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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

### God at Work: The Vocation of Reed Sandblast

*Vocations aren't the result of planning, but an encounter with God that changes your life.*

~ Pope Francis ~

I grew up attending Mass at Our Lady of the Lake. My parents still live in the neighborhood and are active parishioners at OLL. Even at a young age I've had a passion for Spanish and Latin American culture. This passion was ignited at the age of 12 when my family hosted an exchange student, Diego, from Ecuador. He became like an older brother to me.

When I was in eighth grade, I remember feeling called to the priesthood for the first time. I spent a whole week asking God to provide direction for what He desired for my life. At the end of that week, Father John Kerns came up to me after Sunday Mass and, without me mentioning anything to him, he told me that I should become a priest. This was the start of my call; however, it was not until much later that I acted on it.

After graduating from Lake Oswego High School, and before starting college, I went to visit Diego and his family in Ecuador, to work on his family's farm. I became fluent in Spanish, and it was through this experience that I gained the skillset, not only in Spanish, but in connecting with people of different cultures and backgrounds. I can clearly see how Christ used that experience to reignite my

faith and prepare me for the priesthood.

The summer of my Junior year at Oregon State University, I had an internship with the FBI and was preparing for a career serving my country. I drifted away from the church, and at points, away from God. I felt very successful. I had a direction and a goal. I felt I did not need Him because

I was achieving so much on my own. I always knew that God was calling me to the priesthood, yet I was afraid of boldly answering this call because I knew it would mean giving up my desire for a family, career, and other worldly pleasures. So, I buried this feeling deep inside me throughout high school and college.

In June 2020 I graduated from OSU with a Bachelor of Arts in Spanish and a Bachelor of Science in Political Science – International Affairs. And now, instead of seeking a career in service to my country, I am preparing for my novitiate with the Saint John Society. What changed? It seems that even when my focus on Christ dimmed, His focus on me remained ever strong.

To those who have drifted away from the Church, my message of hope is quite simple. I have been there. Ultimately,

I realized that there was something lacking that external success could not fulfill. There was a feeling of emptiness, that even with all the pleasures I enjoyed, would not leave me.



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#### WEEKDAY SERVICES AT OLL

**Daily Homily** by Fr. John Kerns available at [www.ollparish.com](http://www.ollparish.com) or on Facebook

**Prayer** - Church open Monday-Friday from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM for individual silent prayer. Please be mindful of social distancing.

#### SUNDAY MASSES

**Livestream Saturday Vigil** at 5:00 PM available at [www.ollparish.com](http://www.ollparish.com). Sign up to attend Mass online.

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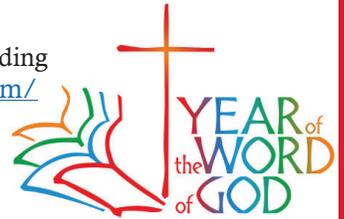
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## YEAR OF THE WORD OF GOD

This year we are encouraging you to read the Bible. Reading Plans available in the church and online at [ollparish.com/read-the-bible](http://ollparish.com/read-the-bible). If you have questions, feel free to ask, we'd be happy to help as well as offer encouragement!



Remember, don't worry about getting behind or starting at a later date. You can go at your own pace or begin where we are. Follow along with our journey of **Reading through the Bible** this year on social media, the weekly emails, and online at [ollparish.com/read-the-bible](http://ollparish.com/read-the-bible).

### This Week's Readings

**Sunday, August 23 • Day 211: Tobit 4-6** (A Father's Instruction; the Angel Raphael), **Proverbs 29:1-13, and Philippians 3** (Polemic: Righteousness and the Goal in Christ). Visit us on Social Media to share what you are learning!

### Bible Reading Encouragement

This week, we began the Old Testament of Tobit. Tobit is the story of Tobit and his son, Tobiah. Tobit and his family are living in Assyria having been taken into exile with the rest of Israel. After going blind, Tobit sends Tobiah on a journey with the Angel Raphael, disguised as a human. Read the rest of Tobit to find out how the story ends and be encouraged by the faith of Tobit and Tobiah.

Visit us on Instagram or Facebook to share your thoughts, ask your questions, and encourage others!

