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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.

<p style="text-align: center;">Parish Pastoral Council</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dian Duyck 2023-2026 (Chair) Leah Nussbaumer 2024-2027 (Vice Chair) Lisa Thompson 2022-2025 (Recorder) Patrick Weis 2023-2026 Charlie Lucas 2024-2027 Karen Kemper 2025-2028</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Confessions:</u></p> <p>Saturday 4:30-5:15 pm or by appointment, call/text Fr. Michael 971-217-5335 or Fr. Augustus 971-392-8449.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Masses:</u></p> <p>Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30 pm Sunday Morning Mass 9:15 am Wednesday Morning Mass 9:00 am</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Adoration of Blessed Sacrament</u></p> <p>1st Wednesday of the month, following 9:00 am Mass, closes at 7:00 pm</p>
<p><u>Funeral Service</u></p> <p><i>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.</i></p> <p><u>Infant Baptism</u></p> <p><i>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 Brian Meeuwsen.</i></p> <p><u>Matrimony</u></p> <p><i>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 Pastoral Associate, Brian Meeuwsen, at least six months prior to the wedding.</i></p>	<p><u>Parish Hall Use</u></p> <p><i>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.</i></p> <p><u>Mass Intentions</u> can normally be offered on Wednesday mornings and Saturday evenings. Please submit requests through the parish office. A suggested stipend is \$10.</p> <p><u>Bulletin Announcements</u></p> <p><i>The deadline is 12:00 pm on Tuesday for the following Sunday. Call the parish office or email mail@stedwardnp.org.</i></p>

Dear Parishioners,

This long holiday weekend of President's Day, as it is tradition, the 7th/8th grade boys and girls Fighting Dutch basketball teams compete at the St. Paul's Basketball Tournament of Excellence in Eugene, Oregon. It is a great bonding experience not only for the team but also for the players to meet middle school aged Catholics from Portland, Salem, Eugene/Springfield, and Medford.

One of the highlights is, of course, the Saturday evening dance after Mass hosted at St. Paul Catholic School gym. The players from St. Francis of Assisi, Visitation, Regis, Blanchet, St. Paul, O'Hara, St. Mary's and Sacred Heart all come together on a court to socialize and just be preteens. This event adds memories and friendships that last a lifetime.

This is my 15th year attending this event as pastor and my 18th time at this tournament as my first assignment at St. Mary's in Eugene I was priest chaplain for O'Hara Catholic school. Although my first experience was cheering on the Cardinals of O'Hara, I can definitely say I bleed white, purple, and black ... Go Fighting Dutch!

This year I will not be sitting in the stands but on the bench as I have been an assistant coach for this team of 8th grade boys since 2020 alongside Alex Funk (whom I was his assistant coach in 2011 when he was an 8th grader) and his brother, Charlie Funk (whom was part of the team in 2019 that won the St. Paul's Basketball Tournament and the banner hangs in our gym for posterity).

This weekend, please keep all our student athletes, coaches, parents, family and friends in your prayers, and may we represent our Dutch community well at the tournament and hopefully come home with some hardware.

Now, this upcoming week is the start of the season of Lent. You should have received in the mail our annual Parish Lent postcard with all the spiritual activities, events, services, and Masses for the next 6 weeks. I am excited that this year's Lenten Mission we are hosting Fr. Peter Tynan, OSB who comes highly recommended by my classmate, Abbot Marion. He will be with us from March 24-26, 2026 at St. Edward presenting on "Confronting the Noonday demon: how anxiety robs us of joy." This is a great complement to the Advent Parish Book distributed last December 2025.

Speaking of books, this year's Lent Parish Book is "I Thirst" by Mother Teresa which has 40 daily reflections for Lent. It is a quick easy read that provides plenty of food for thought throughout the day. Speaking of food, we are supporting the Knights of Columbus Council 1634 Lenten Food Drive. At each parish vestibule, bins will be available to place your canned food items. The bins from St. Edward will be donated to St. Vincent de Paul Hillsboro, St. Francis of Assisi will be donated to Banks Food Bank, and Visitation will be donated to St. Vincent de Paul Forest Grove. The Food Drive goes from February 15 to March 29 (Palm Sunday).

Finally, please start the Season of Lent off with February 18, Ash Wednesday Mass with distribution of ashes. The Mass schedule is on the postcard mailing, the parish website, and in the bulletin as well as the times and days for Friday Stations of the Cross hosted at the St. Francis of Assisi and Visitation schools or the evening opportunity of Soup and Stations with Adoration/Benediction at either Visitation or St. Francis of Assisi parishes.

