

Parish Registration

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March 29, 2020

Fifth Sunday of Lent

1970 Calendar

Passion Sunday

1962 Calendar

St. Birgitta Catholic Church



Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm
 Sunday: 8:00am

Sunday: 9:30am
 (Traditional Latin Mass)

Daily Mass Schedule
 (in Our Lady of Sinj Chapel)

Monday - Friday (except
 Thursdays): 8:30am
 Thursdays: 4:00pm

Saturdays: 8:30am
 (Traditional Latin Mass)
 First Fridays: 7:00pm
 (Traditional Latin Mass)

Confessions

One half hour before each
 weekend Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

After Thursday Mass
 and Friday morning Mass

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

8:30am - 12:00noon, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Closed Tuesdays

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Mass Intentions: Mar 28 - Apr 5

28 Sat: 8:30am +Annette Wycker
 28 Sat: 5:00pm St. Birgitta Parishioners
 29 Sun: 8:00am Homa Family
 29 Sun: 9:30am +Annette Wycker
 30 Mon: 8:30am +Gloria Lopez Albaram
 31 Tue: 8:30am +Gloria Lopez Albaram
 1 Wed: 8:30pm +Maritza Villazan
 2 Thu: 4:00pm Andrew Whyburn
 3 Fri: 8:30am +Ella McKiernan
 4 Sat: 8:30am +Annette Wycker
 4 Sat: 5:00pm Joseph Ivezic
 5 Sun: 8:00am +Bertha Cochran
 5 Sun: 9:30am St. Birgitta Parishioners

Prayer in times of pestilence

Stella caeli exstirpavit
 Quae lactavit Dominum
 Mortis pestem quam plantavit
 Primus parens hominum.

Ipsa Stella nunc dignetur
 Sidera compescere,
 Quorum bella plebem caedunt
 Dirae mortis ulcere.

O gloriosa Stella Maris
 A peste succurre nobis;
 Audi nos, nam te Filius
 Nihil negans honorat.

Salva nos Jesu pro quibus
 Virgo mater te orat!

The Star of Heaven that nourished the Lord drove away the plague of death which the first parents of man brought into the world. May this bright Star now vouchsafe to extinguish that foul constellation whose battles have slain the people with the wound of death.

O most pious Star of the Sea, preserve us from pestilence; hear us, O Lady, for Thy Son honors Thee by denying Thee nothing. Save us, O Jesus, for whom Thy Virgin Mother supplicates Thee.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I wanted to keep you all updated about what is going on here at the church and to offer you some encouragement in this difficult time. Like last Sunday, we will have confessions in the church this Sunday (3/29) as well. Confessions will be heard from 10:00am to 11:00am. We will also have Adoration outside from 9:00am to 11:00am. The Blessed Sacrament will be placed on an altar under the canopy leading to the office chapel (at the far right when you come in down the driveway). You will be able to adore Our Lord from your car, or outside of your car if you keep a safe distance from others. We will have the Procession in Time of Epidemic and Plague at 11:00am. If the weather is not good it will have to take place inside the church, and unfortunately, that means that no one except for myself, my server and my two chanters will be permitted inside. Let's pray for good weather! I will be giving out hard copies of this centuries old prayer from the Roman Ritual to those who would like one.

The bulletin will be posted online each week (and I will put a copy of this message in the bulletin). As you can see in the bulletin, our contributions are down significantly. Please continue to support us in this difficult time, especially if your wages have been unaffected by the pandemic. For those whose income has been affected, even a small contribution is helpful. We will leave a basket at the altar rail for those coming to confession and we will come around to your cars with a basket before the procession. Contributions can also be mailed (thank you to all of those who have sent in envelopes). To all of my parishioners, please pray for our parish. We may not currently have public Masses, but we together are still the Church of God -The Body of Christ. We may be separated in space, but we are together in the Holy Spirit.

One may ask why it is that God has permitted such a pandemic to affect us. On the one hand, we have many people who are suffering and dying as a result of this pandemic, and then there is the shocking state of affairs where the public celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has ceased throughout much of Christendom. We must of course recognize the natural causes of such a pandemic, but we cannot help but note what Holy Scripture says about chastisement. Plagues have served as punishment for sin (e.g. Lev 26), including idolatry (e.g. Psalm 105(106):28-29). If anything good has come from this pandemic so far, it is that certain sins of deed have undoubtedly been reduced simply on account of being locked in our homes. And with the cessation of the public celebration of the Mass, I have no doubt that liturgical abuses and offenses against the Blessed Sacrament have declined sharply. Now then is a time when we as individuals and as families can offer up fervent prayers of reparation. Pray and make sacrifices for the conversion of sinners and for reparation for sin. Whether this pandemic is a purely natural phenomenon or not, we are most certainly being tested. Our faithfulness to Christ in this time provides great consolation to His Sacred Heart, wounded so sorely by the sins of men.

Know that all of you are in my prayers and that I remember you daily in the celebration of the Holy Mass. Please feel free to communicate with me by email at jclifton@archdpdx.org or by phone at 503-286-3929.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Clifton

Collections

Collection for Mar 22	\$785.00
Goal	\$2,283.00
Under	\$1,498.00
Maintenance	\$20.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass Readings for the Week - Novus Ordo
<http://www.usccb.org/bible/>

30 Mon: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Jn 8:1-11
 31 Tue: Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
 1 Wed: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42
 2 Thu: Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
 3 Fri: Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
 4 Sat: Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56
 5 Sun: Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

Mass Readings for the Week - Traditional Latin Mass
<http://www.extraordinaryform.org/>

30 Mon: Jonas 3:1-10; John 7:32-39
 31 Tue: Daniel 14:27-42; John 7:1-13
 1 Wed: Leviticus 19:1, 2; 11-19, 25; John 10:22-38
 2 Thu: Daniel 3:25, 34-45; Luke 7:36-50
 3 Fri: Jeremiah 17:13-18; John 11:47-54
 4 Sat: Jeremiah 18:18-23; John 12:10-36
 5 Sun: Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 26:36-75; 27:1-66