



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34 (35B)**

**SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:7-9    GOSPEL: John 12:20-33**

**FROM FATHER JUSTUS ALAETO**

**Lent reminds us to carry  
our own cross with the Lord!**

Martha and Mary’s approach to Jesus regarding Lazarus their brother is a great lesson for us this Lent. Mary and Martha were mostly disturbed and frustrated for the length of time it took Jesus to respond to Lazarus’ situation. However, God has His own mode of operation. He has His own way of responding to our needs so that His response will lead us to a strong faith in Him, and a change of heart. The reaction of Martha and Mary when they later met with Jesus was that of lamentation, blaming Jesus that it would have been different if He was there before Lazarus passed away. Probably it would have been different.

Any time of having to wait for the Lord or any time in our spiritual life that seems uncertain, is like a period of carrying the cross. Like Martha and

Mary, we may have in one way or the other, lamented about God’s way of doing things. We may have said at a time: *“Lord if you had done it this way, it would have been better”* etc. Through our Lenten observance and prayer, we can learn spiritually, and understand that we can be better in our relationship with the Lord, if we are willing to embrace the fact that as Christians, there are periods of cross and prayer. Again, we need to connect our period of cross with the suffering of Christ. And by so doing, we are preparing ourselves for the good that will come after, for the strengthening of faith and life.

Finally, Lent is calling us to learn how to surrender to the Lord and allow Him to do things His way. Lent is also a period to learn about carrying our individual crosses; a period to deeply meditate in the life, suffering, death, and successful victory, Christ had won for us; so as to persevere for our own victory in our daily faith’s journey.

**FINAL  
LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

Wednesday, March 25, 7:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart, Medford

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA BEGINS SOON**

Why might you want to pray the Divine Mercy Novena? In St. Faustina's writings, we hear Jesus promise, "By this Novena, I will grant every possible grace to souls."

The Divine Mercy Novena starts on Good Friday, April 3, after the Noon Stations of the Cross and also after the 3:00 Good Friday Service. On Holy Saturday, April 4, the chaplet will be said in the church after 8:30 Tenebrae and also at 3:00. On Easter Sunday, the chaplet will be sung at 3:00 in the church. The following week through Saturday, April 11, the chaplet will be prayed after 8:30 daily Mass and also at 3:00 in the church. Then on Sunday, April 5, we will celebrate the beautiful Divine Mercy Service at 3:00 in the church!

To assist you in praying the Novena, the novena chaplet and instructions are at the doors of the church and in the Adoration Chapel. Also, in order to gain all the graces from the Divine Mercy Novena, one must celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation 20 days before or after Divine Mercy Sunday.

Come, join us in praying the Divine Mercy Novena and grow in grace!

**FIFTH WEEK OF LENT**

**Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday evening  
5:30 p.m. English, 7:00 p.m. Spanish  
6:00 p.m. Soup Supper in Hall hosted by the  
Hispanic Community

**Confessions:**

Saturdays: 2:30 to 5:15 p.m.

**All Fridays** of Lent are days of **abstinence** -  
refraining from eating meat by all Catholics ages  
14 and older.

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**Palm Sunday:** Saturday Vigil, March 29, 5:30

Sunday, March 30: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 12:00 noon and 5:00 p.m.  
10:15 in Jacksonville

**Tenebrae** 8:30 a.m. Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday (no daily Mass)

**Holy Thursday:** April 2

7:00 p.m. Bilingual Mass with *Rice Bowl* collection.

Adoration in Hall after Mass till Midnight

**Good Friday:** April 3

12:00 noon Stations of the Cross/Spanish Stations in Hall at noon followed by Divine Mercy Novena

3:00 p.m. English Service followed by Divine Mercy Novena

5:30 p.m. English Service

7:30 p.m. Spanish Service

**Easter Vigil:** 8:30 p.m. Bi-lingual Mass

**NO 5:30 P.M. Holy Saturday**

**Easter Sunday:** April 5, 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., noon (all with hall overflow)

10:15 in Jacksonville

**NO 5:00 p.m. MASS on Easter**

**Please park in the  
county lot on 10<sup>th</sup>  
St. if possible for  
all services.**

## ROSARY SALE

Sunday, March 22 8:00AM – 2:00PM (new time)  
It's First Communion, Mother's Day & Confirmation again.  
Come, see what we have for your special someone.

