

April Reflection: The Resurrection

All those pious souls who have withstood the rigors of Lent – mourning for sins, doing the work of purification through penance, and following the Cross – have reason to rejoice as the “Feast of Feasts” is finally here. The work of our Redemption is complete as Our Lord triumphantly rises from the dead. The Heavenly Father has accepted Christ’s sacrifice and heaven is now opened to us.

It is more than that, though. Bishop Athanasius Schneider, in his book “*Credo*” outlines what the Church has taught regarding the fruits Christ merited for us by his Resurrection, namely that all men may:

- Be delivered from sin
- Be released from the power of the devil
- Be delivered from everlasting death
- Be reconciled with God
- Have the gates of heaven opened to them

This is such tremendous cause for joy among us that the entire Easter week is permeated with the spirit of gladness, and is called the “Solemnity of Solemnities”. All Masses within the Octave of Easter are First Class.

As First Friday this month falls within the Octave, Masses offered that day will be of the “Friday within the Octave of Easter”, and not the votive Mass of the Sacred Heart; but the prayers of reparation to the Sacred Heart and associated devotions may certainly still be held.

The even better news is that the faithful continue to celebrate the glories of the Resurrection for a total of seven weeks following Easter Sunday. God is so good!



Our Lady of Fatima Church welcomes our visitors!
New to Tradition or not, please stay after Mass
and enjoy coffee and socializing!



Joining our community is easy! Please fill out a registration card and put it in the designated box in the hall near the Epistle side door.

April 2024

Our Lady of Fatima

13400 NE 28th Street



A Chapel of the SSPX

Vancouver, WA 98682



Pastor:

- Fr. Rami Madanat
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Mass Times:

 Check webpage for updates

- Sundays: 8 am Low & 10:30 Sung High
- Saturdays: 9 am
- 1st Fridays: Holy Hour 6pm, Mass 7pm

Confessions:

- 30-45 minutes before all Masses
- **Rosary 30 min before all Masses**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

- 1st Friday at 6pm
- 1st Saturday after Mass

Baptisms, Extreme Unction & Sick Calls:

- Arrange with the Coordinators

Holy Matrimony:

- Arrange with Pastor 6 months prior

Coordinators:

- Joseph & Agatha DeBartolo
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Announcements at a Glance



First Holy Communion is scheduled for Mother's Day May 12 & we will also celebrate, our chapel's patroness, Our Lady of Fatima - more details next month.

Rome Pilgrimage: Fr. Madanat will be accompanying STB students on their pilgrimage to Rome April 2-11. In his absence, we will welcome Fr. Chavarria from Friday, April 5- Monday, April 8.

Feast of the Annunciation: OLF is again graced to have Mass offered for us; this time for the transferred feast of the Annunciation, Monday, April 8 at 9am.

Fr. Kimball is scheduled to be here April 13-14.

HomeSchool Co-op at OLF: OLF Homeschooling parents interested in organizing a co-op to provide supplemental activities are invited to attend an informational meeting Sun, April 14 between the Masses. See page 4 for details.

SSPX District Priest Meeting: Please keep in your prayers our priests who will be attending the SSPX District annual meeting April 23-26.

Gift for the Veneta Sisters: Thank you to all who gave generously to our Veneta Sisters to offset expenses for their upcoming trip in April; \$1380 was raised. The Sisters thank you for your generosity and God bless all of you!

Casino Royale: STB Church and Academy is hosting a evening of casino games, appetizers, cocktails, and a silent auction Sat., Apr 27 in Veneta. See posters in the hall for all the fun details.

Easter Duty: All Catholic faithful have a grave obligation to worthily receive Holy Communion during the Easter time, which ends Trinity Sunday, May 26.

Ladies Book Club: The next meeting May 8 at the Causseaux's. The next book is "A Family of Brigands in 1793". More information => kristi.hamilton@thmail.io

Teen Book Club: Meets on 4th Sunday after the 2nd Mass. This month's book is "The Fourteenth Floor" by Clara Perkins (aka our beloved, Molly Pearson) Available on Amazon. Questions? => perrymatthew@hotmail.com

Men's Book Club: The next meeting will be in June; they will complete Lewis' Space Trilogy by reading "That Hideous Strength". Questions? Contact skcausseau@gmail.com, or mtmantim1@gmail.com

Eucharistic Crusaders

Contact Catherine Haslebacher at cathasle09@gmail.com

Crusaders offered their work in October for "Grace of a good death"

Tallies for February 2024: Treasure Sheets turned in: 22

Masses: 176	Holy Communion: 123	Visits to Our Lord: 115
Sacrifices: 1283	Spiritual Communion: 147	Good Examples: 574
Daily Offerings: 603	Decades of Rosary: 2944	15 Mins of Silence: 493

April dedication is that the Church triumphs over Her enemies



A Note About Confession

Fr. Kimball's visits each month offer us ample opportunity for confessions, especially for those who live a distance from OLF. Especially during Lent however, if you live nearby please try alternate times on Fridays or Saturdays.

