

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL



Sunday, September 27th
26th Sunday of Ordinary Time



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ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



Welcome to St. Mary's Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception



Since its dedication in 1926, St. Mary's Cathedral has stood as the mother church of the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon. The cathedral belongs to the 400,000 Catholics of the archdiocese and serves as a place of ceremony and celebration for those who come here. The cathedral is also a parish church, and as such it is home to its parishioners and a welcoming place for all visitors. You may have noticed the beautiful rose design on our doors as you came in. This rose represents Mary, Our Blessed Mother, as well as Portland, the City of Roses.

All Are Welcome!

Please Consider a Charitable Bequest to St. Mary's Cathedral in your estate planning.

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WeShare is simple, and helps our Cathedral by saving time and labor. Contact Jennifer Overbay with any questions.

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St. Mary's Cathedral Parish Mission

St. Mary's Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception is a community of Christians in the Roman Catholic Tradition. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, and through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we continue the mission of Jesus Christ through liturgy, prayer, education and service toward our neighbor. As the cathedral of the Archdiocese of Portland, and as a parish community, we offer hospitality to all visitors, celebrate archdiocesan events and witness the joy of the Gospel to the City of Portland.



A WORD FROM THE PASTOR



I have had Confirmation on my mind this past week (and into this week). The reason is that we are celebrating the sacrament 4 times during a two-week period: once at the RCIA rites of initiation (delayed from last Easter) and three times with our young people (delayed from last April). It has been a pleasure, and a privilege, to preside at these ceremonies; and, in this column, I would like to share a few thoughts from my homily.

I remind our young people at Confirmation that their parents and godparents spoke for them at their baptism, making their baptismal promises. At Confirmation, we renew those baptismal promises; but this time, our young people speak for themselves. These promises are a public declaration of who the candidate is and what he or she stands for.

The first promise, “to renounce Satan and all his empty promises.” When you say that you renounce someone or something, it also means that you embrace something else, what you are for, and what you are against. So, what are the “empty promises.” In our culture, virtually every movie, Netflix show, advertisement, and song tries to convince you that happiness depends upon power, wealth, honor, and pleasure. These are Satan’s empty promises. Most adults know this; and, yes, they are tempting! Instead, when we come into a church building, what is the focus of our attention? A crucifix. We don’t put Bill Gates, Donald Trump, Beyoncé, Justin Bieber, at the center. Rather, we put the crucified Jesus, who gave up power, wealth, honor, and pleasure. And we do the same.

The second promise, “to believe in God,” is not about an intellectual acknowledgement that there is a God. It means that we recognize that life is not about us. It’s about God. A child is all about himself. An adult has a much wider horizon: my family, my neighbor, my community, my church, my country. An adult discovers his or her vocation—the role God has for me in the world. I surrender to God’s will, not my own. I believe in God.

The third promise, “to believe in Jesus Christ as Lord.” We all answer to some Lord. It might be the country, a political party, a company, an addiction, money, and so on. In Confirmation we say that Jesus is *my Lord*—remembering that those who declare Jesus as Lord must face the consequences. The early Church martyrs did; and we might, too.

The fourth promise, “to believe in the Holy Spirit,” is a willingness to participate in the love that proceeds from the Father, to the Son, through the Holy Spirit. It says my life will not strive to pursue power, wealth, honor or pleasure, but only love.

Finally, the fifth promise, “to believe in the holy catholic Church.” This means that we are not simply a part of a club, or an organization, but a living organism, of which we are an intrinsic part. This body cannot function without you, and the work of Christ cannot be accomplished without your commitment. And that is what Confirmation is all about.

Msgr. Patrick S. Brennan

Monsignor Patrick Brennan is a native Oregonian who attended high school and college at Mount Angel Seminary (1965-1973). He studied theology at the North American College and the Gregorian University in Rome (1973-1977; 1979-1980). He later studied Canon Law at The Catholic University of America (1983-1985). Msgr. Brennan was ordained in 1977 and has held a number of positions in the archdiocese: president-rector of Mount Angel Seminary, Vicar for Clergy, and presently, Judicial Vicar. He was appointed pastor of St. Mary's Cathedral in 2011. His interests include Scripture, travel, architecture, photography, and swimming.



