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Eucharistic Adoration Schedule
Wed. 8:30 am – 5 pm (no Benediction)

Baptisms & Weddings
Call Father (on cell phone) to schedule an appointment. For weddings, call at least 6 months in advance.

Confessions
Call/Text Father (on cell phone) or e-mail to schedule an appointment.

Pastoral Council Members

Angi Duyck	2020-23
Michelle Galbreath (vice chair)	2021-24
Jocelyn Hammer	2019-22
Kelleen Meeuwesen (chair)	2020-23
Diane Ramsperger	2019-22
Raymond Peters	2021-24
Courtney Schaefer (secretary)	2021-24

Collections for March 26-27, 2022
Offertory: \$9,463.00
Online Giving: \$ 775.00
Total: \$10,238.00
CRS Collection: \$1,689.00

Mass Intentions:

Sat. 4/2 6:30pm Susan Bernards+
Sun. 4/3 8:00am People of the Parish
Sun. 4/3 10:30am Fred Burnsed+

Mon. 4/4 8:00am Edmund Duyck +
Wed. 4/6 8:00am Celestino F.Velez +
Thur. 4/7 8:00am Rita Duncan +
Fri. 4/8 9:00am M. Teresa I. Velez +

Sat. 4/9 6:30pm Susan Bernards+
Sun. 4/10 8:00am People of the parish
Sun. 4/10 10:30am Dean Lardy

5th Sunday of Lent

April 3rd, 2022

Dear Parishioners,

On March 25, the Solemnity of the Annunciation, Pope Francis invited all the bishops of the world to join him in consecrating the nations of Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. At the 8:00am Friday morning Mass in Verboort, our bishop in residence, Bishop Steiner celebrated the Mass and in communion with his brother Bishops lead the Prayer of Consecration.

Why was this liturgical act of prayer so important and significant? As we are all witnesses to the appalling images of death and destruction from Ukraine, we are reminded that we are called by Jesus especially in his teaching on the Beatitudes to be “peacemakers”. We all have a vocation to be PEACEMAKERS, not peace-wishers or peace-dreamers.

It involves, first and foremost, prayer. Sacred Scripture is full of believers’ praying for peace and God’s responding. We see the miracles worked for the Israelites in Egypt, the Jews in Babylon, Samson before the Philistines, Esther before Ahasuerus, the prophets before corrupt rulers, the Maccabees before the Greeks, and so many other examples where people prayed as if their lives depended on it, because, in fact, they did. The Psalms are similarly replete with prayers that the Lord will bless us with peace, that we’ll seek and pursuit it, that peace and justice will wed (c.f. Psalms 29:11; 34:15; 85:11).

And in the face of war, prayer is not an escape. It is not a placebo taken in substitution for real medicine that might address the cancer of conflict. It is a recognition that only an intervention from on high can help untie seemingly unbreakable knots. It’s also a way by which our gaze can go beneath the surface of history and entrenched animosities to a source of peace even deeper than the legacy of sin.

In terms of prayers Catholic peacemakers can offer, the ultimate will always remain the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, by which we enter into Christ’s prayer from the Upper Room and Calvary in which he signed with blood the definitive peace treaty for the human race. In the offering of the Mass, we turn to him as the Lamb of God who takes away the world’s sins and beg, “Grant us peace.” We implore him, “Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your apostles, ‘Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will.’” We extend to each other the peace of the Lord and, with God’s blessing, are dismissed in peace to announce the Gospel of the Lord and to glorify him with our life.

In our Catholic tradition, we have another spiritual tool in our arsenal which is the rosary. The Rosary has always been a prayer for peace, especially since the miraculous victory of the Christian fleet in the 1571 Battle of Lepanto seemingly because of the prayers of the Rosary in Rome led by Pope St. Pius V. This privileged prayer to the Queen of Peace has been efficaciously invoked in time of conflict and regularly proposed by the popes as a prayer for peace.

So, in response to the situation in the Ukraine and the other conflicts plaguing our world, we are not powerless spectators. Rather, we are influential participants as peacemakers who pray for peace in the context of the Mass and we recite with great devotion the rosary seeking our Blessed Mother’s intercession to her Son, Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace for resolution and reconciliation.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us now and at the hour of our death!

Blessings,
~Fr. Michael

THERE IS A 2ND COLLECTION AFTER COMMUNION FOR SCHOOL FUND.

