



COLUMBIA RIVER CATHOLIC

HOLY REDEEMER | ST. THOMAS AQUINAS | OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

August 3, 2025

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME!

Welcome to Columbia River Catholic where we Glorify God and Sanctify Souls. We hope you will join us in our pursuit of an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ. We would love to have you register in one of our three faith communities that can be found at the bottom of this page. If you are not already a Catholic Christian, or you are but have been away from the Church for a while, we'd love to help you become a Catholic or return to the fold. Again, just contact one of the communities at the bottom of this page to start or resume your journey.

Enjoy this bulletin. We hope that you will take the time to read through it as it contains important information about our faith and opportunities to grow in it, as well as opportunities to journey together in this Catholic community.

CLERGY

- Fr. Thomas Nathe, Pastor
- Fr. Bala Nagineni, Vicar
- Fr. Clifford Martin, Retired Priest
- Holy Cross Priests
- Deacon Scott Aikin



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Masses | Confessions | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Holy Redeemer Parish, Vancouver

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
8/04	8/05	8/06	8/07	8/08	8/09	8/10
Mass 8:30am	Mass 8:30am	Mass 8:30am	Mass 8:30am Funeral Mass Damon Schleichert 11am	Mass 8:30am 23 hr. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00am Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3:00pm Confessions 3:30-5:00pm	Mass 8:30am Confessions 9:15am-10:30am 2:30-4:15pm Mass 4:30pm	Confessions 7:30-8:15am 10:00-10:45am Mass 8:30am 11:00am

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, Camas - Updated

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
8/04	8/05	8/06	8/07	8/08	8/09	8/10
		Confessions 5:00-5:45pm Mass 6:00pm	Mass 6:00pm	Mass 6:00pm	Confessions 4:00-4:45pm Mass 5:00pm	Confessions 7:30am - 8:15am Mass 8:30am

Our Lady Star of the Sea Mission, Stevenson - Updated

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
8/04	8/05	8/06	8/07	8/08	8/09	8/10
		Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary 6:00pm-7:00pm				Confessions 10:45-11:15am Mass 11:30am

Open to exploring or learning more about the Catholic Faith?

Considering joining the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults or OCIA.

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults, or OCIA is a formal process of communal initiation of new members into the Catholic Church, as well as a welcome back program for returning Catholics, and further instruction for practicing Catholics who want to know more about the beauty of our faith. Please reach out to us, we want to help!

Holy Redeemer and St. Thomas Aquinas Parishes—Contact Mark MacKenzie at markm@holyredeemervanc.org
Our Lady, Star of the Sea Mission, in Stevenson—Contact Abby Coates at abby@stthomascamas.org

The Story of Fatima - Part Four of Four

Jesus Christ: Yesterday, Today, and Forever ~



Greetings in the Lord.

This week we finish our four-part synopsis of the events of Fatima. If you missed any of the first three parts, please go on-line to the Holy Redeemer website at www.holyredeemervan.org and click on the pastor's column tab on the right side of the page. The following account of the Story of Fatima is based on the booklet, "*Lucia Speaks – The Message of Fatima*," – a condensed version of *Sister Lucia's Memoirs* – published by The World Apostolate of Fatima-USA: and can be found

at <https://wafusa.org/the-story-of-fatima>. I have added some further insights in brackets. Enjoy.

With Our Blessed Mother's Love,

Fr. Thomas Nathe

The Great Miracle Our Lady Had Predicted

The greatest miracle to occur since the Resurrection is also the only miracle ever precisely predicted as to date, time of day and location. Although it is popularly known as "*The Miracle of the Sun*" and October 13, 1917 has come to be known as "*The Day the Sun Danced*," a great deal more took place. The solar phenomena included the dancing of the sun, its fluctuations in color, its swirling and its descending toward the earth. There were also the stillness in the leaves of the trees in spite of howling winds, the complete drying of the rain-soaked ground, and the restoration of clothes all wet and covered with mud so that, as eye-witness Dominic Reis put it, "they looked as though they had just come back from the cleaners." Physical cures of the blind and the lame were reported. The countless unreserved public confessions of sin and commitments to conversion of life attest to the authenticity of what they saw.

