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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 4, 2022









Youth Ministry at Our Lady of the Lake

"Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity.

1 Timothy 4:12

e've all heard it said that "the children are the future." While that can sound a little cliché, it's undoubtedly true that if we didn't pass the faith on to each new generation, there would be no future Church. At a time when more and more young people are disaffiliating with their faith and leaving their Catholicism behind, we have to see our task of engaging the youth not merely as an option, but as an urgent and divine calling. Our parish takes that task seriously.

At its core, our Youth Ministry seeks to do the following: "to help young people understand, be personally transformed by, and live out their faith." In other words, we try to form the head, the heart, and the hands. First, we want our young people to understand the content of their Catholic faith and to see with fresh eyes that belief in God is reasonable and capable of responding intelligently to the objections of atheism, scientism and secularism. Secondly, we hope to persuade our teens that faith is more than knowledge, but involves a personal transformation through a living relationship with Jesus Christ; our hearts need to be changed as much as our minds. Lastly, we will offer various service opportunities, reminding ourselves that being a disciple is more than an inner feeling. If we wish to imitate Jesus,

then our faith should be complimented by concrete works of justice, mercy and healing to those most in need.

This fall, we will be continuing with Middle and High School Ministries, but there are some changes that we'd like you to know about.

Confirmation

Confirmation is now open for 9th grade and up. The program consists of 7 classes and 3 social events. We discuss in depth the Bible, God, Jesus, The Eucharist, The Mass, Mary & the Saints, controversial Catholic social teachings, and what it means to be empowered by the Holy Spirit and sent forth on mission. The approach to our curriculum is to avoid all "watering down," and instead to address honestly the challenging questions that today's young people tend to struggle with. There will also be time spent in prayer, reflection and building community with friends.

Middle School Ministry

Our Middle School Ministry takes place every Sunday morning in between the 9am and 11am Masses. Kids will have the chance to get to know one another, and we always include plenty of snacks and games. Each week we have a short discussion about that particular Sunday's Gospel reading. The hope is that they get to know more about

THIS WEEK

Saturday, September 3

8:30am Mass

9:15am Reconciliation

10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, September 4

7:30am Mass

9:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

Monday, September 5

8:30am Mass

10:00am Centering Prayer - PC:Naz.

7:00pm Boy Scout Meeting - PH:Carp.

Tuesday, September 6

8:30am Mass

4:00pm St. Vincent de Paul mtg.

6:00pm Mass

7:00pm Capernaum Young Life - PH:Carp.

7:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 7

6:30am Mass

7:00am Exodus 90 Group

8:30am Mass

11:00am Charismatic Prayer Group - PC:Lib.

4:30pm Small Faith group (Mercy Teams)

Thursday, September 8

6:30am Mass

8:30am Mass

4:45pm Alcoholics Anonymous - PC:Lib.

7:00pm Facilities & Development

7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous - PH:Front

Friday, September 9

8:30am Mass

8:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous - PH:Carp.

Saturday, September 10

8:30am Mass

9:00am Second Saturday Sisterhood (after

Mass)

9:15am Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass

6:00pm Exemplification of Knight of

Columbus

6:00pm Knights of Columbus Reception

Sunday, September 11

7:30am Mass

9:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

2:00pm ICDA Meeting (Cathlic Deaf Assoc.)

ABBREVIATIONS KEY

PH - Parish Hall: Front/Mid/Carpet;

PC - Parish Center: Parish Office, Nazareth,

Bethlehem & Jerusalem Rms., Parish Library

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Jesus, and at the same time make connections with the priest's homily that day. All are welcome!

High School Ministry

We are also starting a new weekly High School Discipleship Group, every other Sunday at 5pm. This is for absolutely any high schooler who wants to come! The point of this group is to have meaningful conversations about God and faith with other Catholic peers. Time is spent not so much in explaining or defending the faith, but in gathering as committed believers, diving deep into The Scriptures, and talking about how we can grow together as disciples. We will include plenty of service opportunities and fun outings along the way!

Research shows that when 5 or more committed adults are invested in the life of a young person, they are far more likely to hold onto their faith during college years. That's why I need YOUR HELP in developing this Youth Ministry. It might be anything from leading a simple discussion, to coming up with fun games, to bringing snacks. If you feel a calling to get involved in Youth Ministry, please reach out to me so we can have a conversation and see where you might be a good fit. Above all, keep praying for our youth!



