

THIS WEEK AT THE MADELEINE

Furthering the Reign of God, Where All Are Welcome • March 20–21, 2021



Stations of the Cross

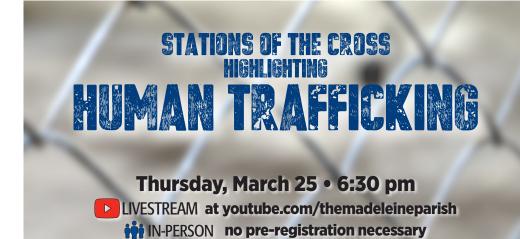
Human Trafficking: ^{*} March 25, 6:30 pm iii IN-PERSON ► LIVESTREAM
Lenten Faith Sharing Groups-Sundays, Feb. 21-March 21, 4:00 pm
Via Zoom: Contact Darlene Maurer for details, dmaurer@themadeleine.edu
Confessions-By appointment; no Communal Penance Service
Confessions Dates added: ^{*} March 25, 5:00-6:00 pm
^{*} March 26, Noon-1:00 pm
^{*} March 27, 4:00-4:45 pm
Palm Sunday-Palms available to pick up in front of church
Mass: ^{*} March 27, 5:00 pm iii IN-PERSON ONLY
Mass: ^{*} March 28, 10:00 am iii IN-PERSON
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Good Friday Tenebrae
^{*} April 2, Noon iii IN-PERSON ONLY

Paschal Triduum and Easter: All services in IN-PERSON and INESTREAM UNLESS noted

Holy Thursday * April 1, 6:30 pm–Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper Good Friday * April 2, 6:30 pm–Celebration of the Lord's Passion Easter Vigil * April 3, 8:30 pm–Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter Easter Sunday * April 4, 8:00 am–Mass ; in PERSON ONLY 10:00 am–Mass

Visit www.themadeleine.edu/lent for details and updates.

Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses to require signups; Details page 2



Fifth Sunday of Lent

AS LENT PROGRESSES, we come closer to the heart and meaning of the Gospel: that Jesus must suffer and die for new life to happen. There is nothing here about rules, practices, theological formula or perfection. Jesus embraced what is painful and frightening to achieve life on our behalf. Those of us who call ourselves Christian must be willing to walk the same road.

PRAY FOR OUR FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

Judith Montgomery

Rose Prihar

PRAYER REQUESTS

For those who are ill, or in need of our prayers

Todd Kersten Lori Taylor Kathy Gaitan Chad Garvens Marianne Kersten C Larry Mason

r Gloria O'Brien Peggy Barnett Sylvia Manzo Gretchen Stevenson

WORSHIP & PRAYER

03/23, Tues	Carl Howes †
03/24, Weds	Tully Acampora †
03/25, Thurs	Ismael Gallegos †
03/26, Fri	Pierre Drummen †
03/27, Sat	Olivia Farnsworth
03/28, Sun	Patrick Felten †

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Calendar This Week

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

9:00 am: First Communion Class–Zoom 9:00 am: RCIA–Zoom 10:00 am: Mass–Church

iii IN-PERSON LIVESTREAM

4:00 pm: Faith Sharing Group-Zoom

MONDAY, MARCH 22

Spring Break

TUESDAY, MARCH 23

Spring Break
8:00 am: Mass–Church
10:00 am: Adoration–Church

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

Spring Break
8:00 am: Mass–Church
6:30 pm: The Madeleine Book Club–Zoom
7:00 pm: Choir rehearsal–Zoom

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

 Spring Break
 8:00 am: Mass—Church
 10:00 am: The Madeleine Book Club-Zoom
 6:30 pm: Stations of the Cross, Human Trafficking—Church

iii IN-PERSON DUVESTREAM

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

Spring Break
 8:00 am: Mass–Church

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

5:00 pm: Vigil Mass Palm Sunday.—Church

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

Passion (Palm) Sunday
 10:00 am: Mass—Church

iii IN-PERSON 🕒 LIVESTREAM

ACCESSING THE MADELEINE IN TIME OF COVID-19

- iii IN-PERSON Pre-registration is no longer required (Easter excluded); max attendance
 people, COVID safety procedures in place.
- LIVESTREAM —on our YouTube channel every Sunday at 10:00 am, plus most Wednesdays during school, and special events: www.youtube.com/themadeleineparish
- Confession: By appointment
- Adoration: Watch calendar for times
- > Daily Emails: To sign up, visit

PARISH LIFE

EASTER MASSES TO REQUIRE SIGNUPS

Beginning Monday, March 28

With strong demand to attend Easter Masses and the need to limit attendance to safe levels, we will institute signups for our three Easter Masses:

- ▶ Easter Vigil, 8:30 pm
- Easter Sunday 8:00 am
- ► Easter Sunday 10:00 am

We will limit attendance to 150 people in our church, which is about 30% of the church's full capacity.

