

December 23 and 30, 2018

Sacred Heart-St. Louis Catholic Parish Parroquía del Sagrado Corazón—San Luis

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Office Hours: Tuesday—Friday 9 am—4 pm

Horario: Martes a Viernes 9 am—4 pm

Sacred Heart School 503-792-4541



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Mass Schedule / Misas los Domingos:

Saturday / Sabado: 5 pm (Eng-Sacred Heart)
7 pm (Spanish-Sacred Heart)

Sunday / Domingo: 8 am (St Louis Church)
10 am (Sacred Heart Church)

Daily Mass — Tuesday-Thursday
8 am (Sacred Heart Church)

Friday 8:15 am (School Mass)

Reconciliation / Confesiones:

Wednesday / Miercoles 5:30 - 6:30pm

Saturday / Sabado 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Welcome all visitors to Sacred Heart-St Louis church

Sacred Heart-St Louis Parish is a Catholic community of Christian believers devoted to the Holy Eucharist. We strive to build God's Kingdom by inviting all to faith formation, Sacred Liturgy, Evangelization and outreach.

Christmas Eve marks 200th anniversary of beloved carol 'Silent Night'

Exactly 200 years ago this Christmas Eve -- Dec. 24, 1818 -- in a little church in what is now Austria, the world heard for the first time a poem set to music that eventually would be hailed as one of the most popular and beloved Christmas carols of all time.

"Silent Night" was sung for the first time that Christmas Eve at a midnight Mass at St. Nicholas Church in Oberndorf, a village in the Austrian Empire. The lyrics were written by a young Catholic priest, Father Joseph Mohr, and the music was composed by Francis Xavier Gruber, an organist and school master.

There is a popular legend that "Silent Night" was composed because the organ at Father Mohr's parish church, St. Nicholas, was broken.



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A Word from Fr. James...

My dear brothers and sisters,

While I am writing this letter with still almost 7 days left until Christmas, due to publication schedules of the bulletin, this will be my last bulletin article until after the new year.

It really has been a great joy for me to be here with you all these past several months. I arrived in July and received a wonderfully warm welcome. I am so grateful to have spent these past six months with you and I certainly look forward to the months and years ahead.

We have spent these past several weeks preparing our hearts to encounter Christ, not only at the celebration of his first coming into the world at Christmas, not only when Jesus comes to call us to our Father in heaven at the end of our lives, but for our encounter that we have with Jesus each and every day.

I pray that each of you have a very blessed and holy Christmas and I pray that all of you will also have a very happy and prosperous new year!

May our gentle and loving God keep each of you safe and healthy in the new year to come!!

God bless you with love, joy, and peace!!

Love,
Fr. James

Prayer Intentions

Let us pray for those who are sick in our community. Remember these parishioners and friends of the Parish in your prayers:

+Jane Susee and family

Barb Ferschweiler

Rex Davis (cancer)

Teddy Davidson

Dolores Miller (hospice)

Sacred Heart School Carnival: Our school Carnival will be on Saturday, January 12, 2019, from 5:30—8:30 pm. Come and enjoy games, Bingo, Black Jack, cake walk, snack bar and a general store.

This is a night of fun for all ages! Tickets are 5/\$1 and are available at the school office through Friday, January 11, or 4/\$1 at the door.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL 503-792-4541 shssecretary@shstl.org

Christmas Break: The school office is closed from December 21 through January 2. We hope you all have a very, merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Volunteers Needed: We are in need of volunteers to come into our school each day to help tutor our students in reading and math. A half hour a day works wonders in helping a child reach their potential. "Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart." If you are willing to help, please call 503-792-4541 or email shssecretary@shstl.org the school office.

Annual Appeal: Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our Annual Appeal so far. Our goal is \$22,000. If you have not contributed yet, please prayerfully consider helping us in our mission to develop our students into disciples of Jesus Christ by contributing to our Annual Appeal today!

To find out what else is going on at our school, check out our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartgervais/> and our website at <https://school.shstl.org/>

"Serve with a heart like Jesus." adapted from Joshua 22

Un Palabra de P. Santiago...