The miracle is reported to have been seen from as far as 15-25 miles away, thus ruling out the possibility of any type of collective hallucination or mass hypnotism. Doubters and skeptics had become believers. Even *O Seculo's* chief editor,

Avelino de Almeida, who had written satirically before, now reported affirmatively, and stood by his story later on in spite of harsh criticism.

The Deaths of Francisco, Jacinta, and Lucia

An influenza epidemic swept Europe in autumn of 1918 just as the war was finishing, and both Jacinta and Francisco fell ill. Francisco recovered somewhat and there were hopes that he might become well, but he realized that he was destined to die young as Our Lady had foretold, and his condition worsened again. He offered up all his sufferings as a way of consoling God for the sinfulness and ingratitude of mankind and in supplication for the conversion of sinners. He became so weak that eventually he could not even pray. He received his first Holy Communion and on the next day, April 4, 1919, he died.

Jacinta too was confined to her bed during the long winter months, and although she recovered was struck down with bronchial pneumonia, while also developing a painful abscess in her chest. She was moved to the hospital in Ourem in July 1919 where she underwent the painful treatment prescribed for her but without much effect. She returned home in August with an open wound in her side. It was decided that another attempt should be made to treat her, and so in January 1920 she was taken to Lisbon, where she was diagnosed as having purulent pleurisy and diseased ribs.

Eventually in February she was admitted into the hospital, where she underwent another painful operation to remove two ribs. This left her with a large wound in her side that had to be dressed daily causing her great agony. On the evening of February 20, 1920 the local priest was called and heard her Confession, but he insisted on waiting till the next day to bring her Holy Communion despite her protests that she felt worse. As Mary had foretold she died that night alone and far from her family. Her body was returned to Fatima and buried with that of Francisco until both were later moved to the Basilica built at the Cova da Iria.

Later Apparitions to Sr. Lucia

The new bishop of the restored diocese of Leiria decided that it was best if Lucia was removed from Fatima, both to spare her from the continual questionings she had to endure, and to see what affect her absence would have on the numbers coming as pilgrims. Her mother agreed to her being sent away to school, and she left in May 1921 in great secrecy for Porto, where a school run by the sisters of St. Dorothy was situated. She became a sister in this congregation and later in life joined the Carmelites.

On December 10, 1925, while at the Dorothean Convent in Pontevedra, Spain, Lucia had another apparition of the Blessed Mother, this time with the Child Jesus. She had returned to ask for the Communions of Reparation we now call *First Saturday Devotions*, as she said she would during her July 13 apparition at Fatima. Mary told Lucia to announce that she promised to provide, at the hour of death, the graces necessary for salvation to those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, confessed, received Holy Communion, recited five decades of the rosary, and kept her company while meditating on the mysteries of the rosary for fifteen minutes, all with the intention of making reparation to her.

On June 13, 1929, Our Lady returned again as Sr. Lucia was at prayer in the convent chapel at Tuy, Spain. This time she appeared alongside a representation of the Holy Trinity. Mary spoke to her saying: "The moment has come in which God asks the Holy Father, in union with all the bishops of the world, to make the consecration of Russia, promising to save it by this means..."

On January 25, 1938, a strange light filled the skies of northern Europe. It was described as a particularly brilliant display of the Aurora Borealis, but Sr. Lucia realized it was the "unknown light," spoken of by Mary during the July 13, 1917 apparition. It meant punishment for the world was close, principally through the Second World War, because it had not turned back to God.

