

## VISITATION SCHOOL NEWS



**Labor Day** - The School Office will be closed on Monday, September 7th for Labor Day.

**Scrip** - Even though we can not sell Scrip after weekend masses, it is still available to purchase. Please email your order to [scrip@vcsknights.org](mailto:scrip@vcsknights.org). We can arrange a pick up time or deliver your order to you! We have quick turnaround times and can usually have it ready within 1 day!

**Box Tops** - Please send all your unexpired Box Tops Clips to Visitation School or leave in the back of church by Thursday, October 1st. Most items you buy now no longer have these and you would need to scan your receipt. Please see the attachment for more information or feel free to email Amy Duyck at [vangruna@gmail.com](mailto:vangruna@gmail.com) for more questions.

### Phase II Campaign: Cultivating Arts and Athletics for Community

We made our \$100,000 matching goal. On January 25-26, 2020, a private donor offered a matching fund and **6 MONTHS** later including COVID-19 current climate, we have \$104,398 out of the \$100,000 goal donated.

Currently \$675,045 has already been pledged and donated to create more opportunities for arts and athletics in our community. If you would like to donate, please visit [www.vcsknights.org](http://www.vcsknights.org).

Please join me in imploring the help and seeking the intercession of our Blessed Mother and pray the Memorare:

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,  
that never was it known that anyone  
who fled to your protection, implored your help,  
or sought your intercession was left unaided.  
Inspired with this confidence, I fly to you,  
O Virgin of virgins, my Mother;  
to you I come; before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.  
O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions,  
But in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen



And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!" — Mk 7:32-34

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**SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2020**

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## **VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH - VERBOORT**

4285 NW Visitation Road  
Forest Grove, Oregon 97116

### VISITATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### MISSIONARIES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Fr. Roberto, Fr. Mario, Fr. Juan Jose

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Parish Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday@ Noon

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### BOOKKEEPER: Joyce Vanderzanden

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### MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 8:00 am

Limit 50 per Satellite location, RSVP only till  
Covid-19 subsides

### NEW FAMILIES:

Kindly register by calling the rectory

### CONFESSIONS:

By appointment

BAPTISMS: By appointment

MARRIAGES: By appointment  
at least six months prior to  
marriage

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday	September	6	8:00 am	Happy Anniversary Harold & Evelyn Vandervelden † by The Vandervelden Family
			10:00 am	People of the Parish
Monday	September	7	9:00 am	Earl Vandehey † by Donald & Juanita Dennis
Tuesday	September	8	8:00 am	Helen VanDyke † by Walt & Margie Vandehey
Wednesday	September	9	<b>No Mass</b>	
Thursday	September	10	8:00 am	Jacob “Jake” Walsh † Todd & Kristi Schmit
Friday	September	11	8:30 am	Gertrude Duyck † by Family & Friends
Saturday	September	12	5:00 pm	Paul Juenemann † by Jean Groce

Donations are still being processed/recorded as usual.  
You may mail contributions to:  
Visitation Church,  
4285 NW Visitation Rd.,  
Forest Grove, OR 97116.

Or go to the Visitation web-site: Verboort.org, click  
Parish, click giving, enter one-time, Amt, Payment  
Information, Billing information, click make payment.  
Thank you to all who have continued to give during this  
difficult time.

**YOUR GIFT TO GOD**

**August 29th & 30th**  
Envelopes & Checks: \$3,599.00  
Loose Collection: \$60.00

**Weekend Masses For September 12th & 13th**

Mass times	5:00 PM - Saturday	8:00 AM - Sunday	10:00 AM - Sunday
Reader	Linda Oldenburg	Tammy Scheenstra	Greg Peters
EMHC—Host	Ed Vandecoevering Dean Hermance	Judy Verboort Jennifer Finegan	Cheryl Eckler Genelle Duyck
Server	Zach Stewart Natalie Stewart	Kara Finegan	Gabriel Burke Jacob Burke
Music	Bethany Stewart Sarah Crosby		
Zoom Meeting	Anne Nevis Alex Stewart	Carl Carlson Anne Nevis	Eli Pelster Zack Pelster

**2020 Verboort Sausage & Kraut Dinner News (Continued)**

**Calling All Bakers!!**

We are doing things a little different this year. We will be do pre-sales ONLY for baked goods. To help lead this to success we are keeping things VERY SIMPLE. We will be selling our top 5 items.

- Pies
- ½ dozen packaged cookies
- Quarter and pint size pickled goods
- 8 oz jam/jelly ½ pint
- Sweet bread – small loaves

The flavor/type is optional. What I am asking of you.

- All items MUST BE MARKED OF WHAT THEY ARE
- DO NOT PRICE – everything will have a set price
- Please notify me if you can commit to certain item and quantity **or**
- Notify me as you baked items so the website can be updated as items come in **or**
- If you are unable to donate a baked good listed above, we will except ingredients i.e. sugar, flour, fruit to give to those who are donating product.

