Mass <u>Schedule</u>



 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

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

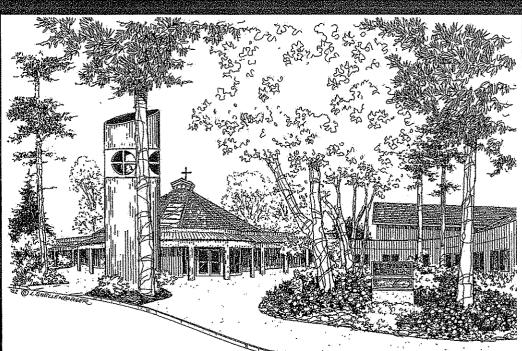
Parish Rosary 4th Thursday

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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The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 17, 2016

Parish Calendar

Monday, July 18					
12:05 pm	Communion Service	Chapel			
6:30 pm	Stephen Ministry Meeting	P.C.			
Tuesday, July 19					
12:05 pm	Chapel				
Wednesd:	Wednesday, July 20				
9:00 am	Quilting	Old Hall			
	Food Pantry/Clothes Closet	Old Hall			
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	Reconciliation	Chapel			
6:00 pm	Mass (Marian Garstka+)	Chapel			
,	8:00 am Mass Choir Rehearsal	Church			
Thursday	, July 21				
8:30 am	Mass (Ann Ludwig)	Chapel			
9:00 am	Food Pantry/Clothes Closet	Old Hall			
Friday, J	uly 22				
8:30 am	Mass (End & Healing of Abortion)	Chapel			
Saturday,					
8:00 am	K of C State Summer Meeting	P.C.			
4:00 pm	Reconciliation	Chapel			
5:30 pm	Mass (Donald Flower+)	Church			
Sunday, J					
8:00 am	Mass (Genny Harmon+)	Church			
8:00 am	K of C State Summer Meeting	P.C.			
9:45 am	Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy	Chapel			
10:30 am	Mass (Gary Thomas+)	Church			
12:00 pm	Altar Server Training	Church			
5:00 pm	Hope Diner – St Paul Lutheran	Old Hall			
5:00 pm	Mass (People of the Parish)	Church			



Financials

July 9 & 10 collections \$ 8,846.7 Weekly Expenses \$ 12,814.2	~
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Next Sunday's Readings

Genesis 18:20-32 Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 Colossians 2:12-14 Luke 11:1-13



Liturgical Ministers - July 23 & 24

Readers	Ushers	Servers				
Saturday 5:30 pm Mass						
Denny Devlin	Joe Corello	Antoinette Reyna				
Kelly Beemer David Bonfiglio		Anne Ball				
·	~	Robin Reyna				
Sunday 8:00 am Mass						
Geoff Horning	Linda Shannon	Victoria Pitt				
Jerry Grondin	John Milroy	Hannah Harnsberger				
-	•	Peyton LaRosa				
Sunday 10:30 am Mass						
Lynette Koppel	KC Wilson	Aidan Roos				
Christine Feleciano		Avery Roos				
		Ella Bowman				
Sunday 5:00 pm Mass						
Jennifer Swanson	Carlota Delos Reyes	Gabrielle Morrow				
Irene George	Manny Delos Reyes	Michael Wanner				
	•	Nicholas Wanner				

Coffee Social Hosts - July 24

8:00 am Mass – The MacKinnon Family 10:30 am Mass – Dennis Freiburg, Arleen Harvey and Rosie Byles

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

From the desk of Father James

Growing up, we never had a lot of visitors come to our home. I want to say that it is because we lived out in the country. Often, we were the ones making the visits to family. But, when we were going to have visitors, there was always a lot of activity that surrounded the visit. We had to get the house picked up, put into order and often there were a number of baked treats prepared. Then there was usually some sort of a big meal.

This is just a short summary of what happened before guests arrived. Once they did arrive, there was a focus on making sure that the guests were comfortable and had everything that they needed. It took a lot of time and energy to make sure that they were attended to. Often, when I was young, I would think to myself, this is a lot of work when people come over to visit for a few hours or even a day or so. It might be better if they just stayed home.

This indeed might be a familiar narrative for many of us in our lives, either looking back to the past, or it may even be the same narrative that we see unfolding today in our families. It does take a lot of time and attention to attend to daily activities in our household, especially when guests come, but Jesus gives us a different perspective on this in our Gospel reading today.

