

St. Mary by the Sea Catholic Church

PO Box 390 275 S Pacific Street Rockaway Beach OR 97136

October 16, 2022

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are a loving, supportive, and vibrant Catholic community committed to being a welcoming parish family by spreading the Love of Jesus Christ throughout our community and into the world.



CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish website: stmarybythesea.com
 Facebook.com/stmarybythesea-rockawaybeach
 Parish email: stmarys1927@gmail.com
 Parish Office Phone: 503-355-2661

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday - 9AM - 3PM
 Closed Monday and Tuesday.

PARISH STAFF:

Administrator: Father Macdonald Akuti, AJ
padreakuti@gmail.com 424-410-0097

Parish Secretary: Doris Matthews
stmarys1927doris@gmail.com 503-355-2661

THIS WEEKS SCHEDULE

ACTIVITY	MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday October 15	
Confession Available at 4:00 pm	
Mass 5:00 pm	+ Joe and Mary Long
Sunday October 16	
Mass 8:30 am	People of the Parish
Mass 10:30 am	Gregory Molley
Monday October 17	
Mass 9:30 am	Carlos Souza
Tuesday October 18	
NO MASS - the Office is closed	
Wednesday October 19	
Mass 9:30 am	Glenn Hayley
Celebrate Recovery 5:30 pm	
Thursday October 20	
Mass 9:30 am	+ Pat Croman
Adoration after Mass until Noon	
Circle of Caring 10 am	
Friday October 21	
Mass 9:30 am	Jan Stern

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

A TIME FOR HEALING AND SORROW: Please pray for Harold Stern, Ethel Pierzynski and all those who are sick or who need healing. Also pray for Rev. Vincent Cunniff, Beatriz Leon, Patricia (Tutu) Croman Scott, Kurt Sours, Dick Scott, and all those who have died recently and for those who have asked for our prayers.

A TIME FOR JOY AND CELEBRATION: We pray for all those who are celebrating a Birthday, Anniversary, or other special occasion this week. Happy Birthday to Francine Bristow, Alicia Ritter, Lin Storey, Barbara Rodriguez, and Leanna Soto.



SERVING MANZANITA-TILLAMOOK FOR OVER 25 YEARS
 SALES – FULL TIME RENTALS – www.tcroman.com



Contact Tim Croman
 for a courtesy evaluation
 503-812-2483




JUDY SOURS
 Realtor/Broker
 License 910200142
 1812 3rd Street
 Tillamook OR 97141
 Direct 503-812-2520
 Office 503-355-2010

DON G. AVERILL TRUCKING, INC



1500 N. MAIN AVENUE
 TILLAMOOK, OR 97141 503-842-5189

AVERILL LANDSCAPING MATERIALS

Bark Dust – Potting Soil – Compost
 Don Averill 503-801-1214



DON G. AVERILL RECYCLING, INC

Aaron Averill
 1212 Eckloff Rd. Tillamook

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER AKUTI

“NOT GIVING UP”

In the first reading, Moses, after sending Joshua to fight against Amalek, is presented as making tireless intercession with constancy for the victory of Israel's army. Both Moses and the widow in today's Gospel story teach us how we should pray with trusting Faith and perseverance. In the second reading, St. Paul instructs Timothy to persevere in his ministry, to proclaim the word of God with persistence in all circumstances, and to use it to *“correct, reprove and appeal with patience.”*

By introducing the parable of the unjust judge and the persistent widow in today's Gospel, Jesus emphasizes the *“necessity of praying always and not losing heart.”* Constancy in prayer is Faith in action. Jesus presents the widow in today's Gospel as a model of the trust and tenacity with which his disciples are to pray. The widow was asking for something which God would certainly want for her – justice.

SOME TAKE AWAYS

1) We need to combine formal prayers with action prayer: It is ideal that we start our prayers by reading from the Bible, especially the Psalms and the Gospels. Formal, memorized and liturgical prayers are also essential for the Christian prayer life. Personal prayer is of great importance in our life of prayer. Talking to God in our own words — praising Him, thanking Him and presenting our needs before Him — transforms our whole life into prayer. We should perfect our prayers by bringing ourselves into God's presence in the course of our work several times during the day and by offering to God all that we are, all that we have, and all that we do. Along with formal and memorized prayers, this type of prayer life enables us to pray always and pray with constancy and trusting perseverance.

2) We should not expect to get whatever we pray for. This parable does not suggest that God writes a blank check, guaranteeing whatever we want, whenever we want it in the form we ask for. But we conveniently forget the fact that, often, a loving father has to refuse the request of a child, because he knows that what the child asks would hurt rather than help him (e.g., a sharp knife). God is like that. He knows what to give, when to give and how to give it. Only God sees time whole, and, therefore, only God knows what is good for us in the long run. That is why Jesus said that we must never be discouraged in prayer. Instead, we have to leave the answer to God's decision saying, “Thy will be done.” Sincere and persistent prayer makes us ready to accept His will.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAITH FORMATION: Classes have begun for all the Sacraments. Infant/child Baptism are done by appointment. Please contact Father Akuti or Doris in the Office. The days and times for the other Sacraments are:

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) meets on Thursdays at 2:30..

1st Communion and Reconciliation classes are every Friday at 5pm.

Confirmation class meets every Sunday after the 10:30 Mass.

ROSARY BEFORE MASS: Please come and join fellow parishioners in reciting the rosary. We will begin 30 minutes before each Mass. We are looking for someone to lead the rosary, if you are interested, contact either Father Akuti 424-410-0097 or Gladys Jacobsen 503-347-6149.

OUR FACEBOOK PAGE: Besides our St. Mary by the Sea webpage, you can also get information and interact with us on Facebook. Login and go to our page for pictures and information about upcoming events. There is a link on our website or you can just go to facebook.com/stmarybythesea/rockawaybeach

WINTER SURVIVAL FUND: St. Mary by the Sea will be having our First Fund Raiser to Benefit the Winter Survival Fund. Our Goal is to eventually raise \$32,000 to replace funds used recently to pay bills. So far we have collected/raised \$4,330. Today we are selling tickets in the back of the church for our November Raffle. Cash prizes will be given out daily in November. There is a brochure in the back that explains how it will work. The Odds are Good!! We look forward to you helping us meet our fund-raising goal.

FALL FESTIVAL: On October 29th from Noon until 3pm, we are having a Fall Festival Costume Party. This is an activity for all families of St. Mary by the Sea to have fun together. It is not a fundraiser and there is no charge to attend. Wear a costume, enjoy face painting, fun family games, pumpkin painting, photo booth and special guest Tino the Magician. Just plan to come and have a wonderful celebration with our St. Mary's family.