



**SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY**

**FIRST READING: Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35 (44B)**  
**SECOND READING: 1 John 5:1-6**      **GOSPEL: John 20:19-31**

**FROM FATHER JUSTUS ALAETO**

**Keep Him Alive!!**

We just celebrated Easter Sunday. It is very exciting to our faith whenever we meditate and celebrate the Resurrection of Christ. Without Christ's Resurrection, we would have no faith, but He is Risen, Alleluia!! Going through the mysteries of the Holy Week, especially on the mystery of Christ's suffering, calls us to serious reflection about the attitude of human beings. It calls us to serious examination of conscience, and condemnation of sin and evil.

The condemnation of sin and evil is not necessarily what we condemn by words or by feeling, but what we condemn by active good life. Yes, Christ died and has risen, but some of us Christians are still letting the life of Christ die in our own life. That could be another way of crucifying Christ. If we believe truly in the resurrection of Christ, then we need to be part of the witnesses of that resurrection like Mary Magdalene and the other disciples of Christ. That implies the we need to keep Christ alive in our own life.

Part of the Easter blessings we received from the Lord here at Sacred Heart Church, was welcoming and initiating nearly thirty people into the faith. That was a big blessing to us here at Sacred Heart and to the entire Catholic Church. It is now their responsibility to bear witness to what they have received from Jesus Christ through the Church. This is the time for them to put what they have received from RCIA into action by daily prayers, daily rosaries, attending Mass regularly, and announcing the Gospel of Christ by the way they live their lives. We are to encourage them also, and learn from them as well. When we are far from the Lord, it is hard to do His Will, but when we are close to the Lord always, it is very easy to hear what he is saying to us, and do His Will.

By way of rejecting the crucifixion of Christ and believing in the Resurrection of Christ, let us therefore try to "keep Him alive" in our daily joy and challenges of life, especially on those situations that challenge our faith each day.

**Happy Easter to you!!!**

**THANK YOU WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS!**

Many thanks to all who volunteered to help decorate the church for Easter. They are Jamie, Hailey and Grace Bryan, Nola Geaney, Louise Gorman, JoAnn Hebert, Montgomery Postigo, Kathy Schaecher, Ingrid DeCarlow, Vicki Russell, Cynthia Stanley, Remy Winfrey and Vi Zoller. Blessings to you all for giving of your time and talent.  
BJ Buxton

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY SERVICE AT 3:00PM**

"Jesus, I trust in you!" Tell Him this especially on Divine Mercy Sunday. Please join us for the beautifully sung Divine Mercy Service this weekend, Sunday, April 12th, at 3:00 in the church. There will also be Benediction and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

St. Faustina reported Jesus saying to her, "Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight Me. To such souls I grant even more than they ask. I cannot punish even the greatest sinner if he makes an appeal to My compassion."

Join us at 3:00 on Sunday, 4/12, to celebrate the wonderful Mercy of the Lord toward us.

**"TOWN HALL MEETINGS" with FATHER KEN**

Father Ken will hold 5 meetings to answer questions and listen to investment priorities and concerns from parishioners regarding the proceeds from the recent sale of our Black Oak property to St. Mary's School. This process along with a future parish survey and report were steps recommended by our recently formed Long-Term Strategic Planning Commission. Your opinions are important to us so if you have ideas please plan to attend one of our sessions.

**Remaining Meetings to be held in the Parish Hall:**

**Tuesday, April 14 at 1:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, April 18 at 6:45 p.m.**

**TO ALL ADORERS**

Thank you for your dedication in prayer in our chapel.  
We now have the inner door secured with the same code that opens the outer door.  
The Tabernacle will no longer be locked.  
The Tabernacle can remain open while you pray.  
If no one relieves you please close the Tabernacle as you leave.  
Please open the Tabernacle door when you enter if you desire to do so.  
As always PLEASE pull both entry doors closed as you enter and leave.  
PLEASE do not let people you do not know into the Chapel.  
If anything untoward occurs while you are at prayer please notify the Office or Father Ken.



I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: "Jesus, I trust in You." (327)

~ St. Faustina's Diary



**NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING**

Calling all baptized Catholic boys and girls who have received their First Communion and are in the fourth grade or older! Sacred Heart parish needs you to serve at the altar!

Training for new altar servers will be held on Saturday 5/2, 5/9, and 5/16 from 1-3:00 in the church. To sign up, please contact Ann Brophy at the parish office or [abrophy@shcs.org](mailto:abrophy@shcs.org). Thanks!

**THE CHURCH LOOKS BEAUTIFUL!**

Many thanks to BJ Buxton and team for making our church so beautiful on Easter Sunday and during the Easter Season! We are the happy and grateful beneficiaries of their many hours of careful planning and work, and thank them for the special Easter beauty we enjoy today and in the coming weeks.