Mis queridos hermanos y hermanas,

Mientras escribo esta carta, aún faltan casi 7 días para Navidad, debido a los horarios de publicación del boletín, este será mi último artículo de boletín hasta después del nuevo año.

Realmente ha sido una gran alegría para mí estar aquí con ustedes durante estos últimos meses. Llegué en julio y recibí una cálida bienvenida. Estoy muy agradecido de haber pasado estos últimos seis meses con usted y ciertamente espero con interés los próximos meses y años.

Hemos pasado estas últimas semanas preparando nuestros corazones para encontrar a Cristo, no solo en la celebración de su primera venida al mundo en Navidad, no solo cuando Jesús viene a llamarnos a nuestro Padre celestial al final de nuestras vidas, sino por nuestro encuentro que tenemos con Jesús cada día.

¡Oro para que cada uno de ustedes tenga una muy bendita y santa Navidad y oro para que todos ustedes también tengan un año nuevo muy feliz y próspero!

¡Que nuestro gentil y amoroso Dios mantenga a cada uno de ustedes a salvo y saludable en el nuevo año por venir!

¡Dios te bendiga con amor, gozo y paz!

Amor,
P. James

Archbishop's Catholic Appeal Update

The Archdiocese has received a total of \$11,528.00 which is 56% of our goal of \$20,516.00. Thank you!

Our Dec. 2nd Chicken dinner grossed \$13,658 and the wreath sale brought in \$1,398. After expenses, we made \$9,716.

Thank you to everyone involved. It takes many hands to put on the chicken dinner and it raises a lot of money which supports our various ministries here at Sacred Heart-St. Louis Parish. If you are not on the work list and would like to help out with the next dinner, please call the office.

Financial Stewardship

Needed Weekly: \$ 6,000

COLLECTIONS	difference	AMOUNT
December 2, 2018	(\$ 756.64)	\$4,000.29
Maintenance		\$1,243.07
Dec. 9 + Immac Concep Mass	(\$2,152.33)	\$3,847.67
Dec. 16	(\$1,631.56)	\$4,368.44
School fund		\$1,533.85

Parish Activities for the 2 Weeks

Sunday/Domingo	December 23
8 am @ St. Louis	Nancy and Jess Lucas
10 am Mass @ SHC	Parishioners
Monday/Lunes	December 24 office closed
5 pm family Mass at SHC	+Bert Gottsacker
7 pm Spanish Mass at SHC	+Pedro Rincon
Tuesday/Martes	December 25
8 am Mass at St Louis	+Leonard and Pat Ferschweiler
10 am Mass at SHC	Parishioners
Wed/Miercoles	December 26
8 am at SHC	+Mary Louis Doyle
NO confessions	
6 pm in gym 6:30 pm	Faith Formation classes
Thursday/Jueves	December 27 Senior social 9 am
8 am Mass at SHC	Mike Roos
Friday/Viernes	December 28
8 am Mass at SHC	+Ralph Dryden
Saturday/Sábado	December 29
8 am weekly Mass at St. Louis	Departed Parishioners
3:30-4:30 pm Confessions	
5 pm vigil at SHC	+Joseph Armstrong
7 pm Spanish	Parishioners

Parish Activities for the Week

Sunday/Domingo	December 30
8 am @ St. Louis	+Anita Ferschweiler
10 am Mass @ SHC	Special Intention
Monday/Lunes	December 30 no Mass/office closed
Grupo Oracion in church from 7 - 9 pm	
Tuesday/Martes	January 1 OFFICE CLOSED
9 am Mass at SHC (holy day)	+Leticia Salgado
Wed/Miercoles	January 2 office open
8 am at SHC	+Pedro Rincon
5:30 pm confessions at SHC	
NO Faith Formation classes	
Thursday/Jueves	January 3
8 am Mass at SHC	Chester Clark
Friday/Viernes	January 4
8 am Mass at SHC	+Francisca Contreras
Saturday/Sábado	January 5
8 am weekly Mass at St. Louis	+Gertie DeConinck
3:30-4:30 pm Confessions	
5 pm vigil at SHC	+Joseph Armstrong
7 pm Spanish	Parishioners
Sunday/Domingo	January 6
8 am at St. Louis	deceased Knights of Columbus
10 am Mass at SHC	Special Intention

Please note: there will be ONE same bulletin for the last 2 weekends of the year. Please refer to the ministers schedule in the back of church or your copy at home for the Christmas Mass scheduled ministers.

