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**THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS**

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

On Wed., 6:00pm we'll meet in the Church for prayer and then move to the Hall for *Establishing a Personal Spiritual Game Plan*. Next week is the final week for this season of gatherings.

**INTERESTED IN MOM'S GROUP?**

Have you wanted to get involved? The next meeting is Wed., Apr. 22 9:30am in the Fireside Room with child care provided in Room 17. Would you like to receive emails about upcoming events? Please send us an email with you information and we can add you to our list. If you have changed you email address this would be a great time to send it our way. We are working on getting our lists updated. Thank you for your help. [moms@st-thomascamas.org](mailto:moms@st-thomascamas.org)



**MOM'S DAY MASS CARDS**

Cards are now available in the vestibule for you to have your mother remembered at the Masses on Mother's Day weekend.

**PERPETUAL ADORATION**

Immediate Openings— Sundays, 4:00-5:00pm, Mondays 2:00-3:00am, Saturdays, Midnight-1:00am, 1:00pm-2:00pm & 3:00-4:00pm we need some people to take an hour with our Lord and we have several times when just one person is signed up. If you can commit to an hour you will be welcomed. Call the office if you can fill a position, 834-2126 ext. 0. Copies of the adoration schedule are available in the chapel on the bulletin board.

**IN YOUR CHARITY**

Please pray for the souls of long time parishioner Leamon Turner, who was buried on Monday and Joe McKamey, brother of Terese Dayton who died on Apr. 10 and for the soul of Ray Hunt.

**CHILDREN'S PROGRAM**

**FAITH FORMATION**

We have two classes remaining, Apr. 22 & 29.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

**Important Dates for both Parents & Communicants:**

May 1, 7:00pm: Practice

May 2, 5:00pm: First Holy Communion Mass; pictures before Mass

**Parish Note:** First Holy Communion will be celebrated at only one Mass this year. With 50 children preparing for this holy sacrament, the 5:00pm will be quite full. Please be prepared for overflowing attendance at this Mass on May 2.

**SPECIAL NEEDS FAITH FORMATION**

This is a faith formation class designed for children with learning challenges. If you have any questions or have a child who may benefit from this ministry, please contact Kellie Hagen, 834-0393.

**GIRLS' CLUB**

The Girls' Club meeting on Apr. 20 has been canceled, due to several scheduling conflicts. We hope to have our planning meeting in early May - watch the bulletin and Summa for details. Also - there will be a Marian pilgrimage on May 2, at Mossyrock, WA. Again, watch for details.

**QUO VADIS DAYS 2009**

The Seventh Annual Three Day Vocation Camp will be held June 28-July 1 at Camp Don Bosco. Young men aged 13-18 are invited to come and spend time with other young men looking at the Lord's call in their life while having a great time. *Quo Vadis Days* is lead by priests and seminarians of the Archdiocese of Seattle. The cost of the camp is covered by the Serra Club and the Knights of Columbus and other generous donors. For more information, [qvdays.org](http://qvdays.org)

**YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

**SPRING ROPES COURSE RETREAT NEXT MONTH**

**MAY 1-3**

**CHAPERONES AND DRIVERS NEEDED!**

**YOUTH SCHEDULE:**

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP NEXT MEETING  
Wednesday, April 15

DEAD THEOLOGIANS SOCIETY (DTS) NEXT MEETING  
Wednesday April 15

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION NEXT MEETING  
Thursday April 16

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP NEXT MEETING  
Sunday April 19

## HE IS RISEN!

Jesus calls us, as His disciples, to a new way of life. He does not call us as a nameless people in a faceless crowd. He calls us individually, by name. It's personal. Each one of us has a personal vocation and God intends for each one of us to play a personal role in carrying out His divine plan. Stewardship is understanding and accepting our personal vocation and responding generously to this call from God.

## NOTICES / OUTREACH / ADS.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas are offering two \$750 scholarships to graduating high school seniors from our parish and/or Our Lady Star of the Sea in Stevenson. Application packets are available in the parish office, or from the scholarship counselor at Washougal High School or Camas High School. Deadline: May 15.

### CREATED IN HIS IMAGE"....

#### KEEP IN STEP BY JOINING THE WALK FOR LIFE!

Join your friends and neighbors for the annual Walk For Life on Sat., May 2, 9:00am at Louis Bloch Park. Walk the easy 1.5 miles and have loads of fun while raising funds for the Community Pregnancy Clinic of Camas/Washougal. The CPC provides alternatives to abortion and shares the love of Christ with women and teens unprepared for pregnancy. Call Jill Watts, 852-1689 for more information.