The Bishop Approves of Fatima

The Church, meanwhile, had maintained silence about the apparitions during the years from 1917. It wasn't until May 1922 that Bishop Correia issued a pastoral letter on the subject indicating that he would set up a commission of inquiry. In 1930 he issued another pastoral letter on the apparitions, which after recounting the events at Fatima, contained the following brief but important statement:

"In virtue of considerations made known, and others which for reasons of brevity we omit; humbly invoking the Divine Spirit and placing ourselves under the protection of the most Holy Virgin, and after hearing the opinions of our Rev. Advisers in this diocese, we hereby: 1. Declare worthy of belief, the visions of the shepherd children in the Cova da Iria, parish of Fatima, in this diocese, from the 13th May to 13th October, 1917. 2. Permit officially the cult of Our Lady of Fatima."

Russia Consecrated – First Saturday Devotion Still Not Promulgated

While Pope Pius XII twice (1942,1952) and Pope John Paul II once (1984), tried to consecrate Russia to Mary's Immaculate Heart, yet none of them fulfilled Mary's request at Fatima.

They either did not mention Russia by name or were not done with a "moral totality" of the world's bishops. Not until 2022 did Pope Francis finally carry out the Blessed Virgin Mary's wishes to consecrate Russia (by name) to her Immaculate Heart with a majority of the world's bishops joining him. We still await a Pope that will fulfill the second part of Mary's plea, the promulgation of the First Saturday Devotion.

The Third Secret of Fatima

During the beatification ceremonies of Jacinta and Francisco in the year 2000, the details of the third part of the Fatima secret were revealed, and the third millennium was entrusted to Our Lady of Fatima. [Whether all the contents of the 3rd secret were revealed at that time is debated, intentionally or not, some claim that a part of the 3rd secret was not revealed.] Here is what was revealed of *The Third Secret* of Fatima (in Lucia's words):

"After the two parts which I have already explained, at the left of Our Lady and a little above, we saw an Angel with a flaming sword in his left hand; flashing, it gave out flames that looked as though they would set the world on fire; but they died out in contact with the splendor that Our Lady radiated towards him from her right hand: pointing to the earth with his right hand, the Angel cried out in a loud voice: 'Penance, Penance, Penance!' And we saw in an immense light that is God: 'something similar to how people appear in a mirror when they pass in front of it' a Bishop dressed in White 'we had the impression that it was the Holy Father'. Other Bishops, Priests, Religious men and women going up a steep mountain, at the top of which there was a big Cross of rough-hewn trunks as of a cork-tree with the bark; before reaching there the Holy Father passed through a big city half in ruins and half trembling with halting step, afflicted with pain and sorrow, he prayed for the souls of the corpses he met on his way; having reached the top of the mountain, on his knees at the foot of the big Cross he was killed by a group of soldiers who fired bullets and arrows at him, and in the same way there died one after another the other Bishops, Priests, Religious men and women, and various lay people of different ranks and positions. Beneath the two arms of the Cross there were two Angels each with a crystal aspersorium [sprinkler] in his hand, in which they gathered up the blood of the Martyrs and with it sprinkled the souls that were making their way to God."^[56]

Canonizations

On May 13, 2017, Francisco and Jacinta were canonized by Pope Francis and declared saints. They are the youngest saints to be declared by the Church who did not die as martyrs. Lucia died in 2005 at the age of 97, 86 years after Francisco and Jacinta passed away. Her cause for canonization is well underway.

Catholic School Options

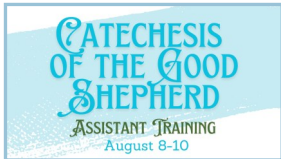
Columbia River Catholic Parish Family provides per-pupil assistance for active parishioners who enroll their children in grades K-8 at local Catholic Schools. This allows families to receive discounted tuition rates.

- Columbia River Catholic Preschool & Kindergarten
Kindergarten begins Aug. 25; Preschool begins Sep. 2
lauren@stthomascamas.org
- Regina Caeli Academy Homeschool Hybrid, Pre-K - HS
Classes begin Aug. 18
admissions@rcahybrid.org
- Our Lady of Lourdes School Pre-K—8th Grade
www.lourdesvan.org
- St. Joseph Catholic School Pre-K—8th Grade
www.stjoevanschool.org/
- Seton Catholic College Prep High School
<https://www.setonhigh.org/>

Columbia River Catholic Faith Formation Classes 2025-2026 Enrollment is NOW OPEN!