Remember Fr. Alphonsus' teachings on the **4 C's of a good Confession:**

Be Clear, Complete,
Concise, and Contrite

OLF Hospitality Committee

Contact Fatima Vianney at fatimarosevianney@yahoo.com to volunteer

Sundays	Set Up	Clean Up
Mar 3	Marion Wheeler	Theresa Greninger
Mar 10	Anna Dunphy	Monique Dodge
Mar 17	Kateri Wisniewski	Susie Marvin
Mar 24	Krissy Alonzo	Valerie Weinhart



It's an Outside Job

Spring has sprung at OLF



and our master gardener is looking for OLFsters who can give a little time Wednesdays 10 am-2 pm from Spring thru Fall to help keep the landscaping around the church in proper order. No experience needed:

Just a willing attitude and ability to follow directions. For more information contact

Lynne DiGrande at
503-970-6161



Renovation Update

There are many exciting projects happening in the building committee! Over the course of the month the faithful will see a new exterior fence complete with sliding gates, new gutters and fascia boards, sealing cracks, filling potholes, and restriping our asphalt parking lot, and a new Credence niche in the Sanctuary. Going forward, we are working on pricing and selecting contractors for new exterior doors and more sanctuary beautifications. As always, your donations allow all of these improvements. Thank you!

Capital Campaign Fund Raisers

Remaining on pledges: \$70,328; Donations: \$933,078*;

(*Donations amount does NOT include the \$200,000 realized from the sale of the Portland property)

Join us for the Blue and White Banquet on Saturday, June 8th! Details soon!

Church Collections

<u>2024 Donations</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>January</u>
First Collections	\$ 12,916	\$ 8,681
Mother of Lu	\$ 957	\$ 1,144
Priory (STB)	\$ 594	\$ 2,206

Average Sunday attendance for February was 293

Thank you for your support & generosity!

Follow the Money

The weekly 1st collection is earmarked for OLF expenses to do business, like utilities, general upkeep, etc... 2nd collections are earmarked for the following:

- 1st Sunday: Mothers of Lu, to support those in vocation from our chapel.
- 2nd Sunday: SSPX USA District quarterly collection for Good Shepherd Sunday to help its seminaries.
- 3rd Sunday: HNS collection for the building fund.
- 4th Sunday: St. Thomas Becket Priory collection.
- 5th Sunday: As needed for special need.

Focus on Groups: The Archconfraternity of St. Stephen

No ministry, except that of those who by ordination are set apart for the service of the altar, deserves greater thought and consideration than the duty entrusted to those laymen and youths who have the office of assisting the priests of God in the discharge of their sacred functions. It is a ministry of minute detail which must be learnt gradually and fully, both in its external aspect and in the great mystical meanings which it sets forth. (from an Explanation of the Archconfraternity of St. Stephen)

The OLF community is blessed to experience the beauty and majesty in the liturgical ceremonies of the Church throughout the year, but most especially as we have seen in the final week before Easter. From the Palm Sunday procession through the Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday services, OLF had many opportunities to tap into the fullness of graces offered in the Triduum.

So much of what we have comes in part because of the dedication of the boys and young men of the Archconfraternity of St. Stephen, OLF's acolyte group.

Established in 1905 by Fr. Hamilton MacDonald of Westminster Cathedral in London, the Archconfraternity of St. Stephen is a guild which, through a careful and methodical process, teaches servers how to reverently discharge their duties at Mass or other liturgical functions. The Archbishop of Westminster, Francis Bourne (later Cardinal), was so impressed by the Guild, that he petitioned Pope St. Pius X for his Apostolic Blessing for the Confraternity. The Holy Father granted this in his own handwriting on November 5th, 1905.

