

March 5, 2017

Welcome to Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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Last year Sacred Heart Church donated \$50,000 for the remodeling of the St. Vincent de Paul Family Shelter. Father Ken and Father Justus toured the facility and were glad of the result.

“Be attentive to the needs of the poor, the suffering, the lonely, for whoever has chosen to love Jesus cannot but love his neighbor.”

~~ Pope Francis

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541-779-4661

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m.
Monday - Saturday: 8:30 a.m.
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.
Saturday Spanish Vigil: 7:00 p.m.

Sunday (English)

7:00 a.m.
8:30 a.m.
10:15 a.m. St. Joseph --
Jacksonville --2nd and 4th --
Sunday of the month

12:00 noon
5:00 p.m.

Sunday (Spanish)

10:15 a.m.
1:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:30 to 5:15 p.m.
or by appointment.

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ROSARY

Monday through Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

DIVINE MERCY

Monday through Saturday: 9:30 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Closed 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. for lunch
Father Ken: hearttoheart.ks@gmail.com



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7 (22A)

SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-19

GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11

FATHER KEN'S CORNER

Life Series: Part 1 – Capital Punishment

Note: As I mentioned last week in preparation for Lent, this year I am laying down a pastor's challenge for our entire parish to enter into a Lenten spiritual journey of "40 Days for Life". With spiritual pledge books at the front of the church (both sides) and in the entryway of the adoration chapel I am asking parishioners to anonymously write down their spiritual intentions for Lent (prayer, fasting, alms giving, etc.) and, in addition to offering them to the Lord, to offer them for the protection of life from conception to natural end. In the end I hope to report on the spiritual bouquet that our parish has produced. In addition, I mentioned that each week in the bulletin I would feature a different dimension of the life debate for us to reflect on during the Lenten season. This week we take a closer look at capital punishment.

In the field of moral theology, we would classify the Church's teachings on capital punishment as a developing doctrine. That is to say, as far as I know, there is currently no settled black and white answer to the question of whether or not the execution of dangerous felons or military prisoners is morally allowable in all cases. There are currently two sides of the debate within Christianity with well-meaning, God-loving people on both sides, both of which are trying to apply basic, Catholic, moral principles to the issue.

Side one is considering the question from the perspective of killing in self-defense. They begin with the assertion that, among the basic human rights that come from God, the right to live/exist is the most basic and fundamental. This idea is the basis for why the Catholic Church condemns abortion in all instances, even in the case of rape or incest...because that newly created life has value and that value is not diminished by how it came to be. Its value draws from the fact that it is in the image and likeness of God. But what should the response be if or when my life is threatened by another? Generally, we follow what is known as the Least Harm Principle that states that the use of deadly force must be the final option. If one is able to restrain or wound an aggressive assailant rather than kill them then they must settle on this less-than-lethal option (essentially how the police work). If that is not possible, however, then our Catholic moral tradition has permitted the use of deadly force as well. This same concept has been used by some moral theologians to apply the concept to cases of war as well (The Just War Theory...essentially self-defense at the communal level as long as all other options, such as economic sanctions, peace negotiations, etc. have been attempted and other basic criteria of motive are also met). And again, the very same concept of self-defense was originally used to justify the execution of deadly felons, arguing that if the criminal in question were released back into society they would likely kill again. It is worth mentioning that, in the United States, according to past PEW studies, nearly 90% of Catholics in America apparently still hold to this interpretation of the moral question.

Side two is one that has roots in our faith as well, both ancient and new. Historically, it is the Catholic Church that invented the penitentiary system. Prior to Christianity, jails were almost exclusively used to hold prisoners for swift trial and execution if guilty. Long-term prison sentences were rare to non-existent. The Christian conception of jails was after the model of religious life and the name penitentiary came from the word "penance". The root idea was that jail was not about enacting revenge but about justice/penance to the harmed party and to so-

