



January 7, 2024 The Epiphany of the Lord

Senior Leadership Team

Stewardship/Liturgy Office:

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church aspires to be a vibrant and welcoming community of disciples committed to worship, grow, and serve. We invite all to a personal encounter with Jesus Christ to accompany them on their journey and send them forth to be His witnesses.

Sunday Masses* (All Masses are at the 27th St. Church during the Historic Church Restoration)

05:00 p.m. (Saturday Vigil) 07:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.

Pastor:

Fr. Jose Thomas Mudakodiyil / frjose@stfrancisbend.org

Fr. Rogatian Urassa / parochialvicar@stfrancisbend.org

12:30 p.m. (Spanish) 04:30 p.m.

*All Masses Are Livestreamed on the Parish Website

Daily Masses:

M-F: 7:00 a.m. (27th St. Church in the St. Clare Chapel) Adoration follows until noon.

M-F: 12:15 p.m. (27th St. Church in the St. Clare Chapel) Adoration follows until 6:00 p.m. Saturday: 8:00 a.m. (27th St. Church)

Reconciliation **+** Confessions:

27th St. Church 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.+ Saturday: Tuesday: 7:30 to 8:00 a.m. 27th St. Church Saturday: 27th St. Church 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. *Except on Holy Saturday—No Confessions

Serving Our Parish:

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PARISH REGISTRATION

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Parish Offices



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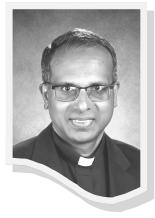
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Submit BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT REQUESTS BY 5 P.M. ON FRIDAY-8 DAYS PRIOR TO THE NEXT PUBLICATION. Email Tina / bulletin@stfrancisbend.org

Grief Ministry: Mary McGlone (253) 232-6789

Historic Church 450 Lava Road, Bend, OR 97701 (Corner of Franklin & Lava in Downtown Bend)





Historic Church Renovation—Part II

Continuing with the update of the Historic Church renovation:

- ► The Communion rail has been installed, which adds to the beauty and fervor of the church, reminding us all of the sacredness of what we celebrate—the Eucharist.
- ► The artwork on all the items in the sanctuary is very special and awe inspiring.
- ► The statues of Mary and St. Francis are back after being worked on in the studio in Chicago.
- The remainder of the stained-glass windows and statues will arrive in March.
- ► New pedestals have been built on the sanctuary wall on which to place the statues, instead of on stands on the floor.
- ► The sanctuary is now ADA compliant.
- ► The piano will not be in the sanctuary but on the floor—level with the rest of the church.
- ► The sound technicians are in the process of installing the new sound system.
- The sacristy floor has been stripped of the carpet flooring, and new flooring and cabinets will need to be installed.

We placed the order for the new HVAC over nine months ago. However, it will not be here until April, partially because it had to be custom-designed and custom-made in order to go through the basement door and fit in the basement. The new HVAC will also take up most of the space in the basement.

Several years ago when the front altar that weighed over 2,600 pounds was installed, they had to shore up the basement to support the altar. Now that has to be removed to house the HVAC. However, a new support has to be designed to take on the weight of everything in the new sanctuary, including the tiled floor, new altar, new credence tables, etc.

Then while inspecting the basement, it was also noticed that the basement had damages and needed work to make it structurally sound. This structural and seismic upgrade of the basement is in the "design phase" at this time. It will then need to go through the "permit process," and then the work can begin. This has added a \$200,000 unexpected expense to the total project.

Also, my original plan was to reuse the old items of furniture in the sanctuary. However, now that the sanctuary has been completely renovated, the old furniture does not tie in with everything else there. Thus, Rigali Studios has been asked to design and build a new set of furnishings that are needed now:

- ► One (1) Presider Chair
- ► Two (2) Deacon Chairs, and
- ► Four (4) Acolyte / Altar Server Chairs

These are available for sponsorship, and I hope some of you will sponsor them. Please contact Dcn. Phil if you would like to do so.

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The exterior and sanctuary lighting upgrades and the installation of security cameras will be done in early Spring. Thanks to all your incredible generosity, we are only short \$300,000 to complete this phase of the renovation.

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The renovation of the nave is Phase II of the project. This consists of refinishing the pews, replacing the kneelers, replacing the flooring, refinishing the stations, skim coating the walls, painting the ceiling, refinishing every piece of wood in the nave, and installing new lighting. This phase will cost about \$1.2 million. I would love to complete this as well, if that is God's plan. However, at this time we do not have the funds, and we will not begin this phase until we have at least 70 percent of the funds in hand.

