

Season of Service... Snapshots of 2024

The Madeleine is founded in service, and 2024 was another year our community came together to make a difference. From gift drives to Care for Creation to helping educate children in Haiti, The Madeleine Community stepped up to the challenge. See pages 4–5 for a photo gallery of our community in action.



Nativity of The Lord

December 24-25

THE INCARNATION IS ASTONISHING! The joy of our song today, the depth of our prayer, the richness of our celebration – all constitute an invitation to enter into this mystery. Glory to God!

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

December 28-29

OUR READINGS TODAY POINT to the importance of reverencing one another with respect and charity. We are to honor our parents and let the peace of Christ control [our] hearts. We are to put on love and strive always to live with gratitude.

Pray for Our Faithfully Departed

▶ Mark Nava ▶ Sharon Brun ▶ Charles Hutton
▶ Maura White ▶ Ben Ford

Prayer Requests

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

▶ David Hickman ▶ Bob Burke
▶ Aaron Stevenson ▶ Ann & Quenton Czuba
▶ Brad Werth ▶ Jean Mitchell
▶ Kitt & Corinne Jordan ▶ Charli Phipps

Mass Intentions

12/24, Tues 4:00 pm Ed Reilly †
7:00 pm Mark Nava †
11:00 pm Donna Hendrickson †
12/25, Weds. The Madeleine Community
12/26, Thurs Carol Swanson †
12/27, Fri Michael Hendrickson †
12/28, Sat Maura White †
12/29, Sun 8:00 am The Madeleine Community
10:00 am Gay Meslovic †
12/31, Tues Leroy Finck †
01/01, Weds. 9 am . . The Madeleine Community
01/02, Thurs George Mills †
01/03, Fri Joy Allan †
01/04, Sat Lavel Davis Jr. †
01/05, Sun 8:00 am The Madeleine Community
10:00 am John L Turner †

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

Mass at 9:00 am • Wednesday, January 1


Next week, we will celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. This solemnity offers the opportunity for us to recognize God's continued activity in our lives—just as Mary did through her acceptance of the graces offered by God. Join us as we celebrate Mass at 9:00 am on Wednesday, January 1.

Inside This Week's Bulletin:

- ▶ **St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store Open**—Proceeds from thrift store sales benefit our food, rent, and utilities assistance programs for neighbors in need. Details Page 2.
- ▶ **Madeleine School Open House**—Save the date, January 26 to find out about our Parish School as they open enrollment for the 2025-26 school year. Page 6.
- ▶ **Parish Stewardship and End-of-Year Giving**—As you're thinking of worthy organizations to donate to at the end of the year, we ask you to consider The Madeleine. See Page 3 for details.
- ▶ **Jubilee Pilgrimage**—With 2025 being a Jubilee Year, The Madeleine is celebrating with a pilgrimage to Italy (and more). See Page 7.

Calendar This Week

Tues, December 24

- ▶ Christmas Eve, Parish Office Closed
- 8:30 am: Mass—Church
- 4 pm: Vigil Mass—Church  **ALSO LIVESTREAMS**
- 7 pm: Vigil Mass—Church
- 11 pm: Mass in the Night—Church

Weds. December 25

- ▶ Christmas Day, Parish Office Closed
- 9 am: Christmas Mass—Church

Thurs. December 26

- ▶ Parish Office Closed
- 8:30 am: Mass—Church

Fri. December 27

- ▶ Parish Office Closed
- 8:30 am: Mass—Church

Sat. December 28

- 4 pm: Confession—Church
- 5 pm: Mass—Church

Sun. December 29

- 8 am: Mass—Church
- 10 am: Mass—Church  **ALSO LIVESTREAMS**

Mon. December 30

- 6:30 pm: FA Meeting—Fireside Rm

Tues. December 31

- 8:30 am: Mass—Church
- 9 am: Adoration—Church

Weds. January 1

- ▶ Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
- ▶ New Year's Day—Parish Office Closed
- 9 am: Mass—Church
- 7 pm: Safety and Security—Off-site

