

# St. John Fisher Catholic Church

4567 SW Nevada Street, Portland, OR 97219  
Rev. Richard B. Thompson, Pastor

Third Sunday of Lent  
March 15, 2020

*Welcome to  
St. John Fisher Parish!*

## **Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil...4:30 PM

Sunday...9:00am, 11:00 AM, 5:30 PM

Daily Mass:

Monday-Saturday...7:15 AM

School Mass on Wednesday...8:30 AM

*Wednesday Mass at 8:30am only during school year*

Holy Days...7:15 AM, 6:00 PM

**Confession:** Saturday...3:30-4:15 PM

**Rosary:**

Sunday...8:30 AM

Monday, Wednesday-Saturday...7:45 AM

**Adoration :** Tuesday 7:45-9:30 am

## **Parish Staff 503-244-4945**

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## **THE THREE PILLARS OF LENT**

### **Sacraments**

**Baptism:** Call ahead to schedule a Baptism preparation class.

**Preparing for Marriage:** You must contact the parish at least six months in advance.

**Reconciliation and First Communion:** Preparation classes are offered annually for 2nd grade and older.

**Confirmation:** Preparation classes are offered annually for incoming 9th-12th grade. Classes begin in May.

**RCIA:** Classes are held annually, starting in the fall, with the anticipation that candidates and catechumens will enter the Church during the Easter Vigil Mass.

### **PARISH OFFICE 503-244-4945**

**4567 SW Nevada Street, Portland 97219**

*We are located in the Parish Hall (basement of the church)*

Email: [church@johnfisher.org](mailto:church@johnfisher.org)

Website: [johnfisher.org](http://johnfisher.org)

**Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 am - 5 pm (closed Fridays)**

### **Our Mission**

*To enthusiastically gather as a parish family to celebrate the Love of Christ through the sacraments, liturgy, and prayer.  
We grow in knowledge and wisdom of the Catholic Faith which bears fruit in hospitality and service to others.*

## Mass Intentions

3/14	Sat	4:30 pm	Steve Warner +
3/15	Sun	9:00 am	
		11:00 am	Howard Larson +
		5:30pm	<b>for the people of SJF</b>
3/16	Mon	7:15am	Tran Nang Lu & Nguyen Dinh Tuan & Phonthip +
3/17	Tue	7:15 am	NO DAILY MASS
3/18	Wed	7:15 am	NO DAILY MASS
		8:30am	Mike & Sheryl +
3/19	Thu	7:15 am	NO DAILY MASS
3/20	Fri	7:15 am	NO DAILY MASS
3/21	Sat	7:15 am	NO DAILY MASS
		4:30 pm	Antonio Piscitelli +
3/22	Sun	9:00 am	Paul Beaudoin +
		11:00 am	
		5:30pm	<b>for the people of SJF</b>

## For Your Calendar

### Mar 14/15 — Third Sunday of Lent

2nd Collection: *Parish Reserve Fund*

Mar 15.... CLOW, 9am Mass

Faith Formation, 10am

Pancake Breakfast hosted by Knights

After 9am & 11am Mass in the School Cafeteria

NO Coffee & Donuts

Mar 18.... NO Lenten Soup Supper (Join us next Wednesday!)

Mar 19.... Fisherman vacuum church

Pastoral Council Meeting, 7pm

### Mar 21/22 — Fourth Sunday of Lent

2nd Collection: *Catholic Relief Services*

Mar 21.... NO Wine & Cheese after 4:30pm Mass during Lent.

We will resume in April.

Mar 22.... NO CLOW, NO Faith Formation (*Spring Break*)

NO Coffee & Donuts

Mar 25.... Lenten Soup Supper (6:00pm) & Speaker (6:30pm)

*The Mass: Liturgy of the Eucharist (Dr. Glenn Byer)*

**There will be no daily Masses on Tuesday—Saturday, now through April 11th.  
Join us for daily Mass at 7:15am on Mondays, followed by Adoration until 9:30am (no benediction)**

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule for March 7/8

**4:30pm...** Greeters: *Huglins*  
Lector: *Jane Murphy*  
Servers: \_\_\_\_\_

**9:00am...** Greeters: *Tricia Fryer & Paul Pompili*  
Lector: *Diane Meisenheimer*  
Servers: *Ellie Keppinger & Brandon Keppinger*

