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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 27, 2023

Invitation to Explore the Treasures of the Catholic Faith

he Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith, or a method for Catholics to complete their reception of the Initiation Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. The inquiry phase of the OCIA is the initial step of the process to explore and have your questions answered. Our exploration phase will be held on most Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm beginning September

20, 2023. The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is designed for adults "who after hearing the mystery of Christ proclaimed, consciously and freely seek the living God."

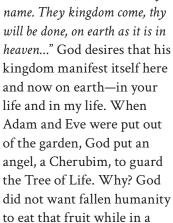
OUR PROCESS: We begin with a deep dive into the life of Christ from his infancy through his life, death and resurrection.

First, his humanity in history will be examined. What can historians tell us of Jesus—the man—the Christ? Our tenweek video series will take us to Jerusalem. Walking in the footsteps of Christ, we will explore his family village, early lifestyle, the discipleship of his apostles and the Father's gift of his Son to humanity. We will explore how the Catholic Church is the living legacy of Christ through her sacramental life and what this life in Christ offers you.

For those who choose to continue their exploration, we will shift our focus to understanding the presence of Jesus in the consecrated host—his presence to us in every tabernacle around the world. When we examine the meaning of the Catholic Mass and it's foreshadowing throughout the Bible, we will discover that through Jesus Christ we have the opportunity to re-enter the Garden of Eden here and *now*. We can draw our wisdom and strength from the "Tree of Life" found in the center of the garden.

WHY? When we come to understand and experience the life of Christ in our own life, we know that we are restored in our relationship to God, the Father and creator of this vast universe. Many of us have heard that Christ came to redeem and restore us. But what does that mean and what difference does it make to our daily life?

We get a glimpse in the prayer Jesus prayed and taught His disciples to pray. "Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy





state of sin and separation from each other and from God lest humanity remain forever separated, divided amongst themselves and opposed to God. It was a way to symbolically set the stage for God's rescue plan. The sacrifice of Christ on the Cross opened the gates to the restored Garden of Eden and gives access to the Tree of Life—Jesus Christ. The Bible Project's short video—<u>The Tree of Life</u>—sets the stage.

WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES THIS MAKE? In our world today we all experience division, hostility, confusion and even helplessness at times. When we discover God's plan for the world and for our own lives, we are empowered to play a role in salvation history. OLL parishioner Chari Neal-Haren returned to the Catholic faith after becoming a practicing Buddhist. She now says "There's hope again, anxiety's gone, I feel like I have a community which we didn't have before. Going back to believing in Heaven makes life a lot easier."

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, August 26

7:00am Marcy Teams Street Ministry - PH

7:00am DOGS Men's Group - Naz.

8:30am Mas

9:15am Reconciliation

1:30pm Beyrle/dePinna Wedding 4:00pm Choir Practice - PH:Carp

5:00pm Mass

SUNDAY, August 27

7:30am Mass

8:00am Mucis Ensemble Rehearsal - PH:Carp

8:30am Hospitality after Mass - PH

9:00am Mass

9:15am Children's Liturgy - PH:Carp

11:00am Mass

7:00pm AA Recovery in Motion - Naz.

MONDAY, August 28

8:30am Mass

10:00am Awakening Faith - Lib. 10:00am Centering Prayer - Naz.

7:00pm Men's God Shots Recovery Grp. - Naz.

7:00pm Boy Scouts - PH:Carp.

TUESDAY, August 29

8:30am Mass 6:00pm Mass

WEDNESDAY, August 30

6:30am Mass 8:30am Mass

9:30pm Leadership Meeting - Beth.
11:00am Charismatic Prayer Group - Lib.
11:00am Funeral Mass: Lou Ann Croy
12:00am Funeral Lunch: Lou Ann Croy
6:30pm ACTS Men Team Formation - Naz.
6:30pm OLL Choir Rehearsal - PH:Carp.

THURSDAY, August 31

6:30am Mass

8:30am Mass

10:00am Faith Formation Meeting - Beth.

4:45pm AA Consults - Lib.

5:30pm AA CIR Women's God Shots - Lib.

7:00pm AA OMAR Meeting - Naz.

FRIDAY, September 1

8:30am Mass

9:30am First Friday Adoration and Holy Hour 8:00pm AA 4th Dimension Meeting - Naz.

SATURDAY, September 2

7:00am DOGS Men's Group - Naz.