Thurs. January 2

- 8:30 am: Mass—Church


Fri. January 3

- 8:30 am: Mass—Church

Sat. January 4

- 4 pm: Confession—Church
- 5 pm: Mass—Church

Sun. January 5

- 8 am: Mass—Church
- 10 am: Mass—Church  **ALSO LIVESTREAMS**
- 11:15 am: St Vincent DePaul Meeting—St. Catherine Rm
- 11:15 am: OCIA Class—Fireside Rm

Upcoming Events

- ▶ **Ash Wednesday:** March 5
- ▶ **Easter Sunday:** April 20
- ▶ **Fish Fry:** Friday, April 25
- ▶ **St. Mary Magdalene Day:** July 19

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store now open

Proceeds benefit programs for neighbors in need • 10 am–6 pm every day

St. Vincent de Paul Portland is excited to announce the opening of our brand-new thrift store! We are now open seven days a week from 10 am to 6 pm at 17108 SE Powell Blvd, Portland, OR 97236. Come visit us and browse our wide selection of clothing, books, furniture, housewares, and more. Donations

are also accepted during regular store hours. Proceeds from thrift store sales benefit our food, rent, and utilities assistance programs for our neighbors in need. Whether you are shopping or donating, you are GIVING! Your support of St. Vincent de Paul is greatly appreciated.

Madeleine Book Club!

We send you joyous Christmas greetings and blessings as we await the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ, the Light of The World.



We invite you to join our discussion group in the New Year. For reading list and other details, please contact our ministry coordinator, Gretchen Stevenson at gypsyfrau47@yahoo.com or call 503-312-6834. Sign up now so you don't miss our January post-holiday gathering!

Women's Coffee Club

The New Year is a time for reflection. What are you thinking about as 2025 dawns? Do you have an idea for a future discussion topic? All women of the parish are invited for coffee, cookies, and conversation Monday, January 13, from 10:00 to 11:30 am. We meet upstairs in The Madeleine Old Church gathering space. Access doors are on NE 23rd, where signs are posted.

Once inside, it's easy access to the elevator. Due to security, doors will be unlocked only between 9:30 and 10:15. Have a question or need a ride, contact Jody McDonald 360-870- 5470.

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

The January 11 Knights of Columbus Red Cross Blood drive is only 4 weeks away! We are blessed to have about 25% of our appointments filled! And, we hope you will consider going to the site redcrossblood.org and making an appointment today to donate.

Every donation helps save up to 3 lives and what better gift to give this holiday season than to help our neighbors in the new year

So, please use the QR code attached and make your appointment today! The 11th will be here before you know it.



4 Stages of Marriage

The 4 stages of marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first 3 Stages. Marriages that end in divorce never make it to the 4th Stage of Awakening. Don't give up without learning about the 4th Stage of Awakening. If your marriage suffers from Disillusionment or Misery please join Oregon Retrouvaille as we host a working weekend for couples struggling in their marriages by couples who have been there in the struggle. Come January 31–February 2, 2025 at the Canby Grove Retreat Center in Canby.

For confidential information about or to register for the program, call 1-503-225-9191 or email: portland@retrouvaille.org or visit us at Helpourmarriage.org

**The Madeleine Parish Office will be closed
December 26-27, but some staff will be working,
so feel free to contact us as needed. Also closed January 1**



This weekend as we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, we can celebrate that we all belong to the holy family of God which makes us brothers and sisters to each other. At Christmas this year, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring the joy and hope to our "brothers and sisters" who are poor by assisting 86 families with food and gifts for children.
—Lisa Hawkins, (503) 309-7968

The Madeleine in Service, 2024



The Madeleine Conference of St. Vincent de Paul

As always, our St. Vincent de Paul Good Samaritans did an amazing job of collecting food for those in need again this year, then delivering it. According to Bill Johnson regarding the St. Vincent de Paul food drive, they delivered, "2850 pounds of food to 125 individuals, plus assisted in supplying dinner for veterans....and gifts to 21 children." In addition, the volunteers collected and wrapped presents for the children on the list, and provided Fred Meyer gift cards for families in need.



