



THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 (157A)

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30

FATHER KEN'S KORNER

During this ongoing anniversary of the Vatican II Council, we continue our exploration of the Vatican II documents as a faith community with...

Gaudium Et Spes

(Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World): Part 1

This document begins by expressing the Church's desire to be engaged in dialog with the world with the confidence that the revelation of our human destiny expressed in the gospels has a relevant bearing on the problems found in today's world. "At all times the Church carries the responsibility of reading the signs of the time and of interpreting them in the light of the Gospel, if it is to carry out its task" (4). With advancements in technology, communications, interconnected economies and socialization there is greater potential today than ever in human history to achieve new levels of unity globally. At the same time, however, such rapid change also brings evolution in values and watershed changes culturally. Therefore, the world is in need of the kind of moral compass that the Church is capable of providing. As humanity becomes ever more conflicted and confused it is the Church that is able to answer the most critical questions of life like: What is the purpose of life? "What is man? What is the meaning of suffering, evil, death, which have not been eliminated by all this progress? What is the purpose of these achievements which have been purchased at so high a price? What can man contribute to society? What can he expect from it? What happens after this earthly life is ended?", etc. (10). The Church has an answer that it desires to share with the world (5-10). "The Church believes that Christ, who died and was raised for the sake of all, can show man the way and strengthen him through the Spirit in order to be worthy of his destiny" (10).

The document then shifts focus to try to identify the humans that are most highly prized in the world today and then to consider them in the light of Christ beginning with the dignity of the human person. It points out that our dignity arises from the fact that, male and female, we were created in the image and likeness of God and we retain that dignity regardless of how much we may or may not contribute to society. However, we are divided within ourselves because of sin and "the whole life

of men, both individual and social, shows itself to be a struggle, and a dramatic one, between good and evil, light and darkness...Both the high calling and the deep misery which men experience find their final explanation in the light of this Revelation" (13). Despite this struggle, humanity finds its greatest fulfillment in the discovery of truth through the keen use of intellect and in the excellence of freedom because the principle capacities of the human soul as created by God are intellect and free will. Therefore, all people share the desire to learn truth and the difference between right and wrong and to freely pursue love and their vocational call. The highest expression of this fulfillment is found in the discovery of God, who is Truth itself and to experience love of God and receive it in return. The various forms of atheism and agnosticism that exist in the world directly frustrate our ability to experience satisfaction and fulfillment in this life because they deny this highest calling. The one who does not believe in God can never fully discover their purpose or end and therefore, atheism not only frustrates human nature but it is also a direct violation against basic human dignity. Faith, on the contrary, leads to the pathway not only of discovery of God but also discovery of self (12-22).

After the value of protecting and promoting basic human dignity the next major value present in today's society is the social desire to be connected with others. It is in our very nature to tend toward socialization and community building, not only because it provides competitive advantage for survival but because man was not meant to be alone. "The social nature of man shows that there is an interdependence between personal betterment and the improvement of society" (25). Once again, this flows from our very human identity which is created according to God's image and likeness since God is Trinity. The basic building block of society is the family which the Father, Son and Holy Spirit essentially is...three persons perfectly united as one divine being. For this reason, we can never fully attain our potential on our own. We are not meant to be islands of humanity. To be human is to be social...to be in community as the Body of Christ (23-32). Now tune in next week for the conclusion, not only of *Gaudium Et Spes* but of our entire Vatican II series which will conclude at the end of this current liturgical year.



SACRED HEART GIVING TREE

'Tis soon the season for giving! Elves from Sacred Heart School have been hard at work creating gift tags with which they will soon decorate our parish's Giving Tree.

Beginning November 29, please take a tag for Magdalene Home or St. Vincent de Paul from the Giving Tree in the Parish Hall. Then on a Sunday during Advent - December 21 at the latest - please return the bagged gift to the Giving Tree with the tag attached.

Thank you, Sacred Heart School students for creating our gift tags this year, and thank you, Sacred Heart parishioners, for this tenth year of making someone's Christmas much brighter and warmer!

