

VISITATION SCHOOL NEWS



1/2 Day of School - Early dismissal at 11:30 am on Friday, May 11th.

Dinner Night Out - The next Dinner Night Out will be at Miget's, 1914 21st Avenue, Forest Grove, OR 97116, Saturday, May 19th, 11am-6:00pm. Mention Visitation at time of order. Miget's will donate 20% of the day's total purchase to Visitation Catholic School's New Building. *Flyer does not need to be presented* We received \$200.00 from Pizza Schmizza from our last Dinner Night Out. Thank you for supporting Visitation School!

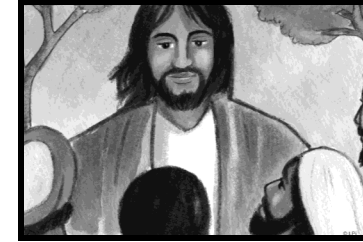
Visitation Catholic School Presents "A Knight In Paradise" - Friday Night Community Silent Auction held on May 11th, 2018 from 6pm to 8pm. A FREE event for the entire family. Refreshments, fun items up for bid, raffle prizes. Held inside the Visitation School Gym.
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Going once....going twice.....SOLD!! - The 18th Annual Dinner and Auction "A Knight in Paradise" will be Saturday May 12th in the Parish Center. Doors open at 4:30 pm.

SAC - Are you interested in serving Visitation Catholic School in a leadership and advisory role? Each year, Visitation's School Advisory Committee (SAC) has two positions that open for a three year term. All parents and parishioners are invited to apply. If you have ideas for Visitation Catholic School you would like to share and are able to assist Father Michael and Carol Funk in this leadership role, you are encouraged to submit your name to the school office. The deadline for name submissions is May 12th. Thank you for your commitment to Visitation Catholic School.

2018 Visitation Catholic School Annual Golf Scramble Friday, August 3rd - Registration begins at 7:30 am, Shotgun start at 9 am, Luncheon & Awards Ceremony to follow. Quail Valley Golf Course, 12565 NW Aerts Rd, Banks, OR 97106. Registration: David Plep 503-705-0905 or Mike Myers 503-810-8683. Thank you to our Sponsors! Mountain View Medical Center, State Farm (Jill Verboort Agency), Columbia Empire Meat Company, and Mortgage Express.

Scrip - Scrip is available when the School Office is open from 8:10 am to 8:40 am in the School/Convent. You may email your order to scrip@vcsknights.org and we will call you when your order is ready. Questions, contact Jennifer Finegan at 503-961-4449.



"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." — Jn 15:16-17

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MAY 6, 2018 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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	May	6	8:00 am	Monsignor John Cihak by Don & Mary Wybert
			10:00 am	For You and Your Intentions
Monday	May	7	8:00 am	Blanche Peters † by Greg & Jeannie Peters
Tuesday	May	8	8:00 am	Elaine Duyck † by Walt & Margie Vandehey
Wednesday	May	9	8:00 am	Francis & June Noll † by Family
Thursday	May	10	8:00 am	Marie Edwards † by Greg Edwards
Friday	May	11	8:30 am	Daniel Nicholson by Parish & School
Saturday	May	12	5:00 pm	Irene Jansen † by Marv & Carolyn Vanaken and Family

Weekday Servers:

May 7th-10th: Noah Renshaw and Joe Duyck

April 28th & 29th

Your Gift to God

Envelopes & Checks: \$4,818.00

Loose Collection: \$511.00

Catholic Home Missions: \$942.54



Weekend Masses For May 12th & 13th

Mass times	5:00 PM - Saturday	8:00 AM - Sunday	10:00 AM - Sunday
Lectors	Sheila VanGrunsven	Fryslan Scheenstra	Donna Vandehey
Eucharistic Host Minister	Lee LaBonte	Jennifer Finegan	Steve Klopocz
Eucharistic Cup Ministers	Donna Heesacker Byron Schmidkofer	Mel Finegan Volunteer	Dean Hermance Patty Vanderzanden
Ushers	Dave Heesacker Volunteer	Leo Duyck Bob Lux	John Schmidkofer John Braxmeyer
Servers CB= Cross Bearer	Sebastian Lohrer Grayson Landon	Chris Carlson Carl Carlson	DJ Heckenberg Ryan Hyde
Music		Regina McLoud	Children's Choir

