

VISITATION SCHOOL NEWS

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. 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!



Visitation Wreath Sale - Order and payment need to be turned into the School Office no later than October 30th. Online ordering is available at [2020 Christmas Wreath Sale](https://www.vcsknights.org) and <https://www.vcsknights.org> Email christmaswreaths@vcsknights.org for questions. Flyers are available in the back of church.

Visitation Endowment Fund - The Visitation Endowment Fund was created and is maintained for the benefit of the students of Visitation School. Approved grant requests have included: Musical Instruments, I-pads & cases, AED and replacement pads, library management software, gym lockers and microscopes. Grant Applications are available in the School Office and can be submitted by any school parent, teacher, or parishioner. Please fill out the grant form completely, attach supporting documents and turn them in to Mrs. Funk for her approval. All Applications are due and need to be signed by October 12, 2020. Any late application may be disqualified.

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.

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



He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?"
They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female." — Mk 10:3-6

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OCTOBER 4TH, 2020

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH - VERBOORT

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VISITATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 8:00 am

Friday: 8:30 am

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

CONFESSIONS: By appointment

NEW FAMILIES:

Kindly register by calling the
rectory

BAPTISMS: By appointment

MARRIAGES: By appointment
at least six months prior to
marriage

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	October	4	8:00 am	Ignatius & Marcella Evers † by Cary Evers
			10:00 am	People of the Parish
Monday	October	5	8:00 am	Olive Plep † by David & Jeanette Plep
Tuesday	October	6	8:00 am	Sr. Jean Marie VanDyke by Jim & Dorie Herinckx
Wednesday	October	7	No Mass	
Thursday	October	8	8:30 am	Judy Lepschat † by Bryon & Laura Nevis
Friday	October	9	8:00 am	Jacob Walsh † by Leo & Karen Duyck
Saturday	October	10	5:00 pm	Alice Stadelman by Andy & Patty Duyck

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

September 26th & 27th
 Envelopes & Checks: \$2,959.74
 Loose Collection: \$24.00
 Annual Dinner: \$225.00

Weekend Masses For October 10th & 11th

Mass times	5:00 PM - Saturday	8:00 AM - Sunday	10:00 AM - Sunday
Reader	Linda Oldenburg	Judy Verboort	Rich Paris
EMHC—Host	Christy Duyck Patti Freitas	Jennifer Finegan Tammy Scheenstra	Cheryl Eckler Donna Vandehey
Server	Lena Duyck	Chris Carlson	Nolan Marshall
Music	Bethany Stewart Sarah Crosby		Kathy Juenemann Karen Jackson
Zoom Meeting	Anne Nevis Alex Stewart	Carl Carlson Anne Nevis	Nate Wessels



2020 Verboort Sausage & Kraut Dinner News

As most of you know, this years' Dinner will be quite different from normal operations. The Archdiocese and myself are extremely aware that your safety is paramount. In this time of COVID 19, even more so. That being said, all Dinner volunteers must adhere to Social Distancing, the use of facemasks and gloves for all Dinner activities. We are also limiting gathering sizes due to COVID so if you show up to a work party and are turned away, it is due to that reason. My apologies in advance if that happens to you.

- Flyers available in the back of church.
- All Parish and School Families are asked to place their "\$25 dinner donation" in the collection (mark as dinner donation).

Thank you for your support, Dean Hermance – Dinner Chair

Quilt Raffle - Due to no Bazaar at the dinner this year, we have no way to make the money needed to continue to take care of the church supplies. We are going to raffle off the quilt by asking you to help. Tickets went out in last week's church bulletin and more are available in the back of church or you can call Donna Vandehey at 503-357-7027. Please try to get family and friends to buy some tickets.

A colored picture of the Quilt is in the back of church and in the parish center.

The tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Write the name and phone number on the stub and place money and ticket stub in the envelope and place in the small box in church entryway. The box will be emptied after each Mass. Please put your name on the outside of the envelope, in case we have questions.

