



# 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>

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

## 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

### 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

Monday—Friday 8:00am-3:00pm

## USA COUCL OF SERRA INTERNATIONAL



September 26th, is Priesthood Sunday, "a day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States, to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church." Serras are lay Catholics dedicated to promote the priesthood and the consecrated life.

## Parish Calendar

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

10:00am Hispanic First Communion Class,  
Clare Hall

2:00pm Hispanic Baptisms, Church

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

6:00pm Hispanic Charismatic Group Classes,  
Clare Hall

6:30pm Saint Vincent de Paul meeting, Rectory  
Conference Room

7:00pm Hispanic AA Meeting, Clare Hall

7:00pm Hispanic Choir Practice, Church

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

7:00pm Hispanic Charismatic Group  
Choir Practice, Church

7:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting,

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

7:00pm Hispanic AA Meeting, Clare Hall

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

6:00m Hispanic Charismatic Group, Church

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

10:00am Hispanic First Communion Class,  
Clare Hall

## Masses for the Week

### SANCTUARY LIGHT: HR PARISHIONERS

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

7:15am **Chris Campbell †**  
*by Nancy Holdorf*

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**

7:15am **Hamilton Bryan Ramirez Garcia †**  
*by Luz Ramirez*

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**

7:15am **Gayle Schneider †**  
*by Fr. Pat Neary, C.S.C.*

8:20am **Chris Campbell †**  
*by Nancy Holdorf*

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

7:15am **Charles & Ludmilla Pitkin †**  
*by Mary Pitkin*

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1**

7:15am **Rosella McKay**  
*by Tom & Kathy Fromherz*

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2**

8:00 **Roxy Crunchie**  
*by Frances Crunchie*

5:00pm **Patrick Maher †**  
*by Nancy Lea*

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3**

8:00am **Linus Francis Weisenbach †**  
*by Carie Weisenbach-Folz*

10:00am **HR Parishioners**

Noon **Trini Tellez**  
*by Lupe Tellez*

## This Week's Readings

Sunday, Numbers 11: 25-29  
September 26 James 5: 1-6  
Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48

Monday, Zechariah 8: 1-8  
September 27 Luke 9: 46-50

Tuesday, Zechariah 8: 20-23  
September 28 Luke 9: 51-56

Wednesday, Deuteronomy 7: 9-10, 13-14  
September 29 John 1:47-51

Thursday, Nehemiah 8: 1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12  
September 30 Luke 10: 1-12

Friday, Baruch 1: 15-22  
October 1 Luke 10: 13-16

Saturday, Baruch 4: 5-12, 27-29  
October 2 Matthew 18: 1-5, 10

Sunday, Genesis 2: 18-24  
October 3 Hebrews 2: 9-11  
Mark 10: 2-16



**NEW PARISHIONERS Tom McGuire & Jenna Ahn McGuire!** Our Holy Redeemer family is growing in 2021!

## Pastoral Team

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# Church News, Outreach and Social Justice



## HOLY REDEEMER'S SVDP CONFERENCE

**EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE:** Our SVDP Food Room is open Wednesdays and Saturdays 2:30-4:00pm. Anyone in need of emergency food is encouraged to visit; all requests are treated confidentially. Another resource is Oregonfoodfinder.org.

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:** Ground or instant coffee, sugar in 1 or 5 lb. bags, garden produce. You can bring these to the rectory or to the Food Room during Wednesday & Saturday hours.



**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. Ainsworth/ N. Killingsworth to the Columbia River and MLK to NE 22nd Ave.). We are able to provide this assistance due to the generosity of parishioners.

### FOR THE WEEKS ENDING:

9/2/21, we've served 63 families with \$6,152 in food/rent/utilities. Holy Redeemer Church/School donated 1,861lbs. of food and volunteers offered 47 hours of time.

9/9/21, we've served 13 families with \$1,615 in food/rent/utilities. Holy Redeemer Church/School donated 740lbs. of food and volunteers offered 37 hours of time. **Thank you for your ongoing sacrifices and love.**



**CONSIDER DONATING YOUR VEHICLE:** St. Vincent de Paul's Portland Council can accept old vehicles to support our programs! The donation process is easy and completely free to you; vehicle donations are also tax-deductible. Call Katie at 503-595-2286 to donate or email [cars@svdpportland.org](mailto:cars@svdpportland.org) for more information.

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

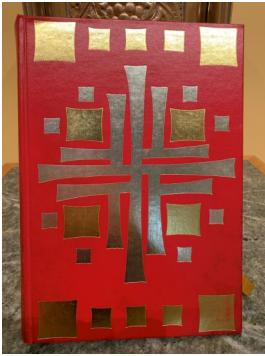
Guidelines and other official information are found at [uscgb.org](http://uscgb.org). Based in Washington, DC, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' website is a helpful source of information and official episcopal documents that are not picked up by the secular media.

