

Saint Stephen Catholic Church

Portland, Oregon

Sunday, March 9, 2025



“The Temptation of Christ by the Devil” (1860) by Félix Joseph Barrias

First Sunday Of Lent

Dominica prima Quadragesimae

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat	3/8	Jacob Hammelman Int. Fr. Dan Reehil
Sun	3/9	+Scott Brockmueller People of the Parish Amy Mulcaster
Mon	3/10	Isabel Heffernan
Tue	3/11	Ephrem Anthony Gravelle
Wed	3/12	+Tammy Tesch
Thu	3/13	Archbishop Alexander Sample
Fri	3/14	John-Paul & Virginia Lyon
Sat	3/15	Todd Arola Stephen Magness
Sun	3/16	+Ryan Light People of the Parish Marilyn Hammelman

MASS READINGS (Traditional Latin Mass - 1962 Missal)

Saturday	Isaias 58:9-14	Mark 6:47-56
Sunday	2 Cor 6:1-10	Matt 4:1-11
Monday	Ezekiel 34:11-16	Matt 25:31-46
Tuesday	Isaias 55:6-11	Matt 21:10-17
Wednesday	Exodus 24:12-18	Matt 12:38-50
Thursday	Ezekiel 18:1-9	Matt 15:21-28
Friday	Ezekiel 18:20-28	John 5:1-15
Saturday	Deut 26:12-19	Matt 17:1-9
Sunday	1 Thess 4:1-7	Matt 17:1-9

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wed & Thurs: 5:30-6:30 pm

Friday: 11 am-12 Noon

Saturday: 10-11 am

ADORATION SCHEDULE

• **No Public Adoration Sat 3/8**

• Adoration 8 am Sat 3/15

SUNG DIVINE OFFICE SCHEDULE (1960 Antiphonale Romanum)

Please consult weekly schedule for changes/cancellations each week

Sunday: 7:15 am Lauds; 4 pm Vespers

Monday: 7 am Lauds/Prime

Tues-Friday: 7 am Lauds/Prime; 5 pm Vespers

Wednesday: 7:45 pm (approx): Sung Compline after Mass during Lent

Saturday: 8 am Lauds; 4 pm Vespers (**No public Divine Office 3/8**)

This week's liturgical schedule:

Sat, Mar 8th: Saturday After Ash Wednesday (3rd Cl) Comm. St. John of God

- 7 am: Church opens - registration for Holy League Men's Conference
- 7:15 am: Rosary
- 7:30 am: Sung Latin Mass
- 9 am - 4 pm: Holy League Men's Conference - registration required for attendance
- **4 pm: No public Vespers today**
- 5 pm: Latin/English Mass (Missal of Paul VI - 1st Sunday of Lent)

Sun, Mar 9th: 1st Sunday of Lent (1st Class)

- 7 am: Church doors open • 7:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 8 am: Low Latin Mass
- 10:30 am: Sung Latin Mass
- **2 pm: Seven Sorrows and Joys of St. Joseph**
- 4 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5 pm: Low Latin Mass

Mon, Mar 10th: Feria in Lent (3rd Class) ST. JOSEPH NOVENA BEGINS

- 7 am: Sung Latin Lauds Comm: The Forty Holy Martyrs
- 8 am: Low Latin Mass (no sermon)

Tues, Mar 11th: Feria in Lent (3rd Class)

- 7 am: Sung Latin Lauds Comm: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop/Conf.
- 8 am: Low Latin Mass (no sermon)
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers

Wed, Mar 12th: Ember Wednesday of Lent (2nd Cl) Comm: St. Gregory I, Pope

- **No morning Lauds/Mass today** **FAST/PART. ABSTINENCE**
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5:45-6:45 pm: Confessions
- 6:45 pm: Low Latin Mass (with sermon)
- 7:45 pm (approx): Sung Compline (*during Lent*)

Thurs, Mar 13th: Feria in Lent (3rd Class)

- 7 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 8 am: Low Latin Mass
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5:30-6:30 pm: Confessions

Fri, Mar 14th: Ember Friday of Lent (2nd Class) FAST/ABSTINENCE

- 7 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 8 am: Low Latin Mass (no sermon)
- 11 am: Confessions (until 12 Noon)
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 7 pm: Stations of the Cross followed by Compline

