

THIS WEEK AT THE MADELEINE

Furthering the Reign of God, Where All Are Welcome • March 4–5, 2023



Lenten Faith Groups www.themadeleine.edu/faith-sharing

▶ 6-week Lenten study during this penitential season.

Stations of the Cross Fridays, March 10, 17, 24, 31 11:30 am • **Main Church**

Adoration

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4 † 9:00 am

Daily Mass Times

- † 8:00 am-Tues., Weds., Fri.
- † 2:00 pm-Thursday School Mass.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner Saturday, March 11 * 6:00 pm • Parish Hall

▶ Sponsored by The Madeleine Knights of Columbus. Details Page 3.

Passion (Palm) Sunday

- **† Saturday, April 1, 5:00 pm & Sunday, 8:00 am** Gather in front of Main Church.
- * Sunday, April 2, 10:00 am—Join procession at 9:45 am in the Parish Hall turnaround.

Chrism Mass

Mon., April 3 † 7:00 pm • St. Mary's Cathedral

Tenebrae

Friday, April 7 * Noon • Main Church

A beautiful liturgy that meditates on Christ's suffering.



- * Holy Thursday, April 6, 6:30 pm: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
- P Good Friday, April 7, 6:30 pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion
- * Easter Vigil, April 8-8:30 pm: Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter (Old Church); Reception follows.
- **†** Easter Sunday, April 9, 8:00 am & 10:00 am: Mass of The Resurrection of the Lord; Following 10:00 Mass will be an Easter Egg hunt for children, plus pastries and Champagne for the adults!

Second Sunday of Lent

As we begin the second week of Lent, we encounter Abram moving to a new place, the disciples struggling to understand Jesus, and the early Christians trying to figure out how to live the Gospel. If our own understanding about who Jesus is remains a struggle with ongoing questions, let us not be discouraged. If our hearts are open, we can trust that there will be people and experiences to help us along the way.

PRAY FOR OUR FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

- ▶ Christie Kmetz—Funeral March 11, 11:00 am Rosary 10:30 am
- ▶ Pam Wiggin—Funeral March 29, 10:00 am
- ▶ Bishop David O'Connell

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

- Mason Lugar
- Chadd Garvens

WORSHIP & PRAYER

03/07, Tues	Aidan Lawler
03/08, Weds	Barbara Hassell †
03/09, Thurs	Max Merrifield
03/10, Fri	Margaret Daoro †
03/11, Sat	Lori Gaffney †
03/12, Sun, 8:00 am The Madeleine Community	
10:00 am.	Teresa Altaras

BE THOU MY VISION

Thursday, March 9 † 6:30 pm • The Old Madeleine Church

Irish music is both joyful and melancholy—the perfect complement as we continue our Lenten journey. Please join The Madeleine Choir in a contemplative evening of beautiful Celtic-based songs and prayers.

From the classic "Be Thou My Vision" to contemporary Irish Psalms, you will be sure to recognize the songs and sights of Ireland. Be sure to wear GREEN!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to some of our honored parishioners!

- ▶ Jody McDonald
- ▶ Karen LaCrosse
- ▶ Ramiro Gaitan
- ▶ Kathy Rooney
- ▶ Michael Henry
- ▶ Kathleen Swick Betsy Mason
- LaVerne B. Brown
- ▶ Kitt Jordan
- ▶ Janet Miller ▶ Frank Galluzzo
- ▶ Patty McDermott
- ▶ Judy Jones-Lawrence ▶ Virginia Henry
- ▶ Bennett Ford
- ▶ Steve Slater
- ▶ Rita Davis
- ▶ Darrell Miller

Calendar This Week

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

8:00 am: Mass-Church Penitential Rite-RCIA

8:30 am: RCIA-St. Catherine Room

10:00 am: First Eucharist Class—Fireside Rm

10:00 am: Mass—Church ALSO LIVESTREAMS

MONDAY, MARCH 6

12:00 pm: Faith Sharing Group-Fireside Rm

6:30 pm: FA Meeting-Fireside Rm

TUESDAY, MARCH 7

8:00 am: Mass-Church

9:00 am: Adoration-Church

7:00 pm: Faith Sharing Group—Rectory Dining

7:00 pm: Knights of Columbus-Fireside Rm

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

8:00 am: Mass-Church

2:45 pm: Children's Choir-Church

5:30 pm: Chimes Rehearsal—Church

7:00 pm: Madeleine Choir-Church

7:00 pm: Faith Sharing Group—Rectory Dining

THURSDAY, MARCH 9

2:00 pm: Mass-Church

7:00 pm: Celtic Song & Prayer—Old Church

7:00 pm: Faith Sharing Group—Rectory Dining

FRIDAY, MARCH 10

School Noon Dismisssal

8:00 am: Mass-Church

11:30 am: Stations of the Cross-Church

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

9:30 am: Alzheimer's Group-Library

10:30 am: Christie Kmetz Rosary—Church

11:00 am: Christie Kmetz Funeral Mass—Church Reception follows in Old Madeleine Church

