



ST. FRANCIS

CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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Mass Schedule

Tuesday – Saturday 8:30 am
 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30 pm
 Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30 am & 5:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Friday 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm
 Saturday 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
 Closed for lunch 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

St. Francis Parish Mission Statement

We, the faithful Catholic community of St. Francis Parish, through the celebration of the Sacraments, the fruitful sharing of the graces from God and intentionally imparting these values through Catholic education, earnestly strive to emulate our Patron in practicing the virtues, reaching out to people in need at large and making the kingdom of God present.

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Parish Calendar

Monday, June 14

Saint Albert Chmielowski

Tuesday, June 15

Saint Marguerite d'Youville

8:30 am **Mass (Choi Godchildren – I)**

Wednesday, June 16

Saint John Francis Regis

8:30 am **Mass (Jennifer & Andy – I)**

6:00 pm SAC Meeting

Thursday, June 17

Saint Joseph Cafasso

8:30 am **Mass (Mary Unger – †)**

7:00 pm Parish Rosary

Friday, June 18

Venerable Matt Talbot

8:30 am **Mass (Molly Todd – I)**

3:00-9:00 pm Adoration

7:00 pm Reconciliation

Saturday, June 19

Saint Romuald

8:30 am **Mass (James Lewis – †)**

4:00 pm Reconciliation

5:30 pm **Mass (Theresa Manikowski – †)**

Sunday, June 20

8:30 am **Mass (Frank Bosse – †)**

10:30 am **Mass (Stephen Dicker – †)**

5:30 pm **Mass (People of the Parish – I)**

The key for the Mass intentions is as follows:

- Deceased – †
- Healing – H
- Thanksgiving – T
- Intentions – I

To request a Mass intention, please contact the parish office.

Financial News

Collection total:

5/30 collection from Mass & mail	\$5,495.00
5/24– 5/30 online giving total	\$2,866.50
6/6 collection from Mass & mail	\$7,344.00
5/31– 6/6 online giving total	\$6,261.50

Next Sunday's Readings

Job 38:1, 8-11

Psalms 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Mark 4:35-41

Liturgical Ministers June 19 & 20

Readers	Ushers	Servers
Saturday 5:30 pm		
Julie Hefner	Joe Fritz Judy Fritz	Thomas Bui
Sunday 8:30 am		
Jeanne Bloudek	Collin Borla Linda Shannon	Natalie Moore Moses Irwin
Sunday 10:30 am		
Sandra Sandness	Greg Parrott Colleen Jeffery	Audrey Gill Alex Gill
Sunday 5:30 pm		
Barb Davis	Rich DeVitis 1 Volunteer	Michael Mehta Matthew Mehta
If you are unavailable for your scheduled time, please find a replacement Minister.		



St. Francis Council Chairs

Finance Council	Jim Carter
Pastoral Council	Timothy Mixdorf
Liturgy Committee	Deacon Bill Bloudek
SAC	Kofi Cobbinah
Knights of Columbus	Chris Roth
Centennial Committee	Keith Blau

From the Pastor

Weekend of June 12 & 13, 2021 (11 B)

Seeds – small but significant

The parabolic explanation of the nature of God's Kingdom by Jesus has drawn appreciation and admiration of several people to come to terms with their relationship with the Almighty. The growth of the seed, seen only in tiny but telling phases, remains a mystery; the small mustard seed growing into a big bush to the extent of accommodating birds remains incomprehensible to us. Nevertheless, they reveal the mysterious power of God.

The parable of the mustard seed speaks of growth with the added stress that the enormity of the tree so strikingly contrasts the smallness of the seed. The seed symbolizes the insignificant beginnings of Jesus' ministry, while the huge tree suggests the final cosmic event of the fulfillment of God's kingdom. The only difference between the two parables is that the first emphasizes that the farmer can do nothing to produce or hasten growth, while the second emphasizes the contrast between the small beginnings and the colossal final consummation.

As we come to the end of the school year, we are all excited about the graduation of our children. Though we would like to make it memorable and colorful with fun and celebration, at this time of uncertainty, we will make it more meaningful without compromising the cultural aspects of the celebration. On Wednesday, June 16 we will have the special graduation Mass for our 8th graders to pray and wish them good luck as they move into high school.

