

## VISITATION SCHOOL NEWS



**Jog-A-Thon** - Thank you for our most successful Jog-a-thon ever! This year we again met our goal and over \$35,000 was pledged. Thank you for your continued support!

**CYO** - Registration is **now open** for Fighting Dutch CYO basketball!! Late fees will be incurred after November 10th.

To register: [http://cyostfrancisroyvisitation.bonzidev.com/bball\\_info](http://cyostfrancisroyvisitation.bonzidev.com/bball_info)

Questions or if interested in coaching, please email: [fightingdutchcyo@gmail.com](mailto:fightingdutchcyo@gmail.com)

Coaching applications due NO LATER than October 30th.

**Rummage Sale Drop-Off** - We will be holding our next two Rummage Sale Drop-off's on Saturday, November 11th 8 am to 12 noon and Saturday, December 9th 8 am to 12 noon behind the Parish Center. We will be taking all items except for: NO Mattresses, NO Car seats, NO Cribs, NO TVs, NO non-working small appliances or electronics

**Scrip** - Scrip is available when the School Office is open from 8:10 am to 8:40 am in the School/Convent basement and after each weekend Mass. Questions, contact Jennifer Finegan at 503-961-4449.



One of them, a scholar of the law, tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

— Mt 22:35-37

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1979 CCD.

## **OCTOBER 29, 2017 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### **VISITATION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH - VERBOORT**

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Parish Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday @ Noon

BAPTISMS: By appointment

MARRIAGES: By appointment, at least six months prior to marriage

NEW FAMILIES: Kindly register by calling the rectory

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4-4:30 pm

or by appointment

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday	October	29	8:00 am	Leo Heineck † by Melvin & Marie Finegan
			10:00 am	For You and Your Intentions
Monday	October	30	8:00 am	Pete Jansen † by Don & Mathyl Stalp
Tuesday	October	31	8:00 am	Vickie Lewis † and Mr. & Mrs. Alan Spiering
Wednesday	November	1	<b>8:30 am</b>	Gerald Vandehy † by Ed & June Vandecoevering
			<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>All Saints Day</b>
Thursday	November	2	8:00 am	All Souls by Parish
Friday	November	3	<b>8:30 am</b>	Christine Sahlfeld † by School and Parish
Saturday	November	4	8:00 am	<b>First Saturday Mass in the Convent</b>
			5:00 pm	Marlene VanDyke † by Joan Vandehy & Family
			10:00 pm	Worker Mass

**Weekday Servers:**

October 30, 31, & November 2: Danica Baggenstos & Ally Puncocar  
 November 1 & 3: School Masses

**October 21st & 22nd  
 Your Gift to God**

Envelopes & Checks: \$2,657.00  
 Loose Collection: \$436.25  
 World Mission: \$441.00

**Wednesday, November 1st: All Saints**

8:30 am: School Mass  
 5:00 pm: Servers: Francis Duyck & Volunteer  
 Lector: Judy Verboort  
 Eucharistic Host Minister: Paul Heesacker

**Saturday, November 4th: Worker Mass**

10 pm - Lector: Lee LaBonte  
 Servers: Matthew LaBonte & Volunteer  
 Eucharistic Host & Cup Ministers: Volunteers



**Weekend Masses For November 4th & 5th**

<b>Mass times</b>	<b>5:00 PM - Saturday</b>	<b>8:00 AM - Sunday</b>	<b>10:00 AM - Sunday</b>
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Lectors	Sheila VanGrunsven	Joe Finegan	Francis Duyck
Eucharistic Host Minister	Volunteer	Lorna Vandecoevering	Cheryl Eckler
Eucharistic Cup Ministers	Byron Schmidkofer Volunteer	Mel Finegan Tammy Scheenstra	Paul Heesacker Patty Vanderzanden
Ushers	Lawrence Peters Denis Giesbers	Leo Pelster Pete Lepschat	Gary Hammond Patty Vanderzanden
Servers CB= Cross Bearer	Lena Duyck Sophia Duyck	Kara Finegan Owen Finegan Everett Finegan <b>CB</b>	Dawson Kelly Jolina Wessels Nate Wessels <b>CB</b>
Music	Leanne's Group	Kathy Juenemann	Leanne's Group

**From the Desk of Fr. Michael**

In the month of November, it is our tradition as Catholics to remind ourselves here on earth that the Church extends far beyond the visible world in which we live. Although we Christians may be physically separated from each other by death, we nonetheless remain united in one Church, and we support each other in prayer.