7:30am Marcy Teams Sandwich Making - PH

8:30am Mass

9:15am Reconciliation

10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry - PH:Carp

4:00pm Choir Practice - PH:Carp

5:00pm Mass

SUNDAY, September 3

7:30am Mass

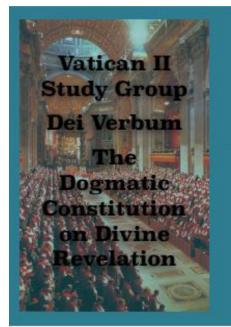
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8:30am Hospitality after Mass - PH

9:00am Mass

Key: Naz. - Nazareth Room, Beth. - Bethlehem Room, Lib. - Parish Library, PH - Parish Hall

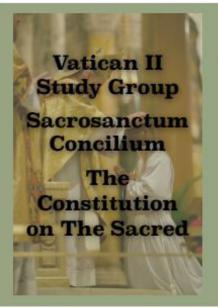
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Join us as we deepen our understanding of divine revelation

Wednesday Mornings 9:30 - 11:30 am October 4, 2023 -March 27, 2024 Parish Center -Nazareth Room

Click here to join



Join us as we deepen our understanding the sacred liturgy of the Catholic Church

Wednesday Evenings 6:30 - 8:30 pm October 4, 2023 -March 27, 2024 Parish Center -Nazareth Room Click here to join

Choir Season Begins on Wednesday _____ August 30!



The OLL Choir at the 5pm Vigil Mass is looking for singers of all voice parts to join us for our new season. No prior experience necessary, just a love of

singing and a desire to serve! We rehearse Wednesdays 6:30-8:30pm and the hour before Mass on Saturdays. Our first rehearsal is on Wednesday Aug 30, and the first Mass of the season will be Saturday, Sept. 9. Please contact choir director Karl Hein (karlh@ollparish.com) for more details. We hope you can join us!

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Kyle Tribken, who was baptized and joined the Catholic Church at our Easter Vigil this past April states, "The Catholic faith has a very wise theological background. I'm able to perceive things as eternal, instead of perceiving things as temporal concerns that make me anxious.

We invite you to join us on Wednesday September 20th to begin your own search for truth and meaning. Contact Laura Patton at the parish office (503-636-7687) or register on our Adult Faith Formation webpage.



Maui Wildfire Relief Fund

We pray in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Maui Hawaii who lost homes, businesses, and lives due to the severe "fire hurricane" that descended upon the island last week. Our OLL Outreach Fund has pledged a \$5,000 matching grant for all donations collected to send to St. Anthony Padua Parish in Maui. They are able to get the funds directly to islanders most in need of food, shelter, and other pressing difficulties. You can contribute towards the match in two ways:

We have set up a special Maui Wildfire Relief fund in our parish website Online Giving portal. You can log in at anytime and click the "Fund" list. Maui Wildfire Relief is the second one listed.

Mahalo for your generosity and continued prayers.

Healing the Whole Person Retreat



November 30 - December 2
Join Archbishop Sample on this journey to wholeness as we welcome Christ's divine love that brings the healing we ardently desire.
Healing the Whole Person is the basis for Dr.
Bob Schucht's best-selling book "Be Healed" and takes place only four times each year in

parish settings across the US. Led by renowned speakers and authors Dr. Bob Schuchts, Sr. Miriam James Heidland SOLT, and Bart Schuchts, the uniquely engaging format will help you see and experience God's healing love through teaching, prayer, personal reflection, Adoration, worship, and the Sacraments.

This transformative event will be hosted at Our Lady of Lavang Catholic Church. Sacred Heart in Medford, Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Cottage Grove, and Star of the Sea in Brookings will livestream the conference in English, and St. Alice Catholic Church will have a Spanish language livestream in Springfield.

Registration opens August 28th. Online registration is required to attend all locations. Mark your calendars now!



CHILD & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION



Summer Social - Sept 10 at 10am

We have one more Summer Social coming up on Sept 10 from 10-11am. Come and join us for fellowship and fun outside in the area between the school and turf field. This event is sponsored by the Family Faith Formation Team. All are welcome!



Nursery

The nursery is scheduled to open September 10 for the 9am and 11am Masses. We need your help! Please consider signing up for a rotation to help care for little ones while their parents attend Mass. Also, if you would like to donate gently used religious books

or toys for our program please drop them off at the parish office. Please contact Krista Bryant at kristab@ollparish.com.