Sat, Mar 15th: Ember Saturday of Lent (2nd Class) FAST/PART. ABSTINENCE

- 8 am: Adoration and Sung Lauds
- 9 am: Low Latin Mass
- 10:15 am: Confessions
- 4 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5 pm: Latin/English Mass (Missal of Paul VI - 2nd Sunday of Lent)

Sun, Mar 16th: 2nd Sunday of Lent (1st Class)

- 7 am: Church doors open • 7:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 8 am: Low Latin Mass
- 10:30 am: Sung Latin Mass
- **2:00 pm: Seven Sorrows and Joys of St. Joseph**
- 4 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5 pm: Low Latin Mass

LESSONS AT MATINS (Traditional Roman Breviary - 1962)

Find online at [Divinum Officium](http://DivinumOfficium.com) or as an app (Breviarium meum)

Saturday	Homily of St. Bede the Venerable on Mark 6:47-56
Sunday	2 Cor 6:1-16; 7:4-9; Homily of St. Gregory on Matt 4:1-11
Monday	Homily of St. Augustine on Matt. 25:31-46
Tuesday	Homily of St. Bede on Matt. 21:10-17
Wednesday	Homily of St. Ambrose on Matt. 12:38-50
Thursday	Homily of St. Jerome on Matt. 15:21-28
Friday	Homily of St. Augustine on John 5:1-15
Saturday	Homily of St. Leo on Matt. 17:1-9
Sunday	Genesis 27:1-29; Homily of St. Leo on Matt. 17:1-9

OFFERTORY COLLECTION (*this week and month to date*)

Offertory (*includes Maintenance/Restoration, Music, etc.*) +/- budget

- Envelopes/Cash: \$7,371.82
- Online: \$5,394.73
- Total WTD: \$12,766.55 Budget: \$12,832.00 **-\$65.45**
- Total MTD: \$12,766.55 Budget: \$51,328.00 **-\$38,561.45**
- Side Chapel: \$2,175.00
- Sacred Music/Organ Repair: \$8,566.61 (**goal: achieved \$5,857.51**)

Online giving: <https://www.saintstephenpdx.com/donate>

...or visit our giving kiosk in the narthex/lobby of the Church to donate now.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

3/16: Church Centennial Fund - Side Chapel (Art, Lighting, Repairs, etc.)

OUR PIPE ORGAN IS IN NEED OF REPAIR

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously in our special collection for the Organ. We raised all the money we needed.

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK:

3/8 Saturday	7am-4 pm	Holy League Men's Conf.	–Church/Carmody
3/9 Sunday	9:15 am	CCD	–School
	9:15 am	Choir Rehearsal	–Office Basement
	9:15 am	Apologetics Adult Study	–School
	2:00 pm	Seven Sorrows and Joys of St. Joseph	–Church
3/11 Tuesday	7:00 pm	Theology Night	–Carmody Hall
3/12 Wednesday	6:30 pm	OCIA	–Office
3/13 Thursday	7:00 pm	Legion of Mary	–Carmody Hall
3/14 Friday	5:45 pm	Soup Supper	–Carmody Hall
	7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross	–Church
3/16 Sunday	9:15 am	CCD	–School
	9:15 am	Choir Rehearsal	–Office Basement
	9:15 am	Apologetics Adult Study	–School
	2:00 pm	Seven Sorrows and Joys of St. Joseph	–Church

NEWS & EVENTS AT ST. STEPHEN

MARRIAGE BANNES

- Christina Swanson to Josh Clarke

APOLOGETICS STUDY GROUP FOR ADULTS DURING LENT

Sunday mornings in Lent between the Masses (9:15 am -10 am). Ages 18 and up. “Learn how to explain your faith clearly, defend it charitably, and share it confidently.” Stephen Tobusch will facilitate a Book Study/Bible study using “Beginning Apologetics 1” and the “Study Guide for Beginning Apologetics 1” by Fr. Frank Chacon and Jim Burnham. Those who wish to attend should bring their own Catholic Bible. Begins Sunday, March 9th.

NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH: MARCH 10-18TH

Join Fr. Andersen for a new video series; and pray along after the Low Masses during the week beginning this Monday, March 10th. Prayers are available to take home in the narthex. The Feast of St. Joseph is Wednesday, March 19th with a Sung Latin Mass in the evening at 7 pm.

MARCH IS THE MONTH OF ST. JOSEPH

Beginning the first Wednesday of March, we will pray the Litany of St. Joseph and sing the chant to St. Joseph after Mass on Wednesday evenings through the month. Also during March, we will pray the Seven Sorrows and Joys of Saint Joseph in the church on Sundays at 2 pm.

