

ACOLYTES: A special ministry for men who are committed to living in accordance to the Gospel values. They are trained and instituted by the Bishop primarily to assist the priest with service at the altar. By virtue of his office, the Acolytes have special duties not permitted to other lay ministries, and works closely with the priests and altar-servers. For more information contact James Strelchun at: jbs@bendbroadband.com

ALTAR SERVERS: Children's from 3rd grade through high school are invited and encouraged to serve Mass on Sundays. After a period of training they will be assigned to serve at the altar assisted by the Acolytes. For more information contact Mike Morgen at 541-350-6624 or email: mikemorgen@bendbroadband.com

ALTAR SOCIETY: Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from September through May, at 10:30am, at the parish office. This is a group of women who care for the church, sanctuary, and adoration chapel. They also take care of the vestments and clothing and other altar paraphernalia by washing them and keeping them clean. A service is also offered for the bereaved members of a deceased person offering a luncheon after the Funeral Mass. For more information contact Judy Kennedy at 541-389-5964 or email: judykennedy@icloud.com

BAPTISMAL CLASS: A baptismal class is required for all parents before having their baby baptized. This is held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:00pm in the parish offices. For more information please contact Scout Lappe at 541-410-4969 or email: baptism@stfrancisbend.org

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA, COURT #2041: Meets the 1st Wednesday of the month from September to June at 11:00am at the parish office. All adult Catholic women are invited. For more information contact Nicki Hasenoehrl at 541-382-8559 or email: picnic@hotmail.com

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Our Children's Choir, 2nd – 6th grade, participates at the Sunday Mass once a month as well as Christmas Eve and Graduation Mass, besides other needed occasion. They rehearse on Wednesdays (Sept – May) from 3:00 – 4:00pm in the music room. For more information contact Colleen Rastovich at 805-320-6161 or email: music@stfrancisbend.org

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS: Just before Christmas a flurry of activity goes on in our parish as food baskets are

prepared for the need families in our parish. Appeals are made for food donations and the baskets are filled up a few days before Christmas and delivered to the families. For more information contact Susie Gage at 541-410-9537 or email: susiegage@yahoo.com

CHURCH DECORATORS: A group of dedicated parishioners spend hours planning and implementing the decorations for our two churches, especially for Advent and Lenten seasons, as well as seasonal decorations. For more information contact Lupita Wessler at 541-977-6535 or email: wessler@bendbroadband.com

COLLECTION COUNTERS: An informal group of volunteers who help with the money counting every Monday. For more information contact Jane Rude at 541-382-3631 #110 or email: finance@stfrancisbend.org

DIRECTION FOR OUR TIMES: Meets on the first Wednesday of the month September through May at 1:00 at my home. Call for directions. A prayer group praying on the approved mystic Anne and messages given to her by Jesus. For more information contact Sandy McJunkin at 541-389-3844 or by email: rogerandsandy@bendbroadband.com

ENDOW (Educating on the Nature and Dignity of Women): Provides women a way to explore what it means to be a Catholic woman today and to understand what a gift it is to be a feminine person created in God's image. ENDOW promotes St. John Paul's "New Feminism," which recognizes and affirms what he calls the "genius of women" and responds to our culture's desperate need for an authentic feminine presence in every aspect of life and society. By providing knowledge and fellowship in an intimate group setting, ENDOW

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: It is adoring and honoring Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. This is an opportunity to spend as little as an hour (or as much as you'd like) once a week in the presence of God who made you and loves you so much. Bring your prayers, your joys, works and sufferings to Him and experience His comfort and peace. It will be the best time you spend all week. Adoration starts daily (Mon – Fri) after the 7:00am Mass and ends at 6:00pm. For more information or to sign-up for just one hour a week contact Lisa Burley at 541-633-7142 or email: wburley@bendbroadband.com

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Lay Ministers are appointed to help the priests with the distribution of the Eucharist during weekday and Sunday Mass. Many of them are also involved in bringing the Eucharist to the homebound parishioners as well as those in hospitals and Nursing Homes. For more information contact Shirley Lattin at 541-383-3331 or email: bnblsd@bendbroadband.com

