



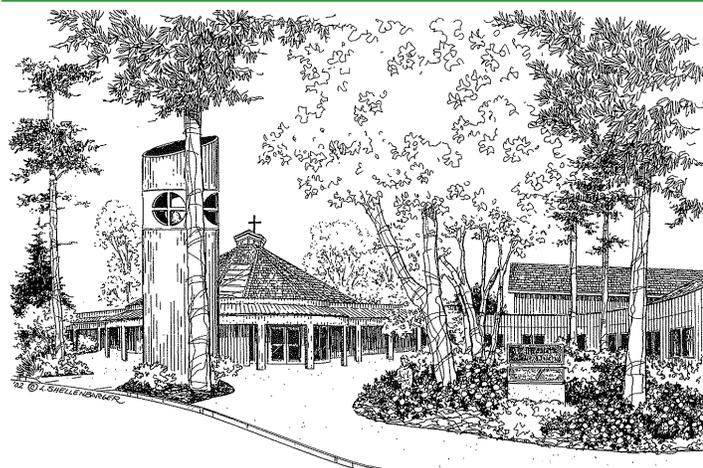
ST. FRANCIS

CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

15651 SW Oregon St Sherwood, OR 97140

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stfrancissherwood.org



To register, change your address or phone number, please fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office. If you are a new parishioner, you will be mailed a registration form to fill out and return.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____

Mass Schedule

Tuesday	8:30 am
Wednesday (School Mass)	8:30 am
Thursday – Saturday	8:30 am
Saturday Vigil Mass	5:30 pm
Sunday	8:00 am, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Parish Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 8:30 am – 5:00 pm
 Closed for lunch from 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm



**LORD,
 it is good
 to give thanks
 to You.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm PS 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16

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Parish Calendar

Monday, March 4

10:30 am Strong for Life P.C.
1:30 pm Senior Study Group P.C.

Tuesday, March 5

8:30 am **Mass (Lorraine Ficken Family+)** Church
6:00 pm Confirmation Leadership Team Mtg. P.C.
7:00 pm RCIA P.C.

Wednesday, March 6 – Ash Wednesday

8:30 am **School Mass (Kati Allard+)** Church
9:00 am Food Pantry Old Hall
9:00 am Quilting Old Hall
10:30 am Strong for Life P.C.
5:00 pm Food Pantry Old Hall
7:00 pm **Mass (Tiffany+)** Church

Thursday, March 7

8:30 am **Mass (Nancy Nebel+)** Church
9:00 am Food Pantry Old Hall
9:30 am Insights P.C.
10:00 am Rosary Makers P.C.
1:00 pm Adult Education P.C.

Friday, March 8

8:30 am **Mass** Church
6:00 pm Soup Supper P.C.
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross Church

Saturday, March 9

8:30 am **Mass** Church
9:00 am RCIA Discernment Interviews P.C.
10:00 am 1st Reconciliation Chapel
2:00 pm Couples for Christ P.C.
4:00 pm Reconciliation Chapel
5:30 pm **Mass (Dorothy Hermens)** Church

Sunday, March 10

8:00 am **Mass (People of the Parish)** Church
9:45 am Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy Chapel
10:30 am **Mass (Bud Weisner+)** Church
10:30 am RCIA Rite of Sending Church
12:00 pm Baptism Preparation Class P.C.
12:00 pm Confirmation Class Library
12:30 pm Middle School Youth Group P.C.
2:00 pm High School Youth Group P.C.
5:00 pm **Mass (Scott & Celia Volk Family)** Church
5:00 pm Hope Diner – Sherwood Rotary Team Old Hall
5:00 pm Hope Shelter Old Hall

Next Sunday's Readings

Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Psalm 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15
Romans 10:8-13
Luke 4:1-13

