



Star of the Sea Catholic Church

Brookings / St. Charles Borromeo Mission Gold Beach, Oregon

August 13 + Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time-year A

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Mary Mother of God, Pray for us

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: English 4:30 pm

Saturday Vigil: Spanish 6:30 pm

Sunday English: 8:30 am

Tue. Wed. & Fri. : 5:15 pm

First Saturday Mass: 9:00 am

Rosary Is held -30 minutes before Masses

Confession

Saturday: 3:30 pm-4:15 pm

Or by appointment

Calendar

Holy Day of Obligation Masses

Vigil: 5:15 pm

Holy Day: 9:00 am

First Friday Parish Adoration day:

Adoration: 4:00 pm

Mass: 6:00 pm

From the Pastor's Corner: - Fr. Justus Alaeto

The Assumption of Mary, Mother of God, and Queen of Heaven

Happy Feast/Solemnity of Assumption, dear my brothers and sisters in Christ!

Every August fifteenth of the year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is our faith and belief that Mary was assumed, body and soul, into Heaven. The first thing to understand and integrate, is the identity of Mary, as Mother of God. Mary has been identified in many scriptural passages as the “Mother of Jesus the Savior” (Cf, John 2:1; Mat. 1:18, 2:11, 12:46). Since Jesus is God (cf. John 1:1), Mary must be recognized as the one who bore God in her womb (Theotókos, Council of Ephesus, 431 AD) i.e., the mother of God.

Evidently, the prophecy of Isaiah 7:14, applied to Jesus and Mary in Matthew 1:23. So, Mary is that “Virgin” who gives birth to Emmanuel (God is with us). Also, we can clearly witness the most outstanding Scriptural support for Mary as the Mother of God, in Luke 1:43, where Elizabeth speaks of Mary as “Mother of my Lord.” According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the Greek word for Lord used is “Kyrios,” which was a translation of the Hebrew word for God’s personal name, “YHWH” (YAHWEH), (spoken by

(spoken by Jews as Adonai or Lord), (CCC 446). Some, has denied Mary, as Mother of God. For example, the “heresy of Nestorianism” (Nestorius, Patriarch of Constantinople c.381-451), was among who denies the title of Mary as “Mother of God. Nestorius’s theological concept of Incarnation, was wrong, in the sense that Nestorius, could not understand how God, who is incapable of suffering, could suffer on the Cross. Nestorius, therefore understood the Incarnation as the “inhabitation of Jesus by the Divine Word of God.” Nestorius was totally wrong on that position, and his theology was condemned by the Council of Ephesus in 431, which affirmed Mary as the true “Theotokos” or “God-Bearer” (Birth-giver of God or Mother of God). Here is what the council said about the Incarnation:

“For this was not an ordinary man who was at first begotten of the holy Virgin, and then the Word descended upon him; rather, [the Word] united flesh from his mother’s womb and is said to have undergone begetting in the flesh in order to take to himself flesh of his own ... For this reason [the holy Fathers] have not hesitated to speak of the holy Virgin as Theótokos [Mother of God], not certainly because the nature of the Word or his divinity had the origin of its being from the holy Virgin, but because from her was generated his holy body, animated by a rational soul, a body hypostatically united to the Word;

and thus it is said that [the Word] was begotten according to the flesh (Council Ephesus 431, Denz-H. 251).

Also, in reaffirming the Divine truth, inspired by the Council of Ephesus in 431 AD, St. John Paul II (in 1994), and the Patriarch of the Assyrian Church of the East issued a Common Christological stand, against the Nestorian heresy. It was declared:

“His Holiness John Paul II, Bishop of Rome and Pope of the Catholic Church, and His Holiness Mar Dinkha IV, Catholicos-Patriarch of the Assyrian Church of the East, give thanks to God who has prompted them to this new brotherly meeting. Both of them consider this meeting as a basic step on the way towards the full communion to be restored between their Churches. They can indeed, from now on, proclaim together before the world their common faith in the mystery of the Incarnation.” Together they proclaimed: “Christ, therefore is not an “ordinary man” whom God adopted in order to reside in him and inspire him, as in the righteous ones and the prophets. But the same God the Word, begotten of his Father before all worlds without beginning according to his divinity, was born of a mother without a father in the last times according to his humanity. The humanity to which the Blessed Virgin Mary gave birth always was that of the Son of God himself.