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR HOSPITALS: For more information contact Shirley Lattin at 541-383-3331 or email: bnblsd@bendbroadband.com

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THE HOMEBOUND: A group of dedicated lay people visit regularly our homebound parishioners in hospitals and nursing homes as well as at their home to bring them peace and the blessing of Eucharist. Priests are always available to hear confession, give Communion, and anoint whoever requests the sacraments. For more information contact Marylyn Morehead at 651-318-0484 or email: rkm@bendcable.com

FAMILY KITCHEN: Part of the familykitchen.org. In the past 6 years, meals served have increased from 2,500 to sometimes over 5,000 a month. Hot lunches are provided on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11:00AM and Saturday at 11:30AM. Hot dinners are served restaurant-style on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 5:00PM. Additionally, sack lunches are made on Tuesday mornings and are picked up by Central Oregon Veterans Outreach for distribution at area homeless camps and by the Bend Community Center for their Tuesday Senior Meal. On Saturdays, we distribute soup to shut-in seniors at low-income apartment complexes. For more information how St. Francis helps out contact Shirley Lattin at 541-383-3331 or email: bnblsd@bendbroadband.com

FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY: Provides and opportunity for fellowship in the narthex on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sunday of the month after the 7:30am and 10:00am Mass. For more information please contact Vicki Audette at 541-390-1313 or email: va@vickiaudette.com

FINANCE COUNCIL: A monthly meeting that is held to advise the pastor about the financial needs and status of the parish as well as the school. For more information contact Troy Reinhart at 541-419-1563 or email: troy@northwestquadrantwealth.com

FRONT DESKS VOLUNTEERS: A group of dedicated volunteer ladies help at the front desk at the office Monday through Thursday serving the people who come to the office for various needs and meetings. A few of them make up a cleaning weekend services. For more information contact Peg Moore at 541-382-3631 # 104 or email: adminasst@stfrancisbend.org

FUNERAL COORDINATOR: For more information contact Jan Michelsen at 541-639-9990 or email: janmichelsen@yahoo.com

HEALTH MINISTRY: A group of health related parishioners volunteer their time to help those in need by offering blood pressure screening once a month and other services such as the flu shots and help with the Blood Drives. For more information contact Laurie Slye at 541-408-8040 or email: healthministry@stfrancisbend.org

HEARTS ON FIRE PRAYER GROUP: The Hearts on Fire prayer group is a community of Catholic believers who share a Charismatic spirituality and a threefold purpose: 1) to offer a sacrifice of praise to the Lord both at regular prayer group meetings and in our daily lives; 2) to engage in the New Evangelization by leading others to the Baptism of the Spirit especially through Life in the Spirit Seminars, and 3) to be active in our parishes especially in works of charity and justice. For more information contact Deacon Stephen McGlone at 541-382-3631 # 106 or email: liturgy@stfrancisbend.org

HISPANIC MINISTRY COORDINATOR: For more information about Hispanic ministries contact Santiago Macias at 541-480-4269

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 3RD Degree: Meets at the parish offices the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00pm. For more information contact Mark Mark Reinig at 541-317-0394 or email: mreinig277@bendbroadband.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 4TH Degree: (Patriotism): Meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at various locations. For more information contact Bob Latham at 541-382-1927

LECTORS: Our parish lectors proclaim the readings at our weekday and Sunday Masses as well as the Prayers of the Faithful. For more information contact Susan Foster at 541-390-4158 or email: sfoster1190@gmail.com

LIFE TEENS: We are an international Catholic Youth Ministry leading teens closer to Christ. For more information contact Janet Schwarz at 541-382-3631 # 115 or email: hsfaith@stfrancisbend.org