**11:00am...** Greeters: *Athena Bettger*  
Lector: *Michelle Rafter*  
Servers: *Ben Galluzzo & Luke Galluzzo*

**5:30pm...** Greeters: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lector: *Stephanie Eikenberry*  
Servers: *Charlotte Kroenke & Cole Koopman*

## ❖ Words from the Pastor ❖

### Third Sunday of Lent

I confess that from time to time I grumble—usually not out loud, but under my breath. It isn't very productive, because nothing is likely to change by our grumbling. The children of Israel were on their 40 year Exodus through the desert. They were thirsty, and Moses grumbled to the Lord. The Lord heard his cry and told him to go to a rock and strike it with his staff. The water poured out of the rock. "The place was called Massah and Meribah because the Israelites quarreled there and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord in our midst or not?"

The Gospel also revolves around water, near Sychar in Samaria. Jesus is thirsty and tired and sat down at the well. It was about noon, and a Samaritan woman came to draw water. Most of the women would come early in the morning when it was cooler, but this woman came when it was hot. Jesus asks for a drink of water. It was not customary for Jew's to speak to Samaritan women. There was an exchange, and Jesus says, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The account gets more interesting when Jesus asks her to bring her husband to the well. She says she has no husband. Jesus replies that it is correct that she has no husband, but she had five husbands and the one you have now is not your husband. She realizes that he is a prophet. The woman returned to the town and told others that he may be the Christ, the anointed one. They came, and many came to believe that he was the savior of the world.

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## Faith Formation

Mar. 15— Class, 10am  
Mar. 22— NO Class, Spring Break  
Mar. 29— NO Class, Spring Break

## First Communion

When: **Saturday, April 18** Who: **Parents & Students**  
Time: **5:30-7:00pm** Where: **School Cafeteria**  
What: **Banner –Making & Potluck**

## Fr. Richard Update

Fr. Richard was released from the hospital on Monday. He is doing well and focusing on his recovery. Thank you for all the prayers and well-wishes.

## Hospitality

### Coffee & Donuts

There will be no Coffee & Donuts this weekend. Join us for the Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast following the 9am & 11am Masses.

Coffee & Donuts will resume on April 5th, after Spring Break.

### Wine & Cheese

There will be no Wine & Cheese this month (during Lent). Wine & Cheese will resume in April!

## Solo Seniors

Are you single and over age 50?

SOLO SENIORS is a catholic-based social organization, for single men and women over age 50 in the greater Portland area. It primarily provides social and recreational programs in a safe and friendly environment for its members.

For more information, a Solo brochure or a copy of our monthly newsletter, call Ann Buchholz 503 235-9047.

## BREAKFAST CANCELED

Thank you to all who supported our last breakfast. The proceeds helped us sponsor two Mt. Angel seminarians, Jonah Powell and Marcos Alvarado (in the amount of \$500 each).

The March event proceeds will also benefit the two seminarians.

## Serving Others

### Faith Cafe

Save the date! SJF will be serving Faith Café on **Sunday, March 22nd**. Contact Chris Loberg

### St. Andre Bessette Wish List

Due to current health concerns, SAB will proactively shift their hospitality for guests and will be serving them at the door, verses in their building. They will continue to provide hygiene kits to their patrons during this time. The following items are needed at this time:

- Hand sanitizer
- Toothbrush
- Reusable bags (inexpensive tote or grocery bags)
- Wash clothes & towels (clean, used is fine)
- Inexpensive 'reader' glasses (*Dollar Tree!*)
- Feminine hygiene products
- Women's underwear
- Sleeping bags
- baby wipes
- deodorant
- Men's underwear
- Men's belts
- Backpacks

### SVDP Food Room Wish List

- Small cooking oils
- Canned chicken
- Canned fruit
- Detergent
- Spaghetti sauce
- Jelly/jam
- Toilet paper

### Jean's Place "Move-In Baskets" Wish List

This week, we are especially in need of ...