He has come to the house of Martha, Mary and Lazarus. In Luke's account, Lazarus is not mentioned, but we remember him from other accounts in the Gospels. Martha has been busy preparing the house for their family's guest. Martha comes to Jesus distracted and anxious about the tasks that she is involved in, seemingly wanting Jesus to ask Mary to help her.

Mary has chosen to stop and spend time with Jesus, to listen to Him and just spend time with their friend and houseguest. Jesus even replies to Martha saying that Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her.

We can read this Gospel many different ways and come to a number of different conclusions about what Jesus is saying, but I think that the point is pretty clear. When we are anticipating a visit from someone, especially a friend, we go to great lengths to make sure that everything is prepared for the visit. But once our guests arrive, the time has come to spend time with them and just be in their company.

Often in our lives, we get busy making sure that everything is just right for the visitors; the house is picked up, snacks are prepared, and so on, that we forget the visitors are the most important part of this whole equation.

We spend time during the week, getting ready for Jesus to come and visit us. To encounter Him in a very real and intimate way when we come to Mass. But do these everyday anxieties prevent us from encountering Him when we finally arrive? Are we like Martha that is still more concerned about the things that need to get done, or are we like Mary, who gives all her attention to Jesus?

We do want to prepare ourselves for the encounter with Jesus that we are going to have. But we also must be able to know that He has arrived, that all our attention must turn to Him.



In the Spirit of St. Francis...

- To everyone who helped with set-up, serving and clean-up; and those who shared their delicious salads and desserts for the Michael Graham funeral.
- To Frances Jewell and Yvonne Nimeh for the beautiful flowers for the church.

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

St. Francis Catholic Church is seeking a qualified individual as the part time Music Coordinator for the parish. The ideal candidate will be expected to:

- Plan and coordinate music for all liturgies
- Provide music for all weekend Masses and major celebrations, including weddings and funerals
- Schedule and direct practice for choir members and musicians

The candidate should have experience in the areas of music coordination and success in managing and training volunteers. Skilled accompaniment with piano or guitar required. Successful completion of background check required. Please contact Sheila in the parish office for further information, 503-625-6185 or send resume to spolowicz@archdpdx.org.

Mothering with Mercy

by Jill Wenger December 21, 2015

Ever since we began the Year of Mercy on December 8th, I have been thinking of ways I can more fully live out the works of mercy. Through a conversation with a friend, it became clear that we often are doing these things daily, without even realizing it. As a mom of little ones, I'd like to share my perspective on living out the corporal works of mercy.

Feed the hungry: This is an obvious one. When you have children of any age, you are constantly preparing meals and snacks to help keep their little tummies full. We can take a moment while we prepare the food to thank God that we have something to offer our little (or big) ones, and make sure we always have room at the table for one more. We can choose to be grateful for the opportunity to serve and ask God to bless and nourish the bodies that we feed. We can also share with those who need a little help, by donating food items to St. Vincent de Paul or other community services.

Give drink to the thirsty: My kids love to drink out of my cup or water bottle... all the time. I think the fact that I tell them not to makes it all the more appealing. In those moments when they sneak around to take a quick drink, may I be reminded to pray for patience and a gentle spirit, and to keep things in proper perspective. As our kids come to us throughout the day, asking for a drink, let us all be reminded of God's thirst for a relationship with us, and make time for prayer. The Catechism puts it this way, "The wonder of prayer is revealed beside the well, where we come seeking water: there, Christ comes to every human being. It is He who first seeks us and asks us for a drink. Jesus thirsts; His asking arises from the depths of God's desire for us. Whether we realize it or not, prayer is the encounter of God's thirst with ours. God thirsts that we may thirst for him." CCC 2560

Clothe the naked: Whether it is my daughter, who loves to pick out her own clothes (which may or may not match) or my little guy, who is very excited about potty training right now, and more often than not, needs to be reminded to keep his pants on... I am very often clothing the naked. As you help them into a clean shirt after a messy snack time, or see your little princess running around in a tutu, dress and tights of every color and pattern, pray with thanksgiving that you have something to dress them in, and remember to share your fortune with those who have less, and donate outgrown or new clothes to those who need them.