PreK - 12th Grade Faith Formation and Sacraments are now open for all three Columbia River Catholic Parish locations. See the insert in this week's bulletin for details and information on "how to enroll."

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Assistant Training August 8-10



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is coming to Columbia River Catholics at both St. Thomas Aquinas and Holy Redeemer this fall. We are now seeking Assistant CGS Catechists for the

program to attend a three-day training to be held August 8, 9, and 10 (9:00am-3:00pm) at St. Thomas Aquinas.

This free training will introduce CGS and the basic principles of this acclaimed method. Come learn about the developmental and spiritual characteristics of 3 to 6 year olds and how the "atrium" is a different kind of space where the child is invited to listen to the Good News and respond according to their own rhythm and pace. To learn more, contact Amy Parent at amy@stthomascamas.org and visit stthomascamas.org/cgs.

Women Growing in Faith | August 9

All women are invited to the next Women Growing in Faith meeting on Saturday August 9th. This month's special guest



speakers are Sister Anne Marie Warren and Sister Agnes Clare Navarra from Our Lady of Peace Retreat House in Beaverton. They are coming to present "Retreat ~ A Spiritual Spa for the Soul." Women Growing in Faith meet after

the Saturday 8:30am Mass in the Parish Center for light hospitality, prayer, inspiration and fellowship.

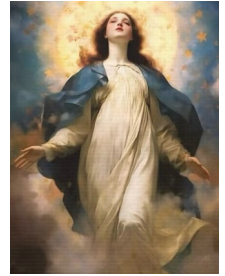
Solemnity of The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary Friday, August 15

Holy Day of Obligation Mass Times:

Holy Redeemer: 8:30am, 11am, and 7pm

St. Thomas Aquinas: 8:30am and 6pm

Our Lady Star of the Sea: 12pm



Prepares "Play With Love" Playgroup

Do you have a love for children? The Columbia River Catholic PREPARES group is starting a "Play With Love" parent-child interactive play group at Holy Redeemer beginning in October 2025. Do you have a talent to share or a desire to help? We are recruiting adults who are interested in assisting group leaders with art projects, story time, or play time, etc. If you are interested in learning more about this play group, please contact Nealane Riem and Kathy Cannon at prepares@hrvan.org.

Come and Magnify

Women's Retreat at Our Lady of Lourdes

September 20 | 9am-4pm

Our Lady of Lourdes is hosting a fall Women's Retreat on Saturday, September 20th. The featured speaker will be Deanna Bartolini, M.Ed; MPA. The fee is \$60 per attended. To learn more or register, see the parish website

at <https://ollparish.org/comandmagnify/> or click the QR Code.



Support Right to Life! | Two Opportunities!

Aug 1-10: Clark County Right to Life Booth

Volunteers are needed to staff the Right to Life exhibit at the Clark County Fair this August 1-10. For more details, contact Gerry Parmantier by text or email: gerry1968@q.com or 360-831-7542 More details are available on the Fair Exhibit page at <https://clarkrtl.org/home.aspx>.

Aug 13-16: Our Lady Star of the Sea Choose Life Booth

Our Lady Star of the Sea will be at the Skamania County Fair August 13-16 from noon-8pm every day with the Choose Life Booth. Sign up is in the social hall at Our Lady Star of the Sea, or contact Abby Coates at 509-427-8478 or email abby@stthomascamas.org.

