

ST. AGATHA CHURCH

Portland, Oregon

May 5, 2019



Our Mission Statement - Saint Agatha Parish is centered on the living Word of God and Christ's Eucharistic presence in the Liturgy. We are committed to evangelization through Catholic education and faith formation. By spreading the Good News of God's love and salvation, we encourage adherence to the greatest commandments: love of God and neighbor. We welcome new disciples to the Catholic Church and promote the culture of life, peace and justice.

Schedule of Masses

Monday through Friday	8:30am	Saturday Vigil	5pm
First Saturday of the Month	8:30am	Sunday	8:30 / 10:30am
Sunday Evening Vesper's	5pm	Sunday Latin Mass	12:30pm
Reconciliation - Saturday	3:30-4:30pm	Holy Days	8:30am / 7pm

Pastor Fr. Luan Tran
 Parish Coordinator Karen Blodgett
 Business Manager Suzy Parsons
 Music Director Gale Baird

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Address: 1418 SE Nehalem Street
 Hours: Monday - Friday 10am - 2pm
 Saturday 10am - 3pm
 Closed Sunday & Wednesday

My Dear Parishioners,

The burning of Notre Dame Cathedral has served as a wakeup call to many people. All of a sudden, the whole world sits up and pays attention to this great monument to France's Catholicism. To most of the experts, the cathedral was everything else. To Catholics, the Cathedral was one of the most magnificent achievements of Christians in the middle ages. For me, I am think along the lines of the Archbishop of Paris: it was built to house "un morceau de pain!" The whole majestic structure was constructed to house the Blessed Sacrament, and to be the place for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Here in the heart of Sellwood, we have a magnificent structure built to house "un morceau de pain!" St. Agatha is not the Cathedral of Paris, in terms of architectural or artistic values, but St. Agatha has great dignity as the House of God and the Gate of Heaven, where the Blessed Sacrament is revered day and night, and where Holy Mass has been celebrated for a century! Here, how many generations of Catholics have come and gone? How many sermons have been preached, baptisms administered, confessions heard, and weddings officiated? How many Catholics were here in the darkest days of the Second World War, the Korean War, the Viet Nam War, the two Gulf Wars, to pray for their loved ones and to receive consolation and hope? St. Agatha Church is our heritage and patrimony, and she is ailing - at least exteriorly! Her stones are crumbling on the north and west sides, and what has been repaired is now threatening to disintegrate if we don't do anything soon.

Since our appeal in January, we have received \$24,500 in pledges and donations. We have a long way to go toward the goal of \$275,000 needed to finish the project. This Sunday I am going to appeal to you once again: please help me in the critical efforts to preserve what has been handed to us from previous generations of faithful Catholics at St. Agatha! I am begging for your support in saving the church building, without which there would be no place for Jesus to stay with us - No Blessed Sacraments, No Mass, No Nothing!

Fr. Luan

St. Agatha Catholic Church

May 5, 2019

3rd Sunday of Easter

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

May 4	Saturday
5pm	†Walter Brenneke...Ann Brenneke
5	Sunday
8:30am	†Eugene Meucci, Sr....Gene Meucci
10:30am	The Parish
12:30pm	†Anthony Citelli...Angelina Candela
6	Monday
8:30am	†Pops Nicholas & Sarah Levonia Modena
7	Tuesday
8:30am	†Susan Spillum...Carolyn Ashton
8	Wednesday
8:30am	†Howard Tautfest...Dieringer Family
9	Thursday
8:30am	Pastor's Intentions
10	Friday
8:30am	Pastor's Intentions
11	Saturday
5pm	†Sophia Muir...Bob & Doreen Modena
12	Sunday
8:30am	†Mike & Mary Pisano...Gene Meucci
10:30am	The Parish
12:30pm	†Anthony Citelli...Angelina Candela

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

April	7	\$ 6,621
	14	\$ 7,061
	21	\$ 7,799
	28	\$ 3,119

GREETERS

May 11	5pm	Bob & Doreen Modena
May 12	8:30	Kathy Aune, Eleanor Trebesch
	10:30	Dennis & Angie Knoy

PRECIOUS BLOOD MINISTERS

May 11	5pm	Justin Bailey, Angie Brant
May 12	8:30	Joanne Geiger, Emily Gabrish
	10:30	Peter & Alison Sample, Kim Kingsella, Sue Westwood, Karen Scrutton

LECTORS

May 11	5pm	Greg Pashley
May 12	8:30	Nathan Edwards
	10:30	Pat Hainley

ALTAR SERVERS

May 11	5pm	Theo Pashley
May 12	8:30	Nolan Edwards
	10:30	Finn Lough, Grant Ellison

