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St. Francis School

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord—March 29, 2015

Parish Mission Statement

Jesus calls us to conversion and discipleship. Because we believe in Jesus, we the St. Francis Parish Family minister to each other and to the larger community in holiness and justice. Our celebration of the sacraments helps us to be Spirit-filled and challenges us to enable each person, each family and the parish and world communities to promote the kingdom of God every day.

Mass & Worship Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass - 5:30 pm

Sunday Masses - 8:00 am, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm

Holyday Masses as announced

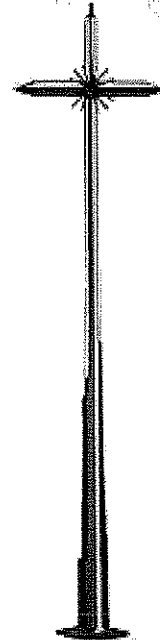
Weekday Masses - Tue - 12:00 pm, Wed - Fri & first Sat - 8:30 am

Communion Service - Mon - 8:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 4:00 -5:00 pm

Perpetual Adoration - 24 hours a day in the Chapel

Parish Rosary - 7:00 pm - 4th Thursday of each month



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Announcements

Happening this week:

- Monday, March 30 is the last day to get your food donations in for the 40 Cans for 40 Days food drive and our Easter food boxes. Donations can be brought to the Old Hall Monday between 8:00 am—10:00 am or 6:00 pm—8:00 pm. Thank you!
- Strong Catholic Families is sponsoring a **Holy Week Triduum family event** after the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses this Sunday, March 29 in the parish center. Help yourself and your family better understand the Triduum which we celebrate next Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Parish Announcements:

- You are invited to join a **pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes including Barcelona** on October 11-20, 2015 with Father Ysrael. If interested, please pick up a flyer or brochure available in the narthex and the church entrances.
- **Itel—Knights of Columbus—Contreras Scholarships**—These scholarships are again available to any high school graduating senior who is a parishioner of St Francis. You must have applied to and been accepted by a College or University for the 2015-2016 school year. Applications (one application for all) are available in the Parish Office, or in the church narthex. The deadline for submitting your application is Thursday, April 30. The primary criteria for selection is church and school involvement together with financial need.

Out of Parish:

- **Monastic Vocations Discernment Retreat**—Mount Angel Abbey invites men who are between 18-45 years of age and are discerning a monastic vocation, to come join us for a three-day discernment retreat experience on **Friday April 10—through Sunday, April 12, 2015**. This is free of charge and we welcome you as our guest. Please contact Fr. Odo Recker, OSB email: odo.recker@mtangel.edu, call 503.845.3123 or visit our website, www.mountangelabbey.org.
- **Oregon Right to Life Conference: *We are the Pro-Life Generation*, Saturday April 11, Holiday Inn, Portland Airport, 8:45am—5:30 pm**. Workshops, special speakers and guests, oratory contest, workshops for teen and college students, exhibits and more! Early Bird Registration, before April 4, 2015, Seniors/Students \$30.00. Register online www.ortl.org or call 503.463.8563.

From the Pastor

Understanding the Holy Mass: The Assembly (*Continued from last week*)
(Excerpt from Fr. Jeremy Driscoll's *What Happens at Mass*)

So, who is assembled for any given celebration of the Mass? At first glance, we see only a concrete group of given people whose own particular stories have brought them. But hidden in the mystery of this concrete assembly is a much bigger assembly, and the very celebration will reveal the bigger assembly. The whole Church has gathered; the Church in heaven and on earth, the Church across the world and across the centuries. And in that Church is gathered the whole creation and the desires of every human heart... The meaning of the whole creation and the whole of human history is contained here in ritual form and in the people who enact the ritual. This action will cause the Church to be: to do Eucharist is to be Church.

