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TWENTY-FOURTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

7x7x77 = The Mathematics of Forgiveness

"Peter approached Jesus and asked him, 'Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.'"

– Matthew 18:21-22

In this week's Gospel, Jesus continues his instructions to the disciples on the important foundations of community and how to respond to the inevitable disagreements, quarrels, and offenses that would arise. Recall that St. Matthew was writing his Gospel account at the time of great persecution of the emerging Christian community from both the Roman and Jewish authorities. Once again, Matthew emphasizes Jesus' teaching that forgiveness is the lifeblood of any Christian community. Radical forgiveness was counter-cultural then and remains so today.

Truthfully, we cannot live together without upsetting one another, unwittingly, or even deliberately. So, forgiveness is the vital step to maintain harmony, and real forgiveness strengthens a relationship, leaving it stronger than it was before the offense. Family relationships are built on that trust and ability to offer and receive forgiveness. Yet, we all likely have an example of family members or friends who have experienced the deep pain of an unresolved quarrel or disagreement. And sadly, such deeply held resentments are often the reason behind the many acts of violence that now plague our society. How can we move beyond?

The Foundation of Forgiveness

To understand the "mathematics" of Jesus' reply to Peter's question on how often we must forgive (7x7x77) we must remember the forgiveness that we have received from God through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. That is the core petition we express every time we say the Lord's Prayer: *"give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us."* We must see our call to forgiveness through the example of God's redemptive suffering and love. Our verse before the Gospel today reminds us: *"Love one another as I have loved you."* (John 13:34)

Catechetical Sunday: Celebrating Faith

This weekend is Catechetical Sunday, our annual celebration of the religious education and faith formation programs we

offer for all ages. Parents and families are the primary and most important educators of faith. Our parish efforts look to support your role and responsibility. This year we are especially grateful for the return to in-person sessions for our Life Kids and First Sacraments, weekly gatherings for Middle School youth, and a robust Confirmation preparation for now 8th through 12th grade teens on Sundays following the 11:15am Mass. Combined with a full schedule of adult faith formation and faith sharing opportunities both in-person and online, we hope there are diverse ways to deepen your awareness and understanding of the treasure of our Catholic faith. - Tom Tomaszek, Pastoral Associate



Faithful to our Mission Campaign--\$3.6 million milestone complete!

We have much to celebrate as a parish community as we have made the final payment to officially retire our \$3.6 million debt which was the first milestone of the Faithful to our Mission Campaign and enabled us to pay off the beautiful Parish Center that houses our parish offices, meeting spaces and our excellent school. We also raised enough to put a new roof on the church, which we accomplished in 2019

We began this campaign in 2014, and our community determined that completing the payments for that structure was the most urgent need. During this time, with the generosity of parish and school families, we have also added a pre-kindergarten and renewed middle school classrooms. The parish center now also has secure access for both school children and people seeking access to parish offices.

We are grateful to all individuals, families, foundations and businesses that contributed to our success and we look forward to our future growth at Our Lady of the Lake!

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, September 16

7:00am DOGS Men's Group - Naz.
8:00am CYO Volleyball Tournament - Gym
8:30am Mass
9:15am Reconciliation
2:00pm Wedding: Nguyen/Harbick
4:00pm Choir Practice - PH:Carp
5:00pm Mass

SUNDAY, September 17

7:30am Mass
8:00am Music Ensemble Rehearsal - PH:Carp
8:30am Hospitality After Mass
9:00am Mass
9:15am Children's Liturgy - PH:Carp
10:30am Confirmation Parent Mtg. - PH:Carp
11:00am Mass
1:30pm Retrouvaille Marriage Help - Naz.
7:00pm AA Recovery in Motion - Naz.

MONDAY, September 18

8:30am Mass
10:00am Awakening Faith - Lib.
10:00am Centering Prayer - Naz.
4:00pm CYO Volleyball - Gym
7:00pm Men's God Shots Recovery Grp. - Naz.
7:00pm Boy Scouts - PH:Carp.

TUESDAY, September 19

8:30am Mass
4:00pm CYO Volleyball & Basketball - Gym
6:00pm Mass
7:00pm Awakening Faith - Lib.
7:00pm Guys Seeking God - PH

WEDNESDAY, September 20

6:30am Mass
8:30am Mass
9:30am Leadership Meeting - Beth.
11:00am Charismatic Prayer Group - Lib.
4:00pm CYO Volleyball - Gym
6:30pm ACTS Men Team Formation - Naz.
6:30pm OCIA - Lib.
6:30pm OLL Choir Rehearsal - PH:Carp.
7:00pm AA OMAR - PH

THURSDAY, September 21

6:30am Mass
8:30am Mass
10:00am Faith Formation Meeting - Beth.
4:00pm CYO Volleyball
4:45pm AA Consults - Lib.
5:30pm AA CIR Women's God Shots - Lib.
7:00pm AA OMAR Meeting - Naz.

