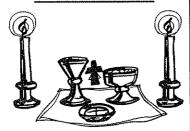
Mass Schedule



Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm **Sunday** 8:00 am 10:30 am & 5:00 pm

For daily Mass schedule see the Parish Calendar inside the bulletin.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday 5:00 -5:45 pm Saturday 4:00 -5:00 pm and by appointment

Perpetual Adoration

24 hours a day in the Chapel

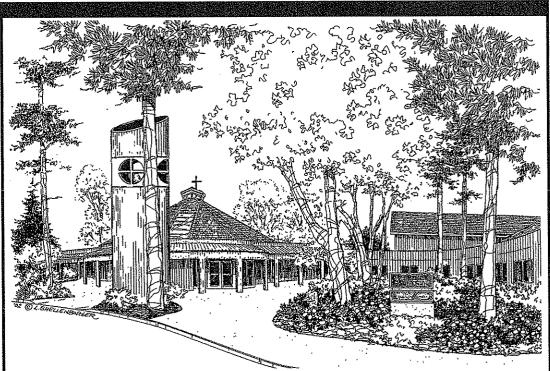
Parish Rosary

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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Parish Calendar

Monday,	April 18	
12:05 pm	Mass (Priest's intention)	Chapel
1:30 pm	Senior Study Group	P.C.
7:00 pm	K of C 4th Degree Assembly	Old Hall
Tuesday,	<u>-</u>	
12:05 pm	Mass (Ralph+ & Eileen Bertrand)	Chapel
6:30 pm	Stephen Ministry Meeting	P.C.
7:00 pm	RCIA	P.C.
	ay, April 20	
8:30 am	School Mass (Respect for All Life)	Church
9:00 am	Quilting	Old Hall
9:00 am	Food Pantry/Clothes Closet	Old Hall
9:30 am	School Endowment Brunch	P.C.
5:00 pm	Food Pantry/Clothes Closet	Old Hall
5:00 pm	Reconciliation	Chapel
6:00 pm	Mass (Herbert Mausser+)	Chapel
6:30 pm	Middle School Youth Group	P.C.
7:30 pm	10:30 am Mass Choir Rehearsal	Church
7:30 pm	Quest	P.C.
_	, April 21	
8:30 am	Mass (Adolph Nebel+)	Chapel
9:00 am	Food Pantry/Clothes Closet	Old Hall
9:30 am	Quest	P.C.
6:30 pm	Stephen Ministry Training	P.C.
7:00 pm	Admin/Finance Council Meeting	P.C.
7:00 pm	Spring School Play	Gym
7:30 pm	8:00 am Mass Choir Rehearsal	Church
Friday, A	-	est 1
8:30 am	Mass (Mary Clancy+)	Chapel
7:00 pm	Spring School Play	Gym
	, April 23 – Anniversary Blessings	<i>α</i> 1 1
4:00 pm	Reconciliation	Chapel
5:30 pm	Mass (Delores M Wilson+)	Church
	April 24 – Anniversary Blessings	. ~ .
8:00 am	Mass (Travis & Sammi Brenneman	•
9:15 am	Elementary Faith Formation	P.C.
9:45 am	Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy	Chapel
10:30 am	Mass (Wayne Frampton+)	Church
10:30 am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	P.C.
10:30 am	Preschool Faith Formation	P.C.
12:00 pm	1st Communion Practice	Church
5:00 pm	Mass (People of the Parish)	Church
5:00 pm	Hope Diner	Old Hall
6:00 pm	High School Youth Group	P.C.

