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Love God. Love Others. Make Disciples of Jesus Christ.

THE ASCENSION
OF THE LORD
MAY 29, 2022

The Ascension of the Lord

When (Jesus) had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. (Two men dressed in white) said, “Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven.”

Acts 1:10-11

How do you imagine heaven to be? Many people who have returned to life after “near death” experiences describe being surrounded by brilliant light and having a complete sense of peace. Do you imagine heaven as a physical place, a state of being, or some other embodiment of time or space? Of course, we can’t really know what heaven is or will be like but the promise of eternal life with the Risen Lord Jesus is the essence of our faith. We say that our union with Christ here in the Eucharist is a “foretaste” of that heavenly banquet.

This weekend we hear the scriptural “bookends” of the beginning of the Acts of the Apostles and the final passage of St. Luke’s Gospel. They are two versions of the same eyewitness account described by the same author, St. Luke. The disciples witnessed Jesus being “taken up” into heaven and were assured of his return by the angels. We are asked to be witnesses to Jesus’ resurrection *by faith, not by sight* – a task made significantly more difficult in today’s post-Christian culture.

Giving Witness to Life

We recently reached the unimaginable milestone of over one million deaths from COVID. We have seen the disturbing images of death in Ukraine, Buffalo, and mass shooting incidents which numb our senses and ability to understand why. Our prayers go out to the families of victims, and we continue to pray for peace, but how do we uphold life and give witness to the promise

of heaven in our own circle of influence? Like the first disciples, we must stop “looking to the heavens” and find our own strength to proclaim life and the Good News.

The Power and Presence of the Eucharist

Jesus never asked for our worship but instead offered us His ongoing presence in the Holy Eucharist. We need

His strength and sustenance for the journey of faith and to be His witnesses in our circle of family, friends, and community. We need the gift of parish community as well as the parish community needs each one of us – all generations of faith. If you’ve been away too many weekends, consider this a gentle nudge to return to a more regular attendance at Sunday Mass. We need your presence to be fully the community of disciples.

This weekend, as we honor those who have sacrificed their lives for our freedoms, may we consider our own call to uphold life. As St. Paul reminds us this Sunday: “*Let us hold unwaveringly to our confession that gives us hope.*” (Hebrews 10:23)

Throughout the Easter season, Fr. Kerns has been reflecting in his homilies about the awesome gift we

have in the Holy Eucharist. You can replay those messages by subscribing to our OLL podcasts or by listening online at the parish website. (ollparish.com/liturgy/homilies)



- Tom Tomaszek, Pastoral Associate

THIS WEEK

Monday, May 30

6:30am Alcoholics Anonymous - PC:Lib.
8:30am Mass
10:00am Centering Prayer - PC:Naz.
10:00am Awakening Faith - PC:Lib.
7:00pm Boy Scout Meeting - PH:Carp.

Tuesday, May 31

8:30am Mass
3:00pm Awakening Faith - PC:Lib.
6:00pm Mass
7:00pm Capernaum Young Life - PH:Carp.

Wednesday, June 1

6:30am Mass
6:30am Alcoholics Anonymous - PC:Lib.
7:00am Exodus 90 - PC:Board.
8:30am Mass
11:00am Charismatic Prayer Group -PC:Lib.
4:30pm Small Faith Group - PC:Lib.

Thursday, June 2

6:30am Mass
8:30am Mass
4:45pm Alcoholics Anonymous - PC:Lib.
7:00pm OLL Choir Rehearsal - PH:Carp.
7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous - PH:Front

Friday, June 3

6:30am Alcoholics Anonymous - PC:Lib.
8:30am Mass
9:30am First Friday Adoration & Holy Hour
8:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous - PH:Carp.

Saturday, June 4

8:30am Mass
9:15am Reconciliation - CH
10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry
5:00pm Mass

Sunday, June 5

7:30am Mass
9:00am Mass
10:00am Family Faith Formation
10:00am Middle School Bible Study
11:00am Mass
2:00pm Volunteer Recognition Celebration

ABBREVIATIONS KEY

CH - Church; PH - Parish Hall: Front/Mid/
Carpet, Kitchen; PC - Parish Center: Parish
Office, Boardroom, Nazareth, Bethlehem &
Jerusalem Rms., Parish Library; SCH - School:
Multipurpose Rm., Gym; Off Campus

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

SUPPORTING AND INSPIRING FAMILIES
TO GROW IN THEIR CATHOLIC FAITH.