****12/26—OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY**

****12/27—9 am Senior social in FFC (Thursday)**

****1/1/2019—Solemnity of Mary (holy day) Mass 9 am**

****1/12—School Carnival 5:30-8:30 pm in the gym**

Children's FAITH FORMATION

Nanette Kuga, GSFFC 503-792-4231 ext. 310

dre@shstl.org

December (Advent)

26--NO CLASS (Christmas Break)

January (Christmastide)

02--NO CLASS (Christmas Break)

09--CLASS Resumes (Ordinary Time)

7th/8th, High School and Young Adult

Faith Formation

Katie Phelan - Youth Ministry Coordinator

503-792-4231 ext. 305 Cell: 503-929-3901

ym@shstl.org

Thank you to all of our Catechists and students for coming together and getting the Nativity set up and the church cleaned this last Sunday!!! We are truly blessed by you all!! **Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!**

Class time from 11:10 am-1 pm

January 6, 2019 — CLASS

January 13th — CLASS (2nd YR.-CONFIRMATION

SAINT NAME REPORT DUE)

January 13th — Nativity Takedown 1-3:00 pm

(Mandatory)

January 27— CLASS (1st Communion students tour confessional)



FORMACION DE LA FE PRIMARIA

Diciembre (Adviento)

26 - NO CLASE (Vacaciones de Navidad)

Enero (Christmastide)

02 -NO CLASE (Vacaciones de Navidad)

09 - Clase REGRESO A CLASES

Nanette Kuga 503-792-4231 ext. 310 dre@shstl.org

Formación de la Fe Secundaria y Preparatoria

(Grados 7-12) Katie Phelan - Coordinadora de Ministerio Juvenil 503-792-4231 ext 305 ym@shstl.org

¡Gracias a todos nuestros catequistas y estudiantes por reunirse y organizar la Natividad y limpiar la iglesia este último domingo! Estamos verdaderamente bendecidos por todos ustedes !! ¡Feliz navidad y próspero año nuevo!

Horario de clase de 11:10 am a 1 pm

6 de enero de 2019 — CLASE

13 de enero — CLASE (2º año confirmacion: entrega de nombre de santo)

13 de enero — Retiro de la Nacimiento 1-3 pm

(Obligatorio)

27 de enero— CLASE (estudiantes de la 1ª Comunión, gira confesional)

Por favor, considere en oración ayudar a nuestro programa trayendo bocadillos para nuestras clases. Tenemos alrededor de 70 jóvenes en nuestro programa. Podemos usar casi cualquier tipo de bocadillos (frutas, galletas, muffins, galletas, papas fritas, etc.). También podemos utilizar bebidas como chocolate caliente, ponche o jugo. ¡Gracias!

HORARIO DE NAVIDAD

Vigilia de Navidad - lunes 24 de diciembre - (5 pm - misa familiar en SHC, 7 pm misa en español)

Día de Navidad - martes, 25 de diciembre - 8 am-St. Louis, 10 am-SHC

La misa de año nuevo será a las 9 am (1 de enero de 2019) en la Iglesia del Sagrado Corazón.

Sabado 29 de diciembre, 7 pm Español Calendario de Ministros

Lectores:

Alicia Huapeo / Arcelia Pelayo

Ministros:

Lulu Dueñas / Felipa Arellano / Mayra Martínez

Servidor Principal:

Víctor Mora Flores

Monaguillo:

Irene Rodriguez

Acomodadores:

Clemente Calleja /Eduardo Chacon/Nora Estrada/Héctor Mora

Dar la Bienvenida:

Karla Morales

Llevar Ofrenda:

Familia Mora Flors

Coro:

Guille Cruz

Limpieza de la Iglesia: Angela Morales, Ana Michel, Luz Maria Chavez

5 de enero, 2019 Calendario de

Ministros vea nuevo calendario in back of church

**Junta de Comité Hispano
Viernes, 4 de enero del 2019
6:30 pm Cuarto de Niños**

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Christmas Vigil - **Monday, December 24** —
(5 pm-family Mass at SHC, 7 pm Spanish mass)
Christmas Day - **Tuesday, December 25** —
8 am-St. Louis, 10 am-SHC

New Year's Mass will be at 9 am (January 1, 2019) at Sacred Heart Church.