## COFFEE AND DONUTS SCHEDULE

**March 22** 7:00 & 8:30 - TBA  
No C&D on Palm Sunday and Easter



## SACRED HEART CHAPEL SECURITY MEASURES

Thank you to all our faithful who come to pray before the Lord in our Eucharistic Chapel. Due to the fact that the door has been left ajar on numerous occasions we have taken the step of installing another punch code lock on the inner chapel door. The same code opens both doors. We pray this step solves the issue of the open door problem so once again the Tabernacle will be open for Adoration. PLEASE close the doors — your cooperation is essential.

### 7:00 a.m. DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

M. March 23: +Bob Boyea  
T. March 24: +Lewis & +Rina Cozzalio  
W. March 25: +Taylor Libby  
Th. March 26: +Audrey Homler  
F. March 27: +Dolores Harmon

### 8:30 a.m. DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

M. March 23: Catholic Daughters  
T. March 24: The Forsythe Family  
W. March 25: Linda Pineiro  
Th. March 26: Catholic Daughters  
F. March 27: The McNeany Family  
S. March 28: Carol Jones

### PLEASE PRAY for the sick of our parish

especially: Joan Molatore, Paula George, Diane Williams, George Halvorsen, Justin Berlandi, Betty Defley, Frank Perez, Kim George, Victor Eakin, Sharon Anderson, Kathy Kim, Vicki & Lorraine Harris, Beth Curl, James Herndon, Sgt. Joseph Lowery, Paul Zeleznik, Carmen Aitken, Pamela Demian, Eileen Van Dyck, John Kuchler, Beverly & Dick Handley, Ramona Rosales, and Shizuka McCue. **Please pray for the deceased of our parish especially:** +Marjorie Carter, +Jerome Kocina, +Katherine Jean Sterling, and +Phyllis Wager.

**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FUNDRAISER**

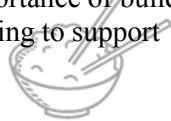
"The Crucifixion" color print will be sold for \$10.00 after Mass until Easter  
Original painting by Michael Carpenter will be on-hand at selected times.

- ~ Print alone = \$10.00 (In a plastic sleeve)
- ~ Cherry Framed Print = \$30.00

Contacts: Jim Keeter, [jimkeeter@gmail.com](mailto:jimkeeter@gmail.com) or Joe Schaecher, [jwschaecher@msn.com](mailto:jwschaecher@msn.com)

**HUNGERING FOR A HEALTHY HARVEST**

CRS Rice Bowl brings our Lenten journey back to Africa this week, to the Democratic Republic of Congo. We join our fasting in solidarity with people who go hungry, and we remember in prayer the importance of building a community that is willing to support those most in need.



**STAY INFORMED—READ!**

In the next Catholic Sentinel, see times for Holy Week services all over the region.  
Hear how youths, and others, turned out to greet relics of St. John Paul II, a pope who loved youths.  
Meet middle class families and see what they do to afford Catholic schools.  
Learn how teens can manage stress  
See faith guides a developer of low-cost housing in Portland.  
See why St. Vincent de Paul needs your urgent help.  
Find all this news and more at [CatholicSentinel.org](http://CatholicSentinel.org).

**LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA**

Check out our Kiosk with dozens of CDs, Books & Pamphlets on many aspects of our Catholic Faith. New titles available weekly! It is available in the Hall on Sundays, during Coffee and Donuts and during Father Ken's Bible Studies.

**BIBLE STUDY with Father Ken**

*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!



"I lost, O Lord, the use of yesterday. Anger came and stole my heart away. O may this morning's light until the evening stay." ~ St. Gregory Nazianzen

**SOUTHERN OREGON MEN'S ACTS RETREAT**

April 23-26 at St. Rita's Retreat Center "I am the true shepherd...I lay down my life in order to take it up again." John 10:11-18.  
Call Jim Harlan at 541-941-5025 to register

**LEGION OF MARY** meets on Wednesday at 9:30AM in the Parish Hall. You are welcome to join us. It is a great privilege to bring Jesus' presence, the Eucharist, to the parishioners who can no longer come to Church.

**OLIVEWOOD CARVINGS FROM THE HOLY LAND**

will be available for purchase after all Masses this weekend outside the Parish Hall.

**HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR EASTER** Six or seven volunteers are needed. We will start at 9:30 on Saturday, April 4th, and with enough people we should be done by 11:00. Please call BJ Buxton at 541-772-8292 if you are able to help.

**ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS**

**Easter Monday** luncheon, April 6th, at Twin Creeks at 11:00 a.m. Tickets are \$18 which includes a buffet and a fashion show. Tickets will be on sale after Masses. This luncheon is always a fun event and a good time to connect with friends—old and new!

We still need items for our baskets.

Our **plant sale** is Sunday, May 3rd so get your seedlings growing!

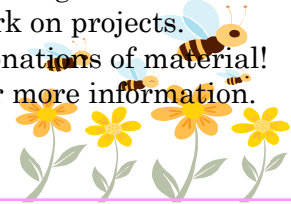


**QUILT & SEWING BEE**

The Quilting and Sewing group will meet this Thursday, March 26, in the Parish Hall from 9:15-2:00. Join us if you can.

We will have some sewing demonstrations and time to work on projects.

Come see our new donations of material! Call Kathy Hogge for more information. at 541-773-9805



**YARD WORK AT ST. JOSEPH'S J-VILLE**

Every Thursday of 2015 at 9AM yard work will commence for 2015 to accommodate schedules. Wednesday is always open for weeding, just bring your own tools that day. Thank you. St. Joseph's is on the corner of 4th & D, Jacksonville.

**COME and help WEED AT SACRED HEART!**

Wednesday Weeders will meet every Wednesday until Easter. We work at 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Join us and help beautify the Church and Hall grounds. Bring your own gloves and hand tools. Call BJ Buxton at 541-772-8292 with any questions.

**PARISH PICNIC COORDINATOR**

We need an organizer to coordinate the 2015 Parish Picnic which is scheduled during the summer. We know you have great ideas to make the picnic even better this year, and we have a great team of seasoned parishioners willing to help. Please call Melanie at (541) 779-4454 if you are interested.

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES**

Thank you for your generous support of the Catholic Relief Services Collection. Through your generosity families will be reunited, valuable skills will be taught to those seeking a better life, and vital humanitarian needs will be met. Visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) (search "Catholic Relief Services Collection") to learn how your donations make a difference and **help Jesus in disguise.**

If you have moved or changed your phone number please call the office and we will update your record. Thank you.

**Advertiser of the Week**

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**Financial Report**

	3/8/2015	3/9/2014
Weekly Budgeted Amount	\$18,144.23	\$18,055.29
Offertory received current week	\$15,850.55	\$17,216.61
Offertory Received -Year to Date	\$641,451.05	\$661,261.84
Needed for Budget	\$653,192.29	\$649,990.43
Over (under) Budget	(\$11,741.24)	\$11,271.41

God gives it all, then calls us to share. Thank you for sharing! On-line giving is now available. If you are interested, please call the office.



**SACRED HEART YOUTH MINISTRY**  
**To obtain Youth Ministry Information Contact:** Whitney Compton at [wcompton@archdpdx.org](mailto:wcompton@archdpdx.org) Please e-mail her for her Mobil number.

**YOUTH GROUP (Middle School and High School):**

Come Join Us.

Middle School Semester Topic: The Creed

Middle School Youth Group: Happy Birthday Church

High School Semester Topic: Morality

Join us tonight for LIFE NIGHT!

**MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT!**

Sacred Heart will have a retreat for our middle school (6<sup>th</sup> -8 Gr.) coming up Saturday, April 25. Registration will open on March 22 and end April 19th. Retreat registration will close early if all spots are filled. Only 25 spots available! Retreat costs: \$10.00 as well as the contribution of two snacks to share, one healthy and one non-healthy!!! "Peace, love and prosper — Love Jesus!!!!"

*Middle School Core team: Our next planning meeting will take place on March 22, 2015 from 11a-12p, in the SHYM Youth Room.*

**CONFIRMATION:**

REMINDER: Your Test is next month, if you have questions about the material or date, please contact Whitney. ALSO, your letter of intention to the Bishop and Father Ken was due Feb. 14, 2015. If it has not yet been turned in please contact Whitney Compton and turn in Letter of Intent as soon as possible. Baptismal Certificates are due by March 31<sup>st</sup> 2015.

**NOTE: CONFIRMATION CLASSES WILL OBSERVE SPRING BREAK ON MARCH 25<sup>th</sup> 2015 and APRIL 1<sup>st</sup> 2015 – On April 8<sup>th</sup> 2015 Group B will meet for Class 11!**

**CONFIRMATION MASS:**

This year Sacred Heart will have one bi-lingual Confirmation Mass which will take place Sunday, May 17 at 7:00 p.m. This year's celebrant is: Archbishop Vlazny!

