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**PASTORAL MINISTRIES**

**FINANCE COUNCIL:** Father Akuti, Phillip Curtis, Loretta Schutten, Therese Southwick, David Conway, Dia Norris, and Tony Vinciguerra  
**PARISH COUNCIL:** Father Akuti, Steve Bloom, Chris Bloom, Gloria Lyons, Alicia Voss, Michelle Vinciguerra, Gladys Jacobsen, Carla McGillivray, and Paul Erlebach.  
**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, Chris Bloom, and Michelle Vinciguerra.  
**CHOIR:** Wayne Schultz, Dorence Cote, Anna Buchanan, Cynthia Sinn, Chris Gant, Diane Gant, and Israel Pozos' group.  
**LECTOR & EM COORDINATOR:** Alicia Voss  
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**CIRCLE OF CARING:** Ethel Pierzynski, Marie Hennessy, Rhoda Degiovanni, Reta Girdner, and Mary Filker.  
**CHURCH FLOWER DECOR:** Gloria Lyons  
**GARDENING: WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP**  
**MAINTENANCE:** Wayne Schultz & Mike Davis

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday - 9AM - 3PM  
Closed Monday and Tuesday.

**PARISH STAFF:**  
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**St. Mary by the Sea Catholic Church**  
PO Box 390 275 S Pacific Street Rockaway Beach OR 97136  
**April 13-14, 2024**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**



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Fr. Macdonald Akuti, AJ  
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**OFFICE HOURS**  
Wednesday - Friday  
9:00 am – 3:00 pm

**MASS SCHEDULE**  
Sunday: 8:30 am and 10:30 am  
Saturday: 5 pm (Vigil for Sunday)  
Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri. 9:30 am  
Confessions: Saturday 4 – 4:45pm

**ST. MARY BT THE SEA CHURCH 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.

**THIS WEEKS SCHEDULE**  
**MASS TIMES – INTENTIONS - EVENTS**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>April 13</b>
Mass 5:00 pm	Ethel Pierczynski
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 14</b>
Mass 8:30 am	People of the Parish
Mass 10:30 am	Cher Lee Croman
<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 15</b>
Mass 9:30 am	Rosa Erlebach
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>April 16</b>
No Mass and the Office is closed	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>April 17</b>
Mass 9:30 am	Mike and Lucy Davis
Celebrate Recovery 5:30 pm	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>April 18</b>
Mass 9:30 am	Linda Clark and Brian Evans
Adoration 10am until Noon	
Circle of Caring 10am	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>April 19</b>
Mass 9:30 am	Mike Scott and all the sick who need healing.
Grief Share 3pm	
First Communion Class 5pm	

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**A TIME FOR HEALING:** Please pray for Mike Scott, Donna Webster, Melissa Syfers, Tina Chick, John Bender, Alan Pope, Mary Alger, Ron Peterson, Lisa Gibbons, Christina Guccione, Harold Stern, Diane Reed, Ed Seeger, Cathy McAllister, Mark Wustenberg, Robert Fulks, Al and Dorothy Giacchero, Sharon Cote, Jill Mulvey, and all those who are sick or who need healing.

**A TIME FOR SORROW:** Please pray for Barbara Boyle, Lloyd, Andrew Staruch, Bill Josi, Rozina Agbua, Phyllis Scott, Marcia Simmons, Nicholas Pronesti, Gwen Medina, Lamar O'leary, John Ritter, Joao Pinto Jr., Nancy McGillis, Brixton, Pope Benedict, Art Pieretti, Marilou Bowman, 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 Gordon Southwick, Rosa Erlebach, Ronald Patterson, and Sugar Brosius.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**BAPTISMS:** We Welcome and congratulate Cedar Dewayne Williams and OakLynne Rose Williams who will be Baptized on Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at the 9:30 Mass.

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY AND PROGRAM:** We are grateful and want to thank everyone who donated to help the Children's Ministry last weekend. \$583.75 was donated and it will be used for books, supplies, and to help train the volunteers who will be working with the children. At St. Mary by the Sea, we treasure our children. We warmly welcome each and every one of them, and we are so grateful to the adults that brought them here. Please feel at home here, and be assured that we love to hear them rustling about and keeping busy during Mass. We have a Children's Corner in the back of the Church and in the Parish Hall. We are starting Sunday School in May during the 10:30 Mass.

**GRIEF SHARE:** The Grief Share support group is having weekly sessions every Friday. They will run through May 31<sup>st</sup> from 3pm until 5pm. They are being held in the Parish Hall. You may join at any time. Information cards and brochures are located in the Vestibule.

**50 DAYS OF PRAYER:** Tillamook County Churches have done 30 to 50 days of prayer since 2006. So, in 2024, you are again invited to take the time, a few minutes each day, to bring healing to ourselves, family, neighbors, and to our community, state, nation and world. You probably already have the book from previous years but there is a brochure in the vestibule which contains the reading guide and schedule.

**GARDENING:** We have had a few people step up to help with the gardening but we could use one person to be the lead or coordinator. Catherine Embrie has done that job for almost 20 years but she will be stepping away, and so, if gardening is one of your recreational activities and you would be willing to take on the job of coordinating and working in our parish gardens, please call or let Doris in the office know.



### WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Offertory Collection	\$2,809.00
Needy	\$00.00
Maintenance/Building	\$200.00
Votive	\$20.25
Flowers	\$00.00
Hospitality	\$7.00
Gift Donation	\$200.00
Winter Survival Fund	\$105.00
Rice Bowl	\$211.69
Children's Ministry	\$583.75

## REFLECTION FROM FATHER AKUTI

### TAKEAWAYS

1)- In the "Liturgy of the Eucharist," Jesus becomes our spiritual food and drink. Thus, today's Gospel scene is repeated every Sunday on our parish altars. Like the early disciples, we come together to repent of our sins, express our gratitude for blessings received, listen to God's word, and offer our lives to God along with our petitions and His gifts of consecrated Bread and Wine. We also consume the spiritual food Jesus supplies, thus gaining the strength necessary for sharing Christ's message with the entire world, by living Christian lives.

2)- Jesus needs us as witnesses to continue his mission. Jesus needs Spirit-filled followers to be his eyes, ears, hands, and feet, to bear witness to his love, mercy and forgiveness by our interactions with our brother and sisters.

Look for the face of the Risen Lord Jesus at home whenever eyes fill up with tears, at work when tensions rise, on the playgrounds, in the slums, the Courts, the Hospitals, the Jails, wherever suffering exist the face of Jesus is there looking for you to wipe his tears with our kind gestures.

3)- Our daily lives are meant to serve as a means for us to experience and share the risen Lord with others. Just as the disciples experienced the risen Lord in their community, let us learn to recognize the presence of Jesus in our own homes, social service centers, nursing facilities, workplaces, and schools. Jesus wants us to be a community which shares and cares, a community which knows how to recognize Jesus in the poor, the marginalized, the sick – that is, in everyone.

### 2024 ARCHBISHOP'S CATHOLIC APPEAL:

I have been your Archbishop here in Western Oregon for 11 years now, and I want you to know that through much consultation, a lot of listening, but more importantly, a lot of prayer, I believe the Lord has put on my heart a clear vision and mission forward for us here as the church in Western Oregon. And it centers around three things:

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2. mission-passionate Catholic education, and
3. parishes and a people formed to evangelize.

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*Archbishop Alexander K. Sample*

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