

St. Stephen Catholic Church

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January 14, 2018

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Lumen Christi Missal page 335)



Mass Schedule

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

Sunday: 8:00 AM Latin Mass
(Extraordinary Form)
10:30 AM Sung Parish Mass

Sacraments

Reconciliation:

Sat. 9:30 AM-10:30 AM

Sun. 9:00 AM-10:15 AM

Thurs. 6:35 PM-7:00 PM

Marriage: Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance.

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:	1 Sm 15:16-23 / Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	1 Sm 16:1-13 / Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 / Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7 / Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	1 Sm 24:3-21 / Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 / Mk 3:20-21

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
Monday	10:00 am	Bible Study in rectory basement
Tuesday	10:00 am	Homeschool in rectory basement
	6:45 pm	Pastoral Council Meeting in rectory conference room
Wednesday	8:00 pm	Ladies' Holy Heart Potluck in rectory basement
Thursday	7:00 pm	RCIA begins with Vespers in church
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

	January 7	Fiscal Year-to-Date*
Regular Collections	\$2,651.56	(*Beginning July 1st)
Electronic Giving	\$...235.00	
Total	\$2,886.56	\$121,661.55
Budgeted	\$4,800.00	\$112,800.00
Budget +/-	-\$1,913.44	+\$8,861.55

Thank you for your sacrificial offerings.

ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is on our website via the Donate tab. Or set up an account and give by means of text message at [503-966-9355](tel:503-966-9355). Also consider giving via Bill Pay. Thank you.

LITURGY AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

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Sunday Lectionary Year B / Weekday Lectionary II
Eucharistic Prayer III
with Preface I for Sundays in Ordinary Time

Sunday, January 14

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8:00 am	Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>2nd Sunday after Epiphany</i>) (+Jacqueline Delaney)
9:00 am	Confessions
10:30 am	Mass (People of the Parish)
5:00 pm	Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Breviary - <i>2nd Sunday after Epiphany</i>)

Monday, January 15

Weekday in Ordinary Time

6:45 pm	No Mass
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Tuesday, January 16

Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am	Mass (+Marie d'Ernengard)
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Wednesday, January 17

Saint Anthony, Abbot

7:30 am	Mass (+Robert Rix)
6:00 pm	Confessions
6:45 pm	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>St. Anthony, Abbot</i>) (+Joseph Binh Vu)
7:20 pm	Ladies' Holy Heart Adoration

Thursday, January 18

Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am	Mass (+Maximillian Francois)
6:30-7:00 pm	Adoration and Confessions
7:00 pm	Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, January 19

Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am	Mass (Archbishop Alexander Sample)
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Saturday, January 20

Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

8:00 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9:00 am	Mass (+All the Faithful Departed)
9:30 am	Confessions

Sunday, January 21

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am	Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>3rd Sunday after Epiphany</i>) (People of the Parish)
9:00 am	Confessions
10:30 am	Mass (Vincent Quinter)
5:00 pm	Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Breviary - <i>3rd Sunday after Epiphany</i>)

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Sunday, January 21 for the Catholic Communications Campaign. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/cc.
Sunday, January 28 for St. Stephen's Maintenance and Restoration Fund (last Sunday of each month).

FROM THE DESK OF FR. ERIC ANDERSEN

Last Sunday, I preached about the gift of myrrh brought by the Magi and related it to the importance of preparing for and celebrating a proper Catholic funeral and burial. How does one prepare for a proper Catholic funeral and burial? What would that look like? Certainly, it is not just about spending a lot of money: it need not be expensive; but it should involve a lot of care and preparation, and faith. The following is the first installment of a series:

It begins at baptism: one dies with Christ in the watery tomb of the baptismal font and rises again from the water into new life and is immediately anointed with the Chrism of Salvation. When approaching death at the end of one's life, but well before death is imminent, one should call the priest. The body which was anointed at Baptism, anointed again at Confirmation, and in some cases anointed again for the sacrament of Holy Orders, should receive the last (extreme) anointing (thus Extreme Unction, aka Anointing of the Sick).

The body thus anointed is then prepared for burial after death. We imitate Christ in His burial. Jesus Christ was not cremated. His body was prepared with spices and wrapped in linen cloths and buried. One could say that the preparation of a body and the clothing of a Christian in his or her finest is a preparation to meet the Lord when He comes again to raise the dead from their tombs and judge them. We want to look our best for that day! We could say that the nice clothes in which we are buried signify the wedding garments to be worn when the Bridegroom returns.

So what about cremation? The Funeral Policy of the Archdiocese of Portland states the following summarizing Canon 1176 §3: "The Church maintains and earnestly recommends that the members of the faithful observe the pious custom of burying the bodies of the deceased. However, the Church also hold cremation as an option and does not prohibit its practice unless it is chosen for purposes that are contrary to the Christian faith, such as:

- a) the deceased or those responsible for the burial have no belief in the resurrection;
- b) the choice is based on a sectarian spirit;
- c) there is a hatred of the Catholic religion or the Church" (page 6).

The document continues: "Ad resurgendum cum Christo continues: 'In order that every appearance of pantheism, naturalism or nihilism be avoided, it is not permitted to scatter the ashes of the faithful...nor may they be preserved in mementos, pieces of jewelry or other objects.' #7" (pg. 6).

- When planning a funeral liturgy the parish should clearly determine the intentions of the family regarding the interment of cremated remains in order to avoid practices contrary to Church norms.
- Archdiocesan and parish cemeteries should make provision for the interment of cremated remains.
- Burial at sea is allowed. Cremated remains should however be submerged in a container, not scattered.
- A priest or parish minister should not preside or lead prayers in a committal service during which the cremated remains are scattered, rather than interred" (p. 7).