Since faith begins at home, we encourage families to eat, pray, and live their faith together. That is why we provide online lessons for parents to share with their children at home.



This Week's Lesson: Jesus Is Taken Up to Heaven

"Ascension" means "going up". The Sunday Gospel talks about the Ascension, when Jesus rose from the earth and went up to heaven. Before Jesus left, he knew what God's plans were and was preparing his friends to continue his work.

Check out the "[Faith In The Home](#)" section on our website for more faith activities for children.

OLL PARISH WOMEN'S RETREAT

Women of Faith Transformed by Grace

OLL Parish Women's Retreat

Friday, June 10 - Sunday, June 12, 2022
at Mt. Angel Abbey Guesthouse



Dina Marie Hale will be our retreat master, sharing her personal journey of faith and conversion. We will begin with Vespers Friday at 5:20pm and conclude with Lunch on Sunday. Cost for retreat:

\$280. Scholarships are available. Contact Laura at laurap@ollparish.com. To register, visit ollparish.com and click on the midpage rotating image.

One Sacrifice of Christ

As we celebrate the Solemnity of Jesus' Ascension into heaven, we reflect on his dual natures as both human and divine. Here is a beautiful hymn that puts these theological understandings in poetic contemplation. We'll sing this song as our Communion hymn at Mass this weekend.

One Sacrifice of Christ

by Robert Feduccia and Rick Modlin

1. One sacrifice of Christ,
one throne above the heavens.
Christ has risen as he said,
and will come to wake the dead.
Christ will return to set us free.

One sacrifice of love,
one message for the nations:
Jesus suffered, died and rose,
and ascended to the throne.
Christ will return to save the world.

2. One gaze we lift above,
where Love was drawn to heaven.
We stand watchful through the night
for our King to come in light,
heirs to the glory of the Lamb.

One mighty Word of truth:
Christ did arise in triumph.
Now he sits upon the throne;
God's right hand is he alone.
Christ reigns in splendor over all.

3. One banquet richly set
for all God's holy people.
We will dine in joy and peace,
and our song will never cease,
praising the Lamb upon the throne.

One shout of joy we raise,
one voice in exaltation.
For in glory Christ has gone,
and in hope we now are drawn
to one sacrifice of Christ,
one sacrifice of Christ.

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Sign Up for Sunday After-Mass Hospitality



After Mass "Coffee and Donuts" is a great way for new and returning parishioners to extend the celebration of Mass each week. We still need a few more helpers each month for Sunday After-Mass Hospitality. The May and June schedule is posted at our Sign Up Genius sheet--easily found on our homepage slider at ollparish.com. Consider how you might offer your time for Sunday Hospitality.

Volunteers.

Thank you for helping us grow...

... in faith

... in love

... in service



In appreciation for your service at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church, **the staff invites all volunteers to a**

Volunteer Recognition Celebration

**Sunday, June 5, 2022
2:00 to 4:30pm
in the Parish Hall**

Hors d'oeuvres will be served.

Please RSVP by May 30



To RSVP:
scan the QR code with your phone, call us at 503-636-7687 or email office@ollparish.com



First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

Join us in prayer before the exposed Blessed Sacrament, **Friday, June 3 at 9:30am - 8pm**. There will be a Holy Hour with Benediction from 7-8pm.

WE ARE MORE ALIKE THAN YOU THINK

FINDING COMMON GROUND AMONG FAITH COMMUNITIES

WHAT: Join us as we gather with tasty Indian cuisine and wine to explore how interfaith dialogue can transcend divisions and foster belonging, friendship and community. Setting the stage for enjoyable meal conversations, Fr. Suresh Amalraj will share commonalities between diverse faith traditions to help us discover our common humanity.

WHERE: Our Lady of the Lake Parish Hall

WHEN: Wednesday, June 8, 5:30-7:30pm




WHO: Fr. Suresh Amalraj, our Parochial Vicar, holds a Doctorate in Comparative Religions and Masters' Degrees in Theology, Sanskrit, and Education.

COST: \$18 **REGISTER:** Scan the QR code or visit ollparish.com and click on the rotating banner image.



Sponsored by Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Social Justice Initiative

Prayer Shawl Retreat



The Archdiocese of Portland Prayer Shawl Ministry Retreat: "Casting On Prayers," is hosted by OLL "Threads of Comfort" Prayer Shawl Ministry. Date: **Saturday, July 16**, 10am–2pm. Check in starts 9:30am. Lunch buffet will be provided. Register by July 11 - email michelle.z.mosgrove@gmail.com. Please include number attending (if a group) name of contact person for group.

