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FEBRUARY 18, 2024

Parish Calendar

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, First Sunday of Lent

10:00 am Rite of Sending at 10 am Mass
11:00 am Living Communion Meeting, Rectory

Basement

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, Presidents' Day

5:30 pm Stepping Into Serenity Al Anon Meeting,

Guadalupe Room

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

5:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir Practice, Church **7:00 pm** AA Meeting, Church Basement

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

7:00 pm Spanish Charismatic Choir Practice,

Church

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

4:30-7:30 pm Adoration, Church

7:00 pm AA Meeting, Church Basement **7:30 pm** 10am Mass Choir Practice. Church

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

6:00 pm English Stations of The Cross, Church
 6:30-8:30 pm Spanish Baptism Class, Clare Hall
 7:00 pm Spanish Stations of the Cross, Church

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

8:00 am Spanish Bible Study, Clare Hall

6:45 pm Spanish Missionaries of God, Clare Hall

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, Second Sunday of Lent

10:00 am Spanish First Communion Class, Clare

Hall

11:00 am Care For Creation Meeting, Rectory

Basement

11:00 am English First Communion Class, School

Room 134

1:00-2:30 pm Adult Confirmation, Rectory Basement

4:00-7:00 pm Confirmation Year 1 & Year 2 Groups,

Church

Mass & Confession Times

SUNDAY MASSES

5:00pm Saturday Vigil 8:00am Sunday (English) 10:00am Sunday (English)

Noon Sunday (Spanish)

DAILY MASSES

7:15am Monday—Friday 8:00am Saturday

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:30-4:30pm or by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

4:30-7:30pm Thursday

Sacramental Life

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact Fr. Paul or Fr. Michael.

BAPTISM

Please contact Fr. Michael, Ext. 510.

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

Please contact Rectory Office.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Please contact Teresa Markgraf, Ext. 502.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Please contact a priest eight months in advance.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday—Friday 8:00am-3:00pm.

School & Office CLOSED on Monday February 19th, Presidents' Day.

Save the Date! Tuesday, April 30th, 7:00 pm.

Confirmation Mass for Year 2 students and Adult Confirmands



Mass Intentions for the Week

This Week's Readings

SANCTUARY LIGHT: HR Parishioners

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 7:15am Juliana Tse †

by St. Terese Tsang

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20 7:15am Sr. Prisce Hui

by Sr. Terese Tsang

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21 7:15am Lisa Lin & Family

by Sr. Terese Tsang

8:20am Mr. & Mrs. Wilson Fong &

Chau Van Tran by Sr. Terese Tsang

THURSDAY, FÉBRUARY 22 7:15am Juliana Tse †

by Sr. Terese Tsang

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

7:15am Mrs. Mary Hui & Family

by Sr. Terese Tsang

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24 8:00am Pauline Rilatt †

by Rilatt Family

5:00pm Leo Cassinelli

by Tom & Kathy Fromherz

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 8:00am HR Parishioners

10:00am Maria Matilda Baguiax Gutierrez

By HR Community

12:00pm Spanish First Communion

Class of 2023 by HR Community Sunday, Genesis 9:8-15 February 18 1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:12-15

Monday, Leviticus 19:1-2,11-18 February 19 Matthew 25:31-46

Tuesday. Isaiah 55:10-11

February 20 Matthew 6:7-15

Wednesday, Jonah 3:1-10 February 21 Luke 11:29-32

Thursday, 1 Peter 5:1-4 February 22 Matthew 16:13-19

Friday, Ezekiel 18:21-28 February 23 Matthew 5:20-26

Saturday Deuteronomy 26:16-19

February 24 Matthew 5:43-48

Sunday, Genesis 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18

February 25 Romans 8:31b-34

Mark 9:2-10

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE FOR THE WEEK OF 2-11-2024

Electronic Donations \$7,018.00
Envelopes \$3,085.00
Loose \$990.00
Total \$11,093.00

2nd Collection:

Educate-A-Child \$195.00

Churches in Central & Eastern Europe \$ 170.00

SVDP

All Saints \$10.00

Home Missions \$213.00



SVDP COLLECTION TODAY

SVDP volunteers will be collecting donations at the back of the Church after the Masses this weekend. *Thank you for your continuing support.*



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Mrs. Carie Weisenbach-Folz, Parish Secretary Ext. 501, parishsecretary@holyredeemerpdx.org

Growing in Faith



HOLY REDEEMER'S SVDP CONFERENCE Our conference is staffed and funded entirely through volunteers. *Thank you for donations from the parish and from partner agencies.* We are an equal opportunity provider and all requests are treated confidentially.

Many thanks for your donations and financial support!

<u>HELP NEEDED!</u> We are in need of a few volunteers on Thursdays from 1:30-2:30pm to help weigh and stock donations from New Seasons. If you can help out, please email Mary Ellen at meadlar@comcast.net



<u>PANTRY NEEDS:</u> Please donate Egg Cartons & a variety of Canned Fruits, bring to the pantry, parish office or cart by main church doors. Thank you!

<u>FOOD PANTRY:</u> Our pantry is located behind the church, we are open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 2:30 to 4:00 pm.