LITURGICAL CHOIR: Our adult Parish Choir participates at Sunday Masses usually at the 10:00am Mass and other major liturgical celebrations accompanied by piano or organ. Rehearsals are held on weekdays (except for the summer months) and all year-round they rehearse from 9:00 – 9:45am before Mass – usually in the music room but sometimes in the church. For more information contact Judy Goff at 541-306-6854 or email: choir@stfrancisbend.org

LITURGICAL COMMITTEE: This group meets periodically to coordinate special functions throughout the year in particular Advent and Lent, Christmas and Easter respectively. Assignments are given, schedules are prepared, and distributed. For more information contact Deacon Stephen McGlone at 541-382-3631 # 106 or email: liturgy@stfrancisbend.org

MARIAN MOVEMENT PRAYER GROUP: For those committed to a life of consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. All are welcome. For more information contact Lisa Burley at 541-633-7142 or wburley@bendbroadband.com

PARISH BULLETIN: The Bulletin is published is a published weekly and distributed free to all parishioners at each weekend Mass. It is informative, instructive, and gives a weekly overview of activities going on in our parish. Material to the bulletin has to be handed in by Thursday, 10 days in advance to bulletin@stfrancisbend.org. A Spanish version is also distributed at the Spanish Mass is prepared a few days earlier. Material to be sent to Daniel Gutierrez at faithformation@stfrancisbend.org

PARISH COUNCIL: A monthly meeting that is held to advise the pastor about the needs, plans, and activities going on in the parish. The meeting is held on the first Tuesday of each month. Quarterly a Pastoral Council is held where members of the various organizations are invited to attend. For more information contact Chuck Nichols or email: micknic@bendbroadband.com

PARISH HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: For more information contact Fr. Ramiro at 541-382-3631 # 109 or email: parochialvicar@stfrancisbend.org

PARISH SCHOOL: Started in 1936 the St. Francis Parish School has been going on strong for many years, in the early years at the present day McMenamins close to the historical church, and since the year 2000 in the new St. Francis Parish Catholic Church on 27th Street. We have classes from pre-kindergarten till 6th grade and the school follows the STREAM theme, emphasizing Science, Technology, Religion, English, Arts, and Mathematics. For more information contact Cheryl Frost at 541-382-4701 or email: cfrost@saintfrancisschool.net

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 1:00 – 2:30pm at the parish offices. We gather to knit prayer shawls for those in need of comfort. For more information contact Elaine Pearson at 541-388-2259 or email: elainepearson5@gmail.com

Q of A ROSARY MAKERS (Queen of Angels Rosary Makers): This is part of a larger Missionary group known as “Our Lady of the Rosary Makers” out of Louisville, KY. Queen of Angels makes rosaries for our parish as well as others missions in need of rosaries. They meet as a group to share in our Lord’s mission to service and pray the Rosary. For more information contact Sarah Broomhall at 281-814-9640 or email: Slbroom@sbcglobal.net

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): This program prepares converts and others parishioners who would like to learn about the Catholic Faith. The R.C.I.A. team prepares the candidates for the Sacraments of Initiation, which are Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation. These Sacraments are received at the Easter Vigil every year and classes are held on Thursdays from 7:00 – 9:00pm besides other occasional retreats and get-togethers. For more information contact Dan Beuogher at 541-382-3631 # 120 or email: RCIA@stfrancisbend.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Our Religious Education program offers catechetical classes to all children from Kindergarten to 5th grade. Dedicated volunteer teachers teach our children about faith and prepare them for the reception of the Sacraments especially First Communion in Grade. Classes are held on Wednesdays from 4:00pm – 5:30pm. For more information contact Daniel Gutierrez at 541-382-3631 # 116 or email: faithformation@stfrancisbend.org

RESPECT FOR LIFE: Meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at 6:00pm in the parish library. This is a group that sensitizes parishioners about the respect we should all show towards life from conception till natural death. For more information contact Alan Walsh at 541-382-9444 or email: walsh56wishuwell@yahoo.com