In joining the guild, boys not only learn the responses and duties of their rank, but also the significance and purpose of the ceremonies at which they assist. The guild offers an opportunity for their members to grow in their love and dedication to the honor and glory of God. Membership has its own responsibilities as well and servers are required to:

- To serve at the Altar reverently, intelligently and punctually.
- To make the short acts of preparation before, and of thanksgiving after, serving Mass.
- To observe silence in the sacristy, and great reverence in the Sanctuary.
- To recite daily the Guild Prayer.

Those interested (including older men) in this apostolate contact: Andrew DeBartolo (Guild Leader), Casey Dudek (Sacristan), or Fr. Madanat (Pastor).



Archconfraternity St. Stephen's Schedule

Refer to online server schedule for most up to date version & contact Casey Dudek if you can't serve

Masses	Fri 7pm/*	Sat 9am	Sun 8am	Sun 10:30 am
Apr 5-8	1st Friday Pearson's	1st Saturday Greninger's	Nathan Bryton	James M, Andrew, Henry G, Edward D, Connor Joseph , Oliver, Maxsix, Jameson
Apr 13-14	9am Mon Apr 8 * Webster's	8am Pearsons 9am Casey & Oliver	Jackson Henry D	Tommy, Nathan, Sully, Theo, Bryton Matthew, Oliver, James, Maxxis
Apr 20-21		Andrew G Henry G	Cohen Miles	Casey, Theo, Edward, Jackson, Henry D Johnny P, Mark, William, John D
Apr 27-28		Theo Sully	Nathan Bryton	Andrew G, Tommy P, Jackson, Casey, Sully, Henry G, Matthew P, James G, George G

OLF Homeschoolers Co-op

The OLF Homeschoolers Group wants to expand its support of parents and families by creating a Homeschool Co-op. Want to enhance and expand your child's educational experiences beyond field trips? Want to engage them in activities that make learning fun? The group will meet Sunday, April 14, 9:15-10 in the library and will talk about:

- ➔ Age-appropriate book clubs
- ➔ Science Fairs and Art Fairs
- ➔ Spelling and Geography Bees

.....and many other activities!

Those interested in learning more or have ideas to enrich our children's education, please attend! If you have any questions, please see Matt or Kristi Hamilton, or Melissa Wisniewski.



Reminder: The Angelus, prayed three times daily (dawn, noon, nightfall), is replaced during Eastertide with the **Regina Coeli**:

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, Alleluia.
 Because He Whom thou didst deserve to bear, Alleluia.
 Hath risen as He said, Alleluia.
 Pray for us to God, Alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary! Alleluia.
 R. Because Our Lord is truly risen, Alleluia.

Let us pray. O God, Who by the resurrection of Thy Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, has vouchsafed to make glad the entire world, grant, we beseech Thee, that, through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may attain the joys of eternal life. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Recommended Reading for April from OLF's Librarian Tim Cleary

Ignacio Giordani, **St. Catherine of Siena**, 1959. (Feast day April 30)
 Suzanne Noffke, OP, **The Prayers of St. Catherine of Siena**, 1983.
 Dom Prosper Gueranger, OSB, **The Liturgical Year, Vol. 7 & 8 Paschal Time**
From the librarian: Thank you to all who are taking advantage of our wealth of Catholic books! Each month I try to bring interesting volumes for OLFsters to read. In addition to a plea for any children's books, the Lending Library can use books on the Apostles and Doctors of the Church.

Wedding Bliss

Marriage is in the air this summer for several of our longtime parishioners.



- Gabriel Meyerhofer & Marissa Miles on May 18**
 - Valerie Marvin & Gregory Stolz on June 22**
 - Sonya Wisniewski & Joseph Bissing on June 29**
 - Maria DeBartolo & Jacob Wilhelm on July 6 in Post Falls**
 - Madelaine O'Neil & Cristyan Zepeda on Sept 14**
 - Audrey Meyerhofer & Nicholas Bomberger on Sept 21**
- Listen for formal announcements of Banns of Marriage.*





Priest's Pantry Contact Susie Marvin at jmarvinjr@hotmail.com		
Week	Sunday Brunch	Sat before the Sun 2 meals: Brunch & Supper
April 6-7	Justina Causseaux	Sally Webster
April 13-14	Luciann Meyerhofer	Baby Wolfe
April 20-21	Fatima Vianney	Kristi Hamilton
April 27-28	Kate Brehm	Kristi Hamilton
	Back-up: Susie Schenauer	Friday's Supper: Lynne Pearson

A Word About Stipends

As a matter of justice, our priests should be compensated for activities performed outside of bringing the Mass to us. Here are recommendations.