PARISH LIFE



CATHEDRAL SCHOOL



September/October Mass Intentions

- 28 5:30pm: In Memory of Scott Niedermeyer
- 29 7:30am: Fr. Jon Buffington
5:30pm: Clarie, Steven Ferlan and Family
- 30 7:30am: In Memory of Edward Jones
5:30pm: For Wildfire Victims

October

- 1 7:30am: Fr. Freddy Ocun
5:30pm: For Firefighters and First Responders
- 2 7:30am: In Memory of Bob Wack
5:30pm: In Memory of Leo & Nell Hogan
- 3 7:30am: Blanchet House

Financial Report for September 20, 2020

WeShare		118
Envelopes		38
Sunday Envelope	\$	3,812
Loose	\$	331
WeShare	\$	7,257
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Total Parish	\$	11,400
School	\$	129
Social Services	\$	25
Adult Faith	\$	20

We are grateful for your contributions to St. Mary's Cathedral!

This Week at Cathedral

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30pm
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11am Mass

The 11am Sunday morning Mass will no longer be livestreamed on a regular basis. We invite you to join Msgr. Brennan in person for any Sunday Mass. Please click here for [Mass reservations](#).

Msgr. Pat's Vlog: Msgr. Pat has been posting a daily vlog (video blog) "In Time of Virus" at <https://monsignorpat.com/index.html>. Join him for a 3 minute reflection of the day.

The Annual Archdiocesan Seminarian Appeal:

The Seminarian Appeal provides substantial financial support to seminarians and faith formation at all levels and provides a Catholic presence for tens of thousands of people. As you consider your support to the seminarians, please reflect on, "Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me."

Please give generously according to the blessings God has given you. If you did not receive a mailing from the Archdiocese, there are envelopes available at the entrance to the Cathedral. For more information or to donate online go to osd.archdpx.org. Please make your checks payable to: Archdiocese of Portland with Seminarian Appeal in the memo line.

Children's Religious Education: We are now registering children of our parish for the required two year course of study that prepares them for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist. This program is for parish children who are not attending a Catholic elementary school. Please see the provided instructions for online registration, or call me: Stephanie Fisher-Hunt, DRE, at 503-292-5679. You may also email me at stephaniefh60@gmail.com. Our classes will begin on September 27th at 10:45 a.m. Classes will be held online, using a Zoom format for the first few months.



CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

Our annual **Run 4 Cathedral** jog-a-thon will be held virtually on Friday, September 25th.

The run raises funds for curriculum enhancement, the Cathedral School art program, Outdoor School, the Oregon Trail Overnight, field trips, guest authors, student retreats, and more.

Thank you to our 2020 Run 4 Cathedral Sponsors: Guardian Real Estate, Frenchies Nails, Kona Kids, Macadam Dental, Pienovi Properties and Schoolhouse

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26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 27, 2020

Entrance Antiphon

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgment, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Opening Hymn

To Jesus Christ, our Sov'reign King, Who is the world's salvation, All praise and homage de we bring And thanks and adoration. Christ Jesus, victor! Christ Jesus, ruler! Christ Jesus, Lord and redeemer!

To thee and to thy Church, great King, We pledge our heart's oblation Until before they throne we sing In endless jubilation. Christ Jesus, victor! Christ Jesus, ruler! Christ Jesus, Lord and redeemer!

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading Ez 18:25-28

Thus says the LORD: You say, "The LORD's way is not fair!" Hear now, house of Israel: Is it my way that is unfair, or rather, are not your ways unfair? When someone virtuous turns away from virtue to commit iniquity, and dies, it is because of the iniquity he committed that he must die. But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life; since he has turned away from all the sins that he has committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

Responsorial:

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Second Reading Phil 2:1-11 [2:1-5]

[Brothers and sisters: If there is any encouragement in Christ, any solace in love, any participation in the Spirit, any compassion and mercy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing. Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others. Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus,] Who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Mt 21:28-32

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: "What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He came to the first and said, 'Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.' He said in reply, 'I will not, ' but afterwards changed his mind and went. The man came to the other son and gave the same order. He said in reply, 'Yes, sir, 'but did not go. Which of the two did his father's will?" They answered, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."

Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the

forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offertory/Communion Hymn

The King of love my shepherd is, Whose goodness fails me never; I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow With gentle care he leads me, and where the verdant pastures grow, With heav'nly food he feeds me.

And so through all the length of days your goodness fails me never: Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise Within your house foever.

Communion Antiphon

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Closing Hymn

Holy God, we praise thy name;
Lord of all, we bow before thee;
All on earth thy scepter claim,
All in heaven above adore thee.
Infinite thy vast domain
Everlasting is thy reign!

Hark, the loud celestial hymn;
Angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and Seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heavens with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord!

