



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

The KofC's meet every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All knights in good standing (current dues paid) are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions or concerns please contact our Grand Knight Sam Raabe at 541-523-0299 or Financial Secretary Hal Huntington at 541-523-2114.

The next Meeting will be February 15, 2018.



Sundays 2—4. Please bring a donation for the food bank.

Altar Society News

January Duties

Funeral Dinners—6; Albs—7

Coffee Hour—9; No Duty—10

**Altar Society Meeting—
January 21 following Mass**

**Please join us for coffee hour
on January 21st after Mass.**

**Altar Society breakfast—
January 28. Hope to see you
all there.**



In honor of Sanctity of Human Life Sunday (1/21) and the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children (1/22), our parish Respect Life Group would like to collect items for the Rachel Pregnancy Center.

Items needed are:

Diapers (size newborn to size 3)

Wipes ~ Baby Wash ~ Baby Shampoo

Please bring your items to the church in January. There will be a special basket in the back. If you have questions, please call Patty Hoelscher at 541-523-2773. Thank you!

Religious Education



The Idaho Catholic Youth Conference ENDLESS JOY will be March 9-11 at the Ford Idaho Center in Nampa, Idaho. Registration ends February 15. If you or your youth is interested in attending please contact Ann Kniesel at the Parish Office.

LIFE IS PRECIOUS: AT ALL AGES...ALL ABILITIES. This is the theme for this year's Right to Life Contest.

Drawing, essay and speech entries are being accepted from grade school, middle school and high school students for the 2018 Oregon Right to Life Education Foundation Oratory, Essay, and Drawing Contests. Winners at the local level will go on to compete for cash prizes at the State level. For more information please contact the Parish office. Our youth is encouraged to participate.



We would like to offer Vacation Bible School this summer from June 25th to June 28th for K through 6th grade. Now is the time to prepare. We need volunteers to head up different age groups, help with snacks and crafts. We would like to have at least 20 children enrolled. If you are interested in having your child attend or in volunteering to help please contact the Parish Office no later than February 14th.

Northwest Catholic Men's Conference

A Men's Catholic Conference will be held at the Pendleton Convention Center, Pendleton, OR, from 4:00PM February 24th to 5:00PM February 25th. It is open to all men as well as Fathers and Sons 15 years and older. Registration is \$40.00 per person and includes 3 meals. If you are interested in attending please contact St. Mary's Parish at (541) 276-3615.



Come join in for a new study group: **Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told.** Renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II. Classes will begin on Wednesday January 24th at 1:00PM in the rectory. All are welcome.

Wednesday January 24 is the feast day for our patron Saint Francis de Sales. He was born 21 August 1567 and died 28 December 1622. He is known as the gentleman saint because of his patience and gentleness. He was a great writer and became Bishop of Geneva in 1602. During his life he developed a sign language to teach a deaf man about God and is the Patron Saint of the deaf and is also Patron Saint of Catholic journalists and press. When he died in 1622, he was buried at the Monastery of the Visitation in Annery. His heart was kept in Lyon France but during the French Revolution it was moved to Venice where it is still venerated today. He was canonized in 1665.

