

# Sacred Heart-St. Louis Catholic Parish

## Parroquía del Sagrado Corazón-San Luís

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Office Hours: Tuesday—Friday 9 am—4 pm

*Horario: Martes a Viernes 9 am—4 pm*

# LENT PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD

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Welcome all visitors to Sacred Heart-St Louis Parish

### Mass Schedule / Horario de Misas:

Saturday/sábado: 4:30 pm (Eng-Sacred Heart)

6 pm (misa Español -Sacred Heart)

Sunday/domingo: 8:00 am (St. Louis)

9:30 am (Sacred Heart Church)

Daily Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday 8:00 am

Miércoles 6:15 pm (misa Español)

Thursday 6:15 pm (Sacred Heart Church)

Friday 8:00 am (Sacred Heart Church)

### Reconciliation / Confesiones:

Wednesday/miércoles 5 pm

Saturday/sábado 3 pm

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.

La Parroquia Sagrado Corazón-San Luís es una comunidad Católica de creyentes Cristianos devotos a la Santa Eucaristía. Nos esforzamos para construir el Reino de Dios al invitar a todos a la formación de fe, a la Liturgia Sagrada, a la Evangelización y a la ayuda de la comunidad entera.

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18, Romans 8:31b-34  
Mark 9:2-10

**Reflection:** This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.  
We do not have a God who sits enthroned, looking down from a great distance to arbitrarily ask us to do this or not do that. No, we have a God who loves us enough that we can trust him completely, as Abraham did. We have a God who did not hold back anything, not even his beloved Son, to lead us to the goodness he desires for us.

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

**Jose Luis Sanchez**  
**Janet Steinkamp**  
**Susan Sasano**  
**Claudie Elmore (health)**  
**Sean Kuga and family**  
**Cirila Martinez**

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR EVENT  
COORDINATOR FOR BOTH SACRED HEART  
GYM/HALL AND ST. LOUIS HALL! PLEASE  
CALL THE OFFICE TO GET MORE DETAILS  
AT 503-792-4231**

## Attention all Altar Servers:

In appreciation for your service to Sacred Heart-St. Louis Catholic Church and School, the Knights of Columbus would like to treat you to a night at a Winter-Hawks Hockey game. On March 2, we will meet at Sacred Heart Church at 3:30 pm to go to Portland to watch the game. If you are able to attend that night, please have your parent call/text Dan Saalfeld at 503-507-7378 by February 26. Parents, we will need you to fill out a permission slip for your child. They will be available at the back of the church in English and Spanish. We need to order tickets ahead of time so, altar servers, please let Dan know as soon as possible if you are coming.

## February 25, 2024 Gospel meditation:

As a college student, my prized possession was an after-market car stereo. It was my pride and joy: glorious audio, eye-catching display screen, and multi-disc CD changer. It drained my hard-earned dollars, but it was totally worth it. It drenched me in music everywhere I drove. On Ash Wednesday of my senior year of college, Father Tom, the Jesuit priest at my university said, "Pray for God to tell you what he wants you to sacrifice for Lent." I did. In my heart, the answer came: "Give up listening to your car stereo for forty days." I winced. Not possible, I thought. Can't do it. I made other plans. The next morning, I was stunned to find that my car had been broken into, and my fancy stereo ripped out and stolen.

God's command to sacrifice what we love is no joke. This week in Genesis 22, God says: "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love — Isaac — and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you." Believe me, I know. We like to be in control. It chafes us that God sets the terms of what we must sacrifice, and how. But this is no impersonal, tyrannical process. Remember that God uses their names, Abraham and Isaac. God knows each one of us and the precious gifts He commands us to offer. Finally, our sacrifices are for our own good. Do we trust this enough to do what Father Tom asked me to do?

Lenten challenge: This week, I dare you to ask God: "What do you want me to give up?" He may ask for that which you love most. It will be something precious to you: time, money, a relationship, a dream, an opportunity. What matters is we trust Him and act sacrificially in line with His command. Whatever we sacrifice will of course come back to us as surely as the Risen Jesus — but that doesn't make it easy.

— Father John Muir

## Sacred Heart Catholic School

503-792-4541 [shssecretary@shstl.org](mailto:shssecretary@shstl.org) [www.school.shstl.org](http://www.school.shstl.org)

School Principal: Mrs. Mariana Hill [principal@shstl.org](mailto:principal@shstl.org)

**Stations of the Cross:** We will be praying the Stations of the Cross together as a school family every Wednesday during Lent at 1:00 pm. Our 2nd/3rd Grade class will be leading us on Wednesday, February 28. We love to have our parish family join us.