****Just a friendly reminder that any donations that you may wish to be recorded as tax deductible gifts to Sacred Herat-St Louis Parish for 2018 must be received in the parish office no later than December 31, 2018.**

****To cut down on postage costs, we are able to email your end of year donation tax statements. Please email Barbara at secretary@shstl.org if you want to add or update your email address.**

****Please inform the office if you need a hard copy of your tax statement.**

2018-19 senior socials!

Please consider cooking a small breakfast for these fellow friends and parishioners one of these months on Thursday or Friday during the school year. Please call the office if you are interested or have more questions.

Please mark your calendars for **Thursday, January 24 at 9 am in FFC.**

Chapel of Perpetual Adoration *Capilla de Oración*

Open Hours / Horas Disponibles:
Mon/Lunes 7-8 am

Chapel Coordinators / Coordinadores de Capilla

12 midnight-5 am	Carol Kuschnick	503-792-4419
6 am-11 am	Pilar Zamora	503-792-4424
12 noon-5 pm	Carole Rosa	503-423-7663
6 pm-11 pm	Sandi Belleque	503-508-0971

Estimados feligreses: Estamos actualizando nuestra lista de suplentes de Adoration Chapel y solicitamos su ayuda. Si está dispuesto a ser un sustituto, comuníquese con el coordinador de la capilla los días y horas en los que está dispuesto a participar. Pondremos su información en el horario de la capilla y serán contactados según sea necesario. ¡Gracias!
El tiempo en esta tierra es corto en comparación con la eternidad. ¿Qué estás haciendo especial para prepararte para ese día?

Ladies, you are invited to a High Tea on Sat., February 9, 2019 at St. Louis Hall.

Doors open at 12 noon and meal service begins at 1 pm. We enjoy dressing up, even hats, and sparkling conversation in a Valentine ambiance and friendly bidding in the silent auction for lovely items in baskets. This event brings together ladies and their daughters and mothers from Oregon and surrounding states. This fundraiser provides for the annual \$2,000 college scholarship.

Tickets are \$20. Call Marge Pranger at 503-881-0170 or Marianne Branaman at 503-508-0451 for tickets. Tickets are also available at the parish office from Melanie Saalfeld, Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday from 9 am to 3 pm.

Sacraments/Sacramentos

Baptism/Bautismo:

English PreBaptismal Class (children 0-6 years old)
Last Tuesday of the Month 6:30 pm – FFC

Choose appropriate Godparent(s). At least one must be 16 years of age, confirmed and a practicing Catholic. If married, must be married in the Catholic Church. If single, must be living a chaste life. Godparents must be registered and active in a parish for a minimum of three months and present a letter documenting activity from their parish. Call to register 503-792-4231.

Clases Pre-Bautismales (Niños de 0-6 años)

Primer Martes del Mes 6:30 pm - Formación de Fe
Elija el Padrino (s) apropiado, al menos uno debe ser de 16 años de edad, confirmado, y católico practicando. Si es casado, debe ser casado en la Iglesia Católica. Si es soltero, debe vivir una vida casta y no cohabitando. Los padrinos deben estar registrados y activos en una parroquia durante un mínimo de tres meses y presentar una carta documentando la actividad de su parroquia. Por favor de llamar para registrarse.

Marriage/Matrimonio

Couples must contact the office at least six months in advance. One party should be registered at our parish.

The Catholic party must be an active Catholic and participating in the life of the church. If the Catholic party planning to get married in our parish is not an active member in our parish, he or she should be participating actively in another Catholic parish. (The pastor will request a letter from your parish.)