**PLEASE PRAY for the sick of our parish**

especially: Joan Molatore, Steve Presley, Frank West, Paula George, Katherine Saum, Don Zeleznik, George Halvorsen, Justin Berlandi, Betty Defley, Frank Perez, Kim George, Victor Eakin, Sharon Anderson, Kathy Kim, Marie Casilio, Vicki & Lorraine Harris, Beth Curl, Sgt. Joseph Lowery, Paul Zeleznik, Carmen Aitken, Pamela Demian, Eileen Van Dyck, John Kuchler, Beverly & Dick Handley, Don & Jean Palese, Ramona Rosales, Gloria Hubbard, and Shizuka McCue.

**Please pray for the deceased of our parish especially:**

+Dennis Williams, +Catherine LeGault, +Charles Acklin, and +Florence Grimes.



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

- M. April 13: Mary Jo Baich
- T. April 14: The Nougier Family
- W. April 15: The Herzog family
- Th. April 16: Margie Meyer
- Fr. April 17: The Jones Family



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

- M. April 13: Mandy Zitzelburger
- T. April 14: Catholic Daughters
- W. April 15: Ben Van Smoorenburg
- Th. April 16: Father Ken Sampson
- Fr. April 17: +Jennifer Ferrin Galster
- Sat. April 18: +Rachel Scott



**MEDIA KIOSK**

We have a Media Kiosk at the back of the Church after each Mass. Come and see the CDs, Books & Pamphlets that are Available, to help us learn more about Our Catholic Faith. New titles available as orders are placed. Watch for the "NEW ARRIVALS" sign. The kiosk is also available in the Hall, during Coffee and Donut Hour and during Father Ken's Bible Study Hour.

Cost: CDs \$3 Pamphlets \$2 Books \$4  
Place payment in slot on lower right side of the Kiosk.



**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL**  
***NOW ENROLLING***

**PS and PK Round Up:**  
**Thursday, April 30, 6:30 PM**

**PS-8<sup>th</sup> Grades Open House/Academic Showcase:**  
**Thursday, May 7, 6:30 PM**

**CALL FOR MORE INFORMATION  
OR TO ARRANGE YOUR PRIVATE TOUR.**

***Financial Aid and Scholarships Available***  
***\$545,000 Awarded in the Last Five Years***

**Sacred Heart Catholic School**  
**431 South Ivy Street Medford, OR 97501**  
**541 772-4105**  
**www.shcs.org**

**Comprehensive PS-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Program**  
**Onsite Year Round Daycare**  
**Nurturing PS and PK**  
**Catholic Family Values**  
**Caring Environment and Individualized Instruction- Primary Grades through Middle School**  
**High Academic Expectations and Results**  
**Special Classes in Art, Band, Technology, Library/ Research, Music, PE, Spanish, Theater and Religion**  
**Competitive Interscholastic Athletics Program**  
**In PS-12 Partnership with St. Mary's: College, Career and Heaven Ready!**

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS – SACRED HEART SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP**

**We are honored to be able to present the opportunity for two students, from Sacred Heart School, to receive a \$500.00 scholarship.**

The scholarship fund is in support of our Catholic families with children attending Sacred Heart School and is open to all Sacred Heart students who are parishioners of Sacred Heart Church.

Criteria: Students grade 1 through grade 8, 2015-2016 school year.

The student must be a relative of an active Sacred Heart Church of Medford parishioner.

The student should have acceptable school behavior, good Catholic morals, and good academic achievement.

Scholarship applications may be picked up at Sacred Heart School or call, Connie Moyer 541-773-8736.

**Financial Report**

	3/29/2015	3/30/2014
Weekly Budgeted Amount	\$18,144.23	\$18,055.29
Offertory received current week	\$14,113.58	\$13,652.44
Offertory Received -Year to Date	\$685,362.60	\$706,714.92
Needed for Budget	\$707,624.98	\$704,156.30
Over (under) Budget	(\$22,262.38)	\$2,558.62

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.

**LEGION OF MARY NEWS**  
**Blessed Easter!!**

During February, the Legion of Mary members visited 480 people and during March, we visited 423 people. It is a privilege to bring the presence of Christ to the homebound. Our goal is to have teams of 2 people visit the homebound. We need your help to reach this goal. Please call the Office to volunteer.

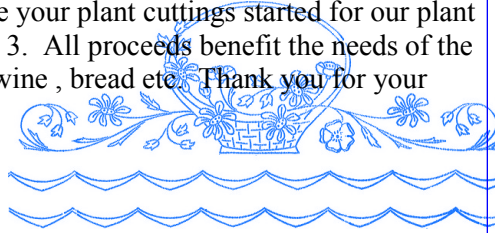


**ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS**

Happy Easter and many thanks to all who attended our Easter Monday Luncheon at Twin Creeks! It was a huge success and fun for all!