Register Now for Life Kids

Our Life Kids & Family Faith Formation programs begin October 1st, with a kick off event on September 24th. To register your family, please visit ollparish.com/family. Whether you have children

in this program or not, please consider joining our ministry. We are in need of classroom volunteers! Email Melissa Hanifan at melissah@ ollparish.com or Krista Bryant at kristab@ollparish.com.



Register Now for First Sacraments

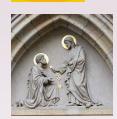
The First Sacraments program is now open for registration. All 2nd grade children or older who would like to recieve the sacraments of reconciliation and communion are invited to join this program. Classes begin on October 1st.

More information is available at <u>ollparish.com/first-sacraments</u> or by emailing Melissa Hanifan at melissah@ollparish.com



Children's Liturgy of the Word

Each Sunday, we sing songs, pray together, and learn the gospel during the 9am mass. Today we learned that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.



Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ

Today's Gospel reminds us that the Church is built on the foundation of faith in Jesus Christ. Peter acknowledges this when he calls Jesus the Christ, God's only Son. Your family, the domestic church, has this same faith as its foundation. Gather together as a family and talk about people whose

faith has helped you grow to know Christ and become a member of the Church. What are some favorite memories or lessons you have learned from them?

For more resources, visit ollparish.com/family

NEW! From the Mouth of Babes



"What is your favorite thing about Jesus?" We asked our youngest parishioners

their thoughts and here is what they had to say:

"My favorite thing about Jesus is that he helps us." - Michaela (6)

"Jesus loves me!" - Chloe (3)

If your little one would like to share, please send their responses along with their name and age to Melissa Hanifan at melissah@ollparish. com

Case Training



At OLL, we are committed to providing a safe and nurturing environment for children to learn about Jesus. Creating A Safe Environment (CASE) training is required for all volunteers participating in children's ministry. Training sessions will be held throughout the fall. If you're interested, please contact Kim Heinrch at kheinrich@ollstaff. org for upcoming dates.



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Looking for Volunteers To Help With Parish **Projects**



If you have some time to volunteer, we would appreciate the opportunity to work with you:

- · Office: to answer phones and light office tasks at the volunteer desk
- · Parish Hall: to reset the hall with flowers & tablecloths between events
- · Hospitality Coordinator: to coordinate the volunteers who serve coffee & donuts each Sunday

If interested, please contact Mary at maryb@ollparish.com or 503-636-7687. Thank You!



We are so thankful for all of you who are donating food and items such as toilet paper, each week.



Suggested items this week: cereal, hearty soups, macaroni & cheese.

powdered milk, laundry & dish soap; and paper items such as toilet paper, paper towels, and diapers.

Just as an FYI: We can only distribute food that has not yet expired and is unopened.

"We must love our neighbor as being made in the image of God and as an object of His love."

-St. Vincent De Paul

Sack Lunch Meals of Mercv Our Adopt-a-

Mission teams

deliver an average of 1,200 sack lunches each week to eight missions. We collect donated sack lunches and sandwiches during our Drive-Thru Drop-Off held twice a month. Donate sack lunches containing granola bar, chips, Capri Sun fruit punch, apple sauce cup, or PB&J sandwiches. Visit the parish website for pledge sheets and details for the next Drop-Off on September 3rd.

4th Saturday Street Ministry to the **Unsheltered**

Every 4th Saturday we share love, socks, and clothing items, a hot breakfast and a sack lunch. Smoothies are served. and water and hygiene kits are handed out. This is a great hands-on service opportunity for all ages. Our guests look forward to the time we spend and the love we share.

To sign up for **September 23rd** Street Ministry, visit ollparish. com/serve-others and click on Mercy Teams.

We welcome donations of new white socks during our dropoffs, or place them in Mercy Teams' space in the parish hall.

Contact Michael Backus with questions at mercyteams@ ollministry.com or call 503 708 9503.