Our goal is that each child, from preschool through fifth grade, can know, love, and follow Jesus in their life.

This fall, we will offer online learning to children enrolled in Life Kids and First Sacraments.

Registration is now open.

To learn more, go to our NEWLY UPDATED Life Kids page at [www.ollparish.com/life-kids](http://www.ollparish.com/life-kids).

For more information contact Mary at [maryb@ollparish.com](mailto:maryb@ollparish.com).



## COVID-19 Urgent Response Campaign

When you are out restocking at grocery stores or Costco, please consider purchasing the following items for SVdP to share with those in need in our community: **canned fruit and vegetables, chili in flip top cans, canned tuna and chicken, peanut butter.**

We are so grateful for your continued food donations and financial support in our efforts to help prevent homelessness!

## God at Work, *continued*

Through a process of searching, I came to the realization that Jesus Christ is alive. Today. Nothing else matters in this world. Christ created us for something more. He let us be born right now, in this day and age, desiring our salvation. There is nothing we can possibly do to lose that love and there is nothing He desires more than to be our friend. Nothing will ever fulfill us except for a personal relationship with Christ. I know it seems a lofty goal, you have no idea where to start, and no desire to lose those things that you hold dear right now. Yet, if you dare to crack the door open just a little, to allow God a little opening, there is nothing He can't do. Nothing He can't change. There is no greater love you will ever feel, and I am a personal testimony to this love.

One of my favorite quotes ever from CS Lewis is the following, *"Christianity, if false, is of no importance, and if true, of infinite importance. The only thing it cannot be is moderately important."* I had been living my whole life as if Jesus was moderately important. Christianity was just another part of my life; church was something that I went to but never who I was. When I reconverted to my faith, I recognized that if Jesus is who he says he is, then there is nothing else that I could possibly desire except Him. Christ only needs us to search for Him, to be open to His truth and light, and there is no darkness that His light won't touch in our lives.

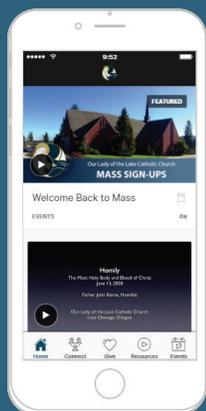
In the coming years, I am looking forward to the formation process of the priesthood in which I will get to know myself and Christ more deeply, so that I can better serve others. I hope to align my life better to Christ, so that, as stated in Galatians 2:20, *"It is no longer I who lives, but Christ who lives in me."* I am looking forward to forming myself through self-giving, that through apostolate and bringing Christ to others, I may learn to live in Christ's continual presence.

I will be starting my formation for the priesthood with the Saint John Society. The Saint John Society is a missionary community of apostolic life founded in Buenos Aires, Argentina, who's ministries focus on college students and poor Hispanic communities.

If anyone is interested in learning more about me, supporting me throughout the process, or getting updates/prayers from me, my mailing address for this year will be: Reed Sandblast, 501 NW 25th Street, Corvallis, OR, 97330.

Other than letters with questions or support, please ask people to pray for me and assure them that I will be praying for the Our Lady of the Lake Community this entire year!

Here is a link to the Saint John Society Website: [www.socsj.org](http://www.socsj.org)



## Church APP

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## Offertory

We thank all those who contribute to the support of Our Lady of the Lake Church. Our fiscal year runs July 1 through June 30.

**THIS YEAR:** Week ending 8/16/2020

Weekly Collection: \$25,336

Fiscal Year to Date: \$157,476

**LAST YEAR:**

Weekly Collection: \$22,710

Fiscal Year to Date: \$180,933

**BUDGET:**

Fiscal Year to Date: \$166,022

## PARISH OFFICE AND CENTER CLOSED DURING COVID-19

Parish phones available  
Monday-Friday from 9:00 AM to  
4:00 PM at 503-636-7687.

Visit our website for current  
information on parish events,  
closures, and Mass Sign Ups, at  
[www.ollparish.com](http://www.ollparish.com).