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Next Sunday's Readings

Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27 Psalm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 Revelation 21:1-5a John 13:31-33a, 34-35



Liturgical Ministers - April 23 & 24

Readers	Ushers	Servers			
Saturday 5:30 pm	ı Mass				
	Ted Trecker	Robin Reyna			
Hank Becker	Jeff Dennison	Chloe Watson			
		Kay Beemer			
Sunday 8:00 am I	Mass				
Pat Allen	Marilyn Sykes	Sean Allen			
Geoff Horning	Linda Shannon	Jeffrey Manning			
_		Andrew Manning			
Sunday 10:30 am	Mass	•			
Danielle Coughran	Dennis Freiburg	Austin Grosso			
Yvonne Rice		JohnPaul Grosso			
		Brianna Lauer			
Sunday 5:00 pm	Mass				
Rachel Engstrom		Eleanor Snyder			
Irene George		Amelia Snyder			
_		Gwenyth Snyder			

Coffee Social Hosts - April 24

8:00 am Mass – The MacKinnon Family 10:30 am Mass – The Fronczak Family

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

From the desk of Father James

Jesus said:

"My sheep hear my voice;
I know them, and they follow me.
I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish.
No one can take them out of my hand.
My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand.
The Father and I are one."

It is a rare occasion in which I would be able to post the entire gospel from Sunday within this space, but this week we have one of the shortest Gospel readings of the entire year.

The 4th Sunday of Easter is often referred to as Good Shepherd Sunday, because the reading from the three Sunday Cycles each talk about Jesus being the Good Shepherd. He knows us and we know Him. We are able to know Him because we have come to know His voice.

Jesus speaks to us in so many ways, in our scriptures, in the sacraments, in our daily lives. Do we recognize that voice when He does speak to us? Are we able to distinguish His voice from so many other voices that we hear each day, especially the voice of the devil? If we are not careful, the voice of the devil and Jesus can sound very much alike, but there is one big difference. The Good shepherd always leads us to eternal life, but the devil will lead us to eternal damnation and life without God.

How do we recognize the Shepherds voice? By listening to Him and following His way of Love.

In the Spirit of St. Francis...

- ◆ To Debbie Puchalski, Phil and Lisa McGuigan, Tim Moore, Vida and Adolf Eppich plus members of Sherwood High School's Key Club and National Honor Society who worked very hard last Saturday in the garden.
- To Dr. JJ Bittner, who coordinated the Fellowship of Christian Athletes weeding around the Old Hall, washing windows and filling parking lot potholes....at 6:30 am on a day off from school!
- To Jacob Bohanan, Kim Felix, Dave Felix, Catie Felix, Nicole Jolibois, Michelle Kieling, Daniel Bixel, Jennifer Bixel, Garrett Schweigert, Julie Schweigert, Austin Grosso, Audrey Potter, Angelina Conrow, Faith Potter, Amanda Volk, Stephanie Salazar, Kathleen Resch, Michelle Oakman, Bella Miranda-Goeller, Lauren Cangelosi, Kathleen McVicker, Yolanda McVicker, Ryan Urmini, Mimi Urmini, Meghan Killinger, Stephanie Killinger, Grace Killinger, Matthew Killinger, Robby Roach, the St. Francis parish and for supporting the spaghetti dinner.

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

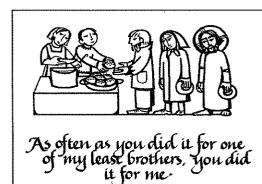


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Vacation Bible School 2016 St. Francis Catholic Church Presents:



Date: July 11-15

Time: 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Who: Preschoolers - 5th Graders are invit-

ed to attend.

Registration begins May 1st.

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

Middle School

- * Wednesday, April 20, What is a Pilgrimage?
- * Saturday, April 23 Archdiocese Youth Pilgrimage (all day event.) Please pray for our Young Church (Middle & High School Youth) as they journey on a Spiritual Pilgrimage from the Grotto to St. Mary's Cathedral. They will walk this Pilgrimage on Saturday, April 23 beginning at 9:30 am. They will end with a Mass in the Cathedral with Archbishop Sample
- Wednesday, April 27, follow up to Pilgrimage, Being a Good Friend
- * Wednesday, May 4, ALL CURRENT 5th Grade Students join us for an evening of fun. All 5th grade students please join us in the Parish Center. We are excited to introduce you to the Middle School Youth Ministry. So many youth love this ministry come find out why. We meet from 6:30 pm 8:00 pm in the Parish Center.