FRIDAY, September 22

8:30am Mass
4:00pm CYO Volleyball - Gym
8:00pm AA 4th Dimension Meeting - Naz.

SATURDAY, September 23

7:00am Mercy Teams Street Ministry - PH.
7:00am DOGS Men's Group - Naz.
8:00am CYO Volleyball Games - Gym
8:30am Mass
9:15am 40 Days For Life Gathering - PH:Carp.
9:15am Reconciliation
11:00am Funeral: Mary Lu Freed
12:00pm Funeral lunch: Mary Lu Freed
4:00pm Choir Practice - PH:Carp
5:00pm Mass

Key: Naz. - Nazareth Room, Beth. - Bethlehem Room, Lib. - Parish Library, PH - Parish Hall
(Sections: Front, Middle, Carpet)

Sunday Mass Time Will Change on October 1st

On Sunday, October 1, 2023, the 11:00am Sunday Mass will begin at 11:15am each week. Prior to the pandemic shutdown, our Sunday morning Mass schedule was set at 7:30am, 9:00am, and 11:30am.

Reason for the Change

Parishioners will recall that we had adjusted the late Sunday morning time from 11:00am to 11:30am to provide sufficient time between the 9 and 11 am Masses for our Life Kids, First Sacraments preparation, and Middle School faith formation programs. These sessions typically take an hour to check in the children, hold the lessons for 30-40 minutes, and then release children back to their parents. The later start to Mass allowed catechists and parents leading the "Sunday School" programs the opportunity to attend the later Mass.

Life Kids and Confirmation

On October 1st, our Life Kids and Middle School ministry will begin meeting in-person again from 10:15 - 11:00am each Sunday. Our 8th and 9th grade youth and older teens seeking Confirmation will attend the now 11:15am Mass twice a month and meet afterwards for lunch and sacramental preparation. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we revive these important catechetical efforts.

Liturgical Ministers Needed

We are grateful for the liturgical ministers who have continued to serve as lectors, sacristans, ushers, altar servers, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. We simply need more parishioners to serve! Here is an open call – especially to younger parishioners – to serve in one of these ministries. Contact Agnes Zueger for more information: agnesz@ollparish.com

Ushers. We need ushers for all weekend Masses. This role is primarily about providing a spirit of hospitality – especially to many parishioners returning to Mass and visitors.

Eucharistic Ministers. Many people consider themselves "unworthy" to serve in this special ministry. But remember Jesus' response to Peter when he refused to let him wash his feet. We are all unworthy except for our salvation in Christ. You will never have a greater appreciation for the Holy Eucharist than in service to others.

Altar Servers. Youth in 5th grade and older are invited to serve. If you have previously altar served or would like to be trained to be an altar server, please contact ministries@ollparish.com and we will be in touch with further information. Training is simple and can be scheduled at convenient times.



OUR LADY OF THE LAKE CATHOLIC CHURCH Adult Faith Formation Opportunities 2023-2024

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ollparish.com/faith-formation/adult-faith-formation

EXPLORE YOUR FAITH

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)



OCIA is the process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith or for Catholics to complete the initiation sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. OCIA are rites designed for adults who consciously and freely seek God. Join us for Catholic Inquiry nights **beginning Wednesday, September 20.**

Awakening Faith



Awakening Faith is a wonderful opportunity for Catholics who have been away from the faith to join a group of fellow Catholics ready to walk the journey of faith with

you. Come and discover your faith anew and ask your questions of others who have gone before you. **Meets September/October for 6 weeks.**



The Bible Timeline

The Bible Timeline study program takes you on a guided journey through salvation history. Jeff Cavins will show you how fourteen of the Bible's books tell the biblical story from beginning to end. It will give you the keys to understanding the amazing story woven throughout Scripture. No previous bible study is necessary. Come join us! **Begins Monday morning October 2.**

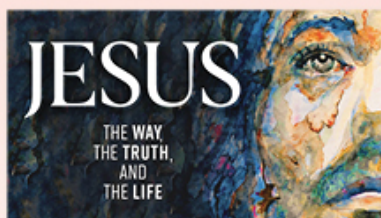


Vatican II Document: Sacred Liturgy

Sacrosanctum Concilium: Join fellow parishioners to read and discuss the first constitution of the Second Vatican Council on Sacred Liturgy. **Begins Wednesday evening October 4.**

Vatican II Document: Word of God, Divine Revelation

Dei Verbum: In this Vatican II study, parishioners will read and discuss *Dei Verbum* on Divine Revelation or the Word of God. **Begins Wednesday morning October 4.**



Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life

Presented by Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri. Filmed in the Holy Land and anchored in the life of Christ as presented in the Gospels, this study explores Jesus' life—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, what he did for our salvation, and what this means for Catholics today. **Begins Monday evening October 9.**

ONLINE RESOURCES FOR ALL



FORMED.org

Our top pics for the season are *Lectio Eucharist* and *A Case for Jesus* with Dr. Brant Pitre. Don't forget Movie Night recommendations found on FORMED.

