



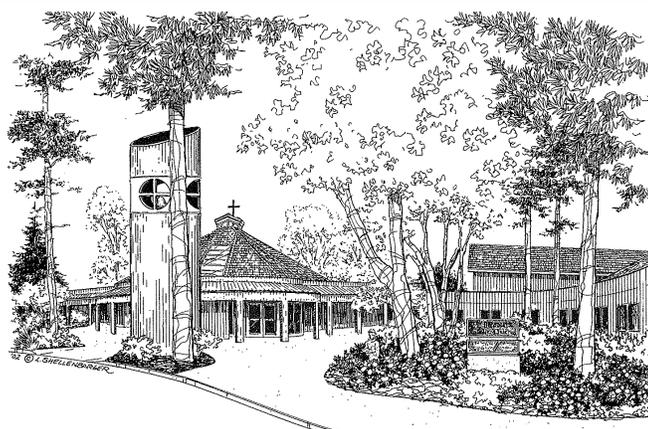
# ST. FRANCIS

CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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**Masses live streamed on Facebook:  
Sunday 10:00 am  
Wednesday 8:30 am**

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Mass privately. Therefore, all Mass in-  
tentions will be prayed for.**

**Let us all keep people, the country and  
the world in our prayers.**

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

- 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. The church remains closed and all Masses and activities have been cancelled until further notice.

## Mass Intentions and Saints of the Day

### Monday, May 11th

St. Ignatius of Laconi

### Tuesday, May 12th

Sts. Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs

**8:30 am Mass**

### Wednesday, May 13th

Our Lady of Fatima

**8:30 am Mass**

### Thursday, May 14th

St. Matthias, Apostle

**8:30 am Mass**

### Friday, May 15th

St. Isidore the Farmer

**8:30 am Mass**

### Saturday, May 16th

St. Margaret of Cortona

**8:30 am Mass (Teresa Gagatsek+)**

### Sunday, May 17th

St. Paschal Baylon

**10:00 am Mass (Fr. James Herrera)**

## Next Sunday's Readings

**Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17**

**Psalm 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20**

**1 Peter 3:15-18**

**John 14:15-21**

### An Act of Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

## Financial News

### Collection total:

Envelopes mailed to parish office **\$2,487.00**

Online giving for week 4/27 to 5/3 **\$4,992.50**

## Catholic Sentinel – Latest Digital Edition

May 1st edition - [Click Here](#)

### ***NCC Workshop Explores the Impact of Trauma***

Trauma affects both the mind and body in numerous ways. Traumas leave lasting marks on us that often result in the inability to trust people. We have mood changes and may become more fearful and anxious. This **virtual workshop** will help us to navigate through current stresses.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, May 16, 2020. Trauma therapist Michelle Sideroff, LPC will delve into the ways trauma impacts us. She offers tools to help alleviate problems. The virtual workshop runs from 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM. The cost is \$30 per household. Hardship scholarships are available upon request. Pre-registration is required. Call 503-253-0964 or register online at [www.nwcounseling.org/services/workshops](http://www.nwcounseling.org/services/workshops).

From 10: AM to 11:00 AM, the topic involves surviving trauma. After a 15-minute break, Sideroff discusses surviving the impacts of trauma. A closure and question period from 12:15 PM to 12:30 PM ends the workshop. **An email link for this workshop will be sent to registered participants the day of the workshop.**

## **Respect Life**



“The most important person on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral – a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby’s body... The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God’s creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other creature; God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation... What on God’s good earth is more glorious than this; to be a mother?”

~Cardinal Mindszenty

Motherhood...making our world something beautiful for God!

May all mothers imitate Mary, the first and greatest disciple.

Happy Mother's Day!

### **Parish Expenses for the month of April**

Payroll	\$28,445.14
Parish Assessment	\$4,015.29
Subsidy to School	\$10,000
Social Action	\$112
Technology	\$1,506
Maintenance	\$7,109.6
Utilities	\$1,725.44
Other	\$190
Bank Charges/ Processing Fees	\$566.1
Parish Funds Trust Loan	<u>\$1,524.00</u>
Total:	\$55,193.57

## Pope Asks Faithful to Add Two Prayers to Rosary

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The month of May is approaching, a time when the People of God express with particular intensity their love and devotion for the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home within the family. The restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this “family” aspect, also from a spiritual point of view.

For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group or individually; you can decide according to your own situations, making the most of both opportunities. The key to doing this is always simplicity, and it is easy also on the internet to find good models of prayers to follow.

I am also providing two prayers to Our Lady that you can recite at the end of the Rosary, and that I myself will pray in the month of May, in spiritual union with all of you. I include them with this letter so that they are available to everyone.

Dear brothers and sisters, contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother will make us even more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial. I keep all of you in my prayers, especially those suffering most greatly, and I ask you, please, to pray for me. I thank you, and with great affection I send you my blessing.

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 25 April 2020  
Feast of Saint Mark the Evangelist  
Pope Francis

### **First Prayer:**

O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, was united with Jesus’ suffering, and persevered in your faith.

“Protectress of the Roman people”, you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us.

For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.

### **Second Prayer:**

“We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God”.

