

St. Edward Parish

North Plains, Oregon

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Mission Statement

St. Edward is a welcoming Catholic Parish embracing God our Father, Jesus Christ His Son, and the Holy Spirit. We gather in **Faith** to give glory and praise to God as a worshipping community. We gather in **Hope** to educate, form and nurture spiritual growth of our individual parishioners, families, and community through the administration of the sacraments, catechesis, prayer and devotion and fellowship. We gather in **Charity** to provide social outreach in our works of mercy.

Parish Pastoral Council

Mitch Nussbaumer 2020-2023 (Chair)
Dian Duyck 2019-2022 (Vice Chair)
Kristina Heagh-Avritt 2018-2021
(Secretary)
John Reding 2020-2023
Bob VanderZanden 2018-2021
Patrick Weis 2019-2022

Confessions:

Saturday 4:30-5:15 pm

Masses:

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30 pm

Sunday Morning Mass 9:15 am

Wednesday Morning Mass 9:00 am

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

1st Wednesday of the month, following
9:00 am Mass, closes at 7:00 pm

Funeral Service

Contact the parish office before making any funeral arrangements involving St. Edward Church facilities. The office will involve Father Michael as soon as possible. Thank you.

Infant Baptism

Before scheduling a date for baptism, parents must be registered members of St. Edward Parish and attend a baptism preparation class. To register for a baptism class and for more information, contact the parish office. An appointment will be scheduled with Father Michael.

Matrimony

Couples are asked to contact the parish office. The office will then send a letter explaining parish policies and an information form to be filled out and returned. No date can be set until there is a conference with the parish priest, at least six months prior to the wedding.

Parish Hall Use

If any parish committee, ministry, or group is planning a meeting or gathering in the parish hall, it is important that you call Nancy in the parish office for availability.

Mass Intentions can normally be offered on Wednesday mornings and Saturday evenings. Please submit requests through the parish office. A suggested stipend is \$10.

Bulletin Announcements

The deadline is 12:00 pm on Tuesday for the following Sunday. Call the parish office or email mail@stedwardnp.org.

Dear Parishioners,

On Saturday, October 31st, my former spiritual director, Fr. Gabriel O'Donnell, OP, who has been working on the sanctification cause of Fr. Michael McGivney, pastor of St. Mary's church in New Haven, CT and founder of the Knights of Columbus, was successful in the beautification.

Needless to say, for Fr. Gabriel, it has been a 20-year work of effort, dedication, and perseverance for him. When I spoke to him, he did not imagine that, when he accepted this role as the vice-postulator for the cause of Fr. Michael McGivney, it would span two decades. Fr. Gabriel is a Dominican priest from the Order of Preachers in Providence who was my spiritual director during my priestly formation studies in Rome.

When I met him in 2000, I had decided after 2 years of a Benedictine spirituality at Mt. Angel, that I wanted an exposure and introduction to a Dominican spirituality. At the NAC, he was affectionately called "G.O.D., OP" because of the initials of his name and the initial of his religious order. But frankly, his divine-like knowledge of theology made it seem that you were in the presence of God in a white Dominican habit.

If Fr. Gabriel was reading this right now, he would tell me to stop as he is very humble, always shying away from the spotlight as he preached and taught that the focus should be on God and godly men like Fr. McGivney. So, being obedient to what I learned from Fr. Gabriel, I am going to focus a few details about the life of Fr. McGivney that have always inspired me.

He was a parish priest through in through. He is a model for all parish priests in fact. As Fr. Gabriel shares in his research, almost every potential saint leaves a trail of writings whether in written forms of homilies, prayers, theological insights or spiritual counsel. Fr. McGivney did not have much written word to sift through, but what he lacked in written word, there were plenty of eye witness accounts from the many people he touched.

There is one story of a widow with four sons who had lost her husband to brain cancer. There was no money left for the widow to support her family. As was the case with the practice of the times, the case went into probate court. As a result, the oldest son was able to get a job to support himself, family members were able to raise enough money to support the two other sons, which left the youngest without a guardian. As a result, the youngest could have been assigned to an orphanage. Fr. McGivney stepped up. He did so due to the memory of losing his own father which caused him to leave the seminary in order to support his family.

This is what prompted Fr. McGivney to establish the Knights of Columbus in the basement of St. Mary's church in New Haven where he was pastor in order to create a fraternal benefit society that could provide security for families who unfortunately lost their breadwinner. But at the same time, during this period in the United States, there was a great anti-Catholicism movement and secret anti-Catholic societies that were luring Catholic men to join under the enticement of insurance for such tragic cases. He wanted to establish a Catholic organization that not only provided insurance security and protection but one that was Catholic in teaching and doctrine for men and fathers.