That is the reason why the Assyrian Church of the East is praying the Virgin Mary as “the Mother of Christ our God and Savior.” In the light of this same faith the Catholic tradition addresses the Virgin Mary as “the Mother of God” and also as “the Mother of Christ.” We both recognize the legitimacy and rightness of these expressions of the same faith and we both respect the preference of each Church in her liturgical life and piety.”

My brothers and sisters in Christ, the above is the common faith and believe we profess together as a Church, which help our prayers to God, through Mary. Normally, the Church celebrates the feast of some saint on a particular day suitable or designed for that saint. However, what makes the celebration of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin unique, is that even though Mary currently enjoys the beatific vision of God's glory, she is not only with her soul alone, rather, Mary was reunited with her son, both with her “body” and “soul,” in Heaven. That makes Mary a unique being different from any other person created by God. The Church teaches that “at the end of her earthly life, Mary's body as well as her soul was assumed into heaven by the loving power of God” (Pius XII, Munificentissimus Deus, 1950, Dogma of Assumption of the BVM).

**Masses for
the Week**



Sunday August 13, for the peaceful repose of the souls of Gretna + John Kleepies

Monday August 14, for the peaceful repose of the Soul of Harry Roberts

Tuesday August 15, for the peaceful repose of the soul of Harry Roberts

Wednesday August 16, for the peaceful repose of the soul of Annette Weber Smith

Friday August 18, for God's Divine on Susan Tygeron

Saturday August 19, for the peaceful repose of the souls of Levanda Silva & Norman Johnson

Sunday August 20, for the peaceful repose of the soul of Harry Roberts

Tuesday August 22, for the peaceful repose of the soul of Harry Roberts

Wed. August 23, Anonymous is thanking God for His blessings in her life

Friday August 25, for God's blessing on all our parishioners

Saturday August 26, for the peaceful repose of the souls of Levada Silva & Harry Roberts

Please we keep in our prayers:

Carol Mallard

Maurine Boyle

Len Cleary

Nancy Evenhus

Lee & Patricia

Ron Lewis

Arlys W.

Ruth Cavalier

Ron Yass



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PLEASE NOTE: There will be a 2nd collection for improvements to our Parish facilities on **September 2 & 3 weekend**. Please feel free to use our online giving by visiting our parish website at: staroftheseastcharles.org . God bless you for your generous donations.



Scriptural Evidence: In Rev. 12:1, we notice the “woman clothed with the sun” is in heaven. Theologically, “while this woman could represent Israel and/or the Church, there clearly is a Marian dimension to this woman since she is the one who gives birth to the male child “destined to rule all nations with an iron rod” (12:5). Also, in the book of Revelation 19:15-16, the one who will rule with an iron rod is identified as the “King of kings” and “Lord of lords.” Thus, the “fuller sense” (sensus plenior) of this passage points to Mary as glorified in heaven. There are so many other scriptural passages that portray Mary as Mother of God and Queen of Heaven.

What we can learn practically and put in prayer and action in our own lives: Mary preserved her virginity throughout her life. There was in her personality and attitude, a strong love, commitment, and faithfulness to God. She never failed in her faithfulness and promises to God. We can learn from her life how possible and powerful the Grace of God can be at work in our own lives, as well. Mary, makes good use of the power of the “Grace of God” throughout her life; for nothing is impossible to God.

Finally, with her love, humility, and as she declared herself, "the handmaid of the Lord," Mary, in that sense,

affirmed God’s acknowledgement of the dignity and sanctity of all human life, especially the vulnerable/poor. That was evidence in Mary’s Magnificat, when she says: "He has scattered the proud in their conceit and has raised up the lowly" (Lk 1:46-55). That teaches us that God values everyone, and values all life as sacred before Him and by Him. May this Feast of the Assumption teach us through Mary, the perseverance of relying solely on the Grace and Power of God.

May the Blessed Virgin Mary, keep interceding for us, through Christ our Lord, Amen!

Mass Schedule/Modification for August 15, through August 25, 2023

Tuesday August 15th –Mass, 9:00 am, Brookings (**Solemnity of Assumption of the BVM**)

Tuesday August 15th–Mass 12:10 pm, Gold Beach

Wednesday August 16th - Mass 10:00am in Brookings

Thursday August 17th – Mass 4:30pm in Gold Beach (Confession, 4pm).

