SAINT STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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July 15, 2018

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Lumen Christi page 478)



St. Stephen Festival

Sunday, July 29th 2018 Noon - 5:00pm

Bake Sale. Live Music. Games. Craft Fair. Art Show. Sacred Music.

FREE ADMISSION

Food and Drinks available for purchase from Hoda's Mediterranean Catering.

➤ MASS SCHEDULE ➤ SUNDAYS

8:00 AM ★ Latin Mass [1962 Missal] 10:30 AM ★ Sung Parish Mass MONDAY through SATURDAY posted weekly inside bulletin

► DIVINE OFFICE SUNDAYS

5:00 PM ★ Sung Latin Vespers [1962 Breviary]

▼ SACRAMENTS **▼**

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM Sundays, 9:00 AM – 10:15 AM Thursdays, 6:35 PM – 7:00 PM MARRIAGE

Please contact the Pastor. Wedding dates will be set after beginning marriage preparation with the priest.

INFANT BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office or see one of the priests after Mass.

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US

PARISH MINISTRIES

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MASS READINGS

(Ordinary Form)

Monday: Is 1:10-17 / Mt 10:34-11:1 Is 7:1-9 / Mt 11:20-24 Tuesday:

Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16 / Mt 11:25-27 Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19 / Mt 11:28-30 Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8 / Mt 12:1-8 Friday

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5 / Mt 12:14-21

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

9:00 am Choir Rehearsal in chapel Sunday

11:30 am Coffee and Donuts in gym

Wednesday 7:30 pm St. Stephen Festival planning in

rectory conference room

Philosophy Night in rectory Thursday 7:00 pm

basement

Saturday 9:30 am Festival Prep Work Day - meet in

the gym

Sunday 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal in chapel

11:30 am Coffee and Donuts in gym

OFFERTORY REPORT

Fiscal Year-to-Date* July 8

Regular Collections \$3,406.31 (*Beginning July 1st)

Electronic Giving \$1,060.00

Total \$4,466.31 \$10,289.60 \$4,800.00 \$9,600.00 **Budgeted** Budget +/-+689.60 -\$333.69

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.

THIS SUNDAY'S SECOND COLLECTION

Today, July 15 for St. Stephen's Maintenance/ Restoration Fund (third Sunday of the month). Thank you.

LITURGY AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Lectionary Year B / Weekday Lectionary II Eucharistic Prayer IV with Proper Preface

Sunday, July 15

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - 8th Sunday 8:00 am

after Pentecost) (David Parker)

9:00 am Confessions

Mass (People of the Parish) 10:30 am

Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Breviary) 5:00 pm

Monday, July 16

Our Lady of Mount Carmel 6:45 pm No Mass

Tuesday, July 17

Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am Mass (+Agnes Marie Moffat)

Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - St. Alexis, Noon

Confessor) (Ronan Armstrong)

Wednesday, July 18

Weekday in Ordinary Time (Saint Calillus de Lellis, Priest) 7:30am Mass (+All the Faithful Departed)

6:45 pm Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - St. Camillus

de Lellis, Confessor)

Thursday, July 19

Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am Mass (+Agnes Marie Moffatt)

6:30-7:00 pm Confessions

Friday, July 20

Weekday in Ordinary Time (Saint Apollinarius, Bishop, Martyr)

Mass (+Agnes Marie Moffatt) 7:30 am

Saturday, July 21

Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8:00 am

Mass (+Dang Xuan Vu) 9:00 am

9:30-10:30 am Confessions

Sunday, July 22

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - 9th Sunday

after Pentecost) (People of the Parish)

Confessions 9:00 am

10:30 am Mass (+Earlene Dennington) Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Breviary) 5:00 pm

COFFEE AND DONUTS AFTER 10:30 AM MASS TODAY IN GYM

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

HEADSETS AVAILABLE DURING MASS IN THE NARTHEX OF THE CHURCH

FROM THE SEMINARIAN'S DESK

These last three weeks, we've been looking at the four dimensions, or "pillars" of formation as outlined in the USCCB's *Program for Priestly Formation* (PPF): Intellectual (or Academic), Pastoral, Human, and Spiritual. So far, we've examined the Academic, Pastoral, and Spiritual dimensions. This week, we will focus on the Human dimension of seminary formation.

