

SAINT STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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December 1, 2019

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



✠ MASS SCHEDULE ✠

SUNDAYS

8:00 AM ✠ Latin Mass [1962 Missal]

10:30 AM ✠ Sung Parish Mass

MONDAY through SATURDAY

posted weekly inside bulletin

✠ DIVINE OFFICE ✠

SUNDAYS

5:00 PM ✠ Sung Latin Vespers

[1962 Antiphonale]

✠ SACRAMENTS ✠

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 10:00-11:00 AM ✠ Sundays, 9:00-10:00 AM

Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30 PM ✠ Thursday, 5:45-6:45 PM

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Pastor. Wedding dates will be set after beginning marriage preparation with the priest.

INFANT BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office or see one of the priests after Mass.

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US

PARISH MINISTRIES

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MASS READINGS (Extraordinary Form)

Sunday:	Rom. 13:11-14; Luke 21:25-33
Monday:	Ecclus. 51:13-17; Matt. 13:44-52
Tuesday:	Rom. 10:10-18; Mark 16:15-18
Wednesday:	2 Tim. 4:1-8; Matt. 5:13-19
Thursday:	Rom. 13:11-14; Luke 21:25-33
Friday:	Heb. 13:7-17; Matt 25:14-23
Saturday:	Isa. 7:10-15; Luke 1:26-38
Sunday:	Prov. 8:22-35; Luke 1:26-28

LESSONS AT MATINS (Extraordinary Form)

Readings/Homilies can be found online each day for the office of Matins at: <http://divinumofficium.com> also available as an app (Breviarium meum)

Sunday:	Isaias 1:1-9; Homily of St. Gregory on Luke 21:25-33
Monday:	Isa. 1:16-28; Eulogy of St. Vivian
Tuesday:	Isa. 2:1-9; Eulogy of St. Francis Xavier
Wednesday:	Isa. 3:1-11; Eulogy of St. Peter Chrysologus
Thursday:	Isa. 4:1-3; 5:1-7
Friday:	Isa. 6:1-10; Eulogy of St. Nicholas
Saturday:	Isa. 7:1-6, 10-15; Eulogy of St. Ambrose
Sunday:	Gen. 3:1-15; Sermon of St. Jerome on the Assumption; the Acts of Pope Pius XII; Homily of St. Germanus on Luke 1: 26-28

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday	9:00 am	CCD in rectory basement
	9:00 am	Coffee & donuts in Carmody Hall
	9:15 am	Choir Rehearsal in rectory basement
	Noon	Coffee & Donuts in Carmody Hall
	5:45 pm	Potluck & Game Night in rectory basement
Tuesday	7:00 pm	RCIA evening class
Friday	11:30 am	RCIA daytime class
Saturday	7:00 am-5:00 pm	Holy League Men's Conference in Carmody Hall
Sunday	9:00 am	CCD in rectory basement
	9:00 am	Coffee & donuts in Carmody Hall
	9:15 am	Choir Rehearsal in rectory basement
	Noon	Coffee & Donuts in Carmody Hall
	5:45 pm	Potluck & Movie Night in rectory basement

LITURGY AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 1

First Sunday of Advent

8:00 am	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal) (People of the Parish)
9:00-10:00 am	Confessions
10:30 am	Sung Mass (English) (+Ray Thygesen)
5:00 pm	Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Antiphonale)

Monday, December 2

St. Vivian, Virgin & Martyr

7:00 am	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal)
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Tuesday, December 3

St. Francis Xavier, Confessor

Noon	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal) (Stuart & Rose Marie Tyson)
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Wednesday, December 4

St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor

5:30-6:30 pm	Confessions
6:45 pm	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal) (+Larry Roise)

Thursday, December 5

Feria of Advent

7:00 am	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal) (Theophilus & Athelston Frame)
5:30-6:45 pm	Confessions

Friday, December 6

St. Nicholas, Bishop & Confessor

7:00 am	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal) (Rev. John Terzano)
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Saturday, December 7

Our Lady in Advent

6:00 am	Pontifical Low Latin Rorate Mass (Mr. & Mrs. Daily)
7:00am-5:00pm	Holy League Men's Conference

Sunday, December 8

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal) (+Earlene Dennington)
9:00-10:00 am	Confessions
10:30 am	Sung Latin Mass (1962 Missal) (People of the Parish)
5:00 pm	Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Antiphonale)

NEXT SUNDAY'S SECOND COLLECTION

Sunday, December 8th for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Please give to those who have given a lifetime.
Thank you!

