



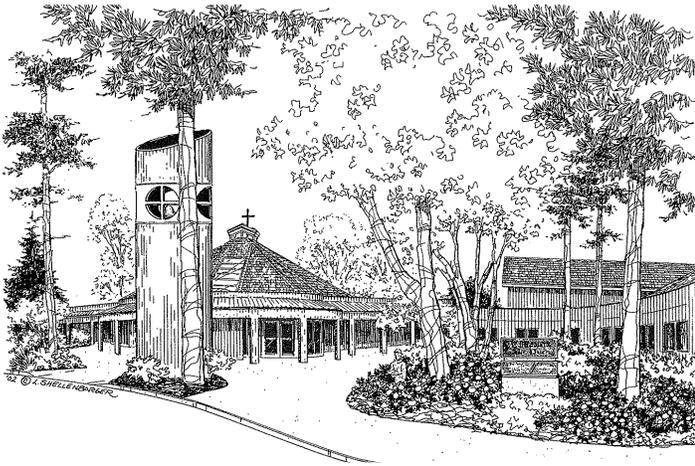
# ST. FRANCIS

CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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**\*ALL MASSES ARE CANCELLED\***

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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](mailto:murmini@sfsherwood.org).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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- New Parishioner                       Returning Catholic                       Moving (please remove from parish directory)
- New Phone Number                       New Address                                       Please send Sunday Offertory envelopes

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The parish office is only available by phone, (503)625-6185, Monday through Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm (hours might change after this week). The church remains closed and all Masses and activities have been cancelled until further notice.

## Mass Intentions and Saints of the Day

**Monday, April 20th**

St. Conrad of Parzham

**Tuesday, April 21st**

St. Anselm

**8:30 am Mass (Adolph Nebel+)**

**Wednesday, April 22nd**

St. Adalbert of Prague

**8:30 am Mass (Mary Clancy+)**

**Thursday, April 23rd**

St. George

**8:30 am Mass (Michael Whitmarsh+)**

**Friday, April 24th**

St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

**8:30 am Mass**

**Saturday, April 25th**

St. Mark

**8:30 am Mass**

**5:30 pm Mass (Doug Stetner+)**

**Sunday, April 26th**

St. Pedro de San José Betancur

**8:00 am Mass**

**10:30 am Mass (People of the Parish)**

**5:00 pm Mass**

## Next Sunday's Readings

**Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22-33**

**Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11**

**1 Peter 1:17-21**

**Luke 24:13-35**



### Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

## Financial News

### Collection total:

Envelopes mailed to parish office	<b>\$6,679.00</b>
Online giving for week 3/30-4/5	<b>\$2,641.50</b>



## Divine Mercy Sunday

**Saint Faustina:** Mankind's need for the message of Divine Mercy took on dire urgency in the 20th Century, when civilization began to experience an "eclipse of the sense of God" and, therefore to lose the understanding of the sanctity and inherent dignity of human life. In the 1930s, Jesus chose a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, to receive private revelations concerning Divine Mercy that were recorded in her Diary. St. John Paul II explains:

This was precisely the time when those ideologies of evil, nazism and communism, were taking shape. Sister Faustina became the herald of the one message capable of off-setting the evil of those ideologies, that fact that God is mercy—the truth of the merciful Christ. And for this reason, when I was called to the See of Peter, I felt impelled to pass on those experiences of a fellow Pole that deserve a place in the treasury of the universal Church.

~ Pope Saint John Paul II, *Memory and Identity* (2005)

**Divine Mercy Sunday:** St. Faustina's Diary records 14 occasions when Jesus requested that a Feast of Mercy (Divine Mercy Sunday) be observed, for example:

My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. ... Let no soul fear to draw near to Me. ... It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy. (Diary, no. 699)

On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday.

