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PARISH COUNCIL: Father Akuti, Steve Bloom, Chris Bloom, Gloria Lyons, Alicia Voss, Michelle Vinciguerra, Gladys Jacobsen, Loretta Schutten, and Paul Erlebach.

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LECTOR & EM COORDINATOR: Alicia Voss

FAITH FORMATION: Louise Rosas

CELEBRATE RECOVERY: Steve Bloom, Wayne Schultz, and Mike Davis.

CIRCLE OF CARING: Ethel Pierzynski, Marie Hennessy, Rhoda Degiovanni, Rita Girdner, Yvonne Macrill, and Mary Filker.

CHURCH FLOWER DECOR: Gloria Lyons

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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

July 2, 2023

13th 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.



THIS WEEKS SCHEDULE

ACTIVITY	MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday July 1	
1st Sat. Mass 8:30 am	John Berghout
Vigil Mass 5 pm	+ Larry Matthews and + Rita Mae Kellogg
Sunday July 2	
Mass 8:30 am	Michelle Maitland
Mass 10:30 am	Steve Sanders and Barry Davidson
Monday July 3	
Mass 9:30 am	+ Polly Klingensmith
Tuesday July 4 Independence Day	
Mass 9:30 am	+ Herald Art and + Ida Motsinger
Wednesday July 5	
Mass 9:30 am	Rachel Belch, Lillian DeCoteau and Tristan Zaremba
Celebrate Recovery	5:30 pm
Thursday July 6	
Mass 9:30 am	Kimberly Titus
Adoration – after Mass until Noon	
Circle of Caring	10 am
Friday July 7	
Mass 9:30 am	Annette Ripley

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

A TIME FOR HEALING AND SORROW: Please pray for Harold Stern, Diane Reed, Ed Seeger, Cathy McAllister, Gwen Medina, Mark Wustenberg, Robert Fulks, Ron and Marie Patterson, Al and Dorothy Giacchero, Sharon Cote, Donna Molendyke, Jill Mulvey, and all those who are sick or who need healing. Also pray for Bob Leighton, Joao Pinto Jr. 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 Jessica Rice and Neymar Hernandez



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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER AKUTI

In the first reading, we see, the welcome given to the prophet Elisha by an elderly, childless couple who lived in Shunem. The wife recognized the holiness of Elisha. She showed him reverence and hospitality by inviting him to dine with her and her husband and by arranging an upper room of their house so that Elisha might stay with them when he visited the area. In response, Elisha promised her, “*This time next year you will be fondling a baby son.*” The promise was fulfilled by God.

The second reading from Paul’s letter to the Romans, explains why those who care for the followers of Jesus are caring for Jesus himself, and those who show hospitality to any one of them are eligible for a reward. By our Baptism, we have been baptized into Jesus’ death and buried with him, and we look forward to our resurrection with him (Rom 6:5). Since Baptism is our entrée into this new life, it makes us part of the Body of Christ, and Christ is truly present in us. That is why the one who welcomes us welcomes Christ and becomes eligible for a reward.

Today’s Gospel lesson concludes Jesus’ great “missionary discourse” in which he instructs the twelve apostles on the cost and the reward of the commitment required of a disciple. The first half of these sayings of Jesus details the behavior expected of his disciples, and the second half speaks of the behavior expected of others towards the disciples. Jesus assures his disciples that whoever shows them hospitality will be blessed. Those who receive Jesus receive the One who sent him. Also, those who help the believers and the poor, the sick, and the needy will be amply rewarded.

SOME TAKEAWAYS

Definitely that woman was not looking for the reward that she will ultimately receive. She was acting on the service to which her faith is calling. For me this woman was ‘a woman of influence,’ because of her inspiration; she served as her faith is calling and extended generosity to a stranger without expecting reward. Therefore, the Gospel work of service requires both going out and investing effort.

We need to be hospitable and generous: Hospitality means acknowledging the presence of God in others and serving Him in them, especially those in whom we least expect to find Him. We, as individuals and communities, are to look for opportunities to be hospitable—and, of course, there are plenty of ways of offering hospitality. Maybe hospitality is offered through a kind word to a stranger – or even a smile. A kind smile or a “hello” to someone waiting with us in a grocery line may be the only kindness that person encounters all day. We become fully alive as Christians through the generous giving of ourselves. More importantly than material gifts for charitable causes is the giving of ourselves to people, primarily in the way we think about them, for from that spring will flow the ways we speak to them and about them, forgive their failings, encourage them, show them respect, console them, and offer them help. Such generosity reflects warmth radiating from the very love of G

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH HALL KITCHEN REMODEL: The job is finished and the Parish Hall and kitchen are now being used for Parish Activities and Senior Meals. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this huge project a success. A special thanks to Teri Bruneau, Peter Boggs, Randy Helwig, Wayne Schultz, Tino Rodriguez, and all the other volunteers. It is hard to find the words to express our gratitude for their hard work, dedication and commitment. They helped before, during, and after the contractors did their work. We are also very grateful to a parishioner who donated boxes of complete sets of new flatware for use at our Parish functions and Senior Meals.

CONGRATULATIONS TO FATHER AKUTI whose installation Mass and ceremony will be held on July 21st at 1pm. After the installation ceremony we will celebrate our new Pastor with a party in the Parish Hall.

PARISH AND FINANCE COUNCILS: Interested in getting involved in the Parish? We are in need of a few new people to be on our parish or finance councils, please talk to Father Akuti if you are interested in serving.

RAFFLE DRAWINGS: Good Luck and Thank You to everyone who purchased tickets for our fundraiser. Today we start the daily drawings for the raffle prizes. Make sure you check out the poster in the vestibule to see who our daily winners are.

CONFERENCE: This fall the Archdiocese of Portland will host a Healing the Whole Person Conference. It will be a three-day experience of God’s healing love through teaching, prayer, personal reflection, adoration, and the sacraments. It is open to everyone and can be attended in-person or virtually. It will be held at Our Lady of Lavang Catholic Church in Happy Valley from Nov. 30th to Dec. 2nd. Registration for the conference will be online, & will open on August 28th at 7am. So, mark your calendar to register and to attend.

WEEKLY GIVING REPORT:

Offertory Collection	\$1,874.00
Needy	\$53.00
Maintenance/Building	\$103.00
Votive	\$5.00
July Maintenance Raffle	\$1,360.00
Parish gift donation	\$100.00