

# THIS WEEK AT THE MADELEINE

Furthering the Reign of God, Where All Are Welcome • August 12–13, 2023

## SOLEMNITY OF THE Assumption of Mary, August 15

**Masses 8:00 am & 6:30 pm in the Main Church** The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is August 15. We will celebrate Masses at 8:00 am and 6:30 pm in the Main Church. Please join us. This principal feast for Mary has a double purpose: her departure from this life and the assumption of her body into heaven. For more on this celebration, read Maria Manzo's excellent article on Page 3 and the insert on page 7



## Father Mike Appreciation Weekend, August 19–20

Yes, he's back....for a weekend! He'll be presiding at the three Masses of August 19-20, then holding court at receptions after each. Details and schedule on Page 4.



## WINE TASTING CELEBRATION POSTPONED

Due to a variety of factors—among them competing/conflicting parish, school and community events—we have made the difficult decision to postpone our annual Wine Tasting. The new date will be February 3, 2024, in the Old Church. If you have purchased tickets, we have three options for you:

• Do nothing, and your ticket will be waiting for you for our Feb. 3 event

## 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

- Donate the funds for your ticket purchase to the parish
- Request a refund

If you purchased a ticket, look for our email. Also, watch our Wine Tasting page at **www.themadeleine.edu/wine** for news of an Online Auction for some items that we'll have available for auction next week.

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** 

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S READINGS REMIND US that God speaks to us and beckons us in so many unexpected and surprising ways. Some of us may respond better to an almost indistinguishable whisper, while others need a wake-up call that requires great courage on our part — like Peter's call to walk on water. Hearing, seeing, giving our full assent to what we experience, may not be easy. But the message has been consistent throughout history: God continues to invite us.

#### PRAY FOR OUR FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

- ▶ Jack Talbott—Funeral: August 22, 11:00 am, All Saints
- ► Debbie Barsotti
- ► Jeanie Diaz

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

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

- ▶ Kitt Jordan
- ▶ Terry McGraw
- ▶ Sandra Faiola

#### WORSHIP & PRAYER

08/15, Tues, 8:00 am	Charlie Hodgson †
6:30 pm	Peggy Barnett †
08/16, Weds	. Donna Hendrickson †
08/17, Thurs	Patricia Treece †
08/18, Fri	Debbie Barsotti †
08/19, Sat	Alan Morrill †
08/20, Sun, 8:00 am The Madeleine Community	
10:00 am	Mary Biewend †

## Calendar This Week

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

8:00 am: Mass-Church

10:00 am: Mass–Church ALSO LIVESTREAMS

MONDAY, AUGUST 14 6:30 pm: FA Meeting (FR)

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

Assumption of Mary-Holy Day 8:00 am: Mass—Church 9:00 am: Adoration—Church 6:30 pm: Mass—Church

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

8:00 am: Mass—Church 6:00 pm: Arc Meeting—Old Madeleine Church

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

8:00 am: Mass–Church

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

8:00 am: Mass-Church

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

9:00 am: Knights–Parish Hall 4:00 pm: Confession–Church 5:00 pm: Mass–Church

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

8:00 am: Mass—Church 10:00 am: Mass—Church 
ALSO LIVESTREAMS

#### FUNERAL FOR JACK TALBOTT

Former longtime parishioner and choir member Jack Talbott died on July 30. His funeral will be held at All Saints Church on Tuesday, August 22. Rosary at 10:30 am, Funeral Mass at 11:00 am. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Haitian Project, Louverture Cleary School www.haitianproject.org

#### REGULARLY SCHEDULED CONFESSIONS RESUME

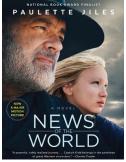
Regularly scheduled confessions are held in the Main Church from 4:00–4:30 pm on Saturdays, or by appointment; call the Parish Office.