Mark Your Calendars! CRC Summer Events

Open to All Columbia River Catholic Families

Aug 11-15	Vacation Bible School (PreK-5) at St. Thomas
Aug 14	Movie Night on the Field at St. Thomas
Aug 15	Assumption of the BVM (Holy Day of Obligation)
Aug 24	Holy Redeemer Parish Picnic

Holy Redeemer Parish, Vancouver



Holy Redeemer Church

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Phone: 360-885-7780

Email: office@holyredeemervan.org

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Daily Mass Intentions

8/04 Pabloa Bidon
8/05 Nicole Scofield
8/06 Nancy Patton Hanielt
8/07 The Aldrich Family
8/08 The Fitzner Family
8/09 The Nicholson Family

Prayer Requests

Erik Benavente†, Giselle M. Brakevillet†, Charlotte Braden, Dee Dee Braunstein†, Sherry Callaghan, Greg Cruz, Dee Dettling†, Lynn Florentino†, Carol Greenet†, Dorothy Gutierrez †, Ed Gillis, Wendy Karls, Diane Helley†, Ron Hurst, Irma Herrera, Jamie Kohlert†, Diane McCloud, Darlene Neale, Carol Patrick, Ron Prill, Mary Pulczynski†, Sam Rossont†, Damon Schleichert†, Ivana Tarabochia, Jim William†, Dawna Wilson†, Angela Maria Weinmuller, Elizabeth Wolf

Thank you for your generosity!

Contributions	7/20-7/26
Stewardship	\$ 23,970
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 2,279

Special This Week

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Empty Nesters Hiking | August 4

Empty Nester Hiking Creaky Knees Club will be hiking Falls Creek Falls via Falls Creek Loop Monday August 4, 2025. The group will meet at Holy Redeemer's west parking lot and car pool leaving promptly at 9:30AM. Bring a sack lunch, we will be eating on the trail. We will be hiking rain or shine, umbrellas are okay. Please call Bill Daudistel to RSVP, or for more information, at 360-882-8371.

Annual Parish Picnic | August 24

The Annual Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, August 24th. This year we will be celebrating 25 years as a parish! The event will feature BBQ and all parish potluck, bounce house, raffle, games, BINGO and more. Check out the parish website holyredeemervan.org for the picnic schedule for the day and potluck and volunteer sign-ups.

Coming Up

Aug 3-8 Fraternus Excursion
Aug 9 Women Growing in Faith
Aug 12 Direction of Our Times Lay Apostles
Aug 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Day of Obligation
Aug 18 Millions of Monicas
Aug 20 Healing of Families Prayer Service
Aug 24 Holy Redeemer Annual Parish Picnic
Aug 26 Holy Face of Jesus Devotion

Recurring Meetings

American Heritage Girls: Mondays 4:30pm | Resumes in September
Bible Study with Littles: Tuesdays 9:30am | Resumes in fall
Cenacle of St. Joseph, Wednesdays (monthly) 3:00pm | August 20
Choir, Children & Youth: Wednesdays 5:00pm | Resumes in August
Choir, Adult: Thursdays 7:00pm | Resumes in August
Direction of Our Times Lay Apostles: 2nd Tuesday (monthly): August 12
Fidelis and Fraternus: Wednesdays 6:00pm | Resumes in fall
Holy Face of Jesus Devotion: 4th Tuesdays 9:15am | Aug 26
Homeschool Co-Op: Fridays 10:30am | Resumes in fall
MMP Cenacle: Mondays 9:15 am | Aug 4, Aug 11
MMP Cenacle: Thursdays 9:15am | Aug 7, Aug 14
MMP Cenacle: Saturdays 9:15am | Aug 9, Aug 16
OCIA: Tuesdays 6:00pm | Aug 5, Aug 12
Spanish Endow: Mondays 5:00pm | Resumes in fall
Trail Life USA, Mondays 6:30pm | Resumes in September
Young Adult Bible Study: Friday 6:30pm | Aug 8, Aug 15

Holy Redeemer Faith Formation

For a complete listing of opportunities and upcoming events, visit holyredeemervan.org or call the parish office M-F 9am-4pm.



