

St. Frederic Catholic Church

175 S. 13th St., St. Helens, Oregon



Mission Statement

St. Frederic is a Catholic Christian Community that works and prays together to deepen our love of God and to share that love by ministering to each other and the extended community in holiness and justice.

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday—Friday 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

December 8, 2019

2nd Sunday of Advent

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MASS SCHEDULES AND OTHER SERVICES

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass	5:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses	8:00 a.m.
English/Spanish Mass	10:00 a.m.
Spanish Mass	5:00 p.m.

(usually 2nd Sunday of the month)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday—Friday 8:30 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

12:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

ADORATION

Friday 9:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m.

HOLY HOUR/PRAYER

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

ROSARY

Tuesday—Friday	7:50 a.m.
Saturday	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	9:30 a.m. in Spanish

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

MATRIMONY

By appointment, at least 6 months in advance. Call the office for an appointment.

BAPTISM

Call the office for an appointment

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

St. Vincent de Paul Hotline 888-375-6074

Sick Calls or Deaths 503-380-9085

December 8, 2019 Weekly Need

From July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 the weekly amount to maintain our church is now **\$4,188.38**. This is only for expenses to maintain our liturgy, ministries, personnel, and facilities throughout the church compound. We are now showing you our weekly income and accumulated deficit for the church throughout the fiscal year.

Week 22	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Need:	\$ 4,188.38	\$ 92,144.36
Collection:	\$ 1,882.69	\$ 54,795.08
	\$-2,205.59	\$-37,349.28

Thank you for your Support

Immaculate Conception

Join us in the celebration of the Immaculate Conception to Monday, December 9. Mass is at 8:30 a.m.

2nd Sunday of Advent—December 8, 2019

What does it mean to be worthy? There are a few different ways to approach this question. Today's Gospel highlights two: the way of the Pharisees and the way of John the Baptist. Our faith values good works and discipleship. Perhaps, then, we "earn" our worth by adhering to the right doctrines and following the right pious practice. The Pharisees thought they were worthy. Due to their religious pedigree and proper procedures, they were self-satisfied. John the Baptist's words to them are strong. "Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.'" Of course, Jesus (and John) don't omit the responsibility for moral behavior. John gives the Pharisees quite a strong warning in that regard. "Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance ... every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

It's a question of attitude. Of disposition. It's a matter of the heart. If anyone would be worthy in this scenario, it's John the Baptist. Jesus himself will name him the greatest of prophets and a great man. John, however, recognizes his own lowly place in the grand scheme of things. "The one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals." The Pharisees take pride in being "better" than others. John embraces humility in Christ being "better" than him. We don't self-generate our own worthiness. We receive it as a gift from God

In a few short weeks, we'll celebrate the birth of Christ. Bishop Ven. Fulton Sheen wrote about the Nativity in his "Life of Christ": "Because [Jesus] was born in a cave, all who wish to see Him must stoop. To stoop is the mark of humility. The proud refuse to stoop and, therefore, they miss divinity." God invites us to prepare our hearts this Advent. When you consider your own life, where are you looking for your worth? This Christmas, are you prepared to stoop?

BEQUESTS

I give, devise, and bequeath the sum of \$_____ to the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon for the sole benefit of St. Frederic Catholic Church located at 175th S. 13th, St. Helens, Oregon to be used under the direction of the priest at the time of my death.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Herbert Lightner, Barbra Cowlin, Pam Curnutt, Sandy Byers, Pauline Thompson, Chris Arnis, Bernard Offley, Debbie Medeiros, Ronald Schaumberg, Leo Carina, Bill Jauron, Marie Anderson, Joey Bates, Patty Lowe, Lloyd Ebert, JoAnn Evans, Rodney Mann, Craig Chabala, Martin Scheer Sr., Annabelle Scheer, Marcy Wright, Dominique Earl, Dean Ebert, Gail Norwood Young, Kathy Painter, Inge Miller, Manuel Painter, Margaretha Marandu, Bethany Lang, Raymond and Patty Rodabaugh, Alice Whitley, Allen Bork, Quartney Alden, Patsy Ness, Ken Brock, Barbara Brown, Alta Lynch, Dennis Pruchniewski, Kathy Reilly, Ralph DeSantis, Robert Tracey, Claira Grisham, Donna Marie DeSantis, John Weber, Marvel Brown, Randy Dixon, Allen Bower, Margie Tomlinson, Thomas and Jackie Prevish.

Our Lady of Guadalupe

A Novena for Our Lady of Guadalupe continues through Wednesday, December 11 at St Frederic. There will be a Meninitas Serenade on Thursday, December 12 at 12:00 a.m. (midnight) followed by a Rosary at 12:30 a.m.

Pasadas

Pasadas will start Monday, December 16 at 6:30 p.m. in individual homes and will end on Tuesday, December 24 at St. Frederic Church in Buccini Hall at 12:00 noon. If you would like more information contact Rosa Gonzalez at 503-397-0148.