RENT & UTILITIES ASSISTANCE: SVDP Emergency Services Hotline at 503-235-8431 or www.svdppdx.org. Parish donors make this assistance possible. Thank you!

ASSISTANCE IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY We have served 159 families and 466 individuals with food assistance. 955lbs. of food was donated by the parish and school families.\$2,327 in rent/utilities assistance to 4 families. Thank you for your ongoing sacrifices and love to support our community members in need.

CATHOLIC FRIENDSHIP GROUP

The Catholic Friendship Group is for single Catholics ages 40 to 60 throughout the Archdiocese of Portland who are looking to grow in faith and fellowship!

Next meeting on February 16th Fr. Joshua Clifton will cover Lenten Practices followed by discussion and social from 7:00-8:30pm at St. Birgitta Parish 11820 NW St. Helens Rd.

And on March 1st we'll view and discuss C.S. Lewis' "Mere Christianity" video. For details and more info visit www.catholicfriendshipgroup.com!



JOIN THE SISTERS OF LIFE

Meet outside the Lilith late-term abortion center located in the Portland Medical Building. on Saturday, February 17 from Noon to 1:30 pm. Your presence makes a difference!

To follow the Sisters of Life's events while they are visiting Oregon, go to https://sistersoflife.org/event/lent-mission-oregon.



Upcoming Holy Redeemer Parish Events





Tickets for the In-Person event are now on sale for \$90 p/p, \$180 p/couple, and \$900 p/table (Table of 10 includes 2 Bottles of Champagne).

Starting April 1st ticket prices will increase to \$110 a person, \$210 a couple, and \$1100 a table.

The Final Deadline to purchase tickets is Friday, April 5th.

Please buy your tickets early! <u>www.holyredeemerpdx.org/auction</u>

What type of items are we in search of for the auction? Top 4 Items of the Week:

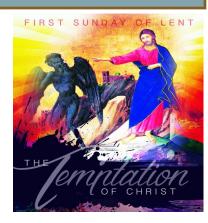
1) Vacation Rental 2) Experiences 3)Unique Items 4)Restaurant Gift Certificates

To donate to the auction contact Renee Neville at auction@holyredeemerpdx.org

Thank you for supporting the Auction, supporting our Holy Redeemer School!

Fr. Paul's Message





Dear Holy Redeemer,

We start the Lenten season. According to the intention of the Church, it is a time of renewal, penance and conversion. For the first Christians, the proclamation of penance was "Good News", God was going to forgive their faults, God was going to reveal their love and compassion. But for us, the moderns, it's bad news. If in a Christian assembly there is talk of Lent, of penance, of sacrifice, many faces become dark. They start to fear what they find most dear: their wallet, their cigarettes, their television, their good food ...

What can be the reason for this change between the old and the modern Christians? In the ancient Church only those who had committed great crimes did penance: the public penitents. But on Holy Thursday, in the mass of their reconciliation, these sinners seemed so happy, so renewed, so innocent that the other faithful felt envious of them. They lamented that they had not experienced such a benevolent penance. The following year they asked that they also be admitted to Lenten penance.

And us, the Christians of today? We think too much about ourselves, we think about those renunciations, that cross, those sacrifices, that Lenten confession; the things that are going to cost us and that scare us. We do not think of God, who calls us, who is waiting for us and who will turn everything into joy if we turn our hearts to Him.

Many Christians have an imperfect and even false idea of our religion. Many believe that religion consists in what we do for God, in those unpleasant things that we impose for God. How many things have I done for God? How many things have I sacrificed? How many things have I given up for love of Him? The authentic Christian is the one who looks, first of all, at the things that God has done for us, the great and wonderful things, that He has done in the poverty and smallness of His servants. With this attitude one never feels satiated, is always willing to grow and deepen even more.

It is the religion of the Creed, which does not say a single word about us, but that sings all of God's initiatives to make us manifest his love. We are Christians, if we believe and if - after so many years - we know that God loves us. God loves us freely. God is Father, and to be a father is to love first, it is to have the initiative in love. God loves us before we love him, without our love. God does not need our sacrifices to love us.

God - like all those who truly love us, like our parents, for example - does not love us because we are worthy of his love, but loves us in his kindness, in the generosity and fidelity of his own heart. God loves us so lovingly that he will surely awaken in us one day a response of love similar to his own. Such a response of love would undoubtedly be the most beautiful and precious fruit of this Lenten season. Would not this love change the sad matter of our Lenten sacrifices and renunciations in a joyful testimony of our gratitude and our generosity to God?

Applying this attitude to us: would not this Lent be the propitious time to take our self-education more seriously and in this way grow in holiness and become more and more new selves? It seems to me that this is the great opportunity to offer our efforts of holiness to Mary and to God, thus manifesting our faithful and generous love as his children. This at the same time gives to our Lenten sacrifices and renunciations a deeper meaning and greater abundance of new growth in the service of the construction of the Kingdom of God.

Fr. Paul Ybarra, C.S.C.

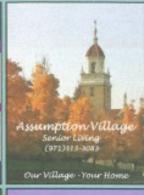
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