

THIS WEEK AT THE MADELEINE

Furthering the Reign of God, Where All Are Welcome • August 5–6, 2023

Early Bird Pricing extended!



Annual Wine Tasting Celebration • August 26

Tickets: www.themadeleine.edu/wine

Mark your calendar for August 26, when we'll be Walla Walla Wandering from the comfort of The Madeleine Courtyard!

Our annual wine tasting celebration will feature:

- ▶ Tasting of six fabulous wines from the Walla Walla region.
- ▶ Paired with the wines will be delicious (and abundant!) complementary cuisine.
- ▶ Wall of Wine, Silent Auction and signup parties/events available to purchase.
- ▶ **Early Bird Pricing extended! \$55 by August 7 • \$65 after**
- ▶ Childcare available; \$10/child. Pre-registration required.

Tickets are available now! Visit www.themadeleine.edu/wine to sign up online.

Donations and volunteers welcome!

- ▶ Do you have any wines you'd like to donate for our Wall of Wine? Minimum value \$25, please.
- ▶ Do you have any high-end wines or fun stuff (vacation homes, Blazer/Timber/Thorn tickets, restaurants, events, etc) you'd be willing to donate?
- ▶ Would you be willing to volunteer to work the event?

If your answer is "yes" to any of the above, contact Janeen Reilly, jreilly@themadeleine.edu or call the Parish Office, 503.281.5777

Inside this week's bulletin:

- ▶ **Note from Fr. Bonaventure**—A thank you and a couple requests from Fr. B. See Page 3.
- ▶ **Madeleine in Memorial: Debbie Barsotti**—Funeral for longtime parishioner Debbie Barsotti will be Saturday, August 12 at 10:00 am. Page 5.
- ▶ **Archbishop's Catholic Appeal**—We're still working to fulfill our obligation to the 2023 Archbishop's Catholic Appeal. Info and instructions on Page 7.

Transfiguration of the Lord

THROUGHOUT HISTORY, people have needed new insights, messages and affirmation regarding who God is and the reality of God's presence in their lives. How do we know who or what we can trust, especially in troubling times? Jesus' followers grew in their understanding of who he was—sometimes gradually, sometimes suddenly, as in today's story of the Transfiguration. We are no different. The important thing is to keep growing in our understanding and our commitment

PRAY FOR OUR FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

- ▶ Debbie Barsotti—*Funeral Saturday, August 12*
- ▶ Jeanie Diaz

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

- ▶ Terry McGraw
- ▶ Sandra Faiola

WORSHIP & PRAYER

08/08, Tues Marie Walsh †
08/09, Weds Dennis Wolters †
08/10, Thurs Donald Kelley †
08/11, Fri Tom Hughes †
08/12, Sat Sylvia Manzo †
08/13, Sun, 8:00 am	... The Madeleine Community
10:00 am Faith Calavan †

Calendar This Week

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

8:00 am: Mass—Church

10:00 am: Mass—Church  **ALSO LIVESTREAMS**

3:00 pm: Baptism of Marie Jacqueline Curry—Church

MONDAY, AUGUST 7

7:30 pm: FA Meeting—Fireside Rm

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8

8:00 am: Mass—Church

9:00 am: Adoration—Church

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9

8:00 am: Mass—Church

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10

8:00 am: Mass—Church

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

8:00 am: Mass—Church

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

10:00 am: Funeral Mass for Debbie Barsotti—Church Reception Follows

4:00 pm: Confession—Church

5:00 pm: Mass—Church

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

8:00 am: Mass—Church

10:00 am: Mass—Church  **ALSO LIVESTREAMS**

MILESTONES

Welcome the following young parishioners who were baptized into the Catholic Church this weekend.

- ▶ **Thomas Hamilton Finch**, son of Benjamin and Megan Finch
- ▶ **Marie Jacqueline Curry**, daughter of Anne and Mark Curry

REGULARLY SCHEDULED CONFESSIONS RESUME

Regularly scheduled confessions are held in the Main Church from 4:00–4:30 pm on Saturdays, or by appointment; call the Parish Office.