#### SAVE THE DATE

- ► Fr. Mike Appreciation Weekend: Aug 19-20
- Parish Picnic/Oktoberfest: October 8
- Madeleine Marketplace: December 7
- Wine Tasting: Postponed to Feb. 3, 2024

## 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, gypsyfrau47@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 Manger, 503-281-5777 ext. 114, or mhoang@themadeleine.edu Visit www.themadeleine.edu/jobs for full job description.

## INVITATION TO PREPARE FOR CONFIRMATION IN SPRING OF 2024

PARISH LIFE

"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

#### SACRAMENTAL PREP REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Registration for First Penance and First Eucharist is open for the 2023-24 school year. Classes will be held during the 10am Mass and once class is complete, children will be brought to Mass to join their families about the time of the presentation of gifts. Email Rose Horton at sac-prep@themadeleine.edu, call 512-627-5568, or visit www.themadeleine. edu/faithformation for more information, to register and for the schedule. 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. Registration for Confirmation will take place in the vestibule of the Madeleine Church after all Masses on August 26-27, and September 9-10, 2023.

# CHILDREN WANTED TO SING FOR FR. MIKE

All children in attendance at Mass the weekend of August 19-20 for Fr. Mike Appreciation Weekend will be invited to sing "The Blessing Song" for Fr. Mike.

This will take place right before the final song. We'll just invite all children forward....it's the same song the children have sung many times

Want to practice? Here's the link: www.youtu.be/uZ55mDL7dA0



In this Gospel, Jesus immediately stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring respite and hope to the elderly who are not able to find relief from the summer heat, and you will bring them faith and hope.

## THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY— THE FRUITS OF THE HARVEST

MUSIC NOTES

On August 15, the Church celebrates the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary—commemorating the end of Mary's earthly life and assumption into Heaven. Considered one of the most important feast days of the year, it is a Holy Day of Obligation on the official Church calendar.

The Feast of the Assumption has its roots in early Christianity. According to St. John of Damascus, the Roman em-

peror Marcian requested the body of Mary, Mother of God at the Council of Chalcedon in 451. St. Juvenal, Bishop of Jerusalem at that time, told the emperor that "Mary died in the presence of all the Apostles, but that her tomb, when upon the request of St. Thomas, was found empty; wherefrom the Apostles concluded that the body was taken up to heaven." By the 8th century, the Church had renamed the feast day of the Memorial of Mary to the Assumption of Mary.

While the belief in Mary being assumed body and soul into heaven was a widely-held tradition for centuries, it was first codified into Canon Law as a Holy Day in 1917. However, it was not until 1950 that Pope Pius XII officially formalized the doctrine of the Assumption in his Apostolic Constitution Munificentissimus deus (The most bountiful God). In 1991, the Assumption of Mary made the short list of Holy Days with the USCCB-making this feast day one of six Holy Days of Obligation for American Catholics. While some see this as another day as, "I have to go to Mass," in many countries, it is a public holiday-and widely celebrated with street fairs, a religious procession, and even fireworks! It is also tradition to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption by bringing the summer harvest to be blessed. The first fruits (herbs, tomatoes, squash) are often associated with this feast-not only because of the time of year-but because Mary was the first believer in Jesus to experience the promised resurrection. Therefore, she is essentially the first "fruit" of a great coming harvest.



Admittedly, I am a big "Mary" fan-which I am sure is hereditary, as my mother led religious pilgrimages to Marian shrines for almost 40 years. In our foyer is a 3' Mary statue that she hand-carried from Medjugorje years ago. And we have a rosary collection that would rival most Marian shrines. (I am pretty sure we could say a rosary with different beads every day for a year.) Rather unintentionally, we also have

a garden full of tomatoes, herbs and summer squash.