Shelter the homeless: We give our children a warm bed to sleep in, and tuck them in tight... and just when we think we might have some time to relax a bit (or catch up on laundry), we hear those famous words, "Mommy, will you lay down with me?" In those times when we are tempted to put our own needs first, let us ask for the grace to be selfless, and give our children what they need most: the comfort of being next to us. There will come a time when they are too big to want to snuggle and can put themselves to bed all on their own. Let us embrace these moments of wanting mom or dad next to them, and give them the gift of presence. After your endless singing of Twinkle Twinkle has brought them to a peaceful sleep, pray for those who sleep outdoors, that they are brought the same comfort and peace.

Visit the sick: It always seems to come at a time when you least expect it: in the car, in a restaurant, at Mass...kids suddenly get sick. When it does happen, we don't hesitate; we respond out of love and care for them, without a second thought. In those moments, puke doesn't seem to faze us, we are ready with tissues for drippy noses, and have our movies and books lined up to lift their spirits. As you take care of a sick child, pray for those who are terminally ill and thank God for all those who are in good health.

Visit the imprisoned: Yes, there is a prison in my house. It's called time out. And it is frequently occupied. As you find yourself sending the littles to take a time out, pray that you will be granted the wisdom to teach them virtue and character, with love and patience. Ask your children to pray with you, for those who are in prison.

Bury the dead: There comes a time every now and then, when you have helped your child search high and low, but even with the whole house turned upside down, Minnie Mouse, "Goodnight Moon," or their favorite blanket is nowhere to be found. We have to help our children move past the thing they love most and to keep going; grab another toy to snuggle or pick out a different book to read. Life must go on. This is a hard thing for children to experience. As adults, may we be reminded of what we need to let go of and where we need to move on. And let us take courage, knowing that God is always there with us, each step of the way.

Whether you have children in your home or not, let us take advantage of this Jubilee year by living out the works of mercy in our own homes.



Middle School Campfire



Who: incoming 6th-8th graders

What: campfire for marshmallow roasting, games and

fellowship

When: Wednesday, July 27 7:30 pm - 10:30 pm Where: in front of school

RSVP by Monday, July 25 Ashley Ludwig 503.625.6185

ashley@stfrancissherwood.org

High School

July

- * 20th Music on the Green Ben Rice (5:30 pm 9:00 pm)
- * 24th Mass at Grotto, picnic and hike (11:00 am 7:00 pm)

If you are interested in participating in any of these events, please contact Ashley Ludwig at ashley@stfrancissherwood.org.



Anna Wilson - 503-625-7067 Old Hall - 503-625-1263 anna@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 soup, canned fruit, baking mixes, chili

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

Jubilee Year of Mercy - July: Bear Patiently Those Who Do Us Ill

God is so patient with us. Let us ask for the grace to have that kind of patience with others.

Why? - July contains the Feast Days of: <u>St. Elizabeth of Portugal</u> (Patroness of Peace) and <u>St. Benedict</u> (Patron of Community)

Serve - Compliment or thank someone who "has done you ill"

Accompany - Participate in a peaceful and prayerful vigil:

For peace in our homes and in our world For an end to abortion For an end to gun violence

You may receive pushback and counter protests - remain peaceful and prayerful.

Defend - If you hear of gossip or talk against someone in your workplace, family or circle of friends, step up to the defense of the person who is not there to defend him or herself.

Live - Plan a date night.
Write a letter of affection to your spouse.
Practice being quick to forgive.
At night, pray for each other.
Say "I'm sorry".

Frustrated with someone? Step away from the situation, take a few deep breaths, pray the Our Father, asking God for patience.

Reflect and follow-up: The work of mercy isn't finished when the activity ends. Spend time in prayer, reflecting on where you saw and experienced the love and mercy of Christ. If you did an activity with a group, follow-up with others in that group and share insights or observations. This is a chance to grow in faith and mercy together (Jubilee Year of Mercy, Archdiocese of Portland).



St. Francis School

Accredited through June 2020

Congratulations to Evan Oliver. His poem "Climb Climb Climb" was submitted through St. Francis School and has been officially registered in The America Library of Poetry 2016 Student Poetry Contest. Evan's poem will be published in a special book of student poetry entitled <u>Accomplished</u>. Congratulations Evan on your outstanding achievement.



