Mass Schedule



 Saturday Vigil
 5:30 pm

 Sunday
 8:00 am

 10:30 am
 5:00 pm

 Tuesday
 12:00 pm

 Wed - Fri
 8:30 am

 1st Saturday
 8:30 am

Communion Service
Monday 8:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 -5:00 pm and by appointment

<u>Perpetual Adoration</u> 24 hours a day in the Chapel

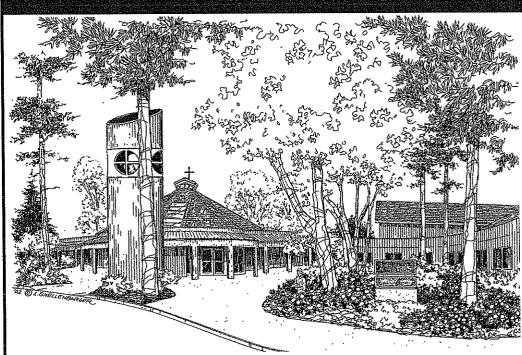
Parish Rosary

4th Thursday 7:00 pm

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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.

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2nd Sunday of Advent—December 6, 2015

Parish Calendar

Monday,	December 7	
1:30 pm	Senior Study Group	P.C.
Tuesday,	December 8-Immaculate Conce	ption
8:30 am	Immaculate Conception Mass	Church
7:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Mass	Church
Wednesd	lay, December 9	
9:00 am	Quilting	Old Hall
6:30 pm	Middle School Youth Group	P.C.
7:30 pm	Quest	P.C.
7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal (10:30)	Church
Thursda	y, December 10	
9:30 am	Quest	P.C.
6:30 pm	Stephen Ministry Training	P.C.
6:30 pm	K of C dinner	Old Hall
7:30 pm	K of C general meeting	Old Hall
7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal (8:00)	Church

Friday, December 11

Saturday, December 12	
10:00 am CYO Gift Wrapping Party	P.C.
3:00 pm Couples for Christ Christmas party	P.C.
Sunday, December 13	

Sunday, I	December 13	
9:15am	Elementary Faith Formation	P.C.
9:45 am		Chapel
10:30 am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	P.C.
10:30 am	Preschool Faith Formation	P.C.
	All Parish Luncheon	P.C.
	Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers	Church

Mass Intentions

Week of December 7—13				
Monday Tuesday	8:30 am 8:30 am 7:00 pm	Communion Service Mary Eva Wanner+ Marcella Herrin+		
Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday Sunday Sunday Sunday	8:30 am 8:30 am 8:30 am 5:30 pm 8:00 am 10:30 am 5:00 pm	Juan Perez EJ Resinto Gail Ruddiman In Thanksgiving LeAnne Quimby+ Chris Corrado People of the Parish		

Loan Pay Back—Week 149

John Laughlin

Next Sunday's Readings

Zephaniah 3:14-18a Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 Philippians 4:4-7 Luke 3:10-18

Weekly Financials

November 28 & 29 \$ 9,485.13 Archdiocesan Loan Balance \$ 221,729.06

Liturgical Ministers - December 8, 12 & 13

Readers	Ushers	<u>Servers</u>		
Tuesday 8:30 am	Mass			
Amanda Fronczak	Giovi Paras	Grace Johnson		
Oliver Fisher	Carlota Delos Reyes	Gabriella Feliciano		
		John Feliciano		
Tuesday 7:00 pm	Mass			
Mike Roos	Kevin Moore	Ben LaFave		
Danielle Coughran	Joe Corello	Noah LaFave		
Saturday 5:30 pm Mass				
Jill LaFave	David Bonfiglio	Noah LaFave		
Hank Becker	Joe Corello	Ben LaFave		
		Darynne Guevara		
Sunday 8:00 am	Mass			
Jerilyn Felton	_	Sean Allen		
	Kevin Moore	Victoria Pitt		
		Oliver Fisher		
Sunday 10:30 am Mass				
Ed Hobbs	Dennis Freiburg	Lauren Paglinawan		
Adolf Eppich		Caleb Kester		
		Natalie Fuchs		
Sunday 5:00 pm	Mass			
	Scott Volk	Allie Karsseboom		
Joey Biever	Sal Fuoti	Keeley McCaulley		
•		Drew Knicherbocke		