If you do not wish to participate, you may place the envelope with tickets in the box marked quilt and someone else may use them. Thank you for your support!

Fancy Work Booth - No Bazaar this year, but you can turn in the items you made. We may have a mini bazaar later and sell what we can. May leave in the back of church or contact Leanne LaBonte or Donna Vandehey at 503-357-7027.

Potholder Booth - No Bazaar: You may leave your potholders and prizes in the box in the back of church or the parish center. We have plastic containers and a place to store them till next year. If you need someone to pick-up your items, please call Donna Vandehey at 503-357-7027.

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If you have any problems logging in or accessing your account, please contact Julia, Parish Care for FORMED, 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: Changing Sides: Story of Abby Johnson
As we begin this month of October devoted and dedicated to Respect Life, this film tells the powerful true story of the conversion of a dedicated Planned Parenthood director to a leading Pro-Life Activist. It answers the question of whether can hearts really be changed on the issue of abortion. It is a powerful testimony. Run Time: 50 minutes.

Fr. Juan Jose’s Pick: TBA

Families Assigned to the Church for October 10 - 11, 2020

Please notify us at churchsecretary@vcsknights.org or call Donna or Laura if you are unable to attend.

The following families are scheduled for the Church for the weekend of October 10 - 11 (NEXT WEEKEND), please note that we are on approximately a 3 week schedule.

5:00 PM Mass

Boogaard, Braukman (Allen), Brown, Duyck (Tim), Finegan (Tom & Everett), Freitas, Giesbers (Denis), Giesbers (Gilbert), Groce, Heesacker (Louann), Heesacker (Jim), Herinckx (Don), Kahler, Maderos, Marco, Moreno, Peters (Paul), Peters (Terry), Schouweiler, Swift, Palominos, Oldenburg, Hermance

8:00 AM Mass

Baker, Braukman (Nancy), Cancilla, Carlson, Duyck (Gary), Evers (Cary), Evers (Joe), Finegan (Joe), Goodrich, Herinckx (David), Herinckx (Jim), Herinckx (Richard), Koehnke, LaBonte, Mullally, Roe, Scott (Sandi), Vandecoevering (Bob), Vandehey (Lani), Vandehey (Walt), VanDyke (Joyce), Verboort (Larry), Verboort (Lois), Scheenstra, Tami

10:00 AM Mass

Eckler (Cheryl), Hammond (Gary), Hammond (Richard), Jansen (Joan), Juenemann (Milo), Marshall, McCammond/VanDyke, Meinhardt, Paris (Rich), Schmidlin (Greg), Tunnell, Vandehey (Don), Vanderzanden (Art), Williams (Amanda), Ratzi

Update on MSpS

Please pray for the recovery of Fr. Roberto and Fr. Mario. Fr. Juan will continue with his quarantine. Venerable Felix Rougier, pray for them!

Middle School Youth Group

Next Meeting Sunday, October 11, 2020 at Visitation church 6:00-7:00pm. We gather for an activity and Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction for Respect Life. Live Streaming via Zoom meeting will be available for those who are interested in participating virtually.

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

Meets Sunday, October 18, 2020 at Visitation church 6:00-7:00pm. We gather for an activity and Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction for Respect Life. Live Streaming via Zoom meeting will be available for those who are interested in participating virtually.

H.S. Confirmation

Meets Sunday, October 4 from 6:00-7:00pm at Visitation church for Mass and Lesson on Sacrament of Baptism. Please contact Laura Nevis at 503-575-5608 or e-mail: lnavis@farthing.com to register.

RCIA

Inquiry meets on Sunday, October 4 from Noon to 1:00pm in the Visitation Parish Center. Please contact Fr. Michael for more information.

USDA Food Box Program Update

The Archdiocese of Portland has secured agreements with two new suppliers for Phase 3. Distribution sites will continue until October 31. PCF will be applying for Phase 4 so that we can continue this work of mercy program. Let us continue to support the most vulnerable in our community.

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

Religious Education

Meets Monday, October 5th from 4:00-5:00pm in the Convent.

