The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 29, 2019

ST. FRANCIS
CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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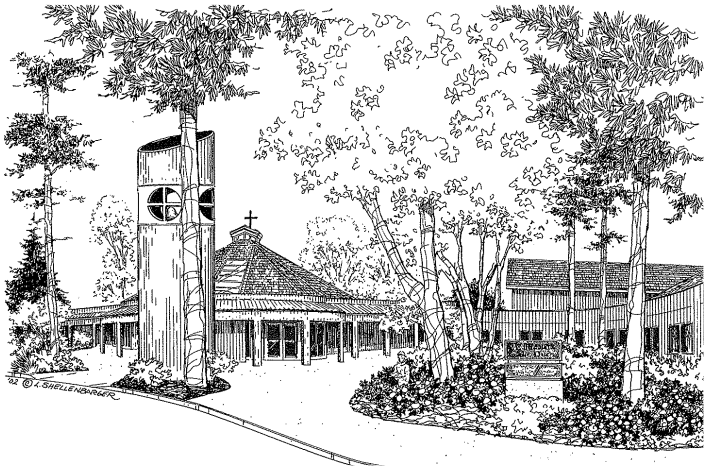

Mass Schedule

Tuesday – 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 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Closed for lunch from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

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WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US

Whether you are a long-time parishioner and need to update your information or newly arrived in the parish and not yet registered, please complete the information below and place in the offertory basket, mail to the parish office or email the information to murmini@sfsherwood.org.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

□ New Parishioner □ Returning Catholic □ Moving (please remove from parish directory)

□ New Phone Number □ New Address □ Please send Sunday Offertory envelopes

Church Calendar

Monday, December 30th
St. Egwin
Tuesday, December 31st
St. Sylvester I, Pope
8:30 am **Mass (Linda Thomas+)** Church
Wednesday, January 1st
Mary, The Holy Mother of God
10:00 am **Mass (Go To Hong & Julia+)** Church
Holy Day of Obligation
Thursday, January 2nd
Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church
8:30 am **Mass (In Thanksgiving)** Church
Friday, January 3rd
The Most Holy Name of Jesus
8:30 am **Mass (Ken Triplett+)** Church
Saturday, January 4th
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
8:30 am **Mass (Dave Cookson)** Church
4:00 pm Reconciliation Chapel
5:30 pm **Mass (Anthony Tanski+)** Church
Sunday, January 5th
St. John Neumann
8:00 am **Mass (Tom & Dorothy Berg+)** Church
9:45 am Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy Chapel
10:30 am **Mass (Ron Vidacovich+)** Church
5:00 pm **Mass (People of the Parish)** Church

Next Sunday's Readings
The Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Matthew 2: 1-12

January 5th

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

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

Liturgical Ministers
January 1st

Readers	Ushers	Servers
Wednesday 10:00 am Holy Day of Obligation		
Mark Garand	John Milroy	Thomas Bui
Jeanne Corello	Giovi Paras	Andrew O'Sullivan
		Sophie Green

Readings for the Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Numbers 6:22-27
Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8
Galatians 4:4-7
Luke 2:16-21

Liturgical Ministers
January 4th & 5th

Readers	Ushers	Servers
Saturday 5:30 pm		
Thomas Hefner	Jeff Dennison	Robin Reyna
Julie Hefner	John Laughlin	Angelica Reyna
		Jordan Starnes
Sunday 8:00 am		
Jeananne Bloudek	Linda Shannon	Andrew O'Sullivan
Tim Burke	Marilyn Sykes	Emily Pitt
		Elijah Payne
Sunday 10:30 am		
Mark Garand	Marilyn Arentz	Abigail Steger
Danielle Coughran	**2 Volunteers**	Grace Garand
		Jack Moslander
Sunday 5:00 pm		
Jennifer Swanson	Ted Trecker	Dominic Swanson
	1 Volunteer	Miah Swanson
		Akwasi Cobbinah

Other Parish Activities

Thursday, January 2nd

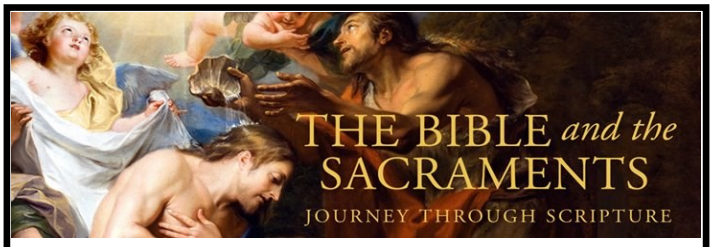
9:00 am	Food Pantry/Clothes Closet	Old Hall
10:00 am	Rosary Makers	P.C.