**Registration Open:** Registration is open for our wonderful school. We are a PreK-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Catholic School. If you are interested in having a tour of our school, please, call the school office to schedule an appointment.

**Spring Fling:** We have Spring Fling Dinner and Auction tickets for sale in the school office. The Spring Fling will be held on April 13, 2024, at the Festhalle in Mt. Angel. Tickets are \$60 per person. We also have Spring Fling raffle tickets for sale. Raffle tickets are \$10 each. Prizes are \$1000 Cash, \$500 Cash and \$250 Cash. Tickets are available from any Sacred Heart School parent or in the school office.

<https://school.shstl.org>.

### 25 de febrero de 2024 Meditación del Evangelio:

Cuando era estudiante universitario, mi posesión más preciada era un estéreo de automóvil de segunda mano. Fue mi orgullo y alegría: audio excelente, pantalla llamativa y cambiador de CD multidisco. Consumí el dinero que tanto me costó ganar, pero valió la pena. Me empapó de música en todos los lugares por los que conducía. El miércoles de ceniza de mi último año de universidad, el padre Tom, el sacerdote jesuita de mi universidad, dijo: "Ora para que Dios te diga lo que quiere que sacrifiques durante la Cuaresma". Hice. En mi corazón llegó la respuesta: "Deja de escuchar el estéreo de tu auto durante cuarenta días". Hice una mueca. No es posible, pensé. No puedo hacerlo. Hice otros planes. A la mañana siguiente, me quedé atónito al descubrir que habían asaltado mi coche y que habían arrancado y robado mi elegante estéreo.

El mandato de Dios de sacrificar lo que amamos no es una broma. Esta semana en Génesis 22, Dios dice: "¡Abraham!" "Aquí estoy", respondió. Entonces Dios dijo: "Toma a tu hijo, tu único, a quien amas, Isaac, y véte a la región de Moriah. Ofrecelo allí en holocausto sobre el monte que yo te mostraré. "Créame, lo sé. Nos gusta tener el control. Nos molesta que Dios establezca los términos de lo que debemos sacrificar y cómo. Pero éste no es un proceso impersonal y tiránico. Recuerde que Dios usa sus nombres, Abraham e Isaac. Dios conoce a cada uno de nosotros y los preciosos dones que nos ordena ofrecer. Finalmente, nuestros sacrificios son por nuestro propio bien. ¿Confiamos en esto lo suficiente como para hacer lo que el padre Tom me pidió que hiciera?

Desafío de Cuaresma: Esta semana, te reto a preguntarle a Dios: "¿A qué quieres que renuncie?" Puede que te pida lo que más amas. Será algo precioso para ti: tiempo, dinero, una relación, un sueño, una oportunidad. Lo que importa es que confiemos en Él y actuemos con sacrificio de acuerdo con Su mandato. Todo lo que sacrifiquemos, por supuesto, volverá a nosotros con tanta seguridad como Jesús resucitado, pero eso no lo hace fácil. LPI

### Usted puede ayudar a su matrimonio

¿Se siente sola o solo? ¿Están frustrados o enojados entre los dos? ¿Hablar de eso lo hace más difícil la situación? Retrouvaille (se pronuncia retro vay) ayuda a las en los momentos difíciles de su matrimonio. Retrouvaille es para las parejas que desean tener un redescubrimiento en su matrimonio y mejorar su comunicación. Puede visitar <https://helpourmarriage.org/es> para conocer testimonios. Para información confidencial o para registrarse para el fin de semana en March 15-17, 2024 en Pasco, Washington. Llame al 800-966-7981 al 509-521-3733. ó al 541-936-2448; ó visite el sitio <https://helpourmarriage.org/es>.

\*\*Por favor recuerde, NO traiga flores al Espacio de adoración durante la Cuaresma o serán descartados.

\*\*Según el Derecho Canónico de la Iglesia, todos los católicos sanos deben abstenerse de comer carne en todas vienes de Cuaresma. Y desde se exige ayunar y abstenerse de carne el Viernes Santo.

### Financial Stewardship

COLLECTIONS	AMOUNT
February 4, 2024	\$5,452.97
Maintenance fund February	\$1,515.00
School fund for February	\$1,634.00
February 11	\$3,179.60
February 18	\$5,486.96
Maintenance fund is second collection March 3	

### SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

Génesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18, Romanos 8:31b-34

Marcos 9:2-10

**Reflexion:** Este es mi Hijo muy querido ... escúchenlo.

No tenemos un Dios que se sienta en un trono, mirando desde una gran distancia para pedirnos arbitrariamente que hagamos esto o no hagamos aquello. No, tenemos un Dios que nos ama lo suficiente como para que podamos confiar en él completamente, como lo hizo Abraham. Tenemos un Dios que no retuvo nada, ni siquiera a su amado Hijo, para conducirnos al bien que desea para nosotros.

