

HOLY REDEEMER CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVED BY THE CONGREGATION OF HOLY CROSS

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“WITH THE LORD THERE IS MERCY AND FULLNESS OF REDEMPTION”

<https://holyredeemerpxchurch.org>

FEBRUARY 21, 2021



Mass & Confession Times

SUNDAY MASSES

8:00am Sunday (English)

10:00am Sunday (English) (Live on Facebook)

12:00pm Sunday (Spanish) (Live on Facebook)

2:00pm Sunday (Spanish)

DAILY MASSES

9:00am Monday and Wednesday

CONFESSIONS

Call to make appointment 503-285-4539

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

4:30-7:30pm Thursday

Sacramental Life

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Please contact a priest eight months in advance.

BAPTISM

Please contact Fr. Michael, Ext. 510.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Please contact Teresa Markgraf, Ext. 502.

FIRST COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION

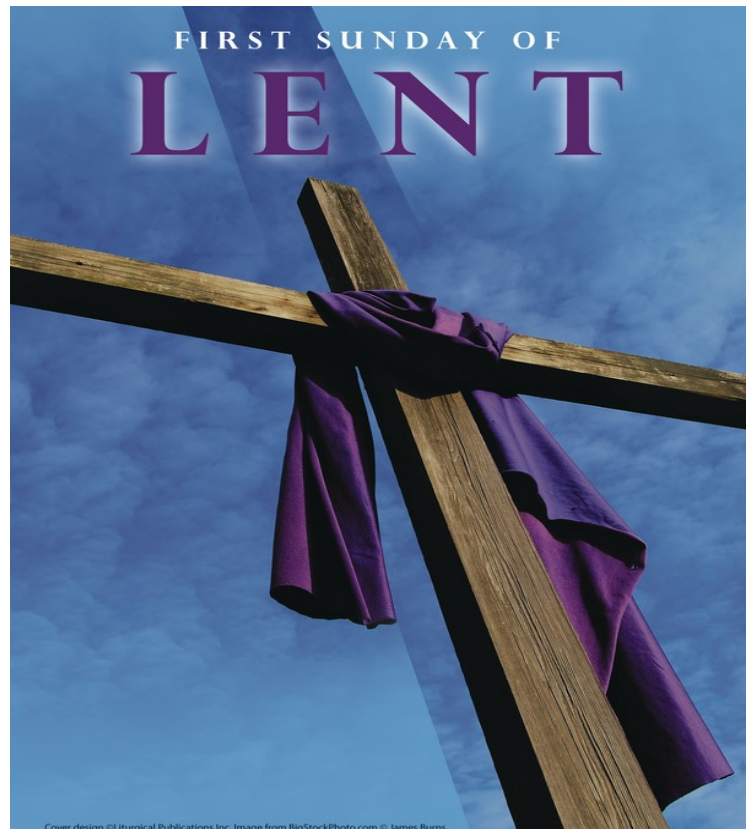
Please contact Meaghen Igloria, Ext. 512.

Rectory Office Hours

Tuesday—Friday 8:00am-3:00pm

CLOSED Monday, February 15 for President's Day

Day



FASTING AND ABSTINENCE REGULATIONS

ALL CATHOLICS, 14 YEARS AND OLDER, MUST ABSTAIN FROM MEAT ON THE FRIDAYS OF LENT. ALL CATHOLICS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 18 AND 59 ARE TO FAST ON ASH WEDNESDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY. TO FAST MEANS TO EAT ONE FULL MEAL; THE OTHER TWO MEALS THAT DAY SHOULD BE LESS THAN THE NORMAL AMOUNT UNLESS THEY ARE ALREADY A MINIMUM FOR GOOD HEALTH. EATING BETWEEN MEALS IS NOT PERMITTED HOWEVER, LIQUIDS INCLUDING COFFEE, MILK AND FRUIT JUICES ARE ALLOWED.

COVID19

Until further notice only clergy will distribute the Eucharist at Mass. No Precious Blood will be distributed until further notice.

Face coverings need to cover both your mouth and nose when you come to Holy Redeemer for Mass or church meetings.

