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St. Paul Parish

Established 1839

December 5, 2021



1846

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	6:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM
Tuesday	6:00 PM
Wednesday	School Mass
Thursday-Sat	8:30 AM
ADORATION	
Tuesday	5:00-6:00 PM
Friday	9:00-11:00 AM

CONFESSION

Tuesday-after Mass until 7:00 PM
 Wednesday 4:30-5:00 PM
 Friday 8:00-8:20 AM
 Saturdays 4:00-5:15 PM
 And by appointment or drop in at the office as
 Father is available.
THE SACRAMENTS
 Baptism - Marriage
 Anointing of the Sick—Funeral
 Contact Father Baier
 (503) 633-4611

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Administrator	Father Scott Baier
Sec/Bookkeeper	Kelly Mullen
Finance Council	Phil Mahony, Chair
Pastoral Council	Andrea Sonnen, Chair
Development	Laurie Nicklous

ST PAUL PAROCHIAL SCHOOL

Principal	Amanda Davidson
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Welcome to St. Paul Parish. We extend our hearts and hands in Christian fellowship to you here celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God you are with us. To become part of our parish family, or if you have updated information, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail to the Parish Office.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

- New Parishioner
 New Address
 New Phone
 Visitor
 I would like Father to call me
 Interested in parish ministries
 I would like weekly offertory envelopes

Saint Paul Parish - December 5, 2021
Second Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions for December 5-12, 2021

12/5	Sun	9:00 AM	People of the Parish
12/6	Mon	NO MASS	
12/7	Tue	6:00 PM	
12/8	Wed	7:00 PM	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: Susan Drescher Price
12/9	Thu	8:30 AM	+Alice Regla
12/10	Fri	8:30 AM	Living and Deceased Members of the Saint Paul Cemetery Association
12/11	Sat	8:30 AM	
		6:00 PM	
12/12	Sun	9:00 AM	People of the Parish

Collections
 November 28
 \$1541
 Campaign for Human
 Development \$1475

ALTAR DECORATORS
 December 11
 Carolyn Zielinski &
 Eve Woodland

*If you would like something
 included in the bulletin
 please suggest it by noon
 on Tuesday.
 (503) 633-4611
 stpaulparish@stpaultel.com*

This Week's Faith Formation Schedule, December 5-12

High School Confirmation —Sunday, December 5, 10:15 AM
 RCIA—Wednesday, 7PM
 Men's Group, Saturday, 7:30 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEKEND MASSES, DECEMBER 11-12.

Saturday, 6 PM, Cy & Rita Coleman, Makaela Lozano
 Sunday, 9AM, Angel Hernandez, Conner & Murphy Zielinski

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS DECEMBER 8TH AT 7PM.

SUSAN DRESCHER PRICE passed away after a short illness this past week. She was born and raised in St. Paul and was a sister to Peggy Sellers and Dan Drescher. Please keep Susan and her family in your prayers.

THANK YOU to the St. Paul Fire Department volunteers for decorating the trees in front of the church last Sunday. They provide wonderful cheer and joy to our church grounds during this Christmas season. Thank you to Ernst Nursery for loaning the trees for this festive display.

PIES NEEDED! If you would be willing to bake a pie (or two) for Archbishop Alexander Sample's visit to our parish, please email Kelly Mullen (stpaulparish@stpaultel.com). We'll be renting the upstairs of City hall and the school children will be sharing a skit and other activities. Right now the event is scheduled for January 12 at 7pm with adoration in the Church beforehand. It is my hope that everyone will make an effort on that weekday, a Wednesday, to come and show the Archbishop that St. Paul is indeed a thriving parish and school. Let's show him the faith of St. Paul, Oregon

December 8—Immaculate Conception, holy day of obligation: Vigil Mass at 6pm on Tuesday December 7 or 7pm on Wednesday December 8.

DECEMBER 14, TUESDAY— Advent penance prayer service, 7 PM There will be 3 priests in attendance to hear confessions. If you haven't confessed in over a year, it would be important to come.

from the desk of Father Baier...

It's good to be back with you after some time away at the ocean. I feel rejuvenated and rested and ready to work hard again. Thank you to Father Jim Coleman for beginning the Advent season for us. Advent begins for us a new liturgical year and the readings will be different from what we heard in the previous two years. Much of the Gospel will come from the Gospel according to Luke. I'm thinking about trying something I've never done this year and that is to try preaching mostly on the Epistles, that is the letters, of St. Paul. St. Paul can be somewhat lengthy or verbose in his writing and he isn't always the most accessible, but he certainly has a lot of wisdom and had a powerful connection with Jesus Christ spiritually. Paul never met Christ before Jesus ascended to heaven, in that way, he has something very much in common with us who believe two millenia later. The first settlers here in St Paul named the parish and then the town after the apostle St. Paul because they saw his greatness as a disciple and the holiness of his message. Therefore, hear me preaching his name a lot in this new liturgical year that began last Sunday.

Wednesday marks the Immaculate Conception which is a holy day of obligation. For years I thought that Jesus was the one Immaculately conceived, and while it is true that he is also conceived without sin, this solemnity refers to the belief that Mary was conceived without sin so that she could be the singular vessel of purity to bring Christ into the world. Mary, Mother of God, pray for us and be real for us!

I also need to strongly encourage our parish to come to confession. Fr. James Herrera of Gervais and Fr. Cit of Molalla will be present with myself to hear sins and give the Lord's forgiveness. If you haven't been to confession in six months to a year, now is the time. Often people say, I don't have anything to confess. My response is that you aren't looking closely enough. Sin blinds us to its presence in our lives. Have you missed Mass because you didn't make it important that week? Have you been careless in thoughts, words, or actions? Have you joined in negative conversation about someone? Have you wasted time on your phone or with mindless television? Are you failing to be the best person you can be? Another pathway to discovering our sins is to think about sins of omission. It is easy to say I haven't murdered another capital sin, but what have you done to ameliorate, that is bring an end to, world hunger? How have you shared the Gospel with others? Have you been a source of healing for those who are wounded or broken? Remember that what you share in confession remains under the seal of confession and stays there. You don't have to confess to me your own priest either, that is why two other priests will be present. At St Anthony in Tigard we used to fill the Church with people and 17 priests for confessions. I'm hoping many of you trust this sacrament enough to come and find healing on the 14th of this Month. God be with you!

Fr. Scott Baier

CANS AND BOTTLES... Thank you to everyone who has donated their cans and bottles to benefit St. Paul Parochial School. Over the past year and a half, SPPS has received enough cans and bottles to fill 190 "bottle drop" bags. If you would like to donate cans and bottles, please pick up the SPPS bottle drop bags at the office. Filled bags can then be returned to the front office, or to Newberg Fred Meyer Bottle Drop. Cans/bottles may also still be returned to the front of the school, and we will transfer them to the Bottle Drop bags. We appreciate your support!

FORMED.ORG—St. Paul Parish is still subscribed to Formed.org, an amazing Catholic resource filled with information, videos, reading material and education for all ages. To sign up follow these easy steps:

1. go to www.formed.org
2. Click Sign up
3. Select "Sign up As a Parishioner" and follow the instructions using "St. Paul Parish" as your parish name.

If you need help creating an account please don't hesitate to call the parish office, 503-633-4611.

SPECIAL MASS TIMES IN DECEMBER

DECEMBER 24, FRIDAY—Christmas Eve Mass, 5 PM

DECEMBER 25, SATURDAY—Mass, 9AM, CHRISTMAS DAY