“Go dear children/students into the world of new opportunities and challenges! St. Francis Parish is so proud of you. So happy to see you grow. The seeds sown in your hearts, the values that you have learned, the gifts that you are blessed with, the graces that are bestowed upon you, will be the treasures that you will hold dear and close to your hearts. May you shine as bright stars and may your path be filled with joy and hope! May God bless you!”

Fr. Amal

Hope Garden Week 3

Thank you to all who have helped so far.

The plants are starting to produce. We were able to provide pantry shoppers with strawberries and lettuce last week.

If you are interested in helping in the garden please email bfallon@sfsherwood.org or stop by the Community Hall during pantry hours to learn more (no experience needed)!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, Save the Dates: August 16-20, 2021

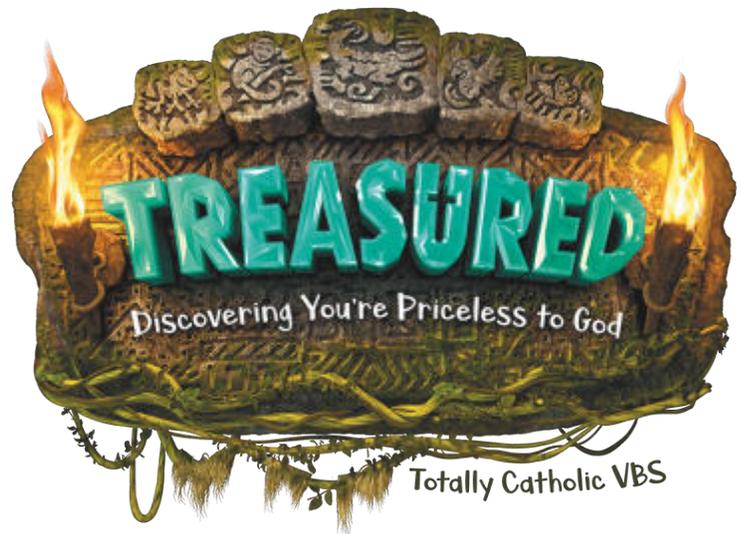
We are in great need of team members to create a VBS team. If you feel like you can contribute in big or small ways as a volunteer, we need your help! Guidance will be provided. Please prayerfully consider sharing your time and talent for the following needs (more info available on the St. Francis website). Sign up on the website, or contact Monica Conrow at mconrow@sfsherwood.org.

LEADS & HELPERS NEEDED FOR:

- Decorating Team
- Outdoor Games Team
- Bible Station Team
- Snack Crew
- Kindergarten Station or Preschool Station
- Prayer/Adoration Station
- KidVid Station
- Music/Opening/Closing Station

ADDITIONAL HELP NEEDED:

- Crew Leaders
- Slideshow Editor/Photographer



St. Francis Stephen Ministry

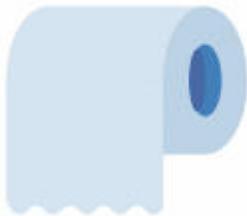
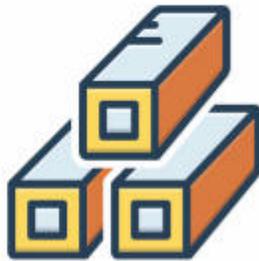
Who Are Stephen Ministers

Stephen Ministers are members of St. Francis Parish who have gone through 50 hours of training in providing quality Christian care of individuals experiencing a crisis or challenge such as divorce, grief, loss of a job, hospitalization, relocation, or loneliness. Stephen Ministers are each assigned a care receiver and meet with that care receiver for about an hour a week. This caring relationship will last as long as the care receiver needs it. If you would like to have more information on how to become a Stephen Minister or to receive care from one, please call the parish office at 503 625-6185 and ask to speak with a Stephen Minister.

Food Pantry

Needs:

Full Sized
Shampoo and
Conditioner
Toilet Paper
Paper Towels
Aluminum Foil
Saran Wrap



Catholic Corner

What other gifts did God give our first parents?