I will have access to freezer space as needed. I would be happy to store your items until the dinner.

Last Day for Commitment and final drop off date of the baked items is TBD

Please contact me if you have any questions. Lorrina Tunnell call/text 503-341-0538 or email [lorena.tunnell@gmail.com](mailto:lorena.tunnell@gmail.com)

## 2020 Verboort Sausage & Kraut Dinner News



Dear Parish and School Community,

As you all have probably heard by now, the dinner will be very different this year. The biggest change is that there will not be any on site activities. All customers must stay in their cars. I have been providing updates in the parish bulletin, but wanted to share the latest updates with you.

We are offering **you** the opportunity to purchase sausage and kraut online starting September 1 @ 9am before we open online sales to the public. Please do not share this information with “friends and family” since they will have opportunity to order online starting September 15. This is our “soft launch” for online sales so we want to limit sales. There is a processing fee for all online orders. The Parent’s Club will be selling limited baked goods online – so check back later.

Please follow these instructions:

Please go to [www.verboortsausagedinner.com/#/register](http://www.verboortsausagedinner.com/#/register)

- Enter your name, email, whether you are a parent/parishioner & a password.
- You will receive a confirmation email from us confirming your request.
- A 2nd email will follow giving you approval/permissions to pre-order. **Please pay attention to your email in case there are issues approving your account.**
- Parent/Parishioner Orders start September 1st, 2020 at 9am.

Go to [www.verboortsausagedinner.com/#/login](http://www.verboortsausagedinner.com/#/login) , Enter Email, Password & press submit.

Ordering Questions, comments or concerns? Click the “Chat Icon” on the bottom left of the screen.

Or email [verboort@verboortsausagedinner.com](mailto:verboort@verboortsausagedinner.com)

- Pre-Order dates are September 1st- September 14th, 2020

OPENS TO THE PUBLIC September 15th, 2020 at 9am

Other key dates to remember:

- Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 1-7PM
  - Online Sausage/Kraut/Baked goods sales pickup. Pickup dates and times are for our parish and school community as well as the public.
- Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup> from 11AM-7PM
  - Online Sausage/Kraut/Baked goods sales pickup. Pickup dates and times are for our parish and school community as well as the public.
- Saturday, November 7 from 8AM-6PM
  - Drive thru Bulk sausage and Kraut sales
- Saturday, November 7 from 11AM-8PM
  - Drive thru dinners to go (pending)
- We still need volunteers and currently working on a new schedule. Volunteers will be needed for few pre-dinner events and the week leading up to the dinner (packing sausage, traffic control, and more). Please stay tuned for more information on volunteering and dinner list. Our social media blitz will start soon.

Thank you for your support, Dean Hermance – Dinner Chair

## Weekly Friday School Mass

Starting Friday, September 11 and beyond, during the School Year, Mass on Friday will be offered at 8:30am (instead of 8:00am unless otherwise indicated). Due to the COVID-19 guidelines of no more than 50 in the church, the Friday Mass is reserved for only school children and faculty to attend. Parishioners and school parents can attend in our satellite location. Please contact Laura Nevis [lnavis@farthing.org](mailto:lnavis@farthing.org) or 503-575-5608 to reserve spot.

## Dedication of the Visitation statue

The Statue of the Visitation in loving memory to Fr. Scott Vandehey will be dedicated and blessed by Bishop Steiner on Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 8:45am in front the school. Due to COVID-19 restrictions regarding public gathering, we invite you to join us virtually on Zoom.us. To access Meeting ID: 989 5500 1469 and password: FrScott

## Religious Education (Grades 1-5 including 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Sacramental Prep for 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion and Confession)

Please contact Nancy Vandehey (St. Edward) 503-647-2131 or Lynda Hertel (St. Francis of Assisi) 503-799-5952, or Genelle Duyck (Visitation) 503-887-8878 to register.

Start dates for the CCD program:

St. Francis, Roy: Sunday, September 13 (9:15-10:15am)

Visitation, Verboort: Monday, September 14 (4:00-5:00pm)

St. Edward, North Plains, Wednesday, September 16 (3:00-4:00pm)

Two instructors are needed for the Religious Education program at Visitation. Teaching experience preferred, but not necessary. Support provided. Please contact Genelle Duyck at [genelleduyck@gmail.com](mailto:genelleduyck@gmail.com) or 503-887-8878.

## Live Streaming of Masses

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

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

## Congratulations!

Rudi Anne Normandin, child of Mathew Normandin and Kelsey Van Dyke, baptized on September 6, 2020.

Evelyn Ann Darlene Hormann, child of Ethan Hormann and Mikaela Van Dyke, baptized on September 6, 2020.

