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St. Francis School

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Third Sunday of Easter—April 19, 2015

Parish Mission Statement

Jesus calls us to conversion and discipleship. Because we believe in Jesus, we the St. Francis Parish Family minister to each other and to the larger community in holiness and justice: Our celebration of the sacraments helps us to be Spirit-filled and challenges us to enable each person, each family and the parish and world communities to promote the kingdom of God every day.

Mass & Worship Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass - 5:30 pm

Sunday Masses - 8:00 am, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm

Holyday Masses as announced

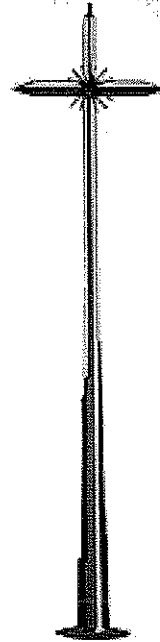
Weekday Masses - Tue - 12:00 pm, Wed - Fri & first Sat - 8:30 am

Communion Service - Mon - 8:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 4:00 -5:00 pm

Perpetual Adoration - 24 hours a day in the Chapel

Parish Rosary - 7:00 pm - 4th Thursday of each month



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Announcements

Happening this week:

- The **Hope Garden** is having a work party on this Sunday, April 19 at 1:00 pm. Please see the Social Action section of the bulletin for more information.
- **St Francis School Drama Club** is presenting **Robin Hood** this Thursday and Friday, April 23 and 24 at 7:00 pm in the gym. More information can be found in the school section of the bulletin.

Parish Announcements:

- Liturgical Ministers and Coffee Social Ministers please contact the office with your **unavailability dates** for the period of June 6 through August 30 before **Wednesday, May 6**. It is helpful if you include your ministry and Mass time.
- The **Catholic Home Missions Appeal** supports dioceses in the United States and its territories that lack the resources to provide basic pastoral ministry to their populations. Your generosity will provide catechesis, seminarian education, lay ministry training, and other pastoral programs in needy diocese. Envelopes can be found in the narthex and the church entrances. We will be collecting them next weekend, **April 25 & 26**.
- If you have brought in food for funerals, please pick up your containers in the parish center.
- The **Hope Knitters** and **St Francis Quilters** are in need of yarn. It is used to knit scarves, hats, prayer shawl and to tie quilts. A box will be in the narthex for donations.
- **It's tile time!** Commemorate upcoming sacraments and other life events with a beautiful engraved tile on the library wall. Brochures and order forms are in the narthex and parish office. Order forms are due in by Tuesday, May 12 for installation before Memorial Day, so don't delay.
- You are invited to join a **pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes including Barcelona** on October 11-20, 2015 with Father Ysrael. If interested, please pick up a flyer or brochure available in the narthex and the church entrances.
- **Itel—Knights of Columbus—Contreras Scholarships**—These scholarships are again available to any high school graduating senior who is a parishioner of St Francis. You must have applied to and been accepted by a College or University for the 2015-2016 school year. Applications (one application for all) are available in the Parish Office, or in the church narthex. The deadline for submitting your application is Thursday, April 30. The primary criteria for selection is church and school involvement together with financial need.

Out of Parish:

- **Mother & Child Education Center's Annual Charity Dinner & Auction** is set for **Saturday, May 9 from 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm**, in the Madeleine Parish Community Center, 3123 NE 24th, Portland. MCEC helps women facing unplanned pregnancies **choose life**. Tickets are \$35, and tables of 8 are available for \$240. Call 503-249-5801 to purchase tickets or make a donation.
- **Serra, the Global Lay Apostolate for Vocations in the Catholic Church**, wants to sponsor and help charter a **NEW Southwest Portland Club** and they're looking for potential members! **MARK YOUR CALENDAR** and plan to attend the **New Southwest Portland Serra Club Informational Meeting on Wednesday, May 20 at 6:30 pm at St. Cecilia Parish, 5105 SW Franklin Avenue; Beaverton**. For more information or to RSVP, contact Vanessa Blake at 503-973-0220 or vanessab@harsch.com.

