4th Sunday of Easter - April 22, 2018

St. Francis Catholic Church & School

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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



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.

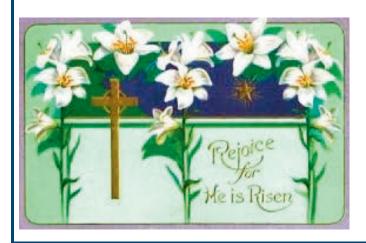
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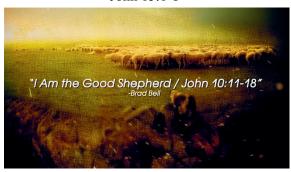
Parish Calendar

Monday, April 23				
10:00 am	Strong for Life 2.0	P.C.		
12:05 pm	Mass (Patricia Haas+)	Chapel		
1:30 pm	Senior Study Group	P.C.		
6:30 pm	Grief Share Support Group	P.C.		
Tuesday, A				
12:05 pm	Mass (David McWhirter+)	Chapel		
5:30 pm	Peace Village Steering Committee Mtg.	P.C.		
7:00 pm	RCIA	P.C.		
	y, April 25			
8:30 am	School Mass (Melvina Klier+)	Church		
9:00 am	Food Pantry/Clothes Closet	Old Hall		
9:00 am	Quilting	Old Hall		
10:00 am	Strong for Life 2.0	P.C.		
5:00 pm	Food Pantry/Clothes Closet	Old Hall		
5:00 pm	Reconciliation	Chapel		
6:00 pm	Mass (Sean & Family)	Chapel		
7:00 pm	Adult Education	P.C.		
7:00 pm	Choir Practice	Church		
7:00 pm	Insights	P.C.		
Thursday,		C1 1		
8:30 am	Mass (Margaret Bates+)	Chapel		
9:00 am	Food Pantry/Clothes Closet	Old Hall		
9:30 am	Insights	P.C.		
1:00 pm	Parish-wide RCIA	P.C.		
7:00 pm	Parish Rosary	Chapel		
7:30 pm	K of C Officers Meeting	Old Hall		
Friday, Ap		Chan al		
8:30 am 10:00 am	Mass (Joseph Gayer+)	Chapel P.C.		
	Strong for Life 2.0 "Cift of the Years" Book Crown	P.C.		
11:00 am	"Gift of the Years" Book Group	P.C.		
8:30 am	April 28 – Anniversary Blessings Mass (Kati Allard+)	Chanal		
4:00 pm	Reconciliation	Chapel Chapel		
5:30 pm	Mass (Alexis Weatherl+)	Church		
	pril 29 – Anniversary Blessings	Cituicii		
8:00 am	Mass (Elizabeth & Duane Sykes)	Church		
9:15 am	Elementary Faith Formation	School		
9:45 am	Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy	Chapel		
10:30 am	Mass (David McWhirter+)	Church		
10:30 am	Pre/Kinder Faith Formation	School		
10:30 am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	P.C.		
3:00 pm	Youth Group	P.C.		
5:00 pm	Mass (People of the Parish)	Church		
5:00 pm	Hope Diner – Sherwood Rotary Team	Old Hall		
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Next Sunday's Readings

Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31 Psalm 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 1 John 3:18-24 John 15:1-8



Liturgical Ministers - April 28 & 29

Readers	Ushers	Servers				
Saturday 5:30 pm Mass						
Denny Devlin	John Laughlin	Robin Reyna				
Jerilyn Felton	Ted Trecker	Thomas Bui				
		Darynne Guevara				
Sunday 8:00 am Mass						
Tim Burke	Collin Borla	Megan Allen				
Geoff Horning	Kevin Moore	Nolan Manning				
		Andrew Manning				
Sunday 10:30 am Mass						
Ed Hobbs	KC Wilson	Chase Highberger				
Bob Biever	Keith Blau	Aidan Highberger				
		Aidan Roos				
Sunday 5:00 pm Mass						
Irene George	Giovi Paras	Allie Karsseboom				
Hank Becker	Augustine George	Kathleen Mehta				
		Grace Garand				

Coffee Social Hosts - April 29

8:00 am Mass – Roxanne & Ed Sienkiewicz and Roberta Dulay 10:30 am Mass – Dennis Freiburg, Arleen Harvey and Rosie Saldanha

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

Financial News

	Received	Giving Target
4/14 & 4/15	\$9,589.35	\$12,814.25
Year to date	\$489,401.65	\$538,198.50
Archdiocesan Lo	\$77,090.93	

From the desk of Father James

Jesus said: "I am the Good Shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

My brothers and sisters,

This 4th Sunday of Easter is referred to as *Good Shepherd Sunday*. This designation is due to the Gospel readings we hear each year on this 4th Sunday of Easter, the story of Jesus being the Good Shepherd.