The Haitian Project Garage Sale

The Haitian Project Garage Sale in 2024 was again a huge hit in our Parish Hall, Commons and some classrooms! As always, dozens and dozens of volunteers put on the sale. And this year the organizers announced more than \$30,000 to benefit the Louverture Cleary School in Haiti.



Care for our Common Home *Laudato Si*

Our initiatives to follow Pope Francis' lead and care for our common home has been very active in 2024. Here are a few of the activities/events from the year:

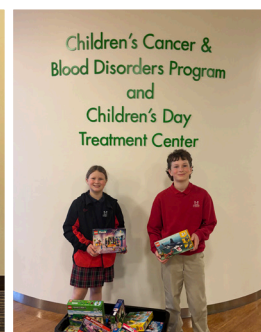
Annual E-Waste Recycling Event (below left and middle)—Joined by parishioners from Holy Redeemer, St. Charles, and St. Andrew's got tons of electronic waste responsibly recycled.

Campus planting event (right, below far right)—As much as we loved the annual flowers that graced our grounds over the past decade, a decision was made to go toward lower-maintenance and less water-reliant perennial plantings. Thanks to all who helped plant in the spring!



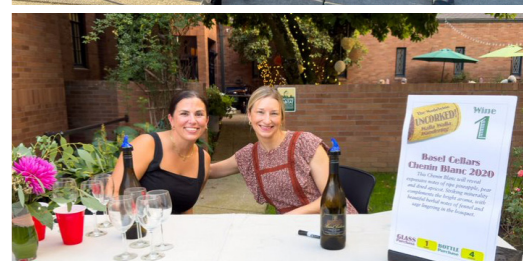
The Madeleine School in Service

Below Left: Madeleine students help the Knights of Columbus with the annual Sock Drive. **Below:** The Madeleine Community, spearheaded by Theresa Wikander, collected Legos to donate to Randall Children's Hospital Children's Cancer Center. **Right:** Through Nourish our Neighbors, school families provided more than thousands of lunches to hungry people throughout 2024.



Around The Madeleine

2024 was another year of the parishioners and families of The Madeleine coming together in service and fun. **Top Left:** Knights of Columbus help set up Madeleine Marketplace. **Middle Left:** A beautiful August evening for our annual Wine Tasting. **Below Left & Below:** Donors to The Madeleine Giving Tree provided gifts for 140 children at Children's Transitional School and Northwest Family Services Children of Incarcerated Parents. **Below Right:** The Madeleine Choirs worked hard year-round to provide beautiful music at our Masses. **Middle Right:** Madeleine Book Club enjoys their annual Christmas Luncheon. **Top Right:** Our January snow and ice lingered longer than expected, so more than 50 parishioners and families spent their Saturday clearing sidewalks around the campus for weekend Masses and the re-opening of school.





The Madeleine Parish
**Faith Sharing Small
 Group**

Meets Tuesdays from 2pm-3pm in the Fireside Room



Sign up for Faith Sharing:
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 or use the QR Code on this
 flyer

FIRST FAITH SHARING GROUP MEETS TUESDAY, JANUARY 14TH

PARISH & COMMUNITY



**Jubilee Year 2025:
 Pilgrims of Hope**

As the Universal Church looks toward the Jubilee Year 2025 (the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord), the USCCB is thrilled to support the Holy Father in this “event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church.”

Pope Francis stated in his February 2022 letter announcing the Jubilee 2025: “We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision. The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire...”

The Jubilee Year will offer the faithful opportunities to participate in various jubilee events at the Vatican and in their own dioceses. The great tradition of opening the Holy Door will begin when Pope Francis opens the Holy Door of St. Peter’s Basilica on December 24, 2024. Other holy doors will be opened at the Rome basilicas of St. John Lateran, St. Mary Major and St. Paul Outside the Walls. For pilgrims who cannot travel to Rome, bishops around the world are expected to designate their cathedrals or a popular Catholic shrine as special places of prayer for Holy Year pilgrims, offering opportunities for reconciliation, indulgences and other events intended to strengthen and revive faith.

