



The devil said to him, "All this will be yours, if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written: You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve." - Lk 4:6a, 7-8

Readings for the Week of February 21, 2010

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13
 Monday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19
 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15
 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32
 Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12
 Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26
 Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48
 Next Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17---4:1 or 3:20---4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

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Faith Formation Question of the Week

First Sunday of Lent

"Salvation Through Faith"

Key Passage For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10:13

Adult How willing are you to profess your faith in Jesus Christ openly to others?

Child Would you still be able to say that you believe in Jesus if others made fun of you for it?

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FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

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Weekly Goal	\$6,432
Offertory Collection Feb. 14, 2010	\$5,150
Weekly Electronic Giving	<u>784</u>
Total	\$5,934

February 21st will be the annual collection for the **Native American Missions**. In 2009, the Diocese of Portland contributed \$84,200 to this collection; in return, the Diocese benefited by receiving \$70,000 from the USCCB in order to support our ministry to and among our own Native Americans in Maine (Indian Island, Old Town; Indian Township – Peter Dana Point, Princeton; and Perry-Pleasant Point).

PLEASE CHECK THE GLASS ENCASED BULLETIN BOARD IN THE NARTHEX FOR RETREATS AT THE MARIE JOSEPH SPIRITUAL CENTER AND OFFERINGS BY VERITAS, GREATER PORTLAND'S YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY.



Small Blessings

Parents with their infants and preschool children are invited to attend our **Lent** gathering on **Monday, Feb. 22nd from 10:00-11:00 a.m.** Our leader will be **Erika Chamberlain**. 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

Feb.28th – 1st Sunday of Lent (C)

9 AM Prayer & Reader: Nancy O'Sullivan

Homilist: Sue Guerette

11 AM Prayer & Reader: Anya Staszko

Homilist: Mollie Coburn



Faith Friends Grades 2, 3, & 4. Feb.23rd

Gr. 2 Ch. 9 The Holy Spirit Helps Us to Live

Gr. 3 Ch. 8 We Are the Church

Gr. 4 Ch. 8 Receive the Holy Spirit

For parents: Disciples in Mission session 2

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.**

We Need New Altar Servers

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.



GOOD NEWS DISCIPLES Grade 5 & 6. Feb. 23rd

Practice Exodus to Easter

For parents: Disciples in Mission session 2



JYM and YM

NO SESSIONS 21ST FOR WINTER VACATION.



Open House February 28th

Holy Cross School Open House will be held on **Sunday February 28th from 2:00-4:00**. Please join us for your chance to meet Sister Theresa and our wonderful staff. There will be an informal presentation, tours of the school, and students and parents available to talk with about their experiences at Holy Cross School. Holy Cross School provides a quality education for grades pre-K through 8 that focuses on the four dividends of Catholic education—knowledge, morals, discipline and faith. For more information, please call Sister Theresa at 799-6661. *Holy Cross School. Compassionate Education for the Heart, Mind and Soul.*

SERVICE PROJECT NEEDS HELP

For their service project this year, the Third Grade Catechism class will work on *updating and organizing the Nursery classroom!* Our plan is to paint a mural on the wall, provide "new-to-us" furniture, and re-organize the supplies and toys for our youngest church members.

ANY small donation will help us to pay for this much needed improvement to the space for the health and safety of the children.

As of right now, we are looking for:

--2 adult-size wooden rocking chairs for mothers to feed their babies

--2 small loveseats--gently used and comfortable

--2 table lamps --2 end tables

Call Julie Rieger with any questions. 899.3120.



St. Patrick's Feast

Top o' the mornin' to ya'! Mark your calendar for March 13th 6:00 pm. We're havin' a traditional Irish boiled dinner and kickin' up our heels with an Irish jig. Come wearing green and a smile to honor the patron Saint of our Diocese – St. Patrick. Tickets coming soon at the end of February and early March

Thinking of spring yet!?!?