Las parejas deben ponerse en contacto con la oficina por lo menos seis meses adelantado. Por lo menos uno de los dos debe estar registrado/a en nuestra parroquia. La pareja Católica debe ser un Católico activo y participando en la vida de la iglesia. Si la pareja Católica planificando casarse en nuestra parroquia no es un miembro activo, él o ella debería estar participando activamente en otra parroquia Católica. (El pastor va a solicitar una carta de su parroquia.)

Parish Staff Pastor: **Fr. James** pastor@shstl.orgSecretary: **Barbara Daniels** secretary@shstl.orgAssistant Secretary: **Arcelia Pelayo** (Español)

Asistencia en Español - Miercoles de 9 am - 4 pm

Bookkeeper: **Melanie Saalfeld** bookkeeper@shstl.orgFaith Formation: **Nanette Kuga** dre@shstl.orgYouth Ministry: **Katie Phelan** ym@shstl.org**Pastoral Council - meets 2nd Tues of month**

Amy Ferschweiler - chair

Amanda Belleque - secretary

Robert Tesch

Mary Miller

Karla Morales

Marty Miller-admin council rep

Finance Council - meets 3rd Tues of month

Larry Schiedler-chair

Kent Belleque-secretary

Frank Davidson

Laura Hagenauer

Marty Miller

Parish Ministries Coordinators

Adoration Chapel: Carol Kuschnick

Baptism Class (English): Merissa Zielinski

Baptism Class (Spanish): Arcelia Pelayo

Catholic Daughters: Marge Pranger

Welcoming Committee: Mary Miller

Comité Hispano: Karla Morales/Maria Rodriguez

Grupo Carismático de Oración: Maria Rodriguez

Knights of Columbus: Tony Weathers

Liturgy (Spanish): Karla Morales/Maria Rodriguez

Liturgy (English): Pati Kiley (patiaanddoug@mac.com)

Music coordinators: Toby Saalfeld and team

Stewardship: Marty Miller

St. Louis Altar Society: Anna Mahony

St. Rita's Altar Society: Marianne Branaman

RCIA Program: Bob Nelson

SH Flowers coordinator: Carol Kuschnick

Event coordinator SH hall: **NEEDED**

Wedding coordinator: Anjali Gallagher

Spanish funeral coordinator: NEEDED!**December 29 -- 5:00 pm****Reader:** Ed Adelman**Extra Min:** Laura Hagenauer, Judy Brutka**Lead Servers:** volunteers**Altar Servers:** none**Head Usher:** Cam Ferschweiler**Greeters:** Larry and Laura Schiedler**Cantor/Organist:** Pete Petrowski**Church Cleaning:****December 30 -- 8:00 am****Reader:** Ron Beyer**Extra Min:** Veronica Davidson, Karen Herinckx**Lead Servers:** Brian Beyer**Head Usher:** Tim Herinckx**Greeters:** Frank Davidson**December 30 -- 10:00 am****Reader:** David Gonzales**Extra Min:** Catherine Zollner, Bob and Sarah Nelson**Lead Servers:** David Gonzales**Altar Servers:** Josh and Daniel Nelson**Head Usher:** David Gonzales**Greeters:** volunteers**January 5 -- 5:00 pm****Reader:** Marianne Branaman**Extra Min:** Judy Brutka, Jim Branaman**Lead Servers:** volunteers**Altar Servers:** none**Head Usher:** Roger Eder**Greeters:** Bette Gottsacker**Cantor/Organist:** Pete Petrowski**Church Cleaning:** Angela Morales, Ana Michel, Luz Maria Chavez**January 6 -- 8:00 am****Reader:** Tom Mahony**Extra Min:** Kent and Susan Belleque**Lead Servers:** Peter Bennett**Altar Servers:** Luke Bennett**Head Usher:** Tim Herinckx**Greeters:** Barb Ferschweiler**Cantor/Organist:** Marge Pranger and Amanda Belleque**January 6 -- 10:00 am****Reader:** Robert Tesch**Extra Min:** Steve and Katey Utterback, Pati Kiley**Lead Servers:** Javier Rodriguez**Altar Servers:** Diego and Sofia Contreras**Head Usher:** Gilbert Contreras**Greeters:** volunteers**Cantor/Organist:** Jeannine Eisenbacher and family