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS - 8:30 ONLY

On Thanksgiving Day, there will be only the 8:30 Mass (no 7AM). Please bring some canned goods to the Mass, which will be taken to the area's food pantries. Also, if you'd like to bring the bread or rolls you'll be serving at your Thanksgiving feast, Father Ken will bless them at the end of the Mass.



PATRICIAN MEETING

November 17th (3rd Mon.)

Topic: What is grace, and why do we need it?
 Spiritual Director: Fr. Justus Aleato
 Please join us in the Hall for coffee and treats and then we will have our discussion. All are welcome.

PLEASE PRAY for the sick of our parish especially:

Jean Roan, Paula Patchett, James Herndon, Richard Davidson, Starr Davis, Shari Lloyd, Benjamin Tatum, Ferrel Cunningham, Beth Curl, Sgt. Joseph Lowery, Joan Bain, Cynthia Sugiyura, Sharon Anderson, Leona Piascki, Kathy Kim, Paul Zeleznik, Jeffrey Techau, Patti Otto, Carmen Aitken, James Bright, Connie Moyer, Margaret Mucha, Donna Becker, Lisa Young, Annelies Boivin, Nanette Hall, Eileen Van Dyck, Pamela Demian, Marie Casilio, Rachel Scott, John Kuchler, Dick & Beverly Handley, Patti Wittenbrock, Jennifer White, Shizuka McCue, Rita Morrell, and Marge Kearney.

Please pray for the deceased of our parish, +William Chesney, +Edward Rowan, and DJ Drewian and for their families.

7:00 a.m. DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

- M. Nov. 17: +Peggy Wright
- T. Nov. 18: The Nougquier Family
- W. Nov. 19: +Bob Boyea
- Th. Nov. 20: The Sieg Family
- F. Nov. 21: +Margaret Campos

8:30 a.m. DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

- M. Nov. 17: +Ray Williams
- T. Nov. 18: Phil & Maureen Hunkler
- W. Nov. 19: +Tom Schibusch
- Th. Nov. 20: +Aurora Bascon
- F. Nov. 21: +Ray Williams
- S. Nov 22: +Romy Cura

Financial Report

	11/2/2014	11/3/2013
Total Offertory received- this week	\$26,833.07	\$25,571.61
Offertory Received -Year to Date	\$307,931.97	\$312,692.61
Needed for Budget	\$326,596.15	\$324,995.21
Over (under) Budget	(\$18,664.18)	(\$12,302.60)

Thank you to all who contribute to the support of the parish.

No Bible Study
November 27

Genesis to Jesus:
A Survey of the New Testament
 with Father Ken Sampson

Thursdays -- 1:30-2:30
or 7:00-8:00PM

In the Parish Hall

Drop ins welcome!



SACRED HEART'S FUNERAL MINISTRY

The month of November, when we remember our beloved dead, is also a good time to thank our parish's Bereavement Ministry Team. Anyone who has experienced the compassionate, consoling ministry of our team will tell you what a difference it made in their time of loss.

We have four Funeral Coordinators: Bertha Dellapenta, Barb Ramin, Linda Olson, and Jill Sophie. When a funeral call comes in, one of the Coordinators is assigned to meet with the family and guide and support them through the funeral liturgy.

We have two Funeral Reception Coordinators, Kathy Hogge and Louise Gorman, who lead our Funeral Reception Team of thirty or so men and women. There are many different ways in which you can serve: calling volunteers, setting up, serving, cleaning up, and even baking cookies and breads at home. We would love to have you join the team, and you'd find such a spirit of shared mission and camaraderie.

We also have two Bereavement Ministers, Julie Smith and Shirley Frigaard. They follow up for a year or so with cards to the family, reminding them that they and their loved one remain in our prayers.

It is good to know that if that time comes, you will find yourself in very kind and capable hands. - Ann Brophy, Pastoral Associate



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
COLD WEATHER NEEDS**

St Vincent de Paul is in need of donations of blankets, comforters, and bed spreads. The demand has been great but the supply limited especially with cold weather coming. Please deliver your donated blankets to St Vincent de Paul Thrift Store
2540 N Pacific Hwy Medford.

Also, we are always in need of volunteers, especially in our kitchen and store. Please call 541-772-3648 ext 7 to help us help others as Christ asks us.