### Mass Intentions and Activities for the Week

**Sunday/Domingo February 25**

**8 am Mass at St. Louis Parishioners**

**9:30 am Mass at SHC +Rex Davis**

**Monday/Lunes February 26 office closed**

**8 am daily Mass**

**+Virginia Ruiz**

**8:30 am stay for Rosary for personal intentions & world peace**

**Tuesday/Martes February 27**

**8 am daily Mass**

**+Charlotte Mattis**

**6:30 pm Liturgy meeting in FFC**

**Wednesday/Miercoles February 28**

**8 am daily Mass**

**+Pablo Jaramillo**

**1 pm Stations of the Cross by the school in SHC**

**5 pm confessions**

**6:15 pm misa Español**

**Leonardo Duarte Morales**

**Thursday/Jueves**

**February 29**

**6:15 pm daily Mass**

**+Delores Veldhuisen**

**Friday/Viernes**

**March 1**

**8 am Mass at St. Louis**

**+John William Grassman**

**5-6 pm Holy hour and Adoration plus confessions at SHC**

**6:15 misa Español**

**+German Villa**

**Stations of Cross: please see website or hear announcements**

**Saturday/Sábado**

**March 2**

**8 am Mass at St. Louis**

**+Margaret Koenig**

**3 pm confessions**

**4:30 pm Mass at SHC**

**+Mildred Henny**

**6 pm misa Español**

**Parishioners**

**Sunday/Domingo**

**March 3**

**8 am Mass at St. Louis**

**+deceased KC's**

**9:30 am Mass at SHC**

**Catholic Daughters**

**\*\*Food Bank—1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 1-4 pm March 6 and 20**

**\*\*March 8—6 pm soup supper/6:30 pm Stations of the Cross will be at St. Louis hall and church for this Friday. (bowls, spoons and plates are provided but if you have extras, a donation of these is also appreciated.)**

**Sorrowful Mysteries-Lenten Rosary Series: FFC from 6-7 pm**

**\*\*Feb. 26-CANCELLED but will resume March 4**

**\*\*Mar. 4-The Crowing with Thorns**

**\*\* March 1—5-6 pm All Parish Holy Hour in SHChurch. We will pray the Eucharist Revival Prayer in English and Spanish, (cards provided), and confes-**

**sions available, followed by Benediction.**

**\*March 5-6:30 pm CDA meeting in FFC**

**\*\*March 10—St. Louis chicken dinner**

**11 am-2 pm**

**\*\*March 22—9 am senior social in FFC**





## Children's FAITH FORMATION cff@shstl.org

Debi Edsinga 503-792-4231 ext. 310

**Year 2 -Sacramental Preparation 4:30-6 pm  
in Faith Formation Center**

### February

28--Class

### March

06--Class

13--Class

20--Class

23/24--Palm Sunday (Holy Week)

27--NO CLASS-SPRING BREAK

30/31--Happy Easter! Christ is Risen! Alleluia! **Holy**

**Day of Obligation-FAMILIES GO TO MASS!**

### April

03--Class

**April 10--K-5th grades ACTIVITY NIGHT 4:30-6  
pm in FFC. Do not need to be registered to attend.**

17--Class

24--Class

**April 27--1st Communion Retreat 12-6 pm**

### **Formación de Fe de niños**

**El año 2 de Formación en la Fe para Niños-  
Preparación Sacramental**

**miercoles 4:30-6 pm en Centro de**

**Formacion de Fe**

### February

28--Clase

### March

06--Clase

13--Clase

20--Clase

23/24 -- Domingo de Ramos (Semana Santa) 27--NO HAY  
CLASES-VACACIONES DE PRIMAVERA 30/31--¡Felices

Pascuas! ¡Cristo ha resucitado! ¡Aleluya! Santo Día de  
Obligación-¡LAS FAMILIAS VAN A MISA!

### April

03--Clase

10--NOCHE DE ACTIVIDADES para grados K-5 4:30-6  
pm en FFC. No es necesario estar registrado para asistir.