5:00 pm: Mass-Church

6:00 pm: St. Patrick's Day Dinner-Parish Hall

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

8:00 am: Mass-Church

8:45 am: RCIA—St. Catherine Room

8:50 am: Confirmation-Fireside Rm

10:00 am: Mass—Church ALSO LIVESTREAMS

SAVE THE DATE

- > St. Patrick's Day Dinner: March 11
- ▶ Fish Fry Friday: April 21
- ▶ E-Waste Recycling: April 23
- **▶ Wine Tasting**: August 26
- ▶ Parish Picnic/Oktoberfest: October 8
- Madeleine Marketplace: December 7

PARISH LIFE

THANK YOU MARY PRUSSO! WELCOME GRETCHEN STEVENSON!

Note: Since we had reduced attendance last weekend, we're running this again this week

After 15 years in our parish front office, Mary Prusso is retiring! Over the years, Mary has served many functions....the most important of which was to help keep her twin brother, Fr. Mike, somewhat sane!

Mary has handled parishioner registrations, recorded Sacramental records, cooked for events, and for several years made lunch in the Rectory for both school and parish staff to share together....it was a very nice way for these two groups to come together.

Fr. Mike said, "When I arrived, Mary was my lifeline as I was getting adjusted to The Madeleine. Her help has been invaluable over the years and I'll miss seeing her everyday."



Mary Prusso



Gretchen Stevenson

To help fill the void on Mondays and Fridays, parishioner and Madeleine Book Club organizer extraordinaire Gretchen Stevenson will be joining the Parish Staff.

Gretchen brings to the position her long history with The Madeleine and a thorough understanding of how our parish operates. Gretchen will be answering phones, helping with clerical and records followup duties and general help around the office.

Gretchen can be reached at the main parish phone number, or via email to gstevenson@themadeleine.edu

LENTEN FAITH SHARING GROUPS—OPENINGS STILL AVAILABLE

Parishioners and friends are invited to participate in a Lenten Faith Sharing Group. You'll meet in groups of 8-12 for about an hour each week and open yourself to the Spirit of God speaking through scripture and each other. Groups are led by fellow parishioners, they meet in homes, the Rectory, the Fireside Room and online, and they follow a loose structure of scripture reading, reflection and prayer together. By listening intently, participants experience a renewed sense of God's call and love, and allow the Spirit of God to open new perspectives on their lives. For a listing of available groups and to signup for a group, visit www.themadeleine.edu/faith-sharing

PARISH OFFERTORY UPDATE

February 2022 Collection

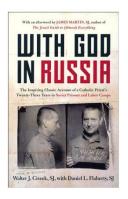
Budgeted Offertory, full month \$53,915 Collected Offertory, full month \$66,000

Fiscal Year 2022-23 Collection

Budgeted Offertory, year to date \$602,000 Collected Offertory, year to date . . . \$630,892 Offertory Surplus (deficit) \$28,892

BOOK CLUB NEWS

We cordially invite you to join our congenial group to read and discuss a book each month. During March we are reading With God in Russia, by Walter Ciszek, SJ., which Fr. Mike has recommended to us. For further details, to be added



to our email list, or to submit a prayer request to our group, please contact our MBC ministry coordinator: Gretchen Stevenson, gypsyfrau47@yahoo.com or 503-312-6834.

CONFIRMATION GATHERING

Our teen Confirmation Group will be meeting on March 12 from 8:50 am to 9:50 am in the Fireside Room followed by 10:00 am Mass. Our teen Confirmation Retreat is from 10:00 am (Mass) until 3:00 pm on March 19. After Mass we will be meeting in the St. Catherine's Room for lunch and the Old Church for retreat.