Report

St. Frederic Catholic Church, November 2017—November 2020 Capital Campaign

Week 104

No. Pledges	Average Pledge	Total Pledged	Total Received	Goal	Over/Under	% Goal
82	\$3,211.45	\$282,608.00	\$193,033.87	\$300,000.00	\$17,392.00	94.2%

First Communion Class

Dec. 8—Advent Fair (Buccini Hall)

Dec. 15—No Class, Our Lady of Guadalupe

Dec. 22—Practice for Program after 10:00 am Mass

Dec. 29/Jan. 5—No Class, Christmas Break

Jan 12—Class 11:15-12:15 p.m.

Jan 19—Class 11:15—12:15 p.m.

Classes meet in the Parish Center.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Our next class is Tuesday, December 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Do you know the answer to: **Did God die on the cross?** If you don't know the answer, then join us to find out.

Upcoming classes include:

12/17—No Class, Reconciliation

12/24—No Class, Christmas Eve

12/31—No Class, New Year's Eve

1/7—How can Mary be conceived without sin *before* Jesus died to save her from sin?

Attention: First Holy Communion Kids

A signup sheet will be available in the Vestibule starting this weekend. Please make sure to sign in when attending Mass. Thank you.

Junior High and High School Youth Group

Dec. 1—Class 11:15—1:00 p.m.

Dec. 8—Class 6:00—8:00 p.m.

Dec. 15—No Class, Our Lady of Guadalupe

Dec. 22—Class 6:00—8:00 p.m.

Dec. 29/Jan. 5—Christmas Break

Jan. 12—Class 6:00—8:00 p.m.

Jan. 19—Class 6:00—8:00 p.m.

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Bulletin Deadlines

We have a new publisher printing our bulletins and there are early deadlines around the holiday season.

The schedule is as follows:

<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Bulletin Date</u>
December 10	December 15/22
December 18	December 29/January 5

**Reconciliation service is Tuesday
December 17 at 7:00 p.m.**

Religious Education Class

The next class will be the Advent Fair in Buccini Hall after the 10:00 a.m. this Sunday. Sunday, January 5th will be the next class after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in St Joseph's Conference Room. This is for all children in Kindergarten to 5th grade.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK!

Columbia Funeral Home & Cremation Center

We would like to thank Columbia Funeral Home for placing an ad in our bulletin! Our advertisers pay for the printing of our bulletin so that we don't. Please be sure to thank them.

Retirement Fund for Religious—Give in thanksgiving

“The nuns left lasting impressions on my,” writes a donor. “I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education.” Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next week’s second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.

Toy and Joy Giving Tree is ready with tags. Please bring your unwrapped gifts with tag attached by December 12 to the office.

Fair Trade Chocolates will be sold after all Masses the weekend of December 21/22.

Children’s Christmas Program

Sign-ups are in the Vestibule for children and youth who want to be in the Children's program, scheduled for Christmas Eve at 4:30 p.m. Practice will be after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 22. Children must be signed up by Sunday, December 15 to participate. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Larson.

Youth Group Service Project

The Youth Group is collecting items for our local military members overseas. The Youth are collecting personal hygiene items such as facial wipes, foot spray/powder, Band-Aids, ibuprofen, triple antibiotic, socks, chap stick, lotion, eye drops, or any items that you might want if you were in the desert in the sun all day long. The troops also need entertainment that can easily be shared, such as books, movies and snacks. They are in a Muslim country, so everything must go through customs and must not offend Muslims, such as pork products. Religious items can be sent but they must be sent 1 item at a time. A collection box will be in Vestibule and in the Office. Items need to be in by Wednesday, January 15.

FORMED Pick of the Week

The Fest of the Immaculate Conception is this week. Watch Blessed Duns Scotus—Defender of the Immaculate Conception.

This week is also the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. There are two great movies: Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message and 1531: A Story that is Not Finished Yet. These titles are also available in Spanish: Guadalupe: El Milagro y El Mensaje and 1531: Una historia que aun no termina.

Capital Campaign Project Update

We are now entering the final year of the three-year St. Frederic Capital Campaign aimed at addressing pressing maintenance needs and revitalizing our church. We recently completed three major projects.

First, we addressed a number of safety needs which qualified for 50% cost assistance from the Archdiocese. Included in this category was the replacement and widening of the sidewalk leading from the front of the church on 13th Street to the office entrance, the removal of tripping hazards, and the removal and covering of the baptismal pool. Cost to St. Frederic was \$8,468 (Archdiocese paid \$7,675).

The second major project was preparation and painting the entire exterior of the church building, the rectory and rectory garage. Total cost: \$18,990. The large cross on the top of the church which has been removed will be replaced.

The third major project was removal and replacement of the roof on the old rectory (now Elks Veterans Bunker). This included replacing the four main barge rafters and the flat roof on the utility room addition. Also included was the repair of the carport structure at Sister's home and the installation of new metal roof. Total cost: \$12,985.

As we begin the last year of our Campaign we look forward to focusing our efforts on the Sanctuary Project.

Finance Council