



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-7 (38ABC)

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:6-11 GOSPEL: Luke 22:14-23:56

Q: I have been meaning to ask you why you don't consider the Eucharist a Sacrament of healing --We always had Mass as a part of our Charismatic healing services (I believed for this reason). And we pray : "my soul shall be healed ".

A: I believe your question may have been generated by one of my catechetical classes where I was introducing the seven sacraments by their three official groupings. These include the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation), Sacraments of Healing (Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick) and Sacraments of Vocation (Holy Orders and Matrimony). The Eucharist is listed among the Sacraments of Initiation because in the original Easter Vigil new Christians received all three of these sacraments in one evening and that was considered as having been formally and completely received into the faith community. Early saints gave the analogy of birth, daily nourishment which leads to growth and maturity to explain Baptism (the gateway to the other sacraments), The Eucharist (source and summit of our faith) and Confirmation (our own personal Pentecost). However this is not to say that the Eucharist cannot be thought of also as a sacrament of mercy or healing in its own right. In fact, in reflecting on the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis has spoken of the Eucharist in this very way. He said that just before Jesus departed to the Garden of Gethsemane to enter into his Passion, it is clear from Sacred Scripture that he and the Apostles had just finished singing the Great Hallel (Psalm 136) where over and over again the refrain is sung, "His mercy endures forever". Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection, aimed at mercy, produced the fruit of the Eucharist which was meant to heal and strengthen us. A number of saints in history, such as St. Teresa, often referred to this Eucharist/Mercy as the necessary medicine that heals all of our spiritual ills. She said that the Devil's first attack on Catholics is to try to separate us from the Eucharist and our first inclination in error when we are discouraged is also to stop going to Mass which cuts us off from the Eucharist. She added that in the most difficult times it is just this inclination that we must most fight against. It is absolutely true then that the Eucharist heals and transforms us if we receive it properly disposed and with a heart open to God's grace.

Q: In reading Chapter 2 in the Acts of the Apostles, "The Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles and they expressed themselves in foreign tongues." My question is how could the apostles converse with each other if they were all speaking different languages? I know the people heard them speak in their own language when they started

speaking, but afterward, could they speak in both languages or whenever they spoke did the people always hear them in their own language?

A: The NAB translation of the Bible says in Acts 2:4 that "All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit gave them ability." I would say that the classic Catholic interpretation of this passage would be that the author is describing the act of speaking in tongues here. In my experience, the gift of tongues (as described by St. Paul in 1 Cor. 12:4-10) most often comes in "angelic form" where a person utters sounds that would not be recognizable as any known human language on earth (random sounds to the neutral observer) but also, though less often, in the form of a foreign language that that person has no knowledge of. Both of these forms I have personally witnessed. St. Paul also describes the gift of interpretation of tongues. This involves someone else present who is given knowledge of the meaning of these random sounds. Someone may also be present, in the case of foreign language who speaks that language naturally and who can understand even what the speaker cannot. For example, I once witnessed a man speaking fluent German at a charismatic gathering, though he did not know German, and another person present, who was from Europe in the moment translated what he said. In the case of St. Peter giving his first homily where around 3000 came to believe in Christianity on that first Pentecost, we are told that many from different lands were able to understand what St. Peter was saying though they spoke a variety of languages (i.e. the reverse of the curse of confusion of languages at the Tower of Babel). That is an example of many present being given the ability to interpret tongues. In the other case your question describes, it is more likely that the gift of tongues being described was not uttered conversationally but more like the prophets of old, as they were overwhelmed and under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit speaking through them. My guess is that they were not actually conversing with one another in that moment but that, instead they were all given over to praising and thanking God in multiple languages spontaneously. In other words, this was a more spontaneous work of the Holy Spirit and not a case where God was miraculously and instantly teaching the Apostles foreign languages for their missionary work.

Note: All questions come from parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish or St. Joseph Mission and are presented anonymously. I hope this is a useful learning opportunity. If you have questions that need answers please let me know in person or email them to: hearttoheart.ks@gmail.com ~ Father Ken

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, March 25**, after the Noon Stations of the Cross and also after the 3:00 Good Friday Service. On Holy Saturday and on Easter Sunday, the chaplet will be prayed at 3:00 pm in the church. Monday, March 28 through Saturday, April 2, the chaplet will be prayed after 8:30AM Mass and at 3:00PM in the church. On Divine Mercy Sunday, April 3, we will sing the Divine Mercy Chaplet at our 3:00 pm service. The novena chaplet and instructions are at the church doors and in the Adoration Chapel. 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. Join us in praying the Divine Mercy Novena and grow in grace!

