FAST AND ABSTINENCE LAWS AND DISCIPLINES

The current law of the Church obliges those age 14 and over to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent. Those age 18 through 59 are also obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting is defined as one full meal and two other meals which, when combined are less than a full meal.

The **former practice** and discipline in place in 1962 obliged those age 7 and over to **full abstinence** from meat on all Fridays of the year, Ash Wednesday, Holy Saturday, and the Vigil of Christmas (Christmas Eve).

Likewise, **formerly**, **partial abstinence** (meat permitted once a day at the principle meal): all the days of Lent, the Ember Days of Wednesday and Saturday, and the Vigils of Pentecost and the Assumption.

The **former law** for **fasting** applied to those age 21 through 59. Fasting was to be done on all days of Lent (except Sundays) from Ash Wednesday inclusive, Ember Days, and the Vigils of Christmas, Pentecost and the Assumption.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

3/28 Sacred Music collection

4/11 Maintenance and Restoration Collection

STAINED GLASS WINDOW SITUATION

You may notice that there is bubbling in the south wall of the church around the stained glass windows near the chapel entrance. There seem to be some leaks that are causing damage. We will need to assess the situation and will probably need to ask for help from you, our parishioners, to raise funds to address the issue. There are always maintenance and restoration projects on the bill with an old church! building.

We are conversing with a stained glass restoration company to assess what our options will be and how much this will cost. Thank you for your support in caring for this historic gem of a church.

St. Stephen Catholic Church, Portland, Oregon Sunday March 28th, 2021

This week's schedule:

Saturday, March 27th: Feria of Passiontide (3rd Cl) comm. St. J. Damascene

- · 8:00 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 9:00 am: Low Latin Mass
- 10:00 11:00 am: Confessions
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 6 pm: English Mass (Palm Sunday of the Passion)

Sunday, March 28th: Palm Sunday (1st Class)

8:00 am Low Latin Mass with blessing of palms

No Confessions today

10:30 am Sung Latin Mass with blessing of palms

5:00 pm Sung Latin Vespers

6:00 pm Low Latin Mass with blessing of palms

Monday, March 29th: Monday of Holy Week (1st Class)

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- [fast/partial abstinence optional]
- 9:00 am: Low Latin Mass

Tuesday, March 30th: Tuesday of Holy Week (1st Class)

- 12 pm: Low Latin Mass
- [fast/partial abstinence optional]
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers

Wednesday, March 31st: Spy Wednesday (1st Class)

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds [fast/partial abstinence optional]
- 11:00-11:45 am: Confessions
- 12 Noon: Low Latin Mass
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5:30 6:30 pm: Confessions
- 6:45 pm Low Latin Mass

Thursday, April 1st: Maundy Thursday (1st Class)

- 9:00 am: Tenebrae (English) FAST BEGINS AFTER EVENING MASS
- 5:00 pm: No Vespers today
- 5:00 6:30 pm: Confessions
- 7:00 pm: Sung Latin Mass (1962 Missal)
- 8:45 pm: Stripping of the altar and Compline
- 8:45 pm: Veneration in the church until Midnight

Friday, April 2nd: Good Friday (1st Class)

- 9 am: Tenebrae (English)
- FAST AND ABSTINENCE REQUIRED
- 1:00-2:30 pm: Confessions
- 3 pm: The Passion of the Lord (Latin-1962 Missal)
- 5 pm: No Vespers today

Saturday, April 3rd: Holy Saturday (1st Class) FAST OPTIONAL

- 9:00 am: Tenebrae (Latin)
- 5 pm: Vespers (no lighted candles and no singing)
- 9 pm: Easter Vigil Mass and Lauds (Latin-1962 Missal)

Sunday, April 4th: Easter Sunday (1st Class)

- 7:00 am Low Latin Mass
- 9:00 am Low Latin Mass

No Confessions today

- 11:00 am Sung Latin Mass
- 5:00 pm: No Vespers today
- 6:00 pm NO EVENING MASS THIS WEEK

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday 3/28: + Demetrio Melia Ortiz

People of the Parish

Tyler Snook

Monday 3/29: + Bob Batler

Tuesday 3/30: Luis Gomes

Wed 3/31: Kristin Townsend

Maria Ostendorf

• Thurs 4/1: + Kurt Metzger

Friday 4/2: NO MASS – GOOD FRIDAY

· Saturday 4/3: Konrad and Jessica Von Walther

Sunday 4/4: Jeremiah Janson

People of the Parish

+ Sam Crowell

OFFERTORY COLLECTION (this week and month to date)

