



"He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord." Jesus said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." - Lk 4:18b-19, 21

Readings for the Week of January 24, 2010

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
 Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18
 Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 3:31-35
 Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Mk 4:1-20
 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Mk 4:21-25
 Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Mk 4:26-34
 Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mk 4:35-41
 Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/1 Cor 12:31---13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

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Faith Formation Question of the Week

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Accepting Responsibility"

Key Passage Jesus unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor." Luke 4:17b-18a

Adult What do you believe that the anointing you received at baptism requires you to do?

Child What could you do this week for someone who has less than you?

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FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Jim Russell, chairman 767-4398 Within today's bulletin, you will find an insert summarizing the income and expenses for the first six months of the fiscal year. Please note that the offertory for the first six months has fallen below what we had projected. This is a reminder to please make up your weekly giving if you are absent from mass. Thank you again for your generosity.

Weekly Goal	\$6,432
Offertory Collection Jan. 17, 2010	\$4,232
Weekly Electronic Giving	<u>798</u>
Total	\$5,030
Haiti Collection	\$6,644.90

The Church in Latin America is challenged by several factors drawing away the faithful: the lack of faith formation, the pressure to migrate that comes from living in a globalized society, and the resulting breakdown of family and community. The Collection for the Church in Latin America funds pastoral projects in the region. Please keep faith with the Church in Latin American through your support today. If you don't have the special giving envelope you may put your contribution in a plain envelope marked for Latin America.



Small Blessings

Parents with their infants and preschool children are invited to attend our **Winter/Snowmen gathering on Monday, Jan. 25th from 10:00-11:00 a.m.** Our leader will be Julie Halter. If you want to join our group, please contact Emily Garvin at esgarvin@yahoo.com or just come to one of our gatherings!



Chester's Kids Children's Liturgy of the Word

Jan. 31st – 4th Sunday in OT (C)

9 AM Prayer & Reader: Sherri Supple

Homilist: Jennifer Haines

11 AM Prayer & Reader: Emily Mitchell

Homilist: Lynn Blank



Faith friends Grades 2, 3, & 4. Jan 26th

Gr. 2 Ch. 13 The Forgiving Father: A Scripture Story

Gr. 3 Ch. 13 We Celebrate the Eucharist

Gr. 4 Ch. 14 Jesus' Work of Healing

EUCCHARIST RETREAT

Sat. March 6th from 9:30-11:30 am

(Snow date: Sunday March 7th 1-3pm)

This retreat will include workshops on the Mass and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. **A parent or sponsor must attend with the child. You can sign up for a family interview at this retreat.**



GOOD NEWS DISCIPLES Grade 5 & 6. Jan 26th

Samson and Delilah



Join JYM from 1 to 2 pm as they talk about Baptism in a session called "Immersed." All 7th and 8th grade students are invited to attend. Lunch will be provided from noon – 1 pm.

YM will meet today, from 1 – 2 pm, to talk about "Now Hiring: God's Unique Call to Each of Us." All high school students are welcome! Lunch will be provided from noon- 1 pm.

Both JYM and YM are asked to help serve dinner tonight at the Wayside Soup Kitchen, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. See Heidi if you need a ride.

Red Claws Game

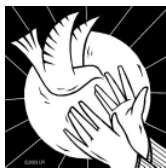
The Holy Cross Choir will be singing the National Anthem before the Maine Red Claws game on Sunday March 14 at 5:00. Please join us to support the choir and have a great time. For tickets, go to www.maineredclaws.com.



MARDI GRAS COMES TO MAINE!!!

There will be a performance of the new dinner musical "The Magic of Mardi Gras" at **St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish Hall, on Saturday, February 6th at 6:00PM.** As you feast on a catered dinner, New Orleans music in the form of Tom Bergier and his guitar will circulate from table to table. After dinner, St. Max's

music director, Judith James, and choir tenor, Larry Gray, will be joined by baritone Alex Pratt in providing a full evening of entertainment. They will be singing solos, duets and trios as a story line develops, using music from many different Broadway shows. The whole performance is staged; some of it is choreographed (Judith will dance with 5 other dancers on one choreographed number), and there will be a festive "Oh When the Saints" Mardi Gras parade. You can come enjoy this whole evening of food and fun for a cost of only \$25 per person, and support St. Max's Capital Campaign in the process. Reservations can be made by calling Judy at the St. Max office, 883-0334, after January 13th. Grab your friends and reserve your assigned seats early because the best front and center spots will be reserved first. Dinner with New Orleans music begins at 6:00PM followed by the show. We hope to see you at "The Magic of Mardi Gras." IT'S SO MUCH FUN YOU'LL SWEAR YOU WERE THERE IN NEW ORLEANS! Look for the flyer in next week's bulletin.



Did you Slip Through the Cracks?

