



Jesus said to his disciples: "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day. You are witnesses of these things." - Lk 24:46, 48

Readings for the Week of May 16, 2010	
Sunday:	Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53
Monday:	Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19
Saturday:	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Jn 21:20-25
Next Sunday:	Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
	Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or 14:15-16, 23b-26
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Faith Formation Question of the Week
Seventh Easter of Sunday
"Prayer for Others"

Key Passage Jesus prayed, "I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me." John 18:20-21

Adult What are some of the most important things to ask of God?

Child What are some of the most important things to ask of God?

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FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Jim Russell, chairman 767-4398.

Weekly Goal	\$6,432
Offertory Collection May 9, 2010	\$4,237
Weekly Electronic Giving	<u>772</u>
Total	\$5,009



The **Women's Group** meets on **Tuesdays at 10 am**. All women of the parish are welcome.



Chester's Kids Children's Liturgy of the Word
"Little People's Creed" & Kindergarten Step-Up Day

Our last regular Children's Liturgy of the Word will be on **Sunday, May 16**, when the children will lead the congregation in praying the "Little People's Creed." There will be a step-up day for those children entering Kindergarten in the fall of 2010 and their parents on **Sunday, June 13 at the 9:00 Mass**. Please come back with your children on that day to get a first-hand look at what we do.

CONFIRMATION/FIRST COMMUNION REHEARSAL & CEREMONY

This year the Bishop will be here for our Confirmation/1st Eucharist Ceremony! All parishioners are invited to attend.

Rehearsal May 21, at 5:00pm.

Ceremony May 22, at 5:00pm. (this is a Mass)

Please remember to bring your completed banner to the rehearsal. Each child must be accompanied by his or her sponsor or parent if the sponsor is unavailable.

3rd Grade parents please drop off refreshments in the kitchen before the 5 pm Mass.



JYM and YM May 16th 1-2 pm Service Project: Spring Clean up

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.

Catherine McAuley High School 2010 Summer Camps

If your daughter is between the ages of 9-15, she is invited to participate in McAuley's 2010 athletic, academic, and fine arts summer camp offerings:

Lacrosse – June 28-July 2 / \$150 one week

Softball – June 28-July 2 / \$150 one week

Topscore Basketball – July 5-9 and July 12-16

\$150 one week / \$275 two weeks

Musical Theater – July 12-16 / \$250 one week

Soccer – July 19-23 / \$150 one week

Field Hockey – July 19-23 / \$150 one week

Study Skills – July 26-30 / \$150 one week

FMI, please call 797-3802 or access www.mcauleyhs.org.

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 10th 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 Rieger (899-3120). **Look for our registration table in the Narthex.**

Is God Calling You?

God calls all of us to share our gifts in many ways. If God is calling you to share your faith with children, or youth through one of our faith formation programs, please call Sharon Pilk as soon as possible or sign up on your child's registration form. We will help you get started in the catechetical ministry for the year 2010-2011 by trying to match your God-given gifts with our faith formation program needs. Many of our catechists are parents of children or youth in our programs, but there are some who do not have a child in the program and feel called to share their gift of faith with children and youth. Some are seniors, some are empty nesters, and some are teens. All it takes is a willingness to share the Catholic faith with our kids or youth and about 1-1/2 to 2-1/2 hours per week. Thanks for helping out and responding to God's call.



Key to the Community 5K Walk/Run

Proceeds to Benefit **The South Portland Food Cupboard** Sunday, May 30th 1pm at Scarborough Public Library. FMI visit: <http://keytocommunity.webs.com/>

Prayer Shawl Ministry Group Meets Monthly

Our prayer shawl ministry has touched the lives of so many people in our parish and community. Many of our committed members have been praying, knitting, crocheting, and sewing on their own to make beautiful prayer shawls for those experiencing a loss, crisis, or holy event (such as a baptism or marriage). **Some of our membership would like to try to gather once a month on the 2nd Wednesday of the month starting June 9th from 10-11 am in the Teen Room.** Here we will pray, knit, crochet, and sew together while sharing fellowship and friendship. If you would like to join the prayer shawl ministry, please contact Kathy Williamson or just come to our gatherings on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. You do not need to be Catholic to join.