The Human dimension of formation is probably the most difficult to describe, but basically, it comes down to whether the seminarian is living out his fullness as a human person. In the priestly life, there is a lot to balance, and so we learn in seminary how to find that balance. Pope St. John Paul II's apostolic exhortation *Pastores Dabo Vobis* speaks of the priest as a bridge between the people and God. If we are to be a bridge to God, then we need to make sure that we, in our human frailty, do not put up barriers or obstacles to people who are seeking God. So if a priest does not exhibit "good people skills," then we would say he needs to work on his human formation.

Human formation is sort of a catch-all for the various elements of formation. It has to do with how we act around each other, how we speak, whether we are fulfilling our obligations, whether we are meeting deadlines, whether we are engaging with the community, etc. Each seminarian is assigned a formation director (this is different from the spiritual director), who is in charge of making sure the seminarian is "toeing the line," so to say. One could say that whereas the spiritual director is sort of 'employed' by the seminarian to aid in his spiritual growth, the formation director is 'employed' by the seminary/diocese to make sure the seminarian is meeting expectations. I like to joke that the spiritual director is like 'good cop' and the formation director is 'bad cop.'

The formation director's job, however, is not to catch you doing the wrong things but o help you grow in the areas in which you need improvement. So, for instance, if a seminarian is frequently showing up late for prayer or even missing prayer, the formation director will work with the seminarian to come up with a solution to the problem. Oftentimes, a student's poor academic performance may be indicative of difficulties in other areas of formation, so the formation director will also keep tabs on a seminarian's academic life.

Perhaps this makes human formation sound rather intimidating, but if a seminarian takes everything in a spirit of fraternal correction, then he will be able to use correction to grow. Everything in human formation is oriented toward helping the seminarian find a balance of life between prayer, academics, community, ministry, (and sleep!), so that they can more adequately minister to the people they serve. There is an old saying that gets repeated to us often: "As the seminarian, so the priest." Human formation is thus oriented toward shaping us into happy, healthy, and holy seminarians so that we can be happy, healthy, and holy priests.

SUNG VESPERS: EVERY SUNDAY EVENING

Join us each **Sunday at 5:00 pm** as we offer Vespers, the Church's ancient prayer for early evening, using the Latintexted Roman Breviary of 1962. Come and sing the psalms with us, or just listen and pray along with the words and melodies which have nourished the saints and praised God for millennia. We provide booklets with all the chants, texts, and side-by-side English translations.

NOTE FROM PARISH OFFICE

The parish office will reopen this Tuesday, July 17, 2018.

ST. STEPHEN FESTIVAL

We invite you to join us for our St. Stephen Festival on Sunday, July 29th from Noon to 5pm. Admission is free and there will be plenty of games and activities for kids as well as a craft fair, bake sale, and an art show. Food, beer, and wine will be available for purchase and provided by Hoda's Mediterranean catering. We'll be closing our festival with solemn Vespers at 5pm in the Church. If you'd like more information you can e-mail Lisa Hezmalhalch, the festival committee chair, at HezzieLCH@gmail.com.

CHURCH FACILITIES WORK DAY

In preparation for our upcoming St. Stephen Festival we will be having a Church Work Day on **Saturday, July 21st** beginning around 9:30am (after Mass) and going until we finish. If enough people join us we think we'll be able to finish up around Noon. If you have any questions about the work day please contact Lisa Hezmalhalch at HezzieLCH@gmail.com.

PARISH BAKE SALE

Our Parish will hold a Bake Sale at the Festival on **Sunday, July 29th** from noon to 5:00 pm in the gym. We are asking for your contributions of wrapped home-baked goods. We will be selling the items for the Festival participants to take home or to enjoy onsite. Your donations can be dropped off in the gym either before or after the 10:30 Mass on the day of the Festival. Please contact Thelma Dietsch with any questions or suggestions at tsdietsch@gmail.com.

FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

This year's festival will be bigger and have more of everything than last year. It is an opportunity to spread good cheer and good will to the neighborhood and hopefully a chance to raise some money for the restoration of St. Stephen's Church. We need approx 40 volunteers to give their time for one hour on Sunday, July 29th. We have positions open for games, crafts, bake sale, snow cones, church watching, and more. Will you give one hour? Please sign up with Luke Stager after the Masses today or contact the parish office during the week to get your name on the list.