We hope to have an Open House sometime in March or April to facilitate viewing of the work already done. Anyone interested will be able to go inside to have a "sneak peek" of the work and talk to the workers. A beautiful church is a testimony to the beauty of faith. Thanks for your continued generous support, and please keep all of us in your prayers!

-Fr. Jose Thomas Mudakodiyil

MASS INTENTIONS / SCRIPTURE READINGS

DATE Saturday, January 6th 1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11		<u>TIME</u> 5:00 p.m.	<u>FOR</u> St. Francis Parish (L)	<u>REQUESTED BY</u> Fr. Jose & Fr. Roga
Sunday, January 7th	(Spanish Mass)	7:30 a.m.	Clare Hayes (D)	Gloria Dalrymple
Is 60:1-6		10:00 a.m.	Kevin Westjohn (D)	Anne Winter
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6		12:30 p.m.	Eli Garcia Ramirez (D)	Ambrosio Molina Garcia
Mt 2:1-12		4:30 p.m.	Richard "Dick" Hayes (D)	George Compbell
Monday, January 8th		7:00 a.m.	Alexzanda Dow (D)	Leigh Hogan
Is 55:1-11; Mk 1:7-11		12:15 p.m.	Albert Devons (D)	St. Francis Parish
Tuesday, January 9th		7:00 a.m.	George Kastel (D)	St. Francis Parish
1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28		12:15 p.m.	Madeline Pagni (D)	Marie Ottenfeld
Wednesday, January 10th 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39	(School Mass)	7:00 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 12:15 p.m.	Mike Shea (D) Chuck McClune (D) Barbara Gregory (D)	Rick Baedeker St. Francis Parish St. Francis Community
Thursday, January 11th		7:00 a.m.	Earl Cramer (L)	Kjersten Vinmerstedt
1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45		12:15 p.m.	Ann Woods (D)	St. Francis Parish
Friday, January 12th		7:00 a.m.	Rose Marie Ferrigno (D)	Cheryl Jordan
1Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12		12:15 p.m.	Mel & Terry Baldivia (D)	St. Francis Parish
Saturday, January 13th 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1a; Mk 2:13	-17	8:00 a.m.	Preparation for Abortion & Healing for Families	St. Francis Parish

(D) = Deceased ♦ (L) = Living

To Schedule a Mass Intention, Please call the Parish Office—(541) 382-3631—by 5 p.m. on Friday, 8 days prior to the next Parish Bulletin publication.



Happy Wedding Anniversary!

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Will you and your spouse celebrate your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th, or 70th Wedding Anniversary in 2024? If so, I would like to know about it!

Please e-mail me at: <u>frjose@stfrancisbend.org</u> with your NAMES, ANNIVERSARY DATE, AND WHERE IT OCCURRED. Or you may drop the information off at the Parish Office.

-Thank you, Fr. Jose Thomas

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Newman Club

We meet every Sunday. We have events focused on Fun, Faith, and Service! Each time we meet is unique, so email us or check out the website for an updated schedule. This is open to all young adults (18–24).

For more information, contact **Benjamin** at: <u>bcowan@stfrancisbend.org</u>.

St. Athanasius Group

All men are invited to attend a weekly men's group that **meets every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m.** The focus is to be the men we are called to be by deepening our spiritual lives and by having a brotherhood to support us.

For more information, please contact **Benjamin** at: <u>bcowan@stfrancisbend.org</u>.

Family Holy Hour

All families are invited to join us for Adoration in the St. Clare Chapel on the **1st Friday of every month**, from 6 to 7 p.m.

For more information, please call **Natasha** at (541) 213-8399.

Pro-Life Rosary

The Respect for Life Ministry invites you to **pray the Rosary on the 1st Sunday of the month at 9:30 a.m.**, in the St. Clare Chapel. Please join us in prayer for our vulnerable brothers and sisters in the womb.

Hearts on Fire Prayer Group

This charismatic prayer group **meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 6:30 p.m.** in the RCIA Room. Join us for praise, worship, and listening to the Lord. For more information, contact **Deacon Steve** at (253) 222-0582.

Pray for Vocations

Join us for the **Holy Hour on the 1st Tuesday of the month after the 12:15 p.m. Mass** in the St. Clare Chapel, to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

St. Clare's Helpers

Meetings are held on the **2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month at 2 p.m.** in the RICA Room. All women of the Parish are invited. Join us!

For more information, please contact **Sherry Rice** at: <u>srice@bendbroadband.com</u>.