Sunday, January 5th

12:30 pm	Faith Formation-Adult/2nd yr. First Communion Parents and Students/MS/HS	P.C.
5:00 pm	Hope Diner - Team 2	Old Hall

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Mass at 10:00 am on January 1st
(This is a Holyday of Obligation)



Adult Ed.

Starting the week of Jan. 5
Sundays 12:30pm or Wednesdays 7:00pm

Come learn about the "powers" (CCC 1116) that come from each of the 7 Sacraments.
Why are the Sacraments so important?
What do the Sacraments have to do with you?

All are welcome to join the class.
It would be helpful if you could RSVP by signing up online.
www.stfrancissherwood.org

Social Action

Food Pantry will be closed on January 1st. Will be open Thursday, January 2, 2020 from 9 AM-11 AM

12/22 DINER HOST: ST. FRANCIS TEAM 4

Bobbi Fallon, Social Action Coordinator
bfallon@sfsherwood.org, 503-625-7067

End of the Year Giving

Please consider an end of the year gift to St. Francis Parish or St. Francis School or any of their programs.

If you are over the age of 70 ½, you can direct your annual distributions or withdrawals from your retirement account to make tax free donations. This provision is known as a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). St. Francis Parish and School are a qualified public charity 501(c)(3) and can therefore receive your Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD).

Thank you in advance for considering St. Francis Parish or St. Francis School in your financial plans.

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Divine Worship Newsletter: Issue 27

Orans Posture at The Our Father

A parish recently approached the Office of Divine Worship asking what is the correct posture of the lay faithful; during the recitation of the Our Father at Holy Mass. We share some of the information provided in response. The "orans" posture is the posture of the priest during certain parts of the Mass, including the Our Father. He stands with his hands out, palms up and elbows bent. Until recently, the priest was the only person using the orans position during the Mass. Slowly, that has begun to change and well-meaning people disagree as to whether this change is good or bad.

Let us first consult the Archdiocesan Liturgical Handbook:

"During the Our Father, the Roman Missal instructs the priest to "extend his hands" assuming the Orans posture. This posture is prescribed only for the priest and although it has been adopted by the faithful in some countries after the approval of the Holy See, in the United States it is still a posture assumed only by the priest. The faithful holding hands during the Our Father is another posture not envisioned or prescribed by the Roman Missal. While this has been adopted within families with small children it should not be considered a normal posture of the Sacred Liturgy. Indeed some may feel uncomfortable if this posture is imposed upon them." [1.57.1-2]

The Universal Church does have an Instruction from 1997, which is titled: Ecclesia de Mysterio. In Article 6 of the instruction under the heading, Liturgical Celebrations, it states: "Liturgical actions must always clearly manifest the unity of the People of God as a structured communion. Thus there exists a close link between the ordered exercise of liturgical action and the reflection in the liturgy of the Church's structured nature. This happens when all participants, with faith and devotion, discharge those roles proper to them. To promote the proper identity (of various roles) in this area, those abuses which are contrary to the provisions of canon 907 are to be eradicated. In eucharistic celebrations deacons and non-ordained members of the faithful may not pronounce prayers — e.g. especially the eucharistic prayer, with its concluding doxology — or any other parts of the liturgy reserved to the celebrant priest. Neither may deacons or non-ordained members of the faithful use gestures or actions which are proper to the same priest celebrant. It is a grave abuse for any member of the nonordained faithful to "quasi-preside" at the Mass while leaving only that minimal participation to the priest which is necessary to secure validity."

Simply put, the instructions in the Roman Missal are clear in which gestures, postures and roles apply to the faithful and those which apply to the priest.

The United States Bishops (USCCB) have this to say in response to the question: Some people hold hands during the Lord's Prayer, while others hold their hands out like the priest. Is there a prescribed posture for the Our Father? "No position is prescribed in the Roman Missal for an assembly gesture during the Lord's Prayer."

During the Our Father, the priest is standing in persona Christi, in the orans posture, speaking to God on our behalf. Prior to Vatican II, this was a prayer reserved solely to the priest. Since Vatican II, we are instructed to pray with the priest, but in words only, not by mirroring his gestures.

In a nutshell: The laity are not to assume the orans position during Holy Mass. I know this will make some people unhappy, but there is good reason for following the instruction Ecclesia de Mysterio. St. John Paul II stated, "…the particular gift of each of the Church's members must be wisely and carefully acknowledged, safeguarded, promoted, discerned and co-ordinated, without confusing roles, functions, or theological and canonical status."