Pope Francis has asked that the year 2024 be dedicated to a “great symphony of prayer” as the Church prepares for the Jubilee of 2025. Additional information at www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html.



OPEN HOUSE
 January 26th
 11:30-1:30

The Madeleine School

Where You Belong

The Madeleine School uniquely and lovingly combines academics, faith and service in an inclusive community where all are welcome, regardless of faith tradition.

Find out more at our open house.

PreK - 8th Grade

The Madeleine Parish 2025 Jubilee Pilgrimage

**Celebrate The Jubilee Year of the Church
at the Shrines of Italy: Assisi | Rome | San Giovanni Rotondo**

- ▶ **September 18–28, 2025 (Optional 6-day extension to Medjugorje, Bosnia-Herzegovina & Dubrovnik, Croatia)**
- ▶ **Priest: Fr. Bonaventure Rummell**
- ▶ **Escorted by: Maria and Michael Kissinger** (In cooperation with 206 Pilgrimage Travel)

Informational meeting on Saturday, January 11 at 6:30 pm

Join us in the Fireside Room to discuss the details of the pilgrimage, including price, hotels, etc. and answer any questions. No obligation to sign-up at this time, however you may choose to pay a deposit of \$500 to hold your spot. Space limited to 35–40 people.

Highlights of your Itinerary:

▶ **Assisi**—After arriving in Rome, we begin our Pilgrimage in Assisi, Italy—the heart of the Umbria region and the hometown of St. Francis. With its picturesque cobblestone streets and geranium window baskets, Assisi IS Italy! We will spend 3 nights in Assisi, where we will visit the Basilica of St. Francis, pray at the tomb of St. Francis and view the famous Giotto frescoes depicting his life. We will also visit the Basilica of St. Clare where Francis was called to rebuild his church. Finally, we will pray at the Church of St. Mary of the Angels, which houses the original church of St. Francis. There will be free time to enjoy the spirituality and beauty of Assisi and the surrounding area at your leisure. Optional day trip by train to Florence, Italy.

▶ **San Giovanni Rotondo**—Travel from Assisi to San Giovanni Rotondo for an overnight trip to celebrate the Feast of St. Padre Pio. Join thousands of Pilgrims in a candlelight procession and mass at the Sanctuary of St. Pio. As we travel along the beautiful Gargano Peninsula we will stop for mass at the Grotto of St. Michael the Archangel and other holy sites as time allows. Our Pilgrimage continues in Rome, where we will spend the next several days immersed in this majestic city.

▶ **Rome**—While in Rome, we will celebrate the Jubilee Year of the Church (the Year of Hope) with pilgrims from all over the world. This is an opportunity of a lifetime! In addition to our scheduled itinerary we will have an opportunity to join in special activities specifically for the Jubilee Year. Among our scheduled activities, we will attend the Papal Audience at St. Peter's Basilica, with guided tours of the Basilica of St. Peter and the Sistine Chapel. We will also visit and celebrate Mass at the Catacombs of Priscilla, where the early Christians worshipped. Our Pilgrimage will also include guided visits to The Basilicas of St. Paul Outside the Walls, St. John Lateran and the exquisite Church of Santa Maria Maggiore. It is said that Pilgrims who walk through the doors of these Holy churches during a Jubilee Year receive special graces! We will also have an opportunity to see the Pantheon, Colosseum, Piazza Navona, and throw a coin in the Trevi Fountain before traveling back to the USA or to Dubrovnik, Croatia.

▶ **Optional Extension; Medjugorje & Dubrovnik**—We arrive in Dubrovnik and travel to Medjugorje—nestled in the hills of Bosnia- Herzegovina. Medjugorje is a place of peace and prayer like no other on earth. Our time in Medjugorje will include such activities as daily Holy Mass; climbing Cross Mountain and Apparition Hill for those that are able; attending talks with the visionaries (if available); or just spending time with the locals and sharing in the faith journey of others—a true spiritual experience. From there, the final two days of our optional extension will be spent in the beautiful city of Dubrovnik, Croatia.



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