

**February 23, 2025**  
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



## **St. Philip Benizi Catholic Church**

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(503)314-8907

### **Office Hours this week**

Tuesday-Thursday 9am- 4pm, Friday 9-12pm

### **Ministries**

**Adoration:** Janet Tankersley  
(503)545-2229

**Altar Servers:** Ed Schneider  
(971)563-3893

**Lectors:** Nancy Carnahan  
(503)804-6029

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(503)804-6418

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[hahannam@juno.com](mailto:hahannam@juno.com)

### **Mass Schedule**

#### **Sunday Mass:**

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am

10:30am

#### **Daily Mass:**

Monday: 8:00am

Tuesday: 6:00pm

Wed-Fri: 8:00am

#### **First Saturday of the Month:**

Anointing of the Sick Mass: 8:00am

#### **Holy Days:**

Mass: 8:00am

Mass: 6:00pm



#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Thursdays: 9:00am-9:00pm

#### **Reconciliation**

Saturday: 4:00-5:00pm

or any day by appointment

#### **Anointing of the Sick and Communion to the Homebound**

If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to receive Communion or the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call the parish office.

#### **Baptisms, Funerals, and Weddings**

Call the parish office. (For weddings, please contact the parish office at least 6 months in advance of a potential date.)

#### **St. Philip Benizi Mission Statement**

St. Philip Benizi Catholic Church, being part of the universal Church, shares in its mission: to proclaim Jesus Christ who came to the world to fulfill His father's will; by proclaiming the kingdom of God, building up the parish community as a witness to God's love and care for the world, helping one another to become what God has called us to be. We are therefore encouraged to work toward God's purpose of "wanting all men to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth." (1 Tim 2:4).

**NEXT WEEK'S ASSIGNMENTS**

Date	Ushers	Lectors	EMHCs	Altar Servers
3/1 5:30 Pm	Tom Muldoon	Heather Hannam	Jeanne Hubel	Oli Friedman Judy Bible
3/2 8:00 Am	Pat Keavney	Kristine Bible	Jeannine Breshears	Clay Dryden Judy Bible
3/2 10:30 am	Kevin Horace	Carolyn Brown	Janet Tankersley	Oli Friedman Jeff Mitchael Achilles Daly
March Church Cleaners		March Altar Linens	Coffee Hour Servers 2/23	
Elaine Keavney		Vicky McGaughey	9:00 Butch, Janice, Tom 11:30 Volunteer	

**Saint of the Week:** St. Gregory of Narek,  
Abbot and Doctor of the Church  
**Feast day: 2/27**



Gregor was born in a village on the shores of Lake Van between 945 and 950. When his parents died, Gregor and his older brother were raised by a scholarly uncle who had them educated at the Narek monastery where he was a monk. The monastery was a prominent center of learning located in what is now Turkey. Gregor too entered the monastery and was ordained in 977.

A professor of theology, Gregor wrote a mystical interpretation of the Song of Songs, and a long mystical poem called the Book of Prayer or the Book of Lamentations. He described his poem as "an encyclopedia of prayer for all nations." This classic of Armenian literature has been translated into 30 languages. The Russian text of the Book of Lamentations was set to music in 1985.

Little else is known about Gregor, other than he died in the early 11th century and was buried within the walls of the Narek monastery where he had spent his life. In 2015 as the world observed the 100th anniversary of the Armenian genocide in the Ottoman Empire, Pope Francis concelebrated a Mass at the Vatican with Patriarch Nerses Bedros XIX Tarmouni and declared the monk, poet, and saint of the Armenian Apostolic Church, Gregory of Narek, a Doctor of the Church. His liturgical feast is celebrated on February 27.

