



The women who had come from Galilee with Jesus took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. - Lk 24:1b-3

Readings for the Week of April 4, 2010

Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/ Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12
Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday:	Acts 5:12-16/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/ Jn 20:19-31

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Faith Formation Question of the Week

Easter Sunday

“Made New by Christ”

Key Passage Clean out the old yeast so that you may be a new batch, as you really are unleavened. For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed. 1 Corinthians 5:7

Adult What change could the hope of the resurrection of Christ inspire you to make?

Child What bad habit would you like to “clear out” during the hopeful time of this Easter season?

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FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

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Weekly Goal	\$6,432
Offertory Collection March 28, 2010	\$4,570
Weekly Electronic Giving	<u>784</u>
Total	\$5,354

On **Easter weekend**, our parish will take up a second collection in **support of both the clergy health/pension programs and diocesan emergency needs.**

Diocese of Portland Presents a live dramatic presentation: St. John Vianney, Cure of Ars at McAuley High School on Friday, April 9 at 7 pm.



Small Blessings

Parents with their infants and preschool children are invited to attend our **Spring gathering on Monday April 12th from 10:00-11:00 a.m.** Our leader will be **Jamie Evenson**. 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

April 11 – 2nd Sunday of Easter(C)

9 AM Prayer & Reader: Sherri Supple

Homilist: Jennifer Haines

11 AM Prayer & Reader: Tara Pinette/Emily Mitchell

Homilist: Mary Ellen Carignan



Faith Friends Grades 2, 3, & 4. April 6

Gr. 2 Ch. 5 Jesus Is the son of God

Gr. 3 Ch. 3 Mary Trusted in God

Gr. 4 Ch.6 Jesus Christ, the Son of God

For parents: Disciples in Mission last session



GOOD NEWS DISCIPLES Grade 5 & 6. April 6

David & Solomon

For parents: Disciples in Mission last session



JYM and YM April 4 NO SESSION Easter Sunday

Please pray for our youth and adults who will be attending the Youth Convention in South Portland next weekend.

For Sale: Five church pews & four school desks

at St. John the Evangelist Church in South Portland

Any donation will be accepted and will benefit Holy Cross School. Pews would be a great addition to a home or a summer cottage. Desks are great for children that like to 'play school'. If you are interested please contact Tom Sheehan, Business Manager at 772-7489.



PrayerLine Requests

St. Bartholomew Parish offers participation in a “prayer line” for special intentions. **If you have an illness, unemployment, safety issue, etc. for which you would like prayers, please call Ted Dalton at 767-3469. All intentions can be kept confidential.** Also call Ted if you would like to join this ministry and **share your devotion to the “power of prayer.”**

Lunch with Msgr. Murphy

Those of us who are reading The Spirituality of Fasting by Msgr. Murphy are invited to lunch with Msgr. Murphy on Tuesday, April 13th at 12:30 pm at St. Maximilian Kolbe parish for a book discussion. If you would like to purchase a copy of Msgr. Murphy's book, please contact Kathy Sparda at St. Maximilian Kolbe, 883-0334 or stmaxre@maine.rr.com.



It's That Time Again...

Have you ever wondered who the person is that sits behind you at Mass? Did you forget the name of the person at the retreat you attended at one of our sister parishes? Or, has it been a long time since your family has had a professional photo session? It's been 5 years since we did a parish photo directory, so it's that time again to take a snapshot of our parish community. We have contracted with Olan Mills to provide our parish with a photo directory, but in order to be successful, we need a group of people willing to commit a few hours of their time. **We are looking for one person to coordinate signups for our parish, one person to coordinate hospitality during the photo sessions, and one person responsible for picture layout.** The finished directory will include photo directories from all 4 cluster parishes bound into one book. So, if you go to Mass at a different parish or attend a retreat at a different parish and want to remember a name, you'll have a reference book to do just that. If you are interested in helping out with the photo directory in any way, **please contact Kathy Williamson.**

Sunday Coffee and Donuts

After ten years (because it is so easy) 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 2010-2011 coffee and donut season which begins in September 2010. Please contact Gail in the parish office.

Women Come Gather in Faith

with Sr. Sylvia Genesse, p.m. at Marie Joseph Spiritual Center **April 7 10:30 AM – 2:30 PM**

A monthly program for **women** who desire time and space to grow in their relationship with God. Following the presentation of a woman in Scripture or the Church, quiet time is offered with directives to ponder God's word in personal prayer, and the opportunity to share insights. Cost: \$10.00. Bring bag lunch and your bible. FMI and to register call 284-5671.

Continued from March 28th 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.