Confirmation: Experience tells us that many good Catholic adults, practicing their faith and raising their children to live their faith, slipped through the cracks during the years when the sacrament of confirmation in many churches was regularly being delayed into the high school years. There were all sorts of reasons why it happened but now we have a lot of adults who have not completed their initiation into the Church even though they are at Mass with us and even actively involved in the parish. Confirmation is important. The gifts of the Spirit are real sources of strength and insight. And getting confirmed now – for such faithful souls – is not a complicated and elaborate, time-consuming process. The parishes of Cape Elizabeth, Scarborough and South Portland are joining together this winter to implement a simple program of preparation for unconfirmed, adult Catholics who want to become full members of the Church through the celebration of this sacrament. If you are one of these good folks, contact either Kathy Williamson at St. Bartholomew, Kathy Sparda at St. Maximilian Kolbe, Laurie Kelly at Holy Cross and St. John or speak with either Msgr. Paul or Msgr. Henchal. E-mail and telephone contact information can be found on the cover of this parish bulletin.

Women's Group meets every **Tuesday at 10:00 am.** All women of the parish are invited to show up and have a good time.

Continued from Jan. 17th bulletin: Our ongoing adult education focus presents a glossary of Catholic Words from the Catechism of the Catholic Church which has been composed with reference to the language of the Catechism itself: the numbers in parentheses refer to the number(s) in the Catechism where the term or concept is explained.

DECALOGUE: The Ten Commandments (literally, "ten words") given by God to Moses on Sinai. In order to be faithful to the teaching of Jesus, the Decalogue must be interpreted in the light of the great commandment of love of God and neighbor (2055, 2056). See Commandment.

DEFINITION, DOGMATIC: A solemn declaration by an ecumenical council or by the Pope that a doctrine is revealed by God and must be believed by the universal Church; such definitions are called infallible, and must be adhered to with the obedience of faith (891).



LIBRARY NEWS

The St. Bartholomew Children's Library is **MISSING** the following books. Please

check your children's rooms. When returning books, please just place them on the table for check in. **Do Not** file them in the bookcases.

- Love You Forever by Robert Munsch
- A Prayer Book for Catholic Families
- Picture Book of Saints: Illustrated Lives of the Saints for Young and Old by Rev. Lawrence G. Lovasik, S.V.D.
- Small Acts of Kindness by James Vollbracht
- Someday Heaven by Larry Libby
- The Story of Saint Patrick by James Janda
- Waiting for Wings by Lois Ehlert
- Winter Saints: Stories for the Days of Advent and Christmas by Melissa Musick Nussbaum
- Illustrated Book of Saints by Fr. Thomas J. Donaghy

HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF: Catholic Relief Services, the official international humanitarian agency of the U.S. Catholic church, is responding to victims of the massive earthquake in Haiti. CRS has had an ongoing presence in Haiti, and will expand its efforts in light of this recent tragedy, providing food, clean water, medical care and basic human needs. The diocese also has missionaries and lay volunteers serving in that country, and particularly Port au Prince, helping the local Church, and providing health facilities, schools and orphanages. Contributions can be made through the parish or directly to CRS. See below: **Checks from parishioners contributing through the parish should be made out to the parish with the memo for Haiti Earthquake.**

People may also donate directly to CRS in one of several ways: by calling 1-877-HELP-CRS, donate on line at www.crs.org or send a check to Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21203-7090 or by sending a check to the CRS office in Portland at Catholic Relief Services, PO Box 11559, Portland, ME 04014-7559. **If making a direct donation make the check to Catholic Relief Services and in the memo portion of your check, please write: Haiti Earthquake.**

Insert morning connections

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 25

8:30 AM Eucharistic Service

Tuesday, January 26

8:30 AM †Kenneth A. Cahill

Requested by Mary Catherine and Steven Martin

Wednesday, January 27

8:30 AM Eucharistic Service

Thursday, January 28

8:30 AM †Eric Ekelund, Sr.

Requested by Kathy Ornatek

Friday, January 29

8:30 AM Eucharistic Service

Sunday, January 31

9:00 AM †Col. Jack R. Pilk

Requested by the family

11:00 AM †Intentions of Cluster 22 Parishioners

The sanctuary candle will burn for one week as a continuous prayer before God. If anyone would like to schedule the Sanctuary Lamp for an upcoming week, please call the parish office at 799-5528. Donation is \$10.

Servers

Sunday January 31

	<u>9:00 AM</u>	<u>11:00 AM</u>
Altar Ser	A.Stewart	L.Grassin-Drake
	J.Stewart	C.Kelley
Euch Min	G.Atkins	B.Pesirla
	D.Conley	M.Pesirla
	E.Dunfey	M.Rauth
	L.Laberge	K.Williamson
	P.Russell	C.Reid
Lector	C.Hagen	L.Grassin-Drake
Ushers	G.Laberge	A.Dell' Aquila

COFFEE AND DONUTS IN THE PARISH HALL



Coffee and donuts are served each week after Sunday Mass during the school year. Please stay. catch up with old friends, and meet new ones.

