

20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 16 2009

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, August 17

7:00 pm MASS † David Stillman/Florence Stillman

6:00 pm-12:00 am ADORATION

TUESDAY, August 18

7:00 am MASS † Sherwood Stillman/Florence Stillman

12:01 am-12:00 am ADORATION

WEDNESDAY, August 19 John Eudes, priest

5:15 pm Confession

6:00 pm MASS Eileen Burns/Mary Ramey

12:01 am-12:00 am ADORATION

THURSDAY, August 20 Bernard, abbot & doctor

7:00 am MASS † Larry Rew/Larry & Sally Blanc

12:01am-12:00 am ADORATION

FRIDAY, August 21 Pius X, pope

5:45 am Men's Bible & Faith Study

7:00 am MASS † Dan Shaw/Larry & Sally Blanc

12:01 am-10:00 am ADORATION

SATURDAY, Aug 22 Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am MASS Special Intention/Fr. Clemens

3:30 pm Confession

4:30 pm Rosary

5:00 pm MASS † David & Rose Baker/Shirley Baker

SUNDAY, Aug 23 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00-9:00 am Holy Hour

9:15 am Confessions

9:30 am Rosary

10:00 am MASS Mary Pat McCarton/Mary Ramey

DISHES: If you have brought food for funerals or other events please remember to pick up your dishes in the kitchen. Thank you.

RE REGISTRATION: Registration for RE will be the weekends of August 29-30 and Sept. 19-20 after all Masses.

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

RE ROOF & FLOOR: Anyone wanting to make a donation to help with the cost of the RE roof and floor please make your checks payable to St. Mary's Building fund. Thank you.

NEW CONFESSION TIME: In the year of the Priest Father would like to offer more times for confession. The new time will be Wednesday at 5:15 pm starting August 19. Of course you can ask Father anytime for confessions.

ADORATION: We are looking for a person to spend one hour with our Lord at 8 am on Thursday & 3 am on Friday. Please help fill these hours with Jesus, call Karla at 276-3615 to sign up for your hour. Thanks

BOOK OF THE MONTH: In this popular biography of Saint Faustina, Catherine M. Odell draws on Faustina's dairy and many other sources to present the fascinating and inspiring life story of this remarkable young woman whose divinely inspired revelations and mystical experiences have touched thousands of lives and formed the basis for the worldwide Divine Mercy Movement. A profound message of God's hope and love for our time! You can find this book in our library.

RCIA: Anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church? Classes started September 22nd at 7:00 PM in the Church. The classes are also open to anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. Any adult who has not been confirmed and who would like this sacrament, the RCIA classes are for you. Contact Fr. Clemens 276-2833.

Altar Servers for Aug 22-23

Saturday 5:00 pm: Nolan & Grant Kennedy

Sunday 10:00 am: Logan Thorne & Quinn Doherty

Sunday 11:30 am: 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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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: (*From In Conversation with God*)

The Second Vatican Council teaches that Holy Communion is a *sacrament of love, a sign of unity, a bond of charity, a paschal banquet in which Christ is eaten, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us.* This eternal glory is not only for the soul, but for the body, for the whole person. The Lord made reference to the whole person when He promised that whoever should eat His flesh, would live in Him and would never die, but would rise with Him on the last day. The Eucharist proclaims the death of the Lord until He comes again at the end of time, when our earthly bodies will be resurrected and united with our souls. Therefore those who enter into the joy of God forever will do so in both body and soul.

Jesus is *the Life*, not just of eternal life, but also of the supernatural life of grace that works in the souls of people still on earth. When Jesus arrives in Bethany to raise Laszarus from the dead, he says to Martha: *I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he dies, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.* The Lord repeats in Bethany the teaching He had given earlier in Capharnaum, the teaching we find in today's Gospel: he who receives Him will not die.

The Fathers of the Church call Communion *the medicine of immortality, the antidote for death, the means to live always in Jesus Christ.* The Eucharist acts as the seed of future glorification for the body, making it incorruptible for eternity. The Eucharist sows within the human person the germ of immortality, since the life of grace is more per-durable than death.

Saint Gregory of Nyssa explains that man took in the food of death (with original sin), and therefore should take the medicine which will work as an antidote. This medicine is none other than the Body of Christ, *who has overcome death and is the fount of Life.*

If at any time we should become depressed at the thought of death, we should fill ourselves with hope in the knowledge that death is a step on the road to everlasting life. Our soul will live on, to be later reunited with our glorified body. It is like someone who, abandoning his home during a catastrophe, is consoled by the thought that he is on the way to a better dwelling, one that he will never again have to quit. The Holy Eucharist is not only an anticipation, it is a *sign that acts as a guarantee* of the promise the Lord has made to us: *he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.*

Ecce Panis Angelorum, factus cibus viatorum, vere panis filiorum: behold the bread of Angels, made into the food of travelers, truly the bread of the sons. Give us, Lord the strength to travel with human and supernatural dignity along our way upon this earth, our eyes fixed firmly on our goal.

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.

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.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING COURSE:

Have you ever thought about what unnatural birth control methods really do to your body? To your marriage? The Couple to Couple League has the answers and more. Attend a course and learn a natural method of family planning that is safe, effective, and morally acceptable. Great for achieving as well as postponing pregnancy. A new course will be held on Aug. 29th, Sept. 26th, and Oct. 30th. For more information and registration. Call Scott & Valerie DeSomber at 276-6532

BOOK: In this "Year of the Priests", it would be wonderful to extend our thanks to the priests of our diocese with a gift from our parish family. This gift would be a seven volume set of "In Conversation With God," by Francis Fernandez. This is a very beautiful set of books that any priest would find very helpful in serving his parish, as well as his own spiritual growth. If you would like to make a donation for these gifts you will bind envelopes in the back of the church. Just put the envelope in the collection basket.

WEEKLY BIBLE VERSES TO MEMORIZE: Jn 6:35-

40 But Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst. But I have told you that you have seen me and you do not believe. All that the Father gives to me shall come to me, and him who come to me I will not cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of Him who sent me. Now this is the will of Him who sent me, the Father, that I should lose nothing of what He has given me, but that I should raise it up on the last day. For this is the will of my Father who sent me, that whoever beholds the Son, and believes in Him, shall have everlasting life, and I will raise him up on the last day."