To access OLL's paid subscription (free for all parishioners!), visit formed.org and enter our zip code 97034 to find our parish.



CHILD & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION



Nursery Open during 9am and 11am Masses!

Children from 6 months - 3 years are welcome to visit the Nursery while their parents attend Mass. No registration required. Please contact Krista Bryant at

kristab@ollparish.com for more information and to volunteer in this ministry.

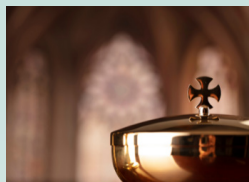


Register Now for Life Kids

Tomorrow is the last day to register for Life Kids, our Child & Family Faith Formation program.

Classes begin on October 1st, with a kick off event next Sunday, September 24th. To register your family, please visit www.ollparish.com/family.

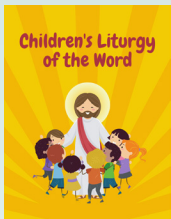
We are in need of classroom volunteers! Anyone interested should contact Melissa Hanifan at melissah@ollparish.com or Krista Bryant at kristab@ollparish.com.



Register Now for First Sacraments

Tomorrow is the last day to register for our First Sacraments program. All 2nd grade children or older who would like to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Communion are invited

to join this program. Classes begin on October 1st, with a kick off event on September 24th. Visit www.ollparish.com/first-sacraments or email Melissa Hanifan at melissah@ollparish.com for more information.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

Each Sunday, we sing songs, pray together, and learn the gospel during the 9am mass. Today we learned the importance of forgiving one another from the heart.



Jesus teaches that we must forgive one another as God has forgiven us

When it comes to forgiving each other, we can sometimes put conditions on our forgiveness or 'keep score' rather than offering forgiveness abundantly and unconditionally. In today's parable,

the servant refuses to forgive his fellow servant the debt that he owes even after he was forgiven by the king. Because we have all received God's forgiveness, God expects that we will also be forgiving toward others. The number of times that we forgive one another is less important than the depth of our forgiveness.

For more information visit ollparish.com/family

Family Faith Events

This year Our Lady of the Lake will host a number of Family Faith Events. All families are welcome to attend. Please mark your calendars and watch the bulletin and website for more information. Unless otherwise noted, all events will be held from 10-11am.

9/24 Family Faith Formation Kick Off Event

10/29 Fall Family Event with Knights at 3pm

11/12 Family Thankful & Grateful Event

12/3 Family Advent Event

12/17 Family Christmas Pageant

1/21 Knights Free Throw Shooting Event at 2pm

2/11 Family Lenten Event

3/31 Easter Sunday - Family Easter Egg Hunt

5/12 End of the Year Celebration



Case Training

At OLL, we are committed to providing a safe and nurturing environment for children to learn about Jesus. Creating A Safe Environment (CASE) training is required for all volunteers participating in children's ministry. September training sessions are planned for the 18th, 27th, and 30th. Please contact Kim Heinrich at kheinrich@ollstaff.org to register.

Dear Volunteers,

The Funeral Luncheon Ministry Team needs someone to connect families, staff, ministry team, and volunteers to coordinate Funeral Luncheons. Please consider if you could be that person. You will have the wonderful collaboration, support and experience of the Ministry's Team: Andrea Scanlon, Monica Howell, Pat Henderson, Ruth Coyne, Alice Gregoire, Jan Wizer, and Jean Eves.

I am taking a step back from Funeral Luncheon communications, by mid-September. The past 6 years have been a phenomenal experience for me. Meeting with families, volunteers, and staff has brought sustaining joy, service satisfaction, and kinship. Going forward you will find me with the Prayer Shawl Ministry and running amok with grandchildren.

Thank you for your consideration and for making a difference in the Funeral Luncheon Ministry.

Sincerely, Michelle Z. Mosgrove

UPCOMING FUNERAL LUNCHEONS

Saturday, Sept. 23rd - Marylu Freed



Sack Lunch Meals of Mercy

Our Adopt-a-Mission teams

deliver an average of 1,200 sack lunches each week to eight missions. We collect donated sack lunches and sandwiches during our Drive-Thru Drop-Off held twice a month. Donate sack lunches containing granola bar, chips, Capri Sun fruit punch, apple sauce cup, or PB&J sandwiches. Visit the parish website for pledge sheets and details for the next Drop-Off on **September 17th**.

