

February 4, 2018 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Readings: Job 7:1-4, 6-7; I Cor. 9:16-19, 22-23;
Mk 1:29-39
Resp. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

Events for this week.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am to 9:00 pm in
the Adoration Chapel

Sun. 10 am: Mass
11 am: Coffee and Donuts
11 am: Religious Education/Youth Program

Mon. 7:35 am: Rosary
8 am: Mass

Tue. 7:35 am: Rosary
8 am: Mass
9 am: Book Study — *Rediscovering Jesus*

Wed. 7:35 am: Rosary
8 am: Mass
6:30 pm: Study — “Who Am I to Judge?”

Thur. 7:35 am: Rosary
8 am: Mass
9 am: Bible Study — Gospel of John

Fr. 6:30 pm: Dinner Theater

Sat. 4 pm: Confessions
5:30 pm: Vigil Mass
6:30 pm: Dinner Theater

Sun 10 am Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
11 am: Religious Education/Youth Program

Babysitting during 10:00 am Mass.
(in basement classroom under parish office).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THOSE THAT NEED OUR PRAYERS: Rita DuBernay, Mark Lowery, Susan Hoyt, David Walker, Rod Durham, Mary Fiorillo, Gayle Knight, Debbie Knight, Roxanne Gibson, Bill Brown, Ella Rogers, Valentino Ricciotti, Quenten Fabiano, Laurel Olmsted, Marie Hannah-Hamer, Laulima Lyman, Ruby Annalora, Cindy Hagness, Kay Frost, Louise Mitchell, Boomer Doell, Joseph Vaughan, Todd Wilson, Frank Elliott, Katie Sheere, Bob McBride, Kay Sheere, Bird Dobbins, Merrill Gorham, Correne Bonkowski, Maria Haney, Rita Ellison, Virginia Wimer, Anna Melba Astitas Aliaga, Denise McDaniel, Dave Fischer, Bob Hazlett, June Shira, Chelsea Tose, Ken Gannon, Penny Lane Forrest, Jody Schlieski Hanson. **To update this list, call or email the parish office.**

Coffee and Donuts after 10 am Mass

Thank you, Phil and Deloris Mendiguren, for making coffee and donuts available this week. Volunteers are needed for future weeks to make this opportunity for the parish family to come together available. Please sign up at the back of Church.

10th Annual Union County Walk for Warmth

Next weekend! Timed 10K runners register at 10 am. Timed 5K and walkers register at 10:30 at Union county Senior Center, 1504 Albany, La Grande. Free lunch beginning at 11:30 am. Music, silent auction, raffle, and special prizes. Forms and information available at unioncounty-w4w.wordpress.com or facebook.com/unioncountywalkforwarmth or call Sherry at 541-805-8823. Sacred Heart Catholic Church is one of the organizers!

Prayer Request Line

Please contact Mary Gover 963-3042
or Theresa Beery 963-2372.

Baptism

Preparation is required for parents. Please call the office for further information.

Marriage

Preparation and instruction classes at least 6 months before the wedding. Contact Fr. Saji at the parish office.

Communion to the Sick

If you know of anyone who is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact the parish office at 541-963-7341.

Website

www.olvcatholic.org

FORMED

Online resources to build your faith. Register for free at FORMED.ORG and enter parish code: **MAMWFF**

**Coming to a Parish Hall Near You:
A Tale of Two Star Treks: Boldly Going
Where No Dinner Theater Has Gone Before!**



Ticket No. 16

Saturday, February 10

6:30 — Social Hour with Appetizers & No Host Bar

Choice of Chicken Cordon Bleu or Prime Rib

Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church

Adult-only

Not attending would be illogical.

Last week to buy tickets!

By **special invitation from Starfleet Command**, beam aboard the Starship Enterprise for an evening of **fine food and fun with Captain James T. Kirk and Captain Jon-Luc Picard** and their crew. **The two crews are brought together by a merger of the time/space continuum and they will compete for the honor of piloting the next vessel in the Starship Fleet- the US Wallowa.** Unexpected visitors show up and mayhem and a mystery soon follow. **Can you solve the mystery?**

Join us **February 9 & 10** at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church for the 15th Annual **Dinner Theater!**

Tickets are \$35.00 per person for a **Prime Rib or Chicken Cordon Bleu** dinner/21+only event

6:30 pm: Social Time with No-Host Bar

7:00 pm: Dinner begins

Tickets are available for **sale in the parish office** or **online at <http://bit.do/2Treks>**. Call 541-963-7341 with questions.

The Dinner Theater Needs...

Please see the sign up sheets at the back of Church to donate food items or to volunteer to help at this important fundraiser for the parish.

Starting thinking of what you would like to donate to the rummage sale!

Household and garden items particularly appreciated. Donation accepted after the Dinner Theater.