Pray for World Peace: Five First Saturdays Devotion



The next First Saturday is September 2, 2023

"Whether the world has war or peace depends on the practice of this devotion, along with the consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This is why I desire its propagation so ardently, especially because this is also the will of our dear Mother in Heaven." -Sr. Lucia, Fatima visionary

(March 19, 1939). firstsaturdaydevotion.com

On the First Saturday of the Month during 5 Consecutive Months, the Devotion consists of:

(1) Going to Confession, (2) Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion, (3) Saying five decades of the Rosary, and (4) Meditating for 15 minutes on the mysteries of the Rosary. www.bluearmy.com/first-saturday-devotion/

RESPECT LIFE



US Bishops' Pro-Life Chairman Rejects Distortion of Pregnant Workers' Protection Law

August 8, 2023

WASHINGTON - On Monday, the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) released proposed regulations implementing the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act. Bishop Michael F. Burbidge of Arlington, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Pro-Life Activities, responded with the following statement:

"We supported the bipartisan Pregnant Workers Fairness Act because it enhanced the protection of pregnant mothers and their preborn children, which is something that we have encouraged Congress to prioritize. The Act is pro-worker, pro-family, and pro-life. It is a total distortion to use this law as a means for advancing abortion, and the complete opposite of needed assistance for pregnant mothers.

"The Equal Employment
Opportunity Commission's
proposed interpretation of the
Pregnant Workers Fairness Act
to include accommodations
for obtaining an abortion is
wrong and contrary to the text,

legislative history, and purpose of the Act, which is to help make it possible for working mothers to remain gainfully employed, if desired, while protecting their health and that of their preborn children. We are hopeful that the EEOC will be forced to abandon its untenable position when public comments submitted on this regulation demonstrate that its interpretation would be struck down in court."

If you would like to submit a formal comment to the EEOC, go to federalregister.gov/documents/2023/08/11/2023-17041/regulations-to-implement-the-pregnant-workers-fairness-act.

Pregnancy Help: To help pregnant moms in our own community, please go to: ollparish.com/love-others/#Respect-Life click on "Pregnancy Services"

Healing After Abortion: If you are suffering after abortion, experience a Rachel's Vineyard healing weekend sponsored by Project Aurora. Call www.project-aurora.org or contact Lori at 541-350-7859/Info@project-aurora.org

Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese:

9/9 Pro-Life Rosary at Planned Parenthood, 14601 SE Division
Street, Portland at 10:30 AM. There
will be an interdenominational
prayer service following the
rosary. Parking is available at St.
Joseph the Worker, 2310 SE 148th
Avenue. If questions, call Jerry
503-260-8995.

9/23 40 Days for Life Opening Mass 8:30am at OLL

9/27 40 Days for Life Begins

10/1 USCCB Respect Life Sunday/ Month

10/14 St. Pius X Knights of Columbus Pro-Life Rosary for

the Fall 40 DFL Campaign 10 AM at 511 SW 10th Avenue, Portland

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Parish Office Hours

Mon.-Fri. 9am-4:30pm Located on the 2nd floor of the OLL Parish Center.

Phone: 503-636-7687

Weekend Mass Schedule

Sat. 5:00pm Sun. 7:30am, 9am, 11am

Daily Mass Schedule

Mon.-Sat. - 8:30am Tues. - 6:00pm Wed. & Thurs. 6:30am

Church Open Hours

For quiet prayer Mon. - Fri. 9:30am - 4:30pm **Church Location**

790 A Avenue Lake Oswego, OR 97034

Mailing Address

650 A Avenue Lake Oswego, OR 97034

Reconciliation

Saturday 9:15 - 10:30am and by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration First Fridays 9:15am-8pm

Baptism, Marriage, **Anointing of the Sick** Contact the office

Bulletin Insert Deadline

Thursday at 12pm (1 ½ weeks before) Email submissions to katelyna@ollparish.com.

Mass Intentions

August 19 - 27, 2023

Saturday, August 26

8:30 am † Toto Saieh

5:00 pm † Ryan Allen Faith

Sunday, August 27

7:30am † Tija Chery

9:00am Int. For the Parishioners

11:00am + Pius and Veronica Chow

Monday, August 28

8:30 am Int. Dave Moser(Living)

Tuesday, August 29

8:30 am + Norman Lieb

6:00 pm † Michael Austin Davis

Wednesday, August 30

6:30 am + Keith Phildius Jr.

8:30 am † Stephen Donati

Thursday, August 31

6:30 am + Clvde Zielke

8:30 am + Marilyn Lieb

Friday, September 1

8:30 am Int. Joe Breimayer(Living)

Saturday, September 2

8:30 am † James Bartunek

5:00 pm Int. Linda Flynn

Sunday, September 3

7:30am Int. For the Parishioners

9:00am † Luke Walker Billingsley

11:00am Int. Archbishop Sample(Living)

To view the Mass Intentions Calendar or request an intention online, visit ollparish.com/intentions.

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