

PASTORAL MINISTRIES

FINANCE COUNCIL: Father Akuti, Phillip Curtis, Loretta Schutten, Therese Southwick, David Conway, and Dia Norris.
PARISH COUNCIL: Father Akuti, Steve Bloom, Chris Bloom, Gloria Lyons, Alicia Voss, Victor Jacob, and Gladys Jacobsen.
AMAZING PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM: Father Akuti, Lauri Conway, Loretta Schutten, Alicia Voss, and Bruce Broswick.
HOSPITALITY MINISTRY: Loretta Schutten, Cynthia Sinn, Theresa Bruneau, Terri Southwick, and Chris Bloom.
CHOIR: Wayne Schultz, Dorence Cote, Anna Buchanan, Chris Gant, Diane Gant, Virgil and Cleo, and Israel Pozos' group.
LECTOR & EM COORDINATOR: Alicia Voss
FAITH FORMATION: Louise Rosas
CELEBRATE RECOVERY: Steve & Chris Bloom, Wayne Schultz, Mike Davis.
CIRCLE OF CARING: Ethel Pierzynski, Marie Hennessy, Rhoda Degiovanni, Reta Girdner, and Mary Felker.
CHURCH FLOWER DECOR: Gloria Lyons
GARDENING:
MAINTENANCE: Wayne Schultz & Mike Davis
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Lauri Conway, David Conway, Ellie Hilger, Jake Hilger, Alicia Voss, Breanna Hadziosmanovic, & Louise Rosas.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish websites: stmarybythesea.com
 Facebook.com/stmarybythesea-rockaway-beach
 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:
Pastor:
 Fr. Macdonald Akuti, AJ
 padreakuti@gmail.com 424-410-0097
Secretary: Doris Matthews
 stmarys1927doris@gmail.com 503-355-2661
Bookkeeper: Lauri Conway

St. Mary by the Sea Catholic Church

PO Box 390 275 S Pacific Street Rockaway Beach OR 97136

January 19, 2025

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



PASTOR:

Fr. Macdonald Akuti, AJ
 padreakuti@gmail.com

OFFICE HOURS:

Wednesday - Friday
 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Saturday: 5 pm (Vigil for Sunday)
 Sunday: 8:30 am and 10:30
 Mon. Wed. Thu, & Fri. at 9:30am
 Confessions: Saturday 4 – 4:45pm

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

A TIME FOR HEALING: Please pray for Alicia Ritter, Joe Solis, Kelly Molendyke, Donna and Bill Molendyke, Grace, Morgan and Eli – Loretta Schutten's family members recovering from surgeries, Fritz Stubenrauch, Willie Helwig, Mary Reynolds, Debra Lee, Israel Posos, Gloria Lyons, Paula and Ted Mercer, Gerald Fingly, Ashlee Fulop, Gregory Molley, Tierra Clappo Motsinger, Lynn Marie Becker, Mike Scott, Donna Webster, Jordan Fulop, Fr. Terry Tompkins, Melissa Syfers, Tina Chick, John Bender, Alan Pope, Mary Alger, Ron Peterson, Lisa Gibbons, Christina Guccione, Diane Reed, Ed Seeger, Cathy McAllister, Robert Fulks, Al and Dorothy Giacchero, Jill Mulvey, and all those who are sick or who need healing.

A TIME FOR SORROW: Please pray for Ron Annen, Connie Millhollen, Jerome Bader, David Nibler, Sharon Cote, Larry Susanka, Jerry Ralph Sinn, Mike Crowley, Ed Baer, Nevyn Manley, Dang Thi Chom, Maria Fe Strong, Loren Shipman, Harold Stern, Fr. Paul Opoki, Fr. Victor Rubalcara, Art Pieretti, Rozina Agbua, and all those who have died recently.

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 Mary Watson.

THIS WEEKS SCHEDULE

MASS TIMES – INTENTIONS – EVENTS

Saturday	January 18
Mass 5:00 pm	Ronald Palm
Sunday	January 19
Mass 8:30 am	People of the Parish
Mass 10:30 am	Andre Cota and Emma Heathershaw
Sunday School 10:30 am	
Monday	January 20
Mass 9:30 am	+ Dolores Morris
Tuesday	January 21
NO Mass	
Wednesday	January 22
Mass 9:30 am	Ronald Palm
Celebrate Recovery at 5:30	
Thursday	January 23
Mass 9:30 am	+ Dolores Morris
Adoration after Mass until Noon	
Circle of Caring at 10 am	
Friday	January 24
Mass 9:30 am	Ronald Palm

DON G. AVERILL TRUCKING, INC

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

RE/MAX HomeSource

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

Walter E Nelson Co.
 Solutions for Cleaner, Healthier Facilities
Mark Storey
 Sales and Service
 (800) 344-1943
 (503) 325-6362
 FAX (503) 325-5506
 Home (503) 368-7284
 Cell (503) 913-5997
 foleypk@nehalemel.net
 2240 Commercial St.
 Astoria, OR 97103

Telephone: 503/355-2101
 Cell: 503/223-5610
 Email: stevepress@comcast.net
Trash & Treasures
 Gifts, Souvenirs & Jewelry
 180 S Hwy 101
 Rockaway Beach, OR 97136
Stephen R. Press
 Galactic Coordinator

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

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

Bay City Kitchen
 5535 Hayes Oyster Dr
 Bay City, OR 97107

 11am-7pm Thursday-Saturday & Monday
 11-4 Sunday Plus Sunday Supper 5-8
 971-287-2828
 Baycitykitchen.com