In music, Marian hymns abound in both traditional and contemporary settings. Perhaps the earliest Marian hymn is the ancient chant setting of the Magnificat (known as the Canticle of Mary). My favorite choral setting is by J.S. Bach. Rooted in harmonic order, it conveys vivid imagery through orchestra colors, operatic flourishes and descriptive word painting. Bach thought of music as a donum Dei (gift of God), saying: "When there is devotional music, God with his grace is always present." Settings of the Ave Maria (devotional prayer to Mary) are also plentiful. Often, either the Schubert or Bach/Gounod versions are sung at both weddings and funerals. At the top of my list is the choral setting of the Bogoroditse Devo (Ave Maria) by Russian composer, Sergei Rachmaninoff from his "All Night Vigil." With its sublime harmonies, and a musical juxtaposition of both solemnity and rejoicing-it never fails to bring me to tears. Traditionally in the Church we sing Immaculate Mary on this day. Dubbed the "Lourdes Hymn," it was first written in 1973 by French priest Jean Gaignet, for pilgrims visiting the site of the apparitions of Our Lady of Lourdes.

This feast day is also important to me because two years ago on this very day, my sister went to be with Mary in Heaven. I cannot help but have visions of Mary taking her by the hand and leading her to eternal life—and my sister's beautiful voice singing the "Ave Maria" in praise and adoration. May she rest in peace.

*—Maria Manzo* 

#### WEEKLY MASS TIMES Regular Mass Times:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday8:00 am	
Thursday	School days: 2:00 pm
Days schoo	ol not in session: 8:00 am
Saturday Vigil	
Sunday	8:00 am, 10:00 am
Penance	.Saturday, 4:00-4:30 pm

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

# **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!"



#### PARISH & COMMUNITY

## AUDIO/VIDEO MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Sending Forth

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

**5 pm, 8 am:** Lead Me, Lord *BB630* **10 am:** Now is the Time *BB520*  experience.

Presentations run on a laptop using Powerpoint; the presentations are already built...you don't need to edit or create them. You simply run the presentations by advancing from screen

to screen. It's easy! Full training is included. Interested? Please contact Rich Hammons, rhammons@themadeleine.edu

### 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!

Friends of Seasonal and Service Workers 2228 NE Glisan St., Portland, OR 97232 • (503) 231-4826 • fsswpdx.org

## TIPS FOR GREEN LIVING

#### Old textiles as reusable cloths

In our disposable society, we have practically forgotten the usefulness of cleaning cloths. Ask a child to clean a spill with something other than a paper towel and s/he may tell you that it can't be done. Not only are trees cut down to manufacture paper towels, but the paper towels also generate waste that accumulates at the dump.

Why not turn your old sheets, towels and material into reusable cloths? Not only are you doing something good for the environment, you'll also save on buying paper towels. Proof that being ecological is also economical.

#### How about saving leftovers instead of packaged foods?

In this fast-paced society we live in, adults and children often have lunch far from home and that is why it is so easy to eat frozen and over-packaged meals. Why not try to plan meals ahead of time in order to have leftovers for lunch the following day? You could prepare a soup, a stew or pasta, store it in reusable containers and then reheat them for lunch.



#### 2023 Archbishop's Catholic Appeal

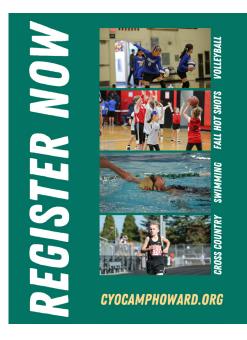
Help grow hope, education, and faith through a donation to the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal. More than 22 life-changing ministries answering the needs of our neighbors, friends, and family are supported through your generosity.

To donate, or to view Archbishop Sample's video, visit **JesusChangesEverything.church** Be sure to choose "2023 St. Mary Magdalene (*The Madeleine*)" as your parish so we receive credit for your donation as we work toward our goal of more than \$73,000 for the campaign.

#### 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.



# The ASSUMPTION OF MARY The Promise of Things to Come

Mary's Assumption is the Roman Catholic doctrine that Mary the mother of Jesus, "having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory" by God. The Assumption is just one of only two papal declarations—the other being Mary's Immaculate Conception (1854)—that have been officially defined *"ex cathedra"* or "from the chair of Peter," that is, by a pope rather than by an ecumenical Council of all the bishops.