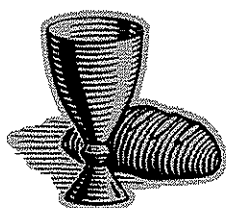
From the Pastor

I love Easter. The Mass readings during the Easter season are rich in symbolism and meaning. They are beautiful stories of the beginning of the Church narrated in the Acts of the Apostles and the many appearances and revelation of the risen Christ as told in the Gospels. Easter is a beautiful season. In and through Christ, life anew is given. Easter ushers in new beginnings. That Easter happens during spring adds more to the idea and reality of new life. Yet this new life that Easter gives presupposes death. New life can only enter when death occurs. This death takes many forms. It could mean the many losses we experience in our life. It could very well be our frustrations and disappointments. The joy of Easter is that these deaths, these losses do not mean the end but the advent of new beginnings, of greater things to come. Let us learn how to accept these many "deaths" so that we can fully take in the joy of Easter.

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of April 20-26

Monday	8:30 am	Communion Service
Tuesday	12:00 pm	Adolph Nebel+
Wednesday	8:30 am	Mary Clancy+
Thursday	8:30 am	For the End & Healing of Abortion
Friday	8:30 am	Terese Klein+
Saturday	5:30 pm	Travis & Samantha Brenneman
Sunday	8:00 am	Clara McCool+
Sunday	10:30 am	Adolfo Comia+
Sunday	5:00 pm	People of the Parish



Liturgical Ministers - April 25 & 26

Readers Ushers Servers

Saturday 5:30 pm Mass Presider: Fr. Ysrael Bien
 2 School Students John Laughlin 3 School Students
 Joe Corello

Sunday 8:00 am Mass Presider: Fr. Ysrael Bien
 2 School Students Collin Borla 3 School Students
 Shiralee Saloni

Sunday 10:30 am Mass Presider: Fr. Ysrael Bien
 2 School Students KC Wilson 3 School Students
 Bud Weisner

Sunday 5:00 pm Mass Presider: Fr. Ysrael Bien
 2 HS Youth Scott Volk Amanda Volk
 Sal Fuoti Allie Karsseboom
 Ethan Bardon

Coffee Social Hosts - April 26

8:00 am Mass—The Morrow Family

10:30 am Mass—The Monroe Family

**If you are unavailable for your scheduled time,
 please find a replacement Minister or Coffee Host.**

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12 Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29
 1 John 3:1-2 John 10:11-18

Weekly Financials

April 11 & 12 \$ 11,669.29
 Archdiocesan Loan Balance \$ 352,935.14

Loan Pay Back—Week 117
Chet & Kristen Mehta

Spaghetti Dinner a Big Success — Thank You

The youth of St. Francis would like to thank all those who supported the Spaghetti Dinner Fund-raiser last Saturday, April 11. *We raised \$1,200!* Thank you.

All proceeds will go toward sending our high school youth to Steubenville NW – Catholic Youth Conference.

We all had a great time and greatly appreciate your help.

Catholic Corner

What does idolatry mean? Idolatry means giving a creature the supreme honor that is due to God alone.

"you shall not make for yourself a graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me..." (Ex. 20:4-5). St. Paul Family Catechism, 586

Next Week: How is something like idolatry commonly practiced today?

Respect Life

I think we too are the people who, on the one hand, want to listen to Jesus, but on the other hand, at times, like to find a stick to beat others with, to condemn others. And Jesus has this message for us: mercy. I think — and I say it with humility — that this is the Lord's most powerful message: mercy. ~ Pope Francis, Homily on March 17, 2013

First 1000 Days: A Catholic Culture of Life Initiative, reflection for Sunday April 19—Where All Are Welcomed and Loved With Mercy - Day 35

"Peace is also threatened by every denial of human dignity... Unfortunately, what is thrown away is not only food and dispensable objects, but often human beings themselves, who are discarded as 'unnecessary'. For example, it is frightful even to think there are children, victims of abortion, who will never see the light of day..." Pope Francis

Parish Calendar

Monday, April 20

1:30 pm	Senior Study Group	P.C.
7:00 pm	Baptism Prep	Church

Tuesday, April 21

6:30 pm	Stephen's Ministry	P.C.
7:00 pm	RCIA	P.C.