138 years later, the Knights of Columbus are 75 million strong and not only provide insurance security for families but are generous and

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magnanimous in their charitable works such as taking care of the bill of cleaning the façade of St. Peter's Basilica in preparation of the Jubilee Year when I was a seminarian in Rome or even the most simple and local endeavors of providing scholarships for Catholic Education or organizing donation drives in parking lots to support parishes struggling during these COVID-19 times.

I am proud to say that I am a member of St. Mary's Eugene Council 1430 and a 4th degree member too. I was chaplain from 2006-2009 during my assignment at St. Mary's in Eugene. I have spent many Friday evenings serving meals alongside dedicated and loving Knights of Columbus who serve the Church more so by their actions than their words.

Venerable Michael McGivney, pray for us!

Blessings,
Fr. Michael

This Week

Saturday, November 14th

Confessions by appointment only

Vigil Mass 5:30 pm

Intentions: RIP Carmella Wren

Sunday, November 15th

Mass 9:15 am

Intentions: Parishioners of St. Edward

Middle School Youth Group meets at Visitation from
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 18th

Mass 9:00 am

Intentions: RIP Msgr. Frank Campbell

Religious Education grades 1-5 in the parish hall from
3:00-3:50 pm

Saturday, November 21st

Confessions by appointment only

Vigil Mass 5:30 pm

Intentions: Parishioners of St. Edward

Sunday, November 22nd

Mass 9:15 am

*Intentions: Living and deceased members of the
Altar Society*

High School Youth Group meets at Visitation from
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Offertory Collection

Weekly contributions needed for budget goal:	\$4373.00
Offertory total for 11/7 & 11/8:	\$1777.00
Online total:	\$815.00
Over (Under):	(\$1781.00)

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Pick of the Month

Fr. Michael's Pick:
"The Saints" by Dr. Scott Hahn

The month of November always begins with the celebration of the Communion of Saints, the Solemnity of All Saints. Dr. Scott Hahn covers the Biblical evidence on the Saints and provides answers to the various objections that Protestants make to the Catholic Faith.

Run Time: 70 minutes

Fr. Juan Jose's Pick: TBA

USDA Food Box Program Update

The USDA has stated that there WILL be a Phase 4 that will be from November 1 through December 31, 2020. Pacific Coast Fruit and Sysco have informed us that they will submit proposals that are due on Friday, October 30. Because of this tight transition time, we anticipate Phase 4 food box distribution will be delayed until at least Monday, November 9 or beyond.

St. Edward Country Christmas Festival

Due to COVID-19, the St. Edward Country Christmas Festival is modified this year. We will ONLY sell wreaths, table arrangements, and raffle tickets. If you would like to pre-order, please contact Crystal VanderZanden at (503) 647-2405. The wreaths and centerpieces will be for sale at the St. Edward Parish Hall on Saturday, December 5. More details to come soon. Raffle tickets have been mailed out. Additional raffle tickets can be purchased at the parish office. We hope that this will bring some Christmas Spirit during this time. Thank you for your support!

Religious Education

Grades 1-5 (Including 2nd Grade Sacramental Prep)

Meets Wednesday, November 18th from 3:00-3:50 in the parish hall.

Middle School Youth Group (grades 6-8)

Meets Sunday, November 15 at Visitation church from 6:00-7:00 pm. We will gather for a Spiritual Work of Mercy of praying for our beloved dead and All Saints Trivia Night. Live streaming via Zoom meeting will be available for those who are interested in participating virtually.

High School Youth Group (grades 9-12)

Meets Sunday, November 22 at Visitation church from 6:00-7:00 pm. We will gather for a Spiritual Work of Mercy of praying for our beloved dead and All Saints Trivia Night. Live streaming via Zoom meeting will be available for those who are interested in participating virtually.

High School Youth Confirmation

Meets Sunday, December 6 from 6:00-7:00 pm at Visitation church for Mass and Lesson on Sacrament of Eucharist. Please contact Laura Nevis at 503-575-5608 or email Inevis@farthing.com.

RCIA

Meets Sunday, November 15 from noon to 1:00 pm in the Visitation School cafeteria. Fr. Michael will be teaching on "4 Marks of the Church and the Rite of Acceptance and Welcoming."

Live Streaming of Masses

The Archdiocese of Portland will continue to live stream the 11:00 am Sunday Mass from The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception every week until the gather restrictions have been lifted. Go to <https://archdpdx.org/live-masses>.