#### 4TH ANNUAL SPRING GALA & AUCTION

Please join Ecce Veritas Academy on the "Road to St. Paul" at their fourth annual Spring Gala and Auction to be held Fri., Apr. 24 in Rosary Hall, adjacent to Holy Rosary Parish in Northeast Portland. Savories, conviviality and silent auction begin at 5:30pm, with dinner at 7:00pm and live auction at 8:00pm. Tickets are \$50/person and \$90/couple - for more information, 503 233-4996 or visit

[www.eceveritas.com](http://www.eceveritas.com). Ecce Veritas Academy is in its fourth year of providing a classical education in the Catholic tradition to students in grades 7-12.

#### HOLY REDEEMER'S "GET IT BUILT" GARAGE SALE

On Apr. 24: 9:00-2:00pm and Apr. 25: 9:00-5:00pm 705 SE Parkcrest Ave. & Mill Plain Rd. Fasten your seat belts and get going! We are having a huge garage sale. Department Store Atmosphere with fantastic prices. Cash Only Please.

#### FAMILY PRAYER HOUR ON KBVM, 88.3 FM

Every evening, 7:00-8:00pm the hour will include the Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy and prayers for the faithful departed. New to the Prayer Hour is the Evening Review with a focus on spiritual exercises. Coming May 4-8, KBCM's Spring Sharathon.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### MEN'S RETREAT: MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The Men's Retreat will be Friday evening, Sunday, Apr. 24- 26 at Mount Angel Abbey in Mt. Angel Oregon. The theme for the retreat is "Man of God", with four main talks: "Jesus as the Model for the Man of God"; "The Man of God at Work and in Business"; "The Man of God in the Family"; and "The Man of God in Parish Life". The style of the retreat is "mixed"--there will be ample time for silence and prayer, as long as fellowship and conversation. Contact Justin, 907-9648 or [nouvelletheologie@hotmail.com](mailto:nouvelletheologie@hotmail.com). Registration forms are in the vestibule and parish office.

### MOTHER'S DAY TEA

The Catholic Daughters will be holding a Mothers' Day Tea on Sat., May 9. The tea will begin at noon, and the cost is \$15 per person. Tickets will be available for purchase starting Apr. 6. We will also be selling tickets following all masses beginning the weekend of Apr. 18-19. No tickets will be sold at the door so reserve your spot now. There will be wonderful tea foods, entertainment and door prizes. Proceeds will go toward our charitable projects. Just call Anne at 835-8220 to reserve your space.

### NEW BIBLE STUDY - GALATIANS

In celebration of the Year of St. Paul we will be studying the book of Galatians on Thursday mornings from 9:15-11:00am. This study will last approximately 5-6 weeks, and begins on Thu., May 21. There is a \$5 fee to help off set the cost of the material. Please RSVP if you plan on attending so that he knows how many books to purchase. Email is preferred: [nouvelletheologie@hotmail.com](mailto:nouvelletheologie@hotmail.com)

### LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

Mark your calendars now for May 22 & 23 so that you can attend our parish seminar that will help you to open up your life to the Holy Spirit.

### JOHN PAUL II CENTER FUNDRAISER

On Sat., Apr. 25, noon till 10:00pm come for the **Spring Bluegrass Fest** at the Papermaker Union Hall, 514 NE Dallas St., Camas. Join us for live bluegrass music (6 bands), dancing, BBQ, and beer on tap from Colorado microbrewery Oskar Blues. Have a great time for a great cause - putting CARE back into eldercare. Admission \$20.

#### Events this week at the JP II Center:

4/20 Volunteer Meeting, 7:00pm

4/21 Mad Hatters, 9:30am & AA Mtg., 8:00pm

4/25 Bluegrass Fest, noon-10:00pm

### OUR STEWARDSHIP RESPONSE-SUNDAY OFFERTORY

REPORTED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR WHICH RUNS FROM  
7/1/2008 THROUGH 6/30/2009

Actual Collection Easter Sunday	\$20,710
Budget Easter Sunday	\$19,762
Cumulative Difference (Actual vs. Budget) for 41 weeks	-\$39,926 -6.76%
Good Friday collection for the Holy Land	\$1,050

Catholic Daughters of the Americas  
Court St. Therese 1879  
present our *Mothers' Day Tea*:

**Saturday, May 9, 2009 @12:00 p.m.**

**\$15.00 per person**

**St. Thomas Parish Hall**

**Menu to Include:**

Chilled Baby Carrot-Orange Soup  
Cucumber-Radish Finger Sandwich  
Savory Ham with Apricot/Dijon Triangle  
Chocolate-Mint-Fudge Circle  
And Much More!