In the Gospel Jesus is transfigured and a voice from heaven said "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased: Listen to him." Do we listen to Jesus when he asks us to take care of our brothers and sisters who are suffering? Your gift to St. Vincent de Paul will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter. —Mary Clare O'Brien, 503-309-7639

LENT & RCIA

Fast, pray and journey as one community with our Candidates

RCIA 2022









Kristen Kill

Teresa Altaras

Iohn Guthrie

Claire Noone

AN OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT OUR CANDIDATES

Our RCIA candidates, Teresa, Kristen, John, and Claire are eagerly looking forward to celebrating the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil. Help us deliver a warm Madeleine welcome by writing a short note of welcome to them. A few words to let them know you are praying for them means so much! You can also share your RCIA experience or why you chose to become Catholic (or stay Catholic).

We encourage you to individualize your notes with your own unique note cards. Note cards are also available at the back of the church. Please return your cards to the basket located on the Information Table at the back of the church by Holy Thursday.

LENTEN RICE BOWLS

Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice Bowl,

families learn about how our sisters and

brothers across the globe overcome hard-

ships like hunger and malnutrition, and



how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all.

Rice Bowls are available in the church beginning Ash

Wednesday. Please be generous during Lent, then return them to the church on Holy Thursday.

LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE

From the Archdiocese: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition,



Members of the Eastern Catholic Churches are to observe the particular of PORTLAND \(\bar{\text{N}}\) \(\lambda\) \(\lambda\ Church. If possible, the

Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection. Archbishop Sample has granted a dispensation from the obligation of abstinence on Friday 17th March, 2023, the optional memorial of St. Patrick.

WEEKLY MASS TIMES **Regular Mass Times:**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00 am Thursday. No School: 8:00 am
During School: 2:00 pm ▶ Livestream 10:00 am Sunday

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

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SACRAMENTS

Marriages, Funerals, Anointing of the Sick-

Infant Baptism—Darlene Maurer ext. 125

First Reconciliation, First Eucharist-

Rose Horton.....sac-prep@themadeleine.edu RCIA-Christi Bohmbach, rcia@themadeleine.edu Confirmation—Fr. Mike.....ext. 111

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Mary Clare O'Brien. 503-309-7639 **Ministry Schedule**

www.themadeleine.edu/minister-schedule

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

The Madeleine Care for Creation

ANNUAL E-WASTE RECYCLING EVENT

Sunday, April 23 • 9:00 am-1:00 pm

In conjunction with St. Charles, St. Andrew, and Holy Redeemer Parishes, The Madeleine Care for Creation Committee is pleased to announce our annual Earth Day E-Waste Recycling Event.

The event is provided at no charge, but donations accepted to help cover costs.

Green Century Recycling will be on hand to accept the following

- ▶ Computers
- ▶ Laptops
- ► TV & Monitors (all types)
- ► Hard drives (Secure Data Destruction Provided)
- ► Misc. Computer Components (floppy drives, Printed Circuit Boards (PCB), etc.)
- ► Cords/Wires/Chargers/Power strips
- ▶ Servers/Switches
- ▶ Routers/Hubs/Modems

- ▶ Networking Devices
- ▶ Communications Equipment
- ▶ POS (Point of Sale equip)
- ▶ Cable & Satellite Equipment
- ▶ Testing Equipment
- ▶ Stereo/Audio Components

REEN CENTURY RECYCLING

- ▶ Printers/Scanners
- ▶ Fax/Copiers
- ▶ Keyboards/Mice
- ▶ Misc. Office Machines
- ▶ Misc. Electronics
- ▶ VCRs, DVD Players

- ► Cell Phones (with or without batteries)
- ▶ PDAs, Handheld Games
- ▶ Cameras
- ▶ Telephones
- ► Gaming Consoles/Systems

- ► UPS (uninterruptible power supply) and other Lead Acid Batteries
- ➤ Small/Large Appliances (which include, microwaves, toasters, blenders, etc.)
- ▶ Electric Power Tools
- ► Laptop Batteries, Cell Phone Batteries, Li-on batteries
- ▶ Ferrous & Non-Ferrous Metals
- ▶ Air Conditioners



Ridwell will accept clear #1 PET Plastic Clamshells at the event

-Ridwell

We will collect worn-out athletic shoes to be ground up and re-purposed

(no dress or casual shoes, please)



The following items will NOT be accepted during this event.



