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August 18, 2019: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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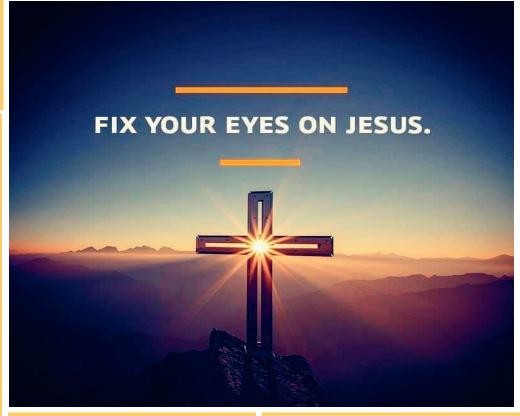
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### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday Masses: 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM and

7:00 PM (Eventide)

Daily Mass: Wednesday—Friday, 12 PM Holy Days: 12:00 PM and 7:00 PM

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:30—4:30 PM

Anointing of the Sick: First Friday of every month at the 12:00 PM Mass

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mondays & Tuesdays, 6:00 AM to 11:00 PM Call the office for access code.

# The Rosary is prayed a half-hour before the start of every Mass.

Taize Prayer: Second Thursday of every

month at 7:00 PM

Family Rosary: Fourth Friday of every month beginning with potluck, 6:00 PM.

Gluten-free Communion hosts are available upon request. Come into the Sacristy before Mass and tell either the priest, James, or one of the Sacristan helpers that you want one, and it will be put out on the altar.

**Hearing assistance devices** are available at the side entrance of the church.

**Pastoral Council** 

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Bulletin deadline is Monday at 10am

Watch for our new parish website later this month. We are excited to update our digital presence

# Why would Jesus bring division?

The Gospel today certainly isn't a relaxing reading while sitting in your summer lounge chair. It's gonna shake you up! It's the Gospel heard round the world today. (Luke 12:49-56)

Jesus is the Truth – and His coming to establish "division" is to be understood as a consequence of His being the Truth, and not because He was looking to deliberately cause division among families. Remember that make no sense. But if the world is marred by oppres-Jesus' end goal is our salvation – and therefore, in this context of unity versus division, we should keep in mind His seeking to establish the eternal union of all of His people in the fullness of the life of the Trinity in the Kingdom of Heaven. However, wherever the truth is lived and spoken in our fallen world, unfortunately it often leads to division, even within families. While we might have difficulty accepting Jesus as a cause of division, it is likely clear to each of us how truth frequently leads to tension or all out division in relationships.

As an example of such division, I used the all too common reality of division in family when one member of the family accepts a religious vocation (either to priesthood or consecrated life) and how in some instances such a strong commitment of that one family member to their faith in Christ leads to division in families – even if the other members are also believers. I referred to examples of "many saints" that had experienced the disapproval of their parents when they announced their desire to enter into a life of consecration to Christ. In many of these cases the parents of these saints were believers; however, for their own selfish reasons (especially in times of pre-arranged marriages) some of these parents inflicted punishment on their own child as a means to prevent them from responding to the call to priesthood or religious life. Such is an example a real division that exists in families over Christ. Another image of division found frequently in our own times is when one family member (in a charitable way) points out the sin of another, thus causing division – as once more the truth, even in charity, can cause division.

This is hard for us. We tend to want an empathetic God, a God who is nice to everyone. But how in the world, then, would the earth truly get redeemed? Jesus is combating forms of authority and power that do not

fit in with that vision of a wholly-redeemed earth. The passage begins with the words, "I came to bring fire to the earth." That does not sound good. It sounds much more like confrontation and conflict. So how can this be good news? Our answer depends on the way we view the world and the way we view God. If the world was exactly the way it should be, then this passage would sion and social injustices and killing and war, what would that say about a God who would just let that be? Jesus is not coming to disturb and bring havoc to a "nice" world; he came to redeem the one we have.

'This is a call to fragmentation for the sake of ultimate wholeness. It is a call to tear down in order to build up. It is a call, once again, to "die to self", to let go of what we know and what we have created and what walls we have constructed, and put our faith wholly in the wholly-redeeming God that we know. It is a call to give your life for the mission of Christ in the world.'

What is important with this passage (and others like it where Jesus's words are shocking) is to remember the end goal is eternal life in Heaven, and it is not an "earthly" goal. That Jesus is a cause of division in the world is therefore more easily understood – as the world has been given over to evil which cannot accept the Truth who is Christ. Similarly, what the world defines and values as "unity" is not the same as the perfect unity of Heaven: for earthly unity at times is nothing more than "people being nice to each other and not fighting," where true unity is in being one with God Himself, who is perfect unity, truth, and love.

