

THIS WEEK AT THE MADELEINE

Furthering the Reign of God, Where All Are Welcome • December 11-12, 2021

Live in Joyful Hope Advent 2021 at The Madeleine

SHP Bedding Drive

Now Through Christmas
Bedding for local children in need of a bed to sleep in. Details Page 3.

Advent Reconciliation

No Communal Reconciliation this year; available by appointment and selected dates. Visit www.themadeleine.edu/advent

Advent Faith Sharing

With Therese Fenzl; details Page 2.

- ▶ Sunday, December 12, 11:30 am (Zoom)
- Monday, December 13, 6:30 pm (Zoom)

A Northwest Christmas— Concert of Hope

Sunday, December 12 • Main Church 3:00 pm—A Holiday concert featuring the Bravo! Northwest Chorale and Chamber Orchestra. *Details Page 7*.

Advent Lessons & Carols

Thurs., December 16 • Old Church

6:30 pm—A family evening of contemplative music and scriptures of the season featuring Madeleine Parish Choirs, guitarist Peter Zisa, and student musicians and readers.

Metropolitan Youth Symphony

Saturday, December 18 • Parish Hall 10:30 am—Practicing in our facilities for months, these talented youth debut their skills for us in a free concert. **Details Page 5.**

New Year's Retreat—NEW DATE

Friday, January 15 • Old Church

8:00 am-12:30 pm—We will reflect on three themes presented in, *Ladder to the Light*, by Steven Charleston. Facilitated by Therese Fenzl, Darlene Maurer, and Marilyn Robb. *Details Page 2*.

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve, Fri., December 24

- † **4:00 pm Mass** Main Church ††† IN-PERSON LIVESTREAM Pageant with live animals
- † **7:00 pm Mass** —Old Church ††† IN-PERSON ONLY Guest musicians and chimes
- † Midnight Mass—Main Church ††† IN-PERSON ONLY The Madeleine Choir; Carols at 11:20 pm

Christmas Day, Sat., December 25

† 10:00 am Mass—Main Church
††† IN-PERSON ONLY LIVESTREAM

NOTES

- No Sat., Dec. 25, 5:00 pm Vigil Mass
- ▶ No Sun., Dec. 26 8:00 am Mass

Feast of The Holy Family

Sunday, December 26

† 10:00 am Mass — Main Church

MINISTRIES, TEACHERS, SERVICE GROUPS

Please send in photos by December 21 for our annual *The Madeleine in Service* edition of our parish bulletin on Christmas! Instructions and upload link at **www.themadeleine.edu/photos**

Third Sunday of Advent

TODAY'S READINGS CONTINUE the themes of hope and expectation, adding the element of rejoicing — for Israel, for those awaiting the Messiah and for us. But there is also a summons to repentance and reformed conduct. The good news is tempered with a call to responsibility on our part. Like those before us, we are urged to hope and rejoice. In addition, we must ask the question: "What should we do?"

PRAY FOR OUR FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

Elaine Garrow

Virginia Richards

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Bill Rooney

Shirley Hughey-Smith

WORSHIP & PRAYER

12/14, Tues...Donald Pfeifer †12/15, Weds...James Elting †12/16, Thurs...Chris Sielicky †12/17, Fri...Matthew Henningsen †