Coffee Social Hosts - December 13

No Coffee Social—Advent Speaker, Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers

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

From the desk of Father James

My brothers and sisters, this 2nd Sunday of Advent, we are introduced to our friend John the Baptist. He is the forerunner, the one sent ahead of the Messiah who preached a baptism of repentance. John calls us to take a good look at our lives and calls us to turn away from our sins and repent. He calls us to make room in our hearts and let Jesus fully reside within us.

What are some things that we need to repent of this Advent to help make more room in our heart for Jesus? How can we make time in our life to just be still a few minutes each day? Maybe during this season of Advent we might want to consider signing up for an hour of adoration in the Blessed Sacrment Chapel to spend quiet time with our Lord. Maybe we might want to start coming to daily mass? These are two options, there are many others. Let us use this time of Advent wisely to help prepare to greet our Lord Jesus when He comes in Glory.

This coming Tuesday we have the opportunity to come to Mass on December 8 at either 8:30 am or 7:00 pm to celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. This **IS** a **HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**. All Catholics are obligated to attend Mass on this day. This feast is not only the patronal feast of our Archdiocese, but also of the United States.

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, pray for us!

Fr. James

In the Spirit of St. Francis...

- ◆ To Kristie Greenslitt, LoisMarie Mayer, June McKune and Amy Cookson for sharing their time phone sitting & helping in the parish office.
- ◆ To LeRoy Nollette and Mike Roos who made the Mary, Joseph and donkey structure in the field making their journey during Advent to the church. LeRoy then painted it and LoisMarie Mayer added the clothes to finalize the project.
- ◆ To Tanis Leach for making 4 gluten free food boxes for our Thanksgiving food box outreach.
- ◆ To St. Francis Student Council who organized a food drive for the St Francis food pantry.
- ◆ To St. Francis School for donating 393 pounds of food to the Thanksgiving Food Boxes.
- ◆ To Dennis Freiburg, John & Larry Laughlin, Gregg & Liz Harris, Mary Beth & Grace Bowman, Kori & Kolleen Peters, and Jeanne & Livie Nave for helping with the Advent Wreath making event.
- To John Monroe for assisting with the parish office computers.
- To Madeleine Clancy for laundering the altar linens for the month of November.
- ◆ To Evlyn Turner, Merlie Hoffarber, Chris Friesen, Bill Klickman, Samantha Battilega and Willie & Melanie Battilega for changing the missals in the church pews.

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

DON'T MISS – ADVENT SPEAKER

Sunday, December 13 (Next Weekend)
11:30 am – Luncheon served in the Parish
Center

12:30 pm — International Speaker (Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers)

Deacon Harold is a well know international speaker. He recently spoke at the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia and travels the world inspiring Catholics to live their faith.

He is from our very own Portland Archdiocese and we feel very fortunate to host him this Advent. He will talk about how we can live our faith in our homes as Households of Faith. This is all homes, single, married, widowed, divorced, children or no children, his talk will inspire all.



Preschool & Elementary

There are no classes on 12/20 or 12/27. Classes will resume on 1/3.

"Faith formation is more than a subject to be taught- it is an invitation to a way of life"

Middle School

Join us in December as we prepare our hearts to receive the gift of Christ at Christmas.