Connor Henry Campbell, child of Benjamin Campbell and Kirsten Heesacker, baptized on September 6, 2020.

## From the Desk of Fr. Michael

Dear Parishioners,

As I promised from last week's Pastor's Notes, this third installment of our 4-week series on the Sacrament of Reconciliation will address how to prepare for the Sacrament. Before I begin on the nuts and bolts, any examination of the praxis of a Sacrament must begin with a brief discussion upon the three theological virtues of faith, hope, and love that help us to relate to Him.

First, faith is required in trusting God's working in our life that can change and transform us as well as have faith that God will grant us His mercy through His ordained instruments of the priest. Second, hope assures us we receive a fresh start when we commit ourselves to turn back to Him with all our mind, heart and soul. Finally, love of God which makes us regret any action, word, thought or omission that injures our relationship with Him.

The three theological virtue orders us properly for us to confess and places us in the correct frame to begin the very first step which is a good examination of conscience. An examination of conscience focuses us to look at our behaviors in light of our words, thoughts, and deeds when we fail to act in doing good and avoiding evil. These moral failures weaken our relationship with God and others.

Many are trained to engage in an examination of conscience done through the lens of the 10 Commandments. The first three examining our love for God and next seven on our love of neighbor. There are many resources that are available that focus one's examination of conscience around the 10 Commandments (for a printable resource go to [www.missionariesofmercyusa.org](http://www.missionariesofmercyusa.org) and select the tab "Sacrament of Reconciliation" and choose the link to Examination of Conscience for Adult or Teens.)

Now, for those seasoned penitents that have built a solid foundation of a good habit of partaking of the Sacrament and find themselves through the grace of God triumphing over sin outlined in the 10 Commandments can sometimes hit a wall. For this reason, the practical advice St. Teresa of Calcutta affectionately known as Mother Teresa used to tell her confreres to reflect on the 7 deadly sins, i.e., the roots of all sin, or reflect upon the works of mercy (7 corporal and 7 spiritual), or examination from the criteria of the Beatitudes or the virtue and qualities of love from St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians chapter 13.

This good practice of Examination of Conscience can be done not only in preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, but also placed in daily practice especially before one goes to bed. The next step after an Examination is the element of sorrow. This aspect is not spoken much, but it is a very key ingredient.

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## From the Desk of Fr. Michael (Continued)

Sorrow, also known as contrition, can be categorized as perfect and imperfect. Perfect contrition is when we acknowledge that we have wounded another person or our God and the pain of hurting the other throbs through our mind, heart and soul. The second type of sorrow, is imperfect contrition which prompts us to feel guilt and regret from fear of the consequences of our actions that wound and hurt another whether that may be loss of a loved one due to our betrayal, loss of a job due to our dishonesty, or loss of eternal life. Obviously, both types of sorrow motivate us to change and conversion but we should always strive to turn back to God out of love for Him (perfect contrition).

Sorrow and contrition should go hand in hand with an examination of conscience because it orders us toward the correct and proper end of the love of God that we have failed to live up to that standard. This makes a more fruitful confession which is the actual verbal expression of the what, the how, and the why of the words, deeds, thoughts and omissions that we committed against God and others.

The late great St. Pope John Paul II describes it as someone whom you love and you have hurt them deeply. He asks, "What would you do if the person ceases to speak to you or be in your company?" We have all experienced something like this in our life and we all have desperately and with great urgency and immediacy to try to do, to say, and to seek help from others to rectify it and to make amends. In other words, whatever it takes to regain that trust in the relationship. This is what penance is, the amendment to change in order to restore.

But sadly, one of the reasons why the faithful don't experience the urgency, immediacy, and the desire to do whatever it takes for restoration and amendment is sadly, a lack of understanding of how sin hurts the one that you love. There is a lack of knowledge of what sin is coupled with a lack of awareness of God's love for us and our moral failings that hurt, harm, and injures our love for God. If we don't have that love of God in our heart, mind, strength and soul it makes it challenging to see the fruits of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Finally, as a priest, many penitents share a frustration that after going to confession and making a firm resolve to avoid the near occasion of sin, they find themselves back with the same hurts and injure toward God and others. In order to move from a holy desire to avoid sin, it is important to have a game plan especially one focused on a good habit and virtue to put into practice through discipline and accountability to place ourselves in places where we can be successful.

This leads to our last installment which is a discussion on the practical things to do post-confession in order to for ongoing maintenance to commit to a firm resolve of a powerful and real change and amendment of life through the grace and mercy of God.

Blessings.