God gave our first parents superior knowledge, control of the passions by reason, and freedom from suffering and death.

St. Paul Family Catechism.

Next week: What are we to believe in regard to human evolution?

Respect Life



What do my actions mean to anyone and what are they worth? They are little drops of water in a vast ocean, tiny grains of sand in an enormous desert! But an immense ocean is composed of countless drops of water, and a boundless desert of infinite grains of sand.

Am I not dust, which is destined to return to dust? Am I not less than dust because “I was taken from the ash heap?” He raises the poor out of the dust, and lifts the needy out of the ash heap, that he may seat him with princes, with the princes of his people (Ps 113:7-8).

Lord, you made me your child not only for my personal happiness, not for my own advancement, but to entrust me with a particular mission within your plan of salvation. Lord, help me to meditate unceasingly on the advice of St Leo the Great: “Christian, be aware of your dignity!”

Perhaps I am only a grain of sand, but every grain has its own place, its special role to carry out – the sole condition is my awareness of this reality and my unity with all others.

~Venerable Francis Xavier Nguyen Van Thuan, Cardinal (+2002) was imprisoned by the Vietnamese government for 13 years, during which time he secretly sent writings and prayers to his flock.



St. Francis School

The 2021 graduates of St. Francis School will be attending the following high schools for the 2020-2021 school year:

Zachary Brockmann - Valley Catholic

Thomas Bui - Jesuit High School

Katie Czarnecki - Jesuit High School

Brody Duckett - Sherwood High School

Reanne Guevara - Jesuit High School

Katie Huber - Jesuit High School

Claire Huynh - Jesuit High School

Caleb Johnson - Valley Catholic

Jackson Martson - Sherwood High School

Mackenzie McCollister - Valley Catholic

Topher O'Connor - Jesuit High School

Andrew O'Sullivan - Valley Catholic

Emily Pitt - Valley Catholic

Sabrina Saldanha - Jesuit High School

Jaya Simmons - Valley Catholic

Sierra Simmons - Valley Catholic

We are incredibly grateful for all the years of hard work, dedication, and commitment that these eighth graders have demonstrated as leaders of St. Francis school . May they find joy and hope into their next journey along with the love of Jesus Christ as they enter high school and beyond!

Announcements

Parish Announcements:

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR – St. Francis Parish is looking for a part time paid elementary faith formation coordinator to begin as soon as possible. This person will assist families with elementary age students for faith formation, Reconciliation and First Communion preparation in the home, supplemented by formational and fellowship activities at the parish for parents and children. Organizing Vacation Bible School during the summer will also be included. Basic knowledge and understanding of Catholic doctrine and Tradition is necessary as well as a desire to continue to learn about the Catholic faith. Strong organizational and communication skills are a must, not to mention an earnest prayer life and love for children. More information is available on the parish website. Contact Monica Conrow or Fr. Amal for further questions.

SUMMER FLOWERS SOUGHT – the Church Environment Committee would like to thank all those who donated flowers in the month of May, used to decorate the altar and church interior; they were greatly appreciated. Flowers will be needed for the month of June as well. Please call Judy Eklund at 503-380-5358 or Barbara Lance at 503-639-8134 by Wednesday, to schedule when to bring flowers to the church OR if you would like to work on the committee .

The weekend of June 26 & 27 we will take up the **Peter's Pence Collection**, which is a way to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis with the funds to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.peterspence.va/en.html. Envelopes can be found in the narthex.

Out of Parish:

Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage.

Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact the registration team at 503-225-9191, portland@retrouvaille.org or visit HelpOurMarriage.com.

Make **Camp Howard** part of your summer plans. There is only 4 weeks until the camp season begins! Sessions are filling up fast. Don't miss out; register today at www.cyocamphoward.org.

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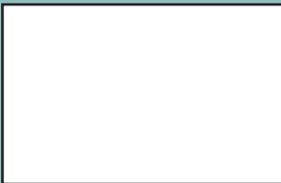
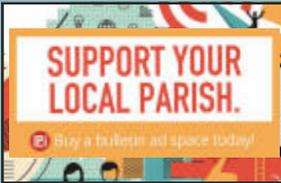
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