Welcome to Sacred Heart - St. Louis Parish. If you are new to the parish or you have updated information, please cut and fill out this form and bring it to the office or put it in the collection basket. *Bienvenidos a la Parroquia del Sagrado Corazón—San Luis. Regístrese con esta pequeña forma y entregue a la oficina o pongala en la canasta de coleccion.*

Name / Nombre:

Address / Dirección:

Phone / Teléfono:

☐ New Parishioner/Nuevo en la Parroquia ☐ New Address/Nueva Dirección ☐ New Phone/Nuevo Teléfono☐ I would like Father to call me/Necesito que el Padre me llame ☐ Interested in Parish Ministries/Me interesa servir☐ I would like offertory envelopes/Necesito sobres para ofretorio ☐ Visitor/Soy Visitante

Events around the area . . .

You Can Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? **Retrouvaille helps couples** through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on January 18-20, 2019 call 503-225-9191 or visit www.helpourmarriage.org

Come, Follow Me Retreat:

Grow more fully into the person God has called you to be through a dynamic, life-changing weekend retreat.

The *Come, Follow Me* retreat creates an environment where a personal encounter with Christ is possible. By encountering Christ, you will develop an ever-lasting relationship with Jesus. Through your personal journey with Christ, you transform your four fundamental relationships: with God, with self, with others and the world.

Come together in fellowship and friendship. Rekindle and deepen your relationship with Christ. Come join us!

Men: Jan. 25-27, 2019; Women: Feb. 22-24, 2019

Father Bernard Youth Center, Mt. Angel

Questions? 541.525.9310 or followmeretreat@gmail.com

For more information or to register online:

www.followmeretreat.org

Winter holidays are traditionally a time of reflection. *Those who have lost children to abortion are reminded of the loss, the regrets, the if-onlys. Decide now that it is time for hope and healing. Why wait any longer to heal? Project Aurora is providing Rachel's Vineyard retreats February 15-17 in Portland and March 15-17 in Medford. The retreat is a safe and compassionate environment! Financial assistance is available. For more information, call 541-942-2861 or email ProjectAurora@aol.com. www.ProjectAurora.org. www.rachelsvineyard.org*

Catholic Daughters Scholarship Now Available

The Vivian Duda Catholic Daughters Scholarship for \$2,000 is available to female and male applicants. The college student or parent(s) must be registered members of Sacred Heart-St. Louis Parish OR parent must be a member of the Gervais Catholic Daughters Court. The applicant must be currently in the first year of college or higher. Previous applicants may apply again. The application form can be found on the Sacred Heart -St. Louis Parish website at shstl.org/ministries/CatholicDaughters/VivianDudaScholarship. Applications are due May 1, 2019. If you have any questions please contact Sandi Belleque (503) 463-8525.

Mater Dei Radio Event

Mater Dei Radio celebrates 30 years of broadcasting with two exciting nights featuring EWTN's Dr. David Anders. Equip yourself for 2019! Don't miss Dr. Anders' "How the Catholic Church Saved My Marriage" on **Friday, January 18 at St. Anthony Church in Tigard, and Saturday, January 19 at Queen of Peace Church in Salem. Tickets are free, but very limited. Get yours now at MaterDeiRadio.com.**



Catholic 101: at Father Bernard Youth Center

Catholic 101: Join us this Tuesday evening from 7-8:30 PM at the Fr. Bernard Youth Center in Mt. Angel, for our 4th week of Catholic 101. This week, our seminarians will be sharing insights on "The Catholic Meaning of Christmas" followed by an interactive Q&A session. Go to fbyc.info/catholic-101-1 for more information on topics, location and bios on our seminarians!

The Father Bernard Youth Center in Mt. Angel is excited to announce our first Tough Topics series, December 20th with Archbishop Sample. The Archbishop will be speaking to teens and young adults about the current crisis in the church and answering any questions they may have. For more information, visit our website (fbyc.info) or call us @ 503-845-5442. Space is limited so please reserve your spots for this free event now!