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Catholic Corner

What does "hallowed be Thy name" mean?

"Hallowed be Thy name" means that we pray that everyone may know, respect and love God's holy name.

Praise the Lord!
Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!
Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and for evermore!
From the rising of the sun to its setting
the name of the Lord is to be praised!
(Ps. 113:1-3)

Next week: What does "Thy kingdom come" mean?

Respect Life

Each year at Christmas we celebrate the birth of Christ our Savior. As we celebrate this joyful event, we recall the journey of the Holy Family from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Far from home, poor, and in great need, Mary and Joseph find refuge in a simple stable. But this humble setting among the livestock soon welcomes the heavenly host of angels and the infant Jesus himself. Today, many women find themselves pregnant, poor, without a home, and in great need. They often feel alone, scared, and overwhelmed, not knowing where to turn. During this challenging time, expectant mothers need a refuge of their own. Like the Holy Family, they are reliant on the kindness of others. This year, may the story of the first Christmas inspire us to reach out to mothers in need. May we be ready to offer loving support and encouragement as they prepare to welcome their children. By answering this call, may we too come to share in and witness to the miracle of new life. (modified from www.usccb.org/prolife)

the old spaghetti factory

"Let's Eat Out" Fundraiser Night

Join us at The Sherwood
Old Spaghetti Factory
Thursday, January 16th, 2020
From 4:00pm-9:00pm
to raise money for
St. Francis School.

The Old Spaghetti Factory will donate
15% of your dinner's proceeds to
St. Francis School
when you present this flyer. ★
Join us, "Let's Eat Out" and
help them raise money!

★This flyer must be presented or shown on your phone during your visit in order for St. Francis School to receive proceeds.
Dine-In only. Reservations Recommended.

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Announcements

Happening this Week:

January 1st, Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God Mass time is 10:00 am.

Join us today after the 8:00 and 10:30 Masses for **coffee & donuts** in the Parish Center.

The Parish Office will be closed December 31st and January 1st.

Parish Announcements:

Needed: Yarn for the Quilters - Please mark your donations of yarn for our quilters and place them in the narthex.

Let's Eat Out at the **Sherwood Old Spaghetti Factory on Thursday, January 16th** from 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm. (Must present flyer or show it on your phone to earn 15% for St. Francis School).

Mark your calendars for the **Spaghetti Feed on Saturday, January 25th**. Look for more information in future bulletins.

Faith Formation classes resume the week of January 5th for adults, 2nd year Communion parents and students, middle school and high school youth groups. 1st year Communion, 3rd-5th grade and Confirmation will resume on Sunday, January 12th.

Out of Parish:

Shrines of Italy - 14 Day Tour from Milan to Rome. Take your FAITH ON A JOURNEY with our Shrines of Italy Journey. You will enjoy this 14 day experience. April 23, 2020 – May 6, 2020. Your included destinations while on this Journey: MILAN, ITALY–TURIN–PAVIA–SIRMIONE–PADUA–POMPOSA–RAVENNA–ROME-PAPAL AUDIENCE–PIETRELCINA–SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO-EXCURSION TO MONTE SANT'ANGELO–LANCIANO–LORETO–ASSISI–CASCIA and end in ROME, ITALY. Mass is available throughout the journey. Land prices begin at $2379 per person, based on double occupancy. Deposit of only $400 per person will reserve your space. Limited space available. For further info or to register, contact Michael or Eileen at 860-399-1785/ Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com.

Kids Create: Shadow Art at the Sherwood Library, Monday, January 6, 2020 - 3:45pm *This month we'll be playing with light sources and shadows to create unexpected designs on paper.* Time: 3:45-4:45 p.m. Doors open at 3:30 p.m. for coloring sheet activity. Ages: Grades 3-8. Registration required. Call 503-625-6688 or email askusspl@wccls.org. **Event Schedule:** Jan 6th: Shadow Art, Feb 3rd: Science Magic, Mar 2nd: 3D Landscapes, Apr 6th: Wind-Up Cars, May 4th: Yarn Painting

Join the Sherwood Center for the Arts as we kick off the Family Matinee Series with **The Amazing Bubble Man**! From square bubbles, bubbles inside bubbles, fog-filled bubbles, giant bubbles, bubble volcanoes, tornadoes and trampolines to people inside bubbles, the Amazing Bubble Man conjures shrieks of laughter and gasps of amazement from all ages. Saturday, January 11, 2020 - 2:00pm. Tickets are $5/all ages, sold online or at the door.