Dec. 2 – Contemplating the Face of Christ during Advent Dec 8 – *Tuesday*, Immaculate Conception & Celebration of Holy Year of Mercy

(Youth can sit together with their leaders as a group – to the left of altar – or with their family)

Dec 9 - Advent Class

Dec 16 - All Parish Reconciliation

(Youth will meet at 6:30 pm in the parish center to prepare for confession and then join the parish in the church for a reconciliation service. Parents can pick up in the parish center around 8:15 pm)

Wish List:

Upgrading some electronics or games over Christmas? We would love donations of your old "working" electronics. We are in the need of:

- (2) 36"-40' televisions
- Digital Camera
- Old game systems with appropriate games
- Appropriate games for the WII (we have one, but no TV to play it on)

Games (Pictionary, Tenzi, Blockus, Yahtzee, Telestrations, Catchphrase)

RCIA

On Sunday, November 29, the Inquirers participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults experienced the Rite of Acceptance or the Rite of Welcome and Call to Continuing Conversion. Those celebrating the Rite of Acceptance and seeking Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation are Thong Tran, Andrew Frezza, and Marvel Westbrook. Those seeking Eucharist and Confirmation and full communion with the Catholic Church are Hope Jensen, Lisa Esparza, and Karene Coupens Welcome them as you would welcome Christ.

Catholics Can Come Home

St. Francis is launching a series of gatherings designed to reacquaint non-practicing Catholics with the Catholic faith as well as answer questions and address concerns. Watch the website and check the bulletin for more information. Contact Linda Blackwood at linda@stfrancissherwood.org or 503-625-6185.

High School

Blessings to your families during Advent. We are thankful to our families and volunteers who make youth group a great place to be!

Please join us on Sunday evenings, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm in the parish center.

Dec 5 – Saturday, Service & Fundraising – Cleaning parish center

Dec 6 – Youth Mass & Dinner, Advent Class

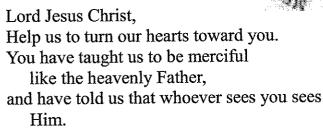
Dec 13 – All Parish Event 11:30 am in Parish Center (Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers)
(No Youth Group that evening)

Dec 20 – Christmas Party, Wear your "Ugly Christmas Sweater!"

Dec 27 - NO CLASS - Merry Christmas

Prayer for the Jubilee Year of Mercy Archdiocese of Portland

Excerpted and amended from Pope Francis' prayer for the Year of Mercy



Show us your face and we will be saved.

You are the visible face of the invisible Father who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy.

Let each of us, members of the Church in the Archdiocese of Portland, be your visible face in the world.

Send your Holy Spirit to sanctify each one of us with his anointing,

so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord,

and that we, your Church, with renewed enthusiasm,

may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this of you, Lord Jesus, through the intercession of Mary,
Mother of Mercy;
you who live and reign with the Father and the
Holy Spirit
forever and ever.

Amen.



Jennifer Mirek - 503-625-7067 Old Hall - 503-625-1263 jennifer@stfrancissherwood.org Food Pantry Hours: Wed & Thur 9:00 am—11:00 am and Wed 5:00 pm—7:00 pm

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: cereal, canned fruit **HOPE SHELTER NEEDS:** hand warmers, small bottles of hand sanitizer, bus tickets (2.5 hour tickets)

HOPE SHELTER COUNT ON 11/29/15 was 20 guests

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 5

Giving Tree and Christmas Food Boxes:

The Giving Tree and Christmas food donation sign ups are in the narthex. If you would like to take a tag, please complete the Giving Tree Form and place it in the basket near the tree. The form asks for your contact information and tag number/letter combination (example: 43B1, 37A2). It is very important to fill out these forms so we can track the presents and make sure each child is taken care of!

Giving Tree presents can be placed under the tree in the narthex or can be brought to the parish office. Please wrap your present and tape the Giving Tree tag to your present. Presents are needed by **Monday, December 14**.

Non-Perishables are needed by Monday, December 14. Perishable donations need to be brought to the Old Hall on Saturday, December 19 between 8:00 am—10:00 am. We are distributing presents and food boxes on Saturday December 19. Thank you very much!!



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Ending Monday....The St. Francis School Online Auction!

