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MAINTENANCE: Wayne Schultz & Mike Davis

St. Mary by the Sea Catholic Church

PO Box 390 275 S Pacific Street Rockaway Beach OR 97136

April 23, 2023

Third Sunday of Easter

*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

ACTIVITY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday April 22

Mass 5 pm + Pedro Romero Lemus

Sunday April 23

Mass 8:30 am Don and David Ite

Mass 10:30 am Justin Stubenrauch

Confirmation Class after the 10:30 Mass

Monday April 24

NO MASS TODAY

Tuesday April 25

No Mass - Office is Closed

Wednesday April 26

Mass 9:30 am Hem and Judette

Hemachandra

Celebrate Recovery 5:30 pm

Thursday April 27

Mass 9:30 am Olivia Bartasavick
and Lisa Wacker

Adoration after Mass until noon

Circle of Caring 10 am

Friday April 28

Mass 9:30 am Polly Klingensmith

First Communion Class 5 pm

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

A TIME FOR HEALING AND

SORROW: Please pray for Ed
Seeger, Dianne Bloom, Ethyl
Pierzynski, Cathy McAllister, Gwen
Medina, Mark Wustenberg, Robert
Fulks, Ron and Marie Patterson, Al
and Dorothy Giacchero, Dorence and
Sharon Cote, Diane Gant, Donna
Molendyke, Jill Mulvey, Harold Stern,
and all those who are sick or who
need healing. Also pray for Julie
Moore, Nancy McGillis, Brixton, Pope
Emeritus Benedict XVI!, Art Pieretti,
Marilou Bowman, 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
Zansaday Lobato., Eileen Seeger,
Therese Southwick, and Lawrence
Watson.



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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER AKUTI

OUR OWN BONDING WITH JESUS CHRIST.

For these disciples on the road to Emmaus, the future looked grim indeed. For the previous few years, life had been exciting and they were captivated by the Gospel message of Jesus. But it emerges that they hadn't grasped some vital parts of what he had said. We can empathize with them, because mostly we too tend to pick and choose the parts of his message that please us, and fail to take seriously other words of the Lord.

After his death on the cross, they felt all was lost. But Jesus used the scriptures to enlighten them. The prophecies declare the divine promises and reveal the saving plan of God. The Scriptures have power like an electric current, and are inspired by the Spirit of God. When he opened the meaning of God's Word to them, they began to understand his cross in a totally new light. They saw it not as a total disaster but as the start of a new age of grace.

Once arrived in Emmaus, they recognized him in the breaking of bread. The prayerful sharing of a meal among friends was a living symbol of friendship and trust. What was special about the way Jesus broke the bread is an intriguing question. Perhaps it was the spirit of self-giving that he invested in the act that showed them who he really was. There was a level of focus, sharing and of sacredness unique to Jesus, something they had experienced previously, before his passion. His presence touched their deepest hungers, and the bread he broke was not just physical. It was food that they opened their hearts as well as their mouths to receive.

Jesus meets us on our Emmaus Road. The risen Lord meets us on the road to our Emmaus, both in the ordinary experiences of our lives, and in the places to which we retreat when life is too much for us. We, too, have hopes and dreams about better health, healing, financial security and better family relationships. These often shatter. The story promises us, however, that Jesus will come to us in unfamiliar guises to support and strengthen us when we least expect the risen Lord. Emmaus moments come to us when we meet the risen Christ on our life's journey through rough times.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO FATHER AUGUSTINE MANYAMA who is celebrating the Masses this weekend. Father Akuti is out of town and will return Monday afternoon so there will be no Mass on Monday.

ARCHBISHOPS APPEAL: Don't miss your chance to learn more about the 2023 Archbishop's Catholic Appeal in his new video, visit JesusChangesEverything.church. You can grow HOPE, EDUCATION, and FAITH through a donation to the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal. More than 22 life-changing ministries answering the needs of our neighbors, friends, and family are supported through YOUR generosity.

MAINTENANCE DONATIONS: There are 3 vases in the vestibule so you can choose which of our maintenance projects you would like to support. We will be repairing the **Roof** that covers the rectory and office, replacing and fixing the **Plumbing** in the Parish Hall Kitchen, and doing some routine **Maintenance**. We appreciate your help and generosity as we deal with these necessary repairs and improvements. In the last three weeks we have received: \$912.45 for the Roof, \$984 for the Plumbing, and \$373 for Maintenance. Thank you so much for your generosity.

PARISH HALL KITCHEN REMODEL: The Parish Hall kitchen remodel is taking longer to get started than planned but we hope it will still get completed by the end of May. During that time, the hall will not be rented out and will be available for limited use until the project is finished. Please pray for the workers and those who are helping make this project a success.

GRIEF SUPPORT MINISTRY: Our next meeting is Tuesday, April 25th at 10am in the Parish Office. Contact Marie Hennessy at 503-703-6241 to help or for more information.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES: The retreat for the Confirmation candidates will be on May 7th from 1-5pm at St. Mary Star of the Sea in Astoria in the school building. Baptism and First Communion will be celebrated here at St. Mary by the Sea on April 30th at the 10:30 Mass. Confirmation will be celebrated at Our Lady of Victory Parish in Seaside on Tuesday, May 30th at 5:30pm