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 - including much older! Training for new altar servers will be held on Saturday 4/9, 4/16, and 4/23 from 12:30-2:30 in the church. To sign up, please contact Ann Brophy at the parish office or abrophy@shcs.org. Thanks!

LIVING ROSARY ON GOOD FRIDAY

Knights of Columbus has designated March 25th, Good Friday, as the Day of the Unborn Child. To honor all the victims of abortion and ensure that prayer is an integral component of our pro-life advocacy, please join the Knights and their families for a Living Rosary. The Rosary will be offered at the Sacred Heart Church monument for the Unborn Child in the courtyard between the parish hall, church and adoration chapel. The Living Rosary will begin at 11:00AM. Please join us for this very special service to pray for all the helpless victims.

7:00 a.m. DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

M. Mar. 21: +William Van Way
T. Mar. 22: +Genevieve Thomas
W. Mar. 23: +John Oliveira

8:30 a.m. DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

M. Mar. 21: +Del Stratman
T. Mar. 22: +Luis Eduardo Cabello Montes
W. Mar. 23: +Craig Contreras

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

No Morning Masses and no Confessions on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

Holy Thursday: March 24

7:00 p.m. Bilingual Mass with *Rice Bowl* collection. Adoration in Hall after Mass till Midnight

Good Friday: March 25

11:00 Rosary

12:00 noon Stations of the Cross followed by Divine Mercy Novena

Noon Spanish Stations of the Cross in Parish Hall

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

5:30 p.m. English Veneration Service

7:30 p.m. Spanish Veneration Service

Holy Saturday: March 26

3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Novena

NO 5:30 P.M. Mass on Holy Saturday

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

Easter Sunday: March 27, 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 12 noon (all with Hall overflow)

10:15 in Jacksonville

NO 5:00 p.m. MASS on Easter

Please park in the county lot on 10th St. if possible for all services.



LENTEN RICE BOWL

HUNGERING TO BUILD COMMUNITY

We follow Jesus this week on our Lenten journey as he enters Jerusalem, a community he knew well. CRS Rice Bowl asks us to prayerfully enter into our own communities, to find those who are hungry and thirsty, those who need our help.

How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we encounter in our daily lives?

Visit crsricebowl.org for more.



PLEASE PRAY for the sick of our parish especially:

Andrea Serrato, Ayva Burckhart Bill Gaddis, Caroline Kopico, Kathleen Motter, Mary Gulrich, Ronna Hetzel Baltz, Ginny Spechtenhauser, Kathy Kim, Ruth Frisbee, Teri Gieg, Reese Baker, Diane Williams, Gladys Schibusch, Bill Reifers, Frances Maltoni, Randy Gale, Peg Morgan, Joyce Farrell, Joanne Hafner, Evelyn Bocast, Patty Wittenbock, Bill & Rosemary Schueller, Cynthia Sugiura, Ramona Rosales, Trudy Omann, Kathy Steiner, John Kuchler, Marie Casilio, Shizuka McCue, Eileen Van Dyck, Beverly & Dick Handley, Paul & John Zeleznik, and Don & Jean Palese.

Please pray for the deceased of our parish:

+Del Stratman, +Genevieve Thomas & +John Oliveira.

MERCY LITANY INSERT

As we begin this most holy of seasons in the Church, we also enter a time of special reflection on the Divine Mercy of Our Lord. You'll find an insert in today's bulletin, "Mercy Litany", which can be used for reflection and as a means of better understanding how much we are all in need of God's bountiful mercy in our lives.

Also, you may wish to check out the Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, which can be downloaded as a PDF file from <https://liturgicalyear.files.wordpress.com/2012/10/divine-mercy-in-my-soul.pdf>. St. M. Faustina's diary describes her mission reminding us of the "immemorial truths of our faith about God's merciful love for us, and in conveying to us new forms of devotion to The Divine Mercy, the practice of which is to lead to the revival of the spiritual life in the spirit of Christian trust and mercy."

The Spirituality Committee hopes for a blessed Easter season for all!