Fr. Michael

6 September 2020

### **Middle School Youth Group**

Please contact Laura Nevis at 503-575-5608 or e-mail: [lnevis@farthing.com](mailto:lnevis@farthing.com) to register. Our first meeting is Sunday, September 13, 2020 at Visitation church 6:00-7:00pm. We will kick off with Mass and a Mary Scavenger Hunt. Live Streaming via Zoom meeting will be available for those who are interested in participating virtually.

### **H.S. Youth Group (grades 9-12)**

Please contact Laura Nevis at 503-575-5608 or e-mail: [lnevis@farthing.com](mailto:lnevis@farthing.com) to register. Our first meeting is Sunday, September 20, 2020 at Visitation church 6:00-7:00pm. We will kick off with Mass and a Mary Scavenger Hunt. Live Streaming via Zoom meeting will be available for those who are interested in participating virtually.

### **H.S. Confirmation**

Those entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade this 2020-2021 school year or older are invited with their parents to attend a virtual meeting via zoom on Wednesday, September 16 at 6:00pm. Please contact Laura Nevis at 503-575-5608 or e-mail: [lnevis@farthing.com](mailto:lnevis@farthing.com) to register.

### **RCIA**

Interested in Exploring the Catholic Faith or know someone who is? Having questions or aren't sure? Or are you ready to start the process of becoming Catholic? Then call Fr. Michael 971-217-5335 or e-mail: [mvuky@yahoo.com](mailto:mvuky@yahoo.com).

### **USDA Food Box Program**

A USDA grant has made it possible for Oregon families to receive FREE produce, dairy or combo boxes that are distributed at selected Archdiocese of Portland Catholic Churches, other faith-based organizations, local food pantries, civic organizations and homeless shelters.

As the COVID-19 pandemic extends into the summer months, more and more Oregonians are struggling to meet their basic need of food security. Many others struggle with isolation and can't travel to their local grocery store. The USDA food box program ensures that lack of financial resources, transportation & isolation do not create a barrier to fresh food.

The USDA has partnered with Pacific Coast Fruit to provide 275,000 food boxes per month in our region. In order to make that happen, Pacific Coast Fruit has partnered with Archdiocese of Portland to distribute boxes to the needy of our state through August 28, 2020. USDA may elect to extend the program depending upon program success and available remaining funds. For more information please go to <https://evangelization.archdpdx.org/usda-food-box>

### **FORMED.ORG**

We have renewed our annual subscription. Please add this FREE Catholic resource as part of your media platform. Go online to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and select "Enter code" link. Input the Parish Code: **HWNN8P** and create your own personal login and password and begin enjoying the free content.

If you have any problems logging in or accessing your account, please contact Julia, Parish Care for FORMED, [parishcare@formed.org](mailto:parishcare@formed.org) or call 1-844-367-6331 and provide above Parish Code: **HWNN8P** under our registered name St. Francis of Assisi, Banks Oregon for all three parishes.

Fr. Michael's Pick: So Help Me God: The Promise & Power of the Sacraments by Scott Hahn

In this dynamic Lighthouse talk, Dr. Scott Hahn explains the importance of oaths, which invoke God's name and implore His assistance. He shows that oaths are also the means of transforming our personal relationship with Christ into a covenant relationship. Dr. Hahn then explains what led him to move from believing in only two sacraments to all seven. In sharing these insights, he connects oaths to the seven sacraments and unveils their mystery and importance. He reveals that the sacraments are the ordinary means by which God empowers us to do His will. You'll discover that the sacraments don't make holiness easy, but they do make it possible. Run Time: 61 minutes.

Fr. Juan Jose's Pick: TBA

### **Families Assigned to the Church for September 12th & 13th, 2020**

Please notify us at [churchsecretary@vcsknights.org](mailto:churchsecretary@vcsknights.org) or call Donna or Laura if you are unable to attend.

5:00 Mass

Agustin, Bone, Bonin, Braukman (Allen), Crosby (Matt), Crosby (Dianna), Doherty, Giesbers (Gilbert), Groce, Heesacker (David), Heesacker (Jim), Heesacker (Louann), Hermance, Moreneo, Oldenburg, Orbeck, Peters (Paul), Peters (Terry), Schouweiler, Stewart, Vandecoevering (Ed), Vandecoevering (Joe), Vandervelden

8:00 Mass

Carlson, Duyck (Aaron), Duyck (Gary), Duyck (Leo) Evers (Todd), Finegan (Joe), Herinckx (Richard), Lepschat (Pete), Lux, Mullally/Garrison, Nevis, Scheenstra, Vandehey (Lani), Vanderzanden (Albert), Vanderzanden (Josh), Verboort (Larry)

10:00 Mass

Burke, Cook, Duyck (Chris), Duyck (Craig), Eckler (James), Eckler (Richard), Eckler (Cheryl), Landon, Luna (Gil), Mayer, McCammond/VanDyke, Patten, Peters (Greg), Plep, Schlag, Vandehey (Don)