Blessed start of Lent!
~Fr. Michael

This Week

Saturday, February 14th

Confession 4:30pm

Vigil Mass 5:30pm

Intentions: Parishioners of St. Edward

Sunday, February 15th

Mass 9:15am

Intentions: RIP Fr. Dennis Robb

Sweetheart Breakfast 8:30am-12:00pm at Visitation Parish Center

Monday, February 16th

Men of Conviction 7:00-8:30pm

Wednesday, February 18th *Ash Wednesday*

Mass with Distribution of Ashes 10:00am
(please note time change)

Intentions: RIP Timmy & John Kindel

Religious Education (grades 1-5) 4:15-5:15pm at Visitation

Mass with Distribution of Ashes 5:30pm

Intentions: RIP Tom Vandehey

Friday, February 20th

Soup and Stations of the Cross 6:00 Soup in the Visitation Parish Center followed by Stations of the Cross with Adoration/Benediction in Visitation Church at 7:00pm (hosted by Middle School Youth Group)

Saturday, February 21st

Confession 4:30pm

Vigil Mass 5:30pm

Intentions: Parishioners of St. Edward

Sunday, February 22nd

Mass 9:15am

Intentions: RIP Roche Sabas

High School Youth Group 6:00-7:30pm at Visitation

Ash Wednesday Masses

Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18. Masses with the distribution of ashes are as follows:

Verboort - 8:30am School Mass and 7:00pm Mass

Roy - 9:00am School Mass and 7:00pm Mass

North Plains - **10:00am** and 5:30pm Masses

Offertory

Weekly contributions needed for budget goal:	\$4373.00
Offertory total for 2/7 & 2/8:	\$2901.50
Online total:	\$2218.63
Over/(Under):	\$747.13

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Pick of the Month

Fr. Michael's Pick:

"How to Lent"

Season 1 explores and aims to equip Catholics with the tools to understand and practice the pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Guided by Solenne Santiago and with the help of priests and religious, this series will challenge our preconceived notions about Lent and provide a roadmap of entering the season with purpose. (Run Time: 4 episodes approximately 12-15 minutes each)

Friday Lenten Way of the Cross

School Stations:

Visitation - 2/27, 3/13, 3/20 at 2:30pm and 4/3 at 1:00pm
St. Francis of Assisi - 2/20, 2/27, 3/6 at 2:00pm and 3/13, 4/3 at 10:30am

*Friday Soup and Bread Meal 6:00pm & Stations with Adoration/
Benediction 7:00pm:*

Visitation - 2/20, 3/6, 3/20
St. Francis of Assisi - 2/27, 3/13, 3/27

"Fasting and Abstinence Regulations" for the Archdiocese of Portland

- All Catholics 14 years and older must abstain from meat on Fridays of Lent, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday.
- All Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. To fast means to eat one full meal; the other two meals that day should be less than the normal amount unless they are already at a minimum for good health. Eating between meals is not permitted; however, liquids including coffee, milk, and fruit juices are allowed.

Religious Education

Religious Education (Grades 1-5)

Class meets Wednesday from 4:15-5:15pm at Visitation Convent.

Middle School Youth Group (Grades 6-8)

No meeting Sunday, February 15. 7th/8th grade Fighting Dutch boys and girls basketball teams competing in the St. Paul Basketball Tournament. Please pray for our players! Lenten Service Project on Friday, February 20 5:30-8:00pm host Soup and Stations with Adoration/Benediction at Visitation. Please sign up with Tammy Scheenstra.

High School Youth Group (Grades 9-12)

Meeting Sunday, February 22 from 6:00-7:30pm at Visitation Parish Center.

Confirmation Preparation (Grades 7-12)

5th Lesson on the Catholic Moral Life: Virtues on Saturday, February 21 at the 5:00pm Vigil Mass at Visitation Church.