Here below we are the Church Militant—those who continue to “fight the good fight of the faith” (1 Timothy 6:12). On All Saints Day, November 1st, we call to mind the Church Triumphant—all the holy ones who have gone before us, who see God face to face, and who pray for us always. On November 2nd, All Souls Day, we recall the Church Penitent—all those in Purgatory who depend on our prayers for them as God invites us to work with him in his plan of salvation.

Celebrating All Souls this Sunday, I'd like to share with you a reflection on Purgatory from C.S. Lewis. He died in 1963. C.S. Lewis was not Catholic on this earth, but perhaps he is one with us now. He certainly believed as a Christian in Purgatory. Let's pray for him as if he's there, but rest assured that if he is in Heaven, he prays for us.

From *Letters to Malcolm*, by C.S. Lewis:

*Our souls demand Purgatory, don't they? Would it not break the heart if God said to us, 'It is true, my son, that your breath smells and your rags drip with mud and slime, but we are charitable here and no one will upbraid you with these things, nor draw away from you. Enter into the joy'? Should we not reply, 'With submission, sir, and if there is no objection, I'd rather be cleaned first.' 'It may hurt, you know'—'Even so, sir.'*

I assume that the process of purification will normally involve suffering. Partly from tradition; partly because most real good that has been done me in this life has involved it. But I don't think the suffering is the purpose of the purgation. I can well believe that people neither much worse nor much better than I will suffer less than I or more. . . . The treatment given will be the one required, whether it hurts little or much.

My favorite image on this matter comes from the dentist's chair. I hope that when the tooth of life is drawn and I am 'coming round', a voice will say, 'Rinse your mouth out with this.' This will be Purgatory. The rinsing may take longer than I can now imagine. The taste of this may be more fiery and astringent than my present sensibility could endure. But . . . it will [not] be disgusting and unhallowed."

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

~Fr. Michael

### **Bake Booth for the Verboort Dinner**

We need your help for donations. You can do this!!! Put your aprons on. Pull out those dusty cook-books. Conjure up your cooking skills and creative juices. What is your specialty? All it takes is one batch of cookies, one loaf of bread, or one jar of jam to help make this event a bigger success than before.

No time to bake?? How about baking early and popping them in the freezer? You just have to take them out Thursday night and thaw!

Be sure to prepare your donation by labeling and wrapping securely and seal with **clear** products so your creation can be viewed. Please put a “nut/no nut” notation to inform those who have nut allergies. We cannot accept refrigerated required items such as cream fillings and puddings. Any questions please contact Lorrina Tunnell at 503-341-0538. Drop-off Date: Friday, November 3rd. Time: 8 am – 6 pm at the gym.

### **Fancy Work Booth**

Please donate any handmade items (crocheted, knitted, embroidered, beaded and etc.) We sell pillows, pillow cases, baby items (blankets, booties, sweater sets, afghans etc.) quilts, tea towels, aprons, dish cloths, scarves, jewelry, hand bags etc. Please bring donations to the gym on Friday, November 3rd.

### **Christmas Ornaments**

All types of home/handmade ornaments and holiday items, etc. Donations accepted through November 3 at the School Office.

### **Produce**

Walnuts, hazelnuts, prunes, squash, apples, etc. Donations accepted at Father’s Garage on Nov 1-3.