Continued from May 9th 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.

ETERNAL LIFE: Living forever with God in the happiness of heaven, entered after death by the souls of those who die in the grace and friendship of God (988, 1020). In preaching the kingdom of heaven, Jesus called all people to eternal life, which is anticipated in the grace of union with Christ: "This is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent" (Jn 17:3).



CHEVRUS COUNCIL MAY DINNER MAY 18TH Marinated Vegetable Salad, Slow Cooked Yankee Pot Roast w/ gravy, Carrots, Peas, onion and potatoes, Dessert & Coffee. 6-7 Social Hour and dinner @ 7pm. Please call Ron or Roger and

leave a message for a reservation before Tuesday morning the 17th. 767-3867 or 799-8627. Location: K of C Hall on the corner of Walnut & Broadway.



BAPTISM

On April 18th **Rylie Marie Haller**, daughter of Christopher Haller and Jacey

Hatt was baptized here at St. Bartholomew Church.



On April 11th **Haven Theodore Jordan** son of Haven Theodore Jordan and Carol Ann Lindsay Jordan, and husband of Ellen Enna received the sacrament of Confirmation here at St. Bartholomew Church. Congratulations Ted.



On May 1st **Lisa Ferreira and Zachary Jones** were married here at St. Bartholomew Church.

FUNERAL SERVICES were held at St. Bartholomew Church:

On April 30th for **James J. Jordan**, husband of Barbara Jordan of this parish,

On May 6th for **Daniel Conley**, husband of Jean Conley and father of Maggie Frigard of this parish, and

On May 7th for **Antoinette Miller**, mother of Patricia Dawes of this parish. Please pray for their souls.



A big THANK YOU to the **Parish Life Commission** for sponsoring the thank you Mass and reception for Parish volunteers on May 1st. Everyone enjoyed a Saturday evening Mass at St. Bartholomew again, the food was delicious and the commraderie at the reception was too fun for words.

This is just one of many events that the Parish Life Commission sponsors which help to strengthen our Parish by bringing parishioners together. For more information concerning this commission contact Heather Mullen by email at mhemullen@yahoo.com or phone 767-1386.

Mass Intentions  for the Week

Insert Morning Connections

Monday, May 17

9:00 AM Eucharistic Service

Tuesday, May 18

8:30 AM †Robert Kilgallen

Requested by John and Maura Kilgallen

Wednesday, May 19

9:00 AM Eucharistic Service

Thursday, May 20

8:30 AM †All Souls

Requested by our parish

Friday, May 21

9:00 AM Eucharistic Service

Sunday, May 23

9:00 AM †Dina McGillicuddy

Requested by her family

11:00 AM †Stanley J. Stankiewicz

Requested by the Carignan 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 May 23rd

	<u>9:00 AM</u>	<u>11:00 AM</u>
Altar Ser	A.Stewart	M.Pinette
	J.Stewart	T.Pinette
Euch Min	G.Atkins	M.FitzGerald
	M.Gilchrest	R.Pesirla
	D.Maddaleni	M.Pesirla
	T.Meyers	M.Rauth
	P.Dumont	C.Reid
Lector	L.Bauman	L.Grassin-Drake
Ushers	J.Kilgallen	M.Lynch

ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS: Please contact Gail Atkins with any dates that you will be unable to serve for July through September. **DEADLINE: May 31**

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.

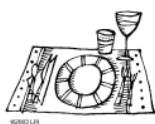
Coffee Servers

May 16	9 Mass	Logue family
	11 Mass	Gary/Joanne Warren and Jacqueline/Paul Hassett
May 23	9 Mass	Friberg family
	11 Mass	Janice/Melissa Drinan

Tough Theology Talk Tuesday Series:

Homosexuality and the Church

The St. Bartholomew Faith Formation Committee is sponsoring a series of Tuesdays this coming year where we will discuss controversial issues in the Church and Society. Do you feel like you do not have a full grasp of the Church's teaching surrounding many controversial issues and would like to be empowered with knowledge in order to articulate the Church's teaching when out and about with friends? With all the rhetoric and politics surrounding the same-sex marriage initiative, do you ever wonder what the church's teaching is on homosexuality? For those who might be confused on the church's stance on homosexuality, homosexual persons, and marriage, please join us on **Tuesday, May 18th at 7:00 pm** at St. Bartholomew's Gaziano Hall to learn more about the church's perspective on this issue. *This will not be a public debate or round table discussion, but an adult faith formation opportunity to understand the Roman Catholic Church's teaching and pastoral care concerning a controversial issue.* This is the first of three topics in the series. Look for the next topic on "Abortion and the Church" in October. For more information, please contact Kathy Williamson.