We all need a shepherd in our life, someone that is going to lead us and guide us. I must say that there are many, many people that are willing to be a guide for us. There are those in our world that want us to follow them. Not all of these shepherds though are really looking out for our best interest. They often want us to follow them, but don't really care about what happens to us, especially if something threatens the sheep. These hireling shepherds will leave us high and dry.

Yet, our Gospel reminds us today that there is indeed a Good Shepherd in our world and that Good Shepherd is Jesus. He was sent by our Father in heaven to journey with us and guide us. Unlike the others in our world that want us to follow them, He will be with us no matter what. When storms arise or we are under attack, Jesus is there as the Good Shepherd, leading us to safety. Covering us in the storm, He lays down His life, so that we may be safe.

May the Good Shepherd watch over this flock, keeping us safe and giving us the example of how we can be Good Shepherds to the flock that have been put into our care.

In Easter Joy!

Fr. James



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 David McWhirter funeral luncheon.
- To everyone that helped to support and attend the Spaghetti Dinner.
- To Sally Cangelosi and Mark Garand for organizing the Spaghetti Dinner and to Jeff Wiren for acting as MC!
- To Lu Shown and LoisMarie Mayer for laundering the table cloths after the funeral and the spaghetti Dinner.
- To Cheryl Watkins for vacuuming the church after the funeral.

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

PARISH OF ST. FRANCIS:

How well was the name chosen for your parish!! I thank you for a wonderful visit and for especially how welcoming and kind you were. I certainly felt privileged to celebrate the liturgy with your community. I visit many parishes during the year and I will recall your parish, you people, as most special.

Thank you to all who so warmly responded to my request to join our UNBOUND Family. Your response was exceptional for choosing to sponsor 44 new individuals...both children and aging. You certainly will enjoy your new friendships that will continue to grow over the course of time. And I was so thankful that many stopped to visit and how many members are already sponsoring through UNBOUND.

And surely I was surprised and felt warmly welcomed by the many people who had family roots in Iowa. Thanks for sharing your stories. My trip home was long which featured a 5 1/2 hour layover in Denver due to mechanical difficulties so I arrived home late Monday eve.

I also enjoyed the warm hospitality of Deacon Bill and his wife Jeananne. They opened their home to me, made me feel most welcome and treated me to some wonderful home cooking as well as being a guest at the students Spaghetti Dinner. I hope you see how this weekend was special in so many ways. Father "Mac" McAleer





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On Wednesday, May 23, the Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated for adults who for whatever reason have not had the opportunity to receive it.

The final day for registration is Tuesday, May 1. For further information and preparation, call Linda at the parish office, 503-625-6185.

HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL

GROUP

SUN. 3-4:30 PM

Care Ministry

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Volunteers needed! Loneliness and isolation are so detrimental to the health and well-being of us all, but especially our seniors, who may not be able to safely leave their homes and participate in our faith community.

Thankfully, isolation is a problem we can address as a parish. Bringing Christ and community to those who cannot physically be present at church is a vital responsibility of our faith family.

We need both men and women volunteers to help fill this loneliness gap. The commitment is usually one hour per week, at a time that works for both the volunteer and recipient.

Please consider being that special person who lights up the day of a senior at home. Contact Jennifer Mirek in the parish office to learn more about being a Friendly Visitor or Eucharistic Minister.

In Wisdom Age and Grace Series

6:00-8:00 pm Thursdays May 10, May 17, May 24, May 31 in the South Classroom. Presented by Mike Faber

Mike Faber holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Gerontology, an undergraduate Mental Health and Aging Certificate, and a Master of Arts Degree in Sociology specializing in Aging and the Life Course. Mike has worked in a wide variety of roles within the field of Gerontology for the past 30 years, with a focus in higher education for the last 20 years. Mike also has extensive experience in public speaking, radio, television and video production related to Gerontology and aging. He produced and hosted "A Catholic Perspective on Aging" special for Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN), and was a featured guest on the "Franciscan University Presents" program which also aired on EWTN. Mike is also one of the co-authors of a bestselling textbook Introduction to Aging: A Positive Interdisciplinary Approach, published by Springer Publishing Company in 2014. Mike moved from Grand Rapids, Michigan, to Sherwood, Oregon, with his wife, Mary, and three of their six children in September 2015 to take a full-time Gerontology Instructor position at Portland Community College. Mike, Mary, and their children are parishioners of St. Francis Parish.

