

# 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

**Come join us downstairs for coffee & donuts after Sunday's Mass.**

## From the Pastor:

This weekend marks the beginning of the year of the priests and is also Fathers day. Both are fathers and leaders in unique ways. The Priest is called to live of his ministerial priesthood by forming himself to Christ the first priest. Fathers are called to live of the royal priesthood (sacrificing for their families). Both are called to lead as fathers as head of the Church or head of their families. Jesus is the head of our Church and He lead the Apostles. In today's Gospel we hear that Jesus was sitting in the stern of the boat. The stern is where the ship is guided. The rudder is there and it is typically the domain of the captain.

Priests also set in the stern of the boat. They are to be spiritual leaders for their people. As we begin the year of the priest, we reflect on the sanctity and role of the priest. Pope John Paul II said, "we don't need more priests, we need holy priests." Holy priests will be spiritual fathers for the natural fathers of their parish. Where there are good holy priests the Church and nation flourishes. This in turn produces good holy families in the Church.

The problems plaguing many priests today comes from the loss of fatherhood. In fact, many of the priests involved in clergy abuse had no father. It is the father that forms a son to be a man, father, or a priest. The priest must be a father in his church otherwise the sheep are divided.

True leadership is sought in the hearts of many today. I have been in several situations recently where the people next to me spoke of their school or business lacking leadership. People need the help from strong leaders.

The priest should be a strong leader. "You did not choose me, no, I chose you and commissioned you to go out" (Jn15:16). The priest is called to share the responsibility of the mission of Christ. The Congregation for the Clergy says, "the priest holds a necessary and indispensable role." He is the teacher of the Word, proclaiming the Gospel under the authority of Christ. He is a minister of the sacraments. By celebrating the sacraments, he acts as a minister of Christ, and through the Holy Spirit, participates in his priesthood in a special way. The priest forms himself to Christ the good shepherd. He is called by the Church to reveal the Fathers love in charity, according to the truth, and with docility to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. He leads with love and strength.

This mystery of the holy priesthood has been lost in modern times. Hopefully, the year of the priest will help us rediscover the goodness of the holy priesthood and why it's so essential. With the help of the Church we can rebuild spiritual and natural fathers and mothers for the next generation of faithful.

**UNDERSTANDING THE MASS: PRIEST:** A priest who possesses within the Church the power of Holy Orders to offer sacrifice in the person of Christ, stands for this reason at the head of the faithful people gathered together here and now. He presides over their prayer, proclaims the message of salvation to them, associates the people with himself in the offering of sacrifice through Christ in the Holy Spirit of God the Father. He gives his brothers and sisters the Bread of eternal life, and partakes of it with them.

**PRO-LIFE:** Blessed be life. I tell you it's good to be alive. Blessed is she who bore me and tenderly nursed me. Blessed is the fruitful seed in your womb. Blessed is the growing embryo destined to be born this day. Blessed is every child of God come to full term. Blessed are all the children of the universe. Blessed is every Mother who brings her babe to birth. Blessed be every Father who supports bone of his bone—flesh of his flesh. Blessed be every doctor who refuses to abort life, but seeks to save life. Blessed be the miracle of LIFE and God of LIFE who provides for every living creature. Blessed be the Virgin Mary who did not refuse to bear the Son of God. Blessed be the Lord Jesus who did not despise being a fetus in the sanctuary of the Womb.

**DIOCESE of BAKER PRO LIFE CONFERENCE:** "Day of Renewal" The Most Reverend Bishop Robert Vasa will present this Spiritual Retreat on September 19 from 10:00 am– 3:00 pm at the Powell Butte Retreat Center. The Center is located at 14427 S.W. Alfalfa Rd. Powell Butte, Oregon. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Suggested donation is \$15. Please R.S.V.P to pmarx@dioceseofbaker.org or 541-388-4004.

**WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE TO MEMORIZE: Mt 19:19** *Honor thy father and mother, and, Thou shall love thy neighbor as thyself.* **Heb 12:7-9** *"Endure your trails as "discipline"; God treats you as sons. For what "son" is there whom his father does not discipline? If you are without discipline, in which all have shared, you are not sons but bastards. "Besides this, we have had our earthly fathers to discipline us, and we respected them. Should we not submit all the more to the Father of spirits and live?"*

**Happy Father's Day**

# 12th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JUNE 21 2009

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**MONDAY, June 22 Paulinus of Nola, John Fisher, Thomas**

**More**

7:00 pm MASS †Mark DeMouro/Don & Ann Vescio

6:00 pm-12:00 am ADORATION

**TUESDAY, June 23**

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

12:01 am-12:00 am ADORATION

**WEDNESDAY, June 24 The Nativity of John the Baptist**

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

12:01 am-12:00 am ADORATION

**THURSDAY, June 25**

7:00 am MASS †Joan Hinz/Bill & Kathy Kopp

12:01am-12:00 am ADORATION

**FRIDAY, June 26**

5:45 am Men's Bible & Faith Study

7:00 am MASS For Priests/Georgia Herbes

12:01 am-10:00 am ADORATION

**SATURDAY, June 27 Cyril of Alexandria**

8:00 am MASS Special Intentions/Fr. Clemens

3:30 pm Confession

4:30 pm Rosary

5:00 pm MASS †George Fries/Mary Helling

**SUNDAY, June 28 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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 Carolyn Wood/Vic & Karen Early

**COFFEE & DOUNTS:** We will have a sign up downstairs for family or individuals to serve coffee and donuts each week. If you would like to help with this ministry please sign up or call Curt LaVelle at 276-7007.

**ADORATION:** We are looking for a person to spend one hour with our Lord at midnight & 8 am on Thursday & 3 am on Friday. If you would like to spend this hour with Jesus, please call Karla at 276-3615.

**ANNIVERSARY:** St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Madras, Oregon is having a Holy Mass at 6:30 pm with reception to follow in the parish hall on July 22 to celebrate Fr. Gregory ordination to the Priesthood 30th anniversary .

**BOOK OF THE MONTH:** *Called by Name* is the inspiring stories of 12 men who became Catholic Priests. Catholic priests communicate the glory of heaven through the ministry of the word and the sacraments, especially in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the source and summit of our Faith. By fulfilling this mission, these men truly become an *alter Chirstus*, another Christ. In this intriguing look at the awesome call to the priesthood, you will experience firsthand the joys, the struggles, and the extraordinary grace needed, and given by, these men we call "Father." This book is available in our library to check out.

**St. Mary's on-line:** The website is [stmaryspendleton.org](http://stmaryspendleton.org)

**BOOK:** Don't forget to check out Fr. Clemens book *Imagination Gone Wild*. You can find it on-line at [www.stmaryspendleton.org](http://www.stmaryspendleton.org). or hard copy in back of church for \$8.00.

**OLNEY MILL DIRECTORY:** If you have questions or problems with your pictures please call 1-800-596-3731.

<u>Altar Servers for June 27-28</u>	<u>Eucharistic Min. June 27-28</u>
Saturday 5:00 pm: Daniel & John Kubishta and Soren Wolf	Saturday 5 pm: John Bjorkland & Patrick Feller
10:am: Nolan & Grant Kennedy	10:00 am: Bud & Bernie Moore
11:30am: Mitchell Montachalin	

## 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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