

St. Stephen Catholic Church, Portland, Oregon
Sunday March 21st, 2021

This week's schedule:

Saturday, March 20th: Feria of Lent (3rd cl) [fast/partial abstinence - optional]

- 8:00 am; Sung Latin Lauds
- 9:00 am: Low Latin Mass
- 10:00 - 11:00 am: Confessions
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 6 pm: **English Mass (5th Sunday of Lent)**

Sunday, March 21st: Passion Sunday (1st Class)

- 8:00 am Low Latin Mass
- 9:15-10:15 am Confessions
- 10:30 am Sung Latin Mass
- 5:00 pm Sung Latin Vespers
- 6:00 pm Low Latin Mass with music

Monday, March 22nd: Feria of Passiontide (3rd Class)

- **8:15 am; NO LAUDS** [fast/partial abstinence - optional]
- **9:00 am: NO MASS**

Tuesday, March 23rd: Feria of Passiontide (3rd Class)

- 12 pm: Low Latin Mass [fast/partial abstinence - optional]
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers

Wednesday, March 24th: Feria of Passiontide (3rd Class) comm. St. Gabriel

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds [fast/partial abstinence - optional]
- 11:00-11:45 am: Confessions
- 12 Noon: Low Latin Mass
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5:30 - 6:30 pm: Confessions
- 6:45 pm Low Latin Mass

Thursday, Mar 25th: Annunciation of the BVM (1st Class) comm. of feria

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds [fast/partial abstinence - optional]
- 12 Noon Low Latin Mass
- 5:00 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5:30 - 6:30 pm: Confessions
- 7:00 pm: Sung Latin Mass

Friday, March 26th: Feria in Passiontide (3rd Class) comm. 7 Sorrows of BVM

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds [fast/partial abstinence - optional]
- 11-11:45 am: Confessions
- 12 pm: Low Latin Mass
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 7 pm: Stations of the Cross followed by Adoration
- 7:45-8:45 pm: Confessions
- 9:00 pm Sung Compline

Saturday, March 27th: Feria of Passiontide (3rd Cl) comm. St. J. Damascene

- 9:00 am: Low Latin Mass
- 10:00 - 11:00 am: Confessions
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 6 pm: **English Mass (Palm Sunday of the Passion)**

Sunday, March 28th: Palm Sunday (1st Class)

- 8:00 am Low Latin Mass with blessing of palms
- No Confessions today**
- 10:30 am Sung Latin Mass with blessing of palms
- 5:00 pm Sung Latin Vespers
- 6:00 pm Low Latin Mass with blessing of palms

FAST AND ABSTINENCE LAWS AND DISCIPLINES

The **current law** of the Church obliges those age 14 and over to **abstain from meat** on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent. Those age 18 through 59 are also obliged to **fast** on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting is defined as one full meal and two other meals which, when combined are less than a full meal.

The **former practice** and discipline in place in 1962 obliged those age 7 and over to **full abstinence** from meat on all Fridays of the year, Ash Wednesday, Holy Saturday, and the Vigil of Christmas (Christmas Eve).

Likewise, **formerly, partial abstinence** (meat permitted once a day at the principle meal): all the days of Lent, the Ember Days of Wednesday and Saturday, and the Vigils of Pentecost and the Assumption.

The **former law** for **fasting** applied to those age 21 through 59. Fasting was to be done on all days of Lent (except Sundays) from Ash Wednesday inclusive, Ember Days, and the Vigils of Christmas, Pentecost and the Assumption.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

- 3/28 Sacred Music collection
- 4/11 Maintenance and Restoration Collection

STAINED GLASS WINDOW SITUATION

You may notice that there is bubbling in the south wall of the church around the stained glass windows near the chapel entrance. There seem to be some leaks that are causing damage. We will need to assess the situation and will probably need to ask for help from you, our parishioners, to raise funds to address the issue. There are always maintenance and restoration projects on the bill with an old church! building.

We are conversing with a stained glass restoration company to assess what our options will be and how much this will cost. Thank you for your support in caring for this historic gem of a church.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

- Sunday 3/21: + Leonard Kitt
People of the Parish
+ Fr. Frank Knusel
- Monday 3/22: No Public Mass
- Tuesday 3/23: + Franco Costa
- Wed 3/24: Christopher Martin
Rev. Frater Frederick Schmit, O'Praem
- Thurs 3/25: Konrad and Jessica Von Walther
Fr. Lawrence Carney
- Friday 3/26: + Bob Batler
- Saturday 3/27: J. Riegal
Grace Hincapie
- Sunday 3/28: + Demetrio Melia Ortiz
People of the Parish
Tyler Snook