Envelopes/Cash: \$3,908.59 +/- budget

Online: \$1,285.00

Total WTD: \$5,193.59 Budget: \$4,800 + \$393.59

Total MTD: \$15,590.65 Budget: \$14,400 + \$1,190.65

Maintenance/Restoration: \$700.00 MTD: \$3,127.00

Sacred Music Fund: \$0.00 MTD: \$230.00

Online giving: https://www.saintstephenpdx.com/special-events

MASS READINGS (Extraordinary Form)

Sunday: Matt. 21:1-9; Phil. 2:5-11; Matt. 26:36-75; 27:1-60

Monday: Isa. 50:5-10; John 12:1-9

Tuesday: Jer. 11:18-20; Mark: 14:32-72; 15:1-46

Wednesday: Isa. 62:11; 63:1-7; Isa. 53:1-12; Luke 22:39-71; 23:1-53

Thursday: 1 Cor. 11:20-32; John 13:1-15

Friday: Osee (Hosea) 6:1-6; Exod. 12:1-11; John 18:1-40; 19:1-42

Saturday: Gen. 1:1-31; 2:1-2; Exod. 14:24-31; 15:1; Isa. 4:2-6;

Deut. 31:22-30; Col. 3:1-4; Matt. 28:1-7

Sunday: 1 Cor. 5:7-8; Mark 16:1-7

LESSONS AT MATINS (Extraordinary Form) find online at

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

Sunday: Jer. 2:12-22, 29-32; Homily of St. Ambrose on Matt. 21:1-9

Monday: Homily of St. Augustine on John 12:1-9

Tuesday: Jer. 11:15-20; 12:1-4,7-11

Wednesday: Jer. 17:13-18; 18:13-23

Thursday: Lam. 1:1-14; St. Augustine on Ps. 54; 1 Cor. 11:17-34

Friday: Lam. 2:8-15; 3:1-9; St. Augustine on Ps. 63:2;

Heb. 4:11-16; 5:1-10

Saturday: Lam. 3:22-30; 4:1-6; 5:1-11; St. Augustine on Ps. 63:7;

Heb. 9:11-22;

Sunday: Homily of St. Gregory on Mark 16:1-7

SIGN UP TO ATTEND MASS (online or call parish office)

https://www.saintstephenpdx.com/covid-19-update

SUBSCRIBE TO THE PARISH YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Saint Stephen Catholic Church PDX. https://www.youtube.com/

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. STEPHEN'S

CONFESSION TIMES - THIS WEEK

Wednesday: 11:00-11:45 am

5:30-6:30 pm

Thursday: 5:00–6:30 pm Friday: 1:00-2:30 pm

UPCOMING BAPTISMS

4/6: Yasmeen Morris

UPCOMING FUNERALS

4/9: Baby Felicity Bourassa. A sung votive Mass of the Holy Angels will be celebrated at 12 Noon.

UPCOMING WEDDINGS

4/17: Yasmeen Morris/Murphy Harkins 4/24: Isabella Johnson/Levi Barros

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY DEVOTIONS

Sunday, April 11th at 3 pm: Low Sunday and Divine Mercy Sunday We will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 3 pm with the praying of the Divine Mercy chaplet. Confessions will be heard 5:50-4:30 pm. Adoration will continue through Sunday Vespers (5 pm) with Benediction.

FROM THE DESK OF FR ERIC ANDERSEN

this."

Blessed and Happy Triduum to everyone! Thank you for all the gifts of your very self this past year. Let us give thanks to God that we are able to come to Mass and receive the sacraments this year. I am grateful to the LORD for so very much and I extend my warmest greetings and encouragement to you all as we enter into this most holy of weeks. I offer here some reflections from one of my favorite sources of spiritual reading:

Ven. Prosper Gueranger writes this about Passiontide and Holy Week:

"...the Church has been leading the sinner to his conversion; so far, however, this conversion has been but begun: now she would perfect it. It is no longer our Jesus fasting and praying in the desert, that she offers to our consideration; it is the same Jesus as the great Victim immolated for the world's salvation. The fatal hour is at hand; the power of darkness is preparing to make use of the time that is still left; the greatest of crimes is about to perpetrated. A few days hence the Son of God is to be in the hands of sinners, and they will put Him to death. The

"The Church does not aim at exciting idle sentiment; what she principally seeks, is to impress the hearts of her children with a salutary fear. If Jerusalem's crime strike them with horror, and if they feel that they have partaken in her sin, their tears will slow in abundance."

