



August 16th, 2026

**The Twentieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

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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: 8:30am-7:00pm

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:30-5:20pm
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
8/22 5:30 PM	Clay Rosenau	Tom Muldoon	Jeanne Hubel	Ed Schneider
8/23 9:00 AM	Pat Keavney, Karla & Hugo Vazquez	Carolyn Brown	Janeene Siler	Ed Schneider, Clay Dryden, Achilles, Grace & Claire Pattyn
August Church Cleaners		August Altar Linens	Coffee Hour Servers 8/23	
Mary Pattyn		Pam Erickson	60 th Anniversary Celebration and Picnic	

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A LOVE OF THE CANAANITE WOMAN



The theme of the first reading and the Gospel is that of inclusiveness. The first reading Isaiah 56:1.6-7. God's house is open to all those who worship with sincerity. In the second reading Romans 11:13-15.29-32. God never takes back His gift. Those who return to Him are sure of obtaining mercy. In the Gospel Matthew 15:21-28, the story of a pagan woman who had extraordinary faith in Christ, and how that faith was rewarded.

Love is the greatest power in the world. To be possessed with love is to be filled with a power which will not be denied. It is amazing what people can do when they are motivated by love. We see this especially in the case of a mother. A mother will do anything, brave anything, suffer anything, endure anything for the sake of her child. A mother does not give up easily.

The Canaanite woman is a model of what could be called tough faith. Faith is not a magic wand. It calls forth from us humility, courage, perseverance, and above all love. A mother never gives up. Neither does a person with faith. Faith and love are inseparably connected. Love is the expression of our faith.

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Liturgical Events This Week

The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8/16/26	
8:00am	Mass: + Henry Fitzgibbon (The Dryden Family)
10:00am	Recitation of the Rosary
10:30am	Mass: For All Our Parishioners
Monday 8/17/26	
7:40am	Morning Prayer & Rosary
8:00am	Mass: + Bob Buxman (John & Elaine Buxman)
Tuesday 8/18/26	
6:00pm	Mass : + Billie Bergman (Becky Wooten)
Wednesday 8/19/26	
7:40am	Morning Prayer & Rosary
8:00am	Mass: + Kelsi Williams (Atalie & Bob Williams)
Thursday 8/20/26	
7:40am	Morning Prayer & Rosary
8:00am	Mass: + Kevin Horace (Tom Muldoon)
8:30am- 7:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration 
Friday 8/21/26	
7:40am	Morning Prayer & Rosary
8:00am	Mass: + Billie Bergman (Becky Wooten)
Saturday 8/22/26	
4:30- 5:20pm	Reconciliation/Church
5:30pm	Sunday Vigil Mass: + Joseph Gach (Mary Gach)
The Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time 8/23/26	
9:00am	Mass: + Les VanDyke (Jan Alderman)
10:00am	60th Anniversary Celebration & Picnic

For the Repose of the Soul of Lauren Wooten

*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon her. May her soul, and souls of all the
faithful departed, through the mercy of God
rest in peace. Amen.*

Please keep Becky, Larry, Jake,
Bryson, Lola and Logan in your
prayers.



WEEKLY SPIRITUAL ETIQUETTE 11

LOVE GOD – LOVE NEIGHBOR



Love for God cannot remain hidden in our hearts. It is revealed in the way we treat the people He has placed in our lives. **As St. Teresa of Calcutta reminds us: "If you love God, then love those around you. We should all carry love into the world."** It is easy to say we love God in prayer, at Mass, or with our words. The real test comes when we are called to be patient with a difficult person, to forgive someone who has hurt us, to comfort the lonely, or to help someone in need without expecting anything in return.

Every act of genuine love reflects the heart of Christ. A kind word, a listening ear, a helping hand, a sincere prayer, or a simple smile can become a powerful witness to God's presence. These seemingly small acts often touch hearts in ways we may never fully know. The world does not need more empty words about love; it needs people who are willing to live it. When we love our neighbor with the love of Christ, we become instruments of God's grace, bringing His light into places of darkness and His hope into hearts that are weary. May our love for God always overflow into love for others, so that everyone we meet encounters something of His mercy through us.

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Registration is now open for:

Confirmation

First Communion

Religious Education

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Register online at www.philipbenizi.com

If you have questions, please call the office at 503-631-2882

Finance Corner

8/9/26	Actual	Budget
This Week, General Fund	\$7,216 (includes \$1,836 Online)	\$5,500
Fiscal Year (YTD)	\$29,369	\$33,000

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



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The Second Collection this weekend will be for the Formation of Seminarians and the care of the elderly and sick members of the Apostles of Jesus.

St. Philip Benizi Catholic Church

60th Anniversary Picnic Celebration

Sunday, August 23rd after the 9:00 a.m. Mass

Learn about SPB

- Scavenger Hunts
- Ministry information
- SPB Presentation
- Meet fellow parishioners
- Etc.



Raffles
All proceeds go to our Helping Hands Ministry

Games

- Tug-o-war
- Sack races
- Cornhole
- Giant Jenga
- Relay races
- Water balloon toss

Come join us for pulled pork, brisket, hotdogs, lemonade, tea, and good fellowship.

Bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share!

Bring canned/boxed food for our Helping Hands ministry.



Help us plan: Let us know you plan to attend: call 503.631.2882 or e-mail Ltarrago@archdpdx.org

Featured Listing!



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20th Annual Rosary Bowl NW SAT OCT 3 2026 | 9AM-3PM

A EUCHARISTIC AND MARIAN CELEBRATION

Featuring a keynote on
The Apostle of the Rosary
Saint Bartolo Longo



Auxiliary Bishop
Peter Smith



Saint Bartolo Longo
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Keynote Speaker
Fr. Theodore Lange



EVENT DETAILS

9am Confession | 10am Mass

11am Holy Hour and Rosary

1:30pm Keynote on Saint Bartolo Longo

The Apostle of the Rosary

Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit

Community Resource Fair | Diaper Drive

2:45 pm Chaplet

East Salem Community Center

1850 45th Ave. NE, Salem, OR

Sat Oct 3 2026 | 9am - 3pm

A freewill offering taken

Details at dinamarie.org



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TO LIFE

BECAUSE EVERYONE DESERVES AN ADVOCATE

The Oregon State Fair is coming up!
Oregon Right to Life need volunteers at their
Oregon Right to Life Fair booth from August
28-September 7th at the Oregon State Fair.
When you volunteer at Oregon Right to Life
booth you are helping provide pro-life
inspiration and education to Oregonians
who may have never heard
the pro-life message.

Questions or if you would like to help,
email robert@ortl.org or call 503-463-8563.



Registration is open for:

Volleyball,

Cross Country,

Fall Hot Shots! Call 503-231-9484

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