July 24th, 2022 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

**Responsorial Psalm:** 138:1-2,2-3,6-7,7-8 "Lord, on the day

I called for help, you answered me".

Second Reading: St. Paul to the Colossians 2:12-14

**Gospel: Luke** 11:1-13

## **Events for This Week**

10:00am-Mass-17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sun:

Mon: 7:35am-Rosary 8:00am-Mass

9:00am-6:00pm - Adoration

Tue: 7:35am-Rosary

8:00am-Mass

Wed: 7:35am-Rosary

8:00am-Mass

Thurs: 7:35am-Rosary

8:00am-Mass

9:00am-Bible Study-Conference Room

Fri: 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Prayers

1:30 Rosary and 2:00 Mass for Tiffany Girrard Sat:

4:00pm-4:30pm-Confessions

5:30pm-Vigil Mass

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THOSE THAT NEED **YOUR PRAYERS:**

Bird Dobbins, Merrill & Kathy Gorham, Dave Fischer, Betty & Ken Gannon, Jody Schlieski Hanson, Phil Hansen, Bryan Lund, Carmen Lopez Sotelo, Andy Younggren, Deacon Caleb Cunningham, Parker McCauley, and ROS Virginia Wimer, Greg and Karen Peterson, Shari Entrikin, Jacob and Jaxson Rivera, Girrard Family.

To update this list, call or email the office.

# WELCOME

We extend a special welcome to those that are passing through, those that have made this their home and those still searching for their parish family. We are glad you are here cele-brating God's word and presence with us in today's Eucharistic Feast.

## From Today's Gospel Reading:

"When you pray, say:
Father, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread and forgive us our sins for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us, and do not subject us to the final test."

#### **Prayer Request Line**

Please contact Kathy McGee 541-663-1255 or Theresa Beery 541-963-2372.

#### **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 olvcatholic.formed.org Parish code: MAMWFF

### Confessions

Saturday 4:00 PM —4:30 PM or by appointment.
If you would like to schedule an

appointment, please call or email our Parish Office. Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. -Mat 11:28



Welcome, Fr. Bailey Clemens!
Fr. Bailey Clemens, from Burns, will be filling in at OLV from Saturday, July 22nd through Monday, August 19th. Fr. Clemens will be in La Grande most of the time and will be celebrating the 8:00am weekday Masses as well as the weekend Masses, but will return to Burns August 1st through 5th so there will be no weekday Masses that week.

Below is Father's schedule of Masses:

July 23-28: 7:35am Rosary, 8:00am Mass July 29: (Friday) DAY OFF

July 30-31: Sat. Confession & all weekend Masses

August 1-5: NO MASSES-Fr. Clemens will be in Burns August 6-7: Sat. Confession & all weekend Masses

August 8-11: 7:35am Rosary, 8:00am Mass August 12: (Friday) DAY OFF

August 13-14: Sat. Confession & all weekend Masses

August 15: (Monday) Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 7:35am Rosary, 8:00am Mass. Fr. Clemens returns to Burns

August 16-19: NO MASS

August 19: Fr. Saji returns

August 20-21: Sat. Confession & all weekend Masses Fr. Saji's last weekend at OLV

We thank Fr. Clemens for generously spending his time with us while Fr. Saji is on vacation.

If you would like to invite Fr. Clemens to a meal while he is in La Grande, please call the Office and you will be put in touch with him. Thank-you!

# Have You Signed-Up to Help at the Fair Booth Yet?

OLV will have our food booth again this year at the Union County Fair, August 3rd through 6th. Volunteer sign-up sheets, to work at the booth and for fruit and baked goods donations, will be available after each weekend Mass.

If you have any questions, feel free to call Dan & Judy Hagert at 541-690-7432.

Thank you in advance for your help and generosity.

Refreshed for Mission
Bishop Cary invites all parents, catechists, and parish leaders to come and be "Refreshed for Mission" at this year's Catechetical Symposium, August 5-7, at the Cascade View Retreat Center in Powell Butte. Visit DioceseofBaker.org, or call the parish office, for more details or to register.

