

St. Stephen Catholic Church

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March 18, 2018

Fifth Sunday on Lent

(Lumen Christi Missal page 145)



Mass Schedule

Mon – Sat: Check weekly for daily Mass times posted inside bulletin

Sunday: 8:00 AM Latin Mass (1962 Missal)
10:30 AM Sung Parish Mass

Divine Office

Thursday: 7:00 PM Sung Evening Prayer
(English)

Sunday: 5:00 PM Sung Latin Vespers
(1962 Breviary)

Sacraments

Confession:

Sat. 9:30 AM-10:30 AM

Sun. 9:00 AM-10:15 AM

Thurs. 6:35 PM-7:00 PM

Marriage: Contact the Pastor. Must begin marriage preparation before setting the date.

Infant Baptism: Contact Parish Office or see one of the priests after Mass.

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US

PARISH MINISTRIES

Pastor	Rev. Eric Andersen eandersen@archdpdx.org
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MASS READINGS

(Ordinary Form)

Monday:	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 / Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 / Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9 / Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 / Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9 / Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13 / Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28 / Jn 11:45-56

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal in chapel
	9:00 am	CCD in rectory basement
	11:30 am	Coffee and Donuts in gym
	12:15 pm	1st Communion Parents Meeting in rectory basement
Monday	10:00 am	Bible Study in rectory basement
	7:30 pm	Chant Schola in chapel
Tuesday	10:00 am	Homeschool in rectory basement
	5:00 pm	Adult Catechism Class in rectory basement
Friday	6:00 pm	Meatless Soup & Sandwich Potluck in rectory basement
Sunday	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal in chapel
	9:00 am	CCD in rectory basement
	11:30 am	Coffee and Donuts in gym

OFFERTORY REPORT

	March 11	Fiscal Year-to-Date*
Regular Collections	\$3,852.55	(*Beginning July 1st)
Electronic Giving	\$...265.00	
Total	\$4,117.55	\$164,344.57
Budgeted	\$4,800.00	\$156,000.00
Budget +/-	-\$682.45	+\$8,344.57

Thank you for your sacrificial offerings.

ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is on our website via the Donate tab.

LITURGY AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday Lectionary Year A
Weekday Lectionary II
Eucharistic Prayer I
Proper Preface for the Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 18

Fifth Sunday of Lent/Passion Sunday I

8:00 am	Mass - English Mass—Year A (People of the Parish)
9:00 am	Confessions
10:30 am	Sung Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Passion Sunday</i>) (Michael Erwin Ivezic)
4:00 pm	Confessions
5:00 pm	Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Breviary)

Monday, March 19

Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 pm	Sung Latin Mass (1962 Missal) (+Carlo Joseph Silvio)
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Tuesday, March 20

Lenten Weekday

7:30 am	Mass (Luke Vincent Ivezic)
Noon	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Tuesday of Passion Week</i>) (OLLV 89)

Wednesday, March 21

Lenten Weekday

7:30 am	Mass (OLLV 88)
6:00 pm	Confessions
6:45 pm	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Wednesday of Passion Week</i>) (Norcia 2016 Pilgrims)

Thursday, March 22

Lenten Weekday

7:30 am	Mass (OLLV 70)
6:30-7:30pm	No Adoration, Confessions or Evening Prayer

Friday, March 23

Lenten Weekday (Saint Turbinius of Mogrovejo, Bishop)

7:30 am	Mass (OLLV 90)
7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross followed by Confessions

Saturday, March 24

Lenten Weekday

8:00 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9:00 am	Mass (OLLV 87)
9:30 am	Confessions

Sunday, March 25

Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord

8:00 am	Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Palm Sunday</i>) (+Douglas Jackson Williams)
9:00 am	Confessions
10:30 am	Mass with Procession (People of the Parish)
4:00 pm	Confessions
5:00 pm	Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Breviary)

FROM THE DESK OF FR. ERIC ANDERSEN

Passiontide (First Sunday of the Passion)

These last two weeks of Lent we witness the veiling of the sacred images and crucifixes in the church. The texts in the Mass and the Divine Office shift and our focus is increasingly now on the passion of Christ. In his book, the Hymns of the Roman Liturgy (1957), Fr. Joseph Connelly writes:

