



ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

The Mass schedule for Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017

8:00am Ash Wednesday Mass

10:30a.m. Ash Wednesday Mass at Rackleff Place

4:00p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass

7:00p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass—Spanish

LENTEN REGULATIONS

All Catholics 14 years and older must abstain from meat on the Friday's of Lent, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. All Catholics between ages 18 and 59 are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. To fast means to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken for good health but together they should not equal a full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted; however, liquids including coffee and milk and fruit juices are allowed.

ANNUAL LENTEN SOUP SUPPER AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The sign-up poster is now available in the vestibule of the church for the Lenten Soup-Supper and Stations of the Cross. Groups, organizations, families, individuals are invited to sign up to provide a simple soup supper and/or lead the stations of the cross on Friday evenings throughout Lent beginning Friday, March 3.

6:00p.m. Soup Supper

6:00p.m. Stations of the Cross [Spanish]

7:00p.m. Stations of the Cross [English]

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

This Wednesday, we will take up the **Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe**. This collection supports the Church in over 20 countries, many of which are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of Soviet rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Please use the attached envelope.

PLANNING MEETING FOR ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH FAMILY CAMPOUT

We will be holding a planning/information meeting **this Sunday, February 26th** following the 8:30a.m. Mass in the Parish Center. This year's campout will be held once again at Jesse T. Jones Campground in Florence, OR **July 13-16th**. Approximate cost for the 3 day weekend (Thursday—Saturday nights) will be \$58.00 for RV's and \$30.00 for tents per family. Come and enjoy a wonderful weekend with your church family. For information contact Bob and Dawna Hitch at 503-551-3083 or dhitch@frontier.com.

REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL

This gospel is full of questions, just as our everyday living is. We struggle with providing for our needs, having enough for retirement, worrying about paying mounting bills. And so we often ask, how will we manage? Where will we be in ten years? How can we not worry? Amidst the myriad questions that fill this gospel and daily living, we must strike a balance between having an overly confident trust in ourselves and our own abilities, on the one hand, and onto having too naïve a dependence on God on the other hand.

Everyday living requires that we both engage with providing ourselves with what we need as well as turning ourselves to God who provides all. It's all about perspective and Jesus tells us what is a proper perspective: we are

to "seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness." In

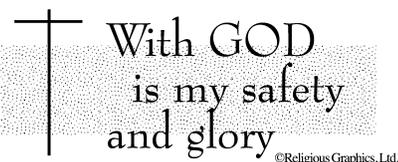
all we do, we must

keep God and right relationship before us as our guiding perspective. The issue of the gospel is not our time and concerns; the issue is who or what master controls our decisions and their outcomes. Beginning with the conviction that God cares and provides for us, our only overriding worry ought to be how strong we seek God and divine righteousness.

It is natural to worry about immediate things that affect our daily living like food and shelter, job security and paying bills. We usually don't worry about ultimate things. Our own short sightedness can leave us quite impoverished. Jesus challenges us to a longer view: "seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness." With this perspective our wealth is assured, but it is not a wealth counted by met needs, worry-free security, or material possessions. The wealth God offers is the Life given those embraced by God's tender love-Life lived today, tomorrow, and for eternity.

Jesus tells us that we cannot serve "two masters." Clearly he is pitting exclusive concern ("worry") with ourselves, our wants, our needs against single-mindedly seeking "the kingdom of God and his righteousness." We are not to neglect our legitimate needs, but to keep them in proper perspective. We must "not worry" but look beyond today and even tomorrow. In everything we do, we must serve only one Master, the God who lavishly provides and cares for us-today, tomorrow, and even unto fullness of Life forever.

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PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

\$2399.00, all inclusive, nine days, airfare, hotel, two meals per day, local guide, transportation to and from Split, Croatia to Medjugorje, Bosnia. Informational meeting will be March 21st at 7:00p.m. in the auditorium of the Parish Center. Pray the Rosary, The Blessed Mother will guide you. For more information, please contact Mike Zagyva at 503-734-8229 or m.zagyva@canby.com. Watch the bulletin for more information.

January Awards for Knights of Columbus

Knight of the Month

Mike Robert was selected Knight of the month for his involvement in the many Knights of Columbus activities throughout the year. Mike was a major player in this year's Charity Auction and Crab Dinner, responsible for selling dinner tickets at the 11:00a.m. mass and managing several activities at this year's event. Mike is Youth Director for our council and will be running the local and district basketball free throw contest during the month of February. Mike rarely says "no" when asked to help with any activity with the Knights of Columbus. He volunteers whenever he is available, especially helping with the Fall Festival. Great job Mike.