### **Candy/Verboort Dinner**

Homemade only: Our biggest sellers are divinity, peanut butter fudge and peanut brittle. Two batches are needed per family. Please label it before dropping off (and if it contains nuts). Donations accepted November 2nd in the convent. For questions please contact Amy Duyck at 503-679-6829 or [vangruna@gmail.com](mailto:vangruna@gmail.com)

### **Peppermint Bark**

12 ounces quality white chocolate (like Ghirardelli)

1/2 cup crushed peppermint candy (you can use either the hard candies or the slightly softer peppermint balls.)

Line a pan with parchment paper

Melt the white chocolate in the microwave in a heat proof bowl for 30 seconds, stir and repeat until you have a smooth consistency or use a double boiler. You can stir part of the crushed peppermints into the white chocolate, or put it all on the top after spreading. Spread on parchment paper. Sprinkle remaining crushed peppermints on top of white chocolate. Harden in the refrigerator for 2 hours.

### **House Bill 3391 Forces Abortion Coverage and Expands Taxpayer-Funded Abortion**

The Oregon State Legislature passed a bill that has more to do with force than it does with freedom. House Bill 3391, which has now been signed into law by Governor Brown, forces insurance companies to cover abortion on demand and it forces all Oregon taxpayers to help finance an extremist abortion agenda that does not enjoy majority support.

By insisting on complete insurance coverage of abortion, including late-term and sex-selective abortions, the legislature and the Governor show intolerance of widely held opposing views and will compel thousands of Oregonians to support what their conscience rejects.

Oregonians opposed to House Bill 3391 should lend their support to the Stop Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act. This measure needs 117,000 signatures to qualify as an initiative for the 2018 election. Visit [www.StopTheFunding.org](http://www.StopTheFunding.org) to sign the petition and find out how you can help reverse some of the harmful effects of the current legislation that implements and expands taxpayer funding for abortion.

### **Priest Travel Dates**

Fr. Roberto will be gone Oct. 16-Nov. 1

Fr. Juan Jose will be gone Oct. 30-Nov. 3

### **Solemnity of All Saints**

Wednesday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> is the Solemnity of All Saints, a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass schedule is the following:

8:30am School Mass in Verboort

9:00am Mass in North Plains

9:00am School Mass in Roy

5:00pm Mass in Verboort

7:00pm Mass in Roy

### **All Souls Book of Remembrance**

In our Catholic Tradition, November is a special time for remembering family and friends who have departed from this earthly life. Parishioners are invited to remember deceased loved ones by writing their names in the Book of Remembrance, located in the front of the church. The names inscribed will be kept in the prayers of the entire parish community throughout the month of November.

### **HS Confirmation**

Meets Sunday, October 29 from 6-7:30pm at St. Francis of Assisi church basement.

### **RCIA**

Meets Wednesday, Nov. 1 from 6:00-7:00pm in the St. Francis of Assisi church basement, Roy. Fr. Michael will be presenting on “God’s Divine Plan of Salvation?”

### **Mission Krewe 2018 to Houston**

If you missed the Informational meeting, please contact Traci Nelson (Vanaken). The \$100 refundable deposit to save your spot to Houston is due November 10, 2017.

### **The Word Among Us**

Free copies of The Word Among Us. Daily meditations for November are available at the entrance of church to take home. Sponsored by the Visitation Altar Society.

### Sharing our Time, Talent, and Treasure Replacement School Campaign

Our current fundraising of donated cash and commitment from 258 donors is \$3,891,896 as of October 25, 2017. Thank you for your generosity. The Weston Matching Grant has been achieved and we have qualified for the \$100,000 grant match.

Please begin your donation commitments or if you would like to make a donation as we are beginning the infrastructure projects of a new well in November and septic system this 2018. Last week, our septic permit was approved by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality.

Finally, let us begin to pray the Our Lady of Perpetual Help novena as a parish and school community for the completion of our new school.