Come be a part of "April in Paris", St. Barts first fashion show. **Looking for about 15 models of all ages.** Your help will benefit the fund raising for shingles for the church. Looking forward to hearing from you. Email Kim Connell Frogsrule22@mac.com or cell 207-653-1841

**Lenten Stations of the Cross
and Friday Suppers**

Do you want to experience the suffering of Christ in a way that leads you to a life more open to the Spirit and to God's love? Share prayer in community during these Stations of the Cross, appropriate for families, on three Fridays in Lent – **March 5th at 5:00 pm, March 19th at 5:00 pm, and April 2nd (Good Friday) at 3:30 pm.** Afterwards, join us for some Christian fellowship and a great meatless meal provided by the Youth Ministry. The proceeds from these dinners will benefit the World Youth Day pilgrimage fund.

LENT – a 40 day period of preparation to renew our baptismal promises at the Easter Vigil. **FAST AND ABSTINENCE** –Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence. **ALL THE FRIDAYS OF LENT** are days of abstinence. On the days of abstinence we refrain from all meat and meat products. On days of fast we also eat smaller meals and do not eat between meals. The law of abstinence binds Catholics aged 14 and older. Catholics aged 18 and over, until the beginning of the 60th year (through age 59) are bound by the law of fasting (canon 1252).

Continued from Feb. 14th 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.

DIocese: A "particular church," a community of the faithful in communion of faith and sacraments whose bishop has been ordained in apostolic succession. A diocese is usually a determined geographic area; sometimes it may be constituted as a group of people of the same rite or language. In Eastern churches, an eparchy (833).

DISCIPLE: Those who accepted Jesus' message to follow him are called his disciples. Jesus associated his disciples with his own life, revealed the mystery of the Kingdom to the disciples and gave them a share in his mission, his joy, and his sufferings (767, 787).



**Join Us for
Pot Luck!**

WOMENS GROUP

St. Bartholomew's Womens Group will have a **pot luck**

luncheon on February 23rd. Please meet at 11 am to eat at noon. Call Charlene Hagen at 883-1645 or Mary Jane Mullen at 767-3452 with any questions. All ladies of the parish are welcome.

In honor of this "YEAR FOR PRIESTS" the Diocesan Office of Vocations is sponsoring in April a one-man play entitled "VIANNEY" on the **Life of St. John Vianney, Patron Saint of All Priests.** Leonardo DeFillippis is a professional actor and owner of St. Luke's Productions who stars in this amazing presentation. **MARK YOUR CALENDAR for 7 PM Friday, April 9th at McAuley High School!**

Announcing the 17th Annual Bishop Amedee Proulx Award--your opportunity to nominate that special person in your parish who does so much for others!

The Bishop Proulx Award recognizes a parish volunteer or group of volunteers whose contributions reflect the mission of Catholic Charities Maine and the social teachings of Jesus Christ. Each nominee receives a special letter of congratulations. The winner will be honored at an award ceremony attended by Bishop Malone. Nomination forms are available at the parish office or, please call **Catholic Charities Maine Parish Social Ministry**, 871-7464, ext. 2672 or 1-800-CARE-002, ext. 2672. E-mail: psm@ccmaine.org. **The deadline for submissions is March 5.**



Our number of new clients has risen considerably, so every can, package, egg carton you can spare is a big help.

We need: 15 oz size cans of Baked beans,tuna fish, peanut butter and egg cartons. THANK YOU!

Insert Morning Connections

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, February 22

9:00 AM Eucharistic Service

Tuesday, February 23

8:30 AM †Dennis Toohar

Requested by Paul and Jackie Hassett

Wednesday, February 24

9:00 AM Eucharistic Service

Thursday, February 25

8:30 AM †Lawrence Griffin

Requested by Tony and Kathy Ornatek

Friday, February 26

9:00 AM Eucharistic Service

Sunday, February 28

9:00 AM †Robert Packer

Requested by John and Maura Kilgallen

11:00 AM †Joseph M. Maguire

Requested by the Gregory family

Servers

Sunday February 28

	<u>9:00 AM</u>	<u>11:00 AM</u>
Altar Ser	A.Stewart J.Stewart	E.Canarie A.Godfrey
Euch Min	G.Atkins J.Boyington D.Conley L.Laberge P.Russell	D.Canarie M.FitzGerald C.Reid K.Williamson P.Yantakosol
Lector	P.Russell	R.Beaudoin
Ushers	G.Laberge	M.Staszko

ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS: Please contact Gail Atkins with any dates that you will be unable to serve for April through June. **DEADLINE:** March 1st.