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic.

Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply.

Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them.

Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew.

Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health.

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## Pope Asks Faithful to Add Two Prayers to Rosary (continued)

Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.

Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.

Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need.

Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.



### Important Announcement: May 5, 2020, COVID-19 Update

Big news today! After careful thought and prayerful discernment, the Archbishop has approved the plan for the limited reopening of Masses to go into effect this weekend, starting with the Saturday evening Vigil Mass on May 9. The dispensation for the Sunday Mass obligation remains in effect, so no one is required or expected to attend Mass on the weekends with this reopening. Parishioners will have an expanded opportunity to attend Mass during the weekdays.

We realize that not every parish will be able and ready to reopen Masses this weekend. Parishes that can implement the requirements of the plan, including physical distancing and cleaning, are welcome to do so. Each Mass can be reopened to a maximum allowed by law of 25 total people. Determination of parish readiness is left solely to the pastor. If a parish is unable to meet the requirements detailed in the Plan for Limited Reopening Masses, the parish cannot reopen Masses.

The faithful are asked to have patience if their parish is unable to reopen Masses at this time. Pastors have only had the detailed plan for reopening a short while, and the planning and organization required are extensive, especially for some of our larger parishes. Sign-up systems, seating plans, and sanitizing crews must be organized and plans clearly communicated to parishioners prior to implementation. For more information and a detailed outline of the plan, see below.

#### Key Points for the Faithful:

- A general dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation will remain in place. Mass attendance is not required.
  - Those who attend Mass do so at their own risk. Vulnerable, at-risk and otherwise concerned persons should remain home.
  - Anyone with the slightest symptoms or feelings of sickness must remain home.
  - Livestreaming of Masses will continue to be encouraged.
  - **Must Sign-up. Can't Show-up.** The faithful must sign-up for Mass at their parish in order to attend. They are asked to sign-up at only one parish. No one who simply shows-up for a Mass can be allowed entrance. NO Exceptions.
  - The faithful are asked to be charitable and understanding if their pastor is unable to reopen Masses.
- Charity and understanding are counseled to the faithful if they are unable to attend Mass on the weekend (for those who want to go specifically on Sundays) due to space limitations.



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,  
imploping 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.



### **The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a 'drive through' food drive to benefit the food pantry.**

Please bring your non-perishable foods to St Francis on Sunday afternoons from 12:00-1:00 every Sunday until this pandemic ends. The Knights will have a truck to collect donations near the Chapel entrance. Since the Langer Parkway entrance is locked please use the Oregon Street entrance.

There is a great need for the following: Canned Fruit, Canned Veggies, Jelly, Shampoo and Conditioner, Tuna, Mac and Cheese.

Oregon Food Bank is no longer providing meat so we will be out of meat soon. Cash donations for items most needed will be accepted as well. Please make checks out to "St Francis Church" and put "food bank" in the notation.

Thank you for your generosity in this time of need. Please stay inside your car when delivering food and one of the Knights will collect your donations. Please be safe and pray that we'll come out of this soon.

# 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**  
**[bfallon@sfsherwood.org](mailto:bfallon@sfsherwood.org), 503-625-7067**



## PREK- 8TH GRADE OPEN REGISTRATION

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SHERWOOD, OREGON

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**ST. FRANCIS**  
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### *In the Spirit of St. Francis ...THANK YOU!*

To the many volunteers that have come by the campus to spend an hour or two (or many more) cleaning up the gardens and outside. It is really looking nice.



### Catholic Corner

#### **What is meditation?**

Meditation is a form of mental prayer in which we reflect on some truth of faith, a virtue or an event from the life of Christ or the saints, and try to make applications to our own daily life.

Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart (Lk. 2:19)

**Next week: Is daily meditation helpful in the spiritual life?**



## St. Francis Catholic School Endowment Fund

Due to the Pandemic, St. Francis Catholic School had to cancel our Endowment Brunch on April 26. St. Francis Catholic School's Endowment is invested for the purpose of using the interest earned to provide financial assistance for school families.

At this time, St. Francis Catholic School has not missed a beat in educating all students. The teachers and students were informed on March 13th all schools were closing due to COVID19. On March 17th, St. Francis Catholic School teachers were Distant Learning with their students. The faculty, staff, students, and parents were off and learning. St. Francis Catholic School is teaching to Archdiocesan and state standards and the students will receive letter grades at the end of the school year.

We are asking for a donation to the endowment fund and/or to the tuition assistance fund to assist the school in not denying any student a Catholic education due to funding.

We thank you for your continued support in the St. Francis Community. Please send donations to the parish office and specify if your donation is for the endowment fund or to the tuition assistance fund for the next school year.

If you are unable to give financially at this time, please keep our students, parents and staff in your prayers. We will continue to keep the parishioners of St. Francis Parish in our prayers. If there are specific needs you would like us to pray for, please contact the school office.

God bless and stay healthy,  
Ms. Gonzalez, Principal

**St. Francis Catholic School in Sherwood is looking for an energetic, professional Administrative Assistance.** [Click here](#) for full job description and application details.



“Attending” School Mass on  
Wednesday, May 6th.



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