All COVID safety measures will remain in place, including mandatory masks and social distancing. Signups will be available beginning Monday, March 28. Visit our Lenten page at **www.themadeleine.edu/lent** for the signup link when it becomes available. No pre-registration will be required for Holy Thursday or Good Friday services.

HOLY WEEK AND Easter Notes

Father Mike and the Liturgical Planning Team have been working hard to make our Holy Week and Easter celebrations as "normal" as possible. Here are a few notes:

Confessions

Confession times have been added as follows. All will be held in the church.

- ▶ March 25: 5:00-6:00 pm
- March 26: Noon-1:00 pm
- **▶ March 27:** 4:00–4:45 pm

Easter Vigil

Due to the COVID restrictions, we will not be meeting at the traditional fire and processing into the church as usual. There will be a small fire outside for our Elect, Alex and Olivia, then a candle will be lit from that from which the Paschal Candle will be lit near the Baptismal Font. The Paschal Candle will then process to the front of the church.

EASTER GIVING: PLEASE CHECK YOUR MAILBOX

One of our biggest collections of the year is typically Easter Sunday. And with limited attendance this year due to COVID safety considerations, we will be making an unusual ask.

Each year we budget for a Easter collection that is in addition to the Sunday collection. Typically we have hundreds of visitors from outside the parish for our Easter Masses, but of course, this year our attendance will still be limited. So we are sending a letter to our parish families asking for help.

In the mail next week you will receive a letter asking for your support of our Easter collection.

Some parishioners account for Easter collections in regular online or automated giving. But if you are not among those who do, we'd very much appreciate that you consider an additional Easter gift.

We have three easy ways for you to help: **Envelope**—If you have an Easter enve-

- **Envelope**—If you have an Easter envelope, mail to the parish office or drop it off, or bring it to any Mass you may be attending.
- > Online—Visit our online giving page at www.themadeleine.edu/parishgiving, where you can click to our secure online payment site.
- Electronic Transfer—If you are making stewardship donations via electronic transfer, contact our bookkeeper, Nadia Stickney, to arrange an additional payment. Thank you for your loval support

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PALM DISTRIBUTION

On Palm Sunday, March 27-28, palms can be picked up outside of the church for those who do not attend Mass and distributed inside for those who do attend Mass.

8:00 AM MASS TUESDAY

This Tuesday, March 23, daily Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 in the church.

VACCINE OUTREACH MINISTRY

If you or a family member need help navigating the COVID vaccine gauntlet, email to **vaccine@themadeleine.edu**

You can visit our Vaccine Outreach Ministry information page at

www.themadeleine.edu/vaccine

We are updating the page as often as we find new information to post, so check back frequently.



THE CROSS

When I was 20 years old, my mother

gave me a beautiful gold cross with a small diamond in the center. She had taken special care to have it antiqued, as she knew that I loved that "look." Since that time, I have rarely taken that cross off from around my neck. It is a symbol of my mother's love and my faith as a Christian.

We also rely on signs and symbols as an integral part of our worship. A couple of weeks ago, I watched a short video on "Signs and Symbols in the Church" as part of an online class about Liturgy. The question we were to ponder was, "what sign or symbol is most meaningful to you -and why." As I watched the video and others were typing away in the "chat," I was struck that virtually every outward sign and symbol of our Catholic ritual has been removed from our worship during this pandemic - no grand processions, no singing, no sign of peace, no baptismal water, no incense, no washing of the feet - and I was overwhelmed with tears at the loss of so much this past year (which was okay, since no one could see or hear me). At that moment, I realized that, outside of the Easter Candle, the Cross was the only outward sign that has remained untouched. And so that is what I focused

Music Notes

on. In our Catholic churches we distinguish between a cross and hanging a crucifix - which shows the body of Jesus on the cross. The use of crucifixes in the Catholic Church dates back to the earliest days of Christianity. And while some may consider hanging a

crucifix morbid or even scary for some children, the purpose of using this symbol has always been to display the immense love Christ has for all humanity and the hope of the Resurrection. In the end, the crucifix reminds us that there is no resurrection without the Cross, and that we are called to pick up our own crosses and follow after Jesus.