HEADSETS AVAILABLE DURING MASS IN THE NARTHEX OF THE CHURCH

FROM THE DESK OF FR ERIC ANDERSEN

The season of Advent begins in darkness. But though it is still dark, the night has passed and as the Blessed Apostle tells us, it is now the hour for us to rise from sleep. By Tradition, we believe that Christ was born at Midnight, and that He will come again at Midnight. The parable of the wise and foolish virgins tells us that the Bridegroom returns at midnight. The five wise virgins were ready and five foolish ones were not. We need to be wise which means to be prepared, to be vigilant, to be ready. Perhaps this is why we have a tradition of blessing and lighting candles during the Advent season. The blessing of candles communicates quite well that the darkness will not prevail. There are a couple of blessings for candles throughout the liturgical year, but traditionally, there is no blessing for Advent candles, aside from the devotional prayer prayed by the father of a family in the home, similar to a blessing at meals:

O God, by Whose word all things are sanctified,
pour forth Thy blessing upon this wreath and grant that
we who use it may prepare our hearts for the coming of
Christ and may receive from Thee abundant graces.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

But when a priest blesses candles, he says in Latin these words:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,
bless + these candles at our lowly request.

Endow them, Lord, by the power of the holy + cross,
with a blessing from on high, you who gave them
to mankind in order to dispel darkness.

Let the blessing that they receive from the sign of
the holy + cross be so effectual that, wherever they are
lighted or placed, the princes of darkness may depart
in trembling from all these places, and flee in fear,
along with all their legions, and never more dare to
disturb or molest those who serve you, the almighty God,
who live and reign forever and ever.

Amen.

When candles are used liturgically, they are to be made of beeswax, or at least with a majority of beeswax. The candles we use on the altar are made of 51% beeswax. The wax of bees is said to resemble the flesh of Jesus Christ, because worker bees are virgins and they produce wax to feed the baby bees. Compare this with Blessed Mary who was a virgin who brought forth the Holy Child Jesus, whose flesh (the Eucharist) feeds the children of God, the faithful of the Church. The wick of the candle is compared with the soul of Christ; while the flame is compared to His divinity. As we light the candles on our advent wreaths let us recall the light of Christ who scatters the darkness.

COFFEE AND DONUTS IN CARMODY HALL AFTER THE 8:00 & 10:30 AM MASSES TODAY

To contribute, please sign up in the narthex of the church.

VESPERS: EVERY SUNDAY AT 5:00 PM

We celebrate traditional Sung Latin Vespers every Sunday at 5:00 pm here at St. Stephen's, using the ancient Gregorian chants in singing antiphons, psalms, hymns, and the Magnificat. Please join us to pray along as our men's schola carries out this sacred office. Vesperale books are available with Latin and English side/side to follow along.

ADVENT FAMILY NIGHTS

This Advent, we will continue to watch and prepare for the coming of Christ by getting together on Sunday evenings for prayer, food and fun. Join us at 5 pm for Sung Vespers in the Church followed by potluck dinners and a fun family activity: **This Sunday, Dec 1st: Game Night**

Sunday, Dec 8th: Movie Night

This year we will be showing the Catholic classic film, "The Miracle of Marcelino." It is about a little orphan boy who causes a miracle to take place. Left on the doorstep of a monastery as an infant, Marcelino is raised by the monks. He is well cared for but lonely and misses having a mother. One day he finds a special friend in the attic. . . hanging on a cross. A friend that would repay Marcelino's kindness by granting him one heartfelt desire.

Sunday, Dec 15th: Caroling/Peacock Lane

RCIA CLASSES

New Time for Daytime class

This week the topic will be - The Blessed Virgin Mary in Scripture and Doctrine. The evening class will meet on Tuesday at 7:00 pm. **Beginning this Friday (12/6) the daytime class will now meet at 11:30 am (instead of 2:00 pm).** For more information, contact Joseph Salazar in the parish office.

CALENDARS

The parish was notified just two weeks ago that we would not be receiving calendars this year. We have not had time to respond and find an alternative. It is recommended that parishioners looking for liturgical calendars try one of these options:

- Tan Books publishes four calendars which list both Extraordinary Form and Ordinary Form feasts, correspond to the use of both old and new liturgical calendars used here at St. Stephen's.
<https://www.tanbooks.com>
- The monks at Clear Creek Abbey in Oklahoma produce an inspiring calendar listing liturgical feasts celebrated by the monks.
<https://clearcreekmonks.org/gift-shop/calendar/>
- The Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter also publishes a very nice calendar with great photographs and liturgical feasts, etc., for the Extraordinary Form.
<https://fraternitypublications.com>

REGISTERED PARISHIONERS

If you have been using offertory envelopes, the 2020 offertory envelopes are here and ready for pick-up in the Church narthex with your name and address. If you would like to have or use offertory envelopes and do not have one yet, please call Sr. Anne-Therese or email the parish office at sainstephenpdx@gmail.com / 503-234-5019. Thank you.

