SAINT STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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August 19, 2018

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Lumen Christi page 535)



▼ 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 **S**ung Latin Vespers [1962 Breviary]

▼ SACRAMENTS **▼**

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Sundays, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM Thursdays, 6:30 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: Ez 24:15-24 / Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10 / Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11 / Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Ez 36:23-28 / Mt 22:1-14
Friday: Rv 21:9b-14 / Jn 1:45-51
Saturday: Ez 43:1-7b / Mt 23:1-12

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal in chapel

11:30 am Coffee and Donuts in gym

Wednesday 8:00 pm Men's Holy League Fraternal Dinner

in rectory basement

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11:30 am Coffee and Donuts in gym

Noon Art Exhibit Closing Reception in

rectory basement

OFFERTORY REPORT

Aug 12 Fiscal Year-to-Date*

Regular Collections \$3,686.35 (*Beginning July 1st)

Electronic Giving \$...920.00

 Total
 \$4,606.35
 \$26,456.61

 Budgeted
 \$4,800.00
 \$33,600.00

 Budget +/ -\$193.65
 -\$7,143.39

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 $\underline{503}$ - $\underline{966}$ - $\underline{9355}$. Also consider giving via Bill Pay. Thank you.

THIS SUNDAY'S SECOND COLLECTION

Today, August 19th for St. Stephen's Maintenance/ Restoration Fund (third Sunday of the month). Thank you.

LITURGY AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Lectionary Year B / Weekday Lectionary II
Eucharistic Prayer __ with Preface __

Sunday, August 19

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - 13th Sunday

after Pentecost) (People of the Parish)

9:00 am Confessions

10:30 am Mass (Tobias Mudrick)

5:00 pm Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Breviary - 13th

Sunday after Pentecost)

Monday, August 20

Saint Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church

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

of Clairvaux, Abbot & Doctor)

(+Daniel Francois)

Tuesday, August 21

Saint Pius X, Pope

7:30 am No Mass

Noon Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - St. Jane

Frances de Chantal, Widow) (Mary Heon)

Wednesday, August 22

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 am No Mass 6:00 pm Confessions

6:45 pm Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - Immaculate

Heart of Mary) (+Grace Ann Laux Silbernagel)

7:20 pm Men's Holy League Adoration, Sermon,

Benediction

Thursday, August 23

Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

7:30 am Mass (+Tom Christy)

6:30-7:00 pm Confessions

Friday, August 24

Saint Bartholomew, Apostle, Feast

7:30 am Mass (Damian Augustine Ferree)

Saturday, August 25

Saint Louis IX, King

8:00 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9:00 am Mass (+Joan Woodall)

9:30-10:30 am Confessions

Sunday, August 26

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - 14th Sunday

after Pentecost) (+Gertrude Manly)

9:00 am Confessions

10:30 am Mass (People of the Parish)

5:00 pm Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Breviary - 14th

Sunday after Pentecost)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS

Lucas Holt

Ryan and Jessica Hoffmann Quillan and Maria Bourassa

FROM THE DESK OF FR ERIC ANDERSEN

This coming Tuesday August 21st is the anniversary of the apparition at Knock in Ireland. Having just visited there in June, I am compelled to share this story:

"It rained all day in the quiet village of Knock, Co. Mayo, on this memorable 21st day of August 1879, the eve of the Octave of the Feast of Our Lady's Assumption...When evening came...Margaret Beirne, whose brother was sacristan of the church, was sent to lock it up for the night. She finished her work and was returning home, when she noticed a sort of brightness over the church, and though she thought it unusual, she did not bother to take more careful notice" (Coyne. Our Lady of Knock. 1948. p. 15). That evening some of the neighbors were gathered to welcome Mary McLoughlin, the priest's some pilgrims home. housekeeper was there among them. "Strange to say, Mary McLoughlin did not think it worthwhile mentioning that, as she was passing at a little distance from the church, she had seen at the gable a number of strange figures resembling the Blessed Virgin, St. Joseph, and a bishop, and besides these an altar. Imagining that they were probably objects recently acquired by the pastor, she had passed on without further investigation" (16).

As Mary McLoughlin departed, Margaret's sister Mary Beirne walked part way with her "and as they came into view of the church gable, she exclaimed: 'O look at the statues! Why didn't you tell me the priest had got new statues for the chapel?' ... As they came nearer, however, Mary Beirne exclaimed: 'But they are not statues, they're moving. It's the Blessed Virgin."'(16).

This is what 15 witnesses saw, at about 7:30 pm that summer evening, in daylight, at the south gable wall of the church:

"The Blessed Virgin, clothed in white garments, wearing a large brilliant crown. Her hands were raised as if in prayer and her eyes were turned heavenwards. On her right was St. Joseph, his head inclined towards her. At her left stood St. John the Evangelist, vested as a bishop, his left hand holding a book and his right raised as if preaching. To the left of St. John was an altar on which stood a cross and a lamb, about eight weeks old, around which (according to Patrick Hill, one of the witnesses) hovered wings of angels. The gable wall which formed the background of the tableau was bathed in a cloud of light. This vision, seen by fifteen persons, lasted for fully two hours, the rain falling heavily all the while, yet the figures and the spot where they were seen to stand, were perfectly dry" (17).

