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St. Paul Parish

Established 1839

March 31, 2024
EASTER SUNDAY



1846

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAPPY EASTER! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

This is a glorious day when we actualize that Jesus has risen from the dead. He shows us the way to the Father. Through him, Jesus opens heaven to believers through this paschal mystery that we have and are celebrating. I pray that you experience the great joy of Easter surrounded by other disciples and with your family and friends. -Fr. Scott Baier

No adoration or daily Mass Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning.

Morning "Women's Bible Study" meets at 8:00 am on Tuesdays, in the parish office.

Community Potluck Breakfast will be on Sunday, April 7th 10:00 am—noon. Please put this date on your calendar! Contact Laurie Nicklous: laurienicklous@att.net for details and a sign up list is available in the Church.

Men's group resumes April 11, 6pm. Please send a note if you are attending that we may have enough dinner to go around! sbaier@archdpdx.org.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	6:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM
Tuesday	6:00 PM
Wed	7:00 AM
Thurs, Sat	8:30 AM
Friday (School Mass)	2:00 PM

ADORATION

Tuesday	5:00-6:00 PM
Thursday	9:00AM-noon

CONFESSION

Tuesday-after Mass until last confession.
 Friday 8:05-8:20 AM
 Saturdays 4:00-5:15 PM
 And by appointment or drop in at the office as
 Father is available.
 Parish office: 503-633-4611
 sbaier@archdpdx.org

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Mass Intentions for March 31-April 7, 2024

3/31	Sun	9:00 AM	People of the Parish
4/1	Mon	NO MASS	
4/2	Tue	NO MASS	
4/3	Wed	NO MASS	
4/4	Thu	7:00 PM	Fr. Chris Bernabe
4/5	Fri	2:00 pm	Fr. Casey Bailey
4/6	Sat	8:30 AM	+ John Harris
		6:00 PM	Lincoln Van Smoorenberg
4/7	Sun	9:00 AM	People of the Parish

Collections:
March 24, 2024
 \$2,472.00

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

SERVICE TO THE PARISH FOR APRIL 2024

	Lector	Ushers/Greeters	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6PM	Steve Stone	Doug Buyserie	April 7—Jim Mullen
		Ben Smith	April 14 —Arianna Campos
Sun. 9AM	Gary Vachter	Tom Schibel	April 21—Julia Fieger
		Bill Murphy	April 28—Nancy Buyserie

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat. 4/6 6:00 pm	Hadley & Skyler E.	Sun. 4/7 9:00 am	Henry & Frank V.; Lillian P.
Sat. 4/13 6:00 pm	Cecelia & Dalilah S.	Sun. 4/14 9:00 am	Bre & Che A; Jennifer A.
Sat. 4/20 6:00 pm	Cy & Rita C.	Sun. 4/21 9:00 am	Jameson F; Allie S; Addie G
Sat. 4/27 6:00 pm	Nolan K , Makaela L.	Sun. 4/28 9:00 am	Georgia & Anne G.; Raegen F.

From the desk of Father Baier...

EASTER SUNDAY, Reflections by Scott Hahn & Ken Ogorek

New Morning

The tomb was empty. In the early morning darkness of that first Easter, there was only confusion for Mary Magdalene and the other disciples. But as the daylight spread, they saw the dawning of a new creation.

At first, they didn't understand the Scripture, today's Gospel tells us. We don't know which precise Scripture texts they were supposed to understand. Perhaps it was the sign of Jonah, who rose from the belly of the great fish after three days (see Jonah 1:17). Or maybe Hosea's prophecy of Israel's restoration from exile (see Hosea 6:2). Perhaps it was the Psalmist who rejoiced that God had not abandoned him to the netherworld (see Psalm 16:9-10).

Whichever Scripture it was, as the disciples bent down into the tomb, they saw and they believed. What did they see? Burial shrouds in an empty tomb. The stone removed from the tomb. Seven times in nine verses we hear that word—"tomb".

What did they believe? That God had done what Jesus said He would do—raised Him up on the third day (see Mark 9:31; 10:34).

What they saw and believed they bore witness to, as today's First Reading tells us. Peter's speech is a summary of the Gospels from Jesus' baptism in the Jordan, to His hanging on a tree (see Deuteronomy 21:22-23), to His rising from the dead.

We are children of the Apostles, born into the new world of their witness. Our lives are now "hidden with Christ in God" as today's Epistle says. Like them, we gather in the morning on the first day of the week. We gather together to celebrate the Eucharist, the feast of the empty tomb.

We rejoice that the stones have been rolled away from our tombs, too. Each of us can shout, as we do in today's Psalm: "I shall not die, but live." They saw and believed. And we await the day they promised would come, when we, too, "will appear with Him in glory."

What priority should the sacraments have in a Christian disciple's life, knowing that when we celebrate the sacraments we encounter the Risen Lord Jesus in unique and life-giving ways?

Who in my community of family, friends, coworkers, etc. might be struggling to find meaning and purpose in life? How might I engage in a conversation allowing me to witness to ways that my relationship with God helps make my life purposeful and full of meaning?

It's holy Saturday after the egg hunt and I'm attempting to bake bread. Currently the dough is rising. I like to do this on Holy Saturday to embrace the quiet and because I think of Jesus rising from the dead. It's a patient activity waiting for bread to rise and waiting for the dead to rise.

Scripture has various comparisons of yeast. The reading for Easter Sunday from St. Paul suggests that we are the leaven is something foreign that should not be added to our lives. "Therefore, let us celebrate the feast, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. " (1 Cor 5:8)

In your actions and words do you give others the simple truth, or do you leaven it with malice and wickedness. Christ gives us a model of complete unleavened sincerity and truth that we are to emulate. In our anxiety and worry we can often add leaven to our actions and puff them up with pride.

However, Jesus also speaks about leaven in another way. Matthew chapter 13 says, "He spoke to them another parable. "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast* that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened." (Matthew 13:33) Here the people of God are the leaven that enrich the dough that is the world. We who believe have the power to transform the world into what Christ desires.

What kind of leaven will embody? The leaven of pride and wickedness that is false, or the leaven of grace that has the power to bring souls to Christ Jesus's saving embrace?
—Blessings and Peace, Fr. Scott Baier

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM, MARRIAGE, ANOINTING
OF THE SICK, FUNERAL

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor	Father Scott Baier
Sec/Bookkeeper	Theresa Wolf
Finance Council	Bryan Hockett, Chair
Pastoral Council	Andrea Britten, Chair
Development	Laurie Nicklous

ST PAUL PAROCHIAL SCHOOL

PARISH OFFICE

WED 9:30 AM—11:30 AM
THURS 9:30AM-NOON
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ST. PAUL PAROCHIAL SCHOOL OFFICE

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