Coffee Servers

Jan 24	9 Mass	Lavallee/Hare families
	11 Mass	Tranfaglia family
Jan 31	9 Mass	Stewart family
	11 Mass	Canarie family



St. Bart's First Annual Fashion Show Planning Meeting

We are going to have an "April in Paris" fashion show here at St. Bart's on Friday evening, April 30th. We already have a few key leaders for the fashion show planning, but we still have a need for a few more to cover publicity, raffles, models, and environment. Be a part of the excitement and come to our organizational meeting on **Wednesday, Jan. 27th 7:00 pm at Mary Capobianco's house on 16 Acorn Lane in Scarborough**. Call or e-mail Mary for directions or more information (510-1786 or mcapobianco@biddschools.org)



Mitten Tree for PROP

The Good News Disciples (grades 5 & 6) would like to help with PROP's need for gently used hats, mittens, gloves, and coats for mostly children, but adults too. We are also collecting new packages of diapers. Many of the parents that come to PROP for assistance reuse diapers for their infants! Please do whatever you can to help. If you've made a New Year's resolution to clean out your closets, please think of the mitten tree to donate your hats, mittens, gloves, and coats **by Sunday, January 31st**, when a representative from PROP will be coming to pickup. Thanks!!



Cluster-wide Potluck Luncheon All are invited to attend a potluck luncheon @ St. Max on **February 14th, 12:30pm**. This will be part of the kick-off for the final year of Disciples in Mission, however **you do not have to be a participant in Disciples in Mission to attend!** This is a wonderful opportunity to join with your parishioners to share fellowship and friendship. Please **RSVP by Feb. 10** to Kathy Sparda-883-1742 or Kathleen.Sparda@portlanddiocese.org. Please let Kathy Sparda know what you will be bringing for the potluck!

BLACK HISTORY MONTH AT HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

On Friday, the 4th grade presented a prayer service that honored our famous Black Americans and their struggles to provide equality for themselves and their families. The prayer service featured the biographies of several Black Americans under a single adjective that best described them, such as determination or courage, and explained how they used that virtue to achieve what they were attempting and how their efforts helped our country move forward on its journey to achieve equality for all our citizens. It was educational, as well as inspirational.



The social event of the St. Bartholomew Parish year is approaching. On Saturday evening, **January 30th** we will hold our annual

Italian Dinner. This is not some typical parish spaghetti supper but a marvelous true multi-course Italian feast prepared by Mary Godfrey and it has been loads of fun every year. **Msgr. Henchal** is warming up his vocal chords to lead us in a few Italian songs of yesteryear and even the year before that. **Tickets are \$30 per person, but \$200 for a table of 8.** Save the \$40 and find yourselves a table full of amici to sit with. Tickets are **on sale this weekend** after the Masses. Grazie



Please help cook and serve at the Wayside Evening Soup Kitchen at the corners of Preble and Oxford Streets in Portland on **January 24th**. Cooks should arrive at 4 pm and servers at 5:30 pm. It is a cold and dark time of year to be hungry. Please share your time and energy to bring light into someone else's world.

FMI contact John Koller at 885-5236 or Jim Huebener at 767-1754. **Jim Huebener will be resigning as of March 1st and John Koller is looking for a new co-coordinator to assist him with this ministry.** Please contact John if you have any questions.

Liturgical Minister Training

Training for people who would like to get involved with the following liturgical ministries is as follows:

Altar Server – please contact Sharon Pilk. We need more boys and girls who are in the 4th grade or older to step forward to train as altar servers. When we have enough people to train, we will set some training dates.

Lector – please contact Kathy Williamson. Training is on **Sunday, Jan. 24th after the 11:00 Mass (12:30-1:00 pm)**. You must be at least in high school and have experience attending Sunday Mass, as well as a comfort level with reading and speaking in front of a large group.

Usher/Greeter – please contact Mary Stazsko (799-2225). Training is on **Sunday, Jan. 24th before the 11:00 Mass (10:00-11:00 pm)**. You must be at least in the 7th grade, have experience attending Sunday Mass, and have a welcoming disposition.

Eucharistic Minister – please contact Kathy Williamson for training.

WHITE MASS

The Annual White Mass, to honor and pray for all medical personnel, will be held Sunday, February 7th at 10 am at the Basilica of Ss. Peter and Paul, Prince of Peace Parish, Lewiston with Bishop Malone as the principal celebrant and homilist, a reception will follow in the Basilica Hall.