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Weddings: Please call the office at ext. 16. Do not set the date until you have talked to Mark MacKenzie.

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RCIA (Becoming Catholic) and **Learning About The Catholic Faith:**

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> Sunday 8:30am and 11:00am Monday-Saturday 8:30am

Rosary: Saturday 4:10pm

> Sunday 8:10am and 10:40am Monday - Saturday 8:10am

Confessions: Friday 4:00 - 5:15pm

Saturday 2:30 - 4:15pm

Sunday 7:45 - 8:15am and 10:00 - 10:45am

Eucharistic Adoration: Friday 9:00am - Saturday 8:00am

Please remember Holy Redeemer Parish in your will.

WEEK AT A GLANCE:

21th Sunday Ordinary Time: 08/21

Mass: 8:30am & 11:00am (church) Kof C Meals after all Masses

Monday: 08/22

8:30am—Daily Mass Paul Tran+

9:00am—Marian Movement

(Parish Center)

5:00pm—Eve. Prayer (parish FB page)

Tuesday: 08/23

8:30am—Daily Mass Paul Tran+

Noon—Angelus (parish FB page)

5:00pm—Eve. Prayer (parish FB page)

Wednesday: 08/24

8:30am—Daily Mass Paul Tran+

Noon—Angelus (parish FB page)

5:00pm—Eve. Prayer (parish FB page)

6:00pm—Healing of Families (parish center)

6:30pm—RCIA (choir practice room)

Thursday: 08/25

8:30am—Daily Mass Paul Tran+

9:00am—Marian Movement (parish center)

Noon—Angelus (parish FB page)

5:00pm—Eve. Prayer (parish FB page)

6:00pm — Patriotic Rosary (Church)

Friday: 08/26

8:30am—Daily Mass Paul

Tran+9:00am—23 hr. Adoration (church)

3:00-3:15pm—Divine Mercy Chaplet

(church)

4:00-5:15pm—Confessions (church)

Saturday: 08/27

8:00am—Benediction (church)

8:30am—Daily Mass Grabrielle Tuttle +

2:30-4:15pm—Confessions (church)

4:30pm—Vigil Mass (church)

22nd Sunday Ordinary Time: 08/28

Mass: 8:30am & 11:00am (church) 12pm-3pm Annual Parish Picnic!

Twelfth Annual Parish Picnic!

When: Sunday, August 28th

Time: 12:10-3:00 p.m.

Where: Holy Redeemer Parish Campus

Please join us for Fun, Food, and Fellowship!



See the insert in this bulletin for more details!

Please remember in your prayers:

Larry Bolton, Pat Cook +, Bonnie & David Craig, Lee Dettling, Bob Faust, Alex Gustavson, Shirley Kealey +, Dottie Lorbeer +, Jay Mahoney, Victoria Mercer & Family, Joseph Pleckinger +, Fran Plourd, Tony Ranft, Peggy & Ed Uribe, Jody Valencia, Betty Wassick, George Wetzel, and Adeline Wright.



Important Links

Sunday Mass: https://vimeo.com/user109632820
Daily Mass & Evening Prayer:parish Facebook page

Last Week (8/08-8/14)	Income
Sunday:	\$ 26,570.00
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Pastor's Column

August 21st, 2022

Religious Discernment

Jesus Christ: Yesterday, Today, and Forever ∼

Holy Redeemer Parish is blessed to have religious vocations. In the narthex we have a vocations board with pictures of men and women from our parish who have entered religious life. More pictures will go up over time, yet realistically, some of the pictures that go up will come down too.

Some people mistakenly assume that when a man or woman enters the seminary or religious life, they will now live happily ever after. Entering religious life is seen as getting married, or at least a serious engagement, and quality engagements and good marriages are rarely called off. More accurately though, reaching solemn vows or being ordained, takes many years and is an arduous journey for *everyone* who tries. This is how a vocation to religious life works.

A typical vocation to religious life takes many years to mature. It's fairly accurate to say that for each person who enters the seminary, monastery, or convent, about seven years of discernment have passed, some beginning their discernment in childhood. A lightning vocation would be about two years of discernment before entering religious life, a slow one is a decade or more — just to enter.

If it is a man who pursues parish priesthood, he gets a bishop to formally support him as a seminarian; you can't be one without a bishop's support. The seminarian will have a year of preparation called the propaedeutic year, then work toward a college degree in philosophy, then work through four years of graduate theology, with a year-long internship in many cases. In the last year of being a seminarian, he'll be ordained to the transitional diaconate where he will make his vows of lifelong celibacy, obedience, and prayer; to be repeated when he is ordained to the priesthood. If he is ordained to the priesthood, then he will belong to that bishop's diocese (region) for the rest of his life, ministering in the parishes there. All told it takes nine or ten years of schooling and seminary to make it to the parish priesthood.