**O Mother of Perpetual Help, grant that I may ever invoke your powerful name, the protection of the living and the salvation of the dying. Purest Mary, let your name henceforth be ever on my lips. Delay not, Blessed Lady, to rescue me whenever I call on you. In my temptations, in my needs, I will never cease to call on you, ever repeating your sacred name, Mary, Mary.**

**What a consolation, what sweetness, what confidence fills my soul when I utter your sacred name or even only think of you! I thank the Lord for having given you so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But I will not be content with merely uttering your name. Let my love for you prompt me ever to hail you Mother of Perpetual Help. Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for me and grant me the favor I confidently ask of you!**

**(Then pray three Hail Marys).**

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help, pray for us!**

~Fr. Michael

### Children's Choir

Children's Choir practice on Sunday, October 29th, 5-6pm. All children grades 2nd - 8th are welcome to join.

### Religious Education

The next CCD Class for grades 1-5 will be on Monday, October 30th from 4-5 pm in the convent.

### 10/29 Portland Life Chain

Sunday, Oct 29th from 2:30 to 4:00 pm at the Planned Parenthood at 3727 NE MLK Jr. Blvd. Life chain is a peaceful, prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals praying for 90 minutes for our nation and for an end to abortion.

### Rental Property Available

St. Francis of Assisi parish is renting a 1360 square feet home that is 3 bedrooms and 2 bath with attached garage across the street from the church on 39080 NW Harrington Road, Cornelius, OR 97113. The rental amount is \$1850 a month. If interested please contact Dan Spiering at 503-324-6933 to inquire and fill out the application which includes a \$35 fee.

### St. Francis of Assisi's Annual Holiday Country Bazaar

Featuring Baked Goods, Handmade Items and Direct Sale Company Vendors

Saturday Nov. 11th 10 am - 5 pm: Lunch 11 am - 2 pm

Sun. Nov. 12th 8:30am-12 noon: KofC Breakfast 8:30am-12noon

Questions? Call 503-324-2231

### 83rd Annual Verboort Sausage & Kraut Dinner Announcements

- Potholders - Each family is requested to bring 18 (homemade or store bought potholders). Boxes are located at the entrance of Church and School Office.
- The 2017 Dinner Worker List is available at the entrance to church. 1 copy per family please.
- Flyers are in the vestibule of the church. All parishioners are encouraged to support the advertisement of the dinner by taking a few flyers and posting in their place of employment, community event boards, etc..
- Volunteers, please avoid parking behind the Parish Center the day of the Verboort Dinner. This area is reserved for guests. A parking map is inserted in this weekend's Church Bulletin.
- For Questions please call Liz Duyck, Dinner Chair at 503-806-1190.



### Bulk Sausage Orders

**Visitation Parishioners only** may order sausage from Dana Vandecoevering by either sending an email to [dana.vandecoevering@intel.com](mailto:dana.vandecoevering@intel.com) by Monday, October 30th or by calling Dana on Monday, October 30th between 5-7 pm at 503-357-1203. \$6 per pound. You must order at least 10 lbs. of sausage (no smaller), and one package/order per parish family. (No multiple packages - please). Sausage will be ready for you to pick up on Friday, November 3rd between 3-6 pm. (Reminder - cash or check only). No early birds please!

### Potato Peeling

When: Friday, November 3

Time: Noon-3 pm

Where: Play Shed behind Parish Center

**Note:** 10+ volunteers needed

Required event for 7th & 8th grade

### Salad Making

When: Friday, November 3

Time: 9:30 am

Where: Parish Center Kitchen

**Note:** 10+ volunteers needed

### Sausage Pre-Sale Pick-up

When: Friday, November 3

Time: 3-6 pm (no early birds)

Where: Smokehouse

**Note:** Orders not picked up by 6 pm will go into Saturday's sales.

### Post Dinner Kitchen and Grounds Clean-Up

When: Sunday, November 5

Time: 8:30 am

Where: Parish Center (and Gym)

**Note:** 40+ volunteers needed (lunch provided)  
\*\*No left over items will be sold until after the kitchen, etc., has been cleaned and put back to order.