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A Ministry by Women for Women
August 9

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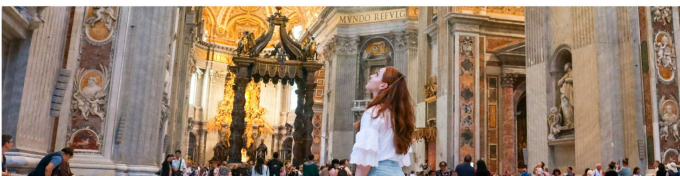
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Prayer, Inspiration, Hospitality and Fellowship
Join Us ~ No RSVP needed

For program details please visit
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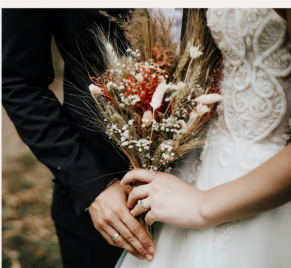


Adult SACRAMENTS



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

Are you curious about the Catholic faith and would like to know more? Or are you an adult baptized Catholic who needs confirmation and First Communion? Join OCIA, which meets most Tuesdays from 6-8pm. Contact Mark at markm@holyredeemervanc.org for more information.



Marriage Preparation

Are you a baptized Catholic looking to be married in the Catholic Church? Were you married civilly and wish to validate your marriage? Contact Mark MacKenzie at markm@holyredeemervanc.org.



For More Information Visit
www.millionsofmonicas.com

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One Hour
One Purpose
Our Children

MONDAYS

6-7 PM

HOLY REDEEMER

BEGINNING: AUGUST 18, 2025

Join with other mothers as we pray to grow in holiness and humility
and for our children's faithful return to the Catholic Church

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9am-4pm Monday -Thursday

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Daily Mass intentions

8/6 John Myerst† and Blaine Mulder

8/7 Robert Donald Ohm†

8/8 Al Trautman†

8/9 Gail Murphy (healing)

Prayer Requests

Agnes Ashcroft†, Padre Pio's intercession for Emily O'Neil, Isabella Twyman and Ivary Wines (their recent birthday), all job seekers, Judy Goode, Laura Blömer, Sherry Pace, Reni Hendra, Kellie Hagan, José Thomas, Debbie Chase, Susan Schneider, Brigit Valencia, Ruben, and please continue to pray for all those on the prayer chain.

Send new prayer requests to:

stthomasprayers@stthomascamas.org

Thank you for your generosity!	
Contributions	7/20-7/26
Stewardship	\$ 9,562
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 75

Special This Week

Grief Support

Monday, August 4th, 10:00am, Parish Office

If you or someone you know could benefit from our grief support group, please join us this month. Contact Ginger at g.s.lowery@gmail.com.

Parish Playgroup

Tuesday, August 5th, 10:00am-11:30am, Aquinas Center Room 1

Connecting families with young children in a wholesome environment for fellowship and support through play, crafts, music, and more. Meetings every 1st and 3rd Tuesday. Contact erin@stthomascamas.org.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Assistant Training

Friday, Saturday, & Sunday, August 8-10, 9am - 3pm, Fireside Room

Three days of introduction to the acclaimed Montessori-based Catechesis of the Good Shepherd method for sharing the Faith with young learners. We need your help to expand CGS at St. Thomas and at Holy Redeemer. See the ad on the next page. To learn more, go to www.stthomascamas.org/cgs or contact Amy Parent at amy@stthomascamas.org.

Last Week to Register for Vacation Bible School at St. Thomas!

VBS: Monday - Friday, August 11-15, 9am - 12pm, Fireside Room

Use the QR code on the next page to register for this fun week of learning.