ECONOMY OF SALVATION (DIVINE ECONOMY): From a Greek word (*oikonomia*, literally "management of a household" or "stewardship") which refers to God's revelation and communication of himself to the world in time for the sake of the salvation of all humanity; hence, the economy of salvation (258, 1066). The Fathers of the Church distinguished *oikonomia* from *theologia*; the latter term refers to the mystery of the internal life of the Trinity (236). The economy of salvation, on the other hand, refers to God's activity in creating and governing the world, particularly with regard to his plan for the salvation of the world in the person and work of Jesus Christ, a plan which is being accomplished through his Body the Church, in its life and sacraments; hence, the "sacramental economy" (1076, 1093).



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.

Healing from the Pain of Abortion

"If only one person had said, 'you can do it'; if only one person had called the life within me 'a baby', the decision would have been different."

Find comfort and peace at the next **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Weekend, April 23-25**, sponsored **Catholic Charities Maine Parish Social Ministry.** For an understanding ear and to learn more, call 871-7464 (Portland), Ext. 2670; toll-free at 1-800-CARE-002; or e-mail: psm@ccmaine.org. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Come Celebrate Mass With Us! Catholic Charities Maine Parish Social Ministry would like you to know that there will be a **Mass for Singles, Widowed and the Divorced** on Saturday, April 17th at 4:30 p.m. at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland. This Mass is hosted by Connected Catholics of Maine. Please go to www.connectedcatholicsofmaine.org for more information. For Divorce Ministry information, please call 871-7464, ext. 2672.

"Spring: A Time for Growth--A Day of Reflection for Singles, Widowed and Divorced" will be offered at the Marie Joseph Spiritual Center in Biddeford Pool on Saturday, May 1st. The fee, which includes lunch, is \$35. To register, please go to the Calendar Section of the Portland Diocese website: www.portlanddiocese.org. For more information, call 871-7464 ext. 2672. This event is sponsored by Connected Catholics of Maine, the Diocesan Office of Lifelong Faith Formation and Catholic Charities Maine Parish Social Ministry.

Mass Intentions  *for the Week*

- Monday, April 5**
 9:00 AM Eucharistic Service
- Tuesday, April 6**
 8:30 AM †Geraldine Riopel
 Requested by Tony and Kathy Ornatok
- Wednesday, April 7**
 9:00 AM Eucharistic Service
- Thursday, April 8**
 8:30 AM †Deceased family members
 Requested by a parishioner
- Friday, April 9**
 9:00 AM Eucharistic Service
- Sunday, April 11**
 9:00 AM †Orlando Alvarez
 Requested by Ed Flaherty
 11:00 AM †Margaret Blair
 Requested by the Blair family

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 April 11th

	<u>9:00 AM</u>	<u>11:00 AM</u>
Altar Ser	E.Dineen	A.Godfrey
	H.Dineen	C.Kelley
Euch Min	G.Atkins	D.Canarie
	E.Dunfey	M.FitzGerald
	M.Gilchrest	M.Rauth
	J.Meschinelli	C.Reid
	G.Prince	K.Williamson
Lector	P.Russell	C.Tierney
Ushers	J.Koller	M.Staszko

The Liturgical Ministry quarterly schedule for April-May-June was distributed by email, with only three notices going thru the postal service. It was a great time and money saver. **Since this was the first time that the schedule had been delivered this way the ministers were asked to reply back to Gail Atkins that they had received the email and could open the attachment.** Gail is still waiting to hear back from the majority of the recipients.

Belated Thank-you's

I wanted to thank everyone who helped lend a hand in making the Italian Dinner a tremendous success. To our great kitchen staff: **Toni, Mike, and Alison Meehan, Cindy & Mark Ayers, Karen Mangravito, Jim & Vicki Russell, Lynde & Raul Pesirla, Jessica Danielson, Kathy Tarpo, Marti & Tom Meyers, Adam & Marianna Godfrey** and last but certainly not least the host of the great Italian Trivia game **Paul Godfrey**. We all had fun laughing and cooking in the kitchen together! I also wanted to thank the **Finance Committee** which helped organize and make the event run smoothly. We couldn't have done it without everyone's time and effort. **Mary Godfrey**

Italian Dinner Donations

Thank you to all the businesses who gave food and monetary donations to make the Italian dinner possible. **IGA, Micucci's, Standard Bakery, Olive Garden, Panera Bread, Shaw's and Hannaford** supermarkets.

On Jan. 31st **Cole Patrick Gray and William Edward Gray**, sons of Shawn Gray and Ann St. John Gray were baptized here at St. Bartholomew Church. Welcome Cole and William!



On March 7th **James Michael Rinaldi** son of Carmen and Maria Reppucci was baptized here at St. Bartholomew Church. Welcome James!

On March 21st **Thomas Sean Hennessy** son of John and Colleen Hennessy was baptized here at St. Bartholomew Church. Welcome Thomas!

On Feb. 9th **Jeanie Duncan Orr Lothrop**, daughter of Andrew Orr and Alice Julia Forrest Orr was baptized here at St. Bartholomew Church. Jeannie also received the sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation. **Jeannie is 95 years old.** Congratulations Jeannie!