UPCOMING SUNG LATIN MASSES

Saturday, December 7th at 6:00 am in the morning:

Pontifical Low Rorate Mass with Archbishop Sample. Accompanied by organ and Advent hymns (1962 Missal).

Sunday, December 8th:

The Immaculate Conception will be celebrated in the Extraordinary Form at both Masses and Vespers (1962 Missal). The Solemnity is otherwise moved to Monday in the Ordinary Form. To eliminate that confusion, we are celebrating it altogether on just the Sunday.

Thursday, December 12th at 7:00 pm:

Our Lady of Guadalupe. Sung Latin Mass (1962 Missal).

Saturday, December 14th at 7 am in the morning:

Sung Latin Rorate Mass (1962 Missal).

Sunday, December 15th:

The 3rd Sunday in Advent (Gaudete Sunday) (1962 Missal)

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

December 24th:

- 5 pm Christmas Vigil (Ordinary Form English)

December 25th:

- Midnight Mass (Solemn Latin Mass - 1962 Missal)
- 8 am: Mass at Dawn (Low Latin Mass - 1962 Missal)
- 10:30 am: Mass during the Day (Sung Mass - English)

WorldWide MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Persevere in your marriage by using the tools learned on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. To find **YOUR** WWME Weekend go to rediscoverthespark.org.

For information about WWME contact Ron & Hilarie Tesch at 503-704-0836 or by email reservations@rediscoverthespark.org

OFFERTORY REPORT

	November 24	Fiscal Year-to-Date*
Regular Collections	\$3,443.94	(*Beginning July 1st)
Electronic Giving	\$2,775.00	
Total	\$6,218.94	\$93,945.23
Budgeted	\$4,800.00	\$100,800.00
Budget +/-	+\$1,418.94	-\$6,854.77

Thank you for your sacrificial offering!

ONLINE GIVING

Online Giving is on our website via the Donate tab. Or set up an account and give by means of text message at [503-966-9355](tel:503-966-9355). Also consider giving via Bill Pay.

MEN'S HOLY LEAGUE

Wednesday, December 18th

The Holy League encourages Consecration to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and the Purest Heart of St. Joseph. It promotes the Precepts and Sacraments of the Church, devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and praying the Rosary. It creates a unified front, made up of members of the Church Militant for spiritual combat.

- 5:30 pm Confessions
- 6:45 pm Low Latin Mass (Ember Wednesday in Advent)
- 7:20 pm Adoration, Sermon and Benediction
- 8:00 pm Fraternal Meal and Social
(meatless for Ember Wednesday)

NEXT HOLY HEART LADIES MINI-RETREAT IS JANUARY 22ND, 2020

PHILOSOPHY NIGHT

with FR. SAM CONEDERA, SJ.

Thursday, December 19th

Fr. Sam Conedera SJ will be our guest speaker on "The Motive for the Incarnation". As we prepare for the feast of Christmas, Philosophy Night will be dedicated to the motivation of the Incarnation. Would the Word have been made flesh even if the human race had not sinned? This is a good example of how Christian revelation presents new questions for which philosophy can provide resources, and how the Church allows for legitimate theological plurality. Ages high school and up. snacks provided. Free will offering taken up. Adoration and Confession in the church 5:30-6:45 pm. Philosophy Night begins at 7 pm in the Rectory Basement. Parking available in the school lot on SE Taylor between 42nd and 44th Avenues.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

If you are suffering after abortion, experience a Rachel's Vineyard healing weekend sponsored by Project Aurora. The weekends are for women, men, and anyone impacted by abortion regardless of faith background. Each retreat starts on Friday at 3:00 pm and ends on Sunday at 5:00 pm. Participation at the retreats is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion.

2020 Retreat Dates:

Feb 14-16, 2020 (Portland, OR)

March 27-29, 2020 (Medford, OR)

Cost: The cost is \$200.00 for meals, room, and all retreat materials. *****Financial assistance available*****

For more information or registration contact:

Project Aurora at 541-942-2861/

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