Liturgical Ministers - March 6, 9 & 10

Readers	Ushers	Servers
Ash Wednesday 8:30 am Mass		
2 School Students	Linda Shannon Ed Contreras	3 School Students
Ash Wednesday 7:00 pm Mass		
Linda Blackwood Tricia Killinger	Scott Volk Joe Corello	Stephanie Killinger Clare Killinger Angelina Miller
Saturday 5:30 pm Mass		
Jill LaFave Jeanne Corello	John Laughlin Ed Contreras	Darynne Guevara Reanne Guevara Gianne Guevara
Sunday 8:00 am Mass		
Jerry Grondin Pat Allen	Linda Shannon John Milroy 1 Volunteer	Andrew Manning Hayden Smith Emily Pitt
Sunday 10:30 am Mass		
Adolf Eppich Mark Garand	Chris Corrado 2 Volunteers	Kathleen Mehta Matthew Mehta Michael Mehta
Sunday 5:00 pm Mass		
Jennifer Swanson Anthony Swanson	Scott Volk Giovanni Paras	Amelia Snyder Gwenyth Snyder Miah Swanson

Coffee Social Hosts - March 10

8:00 am Mass – Ed & Roxanne Sienkiewicz
and Roberta Dulay
10:30 am Mass – Respect Life Committee

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

Financial News

Collection total for 2/23 & 2/24: \$9,688.15

Thank you to everyone who has so generously supported St. Francis Parish.

Lenten Soup Suppers

Join us for a simple soup supper, the
Fridays during Lent at 6:00 pm in the
parish center.

All are welcome!

Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm in the Church

St. Francis Catholic Church and School has an immediate opening for an experienced Business Manager.

Duties include, but are not limited to:

- Payroll and human resource administration
- Budget preparation and administration
- Monthly, quarterly and annual financial report preparation
- Supervise or prepare accounting entries and bank reconciliation

Requirements for a successful candidate include:

- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Knowledge of accounting practices
- Knowledge of QuickBook , Microsoft Office, ADP required and ParishSoft preferred
- A bachelor's degree specializing in Accounting or Business Administration and a minimum of 5 years experience in a combination of areas such as finance, accounting, budgeting, office management, and human resources, preferably in non-profit organizations.
- Practicing Catholic required
- Valid driver's license required

Salary depends on experience

For a complete job description, more information and resume submission, please contact Sheila in the parish office: sheila@stfrancissherwood.org.

Today we would like to dwell on a gift of the Holy Spirit that often becomes misconstrued or treated superficially, but rather touches the very heart of our Christian life and identity: it is the gift of piety.

It should be clarified immediately that this gift is not to be identified with having compassion for someone, feeling pity on one's neighbor; rather, it indicates our belonging to God and our profound relationship with Him, a bond that gives meaning to our life and keeps us sound, in communion with Him, even during the most difficult and tormenting moments.

This relationship with the Lord is not intended as a duty or an imposition. It is a bond that comes from within. It is a relationship lived with the heart: it is our friendship with God, granted to us by Jesus, a friendship that changes our life and fills us with passion, with joy. Thus, the gift of piety stirs in us above all gratitude and praise. This is, in fact, the reason and the most authentic meaning of our worship and our adoration. When the Holy Spirit allows us to perceive the presence of the Lord and all His love for us, it warms the

heart and moves us quite naturally to prayer and celebration. Piety, therefore, is synonymous with the genuine religious spirit, with filial trust in God, with that capacity to pray to Him with the love and simplicity that belongs to those who are humble of heart.

If the gift of piety makes us grow in relation to and in communion with God and leads us to live as His children, at the same time, it helps us to pass this love on to others as well and to recognize them as our brothers and sisters. And then, yes, we will be moved by feelings of piety — not pietism! — in relation to those around us and to those whom we encounter every day. Why do I say “not pietism”? Because some think that to be pious is to close one's eyes, to pose like a picture and pretend to be a saint. In Piedmont we say: to play the “mugna quacia” [literally: the pious or serene nun]. This is not the gift of piety. The gift of piety means to be truly capable of rejoicing with those who rejoice, of weeping with those who weep, of being close to those who are lonely or in anguish, of correcting those in error, of consoling the afflicted, of welcoming and helping those in need. The gift of piety is closely tied to gentleness. The gift of piety

which the Holy Spirit gives us makes us gentle, makes us calm, patient, at peace with God, at the service of others with gentleness.