FUNERAL SERVICES, since December 2009, were held at St. Bartholomew Church for:

Carolyn Mary Breen wife of William Breen and mother of Kelly Hodgkins, William Breen Jr., Michael Breen and Christopher Breen.

John Frederick Becker husband of Patricia Becker and father of Peter Becker and Gretchen Becker.

Mary "Pat" Allen wife of Franklin Allen and mother of Peter Allen, Christopher Allen, Timothy Allen, Mary Allen, Katherine MacLeod, and Nancy Vaughan.

Frank J. Gaziano father of Jill Mitchell and Judith Kane.

Helen D. Catsos mother of Paul Catsos, Stephen Catsos, Barbara Roehrich and Loretta Catsos.

Please pray for their souls.

Christian Meditation Group

"May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer." (Psalm 19:14)

There are many stories in the Catholic tradition of saints communicating with God through meditation, such as St. Catherine of Siena, St. Teresa of Avila, and St. John of the Cross, to name a few. A new group is being formed for people wishing to learn more about Christian meditation and to participate in a group meditation once a month. Our first gathering will be on **April 15th at 7:00pm** in the teen room and, after a brief sharing and guided meditation called *"Be still and know that I AM,"* we will move into the chapel for silent meditation. We invite you to put your worldly concerns aside on tax day and spend a few peaceful, relaxing moments in quiet reflection. For more information about this spiritual practice or to sign up for the April gathering, please call Kathy Sheehan at 799-2447.



FOOD CUPBOARD FUNDRAISER

Join us on Friday, April 16th and enjoy a traditional bean supper.--Baked beans, ham, hot dogs, Macaroni & Cheese, Cole

slaw, Corn bread, Brown bread and more. Cost is \$5/person, children under 12 free. St John's Church Hall, 5-7pm, hosted by the Food Cupboard and the Calvary K of C. Help us as we prepare for an increase in summer visitors, especially children. **We also welcome donations of soups, peanut butter, jelly, cereals.**

Fashion Show News

A big thank you goes to all the volunteers who came forward to work on the spring fashion show. Unfortunately, it is necessary to cancel the April 30th event for this year. A special thank you goes to **Mary Capobianco** who spent a lot of time organizing the Fashion Show committee. Look for this event to reappear next year.

CONNECTED CATHOLICS OF MAINE

Connected Catholics of Maine is a group of single, widowed, separated, and divorced Catholic men and women, who gather to share their faith journey and celebrate life, who want to participate in their church, grow in faith, and build a better life in their community. We offer a variety of programs, experiences and opportunities that enrich members socially, educationally and spiritually. Please join us on **Sunday, April 11th at Holy Martyrs Parish Hall, Rt. 88, Falmouth** beginning 5 pm with a Social Hour – Pot Luck Supper, a short business meeting and a Program at 6 pm with Betsy Chapman, evidence technician with the Portland Police Department. On **Saturday, April 17th at noon** we will meet at **the Snow Squall Restaurant, 18 Ocean St. in South Portland** for lunch.

NEEDS

St Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen has no men's trousers in our store room! We need **men's work trousers or blue jeans, sizes 32 through 42 waist**, as quickly as possible. Please, no dress or fancy pants! There is a bin in the narthex. Call Charlene Hagen 883-1645 for information.

My Sister's Keeper is in need of **two queen or king size beds including mattress, boxspring, and frames**. Please call Kelly Dell'Aquila at 712-5962.

PARISH LIFE COMMISSION WANTS YOUR INPUT

- The Parish Life Committee mission is to support the heart of the Christian Community by strengthening the relationships of individuals and families within our Parish, by involving all members of our church in fellowship.
- People may not know that we host annual events like: Oktoberfest, Apple Crisp making for the Soup Kitchen, Senior Luncheon, Advent Wreath Making, Easter Egg Hunt, Game Nights, and the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.
- We would like to add a few events to our calendar, to continue to help bring our Parish family together. We have thought about BBQ's, movie nights, family game night, etc... but we would love to hear from our fellow Parishioners.

People can contact Heather Mullen by email at mhemullen@yahoo.com or put your suggestions in the suggestion box in the narthex.



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

April 4	NO COFFEE AND DONUTS-EasterSunday
April 11	9 Mass Sarka family
	11 Mass Carignan family

There are two vacancies coming up: April 25-11 Mass and May 16-9 Mass. If no one signs up to serve coffee and donuts will be cancelled for those Masses. Please contact Gail Atkins 799-5528.

Struggling with Alcohol/Drug Issues?

Catholic Charities Maine Counseling Services offers confidential substance abuse and mental health counseling for those experiencing problems, and/or family members needing assistance. Immediate appointments available. Walk-ins welcome. Mon-Fri 10 am-4 pm at 250 Anderson St., Portland. Call 775-5671.

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