No words were spoken. There was no message other than a visual one. Fr. Nigel Woolen comments: "We could describe the Knock phenomenon as a divine secret. In its biblical sense, a secret (or mystery) is something that is incomprehensible to us human beings without a special light from God. The secret of the Knock apparition, this vision without words, is awesome in its depth and radiance..." (Woolen. The Lamb Will Conquer, 2017. p. 23). "What those witnesses saw long ago as a great light on a wet Thursday night is still a light for us today; 'a light that shines in the dark' (John 1:5). And wherever the darkness appears to gain the upper hand, the more the light will shine out" (114).

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

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

SUNG VESPERS: THIS SUNDAY EVENING

Join us this **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 THE PARISH OFFICE

Sr. Anne-Thérèse Nguyen will be out of the until August 31st, 2018. The parish office will be closed during this time period and reopened on Tuesday, September 4th, 2018. Sr. Anne-Thérèse will have no access to the email while away. If you have any urgent or immediate office needs or email urgency, you can email Fr. Eric Andersen, pastor, directly at eandersen@archdpdx.org. Thank you.

MEN'S HOLY LEAGUE

Wednesday, Aug 22nd at 6 pm. 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.

6:00 pm Confessions **6:45 pm** Low Latin Mass

7:20 pm Adoration and Retreat Talk **8:00 pm** Fraternal Meal and Social

ST. STEPHEN FESTIVAL ART EXHIBITION

Exhibition through September 2nd/Closing Reception: Sunday August 26, 12 pm In honor of St. Stephen and his martyrdom, a second annual group exhibition is open this summer from July 29th to September 2nd. While considering the saint's last words in Acts 7:56, "Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God", how do artists and writers respond with a heart of a martyr in a world gone wrong? A collection of visual art and poetry from young to emerging artists is on view in the rectory basement open for parish events along with a closing reception and live reading at noon on August 26. For questions email: amanda.quiroz@gmail.com.

ROSARY WALK #2

Saturday morning Sept 1st. We will meet in the church at 10:30 am after Confessions to pray and prepare and then to set off at 11 am. The walk is 6.8 miles long. Bring a Rosary and a sack lunch.

NFP CLASS SERIES

When: **September 4th, 18th and October 4th** from 7-9pm Where: Northwest Family Services, <u>6200 SE King Rd.</u>, <u>Portland, OR 97222</u>

Northwest Family Services is pleased to offer their Fall 2018 series for learning Natural Family Planning through their SymptoPro Fertility Education program. The SymptoThermal method of NFP is scientifically based and can be up to 99% effective when learned and applied under the guidance of an instructor. NFP can be used to avoid pregnancy, achieve pregnancy, or to understand cycle health! One-time class fee of \$110 includes 6 months of comprehensive support.

To register visit: www.symptopro.org or contact Lauren Fuller at fuller@nwfs.org.

HOLY HEART MINI-RETREAT: WEDNESDAY, SEPT 5TH

Attention Catholic Women – single, married, moms, daughters, widows and girls – are invited to a Holy Heart Mini-Retreat. Wednesday, July 11th 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/vw5yo8

PARISH BIBLE STUDY

The study group will take a summer break in July and August. We will reconvene on **Thursday, September 13th** at 1:30 pm in the rectory basement.

CULTURE OF LIFE

As faithful Christians, we have a responsibility to witness to the culture of life! Come out and see how God will use YOU to help mothers and save the lives of unborn children. The "no-show" rate for having abortions is as high as 75% when people are present praying on abortion day. Please join us at Planned Parenthood at 3727 NE MLK Jr. Blvd on Wednesdays from 7:30 to 11:00 a.m. and from 1:30 to 5 pm. Also, at The Lovejoy Surgicenter at 933 NW 25th on Thursdays from 6:30 to 9 a.m., and Fridays from 8 to 10 a.m. For more information, contact Therese at ruesinktherese@comcast.net or (503) 997-1884.

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 15**th, **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.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: SAVE-THE-DATES

The Opening Mass will be on **Saturday, Sept 22nd** at St. Rose of Lima Catholic church at 5:30 p.m. with Bishop Peter Smith.

The Opening prayer vigil will be the following day on **Sunday**, **Sept 23rd** at 2 pm, at Lovejoy Surgicenter.

DISCERNMENT EVENINGS SEPT-DEC 2018; JAN-MAY 2019

Are you discerning the diocesan priesthood? Interested in finding out more? Feel free to contact the Office of Vocations at 503-233-8368 or vocations@archdpdx.org to find out when the next Discernment Evening will be.

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. Two options for classes will be offered on Thursday mornings at 10 am and Thursday evenings at 7 pm beginning September 6th. Choose which time works best for you. RCIA is an acronym for "Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults". RCIA is 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 must 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.

AUGUST INTENTION OF THE POPE

That the far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as a treasure of humanity.

SUMMER CCD CORNER

Wanted: A few good teachers for the fall through spring!

We plan to begin CCD at the end of September or beginning of October and run through the end of May. Are you able to help with one of our classes? In order to make this work, we need as many people to pitch in as possible. We have classes for pre-K (age 4) – 1st grade; 2nd – 4th grade; 5th – 7th grade; and 8th – 12th grade. Some of our teachers our returning, but we are especially in need of assistance for the 5th – 7th grade, and our very littlest CCD-ers! It is a great way to get to know many of the families in our parish. Each teacher is trained formally in the Called to Protect curriculum prior to teaching, which is required by the Archdiocese. Please contact me if you are interested in helping: Victoria Mears at drvamears@yahoo.com or 503-998-6063. Without willing volunteers our program cannot happen! So thanks for considering this opportunity in advance.