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

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| Envelopes/Cash: \$2,811.00 | | +/- budget |
| Online: \$1,615.00 | | |
| Total WTD: \$4,426.00 | Budget: \$4,800 | - \$374.00 |
| Total MTD: \$10,397.06 | Budget: \$9,600 | + \$797.06 |
| Maintenance/Restoration: \$817.00 | MTD: \$2,427.00 | |
| Sacred Music Fund: \$30.00 | MTD: \$230.00 | |

MASS READINGS (Extraordinary Form)

Sunday: Heb. 9:11-15; John 8:46-59

Monday: Jonas 3:1-10; John 7:32-39

Tuesday: Dan. 14:27, 28-42; John 7:1-13

Wednesday: Lev. 19:1-2, 11-19, 25; John 10:22-38

Thursday: Isa. 7:10-15; Luke 1:26-38

Friday: Jer. 17:13-18; John 11:47-54

Saturday: Jer. 18:18-23; John 12:10-36

Sunday: Matt. 21:1-9; Phil. 2:5-11; Matt. 26:36-75; 27:1-60

LESSONS AT MATINS (Extraordinary Form) *find online at*
<http://divinumofficium.com> or as an app (Breviarium meum)

Sunday: Jer. 1:1-19; Homily of St. Gregory on John 8:46-59

Monday: Homily of St. Augustine on John 7:32-39

Tuesday: Homily of St. Augustine on John 7:1-13

Wednesday: Homily of St. Augustine on John 10:22-38

Thursday: Isaias 7:10-15; 11:1-5; 35:1-7; Sermon of St. Leo; Homily of
St. Ambrose on Luke 1:26-38

Friday: Homily of St. Augustine on John 11:47-54

Saturday: Homily of St. Augustine on John 12:10-36

Sunday: Jer. 2:12-22, 29-32; Homily of St. Ambrose on Matt. 21:1-9

SIGN UP TO ATTEND MASS (online or call parish office)

<https://www.saintstephenpdx.com/covid-19-update>

SUBSCRIBE TO THE PARISH YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Saint Stephen Catholic Church PDX. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCenluv9m_Zo_8lvGRz_72A

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. STEPHEN'S

LENTEN CONFESSION TIMES

Wednesdays: 11:00–11:45 am
5:30–6:30 pm
Thursdays: 5:30–6:30 pm
Fridays: 11:00–11:45 am
7:45–8:45 pm (after Stations of the Cross)
Saturdays 10:00–11:00 am
Sundays 9:15–10:15 am

FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays in Lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 7 pm. Adoration and Confessions will follow and Sung Latin Compline will complete the evening. On the feast of St. Joseph, booklets will be available for the private praying of the Stations.

PHILOSOPHY NIGHT – TUESDAY MARCH 23RD

St. Thomas Aquinas asks: **“Is All Anger Evil, or Is Some Anger Good?”** He continues: “There was a controversy about this question among ancient philosophers, for the Stoics said that all anger is evil, and the Aristotelians said that some anger is good.” From Question XII on Anger in the *De Malo*. Fr. Eric Andersen, presenter. 7 pm in Carmody Hall. Ages High School and up. No reading ahead is necessary.

SOLEMNITY OF ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Thursday, March 25th, Masses will be at 12 Noon (Low Mass) and 7 pm (Sung Mass). Penance is lifted for Solemnity (current law). Fast/Abstinence still required unless a holy day of obligation (traditional law).

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: FEB 17TH – MARCH 28TH

• **Vigil Location:** Planned Parenthood-Beaverton
12220 SW 1st Street Suite 200. Beaverton, OR 97005
• **Vigil hours:** Mon–Sat 7 AM - 7 PM Feb 17th - Mar 28th
Local Contact: Therese Ruesink ruesinktherese55@gmail.com

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE (1962 Missal)

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| Holy Thursday 4/1: | 9 am Tenebrae | 7 pm Sung Latin Mass |
| Good Friday 4/2: | 9 am Tenebrae | 3 pm Passion Liturgy |
| Holy Saturday 4/3: | 9 am Tenebrae | 9 pm Easter Vigil |
| Easter Sunday 4/4: | 7 am Low Latin Mass 9 am Low Latin Mass 11 am Sung Latin Mass | No Confessions, Vespers or Evening Mass |

FROM THE DESK OF FR ERIC ANDERSEN

These last two weeks of Lent we witness the veiling of the sacred images and crucifixes in the church. The texts in the Mass and the Divine Office shift and our focus is increasingly now on the passion of Christ. In his book, the Hymns of the Roman Liturgy (1957), Fr. Joseph Connelly writes:

“Passiontide is a time of rejoicing as well as of mourning, of triumph as well as of defeat” (pg. 78). St. Augustine writes: “Consider the glory of the Cross itself. Now it is imprinted on the foreheads of kings, though enemies once insulted it. Its effects have witnessed to its power. It has subdued the world not by the sword but by the Tree” (6th lesson of Matins for Holy Thursday). “It is this triumph of the Cross as well as the triumph of its Victim which inspires...the *Vexilla Regis*” which is the hymn sung at Vespers during Passiontide. This hymn was “written for a special occasion. The Emperor Justin II and his wife had sent a relic of the true Cross to Queen Radegunde for the convent at Poitiers.” Venantius Fortunatus [d. AD 600], who has a lifetime of writing occasional verse to his credit, was inspired by this occasion to poetry of supreme excellence in hymns which ‘combine a deep sincerity and a fervour of poetic feeling and religious thought with high dignity, strength and skill of expression.’ ... Nor could he let the occasion pass without addressing a long elegiac poem to the Emperor to honour him for this gift” (Connelly pp 79-80).

