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**Readings for the Week of April 18, 2010**

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14  
 Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29  
 Tuesday: Acts 7:51--8:1a/Jn 6:30-35  
 Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40  
 Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51  
 Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59  
 Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69  
 Next Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

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**Faith Formation Question of the Week**  
**Third Easter of Sunday**  
**"Feed My Sheep"**

**Key Passage** When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." John 21:15

**Adult** In what ways are you answering Jesus' command to Peter to "feed my sheep"?

**Child** What do you do to take care of others as Jesus asked Peter to do?

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**FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

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Weekly Goal	<b>\$6,432</b>
Offertory Collection April 11, 2010	\$3,429
Weekly Electronic Giving	<u>784</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,213</b>

**Easter Flowers \$486**

This year the Catholic Home Missions Appeal on April 25<sup>th</sup> turns its focus to youth ministry, an essential component of the life and vibrancy of the Church. In youth ministry programs, young Catholics grow in faith and gain valuable leadership skills. Without this Appeal, poorer dioceses in the U.S. cannot sustain vital youth programs. Next week we will take up a collection for this Appeal. Please be generous and help **strengthen the Church at home.**



**Small Blessings**

Parents with their infants and preschool children are invited to attend our **spring gathering on Monday April 26th from 10:00-11:00 a.m.** Our leader will be **Emily Garvin**. If you want to join our group, please contact Emily Garvin at [esgarvin@yahoo.com](mailto:esgarvin@yahoo.com) or just come to one of our gatherings!



**Chester's Kids** Children's Liturgy of the Word

**April 25 – 4th Sunday of Easter(C)**  
**NO LITURGY OF THE WORD**



**Faith Friends** Grades 2, 3, & 4. April 20

**NO SESSION—SPRING VACATION**



**GOOD NEWS DISCIPLES** Grade 5 & 6. April 20

**NO SESSION—SPRING VACATION**



**JYM and YM NO SESSION APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>—SPRING VACATION**

**Faith Formation Registration Weekend**

Faith Formation registration forms are available in the Narthex to sign up for next year's many different faith formation programs offered for children and youth. **Please help us eliminate postage expenses by picking up your forms at the registration table.** Blank registration forms are available through the parish office and soon to be on our web-site. There are some changes to next year's faith formation programs and choirs, so please read the cover letter carefully.

**Explore the possibilities at Holy Cross School!**

We have limited openings in all Grades Pre-K through 8. We offer an affordable Catholic education that is founded in excellence, and focused on morals and values as well as the fundamentals of math, science, history and Language Arts. Last year, our students scored in the 90% in national standardized testing! Also, our students consistently make honor roll wherever they attend high school. All of our teachers are state certified, with an average of 9 years of experience teaching. Our average class size is 18 and our staff-student ratio is 1:7. We offer many sports opportunities, as well as Spanish, technology, art, music, and physical education for all grades. For more information and tuition rates, please call Sister Theresa at 799-6661. Applications and tuition information are also available at [www.study.holycrossme.com](http://www.study.holycrossme.com).



The Women's Group will hold a **Pot Luck Lunch on Tuesday April 27. Meet at 11:00 and eat at noon.** All women of the parish are welcome.

**Vacation Bible School Registration now open!**



Come on board and join us for a High Seas Expedition - the Vacation Bible School where kids sail on an adventure through God's Word. St. Bartholomew Parish and St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish are joining forces for the 10<sup>th</sup> year to bring a sea of friends together August 2-6 to come aboard for a High Seas Expedition at St. Bartholomew Church! We will listen to great stories about Jesus, make cool crafts, sing fun songs, play zany games, and celebrate with Mass and a BBQ! Get ready for the most enriching, rewarding, and faith-filled Vacation Bible School experience yet! For more info **especially if you want to help with decorating, or volunteer for one of our activity centers**, please contact Julie Reiger (899-3120). **Look for our registration table in the Narthex. Our next decorating days are on Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> 9-11am and Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm. We need all hands on deck!!**

**Jr. YM & YM Volunteer Opportunities**

This summer, we have a number of volunteer opportunities for youth entering grades 7-12.

- ☆ Here, at St. Bart's, we are trying to put our Baptism record book on-line. If you are skilled with the computer and can give 1-2 hours a week, we need you!
- ☆ If you are creative either with arts & crafts or drama, we need you to help transform St. Bart's into the High Seas! Those that like drama can participate in our daily skits during our VBS August 2-6.

I hope that you will answer God's call and use your talents to further Christ's mission! Contact Kathy Williamson if you can help.



Please join us at **St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish on Thursday, May 6th from 7pm to 8 pm** for an Hour of Prayer for our nation. This date is the **59th National Day of Prayer**. Millions will unite in prayer at thousands of events from coast to coast. In scripture we read; **"The LORD is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him."** Nahum 1:7.

We will be praying the Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy before the Blessed Sacrament. The theme for this year is **"Prayer for Such a Time as This."** We hope you will join us for this powerful hour of prayer for our nation.

Continued from April 11th 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.

**ENVY:** Resentment or sadness at another's good fortune, and the desire to have it for oneself. One of the seven capital sins, envy is contrary to the tenth commandment (2539).

**EPARCHY:** See Diocese. **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).

**Thank You to Trish Morin**

The Faith Formation Committee would like to publicly thank Trish Morin for her 6 years of leading the Faith Formation committee. With her guidance and leadership, St. Bartholomew now has a very robust adult faith formation program. We also want to congratulate Susan Leighton who will be taking Trish's place as chairperson of the Faith Formation Committee. Please keep Trish and Susan in your prayers for their continued spiritual growth and success in their ministry.