If a man or woman enters a religious order, then they enter the first phase called the postulancy which lasts one month to one year, depending on the order. In some religious orders the candidate joins the community for months before they even enter the postulancy. If they and the order both want the candidate to continue after the postulancy, then they will enter the novitiate which lasts a year or two, again depending on the order. It is upon entering the novitiate that the candidate gets a new name (only religious orders, not diocesan priests). If at the end of the novitiate, the candidate and the religious order each agree, then the candidate moves onto temporary vows. Temporary vows last three years but most religious orders require two or even three rounds of three year vows! If after temporary vows (3-9 years) the candidate and the religious order each agree, then the candidate takes final, solemn, lifelong vows of poverty, celibacy, obedience, and prayer. All told it takes a religious vocation between $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 12 years to reach final vows.

When a man or woman responds to Our Lord's invitation to "cast out into the deep" and enter the seminary or religious life, they are doing something heroically different — and scary. They are leaving behind their family of origin and life in the world, which are the only two ways of living they have ever known. In addition to learning how to live apart from everything they have ever known, there is the normal loneliness that comes from separating from family and friends, as well as the difficulty that comes from learning everything all over again. There is also the stress of living in community; living with non-family members for the rest of your life, dinning with them, doing chores with them, praying with them, recreating with them, studying with them, traveling with them, etc., it's overwhelming until you get used to it, then it becomes a real blessing. Together with vows of obedience, celibacy, prayer, and poverty (holding all things in common), it is a life that is simply a shock for most people to get used to.

Needless to say, most who leave home to enter religious life don't make it to final vows. For example, there were 21 men in my first year of graduate theology at the seminary, only seven of us made it to the priest-hood five years later: only one in three made it. The 14 men who didn't make it went home to live out their universal vocation to holiness through the vocations of marriage or remaining single, and in their respective careers. Hopefully, the time they spent in the seminary helped to make them better Catholic men; the Church and the world desperately need more good Catholic men.

And this – spiritual warfare. The demons hate all of us and simply prey upon us wherever we may be at in life. However, when a man or women seriously discerns "leaving the world" (a world given to the enemy) to give their lives completely to the Kingdom of God, the demons pay notice. They go after all those who think about religious life, and they go after all those in formation to become a priest, monk, or nun, in a special way. The one whom Jesus said was a liar, accuser, and murderer from the beginning, is going to use every temptation, lie, insecurity, accusation, and conflict to sow doubt and despair. Satan's goal is simple: get this person to think that God doesn't want them to be there; after all, they wouldn't be suffering so much, or doubting so much, if this was really from God - right? So please pray for the men and women in seminaries, monasteries and convents, and don't stop. Every one of those vocations are hanging by a thread, and I mean every one.

Brother Andrew Brands, a vocation from our parish who is at Mt. Angel Monastery, wrote me this short email below on his progress. Hopefully he'll make it into the novitiate on September 7th, if he does, I'll be there.

May Almighty God Bless You,

In Shown Author

Fr. Thomas Nathe

Good Morning!

The Bells of the Abbey ring as I write to you today, wishing you a happy feast of the Assumption. I pray that all is going well with the parish, and wanted to provide a quick update on how things are going.

Shortly after Easter, my classmate, Postulant Brother Thomas Perry discerned out, leaving me as the only remaining member of my class. Despite this, I have been able to flourish and grow in many ways.

In June, I developed some kind of back injury, (doctors suspect sciatica), and provided me with a mortification that I did not anticipate in my postulancy. Thankfully, in the last few months, my back has healed extremely quickly and I have been able to carry on with my normal tasks with minimal discomfort, even when I was still recovering. I have also been assigned to work with the IT department and the Brewery, which has allowed me to apply some skills I had learned previously to help the community and learn some new skills along the way.

This past week, the Senior Council met to discuss my desire to petition for entry into the Novitiate, and gave their recommendation. At this time, there only remains the Monastic Formation Council's recommendation, and finally Chapter before I am able to continue on to the novitiate. I don't have a timeframe yet on when the Chapter will be, but assuming all goes well, I will enter the novitiate on September 7th during Vespers.

Overall, I am thankful above all things that God has guided me through the formation process thus far, and while at times I have had to face challenges in work and in prayer, it is incredible being able to know and at times feel God helping me overcome challenges by remaining faithful to Him. Know that you are in my prayers every day, and I pray that Holy Redeemer may continue to build up and strengthen God's Kingdom on earth.

May Mary, Queen of the Angels, bless you and guide you, Br. Andrew Brands O.S.B.