“Passiontide is a time of rejoicing as well as of mourning, of triumph as well as of defeat” (pg. 78). St. Augustine writes: “Consider the glory of the Cross itself. Now it is imprinted on the foreheads of kings, though enemies once insulted it. Its effects have witnessed to its power. It has subdued the world not by the sword but by the Tree” (6th lesson of Matins for Holy Thursday). “It is this triumph of the Cross as well as the triumph of its Victim which inspires...the *Vexilla Regis*” which is the hymn sung at Vespers during Passiontide. This hymn was “written for a special occasion. The Emperor Justin II and his wife had sent a relic of the true Cross to Queen Radegunde for the convent at Poitiers.” Venantius Fortunatus [d. AD 600], who has a lifetime of writing occasional verse to his credit, was inspired by this occasion to poetry of supreme excellence in hymns which ‘combine a deep sincerity and a fervour of poetic feeling and religious thought with high dignity, strength and skill of expression.’ ... Nor could he let the occasion pass without addressing a long elegiac poem to the Emperor to honour him for this gift” (Connelly pp 79-80). As you pray your evening prayers during these last two weeks of Lent, known as Passiontide, I offer you this hymn sung during Vespers in the Divine Office, for your edification:

Behold the standard of the King, The Cross gleams forth its mystery; On it the Son of God as Man Atoned on earth for sinners all.

His side was pierced by cruel lance That drew out water from His Blood, To cleanse our souls from ev'ry stain, And nourish them with its pure stream.

O Tree that shines with beauty rare, Ennobled by Christ's precious Blood, He chose you as the royal bed To rest His sacred limbs in death.

O blessèd were your rugged arms, From which the whole world's ransom hung, You bore the weight of sacrifice That snatched from greedy hell its prey.

Hail, holy altar, Victim hail, For all the glory of that Cross, By which Life chose and welcomed death, And dying gave us life once more.

Hail, holy Cross, our only hope, Wash all our guilt and crimes away, Increase our grace while we adore In honor of your victory.

Let ev'ry soul sing in your praise, Salvation's Fount, O Trinity, For ever cherish those redeemed Through that great mystery, the Cross. Amen.

[*Vexilla regis prodeunt*, Venantius Fortunatus (AD 530-600). Translation by St. Cecilia's Abbey, Ryde, Isle of Wight, UK.]

THIS SUNDAY'S SECOND COLLECTION

Today, **March 18th** for St. Stephen's Maintenance/Restoration Fund (third Sunday of the month). Thank you.

COFFEE AND DONUTS

AFTER 10:30 AM MASS TODAY IN GYM

To contribute, please sign up in the narthex of the church.

PARENTS OF 1ST COMMUNION CHILDREN

There will be an informational/catechetical meeting on **Sunday, March 18th** at 12:15 pm for parents whose children will be making their first Confessions and first Holy Communion this spring. Fr. Andersen will meet with you in the CCD classroom in the Rectory Basement. Victoria Mears: drvamears@yahoo.com.

SUNDAY VESPERS IN THE CHURCH

This Sunday, Vespers will be sung in Latin in the church at 5 pm, according to the Roman Breviary of 1962. If you have a *Liber Usualis*, please bring it. Otherwise, booklets are available in Latin with English translations to follow along.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY

Our Parish Bible Study Program meets with Sister Rose Mesa, FSE on **Mondays** at 10:00 am in the rectory basement. We are currently reflecting on a 10-part course from the FORMED Website: “The Eucharist: Discovering the Mass in the Bible” with Dr. Brant Pitre from “Lectio: Unveiling Scripture and Tradition” by the Augustine Institute.

All are invited!

FORMED FOR LENT

Learn more at formed.org or download the app at app.formed.org. Type in access code: YTVZ8H and register. Thank you to Archbishop Sample and the Archdiocese of Portland for subsidizing this gift.

NOVENA TO SAINT JOSEPH

During **March**, the Church prays to Saint Joseph. Novena Prayers are available near the altar to Saint Joseph and in the Narthex. One may pray a nine-day novena from March 10-19th or a month long novena for the whole month of March. The Solemnity of St. Joseph will be celebrated on **Monday, March 19th** with a Sung Latin Mass at 7 pm.

CHRISM MASS AT CATHEDRAL

This coming Thursday evening, March 22nd, there will be no evening Holy Hour or Confessions at St. Stephen's. The priests will be attending the Annual Chrism Mass at the Cathedral at 7 pm. All are invited to attend as the Archbishop blesses the holy oils and the priests renew their priestly promises.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS & POTLUCK
SUPPER ON FRIDAY, MARCH 23RD**

Join us during **this Friday** for a meatless Soup and Sandwich potluck supper at 6 pm in the rectory basement followed by Stations of the Cross in the church at 7 pm.