*All Youth Ministry details and registrations can be found at <u>ollparish.com</u>. Any questions? Email

Luke Brooks at lukeb@ollparish.com.

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Now all this can't, and shouldn't,

happen with just one leader.

BREAKFAST BURRITO SALE

September 11th in the Parish Hall after all Sunday Masses, 8:30am - 1:00pm

Proceeds go to the Knights of Columbus Charities. Sponsored by the L.O. Knights of Columbus.

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.



Jesus Wants Us to Follow

For us to follow Jesus, sometimes we have to do difficult things or things we do not want to do. However, Jesus is there to guide us, especially if we trust in him

and ask for his help. What do you think Jesus wants you to do to be his follower? Pray? Do chores? Show kindness to a sibling? What action will you do this week?

Check out the <u>"Faith In The Home"</u> section on our website for more faith activities for children.

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Order of Christian Initiation: The Nyes' Testimony



y name is Stefanie Nye.
My husband Mike and I
have known each other
for over fifteen years. We have been
married for nine of those wonderful
years. We decided as a family to pursue
becoming Catholic as our children
were beginning to ask questions about
our faith. Mike grew up with a strong
Catholic background and encouraged

me to learn more about becoming Catholic. I reached out to Our Lady of the Lake parish and they made the process seamless for my family and me. Even though we joined during the middle of COVID we still felt very much a part of the community. Starting with in-person meetings and ending on Zoom after COVID took a spike we discovered we loved Zoom as we could see everyone's faces for the first time. Our parish's online Masses allowed us to stay connected too.

Ultimately, we decided to send our kids to Our Lady of The Lake School so our family could continue our faith and growth as Catholics together. The school has Mass on Thursday mornings with all the students and prayer throughout the day. It feels like it is really helping our kids grow into faithful Catholics. Mike thoroughly enjoyed the process as well. He shares these thoughts:

"I have a wonderful family, and never thought we could get any closer. That changed once Stef and I embarked on the process of Stef's baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation and then finally having our marriage blessed in the Catholic Church. Having total family alignment in the Catholic Church enabled a connection between us that I cannot explain. The journey and experience were amazing, fun, and so rewarding."

I would add that we were so grateful and thankful for Laura Patton. She made the preparation process and our day so special and seamless. We also could not have asked for a better person to bless our marriage than Father John.



We would encourage anyone who is interested to reach out to the church. Our family has had such a wonderful positive experience. Our children are so happy; we just went through our son's first communion and feel so proud and blessed that we made this choice.

Returning and Searching Catholics: Know God More Personally Through Awakening Faith

Are you really "awake" to your Catholic Faith? Is God

in your life now? Like many Catholics, your faith may have been passed down to you by your parents. Maybe you even attended Catholic Schools. Did your faith development stop once you reached adulthood?

Perhaps you are considering developing a more active faith— or perhaps you are considering returning to

the Catholic faith after a period of absence.

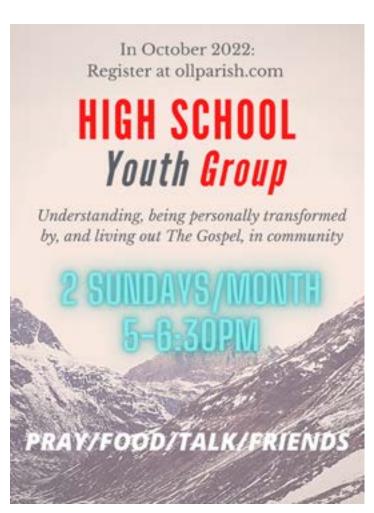
We are coming together in Awakening Faith to grow in our understanding of God, of one another and of the true meaning of life.

In Awakening Faith, we will talk about spirituality— "If I am spiritual do I need the Church?" We will look at Jesus—Who is He? We will discuss the Holy Spirit, not understood by many; God's unending mercy; the Mass (the source and summit of being a Catholic); and the Church (given to us by Jesus for a reason).