St. Edward/St. Francis of Assisi/Visitation is also live streaming the 10:00 am Sunday Mass in Verboort every week. Download Zoom.us, enter Meeting ID: 993 4497 4746, password HolyMass.

Save the Date

Get your gloves on and get ready to make wreaths!! Wreath making will be on November 23rd & 24th, November 30th & December 1st at Crystal and Bob VanderZanden's greenhouse.

Missionaries of the Holy Spirit

Prayers for Fr. Roberto and the Missionaries of the Holy Spirit.

Prayer to implore Fr. Roberto Saldivar's health through the intercession of Venerable Felix of Jesus Rougier:

Merciful Father, in your goodness, I confidently ask, through the intercession of Venerable Father Felix of Jesus Rougier, the complete recovery of Fr. Roberto Saldivar, Missionary of the Holy Spirit. Glorify your servant on earth so that all priests, religious men and women, and laity, inspired by his example, may be transformed into your son, Jesus Christ, Priest and Victim. May all be for the greater glory of the Most Holy Trinity, the holiness of your priestly people, and the building of your kingdom on earth. Amen.

Expanding to Love and Serve Campaign

The Neighborhood meeting was a success. We are moving forward with scheduling a meeting with the North Plains City Planners. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Michael, Dick Vandehey (Chair), Dick Krueger (Vice Chair), or Bob VanderZanden (Vice Chair).

Visitation Altar Society—Fancy Work Sale

Saturday, December 5th from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
4330 NW Visitation Road (across the street from Visitation Church)
Quilts, wooden toys, aprons, dish towels, religious items, & more

Masks are required ... gloves provided
Cash or checks please!

November: Remembering our Beloved Deceased

November is the month that we are asked to do a Spiritual Work of Mercy and pray for our beloved deceased. Throughout the month, we will be praying for all the deceased inscribed on the *In Memoriam* cards and Banner.

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Thanksgiving Day Mass will be on Thursday, November 26 at 9:00 am. If you and your family would like to attend, please contact Nancy Vandehey at (503) 706-0641 (cell) or at (503) 647-2131 (parish office) to sign up. It is first come, first serve. There are 75 spots (50 in the church and 25 in the satellite location).

St. Vincent DePaul, St. Matthew Conference Hillsboro *Still helping those most in need.*

We have seen news articles lately discussing food shortages caused by processing plant COVID shut downs, supply chain problems and retailers limiting needed items. It is getting colder, home garden donations are about done, and many of our residents need winter items.

We need your help during this very difficult time. Your donations of canned vegetables, canned fruit, high protein items such as peanut butter, tuna, chili, stew and hearty soups are always needed. Rice and dried beans -- pinto, kidney or navy -- are always welcome. Hygiene items are appreciated by our families and homeless folks -- we have found the Dollar Store sizes are the best value. Diapers, particularly the larger sizes are always in demand.

Our homeless people need warm blankets, sleeping bags, socks, gloves -- winter is a very grim time to be without shelter and heat.

CASH is always needed and put to good use.

St. Vincent DePaul, St. Matthew Conference is here to accept your donations Monday through Friday from 9:00-11:30 am. We are located at 442 SE 3rd St in Hillsboro, directly across from St. Matthew Catholic Church. If these times don't work for you or you need more information, please call Pat Feetham at (503) 628-1134 or you can call the Center at (503) 693-7528.

God bless our parishioners and volunteers for all you do for St. Vincent DePaul and our community.

"Together in Christ's Love, we serve those in need."

Our Lady of Peace Retreat House Beaverton, Oregon

- Join us for the Annual Advent Day Retreat with Bishop Peter Smith on the theme: "Making Advent Meaningful" on Wednesday, December 2nd from 8:30 am - 2:30 pm in the Retreat Chapel. The day includes Rosary, two conferences, Holy Mass, Adoration, Confession, plus a continental breakfast and lunch. A few seats are STILL available for this "in-person" retreat by calling (503) 649-7127 (with \$40 donation). A virtual option to this retreat is being offered on Zoom at no cost. Interested retreatants must register online at www.olpretreat.org to attend the retreat via Zoom.
- Come to our Advent Twilight Talk "in-person" with Catholic speaker Dina Marie Hale on Wednesday, December 9th from 6:30 - 8:30 pm in the Retreat Chapel. The event includes a Twilight Talk on the theme: "A Trek to Tepeyac Hill with Saint Juan Diego" followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Light refreshments will be offered and the Catholic Bookstore and Gift Shop will be open. Due to physical distance guidelines, registration is limited to 30 people. Free registration is required and available online at www.olpretreat.org.

Please note masks must be worn in the Retreat House.