In Wisdom Age and Grace Series; Weekly topics:

Week 1:Older Lives Matter: Living with Purpose and Passion at any Age

Week 2: Caregiving 101

Week 3: Mental Health and Aging: Alzheimer's, Dementia, Depression, and Anxiety

Week 4: Death, Dying, and Bereavement



Anna Wilson | Social Action Coordinator | anna@stfrancissherwood.org | 503-625-7067 | Food Pantry Hours: Wednesday 9 - 11am & 5 - 7pm Thursday 9 - 11am

Pantry needs: peanut butter, canned fruit, canned veggies, canned soup, toilet paper, flour, sugar, and evaporated milk

Hope Diner host: St Francis Team 4

Gardeners Wanted!

Looking for a way to get out of the house and give back to our

community?

The Hope Garden is a community garden hosted at St. Francis. All produce grown goes into our food pantry, which serves around 300 people every month! We need your help harvesting and weeding this spring/summer!



Contact anna@stfrancissherwood.org to sign up!



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Father God, we thank you for the gift of Fr. James.
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Amen

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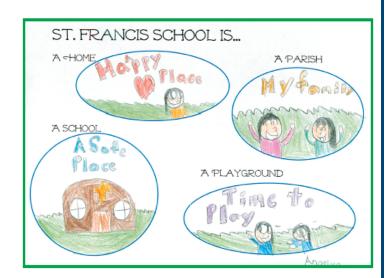
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Important Deadlines





Catholic Corner

Why does the Catholic Church make laws and precepts? The Catholic Church makes laws and precepts, which prescribe certain acts of religion and penance, in order to apply the commandments of God and the teachings of the Gospel to the lives of the faithful. St. Paul Family Catechism.

Next Week: Who has the authority to make laws?

Sacramental News

Congratulations to Walter Edward, son of Joshua and Natalie Zehner, who celebrated his baptism last weekend.

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

David McWhirter, son of parishioners Mike and Linda McWhirter, died on April 4. His funeral was on April 13.

Respect Life



Rejoice!

"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song."

~Saint John Paul II

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Announcements

Happening this Week:

If you picked up a **Catholic Relief Service Rice Bowl** during Lent, please drop it in the baskets in the narthex by this Sunday, April 22.

The **Knights of Columbus** will be hosting the monthly **Rosary this Thursday**, **April 26 at 7:00 pm** in the chapel. All are welcome to honor our Blessed Mother by praying the Rosary with us.

Parish Announcements:

Mark your calendars for our "In Wisdom, Age and Grace" series, presented by parishioner and gerontology educator Mike Faber. Please see the Care Ministry section of the bulletin for more information.

Next weekend, April 28 & 29 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.

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 10. The primary criteria for selection are church and school involvement together with financial need.

Liturgical Ministers and Coffee Social Ministers are asked to contact the parish office **before Wednesday, May 2** with your non-availability dates for the next period, June 2 through August 26. This includes the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation on Wednesday, August 15.

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Please join our parish in supporting Mother & Child (M&C) Education Center with our Baby Bottle Campaign! Here's how it works:

- take bottles home next weekend;
- put loose change, bills or checks in the bottles during the campaign;
- return your bottles to St. Francis the weekend of May 19 or whenever you fill them.

M&C has been operating continuously since 1971 and the money collected helps them offer hope, support, education and guidance (at no charge) to women who are pregnant and parenting to foster a community of competent, confident mothers. Services are available Monday-Saturday and after-hours through a parenting support line. Call 503-249-5801 for any questions.

Out of Parish:

The 83rd Annual Archbishop's Seminary Tea is Wednesday, April 25 from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Portland Golf Club. The Mission is to provide spiritual and financial support through educational opportunities to seminarians who will serve in the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon. Admission is \$38. All are welcome!

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats are for those seeking to deal with their abortion experiences. "What is most meaningful to me is being free of what was a secret that prevented me from deeply connecting with others, especially my living children." Retreat dates are April 27-29 near Medford, October 23-25 near Eugene, and in Spanish November 9-11. Contact Project Aurora at ProjectAurora@aol.com or call 541-942-2861. For more information visit www.project-aurora.org or www.rachelsvineyard.org. Financial assistance is available!

Sacred Heart – St Louis Parish, 485 7th St, Gervais, is hosting their **59th semi-annual BBQ Chicken Dinner** on Sunday, May 6 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Dinner includes ½ BBQ chicken, baked potato, green beans, coleslaw, dinner roll, homemade pie or cake and a beverage. The cost is \$11 for adults and \$7 for children 12 and under.

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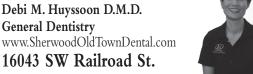
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