425.24</b>

**Thank you for your Support**

## BEQUESTS

I give, devise, and bequeath the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon for the sole benefit of St. Frederic Catholic Church located at 175th S. 13th, St. Helens, Oregon to be used under the direction of the priest at the time of my death.

# Capital Campaign

<u>Total Rec'd</u>	<u>Total Pledged</u>
\$ 249,020.17	\$ 286,608.00

## Intentions for "All Souls"

Mass intentions provide infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul. Every day is a great time dedicated by the church for the faithful departed. Envelopes are available in the entrance of the Church for all parishioners who wish to request a Mass. You may put your Mass intention request in the collection basket. Suggested donation is \$10.

# Vocation Talk

THE LOVING ENVIRONMENT of a family draws forth an individual's greatest talents and gifts. We've come to realize that creating an atmosphere in which children can hear the Lord's call is one of the most significant responsibilities resting on our shoulders as parents. Our own lives must reflect the presence of God, His Word, and the love He offers His people.

## ***Second Sunday of Advent***

And this is what he proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals." Mark 1:7

John the Baptist was considered by Jesus as one of the greatest human beings ever to walk the face of the Earth (see Matthew 11:11). Yet in the passage above, John states clearly that he is not even worthy to "stoop and loosen the thongs" of Jesus' sandals. This is humility to the greatest extent!

What made St. John the Baptist so great? Was it his powerful preaching? His dynamic and attractive personality? His way with words? His good looks? His numerous followers? Certainly it was none of the above. That which made John truly great was the humility with which He pointed everyone to Jesus.

One of the greatest human struggles in life is pride. We tend to want to draw attention to ourselves. Most people struggle with a tendency to tell others how good they are and why they are right. We want attention, recognition and praise. We often struggle with this tendency because self-elevation has a way of making us feel important. And such a "feeling" feels good, to an extent. But what our fallen human nature often fails to recognize is that humility is one of the greatest attributes we can have and is, by far, the greatest source of greatness in life.

Humility is found clearly in these words and actions of John the Baptist in the passage above. He knew who Jesus was. He pointed to Jesus and turned the eyes of his followers from himself to his Lord. And it is this act of pointing others to Christ that has the double effect of elevating him to a greatness that self-centered pride can never achieve.

What could be greater than the act of pointing others to the Savior of the World? What could be greater than helping others to discover their purpose in life by coming to know Christ Jesus as their Lord and Savior? What could be greater than exhorting others to a life of selfless surrender to the one and only God of mercy? What could be greater than elevating the Truth over the selfish lies of our fallen human nature?

Reflect, today, upon your calling in life to imitate the humility of John the Baptist. If you want your life to have true value and meaning, then use your life to elevate the Savior of the World to the greatest extent possible in the eyes of those around you. Point others to Jesus, make Jesus the central focus of your life and humble yourself before Him. In this act of humility, your true greatness will be discovered and you will find the central purpose of life.

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# From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

I hope that you are doing well during this time.

The Governor has assigned our county to a "High Risk" level which allows for St. Frederic to have 25% capacity! This is great news! It allows us to go back to our old "Covid" schedule. You are on the list for the Mass that you were attending before the statewide "Freeze".

Please be on time to Mass. Due to contact tracing requirements we will be locking the doors after Mass starts. Please plan accordingly.

Watching Mass on TV is not receiving the Sacraments. If you are able, you should be attending Mass. I hope to see all of you at Mass soon.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Marandu

## Advent Schedule

### Mass Times:

- Saturday 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
- Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.

### Adoration:

- Friday 9:00 a.m.

### Reconciliation:

- Saturday, Dec. 5, Dec. 12, & Dec. 19 at 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

## Christmas Mass Schedule

- Thursday, Dec. 24, 5:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. (midnight)
- Friday, Dec. 25, 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Sign-ups in the front of the church, on the website, or call the office to attend.

## Mass of the Immaculate Conception

**Tuesday, December 8 at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

## Our Lady of Guadalupe

Mass for Our Lady of Guadalupe is December 13 at 11:00 a.m.

This week's **FORMED.org Pick of the Week** is Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message.

We celebrate the patroness of the Americas this week of our Mother's miraculous appearance to Juan Diego—an encounter that has converted millions.

## Advent Retreat

During week 1, we delved into the role of **catechesis** in forming and retaining strong Catholic Christians in today's world, using excerpts from Formed.org's [A Time to Revive](#). Are you interested in battling the decline of the Church from the central core of society into a fringe movement (as popular culture in the Pacific Northwest would like to view us)? Then join us! If you don't already have your Zoom invitation in your email, call the office or send an email to [timari@g.com](mailto:timari@g.com). All you need is a computer with a microphone (camera optional, but encouraged), and internet service.

**Toy 'N Joy** is taking monetary donations only at <https://www.crfr.com/toynjoy>

**Youth Group** is currently being held, with physical distancing, in Buccini Hall on Sunday evenings from **6:45 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

December 6—Healing

December 13—Church

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

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## Weekly Readings (December 7—December 13)

**Monday:** [Isaiah 35](#): 1-10; [Psalms 85](#): 9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; [Luke 5](#): 17-26

**Tuesday:** [Genesis 3](#): 9-15, 20; [Psalms 98](#): 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; [Ephesians 1](#): 3-6, 11-12; [Luke 1](#): 26-38

**Wednesday:** [Isaiah 40](#): 25-31; [Psalms 103](#): 1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10; [Matthew 11](#): 28-30

**Thursday:** [Isaiah 41](#): 13-20; [Psalms 145](#): 1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab; [Matthew 11](#): 11-15

**Friday:** [Isaiah 48](#): 17-19; [Psalms 1](#): 1-2, 3, 4 and 6; [Matthew 11](#): 16-19

**Saturday:** [Zechariah 2](#): 14-17 or [Revelation 11](#): 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab; [Judith 13](#): 18bcde, 19; [Luke 1](#): 26-38 or [Luke 1](#): 39-47

**Sunday:** [Isaiah 61](#): 1-2a, 10-11; [Luke 1](#): 46-48, 49-50, 53-54; [First Thessalonians 5](#): 16-24; [John 1](#): 6-8, 19-28

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