

St. Stephen Catholic Church

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February 4, 2018

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Lumen Christi Missal page 369)



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

Monday:	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 / Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 / Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 10:1-10 / Mk 7:14-23
Thursday:	1 Kgs 11:4-13 / Mk 7:24-30
Friday:	1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19 / Mk 7:31-37
Saturday:	1 Kgs 12:26-32, 13:33-34 / Mk 8:1-10

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
	3:45 pm	Chanting Latin Psalms in church
Monday	10:00 am	No Bible Study
	7:30 pm	Chant Schola in chapel
Tuesday	10:00 am	Homeschool in rectory basement
	6:00 pm	Finance Council in conference room
Wednesday	7:20 pm	Men's Holy League fraternity 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
	3:45 pm	Chant Just Past the Basics in church

OFFERTORY REPORT

	January 28	Fiscal Year-to-Date*
Regular Collections	\$2,265.36	(*Beginning July 1st)
Electronic Giving	\$...380.00	
Total	\$2,645.36	\$135,890.57
Budgeted	\$4,800.00	\$127,200.00
Budget +/-	-\$2,154.64	+\$8,690.57

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. Also consider giving via Bill Pay. Thank you.

LITURGY AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Sunday, February 4

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am	Sung Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Sexagesima Sunday</i>) (People of the Parish)
9:00 am	Confessions
10:30 am	Mass (+Mary Jeanette Welsh)
5:00 pm	Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Breviary)

Monday, February 5

Saint Agatha, Virgin, Martyr

6:45 pm	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr</i>) (+Patricia Allen and Lee Roy)
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Tuesday, February 6

Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

7:30 am	Mass (+Fr. Edward Alstock)
Noon	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>St. Titus, Bishop, Confessor</i>) (+John and Jacqueline Delaney)

Wednesday, February 7

Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am	Mass (+Elora Gerrone)
6:45 pm	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>St. Romuald, Abbot</i>) (+Lucan Meyers)
8:00 pm	Men's Holy League Holy Hour

Thursday, February 8

Weekday in Ordinary Time (Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin)

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

Friday, February 9

Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am	Mass (+All the Faithful Departed)
6:00 pm	Confessions

Saturday, February 10

Saint Scholastica, Virgin

8:00 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9:00 am	Mass (40 Days for Life Opening Mass) (In thanksgiving to Infant Jesus, for all the favors received)
9:30 am	Confessions

Sunday, February 11

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am	Latin Mass (1962 Missal - <i>Quinquagesima Sunday</i>) (McIntyre Family)
9:00 am	Confessions
10:30 am	Mass (People of the Parish)
5:00 pm	Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Breviary)

FROM THE DESK OF FR. ERIC ANDERSEN

Humanae Vitae 50 Years 1968-2018

(continued from last week)

Let's look at the context in which Pope Paul VI wrote *Humanae Vitae*. We need to look back to the year 1930. Brian Clowes writes: "Until 1930 all Christian churches were unanimous in their opposition to artificial means of birth prevention. The first crack in the dam was the Anglican Bishop's Lambeth Conference of August 15, 1930. This Resolution said, in part, "...in those cases where there is such a clearly felt moral obligation to limit or avoid parenthood, and where there is a morally sound reason for avoiding complete abstinence, the Conference agrees that other (contraceptive) methods may be used, provided that this is done in the light of the same Christian principles" (Clowes, Brian. The Facts of Life. Front Royal, VA: Human Life International, 2001. p. 50).

Pope Pius XI issued a response in the form of an Encyclical entitled *Casti Connubi* on Christian Marriage promulgated Dec 31st, 1930. He wrote about the "evils opposed to each of the benefits of matrimony":

"First consideration is due to the offspring, which many have the boldness to call the disagreeable burden of matrimony, and which they say is to be carefully avoided by married people not through virtuous continence...but by frustrating the marriage act. Some justify this criminal abuse on the ground that they are weary of children and wish to gratify their desires without their consequent burden. Others say that they cannot on the one hand remain continent, nor on the other can they have children, because of the difficulties whether on the part of the mother or on the part of family circumstances" (¶53).

"But no reason, however, grave, may be put forward by which anything intrinsically against nature may become conformable to nature and morally good. Since, therefore, the conjugal act is destined primarily by nature for the begetting of children, those who in exercising it deliberately frustrate its natural power and purpose, sin against nature and commit a deed which is shameful and intrinsically vicious (¶54). ...any use whatsoever of matrimony exercised in such a way that the act is deliberately frustrated in its natural power to generate life is an offense against the law of God and of nature, and those who indulge in such are branded with the guilt of a grave sin" (¶56).

A few months later, in March 1931, the United States Federal Council of Churches followed the lead of the Anglican bishops endorsing "the careful and restrained use of contraceptives by married people," while at the same time conceding that "serious evils, such as extramarital...relations, may be increased by general knowledge of contraceptions" (cf. Clowes, p. 50).

The secular press now spoke in opposition: "the 22 March 1931 *Washington Post* editorialized that 'Carried to its logical conclusion, the committee's report, if carried into effect, would sound the death-knell of marriage as a holy institution by establishing degrading practices which would encourage indiscriminate immorality. The suggestion that the use of legalized contraceptives would be "careful and restrained" is preposterous"' (qtd. 50). (to be continued)

BRANDON & HALEY HAYWARD

The Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion of Brandon and Haley Hayward is **today, Sunday, February 4th** at the 10:30 am Mass. They are the children of Kevin and Christina Hayward.