PARISH ACTIVITIES

MAY

5	Altar Society Meeting, 9:35am-SFR Vespers, 5pm-C / Dinner, 6pm-H
6	Communion & Liberation, 7pm-H
7	Stray Paint Group, 9:30am-PC Prayer Group, 7pm-H
8	Preschool Party, 8am-SFR Altar Society Luncheon Setup, 1pm-H
9	Parish Center Closed, All Day Altar Society Luncheon, All Day-H Music Ministry Rehearsal, 6:30pm-C
10	Parish Center Closed, All Day
12	Children's Liturgy, 10:30am-SFR Rosary for Life, Noon-C Vespers, 5pm-C / Dinner, 6pm-H
13	Communion & Liberation, 7pm-PC
14	Mom's Prayer Group, 7pm-SFR St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, 7pm-PC
15	Middle School Elective Classes, 12:30pm-H School Play Rehearsal, 2pm-SFR
16	Middle School Religion Class, 10am-SFR School Play Rehearsal, 3pm-SFR School Honor Society Induction, 6pm-C

ALTAR CARE

May 6-10 Peggy Spencer & Friends

For more information, monthly updates, or membership,
email us at stagathaaltarsociety@gmail.com

SCRIP SELLERS

May 12	8:30	Kirsten Sandahl
	10:30	Tawnya Dettmer

SCRIPTURE READINGS

May 12, 2019

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52
Second Reading: Revelation 7:9, 14b-17
Gospel Reading: John 10:27-30

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION -- A place for solace and healing! Come visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and experience His real presence. If you can't spend an hour, just drop by. For information or to sign up, please call Emma Bosco 503-238-0072 or Paulita Bos 503-238-6686

Sunday	6-7am; 10-11am; 11am-Noon; 5-6pm; 11pm-Midnight
Monday	5-6am; 6-7am; 10-11pm; 11pm-Midnight
Tuesday	6-7am
Wednesday	6-7pm
Thursday	6-7am; Noon-1pm; 10-11pm, 11pm-Midnight
Friday	6-7am; 10-11am
Saturday	Noon-1pm; 2-3pm; 5-6pm; 7-8pm; 8-9pm

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY – In this Sunday's Gospel, the disciples in their struggle finally recognize Jesus and proclaim "It is the Lord!" You too could recognize Jesus in the faces of the poor we serve.

Do you know of someone needing (food, rent or utility) assistance? Please call the Society of St Vincent de Paul so that we can be a sign of God's love to the suffering and poor who live next to us.

May suggested donation item: Jams & Jelly

RESPECT LIFE – The U.S. Senate recently failed to pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, but that is not the end of the story. This bill, rooted in our most fundamental human values, is worth fighting for. It would prohibit infanticide by ensuring that a child born alive following an attempted abortion would receive the same degree of care to preserve her or his life and health as would be given to any other child born alive at the same gestational age. Please join in this Prayer for an End to Infanticide; "Jesus, Lord of Life, transform the hearts of all elected leaders to recognize that infanticide is wrong and must not be tolerated. Open hearts and minds to recognize and defend the precious gift of every human life. Amen" ~ USCCB

THRIFTY COTTAGE NEWS – Need a new outfit for Mother's Day or an upcoming Graduation? Stop by to check out all the new items! Have a donation? Want to volunteer 2 or 4 hours a month? Contact Karen at 503-236-4747. Monday through Friday 10am-2pm; Saturday 10am-3pm; Closed Wednesday and Sunday!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – For information and membership questions, visit www.kofc.org/joinus



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL EMERGENCY SERVICES OFFICE (8101 SE Cornwell Street) needs your help! Can you help answer phone requests for assistance 4 hours per week? We will provide the training for new volunteers. Volunteers are also needed to sort food and prepare food boxes 4 hours per week. Contact Stephanie 503-595-2286 or stephanie.d@svdppdx.org.

ARCHBISHOP'S CATHOLIC APPEAL – Thank you to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2019 ACA Campaign. If you have not yet completed your card, please prayerfully make your pledge. We appreciate your showing support of Archbishop Sample and our Catholic Church in western Oregon. We have completed 60.5% of our goal of \$27,612.

There will be no Morning Mass
Monday, May 6 - Thursday, May 9 - Friday, May 10

Are you interested in **ALTAR SERVING**? We're having a training for new servers (4th grade & up) on Sunday, June 1 at 11:30am in the church. This one hour training will give you all the ins and outs of the serving Father at Mass.

WOMEN'S RETREAT – Don't forget to signed up! Contact Beth Elliott at bethelliottc@gmail.com to register!