- ▶ **NO!** Styrofoam
- ▶ **NO!** Fluorescent Tubes and lamps (All types)
- ▶ **NO!** Ink/Toner Cartridges
- ▶ **NO!** Household size batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V, etc.)
- ▶ NO! Ni-CD & Ni-MH batteries
- ▶ **NO!** Media (CD, DVD, floppy, VHS, Cassette, tapes)
- ▶ NO! PCB Ballasts
- ▶ NO! Wood

- ▶ **NO!** Electronic & Magnetic Ballasts (Non-PCB only. Must be post 1978)
- NO! Refrigerators, Freezers, most water coolers, some dehumidifiers
- ▶ NO! Capacitors
- ▶ **NO!** Fire Extinguishers
- ➤ **NO!** Mercury Containing Devices (Thermostats, Ionization Smoke Detectors)

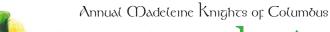


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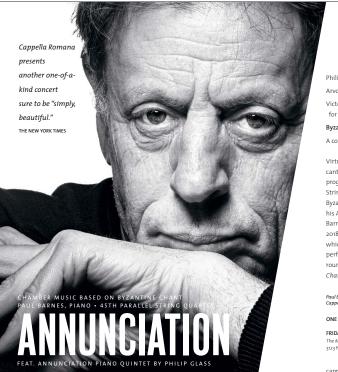


34th Annual St. Patrick's Day **Parade**

Sunday - March 12 1:00 PM Start

Assemble at Beverly Cleary School Fernwood Campus

More info at: www.portlandstpaddysparade.com



SPECIAL EVENT

MAR 17

Philip Glass (1937-) Annunciation Piano Quintet Arvo Pärt (1935-) Spiegel im Spiegel for piano and violin Victoria Bond (1945-) Illuminations on Byzantine Chant

Byzantine chants sung by Cappella Romana A co-production with 45th Parallel

Virtuoso pianist and Byzantine cantor Paul Barnes leads this program with the 45th Parallel String Quartet in music inspired by Byzantine chant. Philip Glass wrote his Annunciation Ouintet for Paul



Barnes, who gave its world premiere before the composer in 2018, when Cappella Romana performed the chants upon which it is based. Violinist Ron Blessinger joins Barnes to perform Arvo Pärt's most beloved work, with the program rounded out by Victoria Bond's Illuminations on Byzantine Chant for solo piano.

FRIDAY 17 MARCH 2023, 7:30 P.M. (NOTE EARLIER TIME) 3123 NE 24th Ave, Portland, Ore

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PARISH LIFE





Upcoming Concerts

Performances in The Old Madeleine Church unless noted

- ▶ March 17, 7:00 pm 45th Parallel Universe & Capella Romana • Annunciation • Main Church • 45thparallelpdx.org, cappellaromana.org
- ▶ March 23, 7:00 pm 45th Parallel Universe Illumination • 45thparallelpdx.org,

COMMUNITY

40 DAYS FOR LIFE BEGINS FEBRUARY 22

By the grace of God, 40 Days for Life has achieved a stunning track record of life-saving results since launching in 2007 and rapidly has become a worldwide movement. Please continue to pray and advocate for the preborn. More information at www.bit.ly/40days-2023

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Rise, and do not be afraid." Let us not be afraid to live out our Sacrament of Marriage to the fullest. Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on April 21-23 (Virtual), or June 9-11 In Salem, Oregon. To apply for YOUR WWME Experience or search other dates go to rediscoverthespark. org. For information about WWME call 503-704-0836 or by email at reservations@ rediscoverthespark.org

In Memorial

THE MADELEINE FAMILY REMEMBERS

DOLORES ANTOINETTE SEYBOLD

A Funeral Mass was held for longtime parishioner Dolores Seybold on Saturday, March 4, at The Madeleine.

Dolores Antoinette Seybold (nee Attermeier) passed away January 16 at her home with her daughter Marty, by her side, as was her wish.

Dolores, a Wisconsin resident for many years, was born on April 11, 1924, in Cudahy, Wisconsin, the beloved daughter of Henry and Martha Attermeier. Dolores, predeceased by her parents, brothers and sisters was always so grateful for family. She had a great love for all including her brothers Henry Cletus (wife Charlotte), Lawrence (wife Delores), Frederick(wife Olga) and her sisters, Monica Brooks (husband Frank) and Rosemary Berkowski(husband Conrad).

Dolores graduated from Cudahy High School and worked at Luick Dairy where she met J. Edward Seybold and they were married on July 16, 1949. They raised three children: Martha, Nora and Edward.

Dolores was a golf enthusiast throughout her life, and spent as much time as possible on the golf course with Ed and her friends. In addition to golf, she loved playing cards, particularly bridge and for years was a member of a bridge club.