(To be continued...)

COFFEE AND DONUTS

AFTER 10:30 AM MASS TODAY IN GYM

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

TODAY: ROE VS. WADE RALLY

Join Archbishop Sample and other Oregonians at **Pioneer Courthouse Square on Sunday, January 14, at 2:30 PM**, to mark the 45th memorial of the Roe V Wade legalization of abortion January 1973. Since that tragic decision, more than 60 million children's lives have been lost to abortion, and many suffer that loss -- often in silence. The rally remembers the lives lost to abortion and calls upon our nation and its leaders to give children the protection they deserve. Please call at [503-675-1874](tel:503-675-1874) Sharon if you would like a ride.

WALK FOR LIFE WEST COAST

Join Archbishop Cordileone and tens of thousands of Americans in **San Francisco on Saturday, January 27**, for the Walk for Life West Coast. For more information, visit: <http://www.walkforlifewc.com/event-info/>.

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.

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.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM

Our Parish Bible Study Program **every Monday** at 10:00 am in the rectory basement. Currently, all are invited to a deepening of faith through a prayerful, personal, and practical study of the Wisdom Books of the Bible.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

The finance council will meet on **Tuesday, January 16th** at 6:45 pm in the Rectory Conference Room.

LADIES HOLY HEART MINI-RETREAT

The ladies of the parish – single, married, moms, daughters, widows and girls – are invited to a monthly Holy Heart Mini-Retreat **Wednesday, January 17th** beginning at 6:00 pm with Confessions; 6:45 pm Latin Low Mass; followed by adoration with a retreat talk at 7:20 pm. Potluck supper follows at 8:00 pm in the rectory basement.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS

Harry and Beverly Stevens

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

St. Stephen will provide contribution statements to those who have given to St. Stephen via postal mail, offertory envelopes with number or bill pay. If you have given to St. Stephen via easy tithing during the 2017 year, you will need to print your own contribution statement by logging into your easy tithing account. If you have any questions please contact Sr. Anne-Therese in the parish office at 503-234-5019 or email saintstephenpdx@gmail.com.

UPDATE: Contribution Statements were sent out on Thursday 1/11/2018. Please keep a lookout for them. Only those who have contributed a total amount of \$250 + for the tax year 2017 will receive one. If you do notice an error or discrepancy, please call or email Sr. Anne-Therese in the Parish office and she will be happy to fix it for you.

9 DAYS FOR LIFE

How do we live out the message of Christmas in the New Year, rather than pack it away with the ornaments? Each year the Octave Day of Christmas falls on the first day of the New Year, on which we also celebrate the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. Her open heart and courageous "yes" to God show us how to live year-round—with hearts open to the Lord, following where He leads. We are called to place our trust in Him, to enter compassionately into the suffering of others, and to love one another as Christ loves us. Like Our Blessed Mother welcomed Jesus, we are called to cherish and protect the gift of human life, at every stage and in every circumstance. One way to live out the message of Christmas and follow Our Lady's example is to join 9 Days for Life, a digital pilgrimage of prayer and charitable action. The U.S. Catholic bishops invite you to join thousands of Catholics nationwide **from Thursday, January 18 – Friday, January 26**. Join today at www.9daysforlife.com!

INSTRUCTION IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH

If you have been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith. Come and meet some faithful Catholics who would consider it a privilege to get to know you in an open and welcoming environment. The faith formation sessions are opportunities for you to ask any perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church. **Each Thursday evening**, we begin at 7:00 p.m. with Vespers in the Church. Class resumes, after Vespers, in the rectory basement starting at 7:30 p.m. Rachel Weldon, Faith Formation Director 503-234-2964 rweldon@archdpdx.org.

TRAVELING CRIB

The **Traveling Crib** will be coming to St. Stephen's for the **month of February**. The crib will be here to collect baby items and maternity supplies for **Pregnancy & Parenting Support Program** at Catholic Charities. This will be a practical way we can support women facing difficult situations, who have said "**YES**" to new life. Last year, **Pregnancy & Parenting Support Program** supported over 200 women and their babies with diapers, clothes, counseling, parenting and relationship education classes, rent and utility assistance. Items that are most needed include: new or gently used **0 – 3 month clothes, diaper wipes**, pack-n-plays, and maternity clothes. There will be a complete list of needed items next to the crib when it arrives. For more information call 503-238-5196. Thank you for your ongoing generosity and partnership in our life-affirming ministry!

RACHEL VINEYARD RETREATS

Let 2018 be the beginning of life-changing healing from a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for women and men affected by abortion. "*What is most meaningful to me is being free of what was a secret that prevented me from deeply connecting with others, especially my living children.*" **February 16-18 near Portland; April 27-29 near Medford**. Contact Project Aurora at ProjectAurora@aol.com or 541-942-2861. Visit www.project-aurora.org or www.rachelsvineyard.org for more information. Financial assistance is available!

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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.



THREE SUNDAY AFTERNOONS
REVIEWING CORE SKILLS AND CONCEPTS

Septuagesima Term 2018

from 3:45 until 4:45 PM

followed by SUNDAY VESPERS

SCHOLA CANTORUM PORTLAND

AT SAINT STEPHEN CATHOLIC PARISH

*Cultivating a culture of authentic Catholic sacred music
through workshops, classes, lectures, and study groups*

- January 28 **MUSICAL NOTATION**: a comprehensive review of Gregorian chant and modern musical symbols
- February 4 **CHANTING LATIN PSALMS**: keys to fluency in singing the Vulgate psalter to traditional tones
- February 11 **CHANT JUST PAST THE BASICS**: practice with singing antiphons and responses in Latin and in English