Friday August 18th – Mass, 10:00am in Brookings

Weekend Masses as usual

Tuesday August 22nd – Mass 10:00am in Brookings

Wednesday August 23rd – Mass 10:00 am in Brookings

Thursday August 24th – Mass 10:30am in Brookings (Funeral Mass for James Evans)

Thursday August 24th – Mass 4:30pm in Gold Beach

Friday August 25th – Mass 10:00am in Brookings, and Another Mass 12:10pm in Gold Beach

Tuesday August 29th – Mass 10:00am in Brookings

Wednesday August 30th and 31st – NO MASS – Father will be in Portland for pastoral planning meeting.

Friday September 1st – First Friday All Parish Adoration including blessing of Holy Water stating with rosary at **4:30pm** followed by Adoration and Mass. This is done **ONLY ON FIRST FRIDAYS OF THE MONTH**. Perpetual adoration follows other Fridays, except on First Fridays.

Saturday September 2nd – Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary **9:00am**, and burning of petitions

Weekend Masses as Usual

Special Notice: Please, we have a student from Honduras that we sponsor, visiting. She will be speaking to us and sharing with us how they are doing...

In coordination with our brother, Tim Stadlerman, the student will be speaking to us on any convenient weekend soon.

New Grand Knights: I am pleased to notify you that the Knights of Columbus of our parish have new Grand Knights. Randy Hall was elected as the new parish Grand Knights. Please, join me to congratulate him. I also want to use this time to thank our former Grand knights, Mr. Mike Juster, who led the Knights, focusing among other things on spiritual integrity. May the Lord bless him, and bless the new administration of our Knights.

May I once again thank Fr. Selvam for being with us, and Fr. Joseph from the Diocese of Westminster, England. Finally, I want to thank you all for your dedication, prayers, and love for the Lord. May Christ the Savior and Mother Mary, be with you and your loved ones.

In Christ,

Fr. Justus Alaeto

Jesus I love You

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Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass:

Thursday: 4:30pm

Confession: Thursdays, 4:00pm or by appointment

Weekend Mass

Sunday Mass 11: 00am

Rosary before Mass 10: 30am

Holy Day of Obligation: Mass: 12:10pm

Our two churches and the parents of Rosie Springer, sponsored Rosie's trip to the world youth day with other youth. We shall have a way to do a second collection once or twice to reimburse our two churches according to their contributions.

Effective Youth Ministry for our Parish:

When Rosie Springer returns, we shall arrange a time for Rosie to share her experiences of the world youth day program, what they have learned, and what can be helpful to encourage the young people, especially in our parish. More important, we would like Rosie to share how they encountered Jesus Christ, through the Holy Spirit. At some point after

that, within the year, our parish youth ministry will resume in a more transforming manner that will bring our young people close to the Heart of Jesus Christ

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(Solemnity of Assumption of the BVM)

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All Parish Faith Formation Registration: As I mentioned, before I went for my education program, we shall be starting this fall, “All parish faith formation program.” This is a program that will accommodate everyone weekly to grow in faith, and for constant encounter with Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit. This program will start the second week of October, through the Second week of March 2024.

Because, we shall be serving snacks/food most times, and materials, please, we shall encourage everyone who will be attending this program to sign up their names at the beginning. Hopefully, many more may be joining, after words, we shall still accommodate them. This program shall provide spiritual support and renewal for our spiritual life and will be a way for us to socialize with one another in Christ as well. A sign-up for this will be available around the first week of September.

RCIA Program: Please, those who are discerning to come back to faith, or those who have been away from faith, Church, prayer life, have not receive the three Sacraments, or anything keeping you away from Jesus Christ, please register for RCIA 2023.

Please, call the parish office and register with Sister Fidel Ike, SJS.

Workshop for all Catechists in our parish:

Please, there will be a two-week workshop that will be offered for all the catechists (those who teach faith formation) and those who would like to be catechists. All our catechists will henceforth be undergoing yearly training for more integration that will be helping them to bring people closer to God, and to feel blessed by God. The date will be announced.

LOST AND FOUND ITEMS

The Star of the Sea Parish Office has a large box of lost items which include glasses, hats, sweaters, rosaries, books, CD's and DVD's and more! If you are missing anything we encourage you to come to the office to look at the box.

Save the Date!

Star of the Sea and St. Charles church picnic on September 16th

More information to follow.

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