EXTRA CONFESSION TIMES

During the Lenten season, we offer extra times for Confession: **this Friday evening at 7:30 pm after the Stations of the Cross and this Sunday afternoon at 4 pm before Sung vespers.** Please take advantage of these and the regularly scheduled times to make a good confession.

LENTEN ABSTINENCE

Catholics 14 years and older must abstain from meat on the **Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday.** Catholics ages 18 to 59 are to fast on Good Friday. To fast means to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken for good health but together should not equal a full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted but liquids are allowed.

OREGON RIGHT TO LIFE CONFERENCE
"Together We Advocate"

Join us **Saturday, April 7**, from 8:45 AM - 5:30 PM at the Portland Holiday Inn Airport, **8439 NE Columbia Blvd.**, Portland. One of the featured speakers is former Associate Director of the Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, **Richard Doerflinger** who is a leading expert on end-of-life and bioethics topics. Early Registration before April 1, \$40 Adults and \$30 Seniors/Students. Call **503-463-8563** or go to **www.ortl.org** for more details and to register.

PASTORAL COUNSELING

Counseling services are available for families and individuals. A professionally trained and experienced Marriage and Family Counselor is in the Parish Office once a week on **Mondays afternoons.** Those interested may call the Parish office to leave their name and contact information for scheduling a meeting.

HOMESCHOOL EASTER BREAK

Homeschool will meet this Tuesday, and then take a break for two weeks in observance of Holy Week and the Easter Octave. **We will have no homeschool on Tuesday, March 27th or Tuesday, April 3rd.** We will resume on Tuesday, April 10th.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR ELECT

At the **Easter Vigil, on Saturday, March 31st**, Griffin Potts will be Baptized, Confirmed, and receive his first Holy Communion. On the same night, Erik Morris will enter the Catholic Church, be Confirmed, and receive his first Holy Communion. Please pray also for Audie Wood, who is preparing for Confirmation this year, and all our other catechumens and candidates in remote preparation.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Join other faithful Christians **through March 25** for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. 40 Days for Life Vigil hours at Lovejoy Surgicenter are from 7 am to 7 pm daily at 933 NW 25th Avenue, Portland. For more information, go to **40daysforlife.com/portland** or contact Therese Ruesink at 503-997-1884 or **ruesinktherese@comcast.net**.

FUNDRAISER- REGINA CAELI ACADEMY

You're Invited to Regina Caeli Academy's Annual Fabulous Fathers Priest Talent Show on **April 13th!!** Help support Catholic homeschooling families and your local priests - including Fr. Andersen and Fr Boyle! Join us for an evening of dinner, entertainment and auctions with special guest emcee, Dr. Ray Guarendi! This is a unique opportunity to meet an EWTN host in person! The event will be held at the Edgefield McMenamins in Troutdale, OR. Doors open at 7pm. Regina Caeli Academy is a Catholic homeschool resource center located in Vancouver, WA.

**HEADSETS AVAILABLE DURING MASS
IN THE NARTHEX OF THE CHURCH**

MUSIC FOR HOLY WEEK

The liturgies of Holy Week--many of which derive from the commemorations of Our Lord's Passion and Resurrection at their original locations in Jerusalem--are the musically richest of the entire Church year. Indeed, each day recapitulates within its principal narrative the sacrifice of the Son of God on the Cross. For Palm Sunday, the choir will sing the antiphons written by Franz Schubert for Palm Sunday, 1820, for the suburban Vienna church where his brother was *Regius Chori* (choirmaster). Music on Holy Thursday (sometimes called *Maundy* after the *Mandatum*, the footwashing ceremony) includes chants commemorating the First Eucharist, the *Mandatum*, and--in the incomparable antiphon *Christus factus est*--the obedience of the Son to the Father. At the Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion, the Veneration of the Cross will be accompanied by Spanish Renaissance composer Tomas Luis Victoria's settings of the *Improperia*, the Reproaches from the Cross. On Easter morning, we will have two festive Sung Masses, with polyphony by Orlande de Lassus (1532-1594) and Mexican Baroque composer Francisco López Capillas. Please consider coming back for another beautiful Easter liturgy that afternoon at 5:00 pm, when our service of Vespers will include a Baroque string trio!