There is a spirit that guides the teachers and staff at St. Francis School that John Baptist de La Salle, the patron saint of teachers captures in his quote, "To touch the hearts of your pupils and to inspire them with the Christian spirit is the greatest miracle you can perform."

There is still time to register. St. Francis School is accepting applications for the 2016-17 school year.

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Sacramental News

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen Michael Graham died on June 19. His funeral was on July 8.

Catholic Corner

Whom does the term "lawful authority" include? The term "lawful authority" includes teachers, employers, public officials and Church leaders. St. Paul Family Catechism, 656

Next Week: What are the duties of workers toward their employer?

Respect Life



"Being unwanted, unloved, uncared for, forgotten by everybody, I think this is a much greater hunger, a much greater poverty than the person who has nothing to eat." *Blessed Mother Teresa*

Sunday July 17 Where All Are Welcomed and Loved With Mercy - Day 490 Every dollar spent on pregnant women in WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children) produces \$1.92 to \$4.21 in Medicaid savings for newborns and their mothers.

Announcements

Parish Announcements:

- It's that time again to be thinking about sharing your extra marionberries, blackberries, blueberries, peaches and apples. When you are freezing or canning, please remember to put pie sized portions away for the "Holy Rollers". Just freeze the fruit; it is not necessary to make pie filling. Keep the fruit in your freezer until asked to bring the fruit in for pie making in early November.
- If your group regularly uses the parish kitchen, please attend a "train the trainers" session on Tuesday, August 2, from 1:00 pm 2:30 pm. General health and food safety protocols and proper use of kitchen equipment will be addressed at this session. For more information and to RSVP, please contact Sheila in the parish office.
- Liturgical Ministers are asked to contact the parish office before Wednesday, August 3 with your non-availability dates for the next period, September 4 through November 27. This includes All Saints Day on Tuesday, November 1 and Thanksgiving Day on Thursday, November 24.
- Interested in becoming an altar server? There will be altar server training on Sunday, July 24 at 12:00 pm or Monday, July 25 at 7:00 pm in the church. New altar servers need to be 4th grade or above in the fall and have completed 1st Communion. Contact Deacon Bill if you have any questions.
- The Annual Knights of Columbus Garage Sale is Friday & Saturday, September 9 & 10 at the old Haggen's parking lot. Please drop off all your donated items at the old hall, not at the church office. If you need large items picked up, contact Rob Watson 503-476-6206 or Paul Mayer 503-610-1000. Please no clothing or out of date TV's and/or electronics, and only appliances in working condition. Thank you for your thoughtful donations. You make a big difference in our ability to provide meaningful contributions to our Church and surrounding communities.
- Congratulations to the recipients of this year's Itel, Knights of Columbus and Contreras Scholarships: Kelly Roth was awarded the Itel scholarship, Kori Peters was awarded the Knights of Columbus scholarship and Molly Davis was awarded the Contreras scholarship.
- How is your flower garden growing? If you have flowers in your garden, preferably long stemmed flowers, and would be willing to share them for the altar bouquets, please let us know, so we won't have to purchase flowers. Flowers should be delivered on Friday mornings by 9:00 am to the church. Thanks for sharing God's beauties with us!
- If you enjoy going to Coffee and Donuts after Mass why not consider becoming a host? We need volunteers to help on Sunday mornings. It is a great way to get to know other parish members. There will be a sign up sheet near the free will offering basket on Sunday.
- The first two listening sessions with Father James have gone well. There are additional listening sessions open in August to get to know Father James better. You can sign up in the Narthex.

Out of Parish:

• Come and join The Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows for their Annual Family Barbeque on Sunday, August 7 from noon to 6:00 pm at Our Lady of Peace Retreat, 3600 SW 170th Avenue, Beaverton. Menu Includes: Hamburgers, Pulled Pork, Chicken, Hot dogs, Sausages, Veggie Burgers, Fresh Corn on the Cob, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans and Watermelon, Dessert Booth, Cotton Candy, Ice Cream, Popcorn and Sodas. Meal Prices - \$5 to \$10 (Takeout available). Sweepstakes tickets are available. The drawing will be at 5 pm, need not be present to win. Live entertainment, the Franciscan Girls Club Garnes and more. For more information or to obtain sweepstakes tickets, email sisters@olpretreat.org, phone 503-649-7127 or visit www.olpretreat.org.



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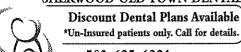
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