Minding again that my words are only one perspective on this passage, I encourage you to look for more explanations of this passage in places like Bishop Robert Barron's website, www.wordonfire.org, under the "Resources" tab where there is a link to his homilies; or there are other notable Catholic voices on the internet where one can look (Msgr. Charles Pope is another that comes to mind) as these voices will give other perspectives on this very surprising Gospel, along with many more passages of the Scripture.

We pray to you, Creator God, who wills the world good; We pray to you Redeemer God, who makes all things new. We pray to you, stirring Spirit, healer of the nations. We pray for guidance, And before that, we pray in repentance, for too much wanting the world on our own terms. We pray for your powerful mercy, to put the world—and us—in a new way, a way after Jesus who gave himself, a way after Jesus who confounded the authorities and who lived more excellently. 'Whelm us by your newness, by peace on your terms—the newness you have promised, of which we have seen glimpses in your Son who is our Lord. Amen

Join us for the joyful celebration of Father Chrispine Otieno becoming our new pastor. He will be installed by Bishop Peter Smith, in his first visit to the parish.

# August 25th at 11 AM Mass

We will have our choir sing for this Mass. Please consider joining the choir for this important celebration.

The reception will be in the gym and is being coordinated by Jackie Sweet. Please assist her in any way possible. Thank you.



# Celebrate the FEAST of the QUEENSHIP of MARY

At the Marian Prayer Center
August 22nd
6:30pm Rosary
7:00pm Mass

4370 SE King Rd, Milwaukie 503.786.9600

Choir practice is for the installation will be

Saturday Aug 24th at

10:30 AM in the Music Room



# A Gathering Of Men

Join Fr. Chrispine for an evening of conversation and fellowship.

# Thursday August 22nd at 6 PM

Pizza, salad and adult beverages will be served in Fr. Millican Room at the parish office.



(Donations will be accepted to cover costs.)



# Keeping our Kids Safe

In an effort to keep our children safe from all types of abuse, we are offering a new training called C.A.S.E.

# "Creating A Safe Environment"

The training is a mixture of video presentation and group discussion on 'red flag behaviors'. Join us in our effort to keep all of God's children safe from harm. The class will be offered twice and is open to all parishioners. (a requirement for catechists)

Thursday August 29th at 1 PM
Thursday September 5th at 7 PM

This is outstanding training for all parents!



September 15<sup>th</sup> 1-3pm

In the school courtyard & gym

ducation

Hamburgers, hot dogs and lemonade will be provided. You are asked to bring a salad, side dish or desert to share. We will also need help with set up and cleanup.

Our children grow in faith by imitating their parents and participating in parish Religious Education (RE). We offer three class groups:

- For those who have already received First Communion
- For those seeking First Communion, in second grade and older
- For those in Kindergarten and first grade

Fall classes begin Sept. 8 at 9:45am-10:45am in the Religious Education Center (REC), below the gym.



In today's Gospel Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish

until it be accomplished!"

Your gift to the Society to assist those suffering in poverty will help set the earth on fire with God's love.

# Assistance with rent, food, and utilities: Society of St. Vincent De Paul

Emergency Services Center: 8101 SE Cornwell (off 82nd AVE, north of Johnson Creek Fred Meyer)

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Family Rosary

Friday August 23

6 pm Potluck dinner 6:45 pm Prayer in Fr. Carberry Hall Children play in the gym from 7-8pm

# Can you help?

We have many generous donors who have helped keep our parish looking beautiful over the years. With Father Chrispine's "fresh eyes" we have taken on some projects at the rectory and in landscaping that were above and beyond our usual summer tasks. The Archdiocesan Risk Management team required several trees to be trimmed or removed. Yard debris bins needed to be removed. During Father Ron's tenure he had the bathrooms remodeled and air conditioning added at his own expense. However, when he left us, there was a need for fresh paint and the hardwood floors needed attention. The rectory needed new blinds. These needs have gone above what was budgeted for the transition to a new pastor. Thank you for all that you do for Our Lady of Sorrows Parish. These are some of the costs of the projects: Tree Removal: \$1,000, computer \$1,077, security system \$2,000, hard wood floor repair \$4,000; and missal- ettes \$500 for a year. If you feel prompted by the Lord, the parish could use a few added donations to cover these costs. Included in this week's bulletin you will find the Profit and Loss statement for the previous fiscal year. Our budget for the current fiscal year will be presented in September. If you have questions please contact Father Chrispine or Bonnie.