Contact me with any questions and to begin your journey or enhance your journey of faith. For more information go to our website ollparish. com/adults. Call me, Margaret Jamieson at 503-635-2915 or email me at maggieandmargaret@gmail.com.



We will meet in the Parish Library on the 2nd floor of the Parish Center, **beginning**Monday, September 26th at 10am—and
Tuesday, September 27th at 7pm for those who work during the day.





Catholic Friendship Group

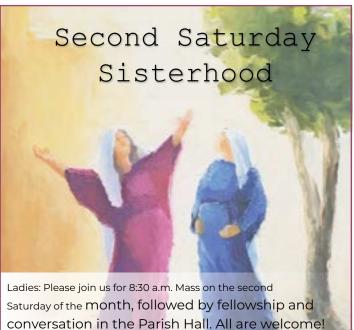
Catholic Friendship Group—Singles, ages 40-60. Eucharistic Adoration followed by a talk and discussion led by Fr. Joshua Clifton. Next topic: Mary in the Scriptures – Part II. Our group continues to grow! Come join us for our next gathering. **Friday, September 9th, 7:00pm-8:30pm**. Location: St. Birgitta Catholic Church, 11820 NW St. Helens Rd, Portland. RSVP to: CatholicFriendshipGroup@outlook.com. Visit www.catholicfriendshipgroup.com for details.

OLL School Opening for Extended-Care Aide



Need a part-time job and love kids? Apply to join the OLL School extended-care team. Hours are Monday-Friday, 3:00-6:00 PM. Must

be 16 or older to apply. Contact Kristen at kristeny@ollparish.com.



Dates in 2022: Dates in 2023: due to Holy August 13 January 14 Saturday) September 10 February 11 May 13 October 8 March 11 July 8 November 12 (April 8 August 12 December 10 canceled

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OFFERTORY

THIS YEAR:

BUDGET:

July 2022: \$108,971 Year to Date: \$109,285

Transfer to Outreach: \$3,269 LAST YEAR:

July 2021: \$117,983

Net July: \$105,702

Year to Date: \$105,702

Christ Church Episcopal Parish Refugee Relief Rummage Sale



Saturday, Sept 10, & Sunday,
Sept. 11 at **Christ Church Episcopal Parish** here in Lake
Oswego. Here's a win-win
opportunity! Clean out your
closets/garages plus help
refugee families at Christ Church
Refugee Relief Rummage Sale! **Why:** Refugees in our area are

why: Refugees in our area are suffering and need our help.
Proceeds go to Episcopal Relief & Development Fund.

When: Sept. 10 (9am-5pm) &

Sept. 11 (1-5pm).

Where: Christ Church, 1060 Chandler Rd., Lake Oswego

What can I donate? For a list of what donations can and cannot be accepted, contact Meg Knopf at megknopf139@gmail.com or 510-333-9499.

How can I donate? Bring items to Christ Church office (lower parking lot) Mon-Thurs. 9-1, or Sunday by appt.

Dan Ferebee Memorial Summer Food Drive July 15 - September 4



For I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty, and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.

Matthew 25:35

This is the last weekend of our Dan Ferebee Memorial Summer Food Drive. Thank you to everyone who has brought food (almsgiving) to donate. It is such a joy to come to church and see our barrels overflowing with nutritious food. So far, you have given nearly **3,000 lbs of food** for our food drive. Just as an FYI: We can only distribute food that has not yet expired and is unopened.

In addition to our three food drives—Advent, Lent, and Summer—we appreciate your generous donations throughout the year. Your donations help ease the burdens of families in our local area as we provide food for families in Lake Oswego, Tigard, and Milwaukie on a regular basis.

There is a saying:

As one person I cannot change the world, but I can change the world of one person.



Meals of Mercy Semi-Monthly Drive-Thru Drop-Off

Our next donation drop-off date is **Sunday, September 11 from 8:30-10:45am** Location: Our Lady of The Lake School, between the school and sport field.
Thank you for your generosity!
Visit ollparish.com/serve-others

to sign up for Mercy Teams email updates, make a sack lunch pledge, or sign up for 4th Saturday Street Ministry.