OLL In-Church Coordinator for Funerals and Weddings


This month, **Donna Barton**, officially retired as our In-Church Coordinator for Funerals and Weddings. Donna had previously served as our Parish Nurse and accepted this new role upon the request of Fr. John Kerns. Donna has provided excellent planning, coordination, and pastoral presence for parish funerals, working with families of the deceased, funeral directors, Agnes Zueger, our Music and Liturgy Coordinator and other parish staff members, and our priests to ensure these services allow everyone to feel at ease that day and these lives to be honored. In addition to the planning process, Donna also served as sacristan at these liturgies including all the necessary set up and follow up involved. Over the past years, Donna has greatly improved the managing of these details especially during the recent years of COVID shutdown and the various adaptations that has required.

In planning and preparing for weddings, the In-Church Coordinator meets and works with the engaged couple and their families, wedding planners, florists, and parish staff members to prepare for these special family and parish occasions. The planning involves several meetings ahead of the wedding day, and on-site preparation and organization on the wedding day itself. Again, Donna's pastoral presence and excellent organization have contributed to the ministry.

We are grateful to Donna for her years of service as our Parish Nurse and for developing bringing her competent spirit to this newly expanded role. We will miss her but wish her the best of retirement relaxation and adventure.

We welcome **Brenda Freeman** as our new In-Church Coordinator for Funerals and Weddings. Brenda has been apprenticing with Donna for the past couple of months and has now officially taken on the role, coordinating several funerals this past week. We have several weddings on the books for this summer, so Brenda will be quite busy with preparation meetings and events.

We're delighted to welcome Brenda to our staff and asked her for a few words of introduction:



Hello, my name is Brenda Freeman. I was born, raised, and educated in Portland, Oregon. My husband, Jarett and I moved to West Linn in 1994 to raise our three children. Our Catholic faith has been the foundation of our lives. I've been honored to share my faith in several opportunities throughout the years and am looking forward to contributing my gifts with Our Lady of the Lake community. I'm thankful for the welcome I've already received by so many of you and am inspired to continue the amazing work Donna Barton has provided.

ABIDE
A YOUTH CONFERENCE

When you hear a Gospel story about **HEALINGS & RAISING THE DEAD**
What's your response?
Sound like a fairytale? Something *only Jesus* did?
Or the *perfectly holy*? Or people from *ancient times*?

What if I told you that signs like these
ARE JESUS' EXPECTATION FOR ALL BELIEVERS?

What if having a personal relationship with Jesus
actually got personal? Like, *right where it hurts...*

Many teens doubt the existence of a living God,
because they haven't *seen or experienced* the
abundant life He promised.

With Holy Spirit's ok, we seek to change that.

On Pentecost, St. Joseph's is hosting a teen event
to teach, activate, and pray for the supernatural
power that signified the birth of the Church.
We have seen and believe that God *wants to* and
will encounter you *more* than you expect Him to.

are you open to asking?

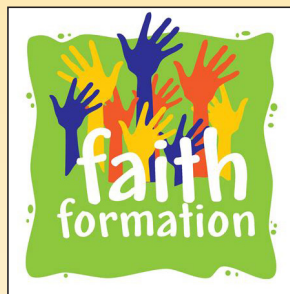
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Seeking Teachers and Helpers for Children and Middle School Faith Formation

This fall, we are excited to have in-person gatherings for our children (K-8) to grow in their faith within our parish community!



As we build our team, we are looking for a few teachers and helpers to inspire children with engaging activities on Sunday mornings, October thru April.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mary Brunette at maryb@ollparish.com

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OFFERTORY

THIS YEAR:

April 2022: \$133,333
Year to Date: \$1,355,423

BUDGET:

Year to Date: \$1,415,751

LAST YEAR:

April 2021: \$111,724
Year to Date: \$1,165,930

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

Catholic Home Missions: \$2,636
Holy Land: \$3,470

Sacred Heart Cemetery Clean Up - Thank You!

Thank you for your service and support! On Saturday, May 21st, over 30 volunteers pitched in to freshen our cemetery by cleaning grave markers, removing debris, and spreading mulch. They also prepared an area for the installation of our new columbarium and 120 cremation niches! It was amazing how much was completed in just 3 hours. It was hard work, but everyone was having a good time caring for this sacred space. Your love showed!