A Charismatic Women's Retreat

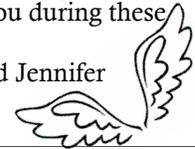
"The Flame of God's Love, The Holy Spirit" Friday, April 29 through Sunday, May 1

Women of all ages, teens also, are invited to come and receive or enkindle the fire of the Holy Spirit. Learn about the baptism of the Spirit and experience a life changing retreat at St. Rita's Retreat Center, Gold Hill, Or. \$115 for 2 nights lodging and meals. Commuter rate and Scholarship financial aid available. Registration forms available in church office or call us for information/registration, Sandy at 541-944-4659 or The Dove 541-582-2968

THANK YOU

Thank you to Fr. Ken Sampson, Barbara Hetzel, Marie Chandler, Eileen Kralik, and all Sacred Heart Catholic Church staff and volunteers who helped promote and set-up the Ave Maria concert. Over 225 came to listen and give wings to our musical petitions to Mary as healer, protector, beloved....filling the room with expectation and appreciation of Our Holy Mother. It was an enormous blessing to be among you during these Lenten weeks. Thank you.

~ Pauline Sullivan, soprano and Jennifer Schloming, piano/organ



NEW TESTAMENT STUDY

A study of Catholic teaching about scripture
You are invited to a two weekend in-depth course at Shepherd of the Valley in Central Point presented by Fr. Mike Walker.

Dates: April 8-9, 2016 and April 15-16, 2016

Fridays 6:00 - 9:00PM Saturdays 9:00AM - 3:00PM

Sponsored By: Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon-
Ministry Formation Office Southern Oregon Vicariate

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

MEDIA KIOSK FOCUS OF THE WEEK

We need hope in our world. Flowing forth from the Heart of Jesus is a torrent of mercy that is the source of this much needed hope. Discover how in God's mercy we find a reason for joy here on earth and a reasonable expectation for eternal joy in Heaven. The author provides practical suggestions on how we can live more joyful lives through being merciful to others and receiving mercy ourselves.

Cost: Books \$4 CDs \$3 Booklets \$2 Pamphlets 50c
Place payment in slot on lower right side of the kiosk

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support Christians in the Holy Land.

Through the Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world to stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace in a troubled land.

In these challenging times in the Middle East, your support means that our church will conduct parish ministry, provide Catholic education, feed the hungry, build housing for Christians, maintain shrines and operate refugee centers in the Holy Land.

Christians, along with all of the clergy and religious who serve in the Holy Land, will deeply appreciate your prayers and financial help! The political, religious and military challenges in the Holy Land are more complex than ever. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians.

Our parish will support Christians in the Holy Land through the Good Friday Collection, as requested by Pope Francis. Like Simon of Cyrene, you can help carry the cross under very difficult circumstances in the Holy Land.

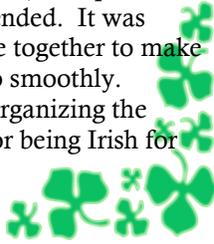
PLEASE BE GENEROUS! For information see:

www.myFranciscan.org/GoodFriday

ST. PATRICK DINNER

What a wonderful night! Good food, fun, music, laughter and a room full of people (165). A special thank you to all who helped and attended. It was wonderful to see how everyone came together to make set-up, clean up, and the event go so smoothly. Thank you Heather and Bertha for organizing the Mass. And thank you Father Ken for being Irish for the evening!

Celtic Blessings to all,
Regent, Connie Moyer



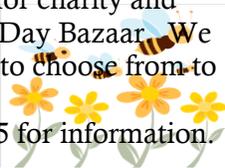
TLC FOR ST. JOSEPH’S, JACKSONVILLE

Spring is around the corner and our lovely church yard will need all available hands for its beautification. Please save the following dates for outdoor work party ☀ Saturday: April 9 and April 16, 9AM--12 noon, weather permitting (will reschedule if more rain than a mist). Please call Leslie at (925) 324-0252 with questions. 2nd Sunday donuts and coffee - please join us, (weather permitting). God Bless



COME SEW WITH US!

The Sacred Heart Stitchers will meet on Thursday, March 31st from 9:15 to noon in the Parish Hall. Please join us as we sew for charity and well as the upcoming Mother's Day Bazaar. We have plenty of material for you to choose from to begin your project. Call Kathy Hogge 541-773-9805 for information.



WEED, PLANT, BEAUTIFY!