**SACRED HEART CUB SCOUTS
PACK 1**

“Scouting for Food”

We are collecting filled bags of non-perishable items this weekend. All donated food will go to St. Vincent de Paul to be given to the hungry. Thank you for your support!



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION!

This year we will celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe, Friday, December 12, in our Church with Mass and with fiesta in the Hall. A fundraiser for this event is a raffle of a quarter of a beef, cut and wrapped. Raffle tickets are \$5 each and will be on sale after all Masses this weekend.



**You are invited to come,
pray the rosary at
8:00 a.m. Monday - Saturday.
Or you are welcome to pray
the Divine Mercy Chaplet
after morning Mass.
Pray before, after, or both!**

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Sacred Heart Church is seeking a part-time maintenance worker. Requires experience in custodial, building and grounds maintenance. Working knowledge of building systems, plumbing, heating/cooling, carpentry and painting. Good written and verbal communication skills necessary to coordinate with contractors and volunteers. Please submit resume to Marie Chandler at the parish office or at mchandler@archdpx.org.



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL
A Community of Faith and Learning

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

During this Thanksgiving season, Sacred Heart Catholic School is doing their part to help those members of our community who are less fortunate. Their goal is to help over a dozen needy families to be able to enjoy their Thanksgiving like we all do. Each class is putting together a complete Thanksgiving Dinner, to be donated to the Church so that they can be distributed to families who otherwise would not be able to afford a Thanksgiving dinner.

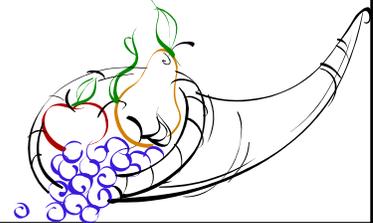
The following is a list of items that would complete a Thanksgiving dinner. Each class will divide up the items, so that all of the items will be covered. Each child is asked to bring in \$1 or more which will be used towards a Food 4 Less gift certificate that will be put with the basket to help purchase the turkey and other perishable items. All the baskets will be taken over to the parish office by our middle school students on Monday Nov. 24th and handed out to needy families who contact the parish.

List of items for the basket:

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| Instant Mashed Potatoes | Other Canned Vegetable | Pickles |
| Packet of turkey gravy mix | Canned/jar of cranberry sauce | Canned fruit |
| Instant Stuffing | Canned pumpkin | Juice |
| Canned Green Beans | Rolls | Jello |
| Canned Yams | Canned/jar of olives | Cookies |

If anyone from the parish community would like to join us in this worthy cause, either by donating food for the baskets or donations to help with the gift certificates, please contact Chris in the front office at 772-4105 or email her at csinclair@shcs.org.

DID YOU KNOW that tuition covers only about 65% of Sacred Heart’s true cost of education? Parish subsidy, bequests, grants, gifts, and fundraisers cover the rest of the cost, as we work very hard together to keep our tuition affordable for our Rogue Valley families!



“Extend your mercy towards others, so that there can be no one in need whom you meet without helping. For what hope is there for us if God should withdraw His Mercy from us?”
~~ St. Vincent de Paul

Congratulations Paul Stancel
November winner of \$100 from the
Catholic Daughters monthly raffle!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST
Sunday, November 16th, scrambled eggs & ham, biscuits & gravy, pancakes and even French toast will be served up in the Hall. Come on over and enjoy with a cup of nice, hot coffee. Cost is \$18.00 per family, \$6.00 adults, \$2.00 children under 10 years old.
Proceeds benefit St. Vincent de Paul’s Christmas Food Baskets.



COFFEE & DONUTS hosted by:
7:00& 8:30 - Altar Society
November 30
7:00 - Dean Federhart / Stan Zwan
8:30 - "The Sisters"



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**SACRED HEART
YOUTH MINISTRY**

Sacred Heart Youth Ministry Contact

Information: Whitney Compton at wcompton@archdpdx.org, To reach Whitney by cell please email her for her mobile number.

**ATTENTION PARISHONERS! ARCHDIOCE-
SAN YOUTH CONFERENCE – ADYC in SEA-
SIDE!**

We are nearly all set to go! We will be caravanning up to and back from Seaside OR for the Conference via cars. What do we need? Snacks and Water for each of the 4 cars taking youth!

