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Liturgical Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM Congregational Singing

> Sunday Masses: 7:30AM

9:00 AM Congregational Singing 11:00 AM Cathedral Choir 5:30 PM Contemporary Ensemble

> Daily Masses: 7:30 AM & 5:30 PM

Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 4:00 PM-5:15 PM Other times by appointment.



AUGUST 20, 2017 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass İntentions

Aug 7:30am & 5:30pm

- 21 Bishop Liam Carey Earl L. Van Engel, dec
- 22 Doris Nyland Elizabeth Timbers
- 23 Bruce Ffitch, dec Charles Donahe, dec
- 24 Leonie Everett, dec Earle A. Chiles, dec
- 25 Barbara Koons, dec Sr. Ellen Meskill, dec
- 26 Blanchet House



Week of August 20

Saturday: Young Adult BBQ after 5:30pm Mass

(Aug. 26)

Sunday: Parish Picnic after the 11am Mass

(Aug. 27)

Financial Report for Aug 13

Regular Households: 800 Envelopes used: 120

E-Giving: 59

Sunday Envelope: Actual Budget %Difference \$10,094

E-Giving: \$ 2,415 Loose Collection: \$ 3,472

TOTAL PARISH: \$15,981 \$16,394 -3%

Fiscal Year to Date: \$103,709 \$114,758 -10%

Social Services: \$45 School: \$125

We are grateful for your contributions to Cathedral!

₩₩ Celebrations İn Our Parish This Past Week

<u>Wedding:</u> Brock Elkins & Brandi Benagni







A Word from the Pastor

I am spending a few days in Montana taking pictures, so I am not present this Sunday. However, here are a few thoughts on today's Gospel: Jesus and Canaanite women.

The Gospel this week is interesting . . . and problematic. To put it bluntly, it makes Jesus look a little cranky! The scene is an encounter between Jesus and what is a called "a Canaanite woman." Jesus is in Gentile territory, just north of Israel, in the coastal towns of Tyre and Sidon. A woman approaches Jesus about her daughter, who is "tormented by a demon." But Jesus ignores her. When the woman persists, the disciples ask Jesus to dismiss her.

When Jesus finally speaks, it sounds harsh: "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." In other words, my mission is only to the Jews. Not put off, the woman begs for help a second time. In response, Jesus refers to the woman as a dog. But the woman responds in one of the most remarkable one liners in the NT, saying "even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." At this, Jesus praises her faith, and he cures her daughter.

A person who knew nothing of Jesus, the Bible, or theology, might read this passage and conclude that the "human side" of Jesus is coming out. When we are tired and cranky, we sometimes lash out or say things we don't mean.

But this interpretation completely misses the point, and it has nothing to do with the intent of the Gospel. So if we eliminate the "cranky Jesus" interpretation, how are we to understand this reading? Let's look at an example, from the military. When a young recruit joins the military, he or she goes to boot camp. There, they are subject to long, hard days, to merciless drill sergeants, to KP duty, to strict discipline, and so on. It is a long period of testing, until he or she passes muster and becomes a soldier.

What is going on here? We call this the *process of initiation*. Whether the world of the monastery, or the military, or discipleship, there is a period of testing before a person breaks through to the other side. It is not done in anger, in meanness, or crankiness. People are tested in order to see "if they have what it takes." Strength comes through resistance. Power and determination grow as we are rebuffed. We become stronger in the face of opposition.

What we see in today's Gospel is the play between a disciple and the master. Jesus sets up resistance to test the woman; and in the face of this resistance, the woman becomes stronger. As she faces each obstacle, and overcomes it, Jesus sees her faith—and grants her wish. May we have that same persistence—and, as disciples, never give up.

Msgr. Patrick S. Brennan



A small plaque has been mounted in the courtyard to honor the major donors to our "bell restoration fund." At the parish picnic on Sunday, August 27, after the 11:00 a.m. Mass, we will bless this plaque,

and our restored bells, in a brief ceremony. And thanks to all who contributed to our beautifully restored bells!

Worship & Prayer & Faith Formation

Thinking about becoming Catholic? To inquire, call RCIA director, Paulette Peynet, at 503.319.3303.



Greetings Cathedral Families, The summer is coming to an end and it is time to begin registering your first, second, and third graders (needing First Eucharist). Cathedral's Parish Religious Education Program for Children is for those who do

not attend Catholic School. This is a two year course of preparation for both First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Eucharist (First Communion). We will begin this year's 25 classes on Sunday, September 17th. Classes begin at 10:10 am and end at 10:55 am. Please check the Church entrances for the registration forms. They may be mailed to Stephanie or placed in the collection basket. Volunteer catechists are needed to assist with this ministry. Please call Stephanie for more information. Home phone: (503) 292-5679 or cell:503-890-2413.