Street Ministry to the Unsheltered

Every fourth Saturday we share food, love, clothing and so much more. Next day of **Street Ministry is Sat. Sept. 24**. Meet in the parish hall at 7:15am, prep a hot breakfast, make sack lunches, and serve a hot breakfast to unsheltered guests on the streets. Contact Michael Backus at mercyteams@ ollministry.com with questions. Go to ollparish.com/serve-others and click on Mercy Teams.

RESPECT FOR LIFE

Memorial of St. Peter Claver

St. Peter Claver's Feast Day is September 9.
St. Peter Claver was a Jesuit missionary from Spain who, in the 1600s, served and ministered to captured and enslaved Africans as they were taken off the slave ships landing in South America. St. Peter Claver desired to offer his life as "a slave of the slaves." To learn more about Human Trafficking and how you can help, contact the local organization Global Health Promise, bwillis@globalhealthpromise.



National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

Saturday, September 10

On this day, Americans throughout our country will gather at memorials of aborted children nationwide to mourn for our brothers and sisters lost to abortion. Please join us after the Saturday 8:30am Mass in saying a Rosary in church and then praying the Litany for Life at Our Lady of the Lake's Memorial to the Unborn in the courtyard outside the Parish Hall.

Pregnancy Help: To help pregnant moms in our own community, please go to: ollparish.com/ serve/love-others/ and click "Pregnancy Services."

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

Prayer for an End to Human Trafficking

Dear Heavenly Father, we come to you across the world in prayer to pray for the abolishment of human trafficking in all its forms. Save the victims, help them to receive the proper guidance, counseling, shelter and healing that is needed for them to overcome this violent act, we humbly pray. Flood the hearts of those committing these acts, so they may come to know Your Grace. Thank you, Lord, for your angels here on earth who serve and protect these vulnerable peoples. Through the intercession of St Peter Claver, our Patron Saint of slaves, and St. Josephine Bakhita, Patroness of charity and patience, bring us the spirit of wisdom and love. God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, be our protector. Grant us the courage, strength, and ability to fight successfully to end the scourge of human trafficking. We ask this through, Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Hail Mary ...
St. Peter Claver, pray for us.



Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese:

9/7 Novena for Life to Our Lady of Sorrows: At times, it seems that life is threatened on all sides. Please join with others across the nation in prayer. For the nine days between September 7 (the vigil of the feast of the Birth of Mary) and September 15 (the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows), we pray for the intercession of Mary, the Mother of our Life, our

Faith and our Hope. Prepared by Reverend James Moroney. Please PICK UP a copy of the novena in the narthex or go to www.hailholyqueen.org/

novenas/27.htm

9/17 40 Days for Life Opening Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral, 1716 NW Davis Street, Portland. Bishop Peter Smith presiding, Msgr. Gerard O'Connor concelebrating at the 5:30 PM Mass. If you would like to carpool, call Sharon at 503-313-3689.

10/2 Respect Life Sunday/Respect Life Month

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Parish Office Hours

Mon.-Fri. 9am-4:30pm Located on the 2nd floor of the Parish Center.

Phone: 503-636-7687

Weekend Mass Schedule

Sat. 5:00pm Sun. 7:30am, 9am, 11am

Daily Mass Schedule

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

Church Open Hours

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

Church Location

790 A Avenue Lake Oswego, OR 97034

Mailing Address

650 A Avenue Lake Oswego, OR 97034

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 $(1 \frac{1}{2})$ weeks before) Email information to annb@ollparish.com.

Mass Intentions

September 3-11, 2022

Saturday, September 3

8:30 am Int. Linda Flynn (Living) 5:00 pm † Ryan Allen Faith

Sunday, September 4

7:30 am None listed at time of printing 9:00 am Int. For the Parishioners 11:00am † Teri Cettina

Monday, September 5

8:30 am + Carol Harkins

Tuesday, September 6

8:30 am None listed at time of printing 6:00 pm + Han Setiajaya

Wednesday, September 7

6:30 am + Helene Bradley 8:30 am † Betty Chlystun

Thursday, September 8

6:30 am None listed at time of printing 8:30 am † Walter Choruby

Friday, September 9

8:30 am + Mary Foley

Saturday, September 10

8:30 am † Marie Hong Tran 5:00 pm † Patrick Bell

Sunday, September 11

7:30 am Int. For the Parishioners 9:00 am None listed at time of printing 11:00am † Christopher Kombol

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

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