St. Francis School is having their annual online auction. There are some great items and certificates available, including a \$5000 certificate to Wilson Orthodontics that can be applied toward any new orthodontic patient's treatment and has no expiration date. There are over 75 certificates to restaurants, shops, wineries, services, activities, etc! Truly something for everyone! To view the items for sale, please go to http://is.gd/stfrancisonline or you can reach the online auction by visiting the school's website http://www.stfrancissherwoodschool.org/ and clicking on the "auction" tab. 100% of proceeds go directly to the school. The auction is hosted by eBay, so all you need is an eBay account in order to bid or purchase. Happy bidding!!!

Sacramental News

Congratulations to Sebastian James, son of Michael & Erica Hass, and David Michael, son of Paul & Stacy Skipworth, who celebrated their baptisms last week.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

LeAnne June Quimby died on November 23.

Marcella Anna Herrin died on November 23.

Catholic Corner

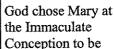
What is perjury? Perjury is the serious sin of swearing an oath falsely—deliberately asking God to be a witness to a lie.

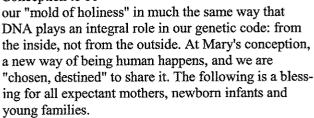
"And you shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the Lord" (Lv. 19:12.)

St. Paul Family Catechism, 620

Next Week: ? Are we obliged to keep an oath taken in order to promise something wrong or impossible?

Respect Life





Loving Father, during this holy season of Advent, keep us watchful and alert. Fill our hearts with expectation so that, through the hope and tenderness of Christmas, we may shake off our indifference. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

~Taken from the Nov and Dec Magnificats

First 1000 Days: A Catholic Culture of Life Initiative reflection for Sunday December 6, Where All Are Welcomed and Loved With Mercy - Day 266 Children who suffer the most from environmental exposures are those yet unborn because they are the least capable of fending themselves from toxic exposures. Early exposure to neurotoxins like lead and mercury may result in lifelong developmental effects, permanently altering a child's intelligence and/or their development.

Announcements

Happening this Week:

- Please join the Knights of Columbus for their delicious breakfast after the morning Masses this Sunday, December 6.
- There will be **blood pressure screening** after the morning Masses this **Sunday**, **December 6** in the parish center.
- There will be Masses this Tuesday, December 8 for the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times are 8:30 am and 7:00 pm.

Parish Announcements:

- We will have our parish Advent Reconciliation Service on Wednesday, December 16 at 7:00 pm.
- Thank you, St. Francis parish, for your support of our Thanksgiving Food boxes. With your help, we distributed nearly 70 boxes. We are doing a similar amount for Christmas and we need your help. Requests for food box items and the Giving Tree are now in the narthex. Please see the Social Action section of the bulletin.
- Liturgical Ministers and Coffee Social Ministers, the schedules for December through February have been sent out via email. They are also posted on the website, stfrancissherwood.org. For the liturgical ministers' schedule, click on Liturgical Ministers under the Worship/Liturgy tab. For the coffee social ministers' schedule click on Parish Life Ministries under the Parish Ministries tab. If you have not received your schedule please contact the parish office.
- The Retirement Fund for Religious Collection will be next weekend, December 12 and 13. Your gift provides vital support for senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Envelopes can be found in the narthex and the entrances to the church.
- The **lost and found** is starting to pile up in the church. Please check the boxes in the narthex. They will be there until Sunday, December 13 after which point the items will be donated to charity.
- CYO is hosting a "CYO Gift Wrapping Party" event on Saturday, December 12 in the parish center from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm. This fundraiser will support our CYO program, the money raised will go towards the purchase of new uniforms and equipment. Bring your unwrapped presents to the Parish Hall. We will provide the gift wrapping paper, ribbons, tape, and scissors. Get in the holiday spirit with the community by wrapping your gifts with neighbors and friends. CYO will also provide refreshments and appetizers. We hope to see you there. Please contact Sombra Wagner at smccaulley1675@gmail.com for details about the event.
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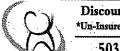
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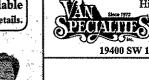
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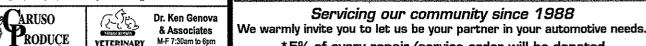


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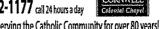
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