High School

Mark your calendars! The school year is wrapping up. There are many important events and celebrations approaching. Please watch your emails for more information.

- * Sunday, April 17 Confirmation and Youth group Why and How Do I Pray?
- * Saturday, April 23 Archdiocesan Pilgrimage
- * Sunday, April 24 NO CLASS due to Confirmation retreat and Archdiocesan Pilgrimage
- Sunday, May 1 Youth Mass and dinner, END OF YEAR CELEBRATION
- * Sunday, May 8 NO CLASS, Mother's day
- * Sunday, May 15 NO CLASS, Please join us at Confirmation Mass and reception
- * Sunday, May 22 Special outing-watch for more information via email
- * Sunday, May 29 NO CLASS, Memorial day

Summer calendar is coming soon!

The Importance of Modesty for Human Dignity

From the Catholic Sentinel by Rachel Biby of St. Mary Parish in Eugene.

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth, and he created humans in his own image. At first, Adam and Eve were filled with sanctifying grace and clothed in purity and dignity. They were naked and felt no shame, but then sin entered the world, and they lost sanctifying grace. They were no longer masters of their own flesh.

Adam and Eve tried to hide from God, but one cannot flee from the Creator. He knew that they were no longer innocent so he made clothes for them and promised them a redeemer.

Since the fall of humanity, people have had an instinct for modesty that can only be ignored at the cost of self respect and dignity. The virtue of modesty is for both men and women. Dressing modestly shows that we want to be treated with respect.

Mary was modest and humble. Mary always wore lovely, feminine clothing when she appeared to someone. But modesty is more than the length of one's garments, it has to start inside. Purity, dignity, and modesty all begin inside of a person's soul. No amount of fabric in a gown or a suit can make someone modest. The Blessed Virgin even warned Blessed Jacinta Marto that certain fashions were going to be introduced that would offend our Lord very much. Those in the church should not follow these fashions.

Modesty was important to many of the saints. Saint Pio of Pietrelcina would ask people who weren't dressed modestly to leave the confessional until they were dressed properly. Saint Bernadette was modest and took care of her clothes, and even though she was poor, she was able to retain her modesty and dignity. I'm sure that Saint Maria Goretti was modest, and that helped her to become a martyr for chastity.

In the past, women wore long, beautiful gowns, and they covered their heads while at church. This custom is being seen less and less at our churches today. Some men, women, and even children dress immodestly at church. It's not uncommon to see shorts or tank tops at the Holy Mass.

Pope Pius XI and the XII warned against immodest dress even before the days that tank tops or mini skirts were invented. How relevant are their words in today's culture.

Our Catholic church teachings aren't changed by popular culture, and they are as timeless as modesty itself.

Modesty makes a man a gentlemen and makes a woman a lady. After all, without modesty, dignity, and self restraint, we might be little more than animals. I recommend a book called "Dressing With Dignity" by Colleen Hammond to anyone who wants to read more about modesty and its place in our Catholic faith.



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: canned stew, chili and soup

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 6

Hope Garden Update: With the recent lovely weather, the garden is abuzz with activity. We've had confirmation kids help weed and spread mulch as well as a work party last weekend to finish up the weeding, mowing and filling the beds with dirt. Some cool weather crops have already been planted. Next on our "to do" list is building a garden shed to house our lawn mower, tools and other gardening supplies.

We have many wonderful volunteers who help harvest the crops throughout the summer. Most of these volunteers choose a day each week to pick produce and leave it at the pantry for our clients to take when they visit either Hope Diner or the St. Francis Food Pantry. Harvesting volunteers usually spend an hour or so each week in the garden. We always need volunteers to pick produce, so if you are interested, please contact Jennifer Mirek. This is a great way to volunteer as a family and get some fresh air and sunshine!

The Hope Garden would not happen each year without some fantastic lead volunteers. Thank you very much to: Vida Eppich and Carol Roos, who advise what crops to grow, how to amend the soil, grow veggie starts and help plant the garden; Mike Roos for tilling the soil in the garden and turning our compost pile; Tim Moore for tackling the watering system and mowing around the garden; Adolf Eppich for building supports for climbing veggies.