Coming Up

Aug 11-15 Vacation Bible School (PreK-5) at St. Thomas

Aug 14 Movies on the Field at St. Thomas

Aug 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Day of Obligation

- Holy Day Masses at St. Thomas: 8:30am and 6:00pm

Aug 18 Regina Caeli Academy First Day of Class

Aug 24 Holy Redeemer Parish Picnic

Aug 25 CRC Kindergarten First Day of Class

Sep 2 CRC Preschool First Day of Class

Recurring Meetings

Aquinas Guild: 1st Wednesdays 9am fireside (not Jun-Jul) | Aug 6, Sep 3

Catholic Daughters: 1st Mondays 6pm fireside (not Jul-Aug) | Sep 8, Oct 6

Cor Men's Group: 3rd Saturdays 8:00am (not summer) | Sep 20, Oct 18

Discipleship Gathering: 4th Tuesdays 7pm church | Aug 26, Sep 23

Drama Group: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 5:30pm fireside | Aug 12, Aug 26

Faith Formation (PreK-12): Sundays 9:45am AC | Sep 14, Sep 21

Faith & Family Parent Meeting: 3rd Sundays 9:45am fireside | Sep 14

Grief Support: 1st Mondays 10:00am Parish Office | Aug 4, Sep 8

Knights of Columbus: 1st Wednesdays 7pm fireside | Aug 6, Sep 3

OCIA (Christian Initiation): Tuesdays 6pm Holy Redeemer | Aug 5, Aug 12

Parish Playgroup: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 10am AC | Aug 5, Aug 19

Parish Potluck: 3rd Thursdays 5pm hall (except summer) | Sep 18, Oct 16

Prayer Shawl Ministry: (usually) 1st Saturdays 9:30am | Aug 9, Sep 6, Oct 4

St. Vincent de Paul: 1st Wednesdays 1pm fireside | Aug 6, Sep 3

Youth Group Socials: monthly weekends 6pm (except summer) | TBD Sep

St. Thomas Aquinas Evangelization

For a complete listing of opportunities and upcoming events, visit stthomascamas.org and read the weekly email from the parish office (contact office@stthomascamas.org to subscribe). See below for a summary:

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Wednesday, August 20, during 6pm Mass

Our quarterly celebration of the Anointing of the Sick is not just for those in danger of death but for all who need healing from illness, injury, surgery, or advancing years.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

ASSISTANT TRAINING

We are excited to offer Catechesis of the Good Shepherd at both St. Thomas Aquinas and Holy Redeemer this fall. This free assistant training will introduce the basic principles of this acclaimed method. Come learn how the "atrium," the prepared space, can be a different kind of class where the child is invited to listen to the Good News and respond according to their own rhythm and pace.

TOPICS WE WILL COVER

- FREEDOM AND DISCIPLINE
- CHILD DEVELOPMENT
- SCRIPTURE
- LITURGY
- PRACTICAL LIFE
- ART AS PRAYER

Join us August 8, 9, & 10 for three days of introduction to the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd method. Learn about the developmental and spiritual characteristics of the 3 to 6 year old child.

For more information contact amy@stthomascamas.org

All elementary children are invited

Let's walk with JESUS

Vacation Bible School



August 11 - 15, 2025
from 9:00-12:00 pm
ST. THOMAS AQUINAS
Register now using the QR code

\$ Cost: \$20 per child (Scholarships available) ☀️ Donations are welcome and appreciated!



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Registration for 2025-2026 is OPEN!

Pre-K 3 --- Pre-K 4 --- Kindergarten

Please visit our website to fill out interest form

Decision Time, Parents! Classes begin soon:

- Kindergarten begins Monday, Aug 25th
- Preschool for 3 & 4 year olds begins Tuesday, Sep 2nd

Our Lady Star of the Sea Mission, Stevenson



Our Lady Star of the Sea

Webpage: stthomascamas.org/our-lady-star-of-the-sea

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Sunday Mass Intention

8/3 *Pro Populo*

Prayer Requests

Javier (recovery), Leif Waters (healing), Clancy (motorcycle accident), Sue Kehoe†, Debra Ann Moyert†, Fr. Peter (healing & recovery), Chris Knudstrup (cancer), James (spinal degeneration), Susan Schneider (health), Denise Melton (cancer), and please continue to pray for all those on the parish prayer chain.