ciety and reformation of the public sinner. Prisoners were led in prayer and their cells took their name from monastic residences. They were also taught work and life skills in order to be reformed and to reenter society as a productive member. This is still a root question to be considered in prisons today. Close to 90% of prisoners will eventually be released back into society either with parole or after having served their sentences. The question for society in most of these cases is what kind of person is being released. If all we seek is revenge against these inmates then likely we are simply going to encounter a more hardened, angry and dangerous person and society will pay the price. Also with life sentences, the self-defense principle, it is argued, becomes non applicable. After the 1994 release of the current Catechism of the Catholic Church, Pope John Paul II released a short list of modifications in 1998. It is interesting to me that one of those modifications was around the teaching on capital punishment, illustrating that this is indeed a developing doctrine. He wrote, "The efforts of the state to curb the spread of behavior harmful to people's rights and to the basic rules of civil society correspond to the requirement of safeguarding the common good...Punishment has the primary aim of redressing the disorder introduced by the offense. When it is willingly accepted by the guilty party, it assumes the value of expiation. Punishment then, in addition to defending public order and protecting people's safety, has a medicinal purpose...If, however, non-lethal means are sufficient to protect people's safety from the aggressor, authority will limit itself to such means...The cases in which the execution of the offender is an absolute necessity 'are very rare, if not practically non-existent'". Pope John Paul II later made a number of public comments that seemed to flesh out this phrasing. He seemed to hint that some argument in favor of capital punishment might still be made in certain 3rd World situations where judicial systems were corrupt and where prisons could not reliably hold such dangerous individuals but that in the 1st World such arguments could not really be made (i.e. the US). This is consistent with the teachings of such bishops as the late Cardinal Bernadine of Chicago who coined the phrase "seamless garment" in regard to life issues. He said it is not consistent to say you are against both abortion and euthanasia but at the same time are in favor of capital punishment. In other words, we need to be consistent about the defense of life from top to bottom in order that the world can understand that all life has the right to exist. Although the Church currently does not require us to choose one side or the other in this case, I am a part of this latter group. I have worked with families of murder victims and I have seen first-hand that revenge does not bring healing. The taking of a second life will never bring back the first life lost and I think that the execution of prisoners diminishes our society as a whole. I invite all of us to pray on this very important question and to examine your own views on the matter to see whether Jesus may be inviting us to grow in this area as part of our journey of life this Lenten season.

*Archbishop Sample and various Catholic organizations in Oregon are working to eliminate capital punishment from the law books. Our parish has invited Sr. Helen Prejean, author of *Dead Man Walking* (non-fiction novel and movie) to speak in Southern Oregon this Fall. We encourage those interested in this topic to come hear her.

MASS FOR VOCATIONS FOLLOWED BY ANDREW AND MIRIAM DINNERS

Archbishop Sample will celebrate Mass on Sunday, March 19, at 5PM at Sacred Heart Church. Following the Mass the men and women will split up for their respective dinners.

An Andrew Dinner finds its roots in John 1:41-42, “[Andrew] first found his brother Simon... He brought him to Jesus”. Our priests are asked to invite young men in high school and above to encounter the priesthood of Jesus Christ through dinner and conversation with Archbishop Sample. At the same time a Miriam Dinner will take place. The Miriam Dinner is an opportunity for young women and area women religious to join for dinner and conversation. All parishioners are encouraged to come to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Please join us! Contact the parish office to register for the dinner and for more information.

MEDIA FOCUS OF THE WEEK

[The Forgiveness of Sins - Booklet](#)

This booklet discusses the importance of accepting forgiveness from God, sharing the gift of forgiveness, and how that act must always be centered on the love of Christ. It also explains the meaning and implications of sin and the incredible reality of God's love for us.

Lighthouse Media Kiosk at Oakdale doors. Please place your payment in envelope provided into collection plate.

“We should abandon ourselves entirely into the hands of God, and believe that His providence disposes everything that He wishes or permits to happen to us for our greater good.”