Masses for the Week



SANCTUARY LIGHT: HR Parishioners

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

9:00am Bob Bickel †

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Veronica Kennedy

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

9:00am Alora Kersey

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

The safety of the unborn

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Iris Carty †

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Michael Fetters

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

8:00am HR Parishioners

10:00am Jan Zimmer

Noon Hamilton Bryan Ramirez Garcia†

2:00pm Victims of violence

This Week's Readings

FIRST WEEK OF LENT

Monday,
February 22

1 Peter 5: 1-4
Mathew 16: 13-19

Tuesday,
February 23

Isaiah 55: 10-11
Mathew 6: 7-15

Wednesday,
February 24

Jonah 3: 1-10
Luke 11: 29-32

Thursday,
February 25

Esther C: 12,14-16,23-25
Mathew 7:7-12

Friday,
February 26

Ezra 18: 21-28
Mathew 5: 20-26

Saturday,
February 27

Deuteronomy 26: 16-19
Mathew 5: 43-48

Sunday,
February 28

Genesis 22: 1-2,9,10-13,
15-18
Romans 8: 31-34
Mark 9: 2-10

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Church News and Outreach & Social Justice



HOLY REDEEMER SVDP CONFERENCE

As of 2/3/2020, we've served 11 families with \$2,983 in food/rent/utilities. Holy Redeemer church/school donated 272 lbs. of food and volunteers offered 37 hours of time. Thank you for your ongoing love and sacrifices.

RENT & UTILITY ASSISTANCE

We are able to provide emergency rent and utility assistance—for those facing utility cutoff or eviction. Assistance is provided to registered parishioners and households within our parish boundaries (N. Alberta to the Columbia River and N. Denver to NE 26th Ave.). We are able to provide this assistance due to the generosity of parishioners.

EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE

HR's SVDP Food Room (back side of church, basement level) is open every Wednesday and Saturday, 2:30 - 4:00 PM. Anyone in need of emergency food is encouraged to go to the food room during these hours of operation to be given emergency food. All requests are treated confidentially. All visitors must wear masks.

More Food Assistance within the Archdiocese: <https://evangelization.archdpdx.org/usda-food-box>



HUNGER IN OUR WORLD

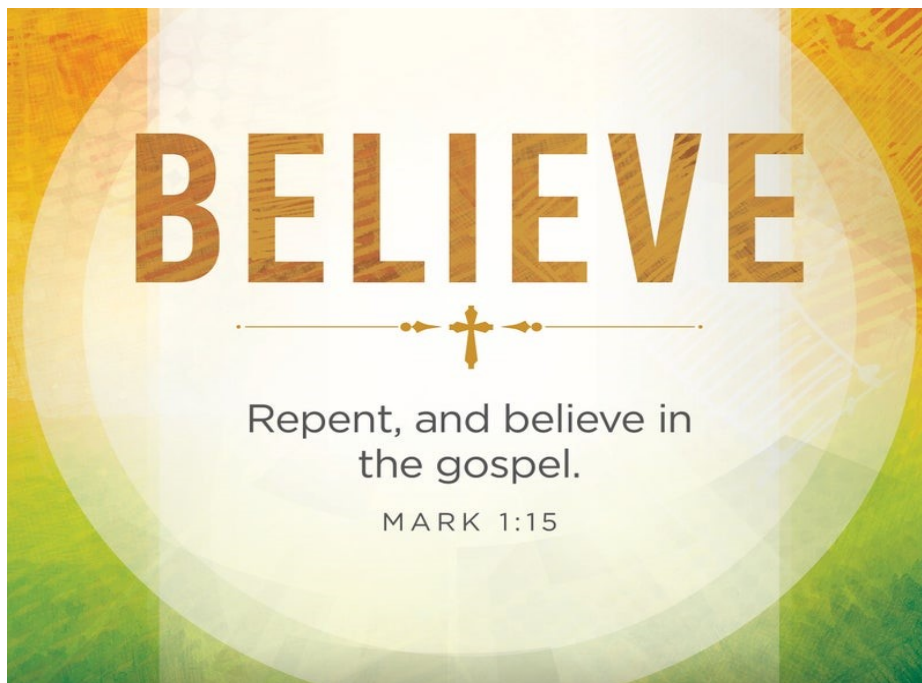
Jesus told us that whatever we did for one of these least brothers of his we did for him. Reflect on the challenge of global hunger— it is a reality for millions of our sisters and brothers. What will you do to support the hungry in our community and around the world? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

LITTLE BLACK BOOKS IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH

HR St. Vincent de Paul Conference is providing the Little Black Book for Lent. These booklets have daily readings and meditations for the season. They will be available in church and the rectory. Contributions for our work within the parish boundaries are gratefully accepted.

CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that still struggle to recover from former communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. More information at www.usccb.org/ccee.



Growing in Faith

LENTEN SCHEDULE 2021

Thursday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

4:30pm-7:30pm

Friday Stations of the Cross

6:00pm in English

7:00pm in Spanish

Reconciliation Opportunities

By appointment, call 503-285-4539

Taize Prayer Service Wednesday, March 10

6:30pm Facebook Live

Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord

Sunday, March 28 -- 8:00am English Mass

Sunday, March 28 -- 10:00am English Mass & Facebook Live

Sunday, March 28 -- Noon Spanish Mass & Facebook Live

Sunday, March 28 -- 2:00pm Spanish Mass



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

As we journey during this Lenten Season, let's think about Marriage. What can we do to make our marriage better? One way is an upcoming virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on April 17-18, 2021. If you find it difficult to commit a whole weekend, try our once a week experience starting on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 for seven weeks. To apply for **YOUR** WWME Experience or search other dates go to rediscoverthespark.org. For information about WWME call 503-853-2758 or email: reservations@rediscoverthespark.org

DAILY REFLECTIONS FOR LENT, DAILY MASS SCRIPTURE READINGS, CATHOLIC NEWS

Guidelines and other official information are found at usccb.org. Based in Washington, DC, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' website is a helpful source of information and official episcopal documents that are not picked up by the secular media.

CATHOLIC SENTINEL AND EL CENINELA

Available inside the church side door and at the rectory office. Both are online at: catholic sentinel.org and elcentinelacatolico.org

Pastor's Message



Dear Friends:

I think that as kids one of our favorite Old Testament stories would have to be Noah's Ark. There is understandably a lot of humor associated with this iconic bible image. One cartoon I saw shows two elephants on Day 39 looking at the many little rabbits running around on the ark. And one says to the other, "I thought the limit was two." Another shows Noah standing in water in the hold of the ark because of water pouring in from two bored holes. Noah says, "Maybe I shouldn't have brought the termites."

The whole point of the story, however, is God's renewed covenant with humanity, the sign of which is the rainbow in the sky. In fact, it's not only a covenant between God and human beings, but with living creature on earth.

Which one of us doesn't thrill upon seeing a dramatic rainbow in the sky, especially a double-rainbow? I remember one special rainbow that appeared while I was in East Africa. It was March of 2010 when I was on a 10-day visit to our seminary in Nairobi, Kenya. I was finishing my tenure as Rector of Moreau Seminary at Notre Dame and was asked to consider going to Nairobi to run the seminary and to train new personnel. I was anything but certain that this was a good idea and I never had any interest in working in East Africa. I spoke Spanish, after all, and not Kiswahili.

But when I awoke on the morning of March 17, St. Patrick's Day, there was a brilliant rainbow shining over the seminary compound. In my heart I felt a thrill of joy and a sense that this was a confirmation that I was destined to be there.

When have you had some moment in your life when you felt some sign or some confirmation that a particular decision or course in life was the right one for you, that somehow God was guiding you? Perhaps when you decided to propose to your future spouse, or some inner inspiration that guided you to prepare for your current vocation and career in life. For some of you, it was as dramatic as uprooting from your home country and coming to America.

I think that as we begin our Lenten journey, a journey of conversion and transformation, it is good to keep the sign of the rainbow in front of us. We can grow discouraged, at times, when we ponder our own personal problems and shortcomings or those of our family. The same certainly happens when we look at the state of our country or the problems facing our world.

Yet the rainbow reminds us that we have a loving God who faithfully guides us according to the wisdom of Divine Providence. God's covenant love is unshakeable and irrevocable. No matter the storms of life, nothing can ultimately harm or destroy us. On those clearer days, when we can see the signs that confirm God's loving hand guiding our life's journey, we realize that lives have unfolded exactly as God intended. Despite the challenges we have faced, all is well deep down. Christ, our light, is like that brilliant rainbow in the heavens, leading us through the storms and floods of life to a safe haven, which is called the kingdom of God.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Pat