As we enter the last week of Lent, the scriptures-and the music-focus less on repentance and discipleship, and turn our hearts toward redemption, sacrifice and the cross. And although these final weeks before Easter may not have all the signs and symbols that we are used to, it is nonetheless an opportunity to enter more fully into the sacrifice, death and resurrection of Jesus as we journey to the Cross—the ultimate sign of his immense love for us. *—Maria Manzo*

PARISH LIFE

PRE-REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED FOR IN-PERSON MASS & EVENTS

Pre-registration for in-person Mass and events are no longer required (Easter Masses excluded). Please note:

- We will be limiting attendance to 150 people (30% of our church's capacity)
- Arrive 15 minutes early to sign in in the vestibule of the church.
- ▶ ALL COVID-19 precautions are still in place, including: Mandatory mask wearing, mandatory social distancing and hand sanitizing, sanitizing after Mass and more.
- Please do not come to Mass if you have any of the following symptoms: Cough, fever, headache, muscle aches.

We will continue to livestream Mass on our YouTube channel until further notice.

BOOK CLUB NEWS

We are currently reading Michelangelo, God's Architect, by William E Wallace; the fascinating story of the last two decades of this great Italian Renaissance artist's life. We would love to have you join our genial book club group and participate in our upcoming Zoom discussion sessions. For membership details, please contact our MBC Ministry Coordinator: Gretchen Stevenson, gypsyfrau47@yahoo.com or 503-312-6834.

MARRIAGE IN CHRIST AT-HOME SEMINAR

As a Lenten resource, the Marriage in Christ At Home seminar is free for couples who sign up by March 31, 2021. Once registered, access is free through May 31, 2021. Information and registration at www. marriageinchrist.org

WEEKLY MASS TIMES Masses:

Wednesday (School Mass)	1:30 pm
Thursday.	8:00 am
Friday	8:00 am
Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm
Sunday	. 10:00 am
Notes:	
 Pre-registration for in-person Mass a 	ittendance
no longer required (Except Easter N	lasses)

Livestream 10:00 am Sunday and 1:30 pm

Weds. at youtube.com/themadeleineparish **Penance** By appointment; call Parish Office

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Bulletin submissions due 5:00 pm Tuesday Email to bulletin@themadeleine.edu

HE MADE HIS DWELLING AMONG US

The Annunciation and the Gospel of Life

The Annunciation celebrates the visit of the angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary to inform her that she was to be the mother of Jesus. On this great feast day, we not only recall Mary's courageous "yes" to God, we also celebrate the Incarnation of Christ, our Savior. For it was there, in the womb of a woman, nine months before the celebration of the manger, that "the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us" (John 1:14).

The celebration of the Annunciation coincides with the anniversary of the papal encyclical *Evangelium vitae* (*The Gospel of Life*). This prophetic document on the dignity and inviolability of every human life was put forth by Pope John Paul II on the Solemnity of the Annunciation in 1995. The intimate connection of these two events highlights a profound reality about the identity and value of every human person.

Luke's Gospel tells us that by the power of the Holy Spirit, Christ would be conceived within the womb of Mary. It was there, in the womb of the Blessed Mother, that Christ first took on human flesh and made his dwelling among us. Like us, the unborn child Jesus grew and developed beneath the shelter of his mother's loving heart. Through Christ's Incarnation, God



chose to share fully and intimately in our humanity and bridge all distance between God and man, so that we may dwell together.

The Church teaches us that "by His incarnation the Son of God has united Himself in some fashion with every man."¹ God desired to dwell among us, as one of us, in order to bring us salvation. This truth "reveals to humanity not only the boundless love of God… but also the incomparable value of every human person."²

Each of us is made in the image and likeness of our Creator, to share in the very life of God himself. This reality "reveals the greatness and the inestimable value of human life."³ The human person is "a manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a trace of his glory."⁴ Created through the love of the Father, each one of us bears "an indelible imprint of God."⁵ By sharing in our humanity, Christ invites us to share in his divinity, that we might dwell with him for eternity.