~~ St. Vincent de Paul

7:00 a.m. DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

- M. Mar. 6: The Batzer Family
- T. Mar. 7: Ed & Sherry Cavasso
- W. Mar. 8: Laurie Porteous
- Th. Mar. 9: +Jody & +JD Savage
- Fri. Mar. 10: +Dolores Micucci

8:30 a.m. DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

- M. Mar. 6: Matt Wilcox
- T. Mar. 7: Catholic Daughters
- W. Mar. 8: +Kathryn Geaney
- Th. Mar. 9: +Ed Baich Jr.
- Fri. Mar. 10: Ken Dellapenta
- Sat. Mar. 11: Richard Hebert

OUTREACH MINISTRY FORMATION

All outreach ministers are invited to attend our first **Spiritual Formation and Sharing Session** on **Saturday, March 11**. Father Justus and the Outreach Ministry committee will meet outreach ministers in the Parish Hall Nursery from 11:30am-12:30pm. Formation sessions will recur at this time every second Saturday of the month. These meetings are an essential commitment of those who wish to bring Holy Communion to the sick and homebound through Outreach Ministry. Please contact Sharon Sanderson, the coordinator of Outreach Ministry, with any questions or concerns:

Phone: [541-499-0954](tel:541-499-0954) E-mail: sissha@charter.net.

LATIN MASS

Please join fellow Catholics for the celebration of the Traditional Latin Mass on Sunday, March 12, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the River Catholic Church (3625 N. River Road, Gold Hill 97525.) Fr. Rory Pitstick will be traveling from Mt. Angel to celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for us. And stay for light refreshments and fellowship after Mass!

For more information please see our website at: <http://SouthernOregonUnaVoce.blogspot.com/>.

Now on FORMED: LENTEN MATERIAL

Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession, is the latest addition to the Augustine Institute’s library of sacramental preparation programs. As a FORMED subscriber, you can access the first four sessions of this powerful new series along with corresponding guidebooks! Stay tuned for the entire 9-session Parish edition in English to be released on FORMED on April 17. See FORMED.

To register on FORMED enter our Parish Code: MJM7CZ & create an account.

PLEASE PRAY for the sick of our parish especially:

Rosemary Schueller, Barb Simonson, Dave Sergeant, Pat Kelly, Joanne Hafner, Annabelle Roberts, Margaret Rose, Ferrel Cunningham, Dick Wager, Robert Ashenberner, Dee St. Martin, Joe Mazzotta, Kathy Kim, Jean Palese, Patti Wittenbrock, Sharon Anderson, Vicky Nuss, Reese Baker, Trudy Omann, Marie Casilio, Shizuka McCue, Beverly & Dick Handley, and Eileen Van Dyck.

Please pray for the deceased and for their families especially: +Dorothy Weber, +Gladys Schibusch, +Camille Pagnini, and +Michael Butch.

PATRICK DINNER SATURDAY, MARCH 11

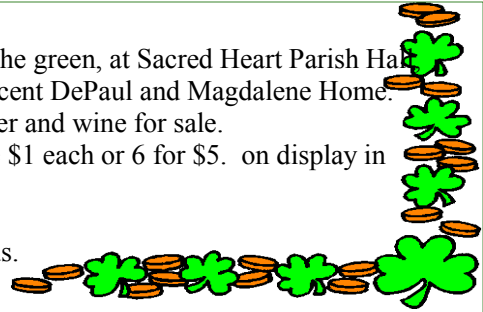
St. Patrick Dinner, a fun time for all with singing, and wearing of the green, at Sacred Heart Parish Hall at 6:30 p.m. Saturday March 11th. This fundraiser benefits St. Vincent DePaul and Magdalene Home. Tickets are \$15.00 per person. Dinner includes Irish Stew, with beer and wine for sale.

Baskets of various themes are raffled during dinner - tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. on display in Parish Hall on Sundays!

A special event this year: **DESSERT AUCTION!!**

Event is sponsored by Catholic Daughters and Knights of Columbus.

For more information call Regent, Vicki Dudley 541-779-2210.



PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND!

Join Father Justus **May 8th -18th, 2017** on a spiritual trip to the Holy Land. Please start registering now. The closing date for registration is March 31, 2017. Tickets and other travel documents will be processed in April. You will be updated for a day of retreat with Fr. Justus and the group, regarding the trip. Please, explore this spiritual opportunity that will bless your entire life. The total cost for the trip including flight from Medford, five star hotels, food, and everything is: \$3,345.00.

With questions, please call **Sam Sharaf** at: 503.317.0879 or holylandtoursllc@gmail.com Or contact **Father Justus** at the parish office with any question regarding upcoming trip to the Holy Land.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Lent is a great time to make a family plan. Talk with your child and everyone in your household about what you will do as a family to observe the spiritual disciplines of Lent: prayer, fasting and giving alms. For example you could set a daily family prayer minute. You might set that minute for first thing in the morning or early in the evening. At that very moment every day – no matter where they are – members of your family bow their heads and pray for the same family intention. Have a blessed Lent!