**The Image:** Jesus appeared to St. Faustina in a vision, with His right hand raised in a blessing and His left touching His garment above his heart. Red and white rays emanate from His heart, symbolizing the blood and water that was poured out for our salvation and our sanctification. The Lord requested that "Jesus, I trust in You" be inscribed under His image. Jesus asked that His image be painted and venerated throughout the world: "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish" (Diary, no. 48) and "By means of this image I will grant many graces to souls" (Diary, no. 742).

**The Chaplet of Divine Mercy:** The Chaplet was also given to St. Faustina with this promise: "Encourage souls to say the chaplet which I have given you" (Diary, no. 1541). "Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death. ... Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy. I desire that the whole world know My infinite mercy" (Diary, no. 687).

**The Divine Mercy Novena:** Jesus gave St. Faustina nine intentions for which to pray the Chaplet beginning on Good Friday and ending on the Saturday before Divine Mercy Sunday.



Heavenly Father,  
 You hear the cry of the poor.  
 The voices of the faithful in this Archdiocese of Portland  
 join the chorus from around the world,  
 imploring your divine assistance in this difficult season.  
 We entrust our families, schools and parishes to Your loving mercy.  
 Heal the sick; console the anxious;  
 Be our guide in every decision – big and small,  
 so that we may give glory to Your name at all times.  
 Grant us a spirit of tenderness and  
 patience, that we may become witnesses  
 of Your great love in this valley of tears.  
 Increase in us a hunger for your  
 Son's Real Presence as we strive to be truly present to one another.  
 Raise up men and women of courage in this Archdiocese  
 who will serve as instruments of Your mercy.  
 Let us not be overwhelmed by fear or sorrow,  
 but rather overcome by hope in Your divine majesty.  
 You are Lord over all!  
 Your ways are mysterious and marvelous.  
 Your plans are beyond our understanding,  
 but You hold us in the palm of Your hand.  
 Awaken in us a deep trust in Your divine providence,  
 so that we may move forward in confidence and serenity.  
 We turn to Mary, our loving Mother,  
 whose own heart has been pierced by our lament.  
 May we find comfort and protection in her Immaculate Heart,  
 and may she lead us to Jesus, in whose friendship we find  
 our everlasting home. Amen.

# Social Action

## Food Pantry Hours:

**Wednesday 9 AM - 11 AM**

**Wednesday 5 PM - 7 PM**

**Thursday 9 AM - 11 AM**

**Bobbi Fallon, Social Action Coordinator**  
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## PREK- 8TH GRADE OPEN REGISTRATION

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**The Knights of Columbus are accepting scholarship applications** from any high school senior that attends St Francis Catholic church. Please contact Grand Knight Chris Roth ([Christopher\\_Roth@Rocketmail.com](mailto:Christopher_Roth@Rocketmail.com)) for an application and more details. The deadline to return your application is May 8.

## Respect Life



Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us, and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments, we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence, submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen. ~Optional Closing Prayer from the *Chaplet of Divine Mercy*

## Catholic Corner

**How is the flesh an enemy of our spiritual life?**

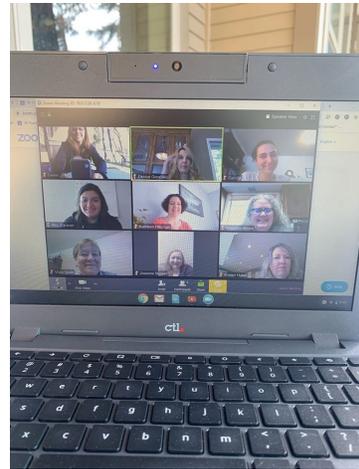
The flesh is an enemy because of our weakened nature and our evil inclinations, which make it very difficult to control our passions.

Let not the lustful cravings of the flesh master me, surrender me not to shameless desires (Sir. 23:6 NAB).

**Next week: How can we overcome these enemies of our spiritual life?**

## Scenes from distant learning.

Weekly school staff meeting.



**Parents get creative:**  
Two classrooms - one table

**First Grade:** Meeting with the entire class and a lesson being taught by Ms. Hilburger.



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