As you pray your evening prayers during these last two weeks of Lent, known as Passiontide, I offer you this hymn sung during Vespers in the Divine Office, for your edification:

Behold the standard of the King, The Cross gleams forth its mystery: On it the Son of God as Man Atoned on earth for sinners all.

His side was pierced by cruel lance That drew out water from His Blood, To cleanse our souls from ev'ry stain, And nourish them with its pure stream.

O Tree that shines with beauty rare, Ennobled by Christ's precious Blood, He chose you as the royal bed To rest His sacred limbs in death.

O blessed were your rugged arms, From which the whole world's ransom hung, You bore the weight of sacrifice That snatched from greedy hell its prey.

Hail, holy altar, Victim hail, For all the glory of that Cross, By which Life chose and welcomed death, And dying gave us life once more.

Hail, holy Cross, our only hope, Wash all our guilt and crimes away, Increase our grace while we adore In honor of your victory.

Let ev'ry soul sing in your praise, Salvation's Fount, O Trinity, For ever cherish those redeemed Through that great mystery, the Cross. Amen.

[*Vexilla regis prodeunt*, Venantius Fortunatus (AD 530-600). Translation by St. Cecilia's Abbey, Ryde, Isle of Wight, UK.]



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St. Joseph Mini-Retreat Day



May 1st, 2021 – Saturday

Feast Day of St. Joseph the Worker

**Hosted by the Portland Archdiocesan Division
of the World Apostolate of Fatima**

St. Joseph the Worker

Catholic Church

2310 SE 148th Ave.

Portland, OR 97233

Time: 8:00 AM – Noon

No registration needed

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St. Joseph Retreat Day Schedule

- Eucharistic Adoration—8:00am
- Confessions—8:15-8:45am (English and Spanish)
- St. Joseph Rosary—8:15am
- Holy Latin Mass—9:00am
- Consecration Prayer & Litany to St. Joseph
- Continental Breakfast—10:15am
- St. Joseph and Fatherhood Talks—11:00am
- In English—Deacon Mike Caldwell
- En Español—Fr. Ted Prentice

THE FOUR PASSIONS OF HOLY WEEK

In the Traditional Latin Mass, all four gospel accounts of the Passion of the Lord are proclaimed during the Masses of Holy Week beginning with the Passion according to St. Matthew on Palm Sunday, followed by the Passion according to St. Mark on Tuesday; the Passion according to St. Luke on Wednesday (also known as Spy Wednesday - when Judas betrayed the Lord); and finally the Passion according to St. John on Good Friday.

WHAT IS TENEBRAE?

The word 'tenebrae' refers to darkness. Tenebrae is the Traditional nocturnal office of psalms and readings prayed during the Triduum. A hearse of candles is lit (a singular triangular candelabra of 15 candles), each of which is extinguished one by one at the end of each of 14 psalms. The readings each day from the first Nocturne are from the Lamentations; the second Nocturne from St. Augustine; the third Nocturne from St. Paul. Mons. Pierre Batiffol writes: "And then came the *'triduum,'* the last three ferias of the Holy Week, and the office assumes the amplitude which characterizes the most solemn anniversaries." (*History of the Roman Breviary*, 1912. p. 92). It is believed that the Roman Office of the Triduum is so ancient, that it "already existed at Rome in the sixth century in much the same state as now" (ibid. fn.3, p. 92). Traditionally, Masses have been celebrated in the daytime and Tenebrae at night: "The office commenced at midnight...At the night office of Maundy Thursday, celebrated at S. John Lateran, the basilica was lit up as usual: but on Good Friday, when the office was sung at Holy Cross in Jerusalem, all the lights were extinguished one after another, so that at the end of the *Benedictus* only one remained alight, which was then hid behind the altar until the next day...in token that the Light of the world was extinguished, Christ being dead, and that darkness was upon the face of the whole earth. The night office of Easter Eve was celebrated in the dark, only one lamp being suffered to be lit for the reader" (p. 93). In 1955, the Holy Week services were reformed, and Tenebrae switched places with the Masses and services at the altar which had previously been celebrated in the daytime. We will celebrate Tenebrae at 9 am during the Triduum. Thursday and Friday will be a shortened version in English lasting about 45 minutes. Saturday morning will be the full Latin office lasting approx 2 hours.

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