17--Clase

24--Clase

27 de abril--Retiro de Primera Comunión 12-6 pm

## 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grades, High School and Young Adult Faith Formation

Katie Phelan -Youth Minister ym@shstl.org  
503-792-4231 ext 305 Cell: (503)929-3901

**WEDNESDAY EVENING TIMES 6:30-7:30PM**

**MIÉRCOLES POR LA NOCHE 6:30-7:30PM –**

**SUNDAY MEETING TIMES 10:45am-12:15pmHORARIO**

**DE CLASES los domingos 10:45 am-12:15pm**

### February

28--Wednesday – Bible Study

### March

03--Sunday – Class

06--Wednesday – Bible Study

13--Wednesday – Bible Study

17--Sunday – Class

20--Wednesday – Bible Study

23-31--NO CLASS-SPRING BREAK

31--**🐰 HAPPY EASTER! HE IS RISEN! (Easter Time)**

**April (Easter Time) 🐣**

03--Wednesday – Bible Study

07--Sunday – Class **(Divine Mercy Sunday)**

10--Wednesday – Bible Study

17--Wednesday – Bible Study

21--Sunday – Class

24--Wednesday – Bible Study

**Formación en la fe de 6.º a 8.º grado, escuela  
secundaria y adultos jóvenes**

Katie Phelan -Ministra de la Juventud

ym@shstl.org 503-792-4231 ext 305

Celular: (503)929-3901

### Febrero

28--Miércoles – Estudio Bíblico

### Marzo

03--Domingo – Clase

06--Miércoles – Estudio Bíblico

13--Miércoles – Estudio Bíblico

17--Domingo – Clase

20--Miércoles – Estudio Bíblico

23-31: NO HAY VACACIONES DE PRIMAVERA

31--**🐰 ¡FELICES PASCUAS! ¡ÉL HA RESUCITADO!**

### April

03--Miércoles – Estudio Bíblico

07--Domingo – Clase **(Domingo de la Divina Misericor-**

**dia)**

10--Miércoles – Estudio Bíblico

17--Miércoles – Estudio Bíblico

### **March 2 -- 4:30 pm at SHC**

**Readers:** Thomas Lear

**Sacristan/extra min:** Judy Brutka

**Altar servers:** volunteers

**Ushers:** Cam Ferschweiler

**Greeters:** Bette Gottsacker, Amy Lear

**Cantor/Organist:** Pete Petrowski

**Church Cleaning:** Cathy Tidwell and family and any volunteers

### **March 3 -- 8 am St. Louis**

Connie Schlechter

Tom Mahony

Moses and Kolbe Blair

volunteer

Barb Ferschweiler

volunteers

### **March 3 -- 9:30 am SHC**

Katie Utterback

Steve Utterback

Josh Saalfeld

Lloyd Hansen

volunteer

volunteer

# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

"I know now how devoted you are to God,  
since you did not withhold from me your own  
beloved son." (Gn 22:12)

### Psalm:

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (Ps 116)

### Second Reading:

He who did not spare his own Son  
but handed him over for us all,  
how will he not also give us everything else along  
with him? (Rom 8:32)

### Gospel:

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them;  
from the cloud came a voice,  
"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." (Mk 9:7)

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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The Transfiguration left the disciples with more questions than answers. What had they just seen? What had they just heard? They were confused, but they trusted Jesus. Let's follow in their example, trusting in God's care as we journey deeper into Lent.

## Observances for the week of February 25, 2024

**Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Lent

**Tuesday:** St. Gregory of Narek,  
Abbot and Doctor of the Church

**Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Lent



## Saint of the week

Blessed Carlo Acutis was born in 1991 and is the first millennial to be beatified. Despite dying of leukemia at age 15, he developed a website that showcases Eucharistic Miracles around the world, demonstrating that holiness knows no age.

## Prayer of Trust

Dear Lord,  
Your ways confuse me  
sometimes. Often, I don't  
fully understand what You are  
doing. But I believe that You  
are working in a way that will  
one day make sense. Until  
then, keep me close to You,  
trusting blindly in the ways You  
lead me. Amen.

## ADORATION CHAPEL/ CAPILLA DE ADORACION

One of the best ways to celebrate this year of Eucharistic Revival is to have a holy hour. Below are some open times- **Please call the office or a coordinator below to sign up for an open hour or as a substitute!**

### OPEN CHAPEL HOURS

Tuesday/martes 11 am-noon

#### Chapel Coordinators / Coordinadores de Capilla

12 midnight-5am	Barbara Rodriguez 503-559-7413
6 am-11 am	Pilar Zamora 503-792-4424
12 noon-5 pm	Veronica Davidson 503-951-0533
6 pm-11 pm	Sandi Belleque 503-508-0971

### 2024 Catholic Daughters Scholarship now available for College and Trade/ Technical School students:

The Vivian Duda Memorial Scholarship for \$2,000 is available to female and male applicants. The college or trade school student or parent(s) must be registered members of Sacred Heart-St. Louis Parish OR the applicant or mother of applicant must be a Gervais Catholic Daughter. The applicant must currently be in the first year of college or trade/technical school 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/catholic-daughters/Vivian Duda Scholarship](http://shstl.org/ministries/catholic-daughters/Vivian-Duda-Scholarship). Applications are due May 1, 2024.