Dear friends, in the Letter to the Romans the Apostle Paul states: "For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the spirit of sonship", from which, "we cry, 'Abba! Father!'" (Rm 8:14-15). Let us ask the Lord for the gift of his Spirit to conquer our fear, our uncertainty, and our restless, impatient spirit, and to make of us joyful witnesses of God and of his love, by worshipping the Lord in truth and in service to our neighbor with gentleness and with a smile, which the Holy Spirit always gives us in joy. May the Holy Spirit grant to all of us this gift of piety."

Ordinary Time



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

- ◆ **To Johanna Jansen** for laundering the altar linens for the month of February.
- ◆ **To the 4th grade class** for putting the envelopes and pens in the pews for the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal.

BOOK-OF-THE-MONTH

March's Book-of-the-Month is

Seven Secrets of Confession

Vinny Flynn

ISBN# 9781884479465

The understanding that many Catholics have of the Sacrament of Confession is so limited and narrow in its focus that it keeps them from discovering the real beauty and value of this Sacrament, beauty and value that even a young child can understand if it's presented properly. For too many Catholics, Confession is just a means to an end: cleaning us up from sin so we can receive Holy Communion. But, as Pope Francis tells us, Confession is much more than "going to the dry cleaner. It is an encounter with Jesus, who waits for us as we are."

In his years of speaking all over North America, Flynn saw that many Catholics have this limited appreciation of Confession, and the urgent need for clear teaching about this great Sacrament. If you have not yet experienced Confession as a wonderful, personal encounter with Christ; if you do not yet look forward to going to Confession with the same eagerness and expectation with which you receive Holy Communion, this book is for you. It will be a whole new way of going to Confession, inviting you to begin an exciting personal journey to healing and holiness. It may change your life.

Available through Amazon.com

Questions? Call Linda -
503-625-6185

ST. FRANCIS WOMEN'S MINISTRY
LENTEN MORNING OF PRAYER
AND REFLECTION
ON THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF JESUS
SATURDAY, MARCH 16
IN THE PARISH CENTER



WE WILL BEGIN WITH MASS AT 8:30 AM IN
THE CHURCH WITH A LIGHT BREAKFAST
FOLLOWING IN THE PARISH CENTER.

PLEASE JOIN US.

Respect Life



“Until the voiceless in the womb are granted the same right to life as those of us privileged to see the light of day, we will walk in the darkness of these terrible violations of human dignity. If we will not recognize the dignity of the most vulnerable among us, violence in society will continue and recognition of the dignity of every human person will never be realized. A society that allows the destruction of its own children in the womb can in no way call itself civilized. Human dignity. God alone bestows it. We are called to simply respect it.”

~Archbishop Sample in the Catholic Sentinel

St. Francis Parish would like to welcome all newcomers and visitors. We turn your attention to the **Ministry Table** in the narthex of the church where you will find information on the various ministries in our parish and how to contact the coordinator. New parishioners are encouraged to register by calling the office at 503-625-6185.

We welcome you as we welcome Christ!

Catholic Corner

Which are the most important moral virtues? The most important moral virtues are religion, which helps us worship God worthily, and the cardinal virtues: prudence, justice, fortitude and temperance. *St. Paul Family Catechism.*

Next week: What does the term “cardinal virtues” mean?

Get Involved with
Social Action

Bobbi Fallon | Social Action Coordinator
bobbi@stfrancissherwood.org | 503-625-7067
Food Pantry Hours: Wednesday 9:00 am – 11:00 am
and 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Thursday 9:00 am – 11:00 am

3/3 Hope Diner Host: St Francis Team 4

St. Francis Food Pantry:

Our church has a food pantry to be very proud of! We are a USDA food site that is part of the Oregon Food Bank. The Oregon Food Bank provides us with a lot of meal staples: noodles, pasta, pasta sauce, tomatoes, peanut butter, oil, other canned goods, beans, pancake and baking mix and cereal. Since we are a USDA food site we do get some extra things that other pantries don't get. They give us fresh fruits and vegetables, milk and eggs.

On the other hand our pantry would not be as successful if it wasn't for the donations from the Sherwood community and our Parishioners. You guys give the unique products that the families love to pick up.