Send prayer requests to:
Abby Coates 509-427-0010

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Special This Week

July, Month of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus

"I adore You, O Precious Blood of Jesus, flower of creation, fruit of virginity, ineffable instrument of the Holy Spirit, and I rejoice at the thought that You came from the drop of virginal blood on which eternal Love impressed its movement; You were assumed by the Word and deified in His person. I am overcome with emotion when I think of Your passing from the Blessed Virgin's heart into the heart of the Word, and, being vivified by the breath of the Divinity, becoming adorable because You became the Blood of God."

~St Albert the Great (1200-1280)

Grateful For All the Volunteers

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you. Our parish simply wouldn't function without your time, energy, and unwavering dedication. Whether you serve behind the scenes or out in front, your commitment to our mission, your generosity, and your willingness to help in both big and small ways make a profound difference. We love our brothers and sisters in Christ!

Our Lady Star of the Sea – Choose Life Booth

August 13-16 at the Skamania County Fair

Sign-up sheet will be passed around during social hall. They are for 2-hour slots. If you can do more than 1 slot, please do. The first 25 people to sign up will receive an Our Lady Star of the Sea t-shirt (S-XL)! If you feel called to stand up for the voiceless and promote our Catholic Faith, the Skamania Co. Fair booth is calling you to volunteer. It is a beautiful way to show your love for Jesus and our compassion for those in a crisis pregnancy while standing with fellow Catholics against the evil of abortion. We will be down at the fairgrounds every day from noon- 8pm. We also need help setting up and tearing down. This takes a village, and your help is appreciated. Sign up is on the Narthex table. Please grab a friend and sign up!

Our Very Own Geb Galle, Pearl Harbor Survivor, turned 104 July 20th

Geb served on the battleship USS Nevada during the attack on Pearl Harbor and later saved four sailors from a sinking ship. According to *Task and Purpose*, Geb just received a letter from the top Navy admiral for his birthday. Read more about Geb's adventures: <https://taskandpurpose.com/news/navy-pearl-harbor-veteran/> Happy Birthday Geb!!



Coming Up

Aug 11-15 Vacation Bible School (PreK-5) at St. Thomas
Aug 13-16 Star of the Sea Choose Life Booth at Skamania County Fair
Aug 15 OL Star of the Sea Holy Day Mass for The Assumption at 12pm

Minister Schedule

Celebrant:
Sacristan:
EMHC (cups):
Lector:
Ushers:
Counters:
Coffee Hosts:

Sunday, Aug 3

Fr. Nathe
Chris C.
Monica & Joe
Tom P.
Gina & Laura
Greg & Ed
Dale, Peggy, John, Kitty

Sunday, Aug 10

Fr. Bala
Dick A.
Dick & Chris C.
Mike L.
Mike & Debby L.
Cheryl & Salvie
Tim, Kaeli, Lexi, & Leons

Contact Information



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- Holy Redeemer Parish | 360-885-7780
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- St Thomas Aquinas Parish | 360-834-2126
Monday-Thursday: 9am-4pm
- Our Lady Star of the Sea Mission | 509-427-8478
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Fr. Bala Nagineni, Vicar
Fr. Clifford Martin, Retired Priest
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BECOMING CATHOLIC? RETURNING CATHOLIC?

For anyone exploring the Catholic Faith, whether already Baptized or not, contact markm@holyredeemervanc.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Please contact your local parish office to request a Mass intention.

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

Don Anderson | dona@holyredeemervanc.org

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Kevin Greenlee | keving@holyredeemervanc.org

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Mark MacKenzie | markm@holyredeemervanc.org

RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

Contact your Parish Office to arrange an appointment with the Pastor

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Katelyn Greenlee | katelyng@holyredeemervanc.org

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HOMEBOUND VISITS

Please contact your local parish office to arrange a visit to the sick, homebound, or other individual due to infirmity.

FUNERALS

Contact the Parish Office where the family is registered.

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COLUMBIA RIVER CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS: LOCAL RESOURCES

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Preschool through High School

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