Come and See ...

Would you like to live the spirituality of St. Francis of Assisi? Then, visit our parish Secular Franciscans. We meet on the **3rd Sunday of each month from 11:45 a.m. to 2 p.m.** in the Parish Office.

For more information, contact Mary McGlone at: (253) 232-6789 or <u>mlhmcglone@gmail.com</u>.

Faith Formation

- Middle School / High School Youth Ministries meet every Wednesday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Register online using the Faith Formation Registration.
- Sacramental Preparation for 1st Communion and Confirmation: Children as young as 2nd Grade may receive 1st Communion. Youth as young as 6th Grade may be Confirmed.

Parent-Child Sacrament Workshops

- Sunday, January 21st, from 2 to 3:30 p.m., or Monday, January 22nd, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- Sunday, February 4th, from 2 to 3:30 p.m., or Monday, February 5th, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Two catechists are needed: one for the Wednesday afternoon Faith Formation class and one for the Wednesday evening session. Please contact **Janet** at: <u>faithformation@stfrancisbend.org</u> for more details.

High School Youth Ministry

Idaho Catholic Youth Conference (ICYC) is from Friday to Sunday, March 8–10, 2024. The cost is \$240 per youth. Visit the Youth Ministry page of the Parish Website to register online or for more information.

RCIA

RCIA is for all who are unbaptized or baptized non-Catholic Christians and seeking to enter the Catholic Church. If you have not registered for RCIA, contact **Carl** at: <u>rcia@stfrancisbend.org</u>.

Marriage Preparation

If you are engaged or looking to have your marriage validated, please do not schedule anything for your wedding until you have spoken to one of the parish wedding coordinators and met with a priest. Contact weddings@stfrancisbend.org.

Miscarriage Ministry

This ministry helps support parents who have experienced (or are currently experiencing) a miscarriage. You can reach out to either **Megan Medley** at (818) 461-2591 or **Natasha Rider** at (541) 213-8399.



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Parish Office Closure

The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, January 15th**, in observance of the Martin Luther King Federal Holiday. There will be <u>**no**</u> Adoration on that day.

Holy Hour for Life



Please join **Bishop Cary** for a "Holy Hour for Life" on **Thursday, January 18th, from 8 to 9 p.m.** here at St. Francis of Assisi Church or via "livestream" by going to <u>DioceseOfBaker.org</u>.

Bishops across America will be leading hours of prayer before our Lord in the Holy Eucharist throughout the night of the 18th as part of the "2024 National Prayer Vigil for Life." We hope you can join us in this important time of prayer.

Marriage Saving the Post Session Phase

The post-weekend phase of Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) is as crucial to the healing of a troubled marriage as the initial weekend experience.

During the post-weekend sessions, the weekend technique is further developed and combined with additional tools to explore other areas of the marriage relationship. Come Friday through Sunday, January 26th/28th, at Our Lady of Peace Retreat Center in Beaverton, Oregon.

For confidential information about or to register for the program, call 1(503) 225-9191 or email: <u>portland@</u> <u>retrouvaille.org</u> or visit <u>www.helpourmarriage.org</u>.

Prayer Requests for Vocations

Please pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. You can do that in a very special way by being willing to host the <u>Pilgrim</u> <u>Vocation Cross</u> in your home for **one week only.**



You've probably noticed people picking up the Cross during Mass, but now it can be picked up *after* Mass or at the Parish Office instead.

Sandy McJunkin has undertaken the task of scheduling individuals and families for these weeks.

To schedule a week of your choosing, please call **Sandy** at (541) 389-3844, or send her an email at: <u>rogerandsandy@bendbroadband.com</u>. You can also call the Parish Office at (541) 382-3631, which will then contact **Sandy** for you.

Adoration Needs

"In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host. Be assiduous in the prayer of adoration and teach it to the faithful. It is a source of comfort and light, particularly to those who are suffering."



—Pope Benedict XVI

If you can commit to one of these hours, please email **Judy Kennedy** at: <u>judyekennedy@icloud.com</u>:

- ▶ Mondays: 9–10 a.m., 1–2 p.m., and 3–4 p.m.
- ▶ Wednesdays: 9–10 a.m., 1–2 p.m., and 5–6 p.m.
- ► Thursdays: 10–11 a.m. and 5–6 p.m.
- ► Fridays: 9–10 a.m. and 11–12 a.m.

St. Francis Email Prayer Chain



If you would like to be a member of the St. Francis Prayer Chain, please send an email to **Sherry Rice** at: <u>srice@bendbroadband.com</u>. You will receive emails asking you to pray for those who have requested prayers.