12/18, Sat..... Hal † and Vivian Hunerlach

12/19, Sun. 8:00 am . The Madeleine Community 10:00 am Margaret Stroh †

Calendar This Week

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

▶ Retirement Fund for Religious Collection

8:00 am: Mass-Church

IN-PERSON ONLY

9:00 am: RCIA-St. Catherine Rm

9:00 am: Confirmation Class-Fireside Rm

9:30 am: Confession
10:00 am: Mass—Church

iii IN-PERSON LIVESTREAM

11:30 am: Advent Sharing with Therese Fenzl–

3:00 pm: Bravo! Northwest "A Northwest Christmas" Concert—Church

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

6:30 pm: Advent Faith Sharing with Therese Fenzl–Zoom

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14

8:00 am: Mass—Church 9:00 am: Adoration—Church

5:00 pm: Confession

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

▶ School Picture re-takes

8:00 am: Mass-Church

7:00 pm: Madeleine Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16

2:00 pm: Mass-Church

IN-PERSON LIVESTREAM

6:30 pm: Evening of Lessons & Carols-Old Church

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

8:00 am: Mass-Church

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

10:30 am: Metropolitan Youth Symphony Christmas Concert—Parish Hall

4:15 pm: Confession

5:00 pm: Mass-Church

IN-PERSON ONLY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

▶ Christmas Break-School

8:00 am: Mass-Church

IN-PERSON ONLY

9:00 am: RCIA-St. Catherine Rm

9:30 am: Confession

10:00 am: Mass-Church

IN-PERSON LIVESTREAM

NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMES

- Saturday, January 1, Mary the Mother of God: Mass at 10:00 am; No 5:00 pm Mass
- Sunday, January 2, Feast of the Epiphany: Masses at 8:00 and 10:00 am

Care for our Common Home Laudato Si

GREEN TIPS FOR A MORE SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLE

As we near Christmas, shopping intensifies, parking lots and shopping centers are crowded. Many people are discouraged and no longer take pleasure in giving gifts. Environmentally-oriented people often feel bad giving so many presents, knowing the impact this consumerism and depletion will have on the environment.

When shopping for a gift for someone you love this year, ask yourself: Does this person really need this gift? Is it useful and meaningful?

What will be the environmental impact of buying this gift? (Wrapping, transportation from where it was made, materials involved in making the item, etc.)

What will be the social impact of buying this gift? (Workers' conditions, local economy, assistance to excluded people, organization financing, etc.)

The nonprofit, One Tree Planted (www.onetreeplanted.org), offers opportunities to donate the planting of trees in the name of another for a more impactful and lasting imprint on our planet.

PARISH LIFE

ADVENT FAITH SHARING GROUPS WITH THERESE

Join Therese Fenzl in spiritually preparing for Christmas with the assistance of the parish Advent reflection book.

▶ Sunday, December 12, 11:30 am, Zoom

▶ **Monday**, December 13, 6:30 pm, Zoom Please send name and email address to tfenzl@themadeleine.edu for Zoom link.

New Year's Eve Retreat RESCHEDULED: January 15, 8:00 am-2:30 pm

Therese Fenzl, Darlene Maurer, and Marilyn Robb invite you to a morning of reflection as we thank God for all that has been gifted in 2021 and ask God's blessing on all that will unfold in 2022. We will begin with Mass in the Old Church at 8:00 am. We will reflect and share faith on the first 3 rungs of a *Ladder to the Light* by

Steven Charleston. There will be presentations, time for prayer, journaling, and faith sharing. Please let me know if you plan on attending so that I can provide enough of the materials I am creating. Send your name, email and phone number to tfenzl@themadeleine.edu

—Therese Fenzl, tfenzl@themadeleine.edu

THE MADELEINE SCHOOL 2022–23 OPEN HOUSE AND ADMISSIONS

Open House and Tours: Sunday, January 30, 11:30 am - 1:30 pm Priority registration for parishioners through January 31, 4:00 pm

It's that time of year again...time to start thinking about school enrollment for Fall 2022. We invite all interested parents and guardians and their children to come visit the school, and learn more about our commitment to providing an academically excellent and faith-filled education for the children of our community. Spread the word to your friends and neighbors and tell them to give our principal, Carol Glasgow, a call for more information about our school.

• Open House and Tours will be held on Sunday, January 30 right after Mass until 1:30 pm.

- ▶ New this year...all teachers will be in their classrooms to meet prospective new parents and students!
- ▶ Priority registration is offered for all registered parishioners at The Madeleine until January 31, 4:00 pm.
- ▶ To receive in-parish tuition rates, families must be registered and active in the parish for at least 6 months prior to enrollment.
- ▶ Financial aid available. Please contact the school office for details.

