# A LETTER FROM SEMINARIAN COULTER MCINTYRE

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Monday, October 26, 2020

Praised be Jesus Christ!

I thought it was about time I wrote to you, my parish family at St. Stephen. I have truly missed being with you. All has been well at Bishop White Seminary. Last weekend, we had the first snow of the year here in Spokane. The other seminarians and I have just completed Fall midterms. This semester, I have especially enjoyed continuing my studies in Latin and also a class in Ancient Philosophy.

This year, Bishop White hosts 26 seminarians from 9 dioceses. There are 3 other seminarians from the Archdiocese of Portland studying here: Damian Aranda, Michael Crowell, and Jacob McDougall. They are good men and I am blessed to be in formation with them.

This has certainly been a difficult year for all. Any other year at seminary, I would be assigned to a parish in the area, but because of the current situation, we are not allowed to assist at any parish or apostolate while at seminary. But, this is hardly anything compared to the sufferings many of you and your families are going through now, especially the elderly who are unable to leave their homes even to attend Mass or visit their family. You all remain in my prayers daily. Please pray for me as I finish this semester of studies and formation. God willing, I will soon be back with you mid-December, in time for the celebration of Our Lord's birth.

Ad Jesum per Mariam, Coulter McIntyre

#### **ANNUAL SEMINARIAN APPEAL**

St. Stephen's has given three seminarians to the Archdiocese of Portland in the last two years, and two other seminarians to other dioceses, plus two young ladies to religious life since 2017. Though we are a small parish with limited financial resources, the Lord has blessed us with an abundance of vocations in these past few years. Let us consider what we can give back to the Lord, especially to assist in the expense of educating these men to become priests. It costs the Archdiocese of Portland up to \$50,000 annually for education and formation of each seminarian. Would you consider a gift of \$250 or \$500 to contribute towards the education of just one man? or triple that for the three men from St Stephen's currently studying for the Archdiocese of Portland? Please consider what you can render back to the Lord for all He has given to you. Commitment weekend Nov 15.

# St. Stephen Catholic Church, Portland, Oregon Sunday, November 1st, 2020

#### This week's schedule:

#### Saturday, Oct 31st: The Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday (3rd cl.)

- 7:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- · 8:00 am: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 9 am: Low Latin Mass
- 10-11 am: Confessions
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 6 pm: English Mass (Ordinary Form-All Saints)
- 7 pm to 12 Midnight: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 9 pm: Sung Latin Compline (Night Prayer)

#### Sunday, Nov 1st: The Solemnity of All Saints (1st Class)

- 7:15 am Sung Latin Lauds
- 8 am: Low Latin Mass
- 9-10 am: Confessions
- · 10:30 am: Sung Latin Mass
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- · 6 pm: Low Latin Mass

#### Monday, Nov 2nd: Commemoration of All Holy Souls (1st Class)

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 9 am: Low Latin Mass
- 12 Noon Low Latin Mass
- 7 pm: Sung Latin Mass

#### Tuesday, Nov 3rd: Daily Mass for the Dead (3rd Class)

- 12 Noon: Low Latin Mass
- 1 pm: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9 pm
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 8:30 pm Sung Compline followed by Benediction and Reposition

#### Wednesday, Nov 4th: Daily Mass for the Dead (4th Class)

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 12 Noon: Low Latin Mass
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5:30 6:30 pm: Confessions
- 6:45 pm: Low Latin Mass followed by Holy Heart Ladies Retreat Talk

#### Thursday, Nov 5th: Daily Mass for the Dead (3rd Class)

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5:30 6:30 pm: Confessions
- 6:45 pm: Low Latin Mass

#### Friday, Nov 6th: Daily Mass for the Dead (3rd Class)

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 11 am: Confessions
- 12 Noon: Low Latin Mass
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers (followed by Wedding Rehearsal)

#### Saturday, Nov 7th: Daily Mass for the Dead (3rd Class)

- 7:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 8:00 am: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 9 am: Low Latin Mass
- 10-11 am: Confessions
- 1 pm: Nuptial Mass (Mr and Mrs. Jacob Hoertkorn)
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers (23rd Sunday After Pentecost)
- 6 pm: English Mass (Ordinary Form–32nd Sunday Per Annum)

#### Sunday, Nov 8th: 23rd Sunday After Pentecost (2nd Class)

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#### INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Those interested in becoming Catholic or taking the steps to learn more about the Catholic Faith can contact Joseph Salazar to get started. Options for Classes meeting either Tuesday afternoons or Friday evenings. jsalazar@archdpdx.org

#### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

11/7: Jacob Charles Hoertkorn and Amanda Rose Dardis

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday Nov 1: Baby Mudrick
 People of the Parish

Erik Morris

• Monday 11/2: + Florence Dolan

Intentions of the Holy Father

All the Faithful Departed

• Tuesday 11/3: + Donald Weyker

Wed 11/4: + Michael Marvian

+ Fr. Daniel Cooper

Thursday 11/5: + William Patrick Shaffer

• Friday 11/6: + Mr and Mrs. Michael Huling

• Saturday 11/7: + Vincent Nicholas Altenhofen

Mr and Mrs. Jacob Hoertkorn (Nuptial Mass)

+ Lois Lessel Young

• Sunday 11/8: Anna Lassance Kiss

People of the Parish

+ Donald Weyker

SIGN UP TO ATTEND MASS (online or call parish office) https://www.saintstephenpdx.com/covid-19-update



#### CCD FOR 1ST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION PREP

Classes are in session on Sunday mornings for those who are preparing for First Communion (2nd grade and above) and Confirmation (7th grade and above). Classes begin at 9:15 am after the 8am Mass and end at 10:15 am. The registration forms are available in the vestibule. We will try to help CCD families who are coming from a distance to attend a Sunday morning Mass (as much as we can considering our limited spaces).

#### INDULGENCES FOR THE HOLY SOULS

Holy Mother Church offers us two special indulgences this month:

#### 1) A Visit to a Cemetery (Nov 1–8)

An indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, even if only mentally, for the departed. The indulgence is plenary each day from the 1st to the 8th of November; on other days of the year it is partial.

#### Prayer at the cemetery:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace, Amen.

Our Father & Apostles Creed for the intentions of the Holy Father

# 2) A Visit to a Church or Oratory on All Souls Day [November 2] A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who on the day dedicated to the Commemoration of all the faithful departed piously visit a church a public oratory or those entitled to use it.

departed piously visit a church, a public oratory or-----for those entitled to use it -----a semipublic oratory.

In visiting the church or oratory, it is required that one *Our Father* and the Creed be recited.

## What is an Indulgence? (Catechism of the Catholic Church)

¶1471 "An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints." (Indulgentiarum doctrina)

"An indulgence is partial or plenary according as it removes either part or all of the temporal punishment due to sin." The faithful can gain indulgences for themselves or apply them to the dead.

# Obtaining indulgence from God through the Church

1478. An indulgence is obtained through the Church who, by virtue of the power of binding and loosing granted her by Christ Jesus, intervenes in favor of individual Christians and opens for them the treasury of the merits of Christ and the saints to obtain from the Father of mercies the remission of the temporal punishments due for their sins. Thus the Church does not want simply to come to the aid of these Christians, but also to spur them to works of devotion, penance, and charity.<sup>90</sup>

1479. Since the faithful departed now being purified are also members of the same communion of saints, one way we can help them is to obtain indulgences for them, so that the temporal punishments due for their sins may be remitted.

#### FROM THE DESK OF FR ERIC ANDERSEN

It has been nice for several months now to have a small compact bulletin, but this weekend, there was so much to communicate, that it was necessary to double the size of our modest little paper. It began with Coulter McIntyre sending a letter to the parish. Then there was the information about the Indulgences for praying for the dead this coming week. Then James Thurman sent a poster for the Holy League Men's Conference. Well, after that, there was the scheduling of various events such as a Rosary Walk, Philosophy Night, Men's Holy League and the Seminarian Appeal.

This coming Tuesday, November 3rd will be Election Day. On that day, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following the Noon Mass from 1 pm until 9 pm. If you are a parishioner, you will have received a link via email to signup. We hope that people also stop by to pay a visit and do a holy hour to pray for our Nation that day.

Also this week, I will be celebrating Daily Masses for the Dead during this Octave of All Saints/All Souls. There is a book that we set out each year during the month of November so that you can write down the names of the faithful departed for which you wish to pray. I will remember all the faithful departed in the Masses for the Dead and during the month of November. The book is found in front of the St. Joseph altar on a podium with a violet covering.

St. Martin of Tour's feast is Nov 11th and it is historically a great day of feasting akin to Fat Tuesday because the following day begins the 40 Days before Christmas known as "St. Martin's Lent." The western Church does not start Advent until the last Sunday in November, wherein each Sunday of the four Sundays of Advent represents 10 days for a symbolic 40 day period. St. Martin's Lent represents an older tradition, still observed by religious. During this time, one would begin abstinence and self denial in a light way. Even during Advent, there are many feast days and celebrations that interrupt the penitential character of the season. If you are looking to kickstart your Advent a little early, here is your chance.