### DISASTER RESPONSES

<https://support.crs.org/donate/haiti-earthquake> and <https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/>  
Please support the relief efforts in Haiti and for those affected in the aftermath of hurricanes Henri and Ida in the southeastern parts of the US. Those that would like to contribute can do so at these links.

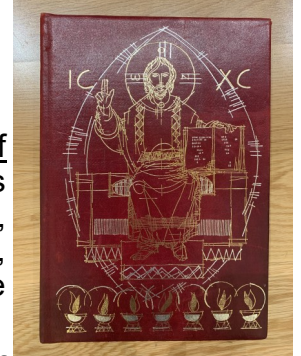


## Growing in Faith



### THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE BOOK OF GOSPELS

In the Entrance Procession, a deacon carries aloft the Book of the Gospels. It's the only book carried in procession because it is unlike any other book we have. The Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John contain the words and works of Jesus Christ. So, as the processional cross leads the way, the Word, who came among us in human flesh, is in our midst.



The Book of the Gospels is laid upon the altar at the beginning of Mass because the altar is focal place where we behold the presence of the Lord - in the Eucharist under the sacramental forms of bread and wine and in the Word, which is proclaimed, and continues to speak to us.

The Book of the Gospels is held high during the Gospel Acclamation at the altar. This gesture parallels the action of the priest who will also lift up the consecrated bread and wine to which we give our Amen.

And as the Gospel is proclaimed for us by deacon or priest, it is Christ Himself who speaks to us again, as His Body, gathered in His Spirit, as we journey toward the Kingdom.

### **CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS OPEN HOUSES IN 2021:**

*Educating Minds ~ Nurturing Faith ~ Creating Leaders*

Please check each school's website for details on in-person & virtual tours. Se habla español.



Valley Catholic High School

[valleycatholic.org](http://valleycatholic.org)

503-520-4721

**October 3**



St. Mary's Academy

[stmaryspdx.org](http://stmaryspdx.org)

503-228-8306

**October 10**



La Salle Catholic College Preparatory

[lsprep.org](http://lsprep.org)

503-353-1413

**October 17**



Jesuit High School

[jesuitportland.org](http://jesuitportland.org)

503-291-5423

**October 24**



Central Catholic High School

[centralcatholic.org](http://centralcatholic.org)

503-230-1056

**October 31**



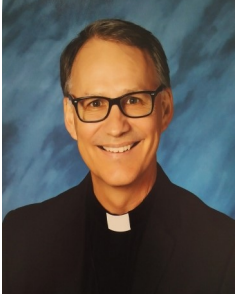
De La Salle North Catholic High School

[delasallenorth.org](http://delasallenorth.org)

503-285-9385 x 140

**November 7**

## Pastor's Message



Dear Friends:

Like most of you, I've lived through the first pandemic of my lifetime and hopefully the last. None of us could have foreseen the duration of this pandemic and just when we thought we were emerging from it all, we have to confront the Delta variant. So much for putting my more creative masks into a scrapbook. There will be many more mornings, it seems, of trying to greet students and their parents through fogged up lenses!

A number of you have asked about Mass attendance because you have noticed that none of our Masses are approaching the numbers we saw pre-Covid. We have been tracking Mass attendance the past few months and are basically at 50% of what we registered in November of 2019. Granted, Masses in the summer are usually less attended because of family vacations, but it's still significantly lower Mass attendance than usual.

I think the main issue for most families is that their children are not yet vaccinated. Until that happens they simply do not feel safe bringing them to larger public gatherings, even if people are masked. Those who are older with underlying conditions, even though fully vaccinated, feel it wiser to avoid any risk of infection until the whole pandemic has passed.

We are certainly left wondering what the church attendance landscape will look like post-Covid 19. According to a survey conducted in July and August of last year by the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate, not many young adult Catholics were tuning into Masses on television or online. A more troubling finding is that 36 percent said they planned to attend Mass less frequently when the churches fully reopen.

Also of interest is a recent Gallup poll about church attendance trends released in March of this year. It shows that Americans' membership in houses of worship continued to decline last year, dropping below 50% for the first time in Gallup's eight-decade trend. In 2020, 47% of Americans said they belonged to a church, synagogue or mosque, down from 50% in 2018 and 70% in 1999.

I would suggest that we not push the panic button, regardless of current trends. Let us wait and see what the landscape looks like when this pandemic finally lifts. Each of us, however, can reach out to parishioners we know and encourage them to come back to Sunday Mass. We are all members of the Holy Redeemer family but never more so than when we gather in faith to encounter and receive Christ in word and sacrament. And hopefully we aren't too far away from enjoying each other's company again at Breakfast Club, the Italian dinner, fish fries, Silver Spirits, and the Altar Society tea!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Pat