Dolores moved to Portland, shortly after retiring from Blue Cross of Wisconsin where she was a telecommunications specialist, to be close to her daughter Marty and Marty's family. She continued her golf pursuit, playing at the local courses with her beloved golf buddies, and always tried to get in a couple games during her travels. Two of her claims to fame were hitting 2 holes in one when she was in her 8th decade.

Dolores was also an active member of the Northeast Community Center, where she loved her water aerobics, Yoga, Tai Chi and kick boxing. Dolores was also an active member of The Madeline Parish where she was a choir member for many years.

Dolores is survived by many loving friends and family, we refer to them as her "village." She is survived



by Marty (nee Seybold) and Doug Stanley, Nora Kobus (nee Seybold) and Edward and MaryLynn Seybold (nee Burkart), grandchildren, Madeline Stanley, Poul Jorgensen, Kristopher Stanley and wife Alison (nee Unverfirth), Kara Briguglio (nee Kobus) and husband Frank, Kristen Carter (nee Kobus) and husband Brian, Caitlin Brecklin (nee Seybold) and husband Nick, Tyler Seybold and wife Allison (nee Kappes), Ian Seybold and wife Alexa (nee Jones), Brianna Seybold and Chris Coates. Dolores was also blessed with great grandchildren; Griffin Stanley, Teddy, Lincoln and Aurora Seybold, Adriana, Alyssa, Eliana and Nicolette Briguglio, Grey and Cole Carter and Savanna Coates.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to a charity of your choice.

In Memorial

THE MADELEINE FAMILY REMEMBERS

CHRISTIE KMETZ

Funeral Mass March 11, 11:00 am

A Funeral Mass will be held for longtime parishioner Christie Kmetz on Saturday, March 11, 11:00 am, at The Madeleine. A Rosary will precede the Mass at 10:30 am.

With her family present and her loving husband of 30 years holding her hand, Christie Lee Kmetz was taken off life support on Sunday, January 8. With her earthly journey complete, she no doubt joined her other family members awaiting her arrival in Heaven.

Born in Portland on July 31, 1956, Christie was the first of Betty and Dick Couch's eventual four daughters. Attending 12 years of parochial school, first at St. Thomas More, then St. Mary's Academy, she participated in SMA's first volleyball team to make it to the State finals in 1973. Christie then headed to the University of Oregon and joined the Gamma Phi Beta sorority. Eugene was not her final destination, however, as she headed to the University of Oregon Health Sciences Center in Portland (now OHSU) to earn her Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 1979.

Christie's career eventually landed her at Legacy Emanuel hospital, when in 1986, working with Legacy physicians, she did pioneering work for Emanuel's ECMO (extracorporeal membrane oxygenation) program—heart/lung bypass for infants. It was exacting, heartbreaking work but Christie's professionalism, alongside NICU staff, saved 27 infants during her tenure—infants who are now adults in their 20s. She was immensely proud of that accomplishment.

It was during that time she met Gabe Kmetz, who was assigned to the Legacy account for equipment service. They eventually married and after moving to Sammamish and Battle Ground, WA, they settled in Portland to raise their children.

Service to the community was foundational to Christie. She volunteered as a caregiver for the organization No One Dies Alone, sitting and being present with hospice patients, often throughout their long nights. She was a committed volunteer at The Madeleine, fulfilling many roles in both the church and school. And when she and Gabe moved to The Dalles in 2015, she volunteered in the gift shop at Mid-Columbia Medical Center....where she thoroughly enjoyed the firsthand look (and purchasing!)



of the items offered. She loved a good party, gardened with expertise, entertained friends and family often and traveled extensively with Gabe. Even though her health declined over the past few years and rendered her unable to perform so many of the activities she enjoyed, she took it in stride and never complained. She set an example for all of us.

Christie leaves behind her husband of 30 years, Gabe Kmetz; children Westin, Anya and Joshua Kmetz; sisters Vicky Boubel, Erin Couch and Lisa Gambee; and extended family in Oregon and Minnesota.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Betty and Dick Couch, and her younger brother, Ricky.

In memory of Christie, please consider gifts to the Myotonic Dystrophy Foundation (**www.myotonic.org/donate**) or the Mid-Columbia Medical Center's Gift Shop Fund: email to mchf@mcmc.net



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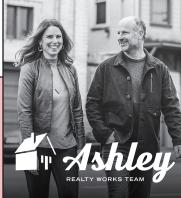
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