

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

MISSION STATEMENT

ST. MARY'S IS A CATHOLIC COMMUNITY ON A JOURNEY OF FAITH WHOSE PURPOSE IS TO WITNESS CHRIST'S PRESENCE IN THE WORLD

COFFEE & DONUTS after the 10:00 Mass downstairs in the Hall. Thank you Knights of Columbus for serving coffee & donuts this month. Thanks to The ALTAR SOCIETY for cleaning the Altar area.

From the Pastor: (*From In Conversation with God*)

Sunday is the Lord's Day. *On Sundays there is an assembly of all who live in towns or in the country...This is the first day, on which God transformed darkness and matter and made the world: the day on which Jesus Christ our Savior rose from the dead.* The Jewish Sabbath gave way to the Christian Sunday from the very beginning of the Church, and from then on, every Sunday we celebrate the Lord's Resurrection.

Sacred Scripture everywhere presents a lofty and noble idea of the Sabbath. It was the day established by God so that his people might devote to him public cult, and the complete dedication of the day to this purpose appears as a grave obligation. The importance of this command is also deduced from its repetition in Scripture. Sometime the prophets point out as a cause of God's punishments the fact that people have not kept the Sabbath.

The feast days of Israel, and particularly of the Sabbath, were a sign of the Divine Covenant and the people's way of expressing their joy at being God's property and the object of his election and his love. That is why every feast day was linked to a salvation event.

Holy days must not be interpreted as a simple doing nothing, a mere passing of the time, but rather as a positive involvement in something which enriches the personality in different ways. There are many ways of resting, and it is important not to take the easiest way out, which often is not the one that rest us most in any case. If we know how to limit the use of television on feast days as well, for example, we will not be repeating so much the false excuse of not having time. On the contrary, we will see that during those days we can spend more time with our family, look after the education of our children, develop social relationships and friendships, make a visit or two to people in need, or to those who are alone or sick.

In general terms one must know how to have one's whole day taken up with a flexible schedule in which, besides the daily norms of piety, an important place should be given to rest, which we all need, to family get-togethers, to reading, and to time set aside for an artistic or literary hobby or any other worthwhile pastime. We live poverty by filling the hours of the day usefully, doing everything as well as we can, and living little details of order, punctuality and good humor.

UNDERSTANDING THE MASS: Communion: Catholic faith teaches that Christ, whole and entire, is received under each Eucharistic species, bread or wine and consequently that as far as the effects are concerned, those who receive under only one species are not deprived of any of the grace that is necessary for salvation. When receiving Holy Communion, the communicant bows his or her head before the Sacrament as a gesture of reverence and receives the Body of the Lord from the minister. When Holy Communion is received under both kinds, the sign of reverence is also made before receiving the Precious Blood. People in the Communion procession, which should be reverent, dignified and not rushed, should be mindful of the person in front of them.

THE DIOCESAN CAMP INFORMATION IS OUT!

This year we have **High School Kick Back Camp** Ages 14-17 from June 14-19, 2009

Junior High Life on Fire Camp, ages 11-13 from July 18-21

T.Y.G (Thank you God) Camp ages 9-10 from August 4-7
Family Camp all ages from July 3-6

And Introducing **Leadership Camp** ages 16-20 from July 15-21 to be trained to lead this year's Life on Fire Camp. See www.dioceseofbaker.org and click on "Camps"

Young Adult Retreat ages 18-40, from May 29-31

"MOTHER'S DAY" is coming up quickly, and again we will be selling Roses for Life. Thank your mother for choosing life and surprise her with beautiful red or pink rose! They will cost \$10/6 roses or \$15/12 roses. Valerie will be taking orders after all masses this weekend and the roses will be available for pickup after all masses on Mother's day weekend of May 9 & 10.

DAY OF REFLECTION FOR THOSE DIVORCED OR SEPARATED: Saturday May 9, 2009 at St. Rita's Retreat Center, Gold Hill OR. This retreat will be presented by Richard Jensen L.P.C. More information call 541-944-8018 or got <http://www.createdtoworship.us/events.html>

PARISH ASSESSMENT: Please help us in attaining our assessment of \$27,900 which is set by the Diocese. We have collected to date \$27,135.85. Thank you for your generosity.