COFFEE AND DONUTS

AFTER 10:30 AM MASS TODAY IN GYM

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

SINGING PSALMS

The 150 psalms form the Church's original and most enduring song book. Indeed, our liturgies fold them into every part of our corporate prayer. This is especially true in the *Divine Office* or *Liturgy of the Hours*, which are centered on the singing of psalms in weekly and monthly cycles. And while the psalms are an inexhaustible font of poetic responses to God's plan of salvation, they actually are 'free verse' without regular metrical patterns of word accents, rhyme, or fixed line lengths. As a result, in both ancient Judaic practice and Christian tradition, a fixed number of flexible patterns or formulas known as *psalm tones* allows us to sing the great variety of psalm text-forms with consistency and attention to natural word accents. This workshop will show how the traditional psalm tones work with both Latin and English texts. Once your ear, eye, and voice are working in *harmonious synchrony*, the *psalter* truly becomes a path to truth, beauty, and goodness! Join us **today, Sunday, February 4**, at 3:45 pm!

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.

MEN'S HOLY LEAGUE: WEDS., FEB. 7TH

Attention men of the parish! The Holy League encourages Consecration to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and the Purest Heart of St. Joseph. It promotes the Precepts and Sacraments of the Church, devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and praying the Rosary. It creates a unified front, made up of members of the Church Militant for spiritual combat.

- 6:45 pm Latin Low Mass - 1962 Missal (Feast of St. Romuald, Abbot)
- 7:20 pm Fraternity in the Rectory Basement
- 8:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration in the church with Sermon, Confessions, Rosary, and Benediction.

FEBRUARY INTENTION OF THE POPE

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist the lure of corruption.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONER

Zoe Norman

ACA AWARENESS AND ANNOUNCEMENT WEEKEND

Most past contributors to the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal will have received a mailing from Archbishop Sample in the last few weeks. The Appeal provides funds to support essential parish-based ministries that would find it difficult, if not impossible, to operate solely on parish funds. This year Saint Stephen Catholic Church has a goal of \$8,111.76. Next week is Commitment Weekend. If you received a personalized commitment card in the mail, please bring it to Mass as we join together to support our Catholic Church.

TRAVELING CRIB THIS MONTH

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. 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.

PHILOSOPHY NIGHT ON FEB. 15TH

This month, on **Thursday, February 15th**, Guest Speaker Jeffrey Moore will speak on the Purgatorio; Part II of Dante Alighieri's Divine Comedy. Purgatory is the mountain, or the winding ascent up that mountain that straightens souls whom the world has made crooked. Purgatory can be viewed not as a prison but as an infirmary. Dante reveals the curative nature of Purgatory where as we ascend the mountain we become our true selves and able to be truly free to know and love truth, beauty and most of all God himself. Unfasten your seat-belts and gird your loins for the journey to blessed eternity. The version to be discussed is the Modern Library Classics edition with a new translation by Anthony Esolen and classic illustrations by Gustave Doré. The edition is available through booksellers and amazon.com. No need to read ahead. Just show up. Snacks provided. Ages: High School and up. Adoration and Confessions in the church at 6:30 pm. Philosophy begins at 7 pm in the Rectory Basement.

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. 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.

SERVING WITH SISTERS

Summer Volunteer Program May 26-June 9, 2018. Work-Pray-Play. Open to single women ages 20-30; sound physical health required. Sponsored by the Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles. For more information: servingwithsisters@outlook.com; (626) 300-8938; www.carmelitesistersocd.com/serving-with-sisters

40 DAYS FOR LIFE OPENING MASS

Opening Mass for the 2018 Spring Campaign with Fr. John Boyle, Fr. Eric Andersen and other local priests on **Saturday, Feb 10th**, 9 am at St. Stephen's Catholic Church. 40 Days for Life is the largest internationally coordinated pro-life mobilization in history, helping people in local communities end the injustice of abortion through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and constant vigil. The Spring campaign runs from Feb. 14th through March 25th from 7 am to 7 pm at The Lovejoy Surgicenter at 933 NW 25th. Sign up to come and pray today at 40daysforlife.com/Portland. Sponsored by the Life, Justice and Peace Office of the Archdiocese of Portland.

SUNDAY MUSIC WORKSHOP ON FEB. 11TH

Chant Just Past the Basics

While simpler square-note chants are fairly readily approachable, just a small amount of explanation and practice outside of the liturgy can make more ornate chants--especially some of the musical symbols and practices unique to chant--also easy to follow and sing. On Sunday, the 11th, from 3:45 until 4:45 pm, we'll work through several chants sung at Mass and Vespers, decipher their notation, and learn to sing them so that our eyes, ears, and voices are working together in true harmony. We'll take as our charge the words of Saint Paul in his first letter to the Corinthians: "psallam spiritu et psallam mente" (I will sing with the spirit and I will sing with the mind also). Join us!

HOLY HEART MINI-RETREAT: FEB 21ST

Attention Catholic Women – single, married, moms, daughters, widows and girls – are invited to a Holy Heart Mini-Retreat. **Wednesday, February 21st** beginning with Confessions at 6 pm; Latin Low Mass at 6:45 followed by adoration with a Retreat Talk and Benediction. Potluck supper follows at 8 pm. Sign up for the potluck at: <https://www.mealtrain.com/potlucks/r37w2d>

LIFESAVER RETREATS

LifeSaver Retreats are one-day retreats for Catholic eighth grade students sponsored by Northwest Family Services and supported by the Archdiocese of Portland. They focus on the sacredness of human life, teen chastity, and other issues the students will face in the years to come. The cost to each student is \$7.00. The next retreats are scheduled for **Friday, Feb. 23 and Friday, March 16** at Northwest Family Services in Milwaukie from 8:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For more information: LifeSaver Retreat Youth Educator, Allie Labrousse, Northwest Family Services. Phone: 503-546-6377. Email: alabrousse@nwfs.org.