Thank you for all that you do for Our Lady of Sorrows Parish.

# Catholic Trivia



At Mass, just before we receive Communion, we call Jesus the:

(a) King of Kings (b) Lamb of God

(c) Lion of Judah (d) Alpha and Omega

Last week's answer: **The first pope was:** (c) St. Peter

Aug 24/25	Reader	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		Altar Servers
Saturday 5:00 PM	Dan E	Body: Mary	Blood: Helen & Walter	Louie
Sunday 8:30 AM	Rosemary B	Body: Sonie	Blood: Rosy & Connie	lan, Steve
Sunday 11 AM	Bonnie	Body: Clergy	Blood: Leo & Evelyn	Jim B, Milan
Sunday 7 PM	Sr. Margaret	Body: Rudy	Blood: Sheila & Lisa	Carl



Parish Prayer Chain (503) 775-6731, Ext. 111

## Parish Prayer Corner

Contact the Parish Office if you wish to have the name of someone listed in the Prayer Corner for four weeks. Please notify the office when the name can be removed, or if you wish to have the name continued after four weeks. Please get the person's permission before having a name placed on the prayer list.

Month to Date (Aug 2019)	Actual	Budget	Over/ <b>Under-</b> Budget	Property Develop- ment
Week 1	\$3812.00	\$4,000	\$188.00	\$1033.19
Week 2	\$3017.30	\$4,000	\$982.70	\$25.00
Week 3		\$4,000		
Week 4		\$4,000		
Total	\$6,829.30	\$8,000	\$1,170.70	\$1058.19

**Sunday, August 18, 2019** 

Т	HIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH
Sun-18	Masses at 8:30 AM, 11 AM, 7 PM
Mon-19	Adoration, 6 AM – 11 PM, Church
Tue-20	Adoration, 6 AM – 11 PM, Church
Wed-21	12 PM Mass
	Wednesday's Widows, 10:15AM, Fr.
	Millican Room (FMR)
	Food & Fellowship, 12:30 PM, Fr. Car-
	berry Hall
	Catholic in Recovery, 6 PM, Fr. Carberry
	<u>Hall</u>
Thur-22	12 PM Mass
	A Gathering of Men, 6 PM, Fr. Millican
	Room
Fri-23	Office closed
	Inquiry Class, 11 AM, Fr. Carberry Hall
	12 PM Anointing Mass
	Family Rosary, 6 PM, Fr. Carberry Hall
Sat-24	Catholic in Recovery, 2 PM, Fr. Carber-
	<u>ry Hall</u>
	Catholic in Recovery (FAMILY), 2 PM,
	Fr. Millican Room
	3:30 PM Confessions

**COLLECTION COUNTERS: Mary Ann, Rosemary, Jim** 

5:00 PM Mass

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transferred to our parish bank account. Thank you!



	Mass Intentions for the Week		
Wed 21	12 PM	<b>ተ</b> Amelia <i>Anonymous</i>	
Thu 22	12 PM	Worldwide Community of Prayer	
Fri 23	12 PM	<b>†</b> Robert Cole	
		Eileen McNiel	
Sat 24	5 PM	☆ Kate Peterson	
		Barbara Sheridan	
Sun 25	8:30 AM	For the people	
	11 AM	Thanksgiving for family and	
		successful surgery	
		Mrs. Maria Clara San Luis	
	7 PM	🕆 Cordelia Odilo	
		Anonymous	



Altar flowers are a gift from Connie and Mike Whitmarsh in celebration of

Ed and Mary Kraus
63rd wedding anniversary

### THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday, 8/19: St. John Eudes Jgs 2:11-19/Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday, 8/20: St. Bernard**Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday, 8/21: St. Pius X Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday, 8/22: The Queenship of Mary

Jgs 11:29-39a/Mt 22:1-14

Friday, 8/23: St. Rose of Lima

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday, 8/17: St. Bartholomew** Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51

Sunday, 8/18: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

## Catholic in Recovery (CiR)

CiR is a general recovery group that combines the spiritual principles of 12 step recovery and the sacraments of the Catholic Church. CiR welcomes those recovering from addition: Alcohol, Overeating, Drugs, Gambling, Pornography & Sex, Codependency, and all other unhealthy attachments.

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Confidentiality is protected.
Wednesdays 6 PM in Fr. Carberry Hall
Saturday 2 PM in Fr. Carberry Hall

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