All children Preschool through 5th grade welcome. Sunday mornings 9:50am to 11:15am at Sacred Heart School. Assemble in the cafeteria for a morning faith sharing with coffee and snacks.

Next First Communion Class (for children only) is on March 8 at Sacred Heart School at 6pm.

For further questions or details contact Mary Stallard at the Parish Office. Ph# 541-779-4661

ST. ANNE'S NEWS

Our Meeting is Monday, March 13th, in the Parish Hall. Praying of the rosary begins at 10:30am, then our meeting, then lunch! Main entrée: Corned Beef and Cabbage. Bring a side dish and place setting.

COME SEW WITH US!

The Sacred Heart Stitchers will meet on Thursday March 16th and March 23rd from 9:15-noon in the Parish Hall. Please join us or come and see what we're doing. Right now we need cutters and ironers, plus stitchers as we work on quilts for the oncology department. Come join us!

St. Anne's Catholic School in Grants Pass

is seeking a 1st grade teacher. Applicants should have a current teaching certificate, previous lower grade experience, and technology efficiency. To apply, please submit a resume and three references to:

Colleen Kotrba, Principal
St. Anne Catholic School
1131 NE 10th St.

Grants Pass, OR 97526
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March 5: 7:00 - Debbie Peerenboom

8:30 - Emilda Vincent & Chato Snow

March 12: 7:00 & 8:30 - Paul Stancel

March 19: TBA

March 26: 7:00 & 8:30 - Catholic Daughters



Sacred Heart Church Lenten Calendar

March 2017

Weekend MASS SCHEDULE
 Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.
 Saturday Spanish Vigil: 7:00 p.m.


Sunday (English)
 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 12:00 noon
 and 5:00 p.m.

10:15 a.m. St. Joseph --
 Jacksonville --2nd and 4th --
 Sunday of the month

Sunday (Spanish)
 10:15 a.m.
 1:30 p.m.
 unless otherwise noted

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | <p>*Fast and Abstinence Regulations: Catholics 14 years & older must abstain from meat on Fridays of Lent, Ash Wednesday & Good Friday. All Catholics, ages 18 to 59, must fast on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday. To fast, eat one full meal; other meals should be less than the normal amount unless they are already at a minimum for good health. No eating between meals; liquids are allowed.</p> | <p>1 Ash Wednesday 7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Spanish</p> | <p>2</p> | <p>3 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper in Hall 7:00 p.m. Spanish Stations of the Cross * Abstain from meat</p> | <p>4 Confession 3:30 to 5:15 p.m.</p> | |
| <p>5 I Sunday of Lent</p> | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | <p>10 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper in Hall 7:00 p.m. Spanish Stations of the Cross * Abstain from meat</p> | <p>11 Confession 3:30 to 5:15 p.m.</p> |
| <p>12 II Sunday of Lent</p> | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | <p>17 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper in Hall 7:00 p.m. Spanish Stations of the Cross * Abstain from meat</p> | <p>18 Confession 3:30 to 5:15 p.m.</p> |
| <p>19 III Sunday of Lent</p> | 20 | <p>21 7:00 p.m. Reconciliation Service at Shepherd of the Valley Central Point</p> | <p>22 7:00 p.m. Reconciliation Service at Sacred Heart</p> | <p>23 10:00 a.m. Reconciliation Service at Sacred Heart <hr/> 7:00 p.m. Reconciliation Service at St. Anne's Grants Pass</p> | <p>24 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper in Hall 7:00 p.m. Spanish Stations of the Cross * Abstain from meat</p> | <p>25 Confession 3:30 to 5:15 p.m.</p> |
| <p>26 IV Sunday of Lent</p> | 27 | <p>28 7:00 p.m. Reconciliation Service at Our Lady of the Mountain Ashland</p> | 29 | <p>30 7:00 p.m. Reconciliation Service at St. Joseph's Roseburg</p> | <p>31 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper in Hall 7:00 p.m. Spanish Stations of the Cross * Abstain from meat</p> | <p>1 April Confession 3:30 to 5:15 p.m.</p> |