Please join us for our next meeting (get together) on Monday, April 13. We begin with a rosary at 10:30, meeting at 11:00 followed by a potluck. Please bring a dish to share.

We hope you all have your plant cuttings started for our plant sale on Sunday, May 3. All proceeds benefit the needs of the Altar. The candles, wine, bread etc. Thank you for your support.



**THANK YOU WEDNESDAY WEEDERS!!**

The landscape around the church is looking wonderful thanks to the efforts of these volunteers: Robert Armstrong, BJ Buxton, Ingrid DeCarlow, Lin Dotson, Louise Gorman, Bob and Susan Hedstrom, Neal Selbicky and Steve Schnugg. Please let them know how much you appreciate the work they have done. Wednesday Weeders will break for two weeks and then get back to work on April 22nd.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2015 Archbishop's Catholic Appeal. Sacred Heart Church is 70% towards our goal of \$79,271. Every gift means so much! If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card and return it to the Church Office in the coming days. We would like 100% participation in showing our support of Archbishop Sample and our Catholic Church in western Oregon.

**HUNGERING FOR CELEBRATION!**

We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we celebrate! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends in our own hearts, where Jesus reigns forever. Let us rejoice in our risen Lord—and in the lives we changed this Lent in Tanzania, Nicaragua, Niger, Lebanon, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and all over the world! Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl!

**SECULAR FRANCISCAN MEETING**

The local Secular Franciscan Fraternity will be meeting every third Sunday, 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.

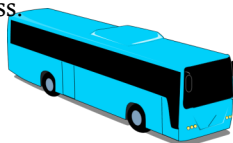
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST**

Sunday, April 19th, 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, and \$2.00 children under 10 years old. Proceeds benefit the Boy Scouts.

**PILGRIMAGE, PILGRIMAGE, PILGRIMAGE**

Join us on a pilgrimage to the California Missions Sept 18 to Sept 25, 2015. Highlights include an overnight at the San Antonio de Velero Mission, Mass at the burial site of Father Juanipero Serra just as he is being canonized by Pope Francis, Vespers with the monks of the New Clairveaux Abbey, an evening on Fisherman's wharf in San Francisco and lots more. Please come to an informational meeting on Saturday, April 18 at the Parish Hall at 4:30 p.m., just prior to Saturday Vigil Mass.

For information, call Beckie 541-601-4457 or email bkantor@hotmail.com.



**LITURGY & SACRAMENTS**

You have been baptized in Christ. Now that you're part of Christ's body, the Church . . . how does celebrating the sacred mysteries strengthen your spiritual life?

St. Anne, Grants Pass, Oregon  
Presented by Father Bill Holtzinger

April 24-25, 2015

May 8-9, 2015

Fridays 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Saturdays 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Registration to: Marty Edinger 541-821-5178  
martywwsor@yahoo.com

**Catholic Youth Speaker: Steve Villa! He will be in town for the youth AND the PARENTS!!!!**

**YOUTH:** Sacred Heart has coordinated an event at St. Mary’s for middle school and high school teens. This event is FREE and open to our Sacred Heart Youth. On April 16<sup>th</sup> 2015 at 2:30pm at St. Mary’s, Catholic youth speaker Steve Villa will be brought in to Medford to give a talk titled The Chocolate Chip! The desire of our heart can be found in every chocolate chip! Steve’s presentation will be humorous, insightful and personal as a way to encourage us to pay attention to our desire for chocolate chips. If your youth does not attend St. Mary’s but would like to join us for this event please contact Whitney Compton for more information.

**PARENTS:** Steve will also give a talk titled THE BIG STORY for Parents! This event will be held from 7:00p-8:30p at Sacred Heart located in the Youth Room! **BIG STORY:** What forest does our Catholic faith live in? We have a tendency to get consumed by the individual and fascinating details of each of many particular trees, but we lose appreciation for the grandeur of the forest! In this visual and interactive presentation, Steve will literally draw the forest and revive our appreciation for the scenery that the individual trees create for us when understood as the Big Picture!



**SACRED HEART YOUTH MINISTRY**

**To obtain Youth Ministry Information Contact:** Whitney Compton at wcompton@archdpdx.org Please e-mail her for her Mobil number.

**YOUNG ADULTS AGE 18-35:**

Consider joining our Young Adult Program. To receive our e-mail informing you of Young Adult Social and Spiritual events and opportunities – as well as community news please contact Whitney Compton via e-mail.

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

Come Join Us.

- Middle School Semester Topic: The Creed
- Middle School Youth Group: One Direction
- High School Semester Topic: Morality

Join Us Tonight for LIFE NIGHT after Youth Mass!!!

**MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT!**

Sacred Heart will have a retreat for our middle school (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade) on April 25, 2015. Registration ends April 19<sup>th</sup> but will close early if all spots are filled. Only 25 spots available! Retreat cost: \$10.00 as well as the contribution of two snacks to share, one healthy and one non-healthy!!! “Peace, love and prosper J Love Jesus!!!!!!!” – Middle School Core Team

**CONFIRMATION:**

On April 15<sup>th</sup> 2015 Group A will meet for Class 12!

**REMINDER:** If you have already taken your test you will still need to be at class!

**NOTE:** *On April 22<sup>th</sup> Group B will meet for Class 12!*

**CONFIRMATION MASS:**

Our bi-lingual Confirmation Mass takes place May 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. 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 summer (note: program was developed for high school teens). PARENTS! If you missed the informational meeting and have questions about the TOB for teens, No Worries! Just contact Whitney Compton with your questions. 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. Register today! Registration closes May 4<sup>th</sup> 2015!

**Summer Schedule:** Keep an eye out! Our youth ministry SUMMER schedule will be finished soon!!!

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Religious Education is for children Preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> grade every Sunday at Sacred Heart School from 9:50am – 11:15am.



**Thank our Catechists**

Please take the time to thank a Catechist...I have been sincerely blessed this year to have an awesome and most dedicated group of Catechists who have freely given of their faith, time and talents. Without these very special people Sacred Heart would not have this most necessary Children’s Ministry.

**First Reconciliation & First Communion**

We also have a wonderful group of children in our Sacrament Program with the children making their First Reconciliation in January and poised ready to enter into their First Communion on Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup>. This year we have 43 children enrolled and I again marvel and am in absolute awe of how precious and insightful the children’s faith has grown over the year.

For further details contact Mary Stallard at the Parish Office. Ph# 541-779-4661 ext: 107

**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!

**DON'T MISS THIS**

Men's A.C.T.S. Retreat April 23-26 at St. Rita's Retreat Center. This is the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual retreat and is sponsored by the Men's ACTS group and the Vicariate of Southern Oregon. When you come to the retreat it is as a friend and fellow Catholic. When the weekend is over you will leave as a brother to 30 other men. We hope to see you there. Space is limited so register now. Registration forms are on the tables at the entries to church. Contact Jim Harlan (541) 941 5025 or Earl Parrish (541) 840 2262 for more information.

**COFFEE & DONUTS** hosted by:

**April 12**

7:00 & 8:30 - Catholic Daughters

**April 26**

7:00 - Debbie Peerenboom

8:30 - Emilda & Chato



**OLD GLORY**

When an American flag becomes tattered and torn, ragged or dirty it should be replaced. Specific procedures are followed that honor our flag as it is disposed. If you have a flag in sad condition please bring it to the sacristy in a plastic bag marked Murray LaHue. Murray will properly and honorably dispose of it.

**MARRIED COUPLES** – Does gardening give you a sense of wonder and fulfillment? On your wedding day, you lovingly planted the seeds of a lifelong relationship. A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** will give you the “gardening tools” you need to help your marriage grow and blossom. For more information call 503-853-2758 or apply on-line at [www.rediscoverthespark.org](http://www.rediscoverthespark.org).

**Upcoming dates:**

April 24-26 at Powell Butte Retreat Center in Central Oregon  
May 22-25 at Our Lady of Peace Retreat House in Beaverton, Oregon.

**PARISH PICNIC COORDINATOR NEEDED**

Please call Melanie at (541) 779-4454 to volunteer.

**TO HONOR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN**

We want to recognize and honor the men and women - whether relatives or members of our parish who are serving our country in the Armed Forces. If you have a loved one serving in the military, please attach his or her name to a photo, then drop it off or send it to the Parish Office, or leave in the sacristy after Mass. We'll add it to our permanent display in the locked, glass-front cabinet in the Parish Hall. Please call Ann Brophy at 779-4661 or [abrophy@shcs.org](mailto:abrophy@shcs.org). Thank you!

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT—HEALING AFTER ABORTION**

Did your abortion, or a loved one's abortion, “change” you? Is there a dividing point in your life: “before the abortion” and “after the abortion”? Have you convinced yourself that you have dealt with your abortion experience, but you still feel uncertain? Have you been looking at the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™ ad in the bulletin for years, and wondering what it is all about?

June 12-14th there will be a retreat in Portland where healing, forgiveness, hope, and transformation are offered in a safe, caring, and strictly confidential environment.

For information, please contact Patricia Hutchinson, Catholic Charities' Project Rachel Coordinator, at 800-249-8074; email [ProjectRachel@CatholicCharitiesOregon.org](mailto:ProjectRachel@CatholicCharitiesOregon.org) or [PHutchinson@CatholicCharitiesOregon.org](mailto:PHutchinson@CatholicCharitiesOregon.org). To learn about the national program, visit: [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)