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of March 30—April 5

Monday	8:30 am	Communion Service
Tuesday	12:00 pm	Arnold Mausser+
Wednesday	8:30 am	In Thanksgiving
Thursday	7:00 pm- I	Holy Thursday
Friday	7:00 pm	Good Friday
Saturday	8:30 pm - I	Easter Vigil
Sunday	8:00 am- I	People of the Parish
Sunday	10:30 am- I	Sixto & Eufemia+
Sunday	5:00 pm	No Mass

I = use of incense

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43
 Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9

Weekly Financials

March 21 & 22 \$ 10,997.53
 Archdiocesan Loan Balance \$ 357,787.63

Loan Pay Back—Week 114

John & Cindy Monroe

Liturgical Ministers - April 2—5

<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Servers</u>
Holy Thursday 7:00 pm President: Fr. Ysrael Bien		
Kelly Kessi	Giovi Paras	Stephan Zapodeanu
Mike Roos	Carlota Delos Reyes	Eleanor Snyder
	Manny Delos Reyes	Derek Yau
Good Friday 7:00 pm President: Fr. Ysrael Bien		
Linda Blackwood	Scott Volk	Austin Grosso
Kate Hickmann	Sal Fuoti	JohnPaul Grosso
Saturday 8:30 pm Mass President: Fr. Ysrael Bien		
Rachel Engstrom	Don Wanner	Michael Wanner
Tricia Killinger	Carlota Delos Reyes	Jeffrey Manning
Peter Laughlin	Manny Delos Reyes	Nolan Manning
LeRoy Nollette		
Sunday 8:00 am Mass President: Fr. Ysrael Bien		
Steve Holthouse	Kevin Moore	Gabrielle Morrow
Mara Cowan	Mark Cowan	Noah LaFave
	Linda Shannon	Ben LaFave
	Larry Ripplinger	
Sunday 10:30 am Mass President: Fr. Ysrael Bien		
Jeanne Corello	Bud Weisner	Timmy Freadman
Danielle Coughran	Chris Corrado	Sophia Bowman
	Joe Corello	Judah Kester
	Ed Contreras	

Coffee Social Hosts - April 5

No Coffee and Donuts—Happy Easter

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

Lent, Holy Week, and Easter Services

- ◆ Monday, March 30 is the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral at 7:00 pm.
- ◆ Thursday, April 2 we will celebrate Holy Thursday Liturgy at 7:00 pm.
- ◆ Friday, April 3, Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence. We will have Stations of the Cross at 3:00 pm and our Good Friday Veneration of the Cross will begin at 7:00 pm.
- ◆ Saturday, April 4, our Easter Vigil, will begin at 8:30 pm and will last about 2 hours.
- ◆ Easter Sunday Masses are at 8:00 am and 10:30 am. There will be no 5:00 pm Mass on Easter Sunday.

Catholic Corner

Is any one form of worshipping God particularly important? The Sacrifice of the Mass is particularly important for worshipping God.

... he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues for ever.

Consequently he is able for all time to save those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. (Heb. 7:24-25)

St. Paul Family Catechism, 583)

Next Week: What does God's first commandment forbid?

In the Spirit of St. Francis...

- ◆ To Kristie Greenslitt, Lu Shown, LoisMarie Mayer, Frances Jewell and Amy Cookson for sharing their time phone sitting & helping in the parish office.
- ◆ To Bud Weisner for sharing his gift of securing special bargains for the parish office and food pantry.
- ◆ To Gregg Harris and the Knights of Columbus for coordinating the 40 Cans for 40 Days food drive and hauling food down to the Old Hall each week
- ◆ To the Monday morning Hope Shelter volunteers for picking up food donations from the narthex each week.

In the Spirit of St. Francis...THANK YOU!



Parish Calendar

Monday, March 30		
1:30 pm	Senior Study Group	P.C.
Tuesday, March 31		
7:00 pm	RCIA	P.C.
7:00 pm	Cub Scout Park Meeting	Old Hall
Wednesday, April 1		
8:30 am	School Mass	Church
9:00 am	Quilting	Old Hall
7:00 pm	Adult Education	P.C.
7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal (10:30)	Church
7:30 pm	Quest	P.C.
Thursday, April 2—Holy Thursday		
7:00 pm	Holy Thursday Mass	Church
Friday, April 3—Good Friday		
3:00 pm	Stations of the Cross	Church
7:00 pm	Good Friday Liturgy	Church
Saturday, April 4—Holy Saturday		
7:30 am	RCIA Day of Reflection	P.C.
8:30 pm	Easter Vigil	Church
Sunday, April 5—Easter Sunday		
8:00 am	Mass	Church
10:30 am	Mass	Church
5:00 pm	No Mass	

Respect Life

"In taking on human flesh in the virginal womb of Mary of Nazareth, the Word of God made flesh has restored humanity to friendship with God and through his paschal mystery, has given the gift of human life an inestimable value that no one, no government, no legislature, no judicial court can rightfully and justly take away."