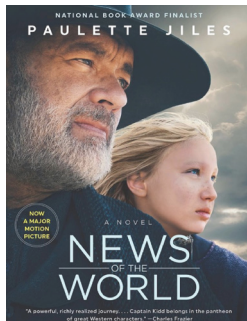
SAVE THE DATE

- ▶ **Fr. Mike Appreciation Weekend**: Aug 19–20
- ▶ **Wine Tasting**: August 26
- ▶ **Parish Picnic/Oktoberfest**: October 8
- ▶ **Madeleine Marketplace**: December 7

PARISH LIFE

BOOK CLUB NEWS

We cordially invite you to join our reading group. We enjoy a wide variety of excellent books over the course of the year, meeting monthly for discussions. The book our group chose for August is *News of the World*, by Paulette Jiles. For 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, gypsy-frau47@yahoo.com or 503-312-6834.



THE MADELEINE IS HIRING: BOOKKEEPER

The Madeleine Parish is hiring for the position of Bookkeeper. This is a part-time position, and will report to the Business Manager. The ideal candidate will have experience with all phases of bookkeeping for a nonprofit enterprise, including but not limited to A/R, A/P, G/L, payroll, financial reporting. Preferred software and platform proficiency include QuickBooks, ADP, Microsoft Office, Google Apps. Background check required. For more information or to apply, contact My Schoning, Business Manager, 503-281-5777 ext. 114, or mhoang@themadeleine.edu Visit www.themadeleine.edu/jobs for full job description.

INTERESTED IN OUR CATHOLIC FAITH?

Do you know someone who might be interested in joining our Catholic Community?

Do you ever feel like something is missing from your life? Maybe it's not that new car or new job you need, but maybe it's developing a deeper and closer relationship with God.

One way to develop your faith life is to explore and begin the journey to join the Catholic Church community. This fall in mid-September we are offering a series of classes to explore Catholicism through guided discussions for those who

are curious about the Catholic faith and/or for those interested in becoming Catholic.

An important first step this summer is to simply attend weekend Masses and get to know us a bit more. Don't be intimidated or afraid; starting or continuing your faith journey through the RCIA process may well become the most important decision of your life!

Contact Donna Mason at rcia@themadeleine.edu with your questions and to start the discussion. More information at www.themadeleine.edu/rcia

INVITATION TO PREPARE FOR CONFIRMATION IN SPRING OF 2024

“O breathe on me, O Breath of God. Fill me with life anew. That I may love the things you love, and do what you would do.”

The above verse from a song by Edwin Hatch briefly summarizes the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Sacrament of Confirmation completes a person's initiation into the Catholic Faith and Community. It is the fulfillment of Jesus' promise to send the Spirit and guide us into all truth.

As God breathes the Spirit into us in Baptism and Confirmation, we are filled with grace and gifted with new energy to be faithful followers of Jesus. Both the gifts and fruits of the Spirit flow into us and

can transform our lives from Ordinary to Extraordinary. What is asked of us is a “yes.” Confirmation is now available in the 7th Grade for both Madeleine School and Madeleine Parish youth. You will find the schedule and registration form at www.themadeleine.edu/faithformation

For teens and adults who have not received this sacrament, preparation will be provided separately from the above group. Please contact Therese Fenzl, Director of Spiritual Ministries, tfenzl@themadeleine.edu



In the Gospel, the Lord's voice says: “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.” The disciples were afraid, but Jesus came and touched them, saying “Rise, and do not be afraid.” Know that in making your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you are listening to Christ, and helping others not to be afraid.

—Mary Clare O'Brien, 503-309-7639

A NOTE FROM FR. BONAVENTURE

Dear Madeleine Community,

I want to firstly thank you all for being so kind and welcoming over this last month. It seems like longer than a month already! You must know that it will take a few more months before I begin to piece together a memory for your names—if only you would wear name tags!



will be Msg. Murphy, who has lived here for years and Fr. Nazario, who works in the Chancery of the Archdiocese.

Rectory Dining Room and Kitchen: Meetings and event prep to move

In order to create a space that is healthy and human for the three of us to live in,

the use of the Rectory Dining Room and kitchen will be limited, especially during the evenings and on weekends. Those are times when a priest will want to cook a meal, maybe sit quietly or have a friend over, and recover from a typically busy and often emotionally charged day.

I'm not sure what that will mean for parish life entirely, but one thing is that coffee and donuts and other events that used the kitchen or dining room to prepare or clean up will have to make use of the parish kitchen in the hall. Meetings that plan the use of the rectory dining room will have to be moved to another common space on the property.

