

PASTOR'S CORNER

Death Eaters, Oregon style

This Sunday being Respect Life Sunday and living in the State we do, it falls once again upon me to discuss the horror of abortion. Even in a country with Constitutionally protected unfettered abortion rights, what Gov. Kate Brown has signed into law last month is unbelievably perverse. It isn't enough that women can kill their children in-utero at any time during their pregnancies for any reason whatsoever. Now the Governor and Legislature of this State insist that you and I effectively pay for each and every one of them. So much for the promise to keep abortion rare. What a lie that turned out to be!

The new law mandates that all medical insurance plans which operate within the State of Oregon must provide for coverage for **all** abortions, with no out-of-pocket costs to be incurred by the women so choosing. Such a generous benefit is not applicable to life enhancing medication or to drug addiction treatment or to mental health benefits. Nor is it mandated for preventive physical examinations. Nor for dental or eye examination coverage. But now any woman for any reason can kill their unborn child at our expense. This is beyond belief to the point where you seriously must wonder whether some kind of demonic engagement with death is at work here (masquerading as that all important American right of "choice").

We, as citizens of this State, have become death eaters (those who in the *Harry Potter* books followed the evil Lord Voldemort and relished the death of the innocent, literally feeding upon it). To say nothing or do nothing is to consent to this ever-accelerating insanity. To that end, we must act to bring this matter once again before the people of our State with the hopes of overturning this heinous legislative act. We have already had a petition signing drive here at St. Therese, but if you did not get a chance to sign that petition, it is not too late. Please read the Archbishop's letter printed on the back of this page and visit the link listed in order to sign the petition online. Thank you for your help in attempting to turn back the red tide of death which threatens to overwhelm us here in Oregon.

Fr. Stephen Geer

Ordinary Time

Day	Date	Time	Observance	Mass Intention
VIGIL	Sept 30	5:00 pm	Vigil of the Sunday Mass	Joanna Kong + Dustin Shawn Geer +
SUNDAY	Oct 1	9:00 am	The Most Holy Eucharist of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ	James Murray +
		11:30 am	The Most Holy Eucharist of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ	Missa pro populo
Monday	Oct 2		No service	
Tuesday	Oct 3	8:30 am	Ferial weekday	Ted Sofranko +
Wednesday	Oct 4	8:30 am	St. Francis of Assisi	Jennifer Lewandoski +
Thursday	Oct 5	10:00 am	School Mass (Thanksgiving to God: Martin blessed as vicar for pets!) Pet blessing at 2:00 pm in school playground area	Hafstein Siggeirsson +
Friday	Oct 6	8:30 am	St. Bruno, Priest	Henry Chieu Nguyen +
Saturday	Oct 7	8:30 am	Our Lady of the Rosary	St. Therese Women's Association
			<u>Readings for the Sunday Mass:</u> Isaiah 5.1-7; Psalm 80; Philippians 4.6-9; Matthew 21.33-43	
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