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Saturday Vigil Mass:
5:30 PM Congregational Singing

Sunday Masses:
7:30 AM
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.



SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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MASS INTENTIONS

Sept 7:30am & 5:30pm

- 25 Sunil Varma
Rex Werner Beldin, dec
- 26 Mary Vranizan, dec
Walter Endres, dec
- 27 Jim Kemp, dec
Charles Donahe, dec
- 28 Ed Hoffart
Earle M. Chiles, dec
- 29 For Victims of Disasters
Edward Jones, dec
- 30 Blanchet House



A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

In my last column I talked about funeral rites, and I stated that cremation is permitted as long as it is not chosen for reasons which are contrary to Catholic teaching (C.1176§3). Apparently, there was a time when cremation represented, in some way, a denial of the resurrection of the dead. While this may still be the case, I have never encountered it.

Nonetheless, my column raised further questions regarding cremation, so I thought I would say a few more words on Catholic teaching in this column. The questions regarding cremation are timely, since the Vatican recently published an “instruction” regarding the burial of the deceased and the conservation of the ashes in the case of cremation (“Ad Resurgendum cum Christo,” or, “To Rise with Christ,” August 15, 2016). To be sure, for some Catholics, cremation remains a controversial issue. What might be described as the “new attitude” toward cremation goes back as far as 1963, in an instruction published by the Holy Office that, in summary, says this: 1) it is recommended that the tradition of burial be retained, 2) but cremation is not forbidden, 3) as long as it has not been chosen for reasons contrary to the faith.

In my research on this topic I discovered that “cremation” is often associated by Catholics with Freemasonry (or Masons). Freemasonry is a fraternal organization that historically was hostile to organized religions (especially Catholicism). For this reason, until very recently, Catholics were prohibited from joining the Masons (though Masons are no longer specifically mentioned in the Code of Canon Law, other Church documents continue to forbid membership in Masonic lodges). Some traditional Catholics claim that cremation, while “not forbidden,” is still not explicitly *permitted*. One can argue in this way, but it should be noted that the *Order of Christian Funerals* gives permission for a Funeral Liturgy “celebrated in the presence of the cremated remains.”

Speaking about the new instruction, Cardinal Gerhard Müller, Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, said that “caring for the bodies of the deceased, the Church confirms its faith in the resurrection and separates itself from attitudes and rites that see in death the definitive obliteration of the person, a stage in the process of reincarnation, or the fusion of one’s soul with the universe.”

While the Code of Canon Law recognized the possibility of cremation, Church law had not specified exactly what to do with the ashes (sometimes called “cremains”)—thus the occasion of the new instruction. Cardinal Müller stated that “shortly, in many countries, cremation will be considered the ordinary way” to deal with the dead, including Catholics. As for the ashes, they are to be placed in a tomb or columbarium that is marked with a person’s name, allowing family and friends to pay their respects and to preserve the memory of the deceased person. We all have a right to pray at the tombs of those we love—stressing our belief in the Communion of Saints and expressing our devotion to those who have gone before us “marked with the sign of faith.”

Msgr. Patrick S. Brennan

Week of September 24

- Monday: Alpha 6:30pm**
- Wednesday: RCIA 7pm**

Financial Report for September 17

Regular Households: 800	Envelopes used: 120		
	E-Giving: 74		
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>%Difference</u>
Sunday Envelope:	\$ 9,951		
E-Giving:	\$ 3,460		
Loose Collection:	\$ 2,436		
TOTAL PARISH:	\$15,847	\$16,394	-3%
Fiscal Year to Date:	\$181,952	\$196,728	-8%
Run4 Cathedral: \$431			
Social Services: \$105	School: \$105		
Cathedral Bells: \$40	Sunday School of Rel: \$20		

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SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR OCT 1

- Ezekiel 18:25-28;
- Philippians 2:1-11;
- Matthew 21:28-32

WORSHIP * PRAYER * FAITH FORMATION

Children's Liturgy for Toddlers: Starting October 22nd, St. Mary's Cathedral will offer a Children's Liturgy at the 9am mass for kids who can walk but are not yet old enough to go to the traditional Children's Liturgy. We ask that toddlers are accompanied by an adult. Songs, art and listening to the message of the Gospel will all be a part of this fun program for kids. We hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please email crystal.gassert@gmail.com.




 **High School Confirmation:** We will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for high school students in Spring 2018. Registration is open for all high school students who wish to be confirmed. Call or email the parish office for a registration packet. Registration will close on January 1, 2018. The first class will be held on Sunday, January 21. No registrations will be accepted at that time. Welcome to all high school candidates for Confirmation!