Family of the Month

The Rick & Sherry Gamble family was selected for Family of the Month for January. Rick did a great job taking over the responsibility of putting together the booklet for the Charity Auction, working at the last minute to get the layout for the live auction items and advertising completed. On the way home from the last meeting before the auction, a fellow Knights mentioned "I will never complain about my aches and pains after seeing how difficult it is physically for Rick to get in his own vehicle and he never complains". After joining the Catholic Church several years ago and going through the RCIA program, Rick continues to be involved in the teaching of new candidates coming into the Catholic religion. Sherry is the Bookkeeper for St. Patrick's and serves as Eucharistic minister at the 8:30 mass. It's wonderful to see the children also involved as Eucharistic Ministers or Ushers.

Lady of the Month

Gina Thomas was selected Lady of the Month for the outstanding job she did in organizing and managing the Stand Down for Homeless Veterans held on January 28th at Mt. Pleasant School in Oregon City. Gina was a super star in doing the procurement to find a facility to host the event, getting Medical and Dental mobile units, working with the county to bus the Veterans to the event, working with over 20 volunteer organizations to run booths, finding vendors to donate shoes, boots, blankets, and jackets. She also organized the food venue for breakfast and a fabulous Spaghetti and Meatball lunch for over 200 veterans and volunteer workers. In addition, she worked with volunteers to prepare a sack lunch for the evening for the 130 Homeless Veterans when they left the school. Amazing, she did all this while working her full time job. Gina also teaches Religious Education class on Sunday's and puts her heart into making this a class the kid's love to come to. Thanks Gina for giving back so much to our Parish and the community.

Happening This Week

Sunday, February 26 2017

- 9:30a.m. Campout meeting
- 9:45a.m. REP 3yrs-5th Gr.
- 9:45a.m. Adult Faith program
- 11:00a.m. Choir practice [Spanish]
- 11:50a.m. Sacramental prep [Spanish]
- 3:00p.m. Marriage Encounter [Spanish]

Monday, February 27 2017

- 9:00a.m. Bible Study
- 6:00p.m. Choir practice -Spanish
- 7:00p.m. Bible Study-Spanish
- 7:00p.m. R.C.I.A. Team formation

Tuesday, February 28, 2017

- 5:00p.m. 4th Degree Knights Dinner meeting
- 7:00p.m. Mass
- 7:00p.m. Bible Study [Spanish]
- 7:00p.m. Knights of Columbus
- 7:45p.m. Bible Study [Spanish]

Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017

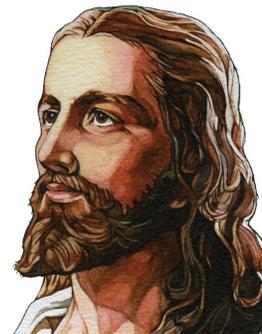
- 8:00a.m. Ash Wednesday Mass
- 10:30a.m. Ash Wed., Mass @ Rackleff Place
- 1:30p.m. Food Bank meeting
- 4:00p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass
- 5:00p.m. Choir practice [Spanish]
- 7:00p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass [Spanish]

Thursday, March 2, 2017

- 8:00a.m. Daily Mass
- 10:30a.m. Mass @ Hope Village
- 12:00p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:30p.m. Spanish Religious Ed. Pr.
- 7:00p.m. Bible Study
- 8:00p.m. Benediction
- 8:15p.m. Rosary in Spanish

Friday, March 3, 2017

- 7:00a.m. Marian Prayer Group
- 8:00a.m. Daily Mass
- 6:00p.m. Soup Supper
- 6:00p.m. Stations of the Cross [Spanish]
- 7:00p.m. Stations [English]
- 7:00p.m. Hispanic Prayer Group



**If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.**

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

Our Parish Pastoral Council will strive to keep the lines of communication open with members of this parish and the vicariate. We shall examine and consider all that relates to pastoral work and offer practical conclusions on all reasonable parish matters, so that the life and activity of our congregation may be brought into greater conformity with the Gospel.