**THEOLOGY OF THE BODY (TOB):**

TOB (based on the theology of John Paul II) is a teen study program that will meet on Wednesdays during the summer (note: program was developed for high school teens). PARENTS! Join us for an informational meeting in the Sacred Heart Youth Room on Tuesday April 7<sup>th</sup> 2015 from 7:00-8:30p. Going Beyond Teen Chastity; Teens are facing unique challenges in the culture today. These challenges, especially those concerning sexuality and human and divine love, deserve more than the outdated "do this, don't do that" approach to catechesis. Today's challenges need to be addressed with a "new language" that explains how authentic Christianity makes sense because it corresponds perfectly with the deepest desires of the human heart.

**YOUNG ADULTS AGE 18-35:**

To receive our information e-mail on Young Adult Social and Spiritual events and opportunities, and community news please contact Whitney Compton via e-mail.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**



*There is NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Classes March 22 - Spring Break. Classes resume March 29, Palm Sunday.*

Lent's holy drama stirs the senses: the dark purple cloths on the altar; the smell of the fragrant incense; the hush during the Stations of the Cross; the feel of the wood on the crucifix during veneration...and even the delicious soups in the Parish Hall on Friday nights...all create memories your family will hold in their hearts. You can create more memories with your children this year so that "prayer, fasting, and almsgiving" become more than just big words for "no video games for 40 days." Turn these three basic elements of Lent into deep holy experiences for your family.

We can begin with Prayer.....

Those in your family who have made their First Reconciliation should go to celebrate the sacrament during Lent. Help little ones think about to whom they should say, "I'm sorry" each day.

Move your family's crucifix so it is near your front door (or whichever door you use the most). It will serve as a daily visual reminder of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross.

Religious Education classes are for children from Preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> grade every Sunday at Sacred Heart School from 9:50am – 11:15am. Please contact Mary Stallard at the Parish Office for further details regarding Religious Education classes and Sacrament Preparation. Ph# 541-779-4661 ext: 107 email. [mstallard@shcs.org](mailto:mstallard@shcs.org)

**SACRED HEART PARISH,**

The Knights of Columbus was started by a Priest in New Haven Connecticut more than 130 years ago, has more than 14,000 councils in 17 countries with more than 1.8 million Knights. Knights of Columbus is more than a fraternal organization, it is a brotherhood. Our Knights of Columbus Council grew by 3 this last week while teaching the first Principle of our order, which is Charity.

Please take a moment to congratulate these men for becoming Knights. If you have questions about becoming a Knight, ask one of these men or any Knight you bump in to.

- Jerry Dudley
- Don Lloyd
- Tony Walker

Vivat Jesus, John Meenaghan

Grand Knight, Council 1594 [www.kofc-1594.org](http://www.kofc-1594.org)

**PATRICIANS — A CATHOLIC DISCUSSION GROUP**

Please join us Monday, March 30th (5th Monday) in the Parish Hall after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Our topic this month is: "How do ordinary people become holy." Father Justus is our Spiritual Director. All are invited.



**SUPPORT SACRED HEART SCHOOL**

Fred Meyer has a Community Rewards Program where Sacred Heart School can earn cash when parishioners shop at Fred Meyer. The school's registration number is: 94645 Please register your

Fred Meyer card at [www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards](http://www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards).

**COLD AND FLU SEASON**

Some parishioners are particularly susceptible to catching colds, coughs or flu when we gather in such numbers. If you really feel sick and think you might pass your illness on to others (a really bad cough for example), it might be best to stay home for a Sunday or so until you recover. This is not to discourage anyone from coming to Mass, but we all need to bear in mind the harmful effects our illnesses can have on the health of others.

***SAFETY REMINDER FOR CHILDREN***

**When children leave Mass**, or coffee and donuts to go to the Hall bathrooms **an adult should accompany them**. Our buildings are open to all people and we cannot control who may be around when children are. **Keep them safe by watching out for them**. Please go to the Hall with them even if they seem old enough to be off alone. Thank you.

**SPIRITUAL CARE WHILE YOU ARE SICK**

If you or a family member are scheduled for surgery or are gravely ill and desire the Sacrament of the Sick please call the office at 541-779-4661. During a hospital stay or an extended illness we have Eucharistic Ministers of the Legion of Mary who will bring you Communion. Prayer is a powerful healer.

**CELL PHONE REMINDER**

Please remember to turn off your phone before entering church. The jingle is so jarring.