- ❖ Mass Offering: \$20 (include intentions with payment and mail/give to priest or give to servers/ushers who will make sure Father gets it)
- ❖ Sick Calls: \$25
- ❖ Baptisms: \$25-\$50; server stipend optional
- ❖ Funerals and Weddings: \$100; \$10-\$20 to each server
- ❖ Organist: \$50. Choir: No stipend recommendation

To reiterate, these are *recommendations only and not required, but appreciated.* Certainly be as generous as you are able to our priests and their helpers!

Church Cleaning Schedule <i>We NEED more volunteers even if it's just 1-2 times/year</i> Please contact Monique Dodge at monique.dodge06@gmail.com	
April 1-6	Causseaux/Alonzo
April 8-13	Wolfe/Lee
April 15-20	OPEN
April 22-27	L. Meyerhofer
April 29-May 4	D. Wisniewski/A. Dunphy



OLF Mothers of Lu Monthly Collection Update



The OLF community has been graced to be able to support one of our own young men, Jonathan Mendez, as he trains for the Holy Priesthood.

Many do not know, however, that the tuition *per semester* is ~\$5,000. The generosity of OLF have almost covered the expenses of two years schooling for Mr. Mendez. Our continued "Mother of Lu" collections, on the 1st Sunday of each month, for this young man will go far in bringing him as a laborer in God's vineyard! Thank you to everyone for not only the monetary, but also his spiritual support!

Before Mass Rosary Leaders

Contact Jay Marvin at jmarvinjr@hotmail.com

Sundays	8am Mass	10:30am Mass
1st	David Mullen	Michael Wisniewski
2nd	Michael McBee	Jay Marvin
3rd (HNS Sun)	Tim Cleary	Zach Brehm
4th	Aaron Meyerhofer	Shane Meyerhofer
5th	Joe Wisniewski	Joe Haslebacher







Parents on Playground Patrol

If you can't make your assigned week switch with someone and notify Sean Delaney at 971-409-9867

	During Catechism Supervisor 9:15 - 10am	After Catechism Supervisor 10 - 10:30am	After 2nd Mass Supervisor 12:15 - 1pm
Sundays			
April 7	Wisniewski	L. Meyerhofer	Webster
April 14	McBee	Causseaux	Greninger
April 21	Delaney	Delaney	Brehm
April 28	P. Meyerhofer	Hamilton	OPEN

Our Lady of Fatima Masses and Activities for April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Adult & Children Catechism Classes Every Sunday 9:15-10am	1	<i>Fr. Madanat in Rome April 2 - 11</i>	 10am-2pm 3	PCP 6:30-7:30pm 4	1st Friday Holy Hour 6-7pm Exposition & Confessions Mass 7pm Fr. Chavarria 5	1st Saturday Mass 9am & Benediction Fr. Chavarria HNS Meeting 11-12:30pm 1st Sat Groups 10:30-12:30pm 6
Low - Quasimodo - Sunday Mass 8am & 10:30am Fr. Chavarria Mother of Lu Collection 1st Sun Server Practice & Little Flower Meeting 12:30pm 7	Celebration of Annunciation of the BVM Mass 9am Fr. Chavarria 8	9	 10am-2pm 10	11	12	Mass 8am & 9am Fr. Kimball & Fr. Madanat 13
2nd Sun after Easter Mass 8am & 10:30am Fr. Kimball & Fr. Madanat District Collection for Good Shepherd Sunday Homeschool meeting 9:15 am 14	15	16	 10am-2pm 17	18	19	Mass 9am 20
3rd Sun after Easter Mass 8am & 10:30am HNS Sunday & 2nd Collection Fr. M teaches adult catechism Toastmasters 1230-2 21	<i>Fr. Madanat at annual priest's meeting April 22-26</i>	23	 10am-2pm 24	25	26	Mass 9am Tertiary Meeting 10:30-12pm Fr. M quarterly talk 11-11:30 27
4th Sun after Easter Mass 8am & 10:30am 2nd Collection for STB Priory Teens Book Club 12:30 COM food fundraiser 12:30 28	29	30	Landscaping at OLF every Wed 10am-2pm Contact Lynne 503-970-6161			Confessions 45 min & Rosary 30 min before all Masses