THEOLOGY NIGHT - TUESDAY, MARCH 11TH AT 7 PM

Fr. Andersen, presenter. This month, we will delve into **“The Catholic Controversy: A Defense of the Faith” by St. Francis de Sales**. In 1594, 27 year old, newly ordained Fr. Francis de Sales was sent by his bishop to evangelize and convert the Calvinists in Chablais near Lake Geneva. The Calvinists would not listen to him and his life was in danger. He countered by publishing leaflets and distributing them door-to-door. The work now known as “The Catholic Controversy” is the collection of these leaflets posthumously published in book form. How did St. Francis de Sales succeed? “Four centuries after they were written, St. Francis’ essays retain much of their original vivacity and charm” (Introduction, 2022. TAN Books ed.). Ages high school and up. Snacks provided. Parking lot will be open. Talk given in Carmody Hall.

RCIA (OCIA) CLASSES ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

At 6:30 pm the class begins in the Parish Office. Those interested in becoming Catholic or taking the steps to learn more about the Catholic Faith can email jsalazar@archdpdx.org. **This week, we will meet at 6:30 pm in the office, and then attend Ash Wednesday Mass together at 7 pm.**

WEDNESDAY EVENING MASSES DURING LENT

Beginning Ash Wednesday, we will begin a series of Wednesday evening Masses, including a sermon. There will be no morning Mass on these Wednesdays. The evening begins with Vespers at 5 pm; Confessions from 5:30-6:30 pm.

CURRENT RULES FOR FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

Fast is defined as one full meal permitted and two other meals which, when combined, are less than a full meal. Fasting applies to those aged 18 through 59. Abstinence obliges abstention from flesh meat and applies to those over age 14. Fast and abstinence are required on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Abstinence is of obligation on Fridays during Lent.

HISTORICAL PRACTICES OF FAST/ABSTINENCE

One may choose to do more. At the time of the 1962 Missal, Catholics were obliged to fast all days of Lent beginning on Ash Wednesday. One full meal permitted and two other meals may be taken, which, when combined, are less than a full meal (defined as 2 oz of food at breakfast and 8 oz of food at supper). Abstinence from meat and meat products was obliged all Fridays of the year, Ash Wednesday, Holy Saturday, and the Vigil of Christmas. Partial abstinence (meat and soup or gravy made from meat permitted once a day at the principle meal): all the days of Lent other than Fridays. Abstinence from meat is dispensed on Holy Days of Obligation. No fast or abstinence is practiced on Sundays. For more on the history of fasting, read the book: The Definitive Guide to Catholic Fasting & Abstinence (2023) by Matthew Plese

THE SPIRIT OF THE LEGION OF MARY

The spirit of the Legion of Mary is that of Mary herself. Especially does the Legion aspire after her profound humility, her perfect obedience, her angelical sweetness, her continual prayer, her universal mortification, her altogether spotless purity, her heroic patience, her heavenly wisdom, her self-sacrificing courageous love of God, and above all her faith, that virtue which has in her alone been found in its utmost extent and never equalled. Inspired by this love and faith of Mary, her Legion essays any and every work and 'complains not of impossibility, because it conceives that it may and can do all things' (Legio Mariae Handbook, p.12f).

We meet in Carmody Hall Thursdays 7-8:30 pm. Visitors are welcome.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND SOUP SUPPERS DURING LENT

Fridays during Lent beginning March 7th. Soup Supper 5:45 pm in Carmody Hall. Bring a meatless soup, sandwiches, or other meatless meal to share. Stations 7 pm in the church. Compline at 8 pm.

GARDEN WORK PARTY

Saturday, March 22nd. 11 am until 4 pm. Bring your gloves, some tools and a sack lunch. Help us to clean up the vegetable and flower beds, and to plant some new things.

ROSARY WALK PILGRIMAGE

Saturday, March 29th. 6.8 mile pilgrimage around the parish boundaries. Bring a Rosary and a sack lunch. We will meet out front of the church at 11:15 am and depart the parish at 11:30 am. We should be back around 3:30 pm. Let us wrap our Lady's Rosary like a lasso around the parish territory.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are now booked up for several months well into the summer. Those who regularly submit Mass intentions will be limited to 1 (one) Mass submission per month until further notice. Those who have not submitted any Mass intentions previously will be limited to 2 Mass submissions at this time.