I am ever grateful to you for welcoming me and to the Archbishop for assigning me to The Madeleine and for supporting me in the transition. Please pray for the Archbishop as he leads a group of young people to World Youth Day!

—Fr. Bonaventure

Partly because you have been so kind and welcoming, I feel the transition is going well—the staff have been so accommodating. I hope you are keeping them in your prayers because Fr. Mike was their friend, mentor, and father, as he has been for you.

You will already begin to notice some differences here in the life of the parish, and that is inevitable, as you can well imagine.

Rectory: New residents need their space

One difference that I would like to draw your attention to is the reality that I am living in the Rectory. For me, the physical nearness also expresses the spiritual nearness. But at the same time, I am a human being with a physical nature, with human physical and psychological needs. So I am working to find some healthy boundaries for the Rectory.

You may not know, but there will be three priests living in the Rectory beginning in September. Joining me in residence

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Regular Mass Times:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00 am
 Thursday School days: 8:00 am
 Days school not in session: 8:00 am
 Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
 Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am

Penance Saturday, 4:00–4:30 pm

PARISH OFFICE

Hours Monday–Friday, 9:00 am–3:00 pm

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Ministry Schedule
 www.themadeleine.edu/minister-schedule

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

PARISH OFFERTORY UPDATE

July 2023 Collection

Budgeted Offertory, full month \$84,210
 Collected Offertory, full month \$78,952

Fiscal Year 2023–24 Collection

Budgeted Offertory, year to date \$84,210
 Collected Offertory, year to date \$78,952
 Offertory Surplus (deficit) (\$5,257)

LAUDATO SI' NEWS

Wednesday, August 2, 2023, is known as “Earth Overshoot Day,” the date on which humanity depletes all the natural resources that the Earth can regenerate in the year. This day serves as a reminder of the unsustainable impact that we have on the planet. However, it can also serve as an inspiration for action. Individual actions make a difference! What you can do to help:

► **Cut consumption and recycle more.** Your first steps on this mission should be to reduce unnecessary purchases, opt for sustainable products, and reuse items

whenever possible. The Madeleine’s year ‘round recycling programs, in partnership with TerraCycle can help meet this goal by providing opportunities to recycle trash that can’t be recycled curbside.

► **Turn food waste into planet fuel with a home compost.** Organic material that ends up in landfills produces harmful methane gases as it decomposes at a snail’s pace. But when you compost things like banana skins and eggshells alongside “brown” materials (like leaves, straw, and paper), they break down faster and become plant fertilizer.

The Madeleine’s recycling programs are open to the public.

Download a copy of our recycling flyer at www.themadeleine.edu/terracycle

Father Mike Appreciation Weekend

Celebrated after all Masses of August 19–20

Over the years, we have all heard Father Mike say there were three things he never wanted...to become a Roman Catholic priest, to join the military, or to live in Oregon. As an ordained priest of over 43 years, a retired Air Force Chaplain and having made his home in Oregon for many years, clearly God had other plans for him.

Fortunately for us, God's path brought Fr. Mike to The Madeleine. We have all been the beneficiaries of his vision....the beautiful grounds, updated and beautified facilities, inside and out. We are most thankful for the restoration of the beloved Old Madeleine Church.

Father Mike has married us and buried us, baptized our babies, anointed our sick and listened in our times of need. He has taught of the importance of the Care for Creation, and most importantly instilled in our entire community the declaration that All Are Welcome at The Madeleine. Father Mike changed our lives and brought a reverence to the Eucharist in a profound way. He has taught us the true meaning of service before self.

When Father Mike retired after 15 years as our pastor, he left campus quietly and humbly...without affording us an opportunity to express our appreciation and gratitude. Parishioners have asked if there was something that could be done for him. So, when Fr. Mike returns to campus to preside at the Masses of August 19-20, we will honor him with special celebrations of appreciation after each weekend Mass:

- ▶ **5:00 pm Mass, Saturday, August 19**—Wine and Cheese in the Courtyard
- ▶ **8:00 am Mass, Sunday, August 20**—Coffee and Donuts with Mimosas in the Courtyard
- ▶ **10:00 am Mass, Sunday, August 20**—A big barbecue in the Courtyard, hosted by the Knights of Columbus

Also at each of the Masses we will show a retrospective montage video of photos sent to us by parishioners. If you have a photo of Fr. Mike you'd like to include, please upload to www.themadeleine.edu/fm

Feel free to bring your cards, notes or gestures of gratitude to the August 19–20 events, or drop off or mail to the parish office. Your sealed, unopened envelopes will be delivered directly to Fr. Mike.