4th Saturday Street Ministry to the Unsheltered

Every 4th Saturday we share love, socks, and clothing items, a hot breakfast and a sack lunch. Smoothies are served, and water and hygiene kits are handed out. This is a great hands-on service opportunity for all ages. Our guests look forward to the time we spend and the love we share.

To sign up for **September 23rd** Street Ministry, visit ollparish.com/serve-others and click on Mercy Teams.

We welcome donations of new white socks during our drop-offs, or place them in Mercy Teams' space in the parish hall.

Contact Michael Backus with questions at mercyteams@ollministry.com or call 503 708 9503.

Pastoral Council 2023-24



(From left to right): Fr. John Kerns, Mike McCallum, Nina Pascua, Scott Olsen, Antoinette Awuakye-Green, Laurens Johansen, Cynthia Barr, Melissa Hanifan, Lillian Oppenheimer, Francine Heffernan, and Joe Prats. Not pictured: Molly McWeeney

RESPECT LIFE



40 Days for Life Opening Mass

Celebrated by Father John Kerns Saturday, September 23 at 8:30am Our Lady of the Lake, 650 A Avenue, Lake Oswego

After Mass, join us for a Opening Rally downstairs in the Parish Hall. David Jackson, who has had three abortion experiences, will give his testimony. He has participated in Rachel's Vineyard Retreats. There will be other speakers as well. Coffee and sweets will be served.

40 Days for Life - 40 Days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion - beginning on September 27. The campaign will be outside the Lilith Clinic late-term abortion facility located at 511 SW 10th Avenue, Portland.

We have confirmation that our prayerful and peaceful presence there is making a difference. Please join us for this important witness for life! For more info, contact Therese at 503-997-1884

40daysforlife.com/portlandor

40 Days for Life is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Portland

Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese:

9/27 40 Days for Life Begins

10/1 USCCB Respect Life Sunday/ Month

10/14 St. Pius X Knights of Columbus Pro-Life Rosary for the Fall 40 DFL Campaign 10AM at 511 SW 10th Avenue, Portland



THIRD TUESDAY GUYS SEEKING GOD

On the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month, join the men of OLL in the parish hall for food, drinks, and brotherhood 7:00-8:30 pm.

Upcoming Dates
September 19
October 17
November 21

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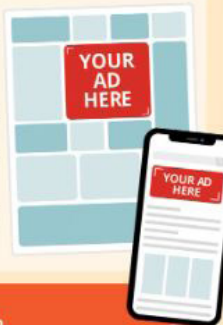
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| Net: | \$132,187 |
| Year to Date: | \$260,972 |
| Budget Year to Date: | \$255,110 |

Last Year, August 2022

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| Net: | \$111,189 |
| Year to Date: | \$216,991 |

Open House



Catholic High School Open House Events

Sunday, October 1 – Central Catholic
Sunday, October 8 – De La Salle North Catholic
Sunday, October 8 – Valley Catholic
Sunday, October 15 – St. Mary's Academy
Sunday, October 22 – La Salle Catholic College Prep
Sunday, October 29 – Jesuit

Parish Office Hours
Mon.-Fri. 9am-4:30pm
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**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

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790 A Avenue
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Saturday 9:15 - 10:30am
and by appointment

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First Fridays 9:15am-8pm

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Contact the office

Bulletin Insert Deadline
Thursday at 12pm
(1 ½ weeks before)
Email submissions to
katelyna@ollparish.com.

Mass Intentions

September 16 - 24, 2023

Saturday, September 16

8:30 am † Corona & Francisco Parreno
5:00 pm Int. Sandy Cobb (Living)

Sunday, September 17

7:30am Int. For the Parishioners
9:00am † Fausto & Julita Orteg
11:00am † Francois Francis

Monday, September 18

8:30 am † Russell Newhart

Tuesday, September 19

8:30 am † Robert Goodwin
6:00 pm Int. Porus Parvataka (Living)

Wednesday, September 20

6:30 am Int. Sandeep Maheshwari (Living)
8:30 am † Laura Conchuratt

Thursday, September 21

6:30 am † Shital Shirke
8:30 am † Carlo Dungca

Friday, September 22

8:30 am † Chundawat Family

Saturday, September 23

8:30 am Int. Vivek Bindra (Living)
5:00 pm † Jeanne Freeman

Sunday, September 24

7:30am Int. For the Parishioners
9:00am † Paul Reher
11:00am † Frank and Louise Putz

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

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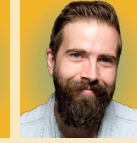
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