Therefore, "the Gospel of God's love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and the Gospel of life are a single and indivisible Gospel."⁶ Through Christ's descent to earth God desires to raise each one of us to the heights of heaven. May we recognize that to proclaim the Gospel of Life is to proclaim Christ, the one who *made his dwelling among us*.

- 5 Pope John Paul II, Evangelium vitae, 35.
- 6 Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, 2.

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¹ Pope Paul VI, *Gaudium et spes: Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 1965), 22. 2 Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 1995), 2.

³ Ibid.

⁴ Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, 34.

Fast, pray and journey as one community

Continue to pray for Alex and Olivia as they prepare to receive the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil.



RCIA—WRITE A NOTE OF WELCOME BY MARCH 24

Our RCIA candidates, Alex and Olivia, are eagerly looking forward to celebrating the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil. Help us deliver a warm Madeleine touch-free welcome by writing a virtual note to them. The online form is open until Wednesday, March 24, after which it will be closed and we will create welcome booklets (like the Lenten Reflection booklets) to be given to them as gifts at Easter. Here is a link to a special webpage where you can enter your notes. Please submit your notes no later than March 24: www.themadeleine.edu/rcia-card

Thank you for helping make this a special day for Olivia and Alex. If you have questions, please contact Christi Bohmbach at rcia@themadeleine.edu

THANKS FROM FR. AMAL

The Madeleine parish is one that welcomes all with open arms and that which stands against racism and injustice. The roses that smile in the parish premises reveal the recep-



tive environment of the parish. I am happy to say that I had a pleasant experience at The Madeleine.

I am cherishing the pastor's passion for the parish and the school. His standing in front in all the activities and keeping the parish alive are going to reflect in my activities in the new parish. I am also admiring the parishioners' participation in the Mass and their gentleness in their relationship with others especially with the new arrivals.

Two years have flown with lots of laughter at the rectory with Fr. Mike and Msgr. Murphy.

I thank everyone wholeheartedly for your kindness and hospitality towards me in these two years. You are remembered in my prayers. When you go to the coast, please don't forget to pay a visit to Sacred Heart Catholic Church at Newport.

My wishes to all.

HELP BEAUTIFY OUR CITY ... ONE BLOCK AT A TIME

Adopt One Block is a local nonprofit encouraging City of Portland residents to adopt and care for our environment one block at a time. Participants choose a location and commit to weekly walking the public portion of the block, picking up litter and debris, and properly recycling or disposing of the trash. Anyone, any age, can participate (when and how you do this is your choice). Here's how to become a Block Ambassador:

- Select a block anywhere in the City of Portland you would like to adopt.
- Submit the block to the organizer at www.adoptoneblock.org
- Request collection supplies you may need
 trash grabber, gloves, trash bag.
- Begin weekly walks of your adopted block.
- Share your stories and photos with us (including photos of any unusual finds) at bulletin@themadeleine.edu with subject line "Adopt One Block."
- Spread the word with friends and family about how they can become Block Ambassadors too.

Did you know The Madeleine collects for recycling extinguished cigarette butts commonly found on our city streets? See our Recycling Flyer for details.

Questions: Darlene Maurer, dmaurer@ themadeleine.edu

Parish Youth Music Enrichment

Wednesdays 2:30-3:00 pm via Zoom

If you like to sing and would like to learn more about music, then sign up to join our Virtual Youth Music Enrichment ministry!

Although we are not able to sing together yet, there are things that we can do virtually to learn about music and to sing "together." Each 30 minute rehearsal will focus on learning how to read music, followed by some virtual singing. We hope to be able to put a virtual choir together in the near future.

If you have any questions or would like to participate in this program, please contact Dr. Manzo directly at **mmanzo@ themadeleine.edu**. Rehearsals have already started, but it is not too late to join!

Rehearsals are geared for grades 3–6, but ALL youth are welcome!

CAMP HOWARD 2021

Join us for Summer Day Camp and Family Camp at Camp Howard this summer. Make friends, explore the outdoors, enjoy traditional camp activities like archery, arts & crafts, pedal carts, swimming, fishing, and more. Open house dates: Saturday, May 22nd, 2pm to 5pm & Sunday, June 27th, 2pm to 5pm.

Camp Howard is hiring Summer Staff. Email Peggy English, Camp Director, for an application: peggye@cyocamphoward.org.