Church no longer needs to urge her children to repentance; they know

too well, now, what sin must be, when it could require such expiation as

"The cruelty of Jesus' executioners has made five wounds in His sacred Body; and from these, there flow five sources of salvation, which purify the world, and restore within each one of us the image of God which sin had destroyed. Let us, then, approach with confidence to this redeeming Blood, which throws open to the sinner the gates of heaven, and whose worth is such that it could redeem a million worlds, were they even more guilty than ours."

"We had become, by our sins, the possession of satan; hell had undoubted claims upon us; and, lo! we have been suddenly snatched from both, and all our primitive rights have been restored to us. ...how comes it, then, that we are now free? Listen to the apostle: "Ye are bought at a great price.' (1 Cor. vi. 20).

"Let us hope that, by God's mercy, the holy time we are now entering upon will work such a happy change in us, that, on the day of judgment, we may confidently fix our eyes on Him we are now about to contemplate crucified by the hands of sinners."

[Gueranger. Practice During Passiontide and Holy Week. <u>The Liturgical Year.</u> pp. 15ff]



St. Joseph Mini-Retreat Day



May 1st, 2021 – Saturday

Feast Day of St. Joseph the Worker

Hosted by the Portland Archdiocesan Division of the World Apostolate of Fatima

St. Joseph the Worker

Catholic Church

2310 SE 148th Ave.

Portland, OR 97233

Time: 8:00 AM - Noon

No registration needed

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St. Joseph Retreat Day Schedule

- Eucharistic Adoration—8:00am
- Confessions—8:15-8:45am (English and Spanish)
- St. Joseph Rosary—8:15am
- Holy Latin Mass—9:00am
- Consecration Prayer & Litany to St. Joseph
- Continental Breakfast—10:15am
- St. Joseph and Fatherhood Talks—11:00am
- In English—Deacon Mike Caldwell
- En Español—Fr. Ted Prentice

THE FOUR PASSIONS OF HOLY WEEK

In the Traditional Latin Mass, all four gospel accounts of the Passion of the Lord are proclaimed during the Masses of Holy Week beginning with the Passion according to St. Matthew on Palm Sunday, followed by the Passion according to St. Mark on Tuesday; the Passion according to St. Luke on Wednesday (also known as Spy Wednesday - when Judas betrayed the Lord); and finally the Passion according to St. John on Good Friday.

WHAT IS TENEBRAE?

The word 'tenebrae' refers to darkness. Tenebrae is the Traditional nocturnal office of psalms and readings prayed during the Triduum. A hearse of candles is lit (a singular triangular candelabra of 15 candles), each of which is extinguished one by one at the end of each of 14 psalms. The readings each day from the first Nocturne are from the Lamentations: the second Nocturne from St. Augustine; the third Nocturne from St. Paul. Mons. Pierre Batiffol writes: "And then came the 'triduum,' the last three ferias of the Holy Week, and the office assumes the amplitude which characterizes the most solemn anniversaries." (History of the Roman Breviary, 1912. p. 92). It is believed that the Roman Office of the Triduum is so ancient, that it "already existed at Rome in the sixth century in much the same state as now" (ibid. fn.3, p. 92). Traditionally, Masses have been celebrated in the daytime and Tenebrae at night: "The office commenced at midnight...At the night office of Maundy Thursday, celebrated at S. John Lateran, the basilica was lit up as usual: but on Good Friday, when the office was sung at Holy Cross in Jerusalem, all the lights were extinguished one after another, so that at the end of the Benedictus only one remained alight, which was then hid behind the altar until the next day...in token that the Light of the world was extinguished. Christ being dead, and that darkness was upon the face of the whole earth. The night office of Easter Eve was celebrated in the dark, only one lamp being suffered to be lit for the reader" (p. 93). In 1955, the Holy Week services were reformed, and Tenebrae switched places with the Masses and services at the altar which had previously been celebrated in the daytime. We will celebrate Tenebrae at 9 am during the Triduum. Thursday and Friday will be a shortened version in English lasting about 45 minutes. Saturday morning will be the full Latin office lasting approx 2 hours.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE (1962 Missal)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday as usual.

Holy Thursday 4/1:9 am Tenebrae7 pm Sung Latin MassGood Friday 4/2:9 am Tenebrae3 pm Passion LiturgyHoly Saturday 4/3:9 am Tenebrae9 pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday 4/4: 7 am Low Latin Mass

9 am Low Latin Mass 11 am Sung Latin Mass

No Confessions, Vespers or Evening Mass