Vocal Entertainment by Jodie & Naomi Gilmore  
Door Prizes!



Call Anne at 835-8220 to purchase tickets. No tickets will be sold at the door!

## THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

### April 18 SATURDAY

5:00pm Mass for the intentions of Sam Angelo (Johnson)  
6:30pm Craft Night, Fireside Room

### April 19 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Coffee Hour is sponsored by Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Liturgy of the Hours—week 2

Old Testament: Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35

New Testament: 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel: John 20:19-31

8:00am Mass for the intentions of Joe & Lynn Blair (Johnson)  
9:30am Mass *Pro Populo*  
9:30am Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta Apostolate  
10:30am Good Shepherd, Room 11  
11:30am Mass for the soul of Paul Bourcier (Bourcier)  
1:00pm Baptism Preparation, Fireside Room  
1:30pm High School Faith Formation

### April 20 MONDAY (Fr. Belinsky's Birthday)

8:00am Liturgy of the Hours, Church  
8:30am Mass for Dominic Angelo (Johnson)  
9:10am Rosary  
No Girls' Club  
7:00pm Scouts, Hall

### April 21 TUESDAY

8:00am Liturgy of the Hours, Church  
8:30am Mind Mass for the soul of Joyce Ritter-Armstrong  
9:10am Rosary  
6:30pm Circle of Love Prayer Group, Fireside Room

### April 22 WEDNESDAY

7:00am Finance Council, Room 17  
8:00am Liturgy of the Hours, Church  
8:30am Mass for the intentions of Bob & Ann Angelo (Johnson)  
9:30am MOMs Fireside Room  
6:00pm Faith Formation, Church  
7:30pm St. Thomas Schola, Church  
7:30pm DTS, Youth Room  
7:30pm Adult Confirmation, Room 17

### April 23 THURSDAY

8:00am Liturgy of the Hours, Church  
8:30am Mass for the intentions of Hans S Davis (Myers)  
9:10am Rosary  
6:00pm RCIA Potluck, Fireside Room  
7:00pm Choir practice, Church  
7:00pm H.S. Confirmation, Youth Room  
7:00pm Pastoral Council, Fireside Room

### April 24 FRIDAY

8:00am Liturgy of the Hours, Church  
9:00am Church cleaners at work  
12:00pm Mass for the Aparicio Landaeta (Bernat)

### April 25 SATURDAY

9:00am Mass for the intentions of Catherine Stone (Stone)  
10:00am Confessions  
12:30pm Colbo - Patton Wedding  
3:30pm Confessions  
5:00pm Mass for the intentions of Leonard & Judy Johnson (Johnson)

### April 26 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Coffee Hour is sponsored by Boy's Club

Liturgy of the Hours—week 3

Old Testament: Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15, 17-19

New Testament: 1 John 2:1-5a

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

8:00am Fr. Gordon Mass  
9:30am Fr. Gordon Mass *Pro Populo*  
9:30am Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta Apostolate  
  
9:30am Good Shepherd Pentecost Celebration, Fireside Room  
11:30am Fr. Gordon Mass  
1:30pm High School Faith Formation

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 2 First Communion Mass, 5:00pm
- May 9 CDA Tea
- May 17 Confirmation Mass, 11:30am
- May 30 Boys' Vocation Dinner
- May 22-23 Life in the Spirit Seminar
- June 7 Baptism Preparation
- June 19-21 Summer Camp
- Aug. 16 Annual Parish Picnic

## "MUSIC NOTES"

I would like to extend a very big thank you to the choir! From Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday, they were here to sing 6 of those 8 days. They showed amazing dedication and endurance. Everyone who sang during the Easter vigil, came back the next morning to sing at one or more of the Masses on Easter Sunday as well. If you see a chorister, give them an Easter hug!

Yolanda Harrison and her decorating crew deserve a big thank you, too. They spent many hours preparing for Holy Week. The Palm arrangements were beautiful, as was the Altar of Repose. Fortunately, we will be able to enjoy the fruits of the Easter decorations for the next 7 weeks!

Thank you, to the altar servers and sacristans, too. They put in lots of extra hours preparing for this most holy time in our Church. They did a great job as always

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