EVENTS ELSEWHERE

ST. PATRICK DAY CELEBRATION AT ST. PATRICK PARISH

Come celebrate St. Patrick's Day with the St. Patrick community at a festive dinner and fundraising event in honor of our patron saint! Enjoy a delicious three-course meal catered by Kells Irish Pub, featuring:

- Corned beef & cabbage
- Mashed potatoes & gravy
- Baked carrots
- Salad, dinner roll, and dessert

Complimentary beverages include lemonade, water, coffee, hot tea, and kids' juice boxes. For guests 21 and older, beer, wine, and Irish coffee will be available for purchase at the bar (ID required). Guests can choose from three seating times: **11:00 AM, 1:30 PM, and 3:30 PM. A live Irish band will perform during each seating. To-go orders are also available.** Space is limited, so we encourage you to purchase tickets in advance! Tickets can be purchased on our website (stpatrickpdx.org).

WOMEN'S SPRING SILENT RETREAT AT OUR LADY OF PEACE

March 21-23, 2025. Fr. Joachim Aldaba, O.Praem, retreat leader. "Lent: A Season for Rediscovering Christ." Fr. Joachim will plunge into the depths of the Lenten season and speak about how the traditional observances of prayer, fasting and almsgiving as well as a greater love for the sacraments will lead to a more intimate union with Christ. The retreat begins with dinner on Friday evening and concludes after brunch on Sunday. For inquiries or to register, please phone the retreat house at 503-649-7127; email: sisters@olpretreat.org or www.olpretreat.org. \$255 for the weekend. The commuter rate is \$168 or \$84 for Saturday only retreatants.

A LENTEN DAY RETREAT AT THE GROTTA

All Pilgrims of Hope are invited to the Conference Center at the Grotto on Friday, April 4 from 8:30 am-2:30 pm with Catholic Speaker Dina Marie Hale. Retreat Theme: "A Spiritual Oasis for the Jubilee Year- Exploring Our Call: "Walking with Christ." This Lenten Retreat features: Conferences by Dina Marie, founder of Faith Moments, Mass and prayer in the Chapel of Mary, Confession, Lunch and quiet time to explore the scenic Grotto grounds, Gift Shop and newly remodeled Visitor Center. Registration is required at: dinamarie.org. The Grotto is a 2025 Jubilee Pilgrimage Site. 8840 NE Skidmore Street, Portland, OR 97220. For a schedule and registration details: dinamarie.org

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Learn how to be the best spouse possible by attending Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences on April 4-6, 2025 in Beaverton, Oregon. To apply for YOUR WWME Experience or search other dates, go to: rediscoverthespark.org. For information about WWME call 503-704-0836 or email: reservations@rediscoverthespark.org.

THE JUBILEE YEAR INDULGENCE

A plenary indulgence is a special gift from Christ's Church that completely removes the temporary consequences of sins that have already been forgiven in confession. This indulgence is offered every Jubilee Year. These consequences are often referred to as the temporal punishment due to sin, which is purified in purgatory. Receiving a plenary indulgence can help us or the souls in purgatory on the journey to heaven.

The Church has the authority to grant indulgences through the power given by Christ to bind and loose sins (Matthew 16:19). This authority allows the Church to share the grace of Christ's sacrifice and the merits of the saints with the faithful. During the Jubilee Year 2025, you have a unique chance to receive this grace through pilgrimage, prayer, and fulfilling a few important steps outlined by the Church.

- Visit an officially designated Jubilee Pilgrimage Site.
- Make a sacramental confession within 20 days
- Be in a state of grace
- Have complete detachment from sin, even venial sin
- Receive Holy Communion
- Pray for the Pope's intentions (e.g., say an Our Father and a Hail Mary)

Special Provisions for the Jubilee Year 2025

You may obtain a plenary indulgence twice in one day if you receive Holy Communion a second time (at a second Mass) and apply it to the souls in purgatory.

The Jubilee Year began on December 24, 2024, and will conclude on January 6, 2026.

Official Jubilee Pilgrimage Sites in the Archdiocese of Portland:

St. Mary's Cathedral, Portland

The Grotto, Portland

Holy Rosary, Portland

Our Lady of Lavang, Happy Valley

St. Paul, St. Paul

St. Vincent de Paul, Salem

St. Alice, Springfield

Shepherd of the Valley, Central Point

Sacred Heart, Newport

St. Monica, Coos Bay

St. Sharbel, Portland (Maronite Eparchy)

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