Visit www.themadeleine.edu/admissions, for more information, or contact Carol Glasgow, cglasgow@themadeleine.edu or 503-288-9197.



In today's Gospel John the Baptist says, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise... "Christmas is a time of love and giving. Through your Thanksgiving Day gifts, St. Vincent de Paul was able to add 1,208 lbs. to the pantry and \$8,415.00 to help the poor celebrate the blessings of Christmas...

PARISH LIFE

SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE BEDDING DRIVE—BRING YOUR DONATIONS IN!

The Madeleine community always recognizes a good cause when they see one, and has supported Sleep in Heavenly Peace from day one! In Portland and across the U.S., too many boys and girls go without a bedor even a pillow—to sleep on. These children end up sleeping on couches, blankets, and even floors. This can affect their happiness and health. That's where SHP comes in. We're a group of volunteers dedicated to building,





Through Christmas, Sleep in Heavenly Peace is accepting bedding donations at The Madeleine. Please look for the blue bins located in the vestibule. All donated bedding of new twin sheet sets (no extra long please), pillows, and blankets or comforters must be new and still in the original packaging. Thank you Madeleine for the continued support.

assembling and delivering top-

notch bunk beds to children and

families in need.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP AND END-OF-YEAR GIVING

Visit www.themadeleine.edu/parishgiving

As you know, your donations are what keep our parish working. Please, take a moment and consider The Madeleine this holiday season.

Parish Stewardship Drive

If you did not have the opportunity to make your pledge for the 2021-22 fiscal year in May's Stewardship Drive, please consider doing so today. If you are regularly contributing, but did not complete a pledge card, doing so can help us know to "count on" your generous gifts.

This campaign is the backbone of our parish budget, offering us the financial stability and means to keep our parish running smoothly and carrying out our ministries to the community. We've had a good response to the Stewardship Campaign....we just need to keep up the good work!

We know there are a lot of asks for donations at this time of year. And even through the nearly two years of the pandemic, through prudent fiscal management

and good response to our Stewardship Campaign this spring, your parish is on strong financial footing.

Matching Gifts

Many employers will match tax-deductible contributions. If you work for such a company, please consider checking to see if either The Madeleine or The Madeleine School is eligible.

Many ways to give

In addition to regular stewardship via Sunday donations, there are many ways to support The Madeleine:

- · One-time gifts
- Estate planning or bequests
- Life Insurance
- Appreciated securities
- Real estate and personal property

If you wish to consider an additional gift to The Madeleine, please contact John Garrow, our Business Manager, or Father Mike.

Important: For your donation to be included in 2021 year-end statements, please have donations to the parish office by end of business day December 31. Online donations available at www.themadeleine.edu/parishgiving

RMD for 2021?

If you are at least 70½ years of age and are required to take a minimum distribution from your IRA, you can donate part or all of that distribution to The Madeleine, tax free! For information, contact parish Business Manager, John Garrow, 503-281-5777 or igarrow@themadeleine.edu