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm

Contact the Faith Formation Office to meet and discuss how we can work together to build God's Kingdom in East Vancouver! Sacramental needs? Education? Let us know how we can help. Contact Mark: 360.885.7780 ext. 16, or

markm@holyredeemervanc.org

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PRAYER GROUPS

Legion of Mary: Legion of Mary is an international association of the Roman Catholic Church which serves it on a voluntary basis. Its main purpose is for the sanctification of its members. The group meets every Friday at 10:00am in the annex. Contact Sally Custodio at 360.624.7555, or <u>bhebot50@live.com</u>

Anne, a lay apostle: Anne, the author of The Volumes, received a message to have a prayer group meeting once a month. The Lay Apostle prayer group holds their meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at 9:00am in the parish center. Contact Jean Marie Amos at 360.260.7352, or

<u>jmamos1@juno.com</u>

St. Joseph Cenacle Apostolate:



Members offer a weekly Holy Hour of prayers for our priests and will meet as a group at 3:00pm on the third

Wednesday of the month in the parish center. Contact Sandra Koceja at ITEADIOSEPH2020@gmail.com

ADULTS



Bible Study: The morning Bible study session will start on Thursday September 22 at

10:30am. We will be studying Galatians. The evening sessions will begin on Thursday September 15 at 6:30pm. We will be studying Jesus, the Way the Truth and the Life. All Books are \$30 and can be purchased in the FF office.

Men of Faith: All men in the parish are invited to attend our monthly gatherings. We meet on the first Saturday of the month at 9:15am in the parish center. Our next meeting is October 1. For more information contact Mark by email at markm@holyredeemervanc.org

Endow Women's Spiritual Studies:



Through their small groups, women are learning how to be the best version of themselves-made in the image and likeness of God-and reaching out to those around them. For more information contact Jamie at jamiek@holyredeemervanc.org

Adult & Single: Are you Single, Catholic, and 27+ years young? Join us on the 3rd Saturday of each month following the 4:30pm Liturgy to share in a potluck, conversation, and activities. No August gathering. Our next pot-luck will be Saturday Sept. 17 following the 4:30 Liturgy. Contact Mark Sawtelle at

mas.itsagoodlife@gmail.com



Mini Retreat Nights

Do you want to cultivate a deeper relationship with God but don't know how to even start? Join us for our Mini Retreat Night series in the Parish Center from 7:00-8:30pm. Each session will provide practical tips, tricks, and inspiration for developing the spiritual life.

Night 3: Sharing the Story October 26, 2022

YOUNG ADULTS

Calling all Young Adults! Join us for a holy hour and dinner on the first Friday of every month! Holy hour from 6:30—7:30pm and then meet in the front of the Church to go out for dinner. Our next meeting is September 2. Planning on coming? Email Katelyn with your RSVP! katelyng@holyredeemervanc.org

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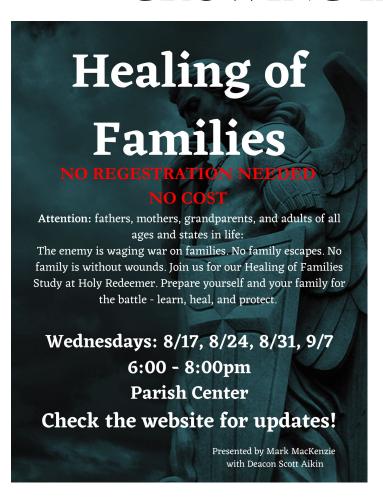
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Twelfth (almost) Annual Parish Picnic!

When: Sunday, August 28th

Time: 12:10-3:00 p.m.

Where: Holy Redeemer Parish Campus

Please join us for Fun, Food, and Fellowship!



What to Bring: Lawn Chair, Picnic Blanket, Sun Umbrella

Please bring the following items that correspond to the first letter of your last name:

> A-G: Side Dish/Chips N-S: Dessert H-M: Fruit or Veggies

T-Z: Side Salad

Parish Center will be open to receive food

Sunday at 8am

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PARISH HAPPENINGS

Empty Nester Hiking: Creaky
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Creek Canyon Nature Park, the
Promenade, and Municipal Elevator in
Oregon City on Monday August 22,
2022. The group will meet at Holy
Redeemer's north parking lot and car
pool leaving promptly at
8:15AM. Bring lunch money. We will
be walking rain or shine, umbrellas are
okay. For more information please call
Bill Daudistel at 360-882-8371.

Homebound Ministry: The Homebound Ministry gives us the opportunity to live out the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy. We visit the homebound weekly in both private residences and care facilities, frequently bringing them Holy Communion. If you or someone you know would like a visit, or if you feel called to this ministry, please contact the Parish Office at 360-885-7780.

Save The Date

Annual Parish Picnic:

August 28th 12:00-3:00pm

Help at the Parish Picnic: Would you like to help make this year's picnic the best yet? Please go to our website, click on the Parish Picnic button to view the signup, and see how you would like to help!

OTHER HAPPENINGS

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