~Most Rev. Robert McManus, Bishop of Worcester, homily, *Vespers Vigil for All Unborn Human Life*, Nov. 28, 2010

Social Action Ministry

Jennifer Mirek - 503-625-7067 (x233)

Old Hall - 503-625-1263

Food Pantry Hours:

Wed & Thur 9:00 am—11:00 am and

Wed 5:00 pm—7:00 pm

Hope Shelter count for 3/22/15 was 21 guests

HOPE SHELTER NEEDS: liquid soap, twin sheets

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Items requested during the 40 Cans for 40 Days (please see below)

HOPE DINER: A place for people hungry for food and friendship. Sundays - 5:00 pm at the Old Hall. All are welcome. **Hosts: St. Francis Team 4**

Thank you, St. Francis Parish, for participating in the 40 Cans for 40 Days food drive! We will have the total number of pounds donated in next week's bulletin. The amount of food brought down to the Old Hall each week was amazing! Much of this donated food will go into our Easter food boxes which will be distributed this upcoming week.

First 1000 Days: A Catholic Culture of Life Initiative

(weekly reflections can be found at

http://www.archdpdx.org/jprespect/1000_days.html)

Sunday March 29, 2015

Where All Are Welcomed and Loved With Mercy - Day

14 - Children who are poorly nourished in the womb or before the age of 2 can suffer serious, often irreversible, physical and cognitive damage.

Sunday April 5, 2015

Where All Are Welcomed and Loved With Mercy - Day

21 - Every child who, rather than being born, is condemned unjustly to being aborted, bears the face of Jesus Christ, bears the face of the Lord, who even before he was born, and then just after birth, experienced the world's rejection. *Pope Francis*



Preschool/Elementary

There are no classes March 29 or April 5. Happy Easter!

Second Year Sacrament Students

The children will be doing *Chapter 6: I Believe* at home. The chapter, including the With My Family sections, should be completed by April 12. Your child should be practicing the bow, Sign of the Cross and song at home.

Has your child been absent? If your child has missed any classes, he or she will need to complete, at home, any chapters the child was absent for. This should also be completed by April 12.

Confirmation

NEXT CLASS: April 12—1:00 pm-2:45 pm

DUE: Mass journals and Sponsor Candidate booklets

High School

The youth have been investigating their understanding of morality. Discussion has been centered around God's plan for us and the 10 commandments. The next couple of weeks will allow us to socialize: attend a movie over spring break, worship together at the Easter Triduum and serve together at the Spaghetti Dinner.

March

- Sunday, March 29, NO CLASS—Spring Break

April

- Thursday, April 2, Holy Thursday
- Friday, April 3, Good Friday
- Saturday, April 4, Easter Vigil
- Sunday, April 5, NO CLASS—Easter
- Saturday, April 11—Spaghetti Feed

RCIA

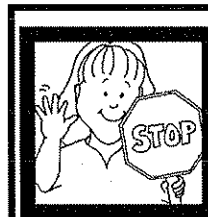
INVITATION TO EXPLORE THE RCIA

As we anticipate the Easter Vigil and the reception of the Elect and Candidates to full communion with the Catholic Church, many people find themselves interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and the process by which one becomes Catholic. Perhaps you are simply curious to find out more about what Catholics believe and why. Consider joining us in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. We are ready to welcome you and help answer your questions about the Faith.

Middle School

The past couple of weeks we have learned the history and richness behind the Triduum, especially focusing on how Jesus broke with tradition during the Passover Meal powerfully illustrating the New Covenant

- April 1 – NO CLASS,. **Please join us** for Holy Thursday & Good Friday
- April 8 – Class. We are an Easter people
- April 15 – Join us at Sherwood Movie Theatre for the Christian movie; *Beyond the Mask*



MARK Your Calendars NOW

What: Spaghetti Dinner

When: Saturday, April 11

Time: 6:30 pm

Everyone is invited to the St. Francis Spaghetti Dinner. The middle and high school youth are planning an evening of fun and maybe even a few surprises. There is even rumor of dancing.