Wednesday Weeders meet every Wednesday morn at 9:30 for an hour. We welcome any amount of time that folks are able to give as we could complete projects faster. Once a month, or every week - you are needed!. Please consider joining our small crew. Call BJ Buxton at 541-772-8292.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
PRO-LIFE BEEF RAFFLE**

Raffle tickets now available from any Knight. Two winners will be drawn at the April 17th Knights Breakfast. Each will win a quarter, processed and packaged, grass-fed beef. **Proceeds will assist Magdalene Home, The Pregnancy Center and St. Vincent de Paul.** Call a Knight for a ticket! Only 1000 tickets will be sold. Barbeque Season is around the corner!

LENTEN FASTING REGULATIONS

All Catholics between the ages 18 and 59, are to abstain from meat and to fast on Good Friday. To fast means to eat one full meal; the other two meals that day should be less than the normal amount unless they are already at a minimum for good health. Eating between meals is not permitted; however, liquids including coffee, milk and fruit juices are allowed.

CATHOLIC SENTINEL - READ AND STAY INFORMED

In the new Catholic Sentinel, read about Mount Angel Abbey’s new abbot, a kindly scholar. Meet a Ghana native who grew up an orphan and now tells his story. See what’s behind the man who runs the Grotto and what the minimum wage law means for Oregon. See what parishes did for ‘24 Hours for the Lord,’ Hear the motivation behind the Archdiocese of Portland’s new faith formation head. See how one parish welcomes those curious about returning to faith.

COFFEE & DONUTS SCHEDULE

April 3: 7:00 & 8:30 - Sacred Heart School

April 10: 7:00 & 8:30 - Catholic Daughters

April 17: Knights of Columbus Breakfast

April 24: 7:00 - Debbie Peerenboom
8:30 - Emilda Vincent & Chato Snow



There is no coffee and donuts on Palm Sunday nor on Easter. When April rolls around c’mon over and enjoy a treat and meet your fellow parishioners.

“Lord, help me to make time today to serve you in those who are most in need of encouragement or assistance.”

~~ St. Vincent de Paul

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SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS
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BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

Oregon Battle of the Books, OBOB, is a statewide voluntary reading motivation and comprehension program sponsored by the Oregon Association of School Libraries. Students at our school have been diligently reading 16 books in teams of 4 with determination and purpose. Our mission is to encourage and recognize students who enjoy reading, broaden reading interests, increase comprehension, and promote academic excellence in a cooperative learning style has been accomplished. The competition abounded with a wealth of knowledge. Congratulations to all participants!

ENROLLMENT

Open enrollment for the 2016-2017 school year is happening NOW! If you are considering a Catholic education for your kids, please call the school and arrange a tour. [541-772-4105](tel:541-772-4105). Come see what's special about Sacred Heart!

LEGO LEAGUE

Sacred Heart School offers 3 sessions of Lego League for students during the year, and the last one just started. Lego League is a program that offers young builders and scientists an extracurricular program that focuses on solving problems and teamwork. The sessions fill up fast, and are a popular event at our school!

LENTEN PREPARATION

We continued to prepare for Lent last week. Our Living Stations of the Cross happened on Thursday morning and is a special solemn event that all students participate in. In addition, Reconciliation was offered for grades 3-8, and our ongoing Lenten project - supporting the Rubanda Solidarity School in Uganda - continued.

FUNDRAISER FOR THE SACRED HEART MIDDLE SCHOOL TRIP TO WASHINGTON DC

Plaisance Ranch Run through the Vineyards 5K

Name of Event: Plaisance Ranch Run Through the Vineyards 5k
 Date: Saturday, April 2, 2016
 Time: 10:00 AM / Kids dash at 9:30 AM
 Registration: Day of registration and packet pickup starts at 8:30 AM
 Place: Plaisance Ranch Winery in the Applegate Valley
 Cost: \$25 through March 31st (5K) \$5.00 Kids Dash (1/2 Mile)
 You can sign up online. Go to the registration link:
<http://getmeregistered.com/PlaisanceRanchRun>



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL REQUEST

St Vincent de Paul's Urban Rest Stop provides showers and laundry facilities for homeless men and women Monday - Friday mornings, with a different staff each day. Staff includes a male and female from a local parish plus 1 - 2 homeless volunteers. The day of the week is negotiable. Contact TC (541) 301-0025 or Lee (541) 601-5273 to discuss these positions or to visit our facility to see if this fits your time and talents. We also have many other areas where we need volunteers. Please call our volunteer coordinator [541-772-3828 Ext 7](tel:541-772-3828) for volunteer opportunities.