SAC COMMITTEE (School Advisory Council Committee): A Committee that advises the parish school principal and pastor about school needs, projects, and other activities that are ongoing. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm in the School Library. For more information contact Ann Fleck at: afleck@bendbroadband.com

SACRAMENTAL BOOKS: Each parish is required to maintain records of Baptism, First Communion Confirmation, and Marriages. For more information contact Shirley Lattin at 541-383-3331 or email: bnblsd@bendbroadband.com

SACRISTANS, USHERS and GREETERS: These are volunteers who help in our liturgies, mainly by setting up the altar, taking care of the sacristy's needs, greet people as they arrive for Mass and help with the collection, etc. For more information contact Shirley Lattin at 541-383-3331 or email: bnblsd@bendbroadband.com

SCHOOL MASS CHOIR: For more information contact Colleen Rastovich at 805-320-6161 or email: music@stfrancisbend.org

SECULAR FRANCISCAN FRATERNITY: Meets on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 1:00pm at the parish offices. Newcomers are always welcome. For more information contact Sandy Thornton at 541-388-3212 or email: gsthornton23@gmail.com

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE: St. Francis is starting a new Stewardship Ministry that will help us live as grateful stewards and help the parish effectively solicit and use our gifts of Time, Talent, and Treasure. Each year, we will make commitments of our Time, Talent, and Treasure in order to help us promote and live out the Gospel in Bend. For more information contact Deacon Stephen McGlone at 541-382-3631 # 106 or email: liturgy@stfrancisbend.org

WORDS OF THE SPIRIT: Meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00pm at the chapel. A prayer group for

those in praying spiritual warfare and intercessory prayers. For more information contact Ann McCance at 719-322-3048 or by email: mccanceclan@yahoo.com

TRIUMPH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PRAYER GROUP: Meets on the 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of the month September through May at 1:00 at my home. Call for directions. Praying for Bishops, priests, and Religious. For more information contact Sandy McJunkin at 541-389-3844 or email: rogerandsandy@bendbroadband.com

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: A weeklong program usually held towards the end of June, both for our young children and the Middle School and High School students. Totus Tuus Groups usually leads our program. Space is limited. For more information contact Janet Schwarz at 541-382-3631 # 115 or email: hsfaith@stfrancisbend.org

VOCATIONS COMMITTEE: For meeting information please contact either Jack Beemer at 541-389-2983 or email: beemer@bendcable.com or Fr. Ramiro at 541-382-3631 # 109 or email: parochialvicar@stfrancisbend.org

WEDDINGS: Plans for scheduling a wedding have to be made at least 6 months in advance, as paperwork, certificates, and other documents have to be collected in time. A priest and a wedding coordinator will help couples in their planning. For more information contact Natasha Rider at 541-213-8399 or email: weddings@stfrancisbend.org

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY: "Verso il Alto" at St. Francis Church is a group of young adults that seek to enhance their relationship with God through meaningful fellowship and service to the community. Through the patronage of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, we seek to take our faith and personal lives to the highest heights in order to be fully prepared to face any challenge presented before us. Our fellowship includes praying together, learning together, serving together, and playing together. For more information contact Cate Carey at 714-269-9860 or email: ccarey280@gmail.com

YOUNG AT HEART SENIORS: A group that nurtures and supports the spiritual, social, and physical well being of our seniors. We focus our activities on fun, adventures, travel, and service from September to May. For more information contact Sue Rosa at 541-598-6620 or email: happyrosas@msn.com

YOUTH CHOIR: For more information contact Cheri Fyten at 818-635-6858 or email: cherif@gmail.com

YOUTH MINISTRY: Our Ministry program offers catechetical classes to all youth from middle school, 6th – 8th grade using Edge program and 9th through 12th grade using Life Teen. Dedicated volunteer teachers teach our children about the faith and preparation them for the reception of Sacraments (Such as First Communion and Confirmation). Classes are held on Wednesdays (and Sundays) from 6:30 – 8:00pm. For more information contact Janet Schwarz at 541-382-3631 # 115 or email: hsfaith@stfrancisbend.org