

St. Edward Parish

North Plains, Oregon

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Mission Statement

St. Edward is a welcoming Catholic Parish embracing God our Father, Jesus Christ His Son, and the Holy Spirit. We gather in **Faith** to give glory and praise to God as a worshipping community. We gather in **Hope** to educate, form and nurture spiritual growth of our individual parishioners, families, and community through the administration of the sacraments, catechesis, prayer and devotion and fellowship. We gather in **Charity** to provide social outreach in our works of mercy.

Parish Pastoral Council

Dian Duyck 2019-2023 (Chair)
Patrick Weis 2019-2023 (Vice Chair)
John Reding 2020-2024 (Secretary)
Kristina Heagh-Avritt 2018-2022
Bob VanderZanden 2018-2022
Mitch Nussbaumer 2020-2024

Confessions:

Saturday 4:30-5:15 pm or by appointment,
call/text Fr. Michael 971-217-5335

Masses:

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30 pm
Sunday Morning Mass 9:15 am
Wednesday Morning Mass 9:00 am

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

1st Wednesday of the month, following
9:00 am Mass, closes at 7:00 pm

Funeral Service

Contact the parish office before making any funeral arrangements involving St. Edward Church facilities. The office will involve Father Michael as soon as possible. Thank you.

Infant Baptism

Before scheduling a date for baptism, parents must be registered members of St. Edward Parish and attend a baptism preparation class. To register for a baptism class and for more information, contact the parish office. An appointment will be scheduled with Father Michael.

Matrimony

Couples are asked to contact the parish office. The office will then send a letter explaining parish policies and an information form to be filled out and returned. No date can be set until there is a conference with the parish priest, at least six months prior to the wedding.

Parish Hall Use

If any parish committee, ministry, or group is planning a meeting or gathering in the parish hall, it is important that you call Nancy in the parish office for availability.

Mass Intentions can normally be offered on Wednesday mornings and Saturday evenings. Please submit requests through the parish office. A suggested stipend is \$10.

Bulletin Announcements

The deadline is 12:00 pm on Tuesday for the following Sunday. Call the parish office or email mail@stedwardnp.org.

Dear Parishioners,

After a year-long delay, what has been dubbed the 2020 Olympics occurring in 2021, the long wait has finally arrived. The opening ceremonies kicked off this highly anticipated world event on July 23 and, this weekend, August 8, the closing ceremonies bring the world class competition to an end.

I am sure all of us, whether avid or casual sports watchers, all have heard the amazing triumphs, victories, sacrifices, and pains of athletes who after years of training, blood, sweat, and tears have earned an opportunity to compete at the highest level in Tokyo, Japan.

As we are hearing these athletes' amazing stories and, let's be honest, just being able to compete on the world stage for a medal whether gold, silver or bronze is an accomplishment whether won medals or not. But I think it is important to highlight OUR Olympians when it comes to the Catholic faith. Hands down, if there was a feature segment on a Catholic Saint, I would focus on St. Paul, the Apostle.

In this second letter to St. Timothy, St. Paul wrote: "I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith." Without a doubt, he had bravely fought the good fight. He had fought for God. And the battle he faced was described in detail in his second letter to the Corinthians:

Five times at the hands of the Jews I received forty lashes minus one. Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned (and left for dead, but the prayers of the first Christians with Barnabas in Galatia raised him from the dead), three times I was shipwrecked, I passed a night and a day on the deep; on frequent journeys, in dangers from rivers, dangers from robbers, dangers from my own race, dangers from Gentiles, dangers in the city, dangers in the wilderness, dangers at sea, dangers among false brothers; in toil and hardship, through many sleepless nights, through hunger and thirst, through frequent fastings, through cold and exposure (2 Cor 11:24-27).

Every time I read those words, I am tempted to wonder how very easy it could have been if St. Paul just stayed as a tent maker in Tarsus, pondering the Scriptures, getting a good night's rest in his own bed and living a very comfortable life. He could have simply lived an easy life and retired early instead of enduring three scourges, two shipwrecks and other dangers like imprisonments and house arrests. But he realized the importance of the goal, eternal one which added wood to the fire that fueled his burning desire for the salvation of souls.

And on top of it all, he did so with urgency: "I have finished the race." He shows us that when it comes to living the faith, we are to avoid what too often many do, many crawl through life, others inch at a time and others slide back. Still others sightsee and get distracted by everything along the way. St. Paul recognized that he had one life to give so he *ran*, with zeal, in order to spread the faith to as many as he could until his time was up. Surely, it was not easy, but he knew that the faith was worth his life, that it was the greatest gift he could give to anyone.

Here is one of many Catholic Olympians that we can all be proud of and inspire us as well. St. Paul, pray for us that we too can fight the good fight and finish the race with our head held high knowing that we kept the FAITH.