FRIENDS OF ST. AGATHA – Gifts to the Friends of St. Agatha of appreciated securities can provide significant income tax benefits to the donor. For more information, please pick up the FSA Planned Giving brochure in the vestibule or visit friendsofstagatha.org/legacy-giving.

SCRIP NEWS – May and June bring graduations (8th grade, high school, and college) Father's Day, and a wedding or two. Your shopping is made easy, your gift recipients are happy, and you have earned a profit for school!

PRIEST ORDINATIONS – All are welcome to attend the ordinations to the priesthood, June 15, 2019 at 11am at St. Mary's Cathedral in Portland.

MATER DEI RADIO 2019 Spring Sharathon – In just a few weeks, Mater Dei Radio KBVM 88.3 FM, will begin broadcasting from its new Catholic Media Center. Help them celebrate this big move by joining the 2019 Spring Sharathon "Welcome Home" on May 6-10. More details on all the fun can be found at MaterDeiRadio.com or by calling 888-823-5286.



Please join us for our **FIRST COMMUNION** Mass on Sunday, June 9 at 10:30am.

MEN'S WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY – Did you know our group discusses the weekly scripture readings? Join us on Wednesdays for breakfast and fellowship from 6:45-8am at the Eastmoreland Golf Course Grill (2425 SE Bybee Blvd.).

New Parishioner Registration
(please complete and place in the collection basket)

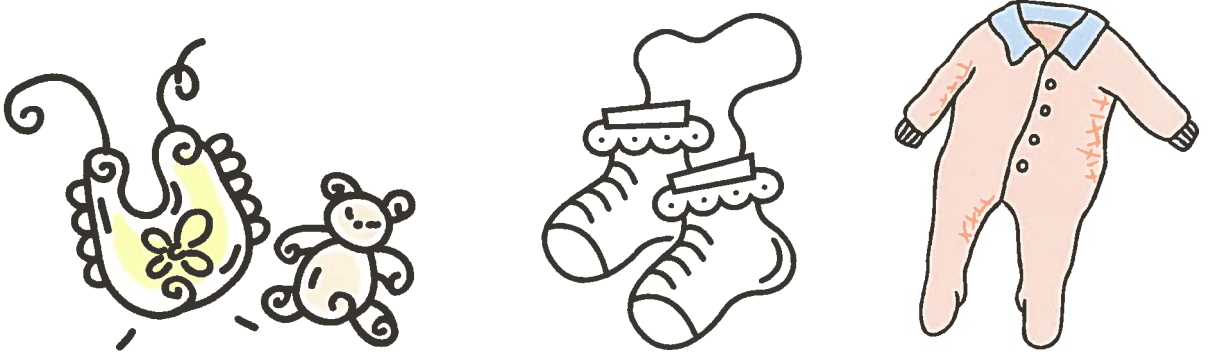
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Help support the
**MOTHER & CHILD
EDUCATION CENTER**

through a Baby Shower hosted by

**St. Agatha Altar
Society**

Bring your small item donations or checks
to Mass on May 11 & 12





Mother & Child Education Center

Saint Agatha Altar Society once again is supporting expectant mothers through donations and much needed support for their babies.

Our parishioners donate clothing, supplies, and money that are delivered to Portland's **Mother & Child Education Center**, a center that last year "touched" 1600 women, 2400 children and countless fathers and family members in 2017. Saint Agatha and over 20 other Portland area parishes are joined together in support of this wonderful nonprofit, non-governmental social services agency.

Annually, Mother & Child Education Center receives over 26,000 pounds of donated supplies. Volunteers dedicate 3200 hours, helping parents by keeping the Center open 6 days a week, and 24 hours a day by telephone. To find out more about the Center, visit their website at <http://www.momchildpdx.org>.

Acceptable Donated Items

All items should be unwrapped, either new or gently used.

Mother & Child asks that items come from smoke-free homes.

- ✓ **Clothing:** Size Newborn up to 5T [toddler]
- ✓ **Feeding:** *Unopened & Unexpired:* Baby Food, Formula
- ✓ **Baby Accessories:** Bibs, Blankets, Burp Cloths, Hats, Socks
- ✓ **Toiletries and Personal Items:** New or Unopened Items Only: Baby Cream & Shampoo & Baby Wash, Baby Lotion

\$\$\$ Financial Support

- ✚ With your donation, you are funding the future for babies in our community, as well as countless parents.
- ✚ You will be "walking" with them on their journey!

Please write checks to: **Saint Agatha Altar Society**
We will send one (1) check to the Mother & Child Education Center.

Saint Agatha Parish is a 501 c-3 R not for profit entity.
Donations are usually tax deductible.
The EIN # tax identification number is: 93-0391611

<http://www.stagathaportland.com/Altar-Society.html>