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

Feb. 21	9 Mass	Marti and Tom Meyers
	11 Mass	Capobianco family
Feb. 28	9 Mass	William Sullivan family
	11 Mass	Goulding family

ASSISTANCE WITH YOUR PRAYER LIFE

From earliest times, the Christian community continued the Jewish tradition of sanctifying the day by gathering for the "hour of prayer" throughout the day. **Through the Liturgy of the Hours, we place God at the center of our lives as we begin our busy day and again when we try to decompress in the evening.**

"Morning & Evening" is a two CD collaboration of Christopher Walker and Paule Freeberg. Originally, it was their intent to make the Liturgy of the Hours available to the commuter. But soon it became apparent that it would be a wonderful resource for prayer groups, retreats, or for those who are homebound, in nursing homes, or the hospital.

One CD is devoted to morning services, one to evening. Divided into five days, the services are flexible, and since each one lasts about 15 minutes, they are easy to fit into even the busiest schedule or simply the daily commute.

Turn your mornings and evenings into moments of prayer and communion with God! Begin and end your day focusing on God's good news as proclaimed in the songs, readings, and prayers of "Morning & Evening".

To order, contact Irene Kecskemethy, or sign up in the narthex. Cost: \$25.00; checks made out to St. Bartholomew

AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW

Move Beyond the Pain of Divorce! Come to an eight week "Divorce and Beyond" program of caring and confidential support with others who are also experiencing the trauma of a lost marriage. The group **starts Tuesday, March 16th, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., at St. Bartholomew in Cape Elizabeth.** To register, please contact Catholic Charities Maine Parish Social Ministry at 1-800-CARE-002, ext. 2672 or e-mail: psm@ccmaine.org. The fee is \$25.00. For the comfort and confidentiality of group members, no walk-ins please.

OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY 2010

As you may be aware, only once every ten years do we have the opportunity to attend the most renowned performance of Christ's Passion. Performed and hosted by this wonderful Bavarian Village set near the Alps, attending this play is a once in a lifetime experience. The village's performance of Christ's Passion has its origin in a vow made on the Feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude (October 28) to perform the Passion every ten years if the village were freed from the plague.

Msgr. Paul Stefanko is leading a group from August 22-30, 2010 (NOTE DATE CHANGE). The itinerary includes Frankfurt, Rothenburg, Munich, Heidelberg, Dresden and Berlin (NOTE ITINERARY CHANGE). There are brochures and reservation forms in the back of the church if you are interested in traveling with the group.



THE SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN THIS
WEEK February 21-27
**For healing for M. VanDevanter
Requested by Denise**

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.

Sunday Coffee and Donuts

After ten years of coordinating the schedule for Sunday Coffee and Donuts, Gail Atkins will be retiring from this ministry in June. She is looking for someone now to assist her in finishing out the 2009-2010 coffee season. Gail will help to set them up for the 1020-2011 coffee and donut season which begins in September 2010. Please contact Gail in the parish office.



Please help cook and serve at the Wayside Evening Soup Kitchen at the corners of Preble and Exford Streets in Portland on **February 28th**.

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.

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 at 885-5236 if you have any questions

Feeding the hungry

For many years, volunteers from our parish have cooked and served dinner one Sunday a month at the Wayside Soup Kitchen on Oxford Street in Portland. Now, as many of you know, the soup kitchen is in transition. Preble Street is taking over the kitchen's operations beginning in March.

St Bartholomew will continue to serve dinner at the Oxford Street location the 4th Sunday of the month as we have been doing. We will now be part of the Preble Street Organization rather than Wayside. The transition for our cooks and servers will be seamless.

Wayside, meanwhile, is moving on to set up new meal sites around the city for people who do not go to the Oxford Street Kitchen, especially families with children and the elderly.

As Wayside's new mission takes shape, there will be further opportunities to serve the population of hungry families and elders at different locations.

More information will be forthcoming as to locations and dates to serve.

Please contact us at Wayside if you have any questions or want to volunteer. Sviolet@waysidesoupkitchen.org