It has been nearly 9 months since our last parish Rosary Walk. It is about time we begin again. Saturday, November 28th will be the next Rosary Walk on the threshold of Advent and the feast of St. Catherine Labouré of the Miraculous Medal. These have been popular events during which we walk about 6.8 miles around the parish boundaries. It is prayerful and social. We pray the Rosary, sing Marian hymns, pray to St. Joseph and take breaks to visit and rest along the way.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. STEPHEN'S

# THIS MONDAY NOV 2ND: ALL SOULS DAY MASSES

9 am Latin Low Mass 12 Noon Latin Low Mass 7 pm Sung Latin Mass

# LADIES HOLY HEART MINI-RETREAT, WED. NOV 4TH

Ladies, come and take a quiet break to refresh your soul. 5 pm Vespers. 5:30 pm Confessions. 6:15 pm Rosary. 6:45 pm Low Latin Mass followed by Adoration and mini-retreat talk for ladies. Remember to sign up.

#### **MEN'S HOLY LEAGUE PDX NOV 18TH**

Gentlemen, join us for Holy League Men's Night on Wednesday Nov 18th at St. Stephen's. Vespers at 5 pm. Confessions 5:30. Rosary 6:15. Low Latin Mass at 6:45. Adoration and Sermon 7:30 pm. Come when you can. Leave when you must.

#### PHILOSOPHY NIGHT TUESDAY NOV 24TH AT 7 PM

This month, Fr. Eric Andersen will discuss the book "Progress and Religion" published in 1929 by Christopher Dawson. The book is available through CUA Press, amazon.com, ABE books and more. "Dawson was writing in the period between the two great wars of the twentieth century, a time when some thought that the idea of progress had finally been discredited by the carnage and barbarism of the First World War. Progress and Religion was clearly intended to challenge the doctrine of progress, the rather naive but persistent belief that 'in every day and in every way the world grows better and better." (book jacket notes). No reading is necessary. Ages high school and up. 7 pm in Carmody Hall. Check the website later in the week for the signup link or signup at the parish office with Joseph Salazar.

#### **ROSARY WALK**

Saturday, November 28th. 11:15 am gather in front of the church. The Feast of St. Catherine Labouré of the Miraculous Medal. 6.8 miles. No pets. Please bring a rosary and a sack lunch with a bottle of water.

# MASS READINGS (Extraordinary Form)

Sunday: Apoc. 7:2-12; Matt. 5:1-12

Monday: (1st Mass) 1 Cor. 15:51-57; John 5:25-29

(2nd Mass) 2 Macc. 12:43-46; John 6:37-40

(3rd Mass) Apoc. 14:13; John 6:51-55

**Tuesday:** Apoc. 14:13; John 6:51-55 **Wednesday:** Apoc. 14:13; John 6:51-55

**Thursday:** Apoc. 14:13; John 6:51-55

Friday: Apoc. 14:13; John 6:51-55

Saturday: Apoc. 14:13; John 6:51-55

**Sunday:** Phil. 3:17-21; 4:1-3; Matt. 9:18-26

# **LESSONS AT MATINS** (Extraordinary Form) find online at

## http://divinumofficium.com or as an app (Breviarium meum)

Sunday: Apoc. 4:2-8; 5:1-14; Sermon of St. Bede; Homily of St.

Augustine on Matt. 5:1-12

Monday: Job 7:16-21;14:1-6;19:20-27; St. Augustine on duties toward the

dead; 1 Cor. 15:12-22; 35-44; 51-58

Tuesday: Ezech. 3:1-13

Wednesday: Ezech. 7:1-13; Eulogy of St. Charles Borromeo

Thursday: Ezech. 13:1-14 Friday: Ezech. 15:1-8; 16:1-5

Saturday: Ezech. 19:1-14; St. Basil on the Prophet Isaias

Sunday: Daniel 1:1-15; Homily of St. Jerome on Matt. 9:18-26

# **OFFERTORY COLLECTION** (this week and month to date)

Envelopes/Cash: \$7,486.26 +/- budget

Online: \$870.00

Total WTD: \$8,356.00 Budget: \$4,800 + \$3,556.00

Total MTD: \$23,209.30 Budget: \$19,200 + \$4,009.30

Maintenance/Restoration: \$265.00 MTD: \$2,915.00

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