Celebrating the Liturgical Year:

Faith and Culture Intersect

Valentine's Day is always a great day to stop and take stock of priorities: am I prioritizing my relationship with my spouse or special someone? Does the use of my time show that this person is important to me? How much do I expect them to understand as I spend my time elsewhere? Do I thank God for the blessing of this person in my life? What can I do to better love this person?

This year we are challenged to look at Valentine's Day in the context of it being the same day as Ash Wednesday. Here we can be called to ask ourselves other questions. Does my relationship with my spouse image the relationship between Christ and his Church as Ephesians 5 describes marriage? Do I share my faith life with my spouse? Do we pray together? What one thing could I do to strengthen the faith element of our marriage?

In facing the decision to celebrate what is considered a typical Valentine's Day date of dinner out, maybe with wine, and certainly chocolate, or respect the fast and abstinence on this first day of Lent, we have the opportunity to weigh what cultural expectations of marriage have crept into our thinking. Do we strive for every closer unity or do we settle in any way? Do we strive to be generous in our self-giving? Does the entertainment we share together reflect our faith? Does our faith have greater weight in our life than the culture?



In making the decision the Archdiocese of Chicago offered some thoughts: *This year, the largely secular celebration of Valentine's Day coincides with Ash Wednesday...Catholics throughout the Word recognize Ash Wednesday as the solemn beginning of a period of prayerful reflection and penance, as is evident by the large number of churchgoers on this day. In view of the significance of Ash Wednesday, the obligation of fast and abstinence must naturally be the priority in the Catholic community. Valentine's Day can appropriately be celebrated the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, which also happens to be Mardi Gras, a traditionally festive time before beginning our Lenten observance.*

Idea: Make the Dinner Theater your Valentine celebration. Good food and good entertainment for a good cause!

Get Formed: Thinking about Marriage

This is a great week to reflect on marriage and family. These are of vital importance to individuals, the Church, and society overall, but real effort and wisdom are indispensable to making them strong and lasting. In the audio **Love Unveiled**, Dr. Scott Hahn shares key principles that he has lived out in his own marriage and family life. His advice is practical, challenging, and sometimes requires sacrifice, but it is sure to bear good fruit and bring forth many blessings. Another audio resource is **What Every Couple Should Know About Marriage and Prayer**. Venerable Fulton Sheen considers: What is the secret of a successful marriage? How can couples deepen their commitment to one another in Christ? He asks you to consider the essential role that prayer must play in every marriage.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 10, 5:30 pm, Vigil Mass:

Lector: Janet McLaughlin

Altar Servers: Elphrine Yiftheg, Michael Yiftheg

Acolyte: TJ Yiftheg

Eucharistic Ministers: Kris Ann McDonald, Janis Bozarth

Sunday, February 11, 10:00 am, Mass:

Lector: Lyle Schwarz

Altar Servers: Michelle Silva, Stephanie Silva, Kris Lim

Acolyte: Dan Gonzalez

Eucharistic Ministers: Angie, Lakey-Campbell, Lucy Frederick, Efrain Villagomez, Lupe Villagomez

Wednesday, February 14, 8:00 am Mass:

Lector: Amanda Villagomez

Acolyte: John Herman

Eucharistic Ministers: Delia Jaramillo, Chuck Bieker

Wednesday, February 14, 7:00 pm, Mass:

Lector: Janet McLaughlin

Altar Servers: Alex Kehr, Ridge Kehr,

Acolyte: Jason Kehr, Dan Gonzalez

Eucharistic Ministers: Walt Beery, Kris Ann McDonald

All Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, and Altar Servers please meet in the sacristy 15 minutes before Mass begins.

Fulton Sheen on Adoration?

An adorer is still needed for the **10-11 am** hour on **Wednesdays**. Are you able to spend this time with Christ? Archbishop Fulton Sheen committed to a DAILY holy hour from the time he was ordained. Why? He gives the following reasons. First the Holy Hour is not a devotion; it is a sharing in the work of redemption. Christ asked for an hour of reparation to combat evil, an hour of union with the Cross to overcome the anti-love of sin. Secondly, he says, "the only time Our Lord asked the Apostles for anything was the night he went into his agony..." Third, "I keep up the holy hour to grow more and more into his likeness." He writes, "The Holy Hour. Is it difficult? Sometimes it seemed to be hard; it might mean having to forgo a social engagement, or rise an hour earlier, but on the whole it has never been a burden, only a joy. I do not mean to say that all the Holy Hours have been edifying...The purpose of the Holy Hour is to encourage deep personal encounter with Christ. For more see www.ignatiusinsight.com/features2005/fsheen_hourday_july05.asp

St. Francis de Sales once said, "Every one of us needs half an hour of prayer a day, except when we are busy – then we need an hour." Can you busy enough that you need this one hour a week with the Lord? Call Mary Calder to say yes or with any questions: 541-963-7906.

Community Help: Donations Unlimited

To donate household items, linens (including bedding of all sizes), and clothing (coats are needed!). Contact Linda Williams at 541-963-2282.

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Last Sunday's collection: \$2,063