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

DON G. AVERILL RECYCLING, INC
 Aaron Averill
 1212 Eckloff Rd. Tillamook

ROCKAWAY BEACH RENTAL

Roger and Donna Trudeau
 503-397-0451
 trudeau053@gmail.com
 Across the Street from the Beach!
 No Pets and No Smoking
 Elevator available to get to the top floor

SAND DOLLAR RESTAURANT & LOUNGE

 210 S 1st Street
 Rockaway Beach OR
 503-355-2200
 www.sanddollarrestaurant.com


sunset Powerwash
Dax Esplin (503) 457-6737
 Houses Shops Roofs Decks

N.E. Daynow
 mostly music
 Doral Vance 541-591-3844
 Rodney Dahl 541-591-3864
 Tim Croman 503-812-2483
 nedaynowmusic@gmail.com
 www.nedaynow.com
 #nedaynowmusic

Transatlantika Brand Design
 → Julian Croman
 Creative Account Manager
 julian@transatlantika.co
 +1(503) 812-7575

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY: Today we take up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects Catholics with Christ in the United States using the internet, television, radio and print media. Half of the money we collect remains here in the Archdiocese of Portland to fund local communications efforts. Your support spreads the gospel message.

FATHER NICHOLAS ERIAS KORO: We welcome Father Koro who will be here for the next two weeks while Father Akuti is in Moro visiting his family. The daily Mass and Adoration schedule will remain the same from Wednesday, January 22nd until Sunday February 2nd while Father Koro is here. After Father Koro leaves, Father Augustine Manyama will be helping with only the weekend Masses until Father Akuti returns on Friday, February 21st.

THANK YOU to everyone who participated and supported providing relief assistance for all the victims of the Los Angeles Fires.

CIRCLE OF CARING; If you like to sew, quilt, crochet, knit or create stuffed animals – these are just some of the things that the Circle of Caring ladies do on Thursdays beginning at 10am. If you are interested, have questions or just want to see what they do. Please join them on Thursday at 10am and once you meet these ladies you will want to join them as they work to make things for everybody.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY meets every Wednesday at 5:30pm. They start with dinner and then have both whole and small group discussions. This program is for you. Not just those recovering from alcohol or addiction but also for those who are recovering from everyday pain and hurts. No one should have to face their pain alone. Celebrate Recovery is for everyone!

BOOK DISCUSSION: We will resume our Salvation series this Thursday, January 23rd, 2025 beginning at 6:00 PM in the Parish hall. When we left off last year we had completed the first 5 chapters & accompanying videos of Dr. Michael Barber's book, "Salvation, What Every Catholic Should Know". As such, our gathering on January 23rd will focus on Chapter 6, "Not a Spectator Sport", so please come prepared having read this material. This weekly series will conclude with our last session scheduled on Thursday, February 20th.

ECUMENICAL MINISTRIES OF OREGON has identified a scam where fraudsters impersonate clergy via text messages to request gift cards and sensitive information.

How It Works: Impersonation: Scammers pose as church members to obtain membership directories. Fraudulent Texts: They send messages pretending to be clergy, asking for gift cards for "staff needs."

How to Protect Yourself: Stay Alert: Ignore unsolicited requests for information or financial contributions via text or email. Verify Communication: Clergy will never ask for gift cards or confidential details through text or phone. Report Scams: Inform the Archdiocese and law enforcement of any suspicious activity.

REFLECTION FROM FATHER AKUTI

We see this theme beautifully presented in today's first reading, where Isaiah uses the metaphor of spousal love to describe God's love for Israel. God's fidelity to his people is compared to a husband's fidelity to his wife. Isaiah predicts God's salvation of Jerusalem after the return of the Babylonian exiles and visualizes it as a wedding between God and Jerusalem. Jesus' provision of abundant wine for the wedding feast in Cana signifies that the day foreseen by Isaiah has arrived.

In today's second reading, St. Paul reminds us that the new wine that Jesus pours out for us is the gift of the Holy Spirit, given to His Bride. In today's Gospel, John describes the first of the seven "signs" by which Jesus showed forth His Divinity. When the wine "ran short," Jesus' Mother told Jesus about it. At first Jesus seemed to refuse to do anything about it. But later he told the servants to fill six large stone jars with water and take some of the miraculous water-made-wine to the headwaiter. When they did so, the headwaiter expressed his surprise that such a great wine had been reserved for late use.

TAKEAWAYS,

1) Let us, "invite Jesus and Mary to remain with us in our homes" when we feel shortages in our family lives. The spouses need Jesus and Mary when their dreams are gone, mutual love seems dried up, the relationship becomes boring, and raising the children becomes a burden draining all their energy. The awareness of the presence of Jesus and Mary in the family will encourage parents to create an atmosphere of prayer, Bible-reading, mutual love, and respect, with a spirit of forgiveness and sacrificial service at home. This change will refresh and renovate family life, removing its boredom.

2) Let us follow Mary's instruction, "*Do whatever He tells you.*" This is the only recorded command given by Mary in the New Testament, and it is a prerequisite for miracles in our families. The Bible tells us how to do the will of God and effect salvific changes in our daily lives.

3) Just as Jesus filled the empty water jars with wine, let us fill the empty hearts around us with love. By the miracle of Cana, Jesus challenges us also to enrich the empty lives of those around us with the new wine of love, mercy, concern, and care.

4) Let us learn to appreciate the miracles of God's providence in our lives. God, often as an uninvited guest in our families, works daily miracles in our lives by protecting us from physical and moral dangers, providing for our needs, inspiring us, and strengthening us with His Holy Spirit. Let us also appreciate, where God transforms our offering of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Jesus.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Offertory Collection	\$2726.00
Needy	\$51.10
Votive	\$6.75
Building/Maintenance	\$220.00
Gift Donation	\$1400.00
Winter Survival Fund	\$328.30
LA Fire Relief	\$1543.00