



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”

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SEPTEMBER 3, 2023



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

Office **CLOSED** on Monday, September 4th for Labor Day holiday.

Parish Calendar

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, HAPPY LABOR DAY

5:30 pm Stepping Into Serenity AI Anon Meeting, Guadalupe Room

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

5:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir & Organ Practice, Church

7:00 pm Hispanic AA Meeting, Guadalupe Room

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

7:00 pm Charismatic Group Choir Practice, Church

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

4:30-7:30 pm Adoration, Church

6:30 pm Guitar Group Practice, Clare Hall

7:00 pm Hispanic AA Meeting, Guadalupe Room

7:30 pm Choir Practice, Church

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

6:00 pm Spanish Baptism Preparation Class, Clare Hall

7:00 pm Charismatic Group, Church

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

9:00 am Spanish Bible Study Group, Clare Hall

7:00p m Missionaries of God, Spanish Men’s Group, (begin in Church), Clare Hall

7:00 pm Spanish First Communion Parent Class, Rectory Conference Room?

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

10:00 am Spanish First Communion Group, Clare Hall

10:30 am RICA Spanish Group, Guadalupe Room

11:00 am English First Communion, Media Center

11:15 am RCIA Session, Rectory Basement

1:30 pm Year 1 Confirmation Group, Clare Hall

Mass Intentions for the Week

SANCTUARY LIGHT: Safranski Family
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, LABOR DAY
7:15am **Lou Fleming**
by Tom Markgraf
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
7:15am **Gerry Jacobs**
by Joanne Jacobs
5:00pm **Erick Hernandez †**
by Maria Guadalupe Hernandez
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
7:15am **Young People**
by Carmen Salvador
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
7:15am **Marcelino Tellez Sr.**
by Lupe Alejandro
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
7:15am **Ruth & Edith Tse**
by Heidi Tse
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
8:00am **Marie Eckert †**
by Julie Howe
5:00pm **Tova Lingren & Family**
by Tom & Kathy Fromherz
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
8:00am **Mr. Wilson Fong Family &
Mrs. Chau Van Tran Family**
by Sr. Terese Tsang
10:00am **Jan Zimmer**
By Julie Howe
12:00pm **HR Parishioners**

This Week's Readings

Sunday, September 3	Jeremiah 20:7-9 Romans 12:1-2 Matthew 16:21-27
Monday, September 4	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Luke 4:16-30
Tuesday, September 5	1 Thessalonians 5:1-6,9-11 Luke 4:31-37
Wednesday, September 6	Colossians 1:1-8 Luke 4:38-44
Thursday, September 7	Colossians 1:9-14 Luke 5:1-11
Friday, September 8	Micah 5:1-4 Matthew 1:1-16,18-23
Saturday September 9	Colossians 1:21-23 Luke 6:1-5
Sunday, September 10	Ezekiel 33:7-9 Romans 13:8-10 Matthew 18:15-20



HOLY REDEEMER'S SVDP CONFERENCE

Our conference is staffed and funded entirely through volunteers. Thank you for donations from the parish as well as partner agencies.

FOOD PANTRY Our pantry is located behind the church, we are open **Wednesdays and Saturdays from 2:30 to 4:00 pm**. SVDP is an equal opportunity provider and all requests are treated confidentially.

PANTRY REQUESTS: **Fresh Vegetables and Fruits.** Deliver donations during pantry hours on or use the shopping cart at the entrance to the church, or the rectory office. Thank you!

RENT & UTILITIES ASSISTANCE Need help? To apply, call the **SVDP Emergency Services Hotline at 503-235-8431** or visit the website at www.svdppdx.org. Parish donors make this assistance possible. Thank you.

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Fr. Paul's Message



Prince Humperdinck: First things first, to the death.

Westley: No. To the pain.

Prince Humperdinck: I don't think I'm quite familiar with that phrase.

Westley: I'll explain and I'll use small words so that you'll be sure to understand, you warthog faced buffoon.

Prince Humperdinck: That may be the first time in my life a man has dared insult me.

Westley: It won't be the last. To the pain means the first thing you will lose will be your feet below the ankles. Then your hands at the wrists. Next your nose.

Prince Humperdinck: And then my tongue I suppose, I killed you too quickly the last time. A mistake I don't mean to duplicate tonight.

Westley: I wasn't finished. The next thing you will lose will be your left eye followed by your right.

Prince Humperdinck: And then my ears, I understand let's get on with it.

Westley: WRONG. Your ears you keep and I'll tell you why. So that every shriek of every child at seeing your hideousness will be yours to cherish. Every babe that weeps at your approach, every woman who cries out, "Dear God! What is that thing?" will echo in your perfect ears. That is what "to the pain means." It means I leave you in anguish, wallowing in freakish misery forever.

Prince Humperdinck: I think you're bluffing.

Westley: It's possible, Pig, I might be bluffing. It's conceivable, you miserable, vomitus mass, that I'm only lying here because I lack the strength to stand. But, then again... perhaps I have the strength after all.

[slowly rises and points sword directly at the prince]

Westley: DROP... YOUR... SWORD!

Prince Humperdinck: [Humperdinck's mouth hangs open, drops sword to floor and runs out]

To the death would be easy enough said, maybe done, but to the pain, much harder. To the pain as William Goldman so wonderfully conveyed in his fantastic comedy ***The Princess Bride***, means something worse. Perhaps that is what St. Peter feared for Christ in this Sunday's Gospel. Perhaps what you or I fear in life, a painful existence, no peace, no respite, and worst yet, no compassion; that we are all alone in our pain.

Are we to be duped like Prince Humperdinck? (Westley is in fact bluffing.) Are we so scared by the "pain" that we would run away? Our first reading beleaguers the point. God has duped us, that we experience all the ostracization and harassment that Westley so skillfully describes, because we follow God. And yet St. Paul in our second reading believes God offers something greater:

I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship.

Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect.

To the pain. Would you love that much? By the cross, I know it's possible. Heck by Westley. He "mostly" dies and is brought back by a chocolate covered cure from Miracle Max. Outside of his wits, he is completely incapacitated, and yet his mind is enough. His love for Buttercup, the Princess Bride, his friends, the giant Fezzick and the swordsman Inigo Montoya, it's enough to defeat an army and rescue his love. He willingly risks his life for them.

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." – John 15:13

- Fr. Paul Ybarra, CSC