VISITATION SCHOOL NEWS



Scrip - Even though we cannot sell Scrip after weekend masses, it is still available for 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!

SAC - If you have ideas for Visitation School you would like to share and are able to assist Father Michael and Carol Funk in a leadership role, I encourage you to submit your name for a School Advisory Council (SAC) position. The deadline for name submissions is May 14th. We need two people to serve in this role for a three year term. Thank you for your commitment to Visitation Catholic School.

Phase II Campaign: Cultivating Arts and Athletics for Community

Currently \$753,683 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





It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you:

love one another." _ _ 10 15 16 17

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

MAY 9TH, 2021 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH - VERBOORT

4285 NW Visitation Road Forest Grove, Oregon 97116

VISITATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

PASTOR: Rev. Michael Vuky

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MISSIONARIES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT Fr. Roberto, Fr. Mario, Fr. Juan Jose

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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

Capacity limits are in place. Satellite locations will be used once capacity is met.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 3:45-4:30 pm

or by appointment

NEW FAMILIES:

Kindly register by calling the rectory

<u>MARRIAGES</u>: By appointment at least six months prior to marriage

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Sunday	May	9	8:00 am	Jacob & Jewell Walsh † by Todd & Kristi Schmit		
			10:00 am	People of the Parish		
Monday	May	10	8:00 am	Albert Vandecoevering † by Jim & Dorie Herinckx		
Tuesday	May	11	8:00 am	Kathy Kemper by Raean Johnston		
Wednesday	May	12	No Mass			
Thursday	May	13	8:00 am	Francis & June Noll † by Family		
Friday	May	14	8:30 am	Vernon Duyck † by Leo & Janice Pelster		
Saturday	May	15	5:00 pm	Alice Stadelman † by Family & Friends		

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

May 1st & 2nd

Envelopes & Checks: \$3,567.00 Loose Collection: \$396.00 On-Line Contributions: \$1,240.00

Catholic Charities: \$433.00

Weekend Masses For May 15th & 16th

Mass times	5:00 PM - Saturday	8:00 AM - Sunday	10:00 AM - Sunday
Reader	Scott Stewart	Sandy Sinner	David Renshaw
EMHC—Host	Dean Hermance	Tammy Scheenstra	Genelle Duyck
Server	Zack Stewart Natalie Stewart	Gavin Sinner	Noah Renshaw
Music	Sarah Crosby Bethany Stewart		Kathy Juenemann
Ushers	Gary Freitas Ken Kahler	Bob Lederbrand Volunteer	Amy Patton Mike Patton
Zoom Meeting	Anne Nevis	Anne Nevis	Zack Pelster Eli Pelster

From the Desk of Fr. Michael

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate Mother's Day and honor our moms living and deceased. In my 15 years as a priest, I know from the countless encounters in the life of the faithful, Mother's Day can mean different things to different people. For many it represents the celebration of life and great joy. For others it could be a reminder of a struggle or a mark of grief.

Due to the varying and differing situations and experiences that we all have when it comes to mother-hood, I would like to make a suggestion of how we can mark this day that will not only recognize the complexities of motherhood but also strengthen our spiritual life as well.

For Catholics, the most important day of the week is obviously Sunday. It marks the Lord's Resurrection. The second most important day after Sunday is Saturday. Saturday was the day that as Jesus laid in the tomb and while all the other disciples were dejectedly thinking Jesus was dead never to return, it was Mary, the Blessed Mother, who alone lived that day with an ardent faith awaiting His resurrection.

For this reason, Saturdays naturally developed as the day to honor our Blessed Mother with the offering of a Votive Mass for Mary. Ever since I have been pastor, we have observed this custom of the 1st Saturday devotion of offering the morning Mass for our Blessed Lady. Although the location has changed from the Verboort convent to currently the Visitation church, it has been an opportunity for many to receive special indulgences.

With that said, I would like to propose that along with the gifts of flowers, cards, a day off of cooking for mom that you consider incorporating this devotion into your spiritual regimen and attend a 1st Saturday Mass for mom or even better make a commitment to attend all 1st Saturday Masses for an entire year. You can offer the intention to your mom, living or deceased, or for a mom who is estranged or lost a child or for those unique and particular circumstances that can bring so many layers of complexity in motherhood. Whatever the intention may be, it would be a commitment for all moms.

This would be a perfect gift for any mother as what mother would not desire her child to attend Mass and do so engaged in a prayerful devotion of praying with our Blessed Mother. And even if there is no special intention that you may even hold in your heart, you can pray for what Mary asked all of us in 1917 when she appeared in Fatima which is to pray for sinners and their conversion. This is a gift that keeps on giving as it will bring not only a smile on all mothers' faces, but also the face of Mary, Mother of God.

1st Saturday Devotion is offered every 1st Saturday of the month at 8:00am in Visitation church, Verboort. Hope to see you there.

Blessed Mother's Day! ~Fr. Michael, pastor

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Fr. Michael's Pick: A Bible Study on the Glorious Mysteries: 5-part series on the Resurrection, Ascension, Descent of the Holy Spirit, Assumption, and Coronation of our Blessed Mother as Queen of Heaven and Earth. In this month of May dedicated to our Blessed Mother and in this Season of Easter grow in your understanding and devotion to the Glorious Mysteries. Join Dr. Ben Akers and professors from the Augustin Graduate School as they walk through these Biblical mysteries and seek to grow in understanding and love for Christ through them (Run Time: 5 parts at 18-20 minutes each).

USDA Food Box Program Update

USDA announces continuation of the Farmers to Families Food Box Program, Fifth Round of Food Purchases. Solicitations to existing distributors have been extended to May 31, 2021.

Meetings

Parent Club Meeting on Tuesday, May 11th, 6:30pm via Zoom.



Second Collection

There will be a Second Collection on the Weekend of May 9th & 10th for Birthright of Hillsboro. Birthright offers love, friendship, and support to women who are pregnant or think they may be pregnant. Birthright's focus is on loving the mother, reminding her that there is hope and ensuring she is not alone.

May 8-9 Satellite location seating

Due to the annual School Auction scheduled for Saturday, May 8 from 6:00-9:00pm, satellite seating for the weekend Masses will be in the school cafeteria. Thanks for your patience and understanding.

Middle School Youth Group (grades 6-8)

Sunday, May 16 from 1:00-3:00pm for End of the Year Activity at Tree-to-Tree Adventures in Gaston. Please RSVP with Laura Nevis lnevis@farthing.com or 503-575-5608 to reserve spot and complete permission forms. Groups will be arranged in pods with adult chaperones that will have an assigned Guide to lead the pod through the aerial course. COVID-19 and Safety protocols will be followed according to Tree-to-Tree Adventures Staff.

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

Sunday, May 23 from 1:00-3:00pm for End of the Year Activity at Tree-to-Tree Adventures in Gaston. Please RSVP with Laura Nevis lnevis@farthing.com or 503-575-5608 to reserve spot and complete permission forms. Groups will be arranged in pods with adult chaperones that will have an assigned Guide to lead the pod through the aerial course. COVID-19 and Safety protocols will be followed according to Tree-to-Tree Adventures Staff.

Religious Education

Next class Monday, May 10th from 4:00-5:00pm in the Convent.

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 5:00pm Saturday Vigil and 8:00am and 10:00am Sunday Masses in Verboort. Download Zoom.us, enter Meeting ID: 993 4497 4746 Password: HolyMass

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

Prayer for Fr. Roberto during his recovery 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.