**The Saints are Coming for Dinner
This Summer**

Do you have a patron Saint? Would you like to learn more about the Saints so you can start to use their guidance through prayer? This summer, the Faith Formation Committee is sponsoring several dinners hosted by parishioners in their homes where the meal prayer, discussion, and even the food centers on a particular Saint. The dinners are inspired and based on the book Saints at the Dinner Table by Amy Heyd. Each host will open up their home to 6 to 8 guests. Each guest will sign up with a host, take a packet, which includes the bio of the particular Saint that's coming to dinner and a recipe that the guest will make and bring to the host's house for dinner. We are happy to have the following hosts and Saints coming to dinner:

June – St. Margaret of Scotland

June 11th at 6:30 pm – hosts: Dave & Tricia Mitchell at 24 Cole Field Rd., CE

June 30th at 6:00 pm - hosts: Jack & Sharon Pilk at 3 Arlington Lane, CE

July – St. Hildegard of Bingen

July 9th at 6:00 pm – hosts: Tony & Kelly Dell'Aquila at 368 Spurwink Ave., CE

July 23rd at 6:00 pm – hosts: Scott & Trish Morin at 18 Prout Place, CE

August – St. Notburga

August 19th at 6:00 pm – hosts: Jeff & Susan Leighton at 68 Wells Rd., CE

Whether you are a couple or a single, consider coming to dinner with a Saint! Signups are in the Narthex on the parish events bulletin board. If you would like to host a dinner with a Saint, please contact Kathy Williamson to help you get started.

NEEDS: My Sister's Keeper welcomes **clean, new or gently used spring and summer apparel** for the clothing closet.



FOOD CUPBOARD

Once again we had Teddi Reed, Nutrition Associate, Eat Well Nutrition Program, University of Maine Cooperative Extension, make a nutritional breakfast item for our visitors. The food item she prepares is made with items we have on our shelves so that visitors can choose when they are filling out their "menu's" (menu's are the food listing we have on hand for them to choose from each week). Our visitors get a treat to eat, a recipe to follow, the food items from our shelves, and Teddi tells them what other healthy ingredients that can be added and how to stretch the meal. We already have June & July's foods selected. We thank Teddi so very much and also the Eat Well program @ the University for partnering with us on this. It is a win-win program.

We need: **Baked beans, Chicken noodle soup, Pancake mix and Spaghetti sauce.**

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. 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.

**Meditation Group to Meet Monthly
Day or Evening Gatherings Offered**

"I will meditate on all your works and consider all your mighty deeds." (Psalm 77:12)

Curious about meditation and how it can be incorporated into your spiritual practice or are you someone who meditates regularly? Come to the Cluster 22 Meditation Group and learn more. Each gathering will include a brief discussion, a guided meditation and time for silent meditation in peaceful surroundings. Our last **May gathering will meet in the Teen Room at St. Bart's on Thurs. May 20th at 7:00pm.** Contact Kathy Sheehan for more information 799-2447.



MEMORIAL DAY MASS

The annual outdoor Mass for deceased Veterans and family members will be held at 9 am Monday, May 31st at its usual location in the St. Dominic/Armed Forces section of New Calvary Cemetery, South Portland. Rev. Msgr. Michael Henchal will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Limited chairs are available so bring lawn chairs if you wish. In the event of rain, the Mass will be held in St. John the Evangelist Church on Main St., South Portland at the same time. This event is sponsored by St. John the Evangelist Church in cooperation with Conroy-Tully Crawford Funeral Homes and Cremation services.