Lastly, New Seasons and Panera give fresh products every week. They donate bread, treats and produce that they no longer can sell but are perfectly edible.

Our pantry serves about 60 families a month and that number is growing every month. The pantry is run by over 20 volunteers a week and it would not be what it is without them.

The pantry is open very Wednesday and Thursday. Please continue to support our pantry with your food donations! It is greatly appreciated by the Sherwood Community.

Pantry Needs: Juice, Syrup, toilet paper, Jelly, Large Sized Shampoo and Conditioner



ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

PEN HOUSE

Spiritual, moral and academic excellence under the patronage of St. Francis of Assisi



TUITION ASSISTANCE

18% of St. Francis' families receive tuition assistance.

STAR TESTING

91% of students exceed grade equivalent expectations in math and **82%** test above grade equivalent in reading.

FAMILY FAITH FUTURE FUN

JAN 27. 12-2PM

FEB 21. 5-7PM

MAR 7. 4:30-6:30PM
(PRE-K + K ONLY)

MAY 9. 6-8PM



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Announcements

Happening this Week:

There will be a **Knights of Columbus breakfast** after the morning Masses this Sunday, March 3.

Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday, March 6; Mass times are 8:30 am and 7:00 pm.

Starting this Friday, we will gather in the parish center for Soup Supper at 6:00 pm and Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm in the church.

Parish Announcements:

Our parish will be putting on a **Lenten evening of reflection of a Last Supper Re-enactment**. Please join us as we travel through history experiencing the Upper Room 2000 years ago and taking a glimpse of how the Last Supper is juxtaposed to the Holy Mass. **This will take place on Tuesday, March 12 at 7:00 pm in the church.**

All ladies of the parish are invited to join us on **Saturday, March 16** for our **Lenten Morning of Reflection on the Seven Last Words of Jesus**. We will begin with Mass in the church at 8:30 am with a light breakfast, and prayer and reflection following in the Parish Center. Take advantage of this opportunity to spend time preparing for Lent and Holy Week.

We are embarking on a very interesting video series in our senior study group. The series is a study of *The Mass* by a very current and popular presenter, Bishop Robert Barron. The series will start on Monday, March 4 at 1:30 pm until 3:00 pm. *The Mass* will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life. If you are 55 or older, we hope to see you there.

The Presbyteral Council for the Archdiocese of Portland has discussed the practice of blessings during the distribution of Holy Communion and the diversity of practices not only between parishes but between ministers in individual parishes. Understanding that the Church's liturgy does not provide for such a blessing at this time, and yet wanting to offer a pastoral solution which will be uniform across the Archdiocese, the Council has agreed that when a member of the faithful approaches a minister (ordinary or extraordinary) indicating that they will not be receiving Holy Communion, the minister is to say to them "**May Christ be with you**" or "Cristo esté contigo." There should be no gesture, just the words as given. It is unadvisable for ministers to touch the person in any way. All the faithful are encouraged to make a sign of reverence as they approach the Blessed Sacrament even if not receiving, in the United States this has been determined to be a bow of the head. [GIRM 160]

The St. Francis School FAMILY is looking for our first Preschool Director and Lead Teacher for our new Preschool (4-year olds), opening in September 2019. Our focus at St. Francis School is on sharing our FAITH, preparing our students for the FUTURE, and making time to have FUN! If you have a love for children, the required qualifications, and the desire to create the best learning environment possible for our students, apply today! See <https://schools.archdpdx.org/elementary-teaching-staff-position-vacancies> for the required candidate qualifications.

Liturgical Ministers and Coffee Social Ministers, the schedules for the next period 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.

Out of Parish:

St. John Vianney First Class Relic Tour - Don't miss this amazing opportunity to venerate a first class relic. The incorrupt heart of St. John Vianney (the patron saint of parish priests) will be making a few brief stops in the archdiocese. Dates and times are: Tuesday, March 5, 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm at Mt. Angel Abbey/Seminary and 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm at St. Joseph Parish, Salem; Wednesday, March 6 (Ash Wednesday) 11:30 am – 3:00 pm at The Grotto and 4:00 pm – 7:30 pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.