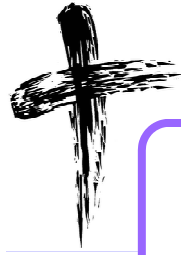
- Sets: 2 spoons, 2 forks, 2 knives
- Shower curtain rings
- Toilet brush
- Can openers
- Kitchen towels
- Shower curtains
- Shower curtain rings
- Laundry soap
- Pot holders



Free will offering accepted.  
Sponsored by the Knights. Proceeds  
benefit two Mt. Angel Seminarians

Sunday, March 15  
after 9am & 11am  
Mass

# Lent 2020



**Stations of the Cross**  
**Fridays at 7:00pm**

March 20, 27 and April 3

**Wednesday Soup Suppers & Speaker**  
ARE CANCELED/POSTPONED

**Lent Reconciliation Service**

Thursday, March 19 — 7:00pm

**Palm Sunday Masses**  
**April 4 & 5**

Join us for a special Mass on Sunday  
April 5th at 11am with our neighbors,  
St. Luke Lutheran Church

**EASTER MASSES**  
**April 11 & 12**

Saturday Vigil 9 pm  
Sunday morning 9am & 11am  
No 5:30pm Mass on Easter

This year, for every Sunday in Lent, we will be offering you a weekly reflection that invites you to consider how you and your family participate in the Sacraments. The goal of these reflections is to help us see how important our senses are when we celebrate the Liturgy. Our bodies are created to see, hear, taste, smell, and touch. The Liturgy allows us to worship God with our whole humanity.

## ***Listening with Our Eyes***

Every parent and every teacher has said it: "Please, look at me when I'm talking to you." Whenever we are talking to someone, it feels better to have them looking at us; we feel like we have their attention. Anyone who is a good listener knows the importance of eye-contact. What we see with our eyes can help us better understand what is being said to us. The same is true when we listen to God during the Liturgy. We need to pay attention to the artwork surrounding us.

God speaks through artwork. The paintings and sculptures that surround us during Liturgy reveal the work of God in our lives. During Lent, the Stations of the Cross are among the most important images used during Liturgy. This Friday, I would encourage you to bring your family to the Stations of the Cross. Before the service begins, take time to walk to each station and spend at least two minutes looking at the image. Lift your children up and ask them what they notice about the images. Let the images be a catalyst for conversation between your family.

In addition to looking at art together, I would encourage your family to make art together. Encourage your children to draw, paint, and sculpt. These activities are not just fun distractions; creating art can be a beautiful prayer. Perhaps your church can even display your children's artwork in the sanctuary. It is good for us to see divine speech coming from the crayons of our children. We can get so caught up in preaching God's word to our kids, that we forget to notice that God can speak *through* them, as well.

The artists who decorate our churches are just as important as the ministers who read from the Scriptures. The colors and images that surround us are not distractions from the Liturgy; they are a crucial part of the Liturgy. When we take time to notice these colors and artwork, we can hear God saying, "Please, look at me when I am talking to you."

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# GOOD FRIDAY: ECUMENICAL WALK OF THE CROSS FOR PEACE & JUSTICE



Friday, April 10, 2020  
10:00 AM 12:00 PM

Bethel Congregational United Church of Christ  
5150 Southwest Watson Avenue  
Beaverton, OR, 97005 United States

We invite Christians from every denomination to join us for a short pilgrimage through downtown Beaverton. Carrying a large cross to remind us of the cross Christ carried 2000 years ago, participants stop at several "stations". At each station we will reflect, pray, and share stories of injustice in our world and witness to Christ's power for transformation and resurrection. Together we can better understand our role in carrying out Christ's mission of Peace and Justice in our day.

Ending at St. Cecilia Catholic Church  
5th and Franklin Avenue, Beaverton

All are welcome!

For more information, contact Eileen Sleva  
eileen.sleva@gmail.com

## *Respect Life*

### ***Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese***

**2/26-4/5 40 Days for Life Campaign:** Join others for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Lovejoy Surgicenter, 933 NW 25th Avenue in Portland.

If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, go to [40daysforlife/Portland](http://40daysforlife/Portland).

### ***U.S. Bishops' Pro-Life Chairman Reacts to Senate Rejection of Pro-Life Bills***

February 25, 2020

"Today, the United States Senate failed to advance two critical human rights reforms that most Americans strongly support. The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act would ban abortions after 20 weeks post-fertilization when a child can certainly feel pain and has a reasonable chance of survival. And the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act helps ensure that *Roe v. Wade's* license to kill unborn children does not extend to killing the newborn babies who survive abortion. It is appalling that even one senator, let alone more than 40, voted to continue the brutal dismemberment of nearly full-grown infants, and voted against protecting babies who survive abortion. Our nation is better than this, and the majority of Americans who support these bills must make their voices heard." Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of Kansas City in Kansas, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Pro-Life Activities