Mission Krewe 2026 St. Bernard Project, St. Petersburg, FL

*Sweetheart Breakfast Fundraiser on Sunday, February 15 from 8:30am-12:00pm at Visitation Parish Center. Menu: French toast, sausage, applesauce, coffee & juice.
Adults \$12, kids \$9, family \$45 (cash and check only).*

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

*Meets Sunday, February 15 from 11:45am-12:30pm in the St. Francis of Assisi church basement. Candidate and Sponsor must attend for "Season of Lent and Practice of the Rite of Election."
Please reach out to Fr. Michael at mvuky@yahoo.com or 971-217-5335 for all inquiries and questions.*

Adult Faith Formation (adults 18 or older)

Lenten Mission "Confronting the Noonday demon: How anxiety robs your Joy" with Fr. Peter Tynan, OSB March 24-26, 2026 at St. Edward church. 5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction with confession available, 6:00pm presentation/talk.

"Hoist Hope" Capital Campaign Phase II

Hall Project Progress Update: Concrete slab, steel columns and beams and foundation drains are complete. Lumber has been delivered and framing walls ongoing.

Please consider in following the dedication of these donors and offering a new pledge or modifying your existing pledge. Also, annual RMD donations are a source of consistent funding as each penny and dollar gets us closer to our goal of already received and pledged \$3,301,969.71.

If you have additional questions, please contact Fr. Michael, Dick Vandehey (Chair), Dick Krueger (Vice Chair) or Bob VanderZanden (Vice Chair).

March 6-8, 2026 Our Lady of Peace Retreat in Beaverton is hosting a *Men's Silent Lenten Retreat* with Rev. Theodore Lange. The retreat theme is "YOU HAVE THE WORDS OF EVERLASTING LIFE." The weekend begins with dinner on Friday evening and concludes after a late-morning brunch on Sunday morning. \$255 per person. For inquiries or to register, please phone the retreat house at 503-649-7127 or email sisters@olpretreat.org or online at www.olpretreat.org. Commuters, please call the retreat house to register.

March 13-15, 2026 Our Lady of Peace Retreat in Beaverton is hosting a *Women's Silent Retreat* with Rev. Andru O'Brien. The retreat theme is "LED BY THE BANDS OF LOVE." The weekend begins with dinner on Friday evening and concludes after a late-morning brunch on Sunday morning. \$255 per person. For inquiries or to register, please phone the retreat house at 503-649-7127 or email sisters@olpretreat.org or online at www.olpretreat.org. Commuters, please call the retreat house to register.

Parish Lenten Gift

The Parish Pastoral Council has selected "I Thirst" by Mother Teresa which is complimentary and free. It can be picked up at the entrance of the church beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 18. One copy per parish family. Enjoy the read during the season of Lent!

~Fr. Michael

Knights of Columbus Council 1634 Lenten Food Drive

The Knights of Columbus is organizing a Lenten Food Drive. Bins will be located in the vestibule of the following parishes. All donations go to support St. Vincent de Paul Hillsboro (St. Edward), Banks Community Food Bank (St. Francis of Assisi), and St. Vincent de Paul Forest Grove (Visitation). Donations begin February 15 (before Ash Wednesday) until March 29 (Palm Sunday). For more information, please see flyer on the bulletin board in the church vestibule.

Cemetery Committee Meeting

The Cemetery Committee will be having a meeting on Tuesday, February 17 at 6:30pm. Location: 30780 NW Highland Court (former meeting place of The Hub).

Bottles and Cans for Mission Krewe

The garbage can used for collecting empty bottles and cans has been relocated to the rectory carport due to weather exposure. The profits will continue to be donated to Mission Krewe.

Parish Pastoral Council Nominations

There are two possible 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 Nancy Vandehey at the parish office or call her at 503-647-2131 or email n.vandehey@stedwardnp.net. The deadline is Monday, March 2nd, 2026 at 1:00pm.

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

Please join the Knights of Columbus for breakfast on Sunday, February 22, 2026 from 7:30am to 12:00pm at St. Matthew Parish Hall in Hillsboro.

Menu: pancakes, ham, scrambled eggs, applesauce, milk, juice, coffee, and tea.
Adults \$10, children \$8, preschool free, immediate family \$30.

Proceeds to benefit St. Vincent de Paul, Youth of St. Matthew Parish, & Knights of Columbus. Hope to see you there!



A 140-year Legacy of Joyful Service: The Changing Times and Lasting Values of the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon

Tuesday, March 3 from 6:30-7:30pm via Google Meet

The SSMO Foundation is kicking off the first [Speaker Series](#) event of 2026 in a very special way. We will commemorate the 140th Anniversary of the Sisters of St. Mary Oregon!

This special event will be led by SSMO Ministries Corporation President and 2018 Portland Business Journal Women of Influence honoree, Sister Adele Marie Altenhofen.