El Obispo Cary invita a todos los padres, catequistas y líderes parroquiales venir y ser "Renovados para la Misión" en el Simposio Catequético de este año, del 5 al 7 de Agosto, en el Centro de Retiro Cascade View en Powell Butte.

Visite DioceseofBaker.org, o llame a la oficina parroquial, para más detalles o para registrarse.

Fr. Clemens' Vocation Story

I was raised on a ranch in Burns, Oregon. Ranch life proved to help me in my later years of priesthood, yet most important was my Catholic faith. My father and mother always kept the four children committed to Mass and the Sacraments.

After graduating from Burns Union High, I attended Ron Bailie School of Broadcasting in Portland and became a disc jockey for radio. I worked in radio for some years and later in retail for a large sporting goods store in Phoenix, Arizona. I also worked for MCI in sales.

After some time in the business world, I accepted an invitation to join my aunt who was a missionary sister in Uganda, Eást Africa. My younger sister and I left October 1986 for two years of missionary work. It was near the end of my stay in Uganda that I received my calling to be a priest.

One day as I was traveling to Kampala to buy food and medical supplies, I was stopped at a roadblock. On this day a young man asked for a ride. I usually hesitated because cars were often hi-jacked. I took a risk and took him to the next town. As we were driving through the savannah, he asked if I would baptize him. I said, "I am not a priest." He did not understand. Somehow, I had remembered that we are all called to baptize if a person is in danger of death and there is no priest available. He was going to the front lines of the war the next day. I remembered the words of the baptismal rite and took my drinking water out as we stopped under an acacia tree. I remembered hearing the sound of mourning doves at a distance. The young man (Thomas) came around the vehicle and took off his hat.

I slowly poured the water over his head and recited the words, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." I heard a voice, "priest." I knew from that day on that I was to become a priest.

When I returned to the United States in September of 1988, I began my undergraduate work in philosophy at Saint Edwards University in Austin, Texas. I lived in a discernment house of study for religious life. I later be-

## Weekend of July 30th & 31st, 2022

## Saturday, July 30th at 5:30 PM

Acolyte: TJ Yiftheg

Lector: Lindsey Martin-Bowen

Server: Clinton Tarvin & Michael Yiftheg

#### Sunday, July 31st, at 10:00 AM

Acolyte: Jason Kehr Lector: Lyle Schwarz

Server: Ridge Kehr & Kris Lim

## Weekend of August 6th & 7th, 2022

### Saturday, August 6th, at 5:30 PM

Acolyte: Jimmy Zamora Lector: John Bozarth

Server: Clinton Tarvin & Michael Yiftheg

## Sunday, August 7th, at 10:00 AM

Acolyte: Jason Kehr Lector: Lyle Schwarz

Server: Ridge Kehr & Kris Lim

lieved I was called to the Diocesan priesthood. After spending some time in Peoria, Illinois, I joined their Diocese and began seminary the fall of 1993 at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmittsburg, Maryland. My time at the seminary was a great adventure. It was always filled with excitement for I had discovered God's will---to adore, to study, to recreate, to do pastoral work and to become a priest.

I was ordained a priest by Bishop John Myers on May 23, 1998, the Year of the Holy Spirit. I spent seven years in the Diocese of Peoria before God called me home to Eastern Oregon. Bishop Vasa welcomed me with an assignment as Pastor of St. Mary's in Pendleton. It was the fourth Marian parish of the five of my priestly ministry.

Currently retired, I thank the Lord and Our Blessed Mother for my years as a Diocesan priest and would ask that you continue to pray for me on my journey.



# Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of Tiffany Girrard and her family.

Tiffany's funeral will be Saturday, July 30th, Starting with a rosary at 1:30 pm followed by The Funeral Mass at 2:00



WEEKLY COLLECTION NEEDED TO MEET BUDGET: \$3.400.00

> The collection amounts for July 16/17 Will be available next week. Thank you for your patience.