**Join the Faith Formation Committee**

Do you want to help determine what faith formation groups, retreats, and events we will offer to adults this year? Are you on fire with God's Word and want to share that with others in our parish? Would you like to support the faith formation for children and youth, but can't be a catechist? Then, join the Faith Formation Committee. **Our next meeting is on Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at St. Bartholomew.** We will be discussing next year's calendars and budgets for all faith formation programs including those for adults. And, we will do some initial planning for the St. Bartholomew Summer Festival. If interested in joining, please contact either Trish Morin (767-5978) or Susan Leighton (799-2156) for more information.



**St. Bartholomew's Summer Festival**

Remember the dunk tank from last year? We've set the date for our summer festival on Saturday, Sep. 11<sup>th</sup>. This is a fun-filled family day complete with a volleyball tournament with prizes, musical entertainment, snack bar, a cake walk, carnival games for kids, face painting, and an indoor card or Bingo tournament. We need some key people to facilitate publicity, volleyball tournament, prize donations, food, children's activities, and indoor card or Bingo tournament. **If you can help in one of these areas, please contact Kathy Williamson and come to our first organizational meeting in conjunction with the Faith Formation Committee meeting on Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at St. Bartholomew.**

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**Monday, April 19**

9:00 AM Eucharistic Service

**Tuesday, April 20**

8:30 AM Special Intention  
Requested by a parishioner

**Wednesday, April 21**

9:00 AM Eucharistic Service

**Thursday, April 22**

8:30 AM †Shirley Cyr  
Requested by Louis Cyr

**Friday, April 23**

9:00 AM Eucharistic Service

**Sunday, April 25**

9:00 AM †Sarah M. Young  
Requested by Nick and Barbara Young

11:00 AM †Samuel Bernardo  
Requested by Karen Mangravito and 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 25th**

	<u>9:00 AM</u>	<u>11:00 AM</u>
<b>Altar Ser</b>	A.Stewart N.Shedd	M.Pinette T.Pinette
<b>Euch Min</b>	D.Conley P.Dumont E.Dunfey P.Russell G.Prince	B.Pesirla M.Pesirla C.Reid K.Williamson P.Yantakosol
<b>Lector</b>	L.Bauman	G.Pavloff
<b>Ushers</b>	G.Montpelier	M.Lynch

**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 18	9 Mass	Milt and Marguerite Hallowell
	11 Mass	Mary Ellen Whiteman/Gail Atkins
April 25	9 Mass	John and Marie Aceto
	11 Mass	Miklavic family

**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](mailto:mhemullen@yahoo.com) or put your suggestions in the suggestion box in the narthex.

**1 out of 4 families is affected by Mental Illness.**

Learn how you can be a support to individuals with mental illness and their families by attending, **"Welcomed and Valued": Supporting People with Mental Illness in Parish Life on Thursday, April 29th, at 7 p.m. at St. Maximilian Kolbe in Scarborough.** This program will feature a DVD presentation, a speaker from the Maine chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness plus an opportunity for your questions and discussion. This program is co-sponsored by Cluster #22 and Catholic Charities Maine Parish Social Ministry, "Loving God & Neighbor", 1-800-CARE-002, [psm@ccmaine.org](mailto:psm@ccmaine.org).



Ten Great Dates – Marriage Enrichment Led by Mr. & Mrs. Steve & Kathy Beirne.

Do you want to increase intimacy in your marriage and go on a great date with your spouse? Join Steve & Kathy Beirne for ten great dates. Meet other couples for about 30 minutes to focus on different marital topics such as enhancing personal growth, mutual fulfillment, and family wellness, and then go out on a great date for the rest of the evening. Meeting will be on **Tuesdays at 6:30, every other week for 10 sessions at St. John's Parish Center starting April 27<sup>th</sup>**. FMI or to Register contact Laurie Kelly at 773-8710 or at [laurie.kelly@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:laurie.kelly@portlanddiocese.org). Registration fee is \$20 per couple.



Please help cook and serve at the Soup Kitchen at the corners of Preble and Oxford Streets in Portland on **April 25<sup>th</sup>**. Cooks should arrive at 4 pm and servers at 5:30 pm.

**If you have volunteered for anything at St. Bart's over the past year then this invitation is for you!**

***Spring is the time when we show our***

***appreciation to our St. Bartholomew's volunteers!***  
Msgr. Michael Henchal will preside over a special mass to bless and honor St. Bart volunteers on Saturday, May 1, at 6 p.m. at St. Bartholomew Church.

A reception ending at 8:30 p.m. will immediately follow with light appetizers, desserts, beer, wine and non-alcoholic beverages.

Please be our special guest of honor at this mass and reception which will celebrate the wonderful contributions that you have made as a part of the St. Bart's Parish Community. Please bring your family. RSVP by April 23<sup>rd</sup> to Gail Atkins at 799-5528 or [Gail.Atkins@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:Gail.Atkins@portlanddiocese.org)

**NEEDS AND VOLUNTEERS**

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**. We are also looking for **bureaus, nightstands, lamps, and bookshelves**. Please call Kelly Dell'Aquila at 712-5962.

My Sister's Keeper is looking for a **volunteer with a financial background to serve on our advisory committee** which meets for about 2 hours every other month.

My Sister's Keeper is also looking for a **volunteer to assist with the clothing closet**. Hours are flexible.

Please contact Kelly Dell'Aquila at 712-5962 for either of these volunteer positions. My Sister's Keeper is a mentoring ministry for women returning to community life from incarceration.

***"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](http://www.portlanddiocese.org). (The deadline for registering has been extended.) 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.

**Do you wonder...does it still hurt...?**

Rachel's Vineyard, sponsored by **Project Rachel**, is the Church's way of saying: **"Welcome home."** 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](mailto:psm@ccmaine.org). All inquiries are strictly confidential.