Email: stephaniefh60@gmail.com.

Baptismal Preparation for Parents of Infants: The next session will be on Thursday, September 21 at 7 pm in the Upper Cathedral Center. Enter from 17th Street.



Experience Italy with Fr. Tim Furlow: Join Fr. Tim on a pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome. Please come to an information session on Thursday, August 24 at 6:30pm in St. Joseph Hall. Hear the itinerary for the pilgrimage, and you will

have an opportunity to ask questions. Reserve your spot! Space is very limited. RSVP to PDXItaly2018@gmail.com.

Disabled: Unable to attend church meetings?

Are you tired of reading about the interesting meetings here at the cathedral and don't attend owing to your infirmities? Well, fellow brothers and sisters, who navigate the sometimes perilous journey to Mass, come let us meet and work together to resolve this dilemma. Call Joseph at this number for more information: 503-702-9199 or email at jrbmedia@hevanet.com

The Young Adult end of summer BBQ will be next Saturday, August 26 after the 5:30pm Vigil Mass. All young adults 18-39 are welcomed to attend Mass with Archbishop Sample followed by a BBQ in the courtyard

Parish Picnic! Mark your calendars for next Sunday, August 27, after the 11am Mass in the courtyard. The picnic will be hosted by the Knights of Columbus and the Young Adult Ministry for the entire parish to enjoy. Free to all!

OTHER İTEMS OF İMTEREST



Catholic Women's Coffee & Fellowship: Join us for coffee and treats in St. Joseph Hall Friday, September 8, after drop off at school. We'll sip, nibble and connect with each other in a spirit of sisterhood, fellowship, laughter

and support. All are welcome! Please plan to stop in, and bring your friends. We'll be so happy to see you. If you have any questions please contact Nancy Bartow at nancykbartow@gmail.com or 503.781.4818.

Celebrate all things Italian! Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 24, 25, & 26th, the 26th Annual Fest Italiana will be at "Portland's Piazza" (Pioneer Courthouse Square). There will be live entertainment, restaurants, a wine garden and ITALIA much more. Free admission. For more information please visit, festa-italiana.org.





In the Catholic Sentinel: Catch up on the big gift that tiny houses bring to the homeless. Continue diving into science with a discussion on evolution and Genesis in the second of our twopart series on the topic. Witness a parish reaching

out to local Portlanders through the traditional Latin Mass. Meet some of the often-underappreciated women in the archdiocese who are the front lines of parish life. Remember legendary Notre Dame coach Ara Parseghian. To see more stories any time, go to catholicsentinel.org.

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<u>Liturgical Ministers - Aug 26 & 27</u>

Presiders:

Vigil Archbishop A. Sample 11:00 Msgr. Patrick Brennan 7:30 Msgr. Patrick Brennan 9:00 Fr. Timeshy Eurland

9:00 Fr. Timothy Furlow **5:30** Fr. Timothy Furlow

Lectors:

Vigil Young Adult Mass7:30 Sydney Clevenger

9:00 Hayden Thomas, Liesl Nebel
11:00 Andy Beck, Thomas Brook
5:30 Neill McAuliffe, Tom Eiden

Greeters & Ushers:

Vigil Young Adult Mass, Thierry/ Mary Wuilloud

9:00 Susan Hartwell

11:00 Sr. Connie Furseth/Sandy Simmons, Kara Kristiansen, Gary Townsend

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Vigil Hector Nunez, Janet Satterlee Betty Donnelly, Kevin Keaney, XXX

7:30 Sydney Clevenger, Todd Adkisson, Mary White

9:00 Mike McKelligon, Patsy McKelligon, Anna Graham Mimi Bushman, Sara Mattheisen, Steve Mattheisen

11:00 Julie McCarthy, Donne Merriman, Sarah Westenberg Ann Wehrley, Mary Ganji, Sue O'Donnell, Dohky J-Karchaei

5:30 Margaret Witt, David Pfaff, Kelsey McGinnis Daniel Hseih, Dorene Kemp, Neill McAuliffe

Altar Servers:

Vigil Young Adult Mass

7:30 Steele Clevenger, Gus Clevenger

9:00 Claire Butorac, Lauren Butorac, Irene Langer

11:00 Sophie Shaphard, Parielle Shapard, Wynter Veber

5:30 Claudie Mutati, XXX, XXX

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