RESPECT FOR LIFE



Euthanasia/Physician Assisted Suicide

“Whatever its motives and means, direct euthanasia consists in putting an end to the lives of handicapped, sick, or dying persons. It is morally unacceptable. Thus an act or omission which, of itself or by intention, causes death in order to eliminate suffering constitutes a murder gravely contrary to the dignity of the human person and to the respect due to the living God, his Creator. The error of judgment into which one can fall in good faith does not change the nature of this murderous act, which must always be forbidden and excluded.”
—Catechism of the Catholic Church 2277

Facts About Oregon Physician Assisted Suicide

Did you know that in 2021 there were 383 lethal prescriptions, and at least 238 drug-induced deaths – more than twice the number in 2014, and over fifteen times the drug-induced deaths in the law’s first full year?

Did you know that all reporting about doctor-assisted deaths is self-reported by the doctors prescribing lethal drugs? Doctors have often been members of, or close collaborators with, “Compassion and Choices” (formerly The Hemlock Society), which adamantly supports assisted suicide and promoted the state laws.

Did you know it is “unknown” whether any health care provider was present when the drugs were ingested in almost half of all cases occurring since 2001, when this question began being asked of prescribing physicians?

Did you know that doctors prescribing lethal doses list the underlying illness as the cause of death on

death certificates?

Did you know that from 1998 to 2019, only 4% of patients who died by lethal prescription were even referred for evaluation to check for “impaired judgment”?

Did you know that one woman with cancer received doctor-assisted death although she had dementia, was found mentally incompetent by some doctors, and had a grown daughter described as “somewhat coercive” in pushing her toward the lethal prescription?

These facts and more information can be found in the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' article **Assisted Suicide Laws in Oregon and Washington: What Safeguards?**

The article can be found at www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/assisted-suicide/to-live-each-day/upload/suicideoregonwashingtonmarch2022proposed.pdf

Pregnancy Help: To help pregnant moms in our own community, please go to: ollparish.com/serve/love-others —click “Find Help.”

Post-Abortion Healing: If you are suffering after abortion, experience a Rachel's Vineyard healing weekend sponsored by Project Aurora. project-aurora.org.

Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese

5/1-5/31 **Catholic Charities Traveling Crib:** Please place your baby items in the crib outside the Parish Hall. For details, visit ollparish.com/respect-life.

7/24-29 **Young Lives Summer Camp Volunteer Opportunity in Eastern Oregon:** For info on how to help nannie kids of teen moms, go to goyounglives.younglife.org —and watch a video at vimeo.com/309138197.



Checks Payable To:

As a friendly reminder, please make checks payable to **Our Lady of the Lake**. If you'd like to

specify a particular ministry or program, please note this in the memo line of your check.

Parish Office Hours

Mon.-Fri. 9am-4:30pm
Located on the 2nd floor
of the Parish Center.
Doors are locked;
please use keypad.

Weekend Mass

Schedule

Sat. 5:00pm
Sun. 7:30am, 9am, 11am
(Sun. 5:00pm - once a
month, check bulletin)

Daily Mass Schedule

Mon.-Sat. - 8:30am
Tues. - 6:00pm
Wed. & Thurs. 6:30am

Church Open Hours

For individual prayer
Mon. - Fri.
9:30am - 4:30pm

Church Location

790 A Avenue
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503-636-7687

Reconciliation

Saturday 9:15 - 10:30am
and by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

First Fridays 9:15am-8pm

Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick

Contact the office

Bulletin Insert Deadline

Thursday at 12pm
(1 ½ weeks before)
Email information to
annb@ollparish.com.

Mass Intentions

For the week of May 30-June 5, 2022

Monday, May 30

8:30 am † Tony Platt

Tuesday, May 31

8:30 am Int. Tanu Prajapati (Living)
6:00 pm † Joe Bydon

Wednesday, June 1

6:30 am Int. Erin Burgess (Living)
8:30 am † Terry Showman

Thursday, June 2

6:30 am † Patricia Hamling
8:30 am † Tony Platt

Friday, June 3

8:30 am † Dan Ferrebee

Saturday, June 4

8:30 am † Andrew Polowski
5:00 pm Int. Zoraida Zuniga (Living)

Sunday, June 5

7:30 am Int. For the Parishioners
9:00 am † Mark Hagen
11:00am † Lorraine and Stanley Kowalski

To view the Mass Intentions Calendar or request an
intention online, visit ollparish.com/intentions.

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