#### Soup Supper at 6 pm and Stations of the Cross at 6:30 pm

- March 1<sup>st</sup>: Please hear the announcement at this week-end Masses for this Friday's soup/stations place and time
- March 8<sup>th</sup>: Knights of Columbus. (St. Louis Church)
- March 15<sup>th</sup>: Hispanic Ministries.
- March 22<sup>nd</sup>: Catholic Daughters of Americas



### Penance Services in the Vicariate

March 5<sup>th</sup> – 7 pm – St. Mary, Mt. Angel  
March 7<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 pm – St. Paul, Silverton  
March 12<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 pm – St. Luke, Woodburn  
St. James on March 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:00 – 8:00 pm  
March 19<sup>th</sup> – 7 pm, St. Patrick, Canby  
March 20<sup>th</sup> – 7 pm, St. Paul, St. Paul

### St. Louis Parish "Drive thru" BBQ Chicken Dinner -

BBQ chicken dinner(\$15) includes 1/2 chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, dinner roll & dessert  
A la carte: 1/2 BBQ chicken (\$8), coleslaw quarts (\$7).  
This Drive Thru Only event is 11 am-- 2 pm  
Sunday, March 10th  
Sacred Heart Gym, 485 7th Street. Call 503-792-4231 or 503-951-1000 for more details.

### The Three Temptations

Dr. Brant Pitre

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Reflect with Dr. Brant Pitre on the temptations of Jesus in the desert as he gets to the heart of the meaning of Lent.

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### The Hour of Our Death | Eternal Rest | Episode 3

The Anointing of the Sick is one of the seven sacraments of the Church. This session, we discover the role of this sacramental anointing in the spiritual struggle during serious illness, the final stages of our temporal life, and the hour of our death.

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## **The Christian in the World & Monastic Spirituality**

*A four-part series led by Fr. John Paul Le, OSB, Abbot Peter Eberle, OSB, Br. Ambrose Stewart, OSB, and Fr. Michael Shrum, OSB.*

**March 9, 2024**

**Monastic spirituality: Listening to and praying with God's voice.**

**April 13, 2024**

**Monastic spirituality: Reaching out to and being formed by the world around us.**

The presentations are held in the Abbey library auditorium from 9:15 to 11:45 am. You may register at the door at the event or go online to [mountangelabbey.org/join-us/Christian-in-the-world](http://mountangelabbey.org/join-us/Christian-in-the-world) \$15 per session

*"Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and He will establish your plans." -Proverbs 16:3*



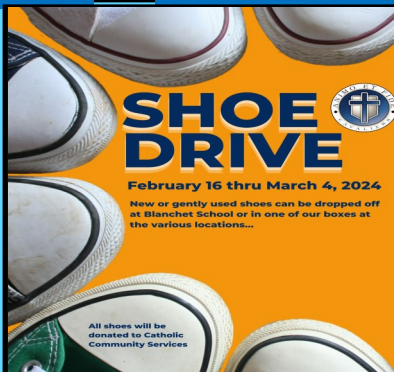
## **The 89th Annual Archbishop's Seminary Tea**

Benefiting the education of seminarians preparing to serve in the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon. Wednesday, April 24, 2024, 3-6 pm at Portland Golf Club, 5900 SW Scholls Ferry Road, Portland 97225

For more information about the event and how to purchase tickets or make a donation, please visit [seminarytea.org](http://seminarytea.org) or email [info@seminarytea.org](mailto:info@seminarytea.org)

## **Thank You! St. Joseph Parish will rebuild!**

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the St. Joseph Parish/Iglesia de San José Fire Relief Fund. There is still a lot to do with at least \$5 million worth of damage from the August 31 fire. We are so grateful for your continued support to rebuild this parish. Masses are still being celebrated in the gym. Donations to the St. Joseph Salem Fire Relief Fund can be made online. You can also mail your donations to the parish at 721 Chemeketa St NE, Salem OR 97301. Thank you for your support!



Blanchet Leadership class is doing the Shoe Drive again this year, collecting shoes for homeless youth. We will collect all new and gently used shoes starting February 16th through March 4th. There will be boxes available in the Narthex for you to donate new or gently used shoes of all sizes!! Tennis shoes, sports shoes (cleats, basketball shoes), boots, any new shoes, all baby/toddler shoes, new pairs of socks and shoe laces.