#### History of the Dogma

Although Mary's Assumption into heaven is not described in the Bible, various sermons and devotions as early as the 6th century indicate that many of the faithful believed that it was true. Medieval theologians like St. Thomas Aquinas and St. Bonaventure put forth arguments to validate it. But it had never been formally defined as a dogma by the Church's teaching authority. So after consulting with the Church's bishops throughout the world who overwhelmingly concurred that the Catholic faithful did indeed believe the Assumption to be true and the time right for an official declaration, Pope Pius XII solemnly declared the Assumption to be an infallible dogma of the Church on November 1, 1950, and its celebration was assigned to August 15.

#### Mary Our Model

After Jesus' death, God rewarded Jesus' faithfulness to God's ways of justice and love by raising him to new life with God. Jesus promised that we who follow him faithfully would also join him in this new life. By declaring Mary's Assumption into heaven, the Church affirms that Mary has already received the new life with God that Jesus promised. "The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians. By her complete adherence to the Father's will, to his Son's redemptive work, and to every prompting of the Holy Spirit, the Virgin Mary is the Church's model of faith and charity" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church,* #966–67).



## Mary Shows Us the Way

Mary's Assumption is a celebration of the triumph of God's justice over human injustice, the victory of grace over sin. In one of his homilies, Pope Francis reminded us of the importance of Mary's Assumption for each of us. "Mary's Assumption is a great mystery which concerns each one of us. It regards our future. Mary, in fact, precedes us on the path walked upon by those who, through their baptism, have bound their life to Jesus, as Mary bound her own life to him. This feast makes us look to heaven, foretells the 'new heaven and new earth,' with the risen Christ's victory over death and the definitive defeat of evil. Therefore, the exultation of the humble maiden of Galilee, expressed in her Magnificat prayer (Luke 1:46-55), becomes the song of all humanity, which sees with satisfaction the Lord stoop over all men and all women, humble creatures, and assume them with him into heaven. Because Mary received and lived the gospel, she is beside her son's throne for eternity."



"Mary is the first Christian to follow Christ, and the first and most perfect model of Christ. That is why the imitation of Mary is not only relevant to women but to all Christians. But she has a special significance for women, whom she leads to the feminine form of the Christian image." —St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

(Edith Stein)

## Mary's Song of Hope for a Better World

The *Magnificat* is the popular name for Mary's song in the Gospel chosen for the Feast of the Assumption. Inspired by the Old Testament song of Hannah, the mother of Samuel (1 Sam 2:1-10), it expresses her maternal joy and hope for a better world for her child because of God's concern for the poor and action for justice. As Pope Benedict XVI explains in his encyclical letter God Is Love (Deus Caritas Est, #41), "The Magnificat-a portrait of Mary's soul-is entirely woven from threads of Scripture. Here we see how completely at home she is with God's Word, moving with ease in and out of it. She speaks and thinks with God's Word, which becomes her word, and her word issues from God's Word. We see how her thoughts are attuned to God's thoughts, how her will is one with God's will. Since Mary is completely imbued with God's Word, she can become the Mother of the Word Incarnate. Finally, Mary is a woman who loves. How could it be otherwise? As a believer who in faith thinks with God's thoughts and wills with God's will, she cannot fail to be a woman who loves."

Mary's Magnificat Prayer (Luke 1:46-55)

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior. For he has looked upon his handmaid's lowliness; behold, from now on will all ages call me blessed. The Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is from age to age to those who fear him. He has shown might with his arm, dispersed the arrogant of mind and heart. He has thrown down the rulers from their thrones but lifted up the lowly. The hungry he has filled with good things; the rich he has sent away empty. He has helped Israel his servant, remembering his mercy, according to his promise to our fathers, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