St. Mary's on-line: The website is stmaryspendleton.org

WOMEN'S DAY OF DESERT: Please sign up in the back of the church for the Women's Day of Desert which will be held on May 30.

**HOLY
COMMUNION**
A Means of Grace



3rd SUNDAY of EASTER APRIL 26 2009

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, April 27

7:00 pm MASS †Colleen Crosby/Georgia Herbes

6:00 pm-12:00 am ADORATION

TUESDAY, April 28 Peter Chanel & Louis Mary de

Montfort

7:00 am MASS †Dave & Rose Baker/Shirley Baker

3:00-9:00 pm Directory Pictures

12:01 am-12:00 am ADORATION

WEDNESDAY, April 29 Catherine of Siena

6:00 pm MASS †Henry & Sylva Gorger/Shirley Baker

3:00-9:00 pm Directory Pictures

6:30 pm RE Classes & Adult Ed Class

12:01 am-12:00 am ADORATION

THURSDAY, April 30 Pope Pius V

7:00 am MASS †Thesla Bennett/Mary Harris

12:01am-12:00 am ADORATION

FRIDAY, May 1 Joseph the Worker

5:45 am Men's Bible & Faith Study

7:00 am MASS Nancy & Dave Bowman/Kevin & Karla

12:01 am-10:00 am ADORATION

SATURDAY, May 2 Athanasius, bishop & doctor

8:00 am MASS Special Intention/Fr. Clemens

WALK FOR LIFE begins at the train station

3:30 pm Confession

4:30 pm Rosary

5:00 pm MASS †Richard Smith/Mary Harris

SUNDAY, May 3 4th Sunday of Easter

8:00-9:00 am Holy Hour

9:00 am Confessions

9:30 am Rosary

10:00 am MASS For the Parish

11:30 am(sp) MASS †Pete Garcia/Waldron/Sinner

GROTTO: Please sign up in the back of the Church to visit St. Mary's Grotto during the month of May. We would like to have at least one family each day visit the grotto for one hour.

BOOK OF MONTH: In the late nineteenth century, Father Charles Arminjon, a priest from the mountains of France, preached a series of conferences to help his people turn their thoughts away from this life's mean material affairs—and toward the next life's glorious spiritual reward. His wise and uncompromising words deepened in them the spirit of recollection that all Christians must have: the abiding conviction that heavenly aims, not temporal enthusiasms, must guide everything we think, say and do. This is the book that Therese Martin, read at age 14 on entering the Carmelite convent in Lisieux. Reading it, she says, "plunged my soul into a happiness not of this earth." Young Therese, filled with a sense of "what God reserves for those who love Him, and seeing that the eternal rewards had no proportion to the light sacrifices of life," Now the very book, *The End of the Present World*, that so inspired the Little Flower is available in English.

PICTURE DIRECTORY: Dates for pictures will be April, 28-29. We need everyone to participate in this picture directory.

KC'S SCHOLARSHIP BREAKFAST: will be on Sunday May 3, 2009 from 9:00-11:30 am held in the basement. We will be serving eggs fantastic, pancakes, biscuits and gravy, sausage patties, juices and coffee.

FROM CATHOLIC SENTINAL: *I am writing to publicly acknowledge the good people of St. Mary's Parish in Pendleton, Oregon, for their efforts in hosting the recent Catholic Men's Conference there. I drove over from Salem to attend, and was moved and challenged by my experience there. I returned a stronger Catholic and, I hope, a better father and husband, thanks to the teachings of Bishop Vasa and Father Clemens, along with other visiting priests who taught there. May blessing continue to shower upon Father Clemens, Bishop Vasa and the parishioners of St. Mary's .*
John Thompson Salem, Oregon

Altar Servers for May 2-3

Saturday 5:00 pm: Seth and Peter Case & Walker Hoolehan

10:am: Daniel and John Kubishta & Soren Wolf

11:30am: Mitchell Montachalin

Eucharistic Min. May 2-3

Saturday 5 pm: Kevin & Karla Willman

10:00 am: Bud & Bernie Moore

We Would Like To Welcome You To Our Parish Family

If you are new to the Parish, please fill out your name and address below. We would love to add you to our Parish Family. Please visit us at the Parish Office or mail this form to us or place it in the collection basket.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

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