Please join us!

As Fr. Mike would say, "All Are Welcome!"



In Memoriam

THE MADELEINE FAMILY REMEMBERS

DEBORAH (CAPPARELLI) BARSOTTI

Funeral Mass—Saturday, August 12, 10:00 am

A Funeral Mass will be held for longtime parishioner Debbie Barsotti on Saturday, August 12, 10:00 am at The Madeleine. A reception will follow.

Debbie died on August 2, after living a year with the complications of a bone marrow transplant for leukemia. Her faith and love of God guided all the days of her life and provided peace through the very end of her life.

She is survived by her children, their spouses/partners, and grandchildren: Benj & Jennie Barsotti (Bruno and Thomas), Sadie & Peter Hjorth (Samson, Elsie, and Greta), Peter & Tara Barsotti (William, Caroline, and Edward), Beth Barsotti & Herbert, and connected by love Jessie & Rob Wimer. Deb's legacy will live on in her community and all those they touch. She is survived by her husband, Richard, and her brother and sister-in-law, Doug and Bonnie Capparelli.

Debbie grew up in southeast Portland, attended Franklin High School followed by Marylhurst and Oregon State (go Beavs!). Dick and Debbie lived in Corvallis, Portland, Los Angeles, and then Northern Maine before returning home with the family to Portland in 1982. She and Dick married in 1970 and welcomed Benj, Sadie, Peter, and Beth into the family. She felt strongly that her house was meant for everyone who needed a place to be.

She lived her values every day of her life. At the beginning it was babysitting her cousins, being a Girl Scout, and even working as Girl Scout counselor. Then in early marriage before children, she worked at the White Shield home for Unwed Mothers. As her family grew, she volunteered in her children's schools and parish (Madeleine and Central Catholic), and eventually became an employee of Central Catholic where she was the Main Office Manager (MOM). She lived an unbroken thread of caring for children and families throughout her entire life.

She made sure that everyone (seriously, everyone!) knew that they had a place in the Barsotti home. All of her children knew that no matter how many people they brought home unexpectedly, they would all be welcomed and fed. These friends learned that they could come study here even when there were not any Barsotti children present.

With her first grandchild she claimed the title of "Nonna," Italian for grandmother. This loving, welcoming, nurturing role defined this stage of her life for her grandchildren and

anyone else who wanted or needed it. Her granddaughter, Caroline had asked Debbie to be her confirmation sponsor. When asked why, Caroline responded that not only was she her own Nonna, she was "a Nonna to everyone else, too."

Debbie, her family, and friends were fortunate to have a

period where she was home on hospice. She had so many friends and family stop by to see her and share her final moments. Her visitors brought countless stories of generosity, openness, faith, and role modeling. Even from her deathbed, Debbie ensured that her visitors were treated to her special "Nonna" hospitality. She made sure her helpers had the main bathroom wiped down and Dick had it stocked with clean hand towels. She insisted everyone be offered something to eat and drink. This was an easy task as, due to the generosity of visitors, the abundance of food already present had somehow increased by the end of the day—a true "fishes and loaves" phenomenon. If you were fortunate enough to visit the Barsotti home during Debbie's last days, you would see parents playing with their children in the same basement playroom still filled with the same toys they played with as children. (Some of the parents also checked out Deb's well-stocked pantry as they had so many times before.) People shared memories of their interactions with Debbie; she had the opportunity to hear how even the smallest moments with her made positive lifetime impacts.

The family is eternally grateful for the care and support from Dr. Migdady, Bone Marrow Transplant Team and the marvelous and caring staff on 14K at OHSU.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Central Catholic High School, Bruno and Catherine Barsotti Endowed Scholarship, PAN Foundation (that helps with funding expensive medicines), Be The Match.



Please pray for Debbie, her family, and all the faithfully departed from The Madeleine

RECYCLING PROGRAMS AT THE MADELEINE

Marked collection bins in the breezeway facing 23rd Ave.