2022 Parish Dinner Volunteers

Greetings! The annual parish dinner is quickly approaching, and we are looking for VOLUNTEERS to make it all come together. If you are willing to lend a hand on **SATURDAY MAY 7th, 2022**, please call, text or email Courtney Schaefer. The dinner serves meals from 1130am-600pm. There will be an **all-volunteer meeting on Thursday May 5th at 7pm** in the school basement. All volunteers will be receiving a t-shirt again this year and will be distributed at the meeting. Thank you! courtneyschaefer@comcast.net 503-314-7074

Parish Pastoral Council Nominations

On behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council, I would like to thank Joceyln Hammer and Diane Ramsperger for their 3 years of service. There are two positions open. I invite all of you to prayerfully discern who you believe would be a faithful servant in an advisory role for the pastoral and sacramental care of the parish. Below I have included the qualifications:

- In full communion with the Catholic Church, i.e., baptized Catholic and member of the parish (CCL 512).
- One who exhibits good faith, morals, and prudence (CCL 512).
- One who nourishes a deep prayer life and exhibits an active faith life.
- One who is able to collaborate effectively with others.
- One who values consensus, is open to the new ideas, and can set aside personal agendas to listen.
- One who can discern.
- One who can study, reflect, and recommend practical conclusions.

Please drop off your nominations to Kelleen Meeuwsen at the parish office or email: meeuwsenhappy@aol.com. The deadline is Friday, April 29, 2022 at 1:00pm.

Friday Lenten Devotion and Community fellowship

6:00pm Simple Soup and Bread Meal and 7:00pm Stations of the Cross with Eucharistic Adoration

April 8 Visitation, Verboort (hosted by Young Adults Group).

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Meeting on Sunday, April 3, 2022 from Noon to 1:00pm in the Visitation school cafeteria. Fr. Michael will be presenting on the Sacrament of Holy Orders."

Middle School (grades 6-8) Youth Group

Meets on Sunday, April 10, 2022 from 6:00-7:30pm in the Visitation church for Penance service and Stations of the Cross.

High School (grades 9-12) Youth Group and Mission Krewe 2022

Cinnamon Rolls orders ready for pick up after the Sunday Masses on April 3rd. Thank you for supporting Mission Krewe! Contact Laura Nevis, 503-575-5608 or inevis@farthing.com if you have any questions.

HS Confirmation (grades 9 and older)

Confirmation Mass is scheduled for Saturday, April 23, 2022 at 5:30pm Vigil Mass in North Plains. Dress Rehearsal, candidates and sponsors must attend on Friday, April 22, 2022 at 6:00pm in St. Edward, North Plains. For questions, call Laura Nevis 503-575-5608 or inevis@farthing.com.

FORMED.ORG: Go online to www.formed.org and select "Enter code" link. Input the Parish Code: HWNN8P and create your own personal login and password and begin enjoying the free content. If you have any problems logging in or accessing your account, please parishcare@formed.org or 1-844-367-6331.

Fr. Michael's Pick: "Sent By the Spirit—The Spirit of Confirmation". Confirmation, often misunderstood, is of vital importance for every Catholic. In three brief, but compelling sessions, Dr. Brant Pitre unlocks the truth and power of Confirmation by exploring our relationship with the person of the Holy Spirit, the biblical history of Pentecost, and the significance of the rite of Confirmation in the life of the Church and every believer (Run time: 3 total episodes, 30-40 minutes each episode).

Live Streaming of Masses:

- The Archdiocese of Portland will continue to live stream the 11 am Sunday Mass from The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Go to <https://archdpdx.org/live-masses>

- St. Edward/St. Francis of Assisi/Visitation is live streaming 10:00am Sunday Mass from Visitation will be streamed via Zoom. Meeting ID: 993 4497 4746 Password: HolyMass

Parish Community Center/Gym Capital Campaign

We have currently \$ 918,195.17 donated and pledged. Please consider donating, one time or over a five-year commitment to our Parish Community Center and Gym Building project. Gift Table and Pledge Commitment cards are available in the church vestibule or call the school office at 503-324-2182. You can also visit www.sfaroyparish.org or www.sfa-roy.org.

If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Michael and committee members: Kevin Duyck, David Duyck, Dan Spiering, Joe Wren, Al VDZ, Bill VDH, Diane Ramsperger, Courtney Schaefer, and Sam Meeuwsen.

Mass Intentions

We are all intercessors--this is why we offer petitions and intercessions at Mass. If you would like to have a Mass intention offered, please contact Katie Bernards at sfaoffice01@gmail.com or call 503-324-2182.

Easter Sunday Egg Hunt 2022

The Easter Bunny and Easter Egg Hunt will be back this year after the Easter Sunday 10:30 Mass on April 17th. All children welcome! Plastic eggs and candy donations are needed. Please contact Courtney: 503-314-7074

Roy Ride and Brew 2022

SAVE THE DATE: Roy Ride and Brew 2022 is returning. Saturday August 27th, 2022. If you would like to help plan and organize reach out to Courtney Schaefer at courtneyschaefer@comcast.net

Altar Server Schedule:

Sat. April 2nd	6:30pm	Bair Family	Sat. April 9th	6:30pm	Kersey Bernards-Kalhar
Sun. April 3rd	8am	Kuiper Family	Sun. April 10th	8am	Seth Galbreath & DJ Heckenberg
Sun. April 3rd	10:30am	Kylie McCraw & June Vandehey	Sun. April 10th	10:30am	Crowell Family