**Liturgical Events This Week**

Sunday 2/23/25 (7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)	
8:00am	<b>Mass:</b> + Alfred & Catherine Swanberg <i>(Joel &amp; Darby Bender)</i>
10:00am	<b>Rosary</b>
10:30am	<b>Mass:</b> + Edelmira Ayala <i>(Hugo &amp; (Karla Vazquez)</i>
Monday 2/24/25	
7:40am	<b>Morning Prayer (Rosary after Mass)</b>
8:00am	<b>Mass:</b> + Edelmira Ayala <i>(Hugo &amp; Karla Vazquez)</i>
Tuesday 2/25/25	
6:00pm	<b>Mass:</b> + Edelmira Ayala <i>(Hugo &amp; Karla Vazquez)</i>
7:00pm	<b>RCIA</b>
Wednesday 2/26/25	
7:40am	<b>Morning Prayer (Rosary after Mass)</b>
8:00am	<b>Mass:</b> + Carol Richards <i>(John &amp; Elaine Buxman)</i>
Thursday 2/27/25	
7:40am	<b>Morning Prayer (Rosary after Mass)</b>
8:00am	<b>Mass:</b> + Brian Waverly (Jennifer Piaskey)
9:00am-9:00pm	<b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>
6:00 pm	<b>Faith Sharing Group</b>
Friday 2/28/25	
7:40am	<b>Morning Prayer (Rosary after Mass)</b>
8:00am	<b>Mass:</b> + Marcus Kingdom <i>(Sonia Benintendi)</i>
Saturday 3/1/25	
8:00am	<b>Anointing of the Sick Mass:</b> All Souls <i>(Gail &amp; Thuc Alexander)</i>
4-5:00pm	<b>Reconciliation/Church</b>
5:30pm	<b>Sun. Vigil Mass:</b> + Jim Garber <i>(Mike &amp; Karen Henry)</i>
Sunday 3/2/25 (8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)	
8:00am	<b>Mass:</b> All Parishioners
10:00am	<b>Rosary</b>
10:30am	<b>Mass:</b> Maras Family (Living & Deceased) <i>(Joyce Wetzel)</i>

**No Religious Education Classes March 23,30**  
**Next Confirmation Classes: Feb. 23, March 16**  
**RCIA/OCIA Classes meet each Tuesday at**  
**7pm in the Parish Hall.**



**St. Philip Benizi Blood Drive**  
**Saturday, March 8, 2025**  
**9:00AM – 2:00PM**

The blood drive will take place in the Parish Hall. Save a Life and receive a \$10 Amazon gift card.  
 For an appointment, please visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org)  
 Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

**MEN'S SILENT RETREAT**  
**Feb 28-March 2, 2025**  
**Our Lady of Peace Retreat**

**Retreat theme:**  
**"The Word of God, Living and Effective for Transforming Our Manly Hearts"**

**Retreat Master:**  
**Fr. Gregory Dick, O.Praem.**  
 of CORPUS CHRISTI PRIORY  
 A community of Norbertine Canons Regular in Springfield, Illinois

**Retreat fee: \$255**  
 Call about Commuter Rates

**To Register:**  
**503.649.7127 or [olprettreat.org](http://olprettreat.org)**  
 Hosted by The Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows  
 Our Lady of Peace Retreat House  
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**Youth Group Fundraiser!** Please **Save The Date!** **Saturday March 15th** for a **Bunko night** in the Hall after the 5:30 Mass. Dinner will be provided as part of the game price.

**Finance Corner**

2/9/25	Actual	Budget
<b>This Week, General Fund</b>	\$5,729 Online \$2073	\$5,000 (adjusted Budget Jan.-June)
<b>Fiscal Year (YTD)</b>	\$147,029	\$167,100

Thank you for your generosity in supporting the parish! May God's continued blessings be upon you and your loved ones.

Please see the flyers on the bulletin boards in the Narthex and Hall for upcoming retreats, Jubilee information, & Right to Life!

Thank you For your Support with Catholic Home Missions Appeal!

Thank you for your generous support for last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. As a parish, we raised \$941 to strengthen the Church at home and spread the Gospel across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give! Just visit [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions). #iGiveCatholicTogether also accepts funds online for the collection—see [usccb.igivecatholictogether.org](http://usccb.igivecatholictogether.org). Please make your check out to St. Philip Benizi.

Please bring in your last year's Palms and put them in the basket that is in the Narthex! Thank you!

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## Hiring at SPB

St. Philip Benizi is now hiring a Director of Religious Education (3-5 hrs a week). For more information or to apply please contact Fr. Peter.



Scan the QR Code for the SPB online giving portal



## A Spiritual Oasis in the Jubilee Year at The Madeleine Parish

Exploring Our Call: Walking with Christ  
Sat., March 22 | 8:30am-Noon

## A LENTEN RETREAT with Dina Marie

Inviting All Pilgrims of Hope

### RETREAT SCHEDULE:

- 8:30am: Mass
- 9-9:45am: Adoration & Confession
- 10am: Refreshments & Welcome
- 10am-Noon: Two Lenten Talks
- Noon: Retreat concludes



**Your Retreat Leader:**  
Dina Marie Hale  
Founder of FAITH MOMENTS™



### Retreat Location:

The Madeleine Parish  
3123 NE 24th Avenue  
Portland, OR 97212

Mass/Adoration/Confession in Main Church  
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