

St. Edward the Martyr Roman Catholic Church September 16, 2018

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Monday—Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.
or by appointment

CONFIRMATION IN THE ECONOMY OF SALVATION

In the Old Testament the prophets announced that the Spirit of the Lord would rest on the hoped-for Messiah for his saving mission. The descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at his baptism by John was the sign that this was he who was to come, the Messiah, the Son of God. He was conceived of the Holy Spirit; his whole life and his whole mission are carried out in total communion with the Holy Spirit whom the Father gives him “without measure.

This fullness of the Spirit was not to remain uniquely the Messiah’s, but was to be communicated to the whole messianic people. On several occasions Christ promised this outpouring of the Spirit, a promise which he fulfilled first on Easter Sunday and then more strikingly at Pentecost. Filled with the Holy Spirit the apostles began to proclaim “the mighty works of God,” and Peter declared this outpouring of the Spirit to be the sign of the messianic age. Those who believed in the apostolic preaching and were baptized received the gift of the Holy Spirit in their turn.

“From that time on the apostles, in fulfillment of Christ’s will, imparted to the newly baptized by the laying on of hands the gift of the Spirit that completes the grace of Baptism. For this reason in the Letter to the Hebrews the doctrine concerning Baptism and the laying on of hands is listed among the first elements of Christian instruction. The imposition of hands is rightly recognized by the Catholic tradition as the origin of the sacrament of Confirmation, which in a certain way perpetuates the grace of Pentecost in the Church.”

Very early, the better to signify the gift of the Holy

Spirit, an anointing with perfumed oil (chrism) was added to the laying on of hands. This anointing highlights the name “Christian,” which means “anointed” and derives from that of Christ himself whom God “anointed with the Holy Spirit.” This rite of anointing has continued ever since, in both East and West. For this reason the Eastern Churches call this sacrament Chrismation, anointing with chrism, or myron which means “chrism.” In the West, the term Confirmation suggests that this sacrament both confirms and strengthens baptismal grace.

THE EFFECTS OF CONFIRMATION

It is evident from its celebration that the effect of the sacrament of Confirmation is the special outpouring of the Holy Spirit as once granted to the apostles on the day of Pentecost.

From this fact, Confirmation brings an increase and deepening of baptismal grace:

- it roots us more deeply in the divine filiation which makes us cry, “Abba! Father!”;
- it unites us more firmly to Christ;
- it increases the gifts of the Holy Spirit in us;
- it renders our bond with the Church more perfect;
- it gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never to be ashamed of the Cross:

Like Baptism which it completes, Confirmation is given only once, for it too imprints on the soul an indelible spiritual mark, the “character,” which is the sign that Jesus Christ has marked a Christian with the seal of his Spirit by clothing him with power from on high so that he may be his witness.

The Journey Continues.....

News You Can Use

- * **NO September Bible Study;** Bible study will resume the first Wednesday of October the 3rd
- * Religious Education Classes will begin next Sunday, September 23 after the 9 am mass.
- * All Bible study questions need to be put in the Bible challenge box by **Sept. 30** located in the hall.
- * The Parish office will now be open Monday and Tuesday from 9:00am to 12:00pm

Interested in a good book?

Do you enjoy mystery, success stories, history, stories of love and stories of defeat? It's all in the same Book, You guessed it- it's the Bible!

Under the guidance of Father Joseph, the Bible Study ministry invites the entire parish to take part in learning more! Each month, there will be 5 questions in the bulletin. Parishioners, regardless of age, are invited to answer these questions and submit them in the designated box in the hall. At the end of the month, the answers will be tallied and the winner will be announced. Take time to join in the fun and learn a little more about our wondrous faith! All responses need to be put in the Bible challenge box by Sept. 30 located in the hall.

There are a limited number of burial plots available in St Winefride's Garden. If you are interested in purchasing a plot for yourself or a loved one, please stop by the parish office during regular office hours or contact Renee May #541-549-8933 or reneemay@ykw.net.

The Parish office will now be open Monday and Tuesday from 9:00am to 12:00pm and as always by appointment.