We already have more than 100 people praying, and we can have even more!

If you are already a member and wish to have your name deleted, you can send an email to the address above. And, if you have a request for prayers, please send an email to the above address with the first name (and last if possible), the location, and the details of the prayer request.

Also, whenever you can, please send updates so that we will know how God has answered our prayers.

St. Vincent de Paul Needs Volunteers

- Give back to your community!
- ➢ Be a role model!
- Make new friends!
- Be the positive difference!
- Set an example!
- ➢ Walk the path!

SVdP offer a variety of shifts. We "don smiles" and "shed tears" as we navigate the obstacles of the day, providing food boxes and a variety of other social services to our brothers and sisters in Bend. Join us and you will see the rewards that come from giving of yourself. Please call with any questions or apply at our website: (541)389-6643 / <u>stvincentdepaulbend.org</u>.

-Thank you, Gary Hewitt, Executive Director







The mission of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School is to educate the whole child in a Christ-centered community that values service, leadership, and academic excellence.

Our vision is to inspire academic scholars, motivated to serve with faith and moral character.



HAPPY EPIPHANY 2024!

The Middle School Lego Robotics team will be attending the State Championships at Liberty High School in Hillsboro on Saturday, January 13th. Good Luck. Saints!

St. Francis School is pleased to announce that Returning Families can begin to register on Monday, January 15th.

New Family Enrollment will be open on Wednesday, February 14th.

Family tours are available during the school day by appointment. Call (541) 382-4701.

Family Rosary Night will be held in the St. Clare Chapel on Thursday, January 18th, at 6 pm. We welcome all families to an hour of prayer.

Congratulations to these students and all of the children who received the sacrament of reconciliation in December.

> St. Clare's Helpers Open to all women of the parish.

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National Catholic Schools Week is **January** 28th through February 2nd. We look forward to celebrating our parish, vocations, the nation, our volunteers, and our students.

Everyone is invited to our annual 5th–8th Grade Science Fair on Thursday, February 1st, and Family Fun Night, on Friday, February 2nd. The Family Fun Night event is a community building evening put on by the Parents of St. Francis with the assistance of the Knights of Columbus.



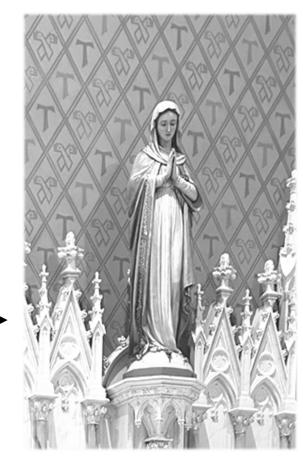




The New Ambo

Refurbished Statue of Our Lady

[Photos by Cynthia Giacomini]



Inviting Young Adults, 18–39: Diocesan Lenten Retreat *"Sacrificial Love; The Redemption of Suffering"* February 17–18, 2024*

Come begin your Lenten journey with engaging speakers *(including Bishop Liam Cary, Sr. Ignacia Carrillo, FMA, Fr. Caleb Cunningham)*, Eucharistic Adoration with an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance *(with Bp. Cary, Fr. Mena, or Fr. Cunningham)*, time for personal prayer and reflection, small group fellowship, and Sunday Mass celebrated by Bishop Cary at the beautiful, peaceful Cascade View Retreat Center, Powell Butte. For more info, or to register, visit <u>DioceseofBaker.org</u>.

*early/late arrival/departure available by request. Supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

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Date	Weekly Offering	Weekly Needed	Difference	YTD Offering
December 30-31, 2023	\$22,225	\$22,756	(\$ 531)	\$1,283,035
December 24–25, 2023	\$30,333	—	—	\$1,260,810
December 23–24, 2023	\$28,624	\$22,756	\$ 5,868	\$1,230,477
December 16–17, 2023	\$27,808	\$22,756	\$ 5,052	\$1,201,853
December 9–10, 2023	\$35,351	\$22,756	\$12,595	\$1,174,045
December 2–3, 2023	\$32,566	\$22,756	\$9,810	\$1,138,694

2023 Stewardship of Giving

The Scholarship Fund Balance is: \$327,198 Historic Church Renovation Funds Raised to Date: \$2,011,094 ◆ Funds Spent: \$1,219,358 2023 YTD Budget: \$1,211,746 ◆ YTD Actual: \$1,283,035 ◆ Variance: \$71,289

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