



St. Jude Catholic Church

4330 Willamette Street

Eugene, Oregon

November 17, 2019

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to St. Jude Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am and
11:30 am

Tuesday 12:30 pm

Wednesday-Friday
9:00am



November 20 - Presented by Vino and Vango, we'll receive instruction on how to create a painting that we can take home (that's one item off the Christmas list). All materials are supplied and everyone can participate.

The cost is \$45 per person but we need your

RSVP call the office 541-344-1191

Reflections from Fr. Jonah

On a foggy November day sometime before the end of the second millennium, I was seated in Mr. Hogan's English class and first learned about Freytag's explanation of the narrative structure of plays. First there's an exposition. We meet a few central characters, a setting, and a problem. Then the rising action, the "plot thickens". This thickening leads to a brilliant climax, a moment of truth and destiny and beauty and terror. All things converge. Then, a "falling action" leads to a relaxation of the tension that has been created, and carries the story toward resolution. Finally, the "dénouement", or "untangling", explains some suspended questions and gives the spectator a satisfying sense of completeness.

You could draw that sequence as a continuous line, something like a butte rising from a flat plain. The exposition is on the plain. Then the line rises up a slope that has some rough outcroppings. It finally reaches the peak of the butte (climax!), then starts descending the other side, and at last comes to rest on a plateau. Many stories have this structure. So do many songs, plays, TV shows, and movies. So does the Mass we celebrate each Sunday.

This is one of the reasons why we have moved the announcements to the beginning of Mass. The purpose of announcements is to inform the audience of things that might interest them, but that aren't directly related to the action at hand. In movie theatres, they put advertising before the show. Once you have gone through the whole emotional journey of the movie itself, you don't have much energy left for paying attention to advertising.

In our case, there's also another important reason to have announcements before the "action" of the Mass. We like to recognize the members of our community who are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries, and be able to remember them in a special way in our prayer. If we know their names at the beginning, we can easily carry them to the altar in the same way we carry all our needs and hopes to that place of mutual gift, offering and receptivity. It is true that this means we don't sing "Happy Birthday" in church anymore, but it is my hope to have frequent birthday parties in our parish hall after Mass. There, we could sing it to our heart's content. All we need is an organizer. Anyone interested?

Daily Advent Booklet, The Guiding Power of Hope

Time seems to be flying by as we begin Advent on Sunday, December 1. How do we find time for all there is to do and see? We would like to offer you an opportunity to spend just a few minutes a day preparing your Heart for the coming Season! The Guiding Power of Hope is a daily book that will allow you a glimpse into the scripture of the day, a short meditation, prayer and action. Look for an opening in your day to Celebrate Hope in this coming Season! Together, let us live Advent and relight the light of hope . . .in our families. . . our communities . . .our church. . . our nation. . .our world. (\$1.00 Donation)

Who are these men we call Knights?

Knights of Columbus are Catholic men. We live by principles informed by faith. We are sons, fathers, husbands, and grandfathers. Join us on life's greatest adventure to discover the man God calls you to be.

- o Strengthen your faith
- o Serve the church and our community
- o Form lasting friendships

You too can become a Knight! We meet on the first Tuesday of each month @ 6:30pm in the Parish Center. Questions should be directed to Chris Cummings 503.737.4575 or Thomas Price 541.554.2581

This Week

Tue/Th at 9:30AM - Exercise with Kate Kevern in the Parish Hall.

Th-Sun at 8:00AM - Morning Prayer with Fr. Jonah in the Church.

Wed at 4:00PM - Faith formation for Children 3-12 in the Atrium.

Wed at 6:00PM - Wine and Painting in the Parish Center. See below for details.

Sat at 3:00PM - Faith formation for Children 3-12 in the Atrium.

Sat at 4:00PM - Confessions heard in the Church.

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Holiday Help

Now thru Nov. 24. Turkey Collection for Christmas food distribution. Freezers will be at St. Jude's for drop-off.

The Giving Tree is one way the St. Jude community helps families who really need an extra hand. Please consider taking a tag and shopping for people of all ages. This year we will have a special focus on 1st Way Pregnancy Resource Center providing for newborns and toddlers.

Nov 23-24. Christmas Wreaths and Ribbons available after the masses for \$25. Supplies are limited. This benefits our Altar Society and the needs of the parish.

Collection:

Thanks you for your contributions. Last week we received \$3,743.
We need \$7,055.

Flowers:

By Colleen Parker, In Memory of John & Dorothy Petrich

Mass Intentions:

Please pray for John Sheaffer, Jan Medrano, Jan Holland, Carolos Barbisan, Kathryn Gonsalves, Frank Young, Michael and Jeana, Sarah Gregory and Karen Pavelec

Please let us know if you have anyone to add to our list.