An upcoming need: Someone with a pickup truck who could drive bark chips from where they are currently piled by the big cross down to the garden. Middle school students would load and unload the truck. This work would probably need to be done on a Friday afternoon. Please let Jennifer Mirek know if you can help with this task. Thank you!

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Sacramental News

Congratulations to Athena Reign Paras, daughter of Andrew Paras and Rosalyn Gonzales, who celebrated her baptism last weekend.

Catholic Corner

How is the unity of God's people expressed at Mass? The unity of God's people is expressed by the actions of the faithful who pray, sing and act together in the Mass. Most of all, it is expressed by the reception of the Holy Eucharist, which is the center of unity. St. Paul Family Catechism, 639

Next Week: Why was Sunday set aside as the Lord's day in place of the Sabbath of the Old Testament?

Respect Life

"Euthanasia and assisted suicide are serious threats to



families worldwide...The Church, while firmly opposing these practices, feels the need to assist families who take care of their elderly and infirm members." ~Pope Francis. Taken from his apostolic exhortation, Amoris Laetitia, Latin for the "Joy of Love"

Sunday, April 17 Where All Are Welcomed and Loved With Mercy - Day 399 Anyone who ever wondered how much they could love a child who did not spring from their own loins, knows this: it is the same. The feeling of love is so profound, it's incredible and surprising.

Announcements

Parish Announcements:

- Liturgical Ministers are asked to contact the parish office before this Wednesday, May 4 with your non-availability dates for the next period, June 4 through August 28. It is very helpful if you include your ministry and Mass time in your communications.
- Vacation Bible School: Year of Mercy will take place July 11 15. Children in Preschool 5th grade are encouraged to attend. Registration will begin Sunday, May 1. Volunteers youth entering 8th grade and older and adults are needed!
- Middle School Summer Retreat will take place July 11 15. We will have some great service projects, faith and fun! You won't want to miss it! Registration begins Sunday, May 1.
- Next weekend, April 23 & 24 is the collection for the Catholic Home Missions. This appeal supports dioceses in the United States and its territories that lack the resources to provide basic pastoral ministry to their populations. If you would like to support this worthy cause you can pick up an envelope in the narthex or church entrances and place it in the collection basket next weekend.
- The weekend of April 30 our parish will once again be participating in the **annual baby bottle fundraiser** which benefits the Mother and Child Education Center in Portland. The baby bottles will be distributed then and collected the weekend of May 21. This worthy non-profit will be so grateful for your generosity and kindness in participating in this "Campaign for Change" that provides education, services and emergency supplies to all parents in need.
- 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 2016-2017 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, May 5. The primary criteria for selection are church and school involvement together with financial need.
- Check out the **parish library** in the gathering space in the parish center. There are many wonderful books for you to check out and read.
- If you helped with the parish grounds clean up in March and are missing a rake, it is in the school office. Please go to the school office and pick up the rack as soon as possible.

Out of Parish:

- Mater Dei Radio KBVM will broadcast its **Spring Sharathon 2016** on April 19 22. Help them in "Building a Bridge of Mercy" by tuning in for a variety of special guests, inspiring conversion stories, special Divine Mercy gifts, and an opportunity for you to support the region's only Catholic radio station. Find out more about Spring Sharathon 2016 at MaterDeiRadio.com or call 1-888-823-5286.
- ATTENTION PLEASE! Engaging Children & Teens in their Faith in a Culture of Distractions, tested tips for catechists, teachers & parents. Presented by Dr. Joseph White who is a writer, editor and consultant to Our Sunday Visitor and is in part-time practice as a clinical child psychologist. This free workshop is being hosted by Resurrection parish in Tualatin on Thursday, April 21 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Register at pdxfamlife.org/attention-please/.

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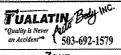
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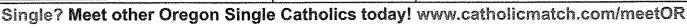
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