Established in 1886, the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon is a lasting legacy and a beacon of Beaverton and the entire Tualatin Valley. Learn how the remarkable women of SSMO have created a lasting legacy as one of the Pacific Northwest's longest and most successful Catholic ministries of prayer, education and health care.

Sr. Adele Marie's special presentation will cover:

- Relics from the SSMO Archives
- Historical milestones
- A glimpse into the future of SSMO

[Register Now](https://ssmo.org/speaker-series-ssmo-legacy/) at <https://ssmo.org/speaker-series-ssmo-legacy/>

After registering, a link to the webinar will be sent to your email 1-2 days prior to the event.

Questions?


Email

SSMO Foundation, Special Projects Manager

[Morgan Ketterman](mailto:mketterman@ssmomministries.org) at mketterman@ssmomministries.org

The Speaker Series is a series of free webinars brought to you by the SSMO

PRAY TO END ABORTION



40 DAYS FOR LIFE



Saturday, February 14th
OPENING MASS 8:15 AM,
Reception following Mass
St. Pius X Catholic Church
1280 NW Saltzman Road
Portland, 97229

Portland/Beaverton 2026

February 18th to March 29th

February 18th Ash Wednesday
40 DAYS BEGINS!

Prayer vigil outside
Beaverton Planned Parenthood
12220 SW First Street
Beaverton, OR 97005
Mon - Sat 8 am - 4 pm

REGISTER NOW! [signupgenius](#)



For 40 days this Spring, people around the world will unite to pray, fast, and witness to the dignity of every human life. Please join us in this beautiful opportunity to stand together in peaceful prayer for the protection of life.

Be a light of hope for mothers, fathers, and children, trusting that God will use our prayers to bring healing and change with an end to abortion. Come for an hour, come for a day—your presence matters.

 visit the website
www.40daysforlife/portland/beaverton.com

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40 DAYS FOR LIFE

THE BEGINNING OF THE END OF ABORTION



Come To A Special Talk Featuring,
Ramona Treviño
Outreach Director, 40 Days for Life
and also, Oregon Right to Life's Sharolyn Smith

Monday, February 16th

Talk starts at 6:30 PM

St. Cecilia Parish Center, Fireside Room
5120 SW Franklin St, Beaverton, OR 97005

Sidewalk Rally starts at 6:00 PM
Beaverton Planned Parenthood
12220 SW First St., Beaverton, OR 97005

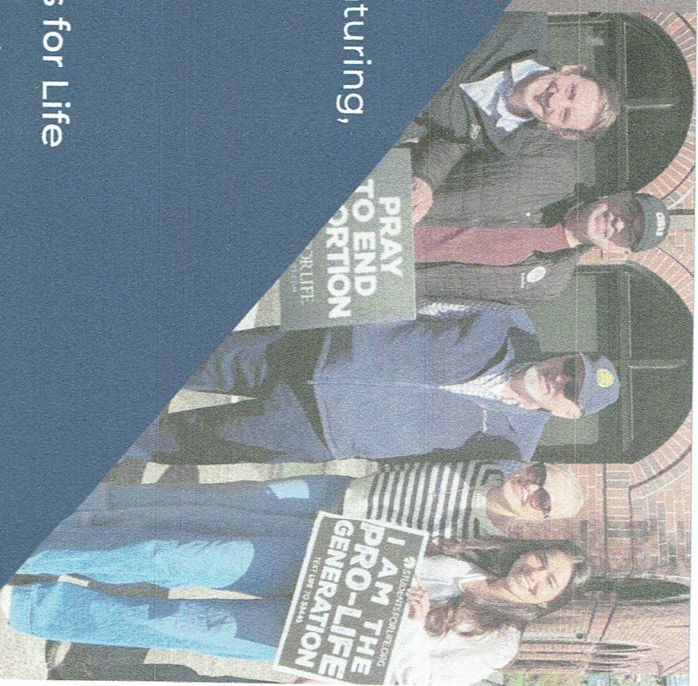
What to expect?

A third-generation American with Mexican roots, Treviño says the pro-life perspective runs strong in the Hispanic culture because of its focus on the family.

"Family is what we value most and abortion destroys all of that."

Dinner provided • Bilingual Q & A • Pro-Life Community • Pro-Life Education

Come to hear this powerful testimony of a former Planned Parenthood manager.



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