## Mass Intentions

*Sunday, August 23, 2020*

9:00 AM For the Parishioners

11:30 AM +Jerry Hofer

*Monday, August 24, 2020*

8:30 AM +Shirley Mae Schiller

*Tuesday, August 25*

8:30 AM +Roger Perrin

*Wednesday, August 26, 2020*

8:30 AM +Veronica Sherman

*Thursday, August 27, 2020*

8:30 AM +Roger Willett

*Friday, August 28, 2020*

8:30 AM Int. Patty McMahon-  
Christensen

*Saturday, August 29, 2020*

8:30 AM +Patrick Buxton

5:00 PM +Paul John Mundaden

*Sunday, August 30, 2020*

9:00 AM For the Parishioners

11:30 AM +Theresa Welsch

To view upcoming Intentions and  
request an Intention online, visit  
[www.ollparish.com/intentions](http://www.ollparish.com/intentions).



## ONLINE GIVING IN 3 EASY STEPS

If you are already using online giving skip step 1 and 2. (If you forgot your user ID or password click the forgot button and a new password will be emailed to you.)

### STEP 1 - REGISTER

- From [www.olparish.com](http://www.olparish.com)
- Click “Giving” in top right navigation bar
- Click on “Give Now:
- Click on **CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT**.
- Fill in the information boxes that contain a red asterisk. Make sure to write down your User ID and Password.
- **Submit. You will receive an email to confirm your information.**

### STEP 2 – SET UP METHOD

- Now log into your account, click on **MY PAYMENT METHOD**.
- You will need to **ADD NEW BANK ACCOUNT** (if using your checking account) **OR ADD NEW CREDIT CARD** (if using your credit card).
- Provide all the information requested. Then click **SUBMIT**.

### STEP 3 – SET UP DONATION

**OPTIONS:** You can choose multiple funds (RE, Maintenance, SVdP)

- Return to **MANAGE MY ACCOUNT** and choose **GIVE A NEW GIFT**.
- Choose **OFFERTORY** (fund), then select gift type **RECURRING**.
- Select payment and frequency and start date.
- Select the account (check or credit card), then enter amount and frequency.
- Click **NEXT** (bottom of page)
- In the **CONFIRM MY GIFTS** window, review the details to insure everything is correct. Click **SUBMIT**.

## Loving Others through Outreach

### Respect Life

#### Walking With Moms In Need?

*Walking with Moms in Need* is a year of service where Catholic parishes and communities “walk in the shoes” of local pregnant and parenting women in need. Everyone should know how to help moms in difficult circumstances.

While not trying to turn Catholic parishes into pregnancy centers, we can support local pregnancy centers where they exist, and we can also find and share other resources with pregnant and parenting women.

**Week 22: Did You Know??** StandUpGirl.com is a wonderful website that provides a pregnancy support network. It has a wealth of resources for women experiencing unplanned pregnancies. There are videos, real stories, and a list of local pregnancy support centers. More information can be found at [StandUpGirl.com](http://StandUpGirl.com). For women who might be feeling scared, overwhelmed, or alone, StandUpGirl might be just the resource that they need during this year of Walking with Moms in Need.

Please pick up a copy of the brochure in the Narthex titled Listen to Your Heart which has some resources on how to help pregnant women in need.



### Mercy Teams

#### Sack Lunch Meals of Mercy

The need throughout the Portland Metro has increased, both with food insecure families and the unsheltered. Mercy Teams will continue our Sack Lunch Meals of Mercy Outreach through the month of July.

To date parishioners have donated and delivered 20,000 sack lunch meals of mercy, and another 135 family meals, each serving 5 to 6 individuals. All of this since the end of March.

To continue, we need 40 volunteers to make sandwiches, organize and deliver these meals to the various missions we serve Sunday & Monday. Volunteer with email by going to [www.olparish.com/mercy-teams](http://www.olparish.com/mercy-teams).

#### Shopping for the Homebound

We have matched 8 homebound parishioners with shopping assistance so far. We have the capacity to do more. If you are aware of a need, please submit that persons contact info.

#### Street Ministry to the Unsheltered

Always on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday, we prepare a terrific breakfast safely in the parish hall. We meet at 8:00 AM, leave for our first destination under the bridge in Oregon City by 9:00 AM and are home by 11:30 AM. Six Volunteers needed for August 22.



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