Steubenville

Steubenville NW Teen Catholic Conference
July 31—August 2, 2015

All youth currently in 8th – 12th grades are highly encouraged to attend the Steubenville conference. It is an amazing opportunity to:

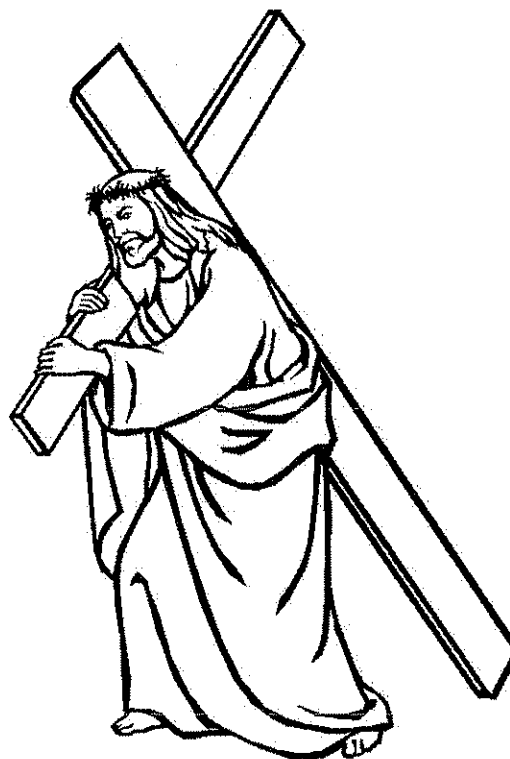
- See national speakers
- See national musicians
- Experience the Eucharist as never before
- Recognize your Catholic Church as much larger than Sherwood (It's global...)

Contact: Ashley Ludwig, in the parish office, right away for more detailed information.

St. Francis School

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During Holy Week and on the first day of the Triduum the Fourth Grade Class of St. Francis School is proud to present the "Passion Play" on Thursday, April 2 at 2:15 pm in the church. The students have been working very hard on this and it should be an excellent recreation of the Passion story. All are invited to attend.



Sacraments

Baptismal Preparation	Georgine Freiburg
1st Reconciliation/Communion	Violet Wanner
Confirmation-High School	Monica Conrow
Confirmation -Adult	Jerry Grondin
Marriage Preparation	Deacon Bill Bloudek

Parish Ministry

Respect Life	Amy Cookson
Funeral Luncheon	Maggie Doud
Holly Rollers	Vida Eppich
Quilters	Sue Willard
Parish Administrative Help	Mimi Urmini
Prison Ministry	Suzanne Moore
Small Business Organization	Michael Cary
Coffee Social	Maurissa Fisher
Women's Ministry	Lisa McGuigan
Blood Pressure Screening	Robin Freadman
School Gym Coordinator	Todd Bowman
Hope Diner	Jennifer Mirek
Hope Shelter	Rob Watson
Food Pantry	Jennifer Mirek
Clothes Closet	Jennifer Mirek
Bereavement	Jennifer Mirek
Welcoming Committee	Linda Shannon
Parish Librarian	Elaine Gregoire
Holiday Food Boxes	Jennifer Mirek
Christmas Giving Tree	Jennifer Mirek
Vocations Committee	Jerry Grondin
Stephen Ministry	Sean O'Halloran

Worship/Liturgy

Communion for Homebound	Deacon Bill Bloudek
Hospital Visitation	Bob & Sharon Boryska
Perpetual Adoration	Adolf Eppich
Altar Servers	Pat Allen
Ushers	Colin Borla
Eucharistic Ministers	Deacon Bill Bloudek
Readers	Deacon Bill Bloudek
Church Environment	Melanie Battilega
Music Ministry	Angele Rogers
Prayer Chain	Deborah Brugato
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Faith Formation


Children's Liturgy of the Word	Violet Wanner
Vacation Bible School	Violet Wanner
RCIA	Linda Blackwood
Adult Education	John & Dee Campbell
Senior Study Group	Deacon Bill Bloudek

Organizations

Knights of Columbus	Rob Watson
	Paul Mayer
Teams of Our Lady	Rob & Sharla Walsh
Couples for Christ	Giovi & Eting Paras
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