

Saint Stephen Catholic Church

Portland, Oregon

Sunday, April 20, 2025



The Descent into Limbo, ca. 1445.

Master of the Osservanza (Italian, active ca. 1425-80),

Easter Sunday

Domínica Resurrectionis

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Sat	4/19	+Fr. David Janes
Sun	4/20	The Welters Family People of the Parish
Mon	4/21	+Joseph Graziano
Tue	4/22	Theodore Rousseau
Wed	4/23	Phillip Rousseau
Thu	4/24	Archbishop Alexander K. Sample
Fri	4/25	Bonnie Jean Brinkl
Sat	4/26	Justin Anthony Perez Kalehua
Sun	4/27	Fr. Eric Andersen People of the Parish +Marcel Dion

MASS READINGS (Traditional Latin Mass - 1962 Missal)

Saturday	Gen 1: 1-31; 2: 1-2; Exod 14: 24-31; 15: 1 Isa 4: 2-6; Deut 31: 22-30 Col 3: 1-4	Matt 28: 1-7
Sunday	1 Cor 5: 7-8	Mark 16: 1-7
Monday	Acts 10: 37-43	Luke 24: 13-35
Tuesday	Acts 13: 16, 26-33	Luke 24: 36-47
Wednesday	Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19	John 21: 1-14
Thursday	Acts 8: 26-40	John 20: 11-18
Friday	1 Pet 3: 18-22	Matt 28: 16-20
Saturday	1 Pet 2: 1-10	John 20: 1-9
Sunday	1 John 5: 4-10	John 20: 19-31

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

No Confession this week

ADORATION SCHEDULE

Wednesday: No Adoration this week

Saturday: No Adoration this week

SUNG DIVINE OFFICE SCHEDULE (1960 Antiphonale Romanum)

Please consult weekly schedule for changes/cancellations each week

No public Divine Office during the Easter Octave

This week's liturgical schedule:

Sat, Apr 19th: Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil (1st Class)

(PASCHAL FAST until 12 Noon; ABSTINENCE until 12 midnight -

- 8 am: Tenebrae (2 hours) **recommended**
- 5 pm: Recitation of Vespers of Holy Saturday
- 9 pm: Easter Vigil

Sun, Apr 20th: Easter Sunday (1st Class)

- 8:30 am: Church opens
- 9 am: Low Latin Mass with blessing of Easter baskets
- 11 am: Sung Latin Mass with blessing of Easter baskets

No Vespers or Evening Mass on Easter Sunday

Mon, Apr 21st: Monday in the Octave of Easter (1st Class)

- 12 pm: Low Latin Mass (no sermon)

Tues, Apr 22nd: Tuesday in the Octave of Easter (1st Class)

- 12 pm: Low Latin Mass (no sermon; followed by St. Anthony Tuesday devotion)

Wed, Apr 23rd: Wednesday in the Octave of Easter (1st Class)

- **No public services**

Thurs, Apr 24th: Thursday in the Octave of Easter (1st Class)

- **No public services**

Fri, Apr 25th: Friday in the Octave of Easter (1st Class)

- **No public services**

Sat, Apr 26th: Saturday in the Octave of Easter (1st Class)

- **No morning Adoration/Mass/Confessions**
- 4 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5 pm: Latin/English Mass (Missal of Paul VI - 2nd Sunday of Easter)

Sun, Apr 27th: Low Sunday (1st Class)

- 7 am: Church doors open • 7:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 8 am: Low Latin Mass
- 10:30 am: Sung Latin Mass
- 1:30 pm: Confessions
- 2 pm: Divine Mercy Devotion—Plenary Indulgence
- 4 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5 pm: Low Latin Mass

LESSONS AT MATINS (Traditional Roman Breviary - 1962)

Find online at [Divinum Officium](#) or as an app (Breviarium meum)