April 2017 LENTEN CALENDAR

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| 2 V Sunday of Lent | | | | | 7 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper in Hall 7:00 p.m. Spanish Stations of the Cross * <i>Abstain from meat</i> | 8 Confession 3:30 to 5:15 p.m. |
| 9 Masses: 7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 10:15 a.m. Jacksonville 10:15 a.m. Spanish 12:00 noon 1:30 p.m. Spanish 5:00 p.m. | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 Holy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Mass Bilingual Adoration follows Mass in Hall till midnight | 14 Good Friday 12:00 noon Stations of the Cross English in Church followed by Divine Mercy Novena <hr/> Noon Spanish Stations in Hall 3:00 p.m. Good Friday Service followed by Divine Mercy Novena <hr/> 5:30 p.m. Good Friday Service <hr/> 7:30 p.m. Spanish Service * A Day of Fast & Abstinence | 15 Holy Saturday 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Novena NO 5:30 p.m. Mass NO 7PM Mass 8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass followed by a Reception in Hall There are no Confessions on Holy Thursday, Good Friday or Holy Saturday. |
| 16 Easter Sunday 7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 10:15 a.m. Jacksonville 10:15 a.m. Spanish 12:00 noon 1:30 p.m. Spanish <hr/> 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Novena | 17 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Novena | 18 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Novena | 19 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Novena | 20 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Novena | 21 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Novena | 22 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Novena |
| 23 Divine Mercy Sunday 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Service followed by Reception in Hall |  | | | | | |

SACRED HEART YOUTH MINISTRY Whitney Godfrey, Youth Minister: wgodfrey@archdpdx.org



This weekend: March 5, 2017 NO Edge Morning, NO UNLEASHED and NO LIFE NIGHT
 Yes there is YOUTH MASS March 5 at 5PM

SACRED HEART SCHOOL NEWS

One of the Lenten projects of our Faith Family Groups at Sacred Heart School this year is to create a "pay it forward thank you card." Several large poster size cards will be given out to various organizations that are of service in our community. Some of these organizations are the police department, the fire department, local hospitals, VA Domiciliary, to name a few. Within the poster thank you card will be smaller thank you cards that may be distributed by the individuals at the various organizations to "thank" someone of their choice.

Another Lenten project is the "Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls."

Sacred Heart families collect funds to help those brothers and sisters around the world who are in need.

The third Lenten project is entitled the "baby shower." Sacred Heart students select one item from a list of needs from the Magdalene Home, the Nurturing Center and CASA. The item is brought to school wrapped in baby wrapping paper. On April 28th, students will bring their wrapped gift to their faith family groups. Within the faith family groups, students participate in a baby shower by unwrapping the gift and sharing what they brought. Afterwards, their item is donated to one of the charities.



Financial Report Week 34

| | <u>2/19/2017</u> | <u>2/21/2016</u> |
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| Weekly Budgeted Amount | \$18,461.54 | \$17,884.62 |
| Offertory received current week | \$14,987.13 | \$15,362.54 |
| Offertory Received -Year to Date | \$638,158.05 | \$612,679.49 |
| Needed for Budget | \$628,846.17 | \$608,077.06 |
| Over (under) Budget | \$9,311.88 | \$4,602.43 |
| % Over (Under) Budget | 1.48% | 0.76% |

On line giving is available, easy to set up and use. Please see <https://sacredheartmedford.weshareonline.org> if you are interested in using the program. Thank you for your generous support.

CANCELLATION NOTICE

Due to scheduling conflicts, Shepherd's Voice, is unable to lead the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at St. Rita Retreat Center on the Mondays of Lent as previously announced. St. Rita's staff regrets this cancellation and hopes that all have a blessed and fruitful Lent.

MARRIED COUPLES

"Then the eyes of both of them were opened," Let us appreciate the totality of our spouses by taking part in a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** on March 31st - April 2nd, at Powell Butte Retreat Center near Bend Oregon or May 26th - 28th at Our Lady of Peace Retreat House in Beaverton Oregon. call 503-853-2758 or apply on-line at www.rediscoverthespark.org.