Have a Blessed Week!
~ Fr. Michael

This Week

Saturday, August 7th

Confessions 4:30-5:15 pm

Vigil Mass 5:30 pm

Intentions: RIP Zaida Rosa Gonzales

Sunday, August 8th

Mass 9:15 am

Intentions: Parishioners of St. Edward

Wednesday, August 11th

Mass 9:00 am

Intentions: RIP Maria Prine

Saturday, August 14th

Confessions 4:30-5:15 pm

Vigil Mass 5:30 pm

Intentions: Parishioners of St. Edward

Sunday, August 15th

Mass 9:15 am

Intentions: RIP Marvin Nussbaumer

St. Edward Country Christmas Festival

The St. Edward Country Christmas Festival will be held the first Saturday in December. Please keep donations in mind while you're canning, crafting, and collecting this summer.

Garden of Hope Service Project

The harvest has begun. We need your help on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00-11:00 am. Help us fill the food sharing table for senior citizens in North Plains.

Please contact Bob VanderZanden at 503-680-2879 or vandz_@live.com if you are able to help.



Expanding to Love and Serve Campaign

The committee has completed the baseline design of the building and is in the process of consulting electrical, plumbing, mechanical, and structural engineers. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Michael, Dick Vandehey (Chair), Dick Krueger (Vice Chair), or Bob VanderZanden (Vice Chair).

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Pick of the Month

Fr. Michael's Pick:

"Answering Common Objections: Mary" by Dr. Scott Hahn

In preparation of the Solemnity of the Assumption (August 15), Dr. Hahn covers the Biblical evidence for the doctrines and devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary which provides an essential resource for answering the objections to Mary that Protestants makes to the Catholic Faith (Run Time: 68 minutes).

MSpS Newly Elected Provincial and Leadership Team

Rev. Pedro Arteaga, MSpS, was elected as the new Provincial Superior of the Missionaries of the Holy Spirit, Christ the Priest Province on July 28. Fr. Pedro is a native of Karlsruhe, Germany, who entered the Congregation on September 1, 1988, professed First Vows on August 11, 1990, Final Vows on May 25, 1996 and ordained a priest May 10, 1997. Before his election, Fr. Pedro was Director of Pastoral Formation and Professor at Mt. Angel Seminary. He formerly served as Pastor at St. Matthew Catholic Church in Hillsboro.

Rev. Alejandro Rubio, MSpS, was elected as the Vice Provincial and Rev. Juan Jose Gonzales, MSpS as the Second Counselor. Fr. Alex, after his priestly ordination, worked as a counselor for NW Catholic Counseling Center in Portland and then was hired as the Seminary Psychologist for Mt. Angel Seminary. Fr. Juan Jose needs no introduction as he has been with us for the past 10 years. Please welcome them all back to the Washington County area.

Live Streaming of Masses

11:00 am Sunday Mass from The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Go to <https://archdpdx.org/live-masses>.

5:00 pm Saturday Vigil and 8:00 am and 10:00 am Sunday Masses from Visitation. Download Zoom.us, enter Meeting ID: 993 4497 4746 and Password: HolyMass.

Middle School & High School Youth Groups

Upcoming gatherings for both Middle School and High School Youth Groups:

Sunday, August 15, 6:00 - 7:30 pm Middle School Youth Group Kickball/Softball game and BBQ

Sunday, August 22, 6:00 - 7:30 pm High School Youth Group Kickball/Softball game and BBQ

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church (Forest Grove)

St. Anthony of Padua is hiring a part-time Coordinator of Youth & Young Adult Ministry.

Position: 15 hours/week

Position Summary: To coordinate the youth (grades 6-12) and young adult ministries of the parish. Includes Confirmation, RCIT, and Newman

Job Duties: Coordinate ministry teams, including trainings; plan, develop, and lead the confirmation program; observe Archdiocesan guidelines regarding youth ministry and religious education policies; coordinate and maintain a calendar of youth activities; implement the Called to Protect program of the Archdiocese; clear communication to staff and parents; maintain accurate sacramental records; monitor expenses against the approved budget; collaborate with staff in developing a structured religious education program; maintain strict level of confidentiality; plan and organize liturgical celebrations, service projects, retreats, and social functions; promote active youth participation within parish life; maintain visible presence at major church events; network with youth ministers in the Archdiocese and participate in opportunities for developing skills.

Position Requirements: practicing and active member of a Roman Catholic faith community; must have a passion for working with teens and young adults; possess a thorough knowledge of and belief in Catholic teachings; prefer 2 or more years experience in youth ministry; certification for Youth Ministry from the Archdiocese or equivalent education preferred; degree in Pastoral Ministry (Theology) preferred; practical experience working with youth and their families; ability to prioritize workload to meet requirements; ability to work independently and as a team member; able to work evenings and weekends as needed; bilingual - English and Spanish; proficient in Microsoft Office and social media; excellent organizational, communication, and record keeping skills.

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