Meetings

Visitation Altar Society Meeting will be on Tuesday, October 6th, 2pm in the Convent. Will discuss Mini Bazaar and raffle. Masks required, please park across the street (school pick up)

Facilities Meeting on Tuesday, October 6th, 6pm in the School Cafeteria.

From the Desk of Fr. Michael

Dear Parishioners,

A year ago, this month, on October 13, 2019, Pope Francis canonized St. John Henry Neuman. My classmate who at the time was in Rome pursuing his doctorate was able to attend the canonization Mass. Now, newly elected Abbot Marion Qui-Thac Nguyen, OSB of St. Martin Abbey, he has been asking me if I have finished a biography entitled, “Passion for Truth: The Life of John Henry Newman” authored by Rev. Juan Velez. He had read it before and lent me his copy.

Although during the earlier months especially in March, I had plenty of time to read, I must admit, I also had a pile of books on my night stand and unfortunately, this biography was on the bottom. But since I saw Abbot Marion in August at his installation, I figured I should read it in anticipation of the 1-year anniversary of St. John Henry Neuman’s canonization.

The book is close to 600 pages so it is not something that I could plow through in a night, but I was able to complete in a three-day span. When I shared that with him, he was a bit taken aback and admonished me that it is a biography that is like fine wine, needs to be sipped and savored. Furthermore, it is a book that in his opinion is supposed to be read on a quasi-retreat.

I reminded him that obviously he has forgotten during our studies in Rome how I rarely sat down and enjoyed a meal and was always on the go and thus, sipping and nursing a glass of wine was not what I did. Also, as a parish priest, 3 open evenings to be able to have quiet time to read is a quasi-retreat. With that said, I did share with him a few insights, observations and sources of inspiration from the life of St. John Henry Neuman that I garnered from reading.

1. He was courageous. He was an academic and scholar who converted to Catholicism and as a result was alienated by family and friends and passed up for prestigious positions in academia, culture and society. He truly understood and lived the cost of discipleship.
2. He was a fierce apologist and teacher of the faith. He used his God-given talent of intelligence to pass on the faith but at the same time witness to the complimentary relationship between faith and reason.
3. He fostered and created an atmosphere of true dialogue and discussion. There is a reason why on college campuses, Catholic centers are called Neuman centers. For him, university centers are an opportunity to discuss and exchange ideas, thoughts, and creeds with great mutual respect and openness. It is not a place where opposing ideas are canceled by the prevailing mob.
4. He was a man of prayer. There is a reason why when he was elevated to the College of Cardinals, he chose the motto, “*cor ad cor loquitur*” (heart speaks to heart). Prayer is an opportunity not to exchange ideas as much as exchange words with God, that is, a loving exchange of persons. For this reason, dialogue and discussion of religion, politics, and philosophy should be a prayer.

From the Desk of Fr. Michael (Continued)

5. He was a devout pastor. Although he was a scholar and academic, he was down to earth and met people where they were at especially in meeting them through the works of mercy. A reminder for all parish priests to cultivate both.
6. He was an engaging preacher. His sermons and homilies still to this day are a source of inspiration and study for aspiring homilists and preachers.
7. As a convert to the Catholic faith from Anglicanism, he was deeply involved in ecumenism, dialogue with other Christian faiths. The ultimate goal is the search for Truth.

These qualities of St. John Henry Neuman are something that I as a pastor and actually all of us should strive for on a daily basis. But in this particular month of October designated to Respect Life, we have to be together on this endeavor of the Church’s Non-Negotiable teaching and Doctrine on the Dignity of the Human Person and exhibit the **Courage** to mount a **Defense** that is **Respectfully** ordered towards a **Prayerful** spirit of **Charity** to others especially the most vulnerable growing and alive in the womb to the **TRUTH** that ALL Life is sacred in order to **Convert**, transform and change hearts. As his motto states, “heart speaks to heart.”

St. John Henry Neuman, pray for us!

St. Francis of Assisi, pray for us!

Blessings,
Fr. Michael
4 October 2020