Parish Religious Education Program: 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). Classes have already begun. 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.



Altar Server Training: Any student, grades 4 and up, who is interested in becoming an altar server is asked to call the parish office with their name and phone number. Training will be **Monday, October 23 or Monday, October 30**. The sessions are from 6:30-8pm in the Cathedral. Students only need attend one session. Parents are encouraged to stay for the training.

 **Got Questions About Life?** You're Invited! Mondays at 6:30pm, in St. Joseph Hall, you will have the chance to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and share your point of view. Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith, typically run over eleven weeks. Each talk looks at a different question about faith and is designed to create conversation. Everyone is welcome!

CATHEDRAL SCHOOL



Save the Date! Join us for our "Celebrate Cathedral School" yearly fundraising event on October 28 at The Racquet Club, 1853 SW Highland Rd. Watch for more details to come!

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

We will not be accepting clothing donations for St. André Bessette until the middle of October.

Eleventh Annual Rosary Bowl, Saturday, October 7 from 9-4pm at the Oregon State Fairgrounds. For more details go to rosarybowlnw.org.

Mater Dei Radio - KBVM 88.3 FM will broadcast its Fall Sharathon 2017 from October 9 through the 13th. Help them in "Building a Bridge of Mercy" by tuning in for a variety of special guests, inspiring conversion stories, special gifts, and an opportunity for you to support the region's only Catholic Radio station. Find out more about Fall Sharathon 2017 at MaterDeiRadio.com or call 1-888-823-5286.



The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic will host a Women's One Day Retreat on Tuesday, October 10 at Our Lady of Peace Retreat House in Beaverton from 9am-2:30pm. Sr. Michael Francine Duncan, Vocation Director for the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon will lead the retreat. All are Welcome, Send \$35 to Barb Francescan, 10630 SE Clay, #206, Portland, OR 97216. For more information call Sue Anker 503.781.7398.

Thinking about becoming Catholic?

If you are considering Baptism; or, if you are baptized, considering full initiation; or, if you are Catholic but with little Catholic connection . . . please join us Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Upper Cathedral Center. To register, call Paulette Peynet, Director of RCIA, at 503-319-3303.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process of Catholic faith formation which includes instruction, prayer, worship, and community. Inquirers discern and prepare to become Catholic in four stages: Inquiry (deepening faith); Catechumenate (centering faith); Purification and Enlightenment (preparing for the fullest expression of faith); and Mystagogia (experiencing mysteries of faith).

"Come to me . . . and I will refresh you" (Mt 11:28)

LITURGICAL MINISTERS - SEPT 30 & OCT 1

Presiders:

Vigil	Fr. Jon Buffington	11:00	Fr. Patrick McNamee
7:30	Msgr. Patrick Brennan		
9:00	Fr. Patrick McNamee	5:30	Msgr. Patrick Brennan

Lectors:

Vigil	Barbara Brainard, Michael McCarthy
7:30	Patt Bellamah
9:00	Liesl Nebel, Steve Waldram
11:00	Elizabeth Cushwa, Vince Ast
5:30	Ty Broussard, Barbara Brown

Greeters & Ushers:

Vigil	Thierry/ Mary Wuilloud
9:00	XXX
11:00	Sr. Connie Furseth/ Kara Kristiansen, John Pigott Chris O'Brien

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Vigil	Betty Donnelly, Mimi Bushman Janet Satterlee, Karen Knight, XXX
7:30	Patt Bellamah, Pat Pearce, Todd Houser
9:00	Kathryn Bowman, Anna Graham, Antoniette Waldram Eileen Boyd, Daryl Smith, Steve Brophy
11:00	Debbie Paynter, Sandy Simmons, Sue O'Donnell Dohky J-Karchaei, Ann Wehrley, Marilyn Griffin, Joan Townsend
5:30	Dorene Kemp, Fhretscya Youmans, Amy Brown Shawn Youmans, Kelsey McGinnis, Hector Nunez

Altar Servers:

Vigil	Jane Ryan, Maggie Ryan, Patrick Ryan
7:30	John Holman, Mary Jane Holman
9:00	Abby Graham, Paige Kehrli, Owen Kehrli
11:00	Wynter Veber, Bianca Sarich, Griffin Stevenson
5:30	Fernando Martinez, Luci Risetti, Rohan Gutbezahl

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