Wednesday, April 22

8:30 am	School Mass	Church
9:00 am	Quilting	Old Hall
9:30 am	Endowment Brunch	P.C.
6:30 pm	RE Middle School Youth Group	P.C.
7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal (10:30)	Church
7:30 pm	Quest	P.C.

Thursday, April 23

9:30 am	Quest Group	P.C.
7:00 pm	Parish Rosary	Chapel
7:30 pm	K of C Officers Mtg	Old Hall

Friday, April 24

Saturday, April 25—Anniversary Blessings

Sunday, April 26—Anniversary Blessings

8:00 am	Children Liturgy of the Word	P.C.
9:15 am	Elementary Faith Formation	P.C.
9:45 am	Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy	Chapel
10:30 am	Children Liturgy of the Word	P.C.
10:30 am	Preschool Faith Formation	P.C.
1:00 pm	Confirmation Class	P.C.
5:00 pm	Youth Mass	Church
6:00 pm	High School dinner & Youth Group	P.C.

In the Spirit of St. Francis...

- ♦ To Kristie Greenslitt, Kimra Corrado, LoisMarie Mayer and Amy Cookson for sharing their time phone sitting & helping in the parish office.
- ♦ To Denny Devlin for mowing the large field by the old hall.
- ♦ To all the youth and adults who so generously donated their time and money for the Spaghetti Dinner.

In the Spirit of St. Francis...THANK YOU!

Sacramental News

Congratulations to Maddox, son of Todd and Shannon Ellingson; Kelena Marie, daughter of Glen and Liza Susi; and Madilyn Olivia, daughter of Craig and Elizabeth Johnisee who celebrated their baptisms last weekend.

Social Action Ministry

Jennifer Mirek - 503-625-7067 (x233)

Old Hall - 503-625-1263

Food Pantry Hours:

Wed & Thur 9:00 am—11:00 am and

Wed 5:00 pm—7:00 pm

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: laundry soap, dish-washing soap, bar soap

HOPE DINER: A place for people hungry for food and friendship. Sundays - 5:00 pm at the Old Hall. All are welcome. **Hosts: St Francis Team 2**

HOPE GARDEN: The garden is in need of some TLC in the form of weeding, spreading bark chips and preparing the soil for planting! If you would like to help, please meet at the Old Hall at 1:00 pm Sunday (April 19). Please bring gloves. We may need a few extra wheelbarrows, so feel free to bring yours if it is available. Thank you!



Preschool

Welcome Back! Our final class of the year will take place on May 17.

Elementary

Classes resume today! Happy Easter!

Be sure to check the Parish website for resources: stfrancissherwood.org – Faith Formation – Elementary.

Upcoming Dates

May 3 – Last Class

May 17 - Faith Formation End of Year Party (following the 10:30 am Mass). Details coming soon!



Second Year Sacrament Students

Practice makes perfect (and one less anxious) – Children should be practicing their song, bow and folded hands at home.

Reminder: First Communion Banners are due this Sunday, April 19.

Other Upcoming Dates

April 19 – First Communion Practice—12:00 pm

April 26 – First Communion Practice—12:00 pm

May 3 – Last Class and Practice—12:00 pm

May 7 – Parent/ Child Class 6:30 pm in the Parish Center

High School

Last weekend, the youth sponsored the Spaghetti Dinner. Thank you to everyone who helped make the night a success. Your support is very appreciated.

Seniors, the deadline for the Ite!, Contreas, and Knights of Columbus scholarships is fast approaching. Please turn in your applications to the office by April 30th.

This month we will wrap up our study around morality. Conversations have dealt with God's plan for our happiness, the 10 commandments, and virtues.