WEEKLY MASS TIMES Masses: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00 am Thursday (During school) 2:00 pm Saturday Vigil......5:00 pm ▶ Livestream 10:00 am Sunday and 2:00 pm Thursday at youtube.com/themadeleineparish **Penance** By appointment; call Parish Office PARISH OFFICE **Hours** Monday–Friday, 10:00 am–3:00 pm **Phone**: 503-281-5777 **Fax**: 503-281-0673 PARISH STAFF Rev. Mike Biewend—Pastor fathermike@themadeleine.edu.....ext. 111 **Deacon Mike O'Mahoney**—Permanent Deacon deaconmike@themadeleine.edu Carol Glasgow—School Principal cglasgow@themadeleine.edu . . 503-288-9197 John Garrow—Business Manager igarrow@themadeleine.eduext. 118 **Darlene Maurer**—Pastoral Assistant dmaurer@themadeleine.edu ext. 125 **Therese Fenzl**—Director of Spiritual Ministries tfenzl@themadeleine.eduext. 116 Maria Manzo—Director of Music mmanzo@themadeleine.edu ext. 113 **Ann Hart**—Events Manager ahart@themadeleine.edu Allison Blakemore—Bookkeeper ablakemore@themadeleine.edu.....ext. 119 Mary Prusso—Registration mprusso@themadeleine.eduext. 112 Julie Kupers—Special Events jkupers@themadeleine.edu....720-936-5635 Janeen Reilly—Parish Administrator jreilly@themadeleine.eduext. 110 Terry Silva—Facilities Support tsilva@themadeleine.eduext. 117 **Rich Hammons**—Director of Communications rhammons@themadeleine.edu..... ext. 129 SACRAMENTS Marriages, Funerals, Anointing of the Sick-Fr. Mikeext. 111 **Infant Baptism**—Darlene Maurer ext. 125 First Reconciliation, First Eucharist Trisha Mummext. 127 RCIA-Christi Bohmbach, rcia@themadeleine.edu Confirmation—Fr. Mike.....ext. 111 COUNCILS & CONTACTS Pastoral Council—Meg Scharle Finance Council—Jim Jones. 503-284-3301 Buildings & Grounds—Erin Couch . . 503-281-9575 **School Advisory**—Eric Robinson 971-227-3772 Facility Requests—themadeleine.edu/facilities Maintenance Requests—John Garrow jgarrow@themadeleine.eduext. 118

Bulletin submissions due 5:00 pm Tuesday

Email to bulletin@themadeleine.edu





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All attendees must present proof of full COVID-19 vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test administered by a healthcare provider within 72 hours of the concert.

MADELEINE BOOK CLUB

Would you enjoy opportunities to meet with others to share in genial discussion/debate over the contents of some very excellent books? If so, You are most cor-



dially invited to join our group! For more information and/or to be added to our email list, please contact our MBC ministry coordinator: Gretchen Stevenson, gypsyfrau47@yahoo.com or 503-312-6834.

Happy 96th Birthday Jack Talbott December 5

In this Season of #Advent, let us ask the Lord, through the fatherly intercession of Saint Joseph, to remain always like sentinels in the night, attentive to see the light of Christ in our poorest brothers and sisters.

—Pope Francis via Twitter @pontifex



The Madeleine Giving Tree 2021

Benefits Children of Incarcerated Parents

All tags have been taken, but please be sure to return your gift to the church or the parish office NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

Thank you for showing these children the true spirit of Christmas and the generous love of our Madeleine community.





ADVENT ART!

Art Teacher Ingrid Parmeter put some work on display in the school that we wanted to share. Above, see Our Lady of Guadalupe works created by the First Grade Class. Below, "What do Angels Look Like?" by Kindergarten. Lovely stuff. Thank you Ingrid!



The Third Sunday of Advent



Lighting the Rose Candle

Traditionally, Advent wreaths are constructed of a circle of evergreen branches into which four candles are inserted, representing the four weeks of Advent. Ideally, three candles are purple, and one is rose, but white candles can also be used.

The purple candles symbolize the prayer, penance, and preparatory sacrifices and goods works undertaken at this time.

The rose candle is lit on the third Sunday, Gaudete Sunday, when the priest also wears rose vestments at Mass; Gaudete Sunday is the Sunday of rejoicing, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, when their preparation is now half over, and they are close to Christmas.

The progressive lighting of the candles symbolizes the expectation and hope surrounding our Lord's first coming into the world and the anticipation of his second coming to judge the living and the dead.

Retirement Fund for Religious

Say thank you to the senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who devoted their lives to serving others. Please donate to the Retirement Fund for Religious at Mass today. Learn more at retiredreligious.org.







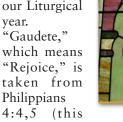
PARISH LIFE

MUSIC NOTES WITH MARIA MANZO: REJOICE!