Saturday	Lam. 3:22-30, 4:1-6; 5:1-11; St. Augustine...Psalms; Heb. 9:11-22
Sunday	Homily of St. Gregory on Mark 16:1-7
Monday	Homily of St. Gregory on Luke 24:13-35
Tuesday	Homily of St. Ambrose on Luke 24:36-47
Wednesday	Homily of St. Gregory on John 21:1-14
Thursday	Homily of St. Gregory on John 20:11-18
Friday	Homily of St. Jerome on Matt. 28:16-20
Saturday	Homily of St. Gregory on John 20:1-9
Sunday	Col. 3:1-17; Homily of St. Gregory on John 20:19-31

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

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

+/- budget

- Envelopes/Cash: \$8,404.92
- Online: \$6,525.81
- Total WTD: \$13,168.73 Budget: \$12,832.00 +\$336.73
- Total MTD: \$25,865.23 Budget: \$25,664.00 +\$201.23

*Totals exclude Mass Intentions

- Second Collection/Roof Repairs: \$1,682.00

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

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UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

4/27: Centennial Fund for Church repairs, renovations, etc.

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK:

4/19 Saturday	8:00 am	Tenebrae	-Church
	6:00 pm	Call time for altar boys	-Church
	9:00 pm	Easter Vigil	-Church
4/20 Sunday	9:15 am	No CCD/Apologetics	-School
		No Coffee & Donuts	-Carmody Hall
	4 & 5 pm	No Vespers/Evening Mass	-Church
4/24 Thursday	7:00 pm	Legion of Mary	-Carmody Hall
4/25 Friday	9:00 am	Mother's Group	-Carmody Hall
4/27 Sunday	9:15 am	CCD	-School
		Apologetics	-School
		Schola Rehearsal	-Office Basement
	12:30 am	Coffee/Donuts	-Carmody Hall
	1:30 pm	Confessions	-Church
	2:00 pm	Divine Mercy Devotion	-Church

NEWS & EVENTS AT ST. STEPHEN

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

- 4/17 **Holy Thursday: (PASCHAL FAST begins after the evening Mass)**
 - 8 am. Tenebrae (2.5 hours);
 - 7 pm. Sung Latin Mass and Procession.
 - 9 pm (approx). Stripping of the altars & vigil until Midnight
- 4/18 **Good Friday: FAST/ABSTINENCE required by obligation**
 - 8 am. Tenebrae (2.5 hours);
 - 3 pm. The Passion of the Lord & Veneration of the Cross, etc.
- 4/19 **Holy Saturday: (PASCHAL FAST until 12 Noon; ABSTINENCE until 12 midnight - recommended)**
 - 8 am. Tenebrae (2 hours);
 - 5 pm. Recitation of Vespers of Holy Saturday
 - 9 pm. Easter Vigil
- 4/20 **Dominica Resurrectionis (Easter Sunday):**
 - 9 am. Low Latin Mass with blessing of Easter baskets
 - 11 am. Low Latin Mass with blessing of Easter baskets
 - No Vespers or Evening Mass on Easter Sunday**

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. Recommended: 2 oz in AM; 8 oz in PM.

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.

THE PASCHAL BLESSINGS OF FOOD: (EASTER BASKETS)

The Roman Ritual includes various blessings for Easter which represent the foods (or foods containing festive ingredients) that the faithful traditionally abstained from during the 40 days of Lent: lamb, eggs, bread, new produce, any victual, and oil. Parishioners and guests are welcome to bring your Easter Baskets with these items to be blessed on Easter Sunday morning.

CCD AND APOLOGETICS CLASS SCHEDULE:

4/20: Easter Sunday: No Classes

NO COFFEE/DONUTS/LUNCH SERVED ON EASTER SUNDAY

The parish grounds will be closed after the conclusion of the 11 am Mass.

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 in the first Nocturne are from the Lamentations of Jeremiah; the second Nocturne from St. Augustine; the third Nocturne from St. Paul. Monsignor 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 in 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 8 am during the Triduum. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday morning will be the full Latin office lasting approx two and a half hours on Holy Thursday and Good Friday; and two hours on Holy Saturday. Booklets to follow along in Latin/English will be provided.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY DEVOTIONS

Sunday, April 27th at 2 pm in the church. We will pray the Divine Mercy chaplet for the gaining of the plenary indulgence. Confessions will be heard at 1:30 pm.