PHILOSOPHY NIGHT:

Thursday, July 19th Dan Lower, speaker. We hear a lot of talk about love as a driving force--perhaps the main driving force--of what will be good for us and good for the world. e.g.: "All You Need is Love"; "Love, and do what you will"; "In our America, love wins"; and "Love your neighbor as yourself." But is love up to the task? Can love be the good? And what does love mean in this context, anyway? Does it mean friendship? Love of country or the world? Or something else? Mr. Lower will be drawing inspiration in form and content from C.S. Lewis's classic reflection The Four Loves. Our quest will be on two lines of philosophical inquiry: First, is love the Good? Second, which type of love? Along the way we will explore the serious foibles and failings of humans and their loves, the difficulty of getting at these questions in a philosophical manner, and what sorts of help Lewis's explorations and ours might be for our lives. No reading required beforehand. Just show up. If you want to read an awesome book in the interim, though, you can feel free to pick up The Four Loves. Snacks provided. Ages High School and up. Adoration and Confessions in the church begin at 6:30. Philosophy Night will be from 7-9 pm in the Rectory Basement.

SUMMER CCD CORNER III

Last school year our older children learned some apologetics. One of the challenges that we dealt with is the non-Catholic belief that Catholics do not use or read the Bible. Do you or your family spend time reading the Bible at home? To answer the challenge that is presented our children should know that the Bible or scripture is an integral part of our prayer life; we read scripture at each Mass, every sacramental celebration and during the Liturgy of the Hours (CCC, nos. 141, 1190). In the fourth century, St. Jerome said, "ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ." This should clearly show us the importance of the Bible to the Church! So this week, at home find a Bible and show your children the Scripture readings for the week. Or for our littlest children, show them the beautiful illustrations or interesting maps. Let's all of us be engaged in active use of the Bible! Have a blessed week.

CHESTERTON SOCIETY GATHERING

The Chesterton Society of Salem is hosting a gathering for men (21 yrs and up) at Fordyce Farm on **Saturday, July 28** from 7 to 10 PM. The night includes an exhortation to live courageously and faithfully, enjoy good fellowship, and have tasty food and drinks! Registration is free and includes two drink tokens and a free cigar or pipe tobacco. There will be an ask to benefit Chesterton Academy of the Willamette Valley. Our special guest speaker this year is Fr. Gabriel Mosher, O.P. Register through Eventbrite by searching "Chesterton Men's Night" or typing/clicking the link below: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/gk-chesterton-mens-night-ii-tickets-47480340978

INQUIRING ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Adults and teens that would like to learn more about the Catholic faith are invited to join Fr. Eric Andersen for a weekly class on Thursday evenings beginning this fall. RCIA is an acronym for "Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults". RCIA is actually a series of rites to prepare people for Baptism and Confirmation in the Catholic Church. It begins by learning what we believe about God; our relationship with Him; how we worship Him; what we receive from Him; and how that informs the way we are called to live. If you are interested in inquiring about the Catholic faith or in joining the class, please contact Fr. Eric Andersen at eandersen@archdpdx.org.

WHAT ARE THE TROOPS OF ST GEORGE?

"The Troops of Saint George apostolate aims to use the outdoors as our canvas and the sacraments as our path to light the way for the formation of Holy Catholic men and boys. Whether called to the vocation of the priesthood, the religious life, or that of Holy fatherhood, our fathers and sons will take a prayerful pilgrimage together to fulfill Christ's desire for them to grow in virtue and in their Holy Catholic faith as they journey toward heaven." "The troops are not an alternative scouting organization. TSG is chiefly a Catholic catechetical apostolate. Our primary goal is to help men and young men grow in the theological virtues and strengthen their love for Christ in the Catholic Church. Camping isn't the goal—it's the context." Would you like to know more? Fr. Andersen invites you to check out their website at www.troopsofsaintgeorge.org

REGINA CAELI ACADEMY 2018-2019

Come join our exciting mission to form the next generation of Catholics! Regina Caeli Academy (www.rcahybrid.org) provides a classical, hybrid education in the Catholic tradition. Pre K3- 12th grade students attend Socratic, hands-on classes taught by trained tutors two days a week and homeschool on the remaining days. Lesson plans for home days are included and optimized for in-home education. Location: 2710.NE65th Ave. Vancouver, WA 98661. For enrollment information, or to schedule a tour of our facility (by appointment only), please contact our admissions representative at (470) 239-0259 or admissions@rcahybrid.org.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will be held on **September 18**th at St. Stephen at 7:00 pm.

- **September 8**th, **2018** Retreat and Hike (all day event) Sponsors should plan to attend if possible.
- **September 15th, 2018** Practice and Saint presentation (morning) Sponsors should plan to attend if possible.

This year confirmation will take place in the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite in Latin and promises to be a beautiful event for our confirmation class.