- A case of 24-32 waters for each car.
- Fruit snacks for each car
- Candy for each car
- Granola bars for each car
- Gluten Free Snacks for each car
- Dried or Fresh Fruit for each car

If you can help by donating some of the above items to our Archdiocesan Youth Conference trip to Seaside OR, it would be a blessing. Contact Whitney to see what there is left on the list that we need to be ready to GO!

ADYC Mandatory Trip Meeting is planned! It will take place on Monday, November 17, 2014 from 6:00pm-7:15p in the SHCC Youth Room. Following that from 7:15-7:45 is the **Mandatory Chaperone Meeting** for the ADYC Trip. If you are unable to attend it is mandatory that you contact Whitney Compton via e-mail to received information that you will have missed.

**ADOPT A CONFIRMANDI! – MOST OF THE
YOUTH HAVE NOT YET BEEN ADOPTED**

If you would like to adopt a Confirmandi and pray for them throughout the year please contact Whitney Compton for the name of youth you can adopt!

YOUNG ADULTS AGE 18-35:

If you're interested in joining our Young Adult Program contact Whitney. We are forming the Core Team to begin Young Adult Events. Spread the word: Young Adult Ministry at Sacred Heart will be active soon!

YOUTH GROUP (Middle School and High School):

This weekend, we will continue learning more about the faith in a fun and exciting way!

9:45a-11:00a in the Sacred Heart Youth Room

EDGE Topic: He Says/She Says

6:15p-7:30p in the Sacred Heart Youth Room

Reminder: **Confirmation** Youth are required to attend at least once a month.

Lifeteen Topic: A Fiend Indeed

CONFIRMATION:

Group B Class 4.. Please bring your CHOSEN Workbook and a smile. Doors open at 6:00pm and class will begin at 6:30. Don't forget your homework and Mass journal. Parents, for questions please contact Whitney Compton.

**Youth group canceled
on November 23 and 30**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Rosary Sunday



This Sunday the children are all learning how the Rosary is a special set of prayers to God that help us to remember the most important events in the lives of Mary and Jesus. These events are called the Mysteries. The children's focus will be on the love of our Rosary and how it can become very important in our lives.

Sacrament Preparation

Update ... we now have 43 children enrolled in preparing the Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Communion.



The children are learning the Act of Contrition and that Reconciliation means "making things right with God". Perhaps this is an excellent opportunity for all of us to also fully participate in this sacrament and "make things right with God" too.

Religious Education is held each Sunday at Sacred Heart School in the cafeteria at 9:50 a.m. Following the Assembly the children go to their classes and we conclude at 11:15 a.m. We have classes Preschool through 5th Grade. We aim to foster a love of God through sharing and learning about our beautiful Catholic Faith. My favorite saying to the children is "It's Cool to Be Catholic!" Be Cool and Come Along and join us!! For questions or queries related to Religious Education, Sacrament Preparation or Called To Protect Training please contact Mary Stallard at the Sacred Heart Parish Office..ph# 541-779-4661 ext: 107 or email mstallard@shcs.org

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the Thanksgiving holiday our bulletin goes to the printer one day early. Any articles for the November 30th bulletin must be sent to Eileen at ekralik@shcs.org by 8:00 a.m. Friday, November 21st. Thank you.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS
SACRED HEART CHILDREN'S CHOIR AND BREAKFAST BUFFET**

Tuesday December 2nd, we will begin with Rosary at 8:00 a.m. in the church followed by Mass. We will then gather to hear the Sacred Heart Children sing, and enjoy breakfast. Please bring your favorite food to share for the breakfast buffet.

Father Justus' Retreat for Catholic Daughters was wonderful — such a faith filled experience. For many of us it was a time to relax, pray and recharge our faith walk. Thank you very much Father Justus. Over 20 women were present. We will have a retreat in the spring at St. Rita's, please join us.

SECULAR FRANCISCAN MEETING

The local Secular Franciscan Fraternity will be meeting every third Sunday from 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. in the Parish Office Conference Room. If you are feeling the tug to enrich your faith journey to Christ in the footsteps of St. Francis of Assisi, you are welcome to come and see.