This weekend, we celebrate two joyous occasions amidst the season of Advent-Gaudete Sunday and The Solemnity of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Gaudete Sunday is always the third

Sunday Advent in our Liturgical vear. "Gaudete,"





week's second reading) "Gaudete in Domino semper" or "Rejoice in the Lord always." Similar to the seventh inning stretch in baseball, it is a time when we can take a break from the more penitential character of the season, and look forward with joyful anticipation to the "home stretch" of the Lord's coming at Christmas.

This Sunday also marks the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Technically, because it falls on a Sunday this year (a rare occurrence) this Feast Day should not overshadow the Third Sunday of Advent (I am honestly not sure who makes all of these decisions), but her importance as the Patron Saint of Mexico and the Patroness of the Americas should definitely NOT be overlooked! Tradition has it that Mary appeared to Juan Diego, an Aztec convert to Christianity, in the hills of Tepeyac on December 9 and again on December 12, 1531. During the apparition, Mary asked Juan Diego to go to the bishop and request a church be built atop Tepeyac Hill. The Bishop (sort of a "doubting Thomas") asked for a sign before he would approve the construction of the church. So Mary appeared a second time, telling Juan Diego to go and collect roses and take them to the Bishop. When Juan Diego opened his cloak, dozens of roses fell to the floor and revealed the image of Mary imprinted on the inside of the cloak or Tilma (as it is called). Today, millions of pilgrims travel to Tepeyac to reverence the Tilma in the Basilica of Guadalupe, often doing so on their knees to express their devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe.

With so much joyful anticipation this weekend, it is no coincidence (my mother would, in fact, call it a "God"-incidence) that this Sunday also marks the return of "Bravo! Concerts Northwest" to The Madeleine. Prior to the pandemic, the performance of Handel's "Messiah" was an Advent tradition and a staple to our concert

series—having performed over 50 concerts of this great work in the past 28 years. That is a lot of "Hallelujah!" choruses! In a nutshell, Handel's "Messiah" is an oratorio (or Sacred Drama) in three sections that tell that story of Christ's birth, death and resurrection. At nearly three hours in its entirely, it is a "tour de force" for choir, orchestra, and soloists. This year, our Bravo! "Concert of Hope" will include just the first section of "Messiah," sometimes referred to as the "Christmas Section" since the musical text (predominantly from the scriptures of Isaiah and Malechi, as well as Luke and Matthew), cover the entire seasons of Advent and Christmas in less than one hour! For good measure, this concert

will also feature some of the finest soloists and guest jazz artists in the region—and a few familiar carols to put you in the holiday spirit. And, of course—the "Hallelujah!" chorus!

Yes, this Gaudete Sunday is truly a time to rejoice—by honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe, hearing the joyous strains of Handel's Messiah and other holiday music—and looking forward with joyful hope for the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

FREE tickets to the Bravo! Northwest "Concert of Hope" are available at www.bravoconcerts.com.

-Maria Manzo

A Morthwest Christmas

— a Concert of Hope —

Sunday | December 12 | 3:00 pm The Madeleine Church | Portland OR

A BENEFIT CONCERT - to bring the JOY of Christmas and the HOPE of Christ to our community - and to support the music programs of Bravo! Concerts Northwest.

Bravo! Northwest Chorale Rock Violinist Aaron Meyer Norman Sylvester Blues Band Northwest Chamber Orchestra Michael Kissinger Jazz Quartet Pianist & Conductor Maria Manzo

ADMISSION: FREE. All are welcome. Tickets are required to attend. Get your complimentary tickets beginning Nov. 22 at the Parish Office or at www.bravoconcerts.com

DONATIONS: are accepted online and at the concert to support this concert and the music programs of Bravo! Concerts Northwest

Audience Attendance Requirements: Proof of COVID-19 vaccination or proof of negative COVID-19 test result within 72 hours of the concert is required for admittance of adults and children. Masks are required. See www.bravoconcerts.com for full COVID protocols.















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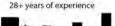
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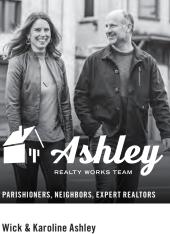
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