Financial Report

	3/6/2016	3/8/2015
Weekly Budgeted Amount	\$17,884.62	\$18,144.23
Offertory received current week	\$21,043.06	\$15,850.55
Offertory Received -Year to Date	\$646,694.50	\$641,451.05
Needed for Budget	\$643,846.30	\$653,192.29
Over (under) Budget	\$2,848.20	(\$11,741.24)
% Over (Under) Budget	0.44%	-1.80%

Thank you for the generous support of the parish.

***The Parish Office will be closed
 on Good Friday.***



SACRED HEART YOUTH MINISTRY

Contact Whitney Godfrey, Youth Minister: wgodfrey@archdpdx.org
Please e-mail Whitney for her **PHONE NUMBER**

YOUNG ADULTS AGE 18-35: If you would like to receive our e-mail please contact Whitney at wgodfrey@archdpdx.org.

CONFIRMATION CLASS! This week, Wednesday March 23, there is no confirmation class. Enjoy your Easter Break! We will have youth Mass this weekend March 20th but no youth group!

YOUTH GROUP:

THIS WEEK: NO EDGE: Palm Sunday, March 20

Next week: NO EDGE: Easter Sunday

NO LIFE NIGHT – March 20th, Palm Sunday

Next week: NO LIFENIGHT: Easter Sunday

XLT ADORATION: A HUGE THANK YOU to all who helped volunteer! Without your help we could not have made this month's XLT so successful!!! Next XLT is at St. Anne's in Grants Pass on April 10th 2016 beginning at 7:00pm!

EDGE RETREAT DATE:

Parents of middle school youth! We are excited to announce the dates for our upcoming (overnight) middle school retreat! We will be joining OLM, SOV, and SAGP for a middle school retreat in Klamath Falls OR on April 22- April 23rd! More information coming soon! Applications are available at the Sacred Heart Church office or by contacting Whitney at wgodfrey@archdpdx.org!

ADOPT A CONFIRMANDI:

All of our youth are ADOPTED! Thank you so much for your prayers as our Confirmation youth prepare for their confirmation!

STEUBENVILLE San Diego 2016:

For the youth who will be joining us at Steubenville San Diego this year, our first meeting is on April 4th from 7-8:00pm for teens and parents! We look forward to seeing you there!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

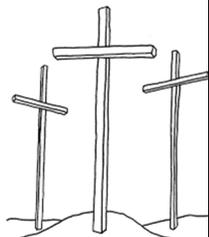
Children's Mass Bulletins

There are special children bulletins at each of the doors of the church. Please take one of these activity pages for your child to complete at Mass or at home with you. The yellow pages are for children ages 3-6 while the blue pages are for children ages 7-12. The Bulletins correspond with the Gospel or one of Sunday Mass readings for that particular Sunday.

Religious Education Classes are open to any child from Preschool -- 5th grade every Sunday at 9:50am until 11:15am at Sacred Heart School. Enrolment for these classes remains open throughout the school year, so come and join the fun!! It's never too late!! No Classes on Sunday March 27th (Easter Sunday) For further information or questions contact Mary Stallard 541-779-4661 ext: 107

LEGION OF MARY

To become a member of the Legion of Mary, one must be a practicing Catholic. Active members serve God under the banner of Mary by practicing the Spiritual Works of Mercy. Please call the Parish Office to see how you can help.



BOX TOPS AND SOUP LABELS FOR SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Thanks so much to all the parishioners who have been bringing in box tops and soup labels. We just received a shipment of playground balls in all shapes and sizes... footballs, soccer balls, basketballs and playground balls. All thanks to your generosity.

When you bring in the soup labels, please make sure you bring in the UPC labels, not the front that says what type of soup it is. Also, please continue to bring in the Pepperidge Product UPC's. Our school scored a Spring Bonus Sheet goal and earned 1250 points instead of 125! All of this helps our kids have nice balls, jump ropes, chalk, etc. for the playground.

Thanks again for thinking of Sacred Heart Catholic School.

PARISH DIRECTORIES

The parish directories have not come in yet. We will have a notice in the bulletin when they arrive. Thank your for your patience.