Sept 9, 2018

Attendance: Vigil 74 / Sunday 135

Date	Weekly Offertory	Weekly Needed	Difference
Aug. 19	\$3594	\$3000	\$594
Aug. 26	\$2688	\$3000	\$(322)
Sept. 2	\$4671	\$3000	\$1671
Sept. 9	\$2595	\$3000	\$(405)

Special Collection For Kerala, India \$50.00



Father is Learning the Art of Fly Fishing

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
16 9:00 am Mass Pro Populo	17 8:00 am Mass For Denise Wood By Bernadine Wood Office 9:00 a.m.- noon	18 8:00 am Mass For Christoper Lowell Wood† By Zarsky Office 9:00 a.m.- noon <i>All Bulletin items must be submitted. craigmay@ykw.net</i>	19 8:00 am Mass For Vern Heiman Family Thanksgiving By Vern & Jodi Heiman 6:30 p.m.: Practice for Sunday Choir	20 8:00 am Mass	21 8:00 am Mass For Fr. W. Thomas Faucher By Bill Wood	22

Religious Education

Are your kids registered? Classes start next week.

We'd like to extend an invitation to all families with children grades Kindergarten and up to enroll their children in the Religious Education program for the 2018-2019 School year.

RE Classes will begin next Sunday, September 23 after the 9 am mass. Registration ends this weekend.

Contact Mary Claire Jones for more information, amcjones@gmail.com or 650-400-6332

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MARRIED COUPLES



"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."

Take time for your marriage by attending the Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend on January 25th - 27th in Astoria, Oregon. For additional dates and locations go to our website www.wwme.org

If you are a visitor to our parish Welcome!
 Thank you for joining us this weekend! Please be sure to take time to enjoy St. Winefride's Garden.

K-5 Catholic Education



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K-8 Catholic Education



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School
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 541-382-4701

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Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Rachel's Vineyard retreats are for women and men who have been involved in an abortion(s) in any way or are in relationship with someone who has had an abortion.

"I feel free to be the person God has meant me to be without hiding my true self. After 39 years, I now feel that the grace to forgive myself has finally been received by me. I never knew I could feel free again. Every part of the retreat was a gift."

For more information contact Project Aurora 541-942-2861 ProjectAurora@aol.com. Upcoming retreats: Eugene, October 23-25 (weekdays) and for Spanish retreat in Medford, November 9-11 call Araceli 541-621-7047. www.Project-Aurora.org www.RachelsVineyard.org

SEPTEMBER BIBLE CHALLENGE

- Who named the animals? _____
 Book and Verse _____
- What did Adam and Eve use for clothing when they realized they were naked? _____
 Book and Verse _____
- What did Noah do after the ark came to rest? _____
 Book and Verse _____
- Who is the father of all those who play the harp and the flute? _____
 Book and Verse _____
- Where is there gold, bdellium and onyx? _____
 Book and Verse _____

Hint: this month's answers can be found in Genesis!

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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration:

First Saturday of the Month: 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Church & Garden website:

www.stedwardsisters.org

Diocese website:

www.dioceseofbaker.org

Catholic Bishops website:

www.usccb.org

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Infant Baptism: Parents and godparents are required to take a preparation class. Please contact the parish office.

RCIA and Adult Confirmation: Adults and children are always welcome to learn more about the Catholic Church and prepare for full initiation. Call the parish office to learn more.

Marriage Preparation: At least six months in advance couples must arrange for pre-marriage instruction before setting the desired date. Contact the parish office for more information.

Communion to the Sick: Contact the parish office if you or a loved one is unable to attend Mass but wishes to receive Holy Communion.

Anointing of the Sick: Celebrate this healing sacrament before your scheduled surgery or hospital stay. Call the parish office.

Catholics, Come Home: If you or someone you know has been away from the Church and isn't sure how to come back, please contact the parish office.

Funeral Services: Please call the parish office at 541-549-9391.

Vocations: If you are interested in the priesthood or the religious life, please call Fr. Joseph Thomas

Saturday Music: If you are interested in being a part of this liturgical ministry, please call Anne Seile at 541-549-5702.

Sunday Music: Please join us for rehearsal every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the church, or speak with a choir member after Mass.

Send all bulletin announcements by Tuesday noon one week preceding the requested Sunday to stedward@bendbroadband.com.

Celebrate with FORMED Daily Reflections!

Formed "the Netflix for Catholics" Register at FORMED.ORG - Parishioner code: **VCHERN**
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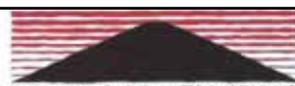
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