YOUR SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS

Needed for Weekly Budget Goal	\$	8,719.81
Offertory for February 11/12	\$	8617.53
Over/(Under)	\$	(102.28)

Building Fund Collection	\$100.00
Unemployment	\$
Cemetery	\$

KEEPING OUR CHURCH CLEAN

Recently, it has been brought to our attention that parishioners are finding candy and garbage left in our pews in the missal holders once again. We have also had reports of gum left on the floor of the church which gets tracked onto our carpet and floors. We have also found old envelopes, caps to pens, children's bulletins and garbage stuffed in the missal holders. We ask that you please keep all food items out of the church and left at home. Our lost and found basket is overflowing with items that people have left after Mass. Please take a few minutes after Mass to look around you to make sure you have not left any items that you value behind. If we all work together to keep our church looking beautiful and free of garbage and food items, we will continue to have a beautiful place of worship for a long time to come. Thank you!

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday, February 28

Intention for the Parishioners

Wednesday, March 1, 2017

8:00a.m. Intention for the Parishioners

10:30a.m. Intention for the Parishioners

4:00p.m. Intention for the Parishioners

7:00p.m. Intention for the Parishioners

Thursday, March 2, 2017

+Gail Crawford

Friday, March 3, 2017

+Helen Tokarski by Linda & Jerry Baker

Saturday, March 4, 2017

5:30p.m. Intention for the Parishioners

Sunday, March 5, 2017

8:30a.m. +Lon Imel by Pat Kuppenbender

11:00a.m. +Athalie Morris by Connie Bilton-Smith

1:30p.m. Intention for the Parishioners

ST. PATRICK KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—Council 3484



Monthly meetings held first & third Tuesdays of the month in the Multipurpose Room of the Parish Center at 7:00pm.



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St. Patrick Religious Education Programs

A CHILDREN'S PRAYER FOR LENT

Lord, please show me what
I should give up for Lent
and when I've given it up
remind me to pray to You instead.
To thank You
To love You
To hear from You
each and every day in Lent.
Amen



YOU ARE INVITED

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection, and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday. All families are encouraged to bring their children to Mass on Wednesday, March 1st at 8:00a.m. or 4:00p.m.

SACRAMENTAL PREP

There will be a meeting for all children who are preparing for the Sacrament of Eucharist on Monday, March 6th beginning at 7:00p.m. in Room 7/8 of the Parish Center. Students are asked to attend with at least one parent/guardian. Please have your child bring his/her book complete through chapter 4.

FIELD TRIP

The Elementary Religious Education Program will be taking a trip to Mt. Angel on Saturday, March 4th. **All children who are registered should arrive at the Parish Center no later than 9:15 a.m.** We will return to St. Patrick's at 3:15 p.m. For more information, please contact Jody Patershall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BASKETBALL FREE THROW CONTEST

Our Knights of Columbus sponsored a basketball free throw contest for youth 10 – 14 years of age on Wednesday, February 8th. The following youth won their age bracket:

Tyson Silva – 10 year old
Jack Joyce – 11 year old

Both Tyson and Jack advanced to the District event in Mt. Angel on February 11th. Tyson will advance to the State event in Corvallis in March and Jack did an awesome job. We want to congratulate all the youth that participated in this event, especially Tyson and Jack.

WEDNESDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

There will be **NO CLASS** this Wednesday, March 1st. We encourage our youth to attend Ash Wednesday Mass with their families. Classes will resume March 8th.

CONFIRMATION DAY RETREAT SCHEDULED

The confirmation day retreat will take place on **Saturday, March 4th**. Please arrive to St. Patrick promptly at 9:30a.m. Please contact Frances Parker with questions at fparker@canby.com or 503-263-1288.

LENTEN ACTIVITIES AROUND THE AREA

OUR LADY PEACE RETREAT PRESENTS: "ASH WEDNESDAY RETREAT"

"Look Upon Him"

March 1, 2017

8:45a.m.—2:30p.m.; Doors open at 8:00a.m.

To register please email: sisters@olpretreat.org or call 503-649-7127. Suggested donation: \$40.00 which includes lunch.

FRANCISCAN SPIRITUAL CENTER PRESENTS: LENTEN QUIET DAY

Easter will come, but first we journey through the last of winter and the troubling questions about giving things up and facing our temptations. Lent is a threshold time, a time to listen for the traces of God who moves in the ordinary and in the depths of our hearts. Lent is God's gift to us, another chance to be fully alive and see beyond darkness and death to the brightness of Easter. Come for this day of mostly silence where we will begin with meditation, receive some prompts for the silence and after lunch conclude with sharing and encouragement to move gently through Lent. Franciscan Spiritual Center
2512 SE Monroe St, Milwaukie, OR 97222
503-794-8542.

Thursday, March 9th

Time: 9:30a.m.-2:30p.m.

Cost: \$55-85 (sliding scale)

Facilitator: Rev. Larry Peacock