NINE TUESDAYS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

Beginning Tuesday of Holy Week, April 15th and concluding Pentecost Tuesday, June 10th. The Feast of St. Anthony falls this year on Ember Friday, June 13th. Many favors have been obtained by those who have made this Novena. Look up the playlist for the Nine Tuesdays of St. Anthony for archived weekly videos on the parish YouTube channel. Here are the rules:

- 1) Recite for nine consecutive Tuesdays the prayer or prayers you find most appropriate (provided in the church and on the website)
- 2) Endeavor to imitate his virtues.
- 3) Receive within the period of the Novena, if possible, the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.
- 4) Promise alms for St. Anthony's Bread for the poor, if you have the means.

APOLOGETICS STUDY GROUP FOR ADULTS

Sunday mornings between the Masses (9:15 am -10 am) in the school building. 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.

This class will not meet on Easter Sunday.

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.

There will not be class on Easter Wednesday (April 23).

THE LEGION OF MARY

Join the Legion of Mary. The Gate of Heaven Praesidium meets each Thursday in Carmody Hall from 7-8:30 pm. Visitors are welcome.

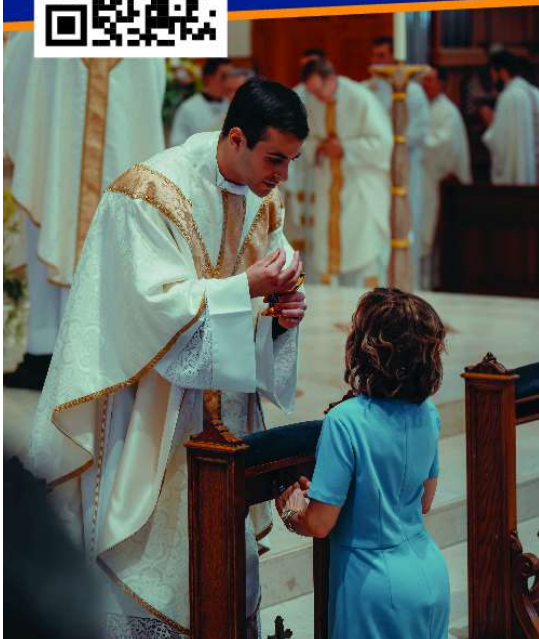
Join us Thursday, 4/24.

MOTHERS PRAYER AND PLAY GROUP: Friday, April 25th

All mothers welcome, “new” moms especially encouraged. There will be no public Mass on Friday, April 25th so the event will begin in Carmody Hall at 9 am and last until 11 am. **Future listings will be under Weekly Parish Activities.**



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EVENTS ELSEWHERE

90TH ANNIVERSARY ARCHBISHOP SEMINARY TEA

May 7th 2025. 3–6 pm. \$50 per ticket. Portland Golf Club, 5900 SW Scholls Ferry Road. Tea, Coffee and hors'doevers will be served. Dress is daytime formal. Ladies, wear a lovely hat. Men, wear a suit and tie. The event originated in 1935 to raise money for Archbishop Howard to help pay for seminary education. The same need continues today. Come to enjoy the lovely event and help us to support seminary education for our Portland Seminarians. For more information, to purchase tickets or make a donation, please email info@seminarytea.org. Additional information on this event is posted on the Bulletin Board in the back of St. Stephen Church.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLHOUSE CHAPTER - 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR

A Catholic Schoolhouse chapter in Forest Grove is forming for the 2025-26 school year. Catholic Schoolhouse is a classically structured, homeschool co-op program for grades pre-K through 12. It is akin to Classical Conversations, but is Catholic with more flexibility and affordability for the large homeschool family. For more information, contact Monica Hendricks at (650) 704-4201 or Catholicschoolhouse.com.

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