The Madeleine's Laudato Si' Circle and Care for Creation Ministry have joined with U. S. based recycler, Terracycle, to offer our parish, school, and community opportunities to responsibly recycle specific items (primarily plastics) not generally handled at curbside. Terracycle has added more manufacturers to its program, and in turn, we have expanded our recycling offerings. Here is a current listing of what we are collecting. Please keep this in mind:

- ▶ Do not include garbage or items not specifically mentioned in the descriptions.
- ▶ Empty containers of contents. No need to wash first; ensure packaging is dry.



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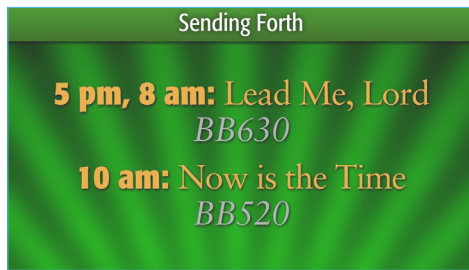
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Details on all programs at www.themadeleine.edu/terracycle

AUDIO/VIDEO MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

As we've been returning to Mass each weekend, we've been including some of the "extras" we'd had in the past...including the weekly use of our video screens for Breaking Bread references, videos and song lyrics. But we need help running them!

This is a very important ministry, as the screens help to enhance our worship



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FRIENDS OF SEASONAL AND SERVICE WORKERS

We would like to introduce our organization to you. We are Friends of Seasonal and Service Workers (FSSW), an all-volunteer association of neighbors, teachers, students, seasonal workers, business owners and other concerned residents. We have been in operation for 41 years here in Portland and take no government or strings attached funding. We are dedicated to materially assisting seasonal, farm and service workers struggling for collective solutions to their poverty conditions through their own independent, community-backed organizing efforts. We are grateful to The Madeleine for being one of our supporting neighbors for several years.

Throughout the year our various campaigns include weekly food drives, clothing distributions, enlisting volunteer doctors to do physical exams, surgeries, and tests; helping people find jobs; providing the resources for families to celebrate holidays.



Together we are fighting to put money back into our local economies from the bottom up to stabilize the economy.

It's now time for annual Back-to-School Campaign where our goal is to ensure that families are able to outfit their children with all of the supplies to make their school year a success. In the back of the church for the next few weeks, you will find a donation

barrel with lists of the items most requested and needed. We'd also like to invite you to learn more about our organization and various volunteer opportunities. Please feel free to visit our office; we are open 365 days a year from 9 am-9 pm, or call with any questions. We hope you will consider a donation as you are shopping for your own back-to-school supplies!

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THINKING ABOUT SEPARATION OR DIVORCE?

Retrouvaille is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication.

Visit www.helpourmarriage.org for testimonials, confidential information or to register for the August 25-27 in Canby, Oregon or email portland@retrouvaille.org or call 503-225-9191.

TIPS FOR GREEN LIVING


Find a Family Farmer


Do you have a family farmer yet? The issue is about buying most of your vegetables directly from a local farmer. Imagine having baskets full of organic vegetables (delicious, fresh and pesticide-free) that could be conveniently dropped off close to your home. Thanks to Community Supported Agriculture (CSA), there is most likely an outlet in your area (even your church could become one!) which would provide you with fresh fruits and vegetables, even meat, on a weekly basis. Registration usually takes place in February and March, so look for "Community Supported Agriculture" in your area.


Save a Forest: Use a Towel or Rag


In North America, we cut down millions of trees each year in order to produce paper towels. To reduce our paper product consumption, save an old piece of clothing and use it as a rag to wipe up messes. By reusing materials, we decrease the pressure on our forests. This helps save forest ecosystems, which are an important part of the biodiversity of our planet.

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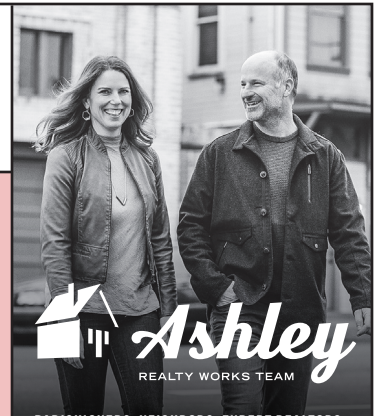
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