From the Desk of Fr. Michael

Dear Parishioners,

One of my favorite saint stories to share with altar servers is St. Tarcisus. Not only is he the patron saint of altar servers, but also First Communicants. For this reason, this Sunday, as 24 of our young children receive 1st Holy Communion, I would like to share the story of St. Tarcisus and his love for the Eucharist.

St. Tarcisus was a 12-year old orphan boy who had a special reverence to the Blessed Sacrament. During the 3rd Century Roman persecutions of the Early Church, every day, the Christians would gather in a secret location located in the catacombs and celebrate mass. After the Mass, a deacon would be sent to the prisons to carry the Eucharist to those Christians preparing for martyrdom.

One day, there was no deacon available so St. Tarcisus was sent. While he was travelling to the prison, he was stopped along the way. Due to the nature of his mission, he naturally concealed and protected the Blessed Sacrament and mentioned very clearly that he was on a special mission and could not be delayed. As a result, a mob developed seeking to see what precious object he was protecting.

The mob escalated into a fury and St. Tarcisus sustained so many blows that he eventually died. But he died protecting, safeguarding, and offering us our own life for the Blessed Sacrament. He is the patron saint of altar servers because the altar servers assist the priest at the altar as well as assist the priest to be vigilant in protecting and safeguarding the Eucharist.

For this reason, altar servers when assisting the priest in distributing Holy Communion will sometimes be asked to stand next to the priest or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion with the communion paten, a circular metal plate with a wooden handle to catch any Eucharist host that may fall from the tongue or hands of the communicant. As well as keep an eye on each communicant consumes the Eucharist host after receiving it.

The sacrifice that St. Tarcisus made in protection of the Eucharist can be a reminder for all of us especially those receiving Holy Communion for the first time this: much like St. Tarcisus, we too are entrusted with a precious gift, Jesus Christ.

When we receive Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and share in his divine life, we are invited to go forth into the world to share it with others. But at the same time, we are to safeguard and protect what we have received by not succumbing to temptations and falling into sin. We are to make daily sacrifices by thinking of others and putting them first before ourselves. And finally, we are to live as if this was our first, last and only reception of Holy Communion in order to cherish, reverence and love even more of what has been given to us.

For all our new 1st Holy Communion Candidates, we say, St. Tarcisus, pray for us!

~Fr. Michael

Replacement School Groundbreaking

Our current commitment to \$5,087,752. We have raised \$10,355 of the \$200,000 matching fund. The ground breaking ceremony was a success and we have been the excavation project. Our new septic system is online and our new well system will be online shortly. We are improving the quality of our overall campus.

Always seeking heavenly blessings and intercession, please join me in praying the Prayer of St. Michael the Archangel to ward off distractions that may keep us from completing the goal at hand.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;

and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host by the Divine Power of God -

thrust into hell, Satan and all the evil spirits,

who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

New School Bricks For Sale

Did you attend Visitation Catholic School? What about your children or grandchildren? Or perhaps you have celebrated a wedding or baptism here? Would you like to leave a lasting imprint for the future generations of Visitation Catholic School children? Visitation Catholic School is building a new school and you can help!

We are selling commemorative bricks that will complete the plaza leading to the entrance. Purchase a brick to honor your children or grandchildren, commemorate loved ones, or mark a special event in your life. We are offering two different sizes of brick, and if you would like to make your brick even more special, you can choose from one of 4 different graphics for an additional cost.