6:30-8:00	April 19	Q&A with Fr. Ysrael
5:00-8:00	April 26	Youth Mass and dinner



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Follow St.Francis Catholic Church on Pinterest.

Visit the Stfrancissherwood.org for events, information, etc.

Vacation Bible School

Date: June 22-26

Preschool – entering 5th Grade

REGISTER NOW!

REGISTRATION FORMS CAN BE FOUND ONLINE AND IN THE NARTHEX.

St.francissherwood.org – Faith Formation – Vacation Bible School



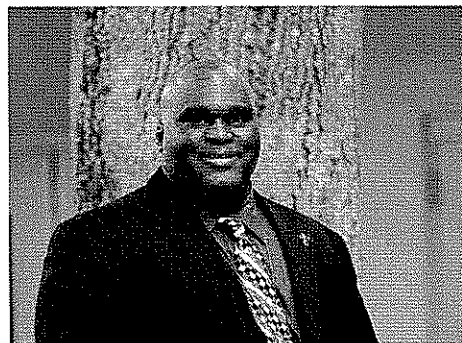
Middle School Summer Retreat

Date: June 22-26

Youth entering 6th - *8th grades are invited! (*8th graders may attend **REACH** or volunteer with VBS.)



MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!



DATE: Sunday, May 31

TIME: 11:30am—1:30pm

International speaker Deacon Harold

Burke-Sivers is coming to St. Francis. Deacon Harold is a dynamic speaker frequently heard on EWTN and KBVM. Deacon Harold is from the Portland Archdiocese and will inspire and ignite us to "Keep Holy the Sabbath." You will not want to miss! Find out more at deaconharold.com.

St Francis Drama Club Presents

Robin Hood, by Tim Kelly

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Thursday & Friday, April 23 & 24

at 7:00 pm in the St Francis school gym

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children ages 3-14

Sacraments

Baptismal Preparation	Georgine Freiburg
1st Reconciliation/Communion	Violet Wanner
Confirmation-High School	Monica Conrow
Confirmation -Adult	Jerry Grondin
Marriage Preparation	Deacon Bill Bloudek

Parish Ministry

Respect Life	Amy Cookson
Funeral Luncheon	Maggie Doud
Holly Rollers	Vida Eppich
Quilters	Sue Willard
Parish Administrative Help	Mimi Urmini
Prison Ministry	Suzanne Moore
Small Business Organization	Michael Cary
Coffee Social	Maurissa Fisher
Women's Ministry	Lisa McGuigan
Blood Pressure Screening	Robin Freadman
School Gym Coordinator	Todd Bowman
Hope Diner	Jennifer Mirek
Hope Shelter	Rob Watson
Food Pantry	Jennifer Mirek
Clothes Closet	Jennifer Mirek
Bereavement	Jennifer Mirek
Welcoming Committee	Linda Shannon
Parish Librarian	Elaine Gregoire
Holiday Food Boxes	Jennifer Mirek
Christmas Giving Tree	Jennifer Mirek
Vocations Committee	Jerry Grondin
Stephen Ministry	Sean O'Halloran

Worship/Liturgy

Communion for Homebound	Deacon Bill Bloudek
Hospital Visitation	Bob & Sharon Boryska
Perpetual Adoration	Adolf Eppich
Altar Servers	Pat Allen
Ushers	Colin Borla
Eucharistic Ministers	Deacon Bill Bloudek
Readers	Deacon Bill Bloudek
Church Environment	Melanie Battilega
Music Ministry	Angele Rogers
Prayer Chain	Deborah Brugato
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Faith Formation

Children's Liturgy of the Word	Violet Wanner
Vacation Bible School	Violet Wanner
RCIA	Linda Blackwood
Adult Education	John & Dee Campbell
Senior Study Group	Deacon Bill Bloudek

Organizations

Knights of Columbus	Rob Watson
	Paul Mayer
Teams of Our Lady	Rob & Sharla Walsh
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