Ordering Instructions: Order online at www.vcsknights.org or fill out a form located in the back of church and return to Visitation Catholic School office. Questions? Email bricks@vcsknights.org or call 503-357-6990 for help!

Congratulations!

Jonathan Ackerman, child of Andrew Ackerman and Melissa Vanoudenhaegen, baptized May 5, 2018.

Religious Education

The next CCD Class for grades 1-5 will be on Monday, May 7th from 4-5 pm in the convent.

90th Birthday Celebration for Ignatius 'Naish' Vandehey

Saturday May 12th, 1-4 pm. Verboort Gun Club 32435 NW Osterman Rd Forest Grove, Or 97116. No gifts please - just best wishes

Donna Smith's Services

Recitation of the Holy Rosary on Wednesday, May 9th, 10:30 am. Funeral Services following at 11am at Visitation Catholic Church.

Duyck & VanDeHey Calendar photos

Now that Spring is here we were wondering if anyone had found any photos they would like to share for the 2019 calendar. We are actively looking for photos and they come from folks from the parish community. Please contact Aaron @ 503-357-8749 to coordinate All photos can be returned promptly. Thank you! ~Aaron & Elizabeth Duyck

2nd Collection This Weekend, May 5th & 6th

This Weekend, May 5th & 6th. Second Collection for Catholic Charities 2018 Annual Campaign. Funds gathered provide direct support to the network of agencies that make up Catholic Charities in Western Oregon.

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to our children who received First Holy Communion.

Abigail Ackerman, Luis Banuelos-Garcia, Hailey Brown, Gabriel Burke, Kellen Christopherson, Isabel Crosby, Trevor Evey, Presley Hahn, Grace Lepschat, Samuel Loucaides, Michael Nevis, Jimena Perez-Guillen, Sawyer Peters, Madelyn Porter, Cristiano Rosas, Emma Ruhl, Zachary Stewart, Lilian Vandehey, Trevor Vanderzanden, Jose Rocha Vasquez, Erik Custodio Vega, Lila Verboort, Gabriel Vuky, and Tatiana Weimann.

Priest Travel Dates

Fr. Jesus gone to Rome until August 1.

Fr. Roberto gone May 3-12, May 14-20, May 26, May 28-June 1, June 8-10, June 15-17, June 21-29.

Fr. Juan gone May 14-15, June 10-14, June 25-29.

Fr. Michael gone June 4-8 (Annual Priest Retreat at Mt. Angel), June 19-26 (HS Youth Group Mission Trip to Houston)

HS Confirmation Pictures

If family and friends would like to print out pictures from April 6, 2018 Confirmation Mass, please feel free to e-mail Kayla Duyck at kduyck.dnaphotography@gmail.com and she will provide a link to google docs for free access.

HS Youth Group

Sunday, May 6 from 6:00-7:30pm in Visitation Parish Hall, Life Nite on Angels and Demons. All are invited to attend.

Saturday, May 12 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm, Volunteer to help serve the Visitation School Auction and raise money for Mission Krewe 2018 Trip. Please contact Traci Vanaken for more information.

Sunday, May 20 HS Senior Farewell at Portland Escape Room. Please sign up with Traci Vanaken and you will be given a time to meet at Portland Escape Room to begin your adventure. The times of the game will vary so plan on the activity between 2:30-5:30pm.

Middle School Youth Group

Friday, May 18 End of the Year Party at Sky High from 6pm-8pm. Please arrive at 5:45pm. Permission forms contact Laura Nevis.

Fr. Jose de Jesus Sanchez, MSpS

Fr. Jesus who has been with us since the Fall, he is in the final stages of his Doctoral Program. He is departing Friday, April 27 to Rome, Italy so he can prepare for his Doctoral Defense. He will be away for 3 months and return in August. Let us keep Fr. Jesus in our prayers for the success of the completion of his Doctoral Degree.

Choir Practice

No Choir Practice this week. For questions, please contact Sarah Crosby at 503-992-8215 or svandecoevering1@yahoo.com