

ST. BARTHOLOMEW, CAPE ELIZABETH



He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." - Mk 8:34-35

Readings for the Week of September 13, 2009	
Sunday:	Is 50:5-9a/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35
Monday:	Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Tuesday:	1 Tm 3:1-13/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Wednesday:	1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday:	1 Tm 4:12-16/Lk 7:36-50
Friday:	1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday:	Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16--4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Faith Formation Question of the Week
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
"Faith and Works"

Key Passage Faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead. But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I by my works will show you my faith. James 2:17-18

Adult Why should faith always lead to good works?
Child What good works can you do to show your faith in Jesus?

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FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

.....Jim Russell, chairman 767-4398

WEEKLY OFFERTORY GOAL \$7,600.00

The offertory goal includes the Electronic Funds Transfer receipts which are reported monthly, usually after the first weekend.



The bulletin had to be sent to the printers before figures were available from Sept. 6th. They will be reported next week.

Elec. Fund Transfers for Sept. \$3,519.99

The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church in the U.S., located in Washington, D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to 6,000 students every year. Sept. 20th is the National Collection for the Catholic University of America. Every dollar given directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country, including ours. Please be generous.

The Sept. 20th bulletin will contain the finance report for 2009 and Jim Russell, the finance chair, will present the report to the parish.



Chester's Kids Children's Liturgy of the Word
 K-1 planning session on Sunday, Sept. 13th from noon-2 pm. Opening session Sept. 20.



Faith Friends Grades 2, 3, & 4.

Sept. 15th opening session.

Parents Session: Curriculum Overview & meet your child's catechist.

Gr. 2 We know and Love God

Gr. 3 God Speaks to Us

Gr. 4 God's Word to Us



GOOD NEWS DISCIPLES Grade 5 & 6

Sept. 15th opening session: Adam and Eve.

Parents Session: Curriculum Overview & meet your child's catechist.

Good News Disciples field trip to Randall's Apple Orchard will be Sunday, September 20, 2009. We will depart from Church after 11:00am Mass (@ 12:00pm) and return 3:00pm. Please return your permission slip by Sept. 15th. We are picking apples for Fall Fun Fest Sept. 27 12:00-3:00.



Core Team Planning Meeting on Sept. 13th at 10:00 am.

Junior Youth Ministry joint opening session "The Big

Deal" with **Youth Ministry** on Sept. 13th from 1-2 pm. beginning with lunch after 11:00 Mass. Come check out the new programs.

CATECHIST MINISTRY DAY

Bishop Malone to Speak at St. Max, Sat. Sept. 19th

On Saturday, Sep 19th from 8:30 am – 3:00 pm, those involved in providing faith formation for all ages including adults in the southern region of Maine will be gathering at St. Maximilian-Kolbe for renewal in their catechetical ministry. Please join Bishop Malone and those of us involved in catechetical ministry for **"Shape Us Anew: Catechesis and the Proclamation of the Word."** Bishop Malone will give us our keynote address and there will be workshops available to help discover how we are 'SHAPED' by Scripture, The Creed, Prayer, Theology of the body, Faith and family, Persons with different abilities, The Sacraments, and Books on Social Justice for adults and children. Registration forms will be available soon at the Faith Formation office. Registration fee is \$20 (or \$10 for those active in providing catechesis including youth ministry, the faith formation.

CATECHIST COMMISSIONING SUNDAY, SEPT. 20TH AT 9 MASS

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Catechists Needed

We have a few openings for catechists to work with disciples in grades 2-6, Sunday's Liturgy of the Word at the 9 and 11 Masses and SPRED. Please call Sharon Pilk (799-5528 x103) and leave your name, contact information, and the grade you want to lead. We also have a need for someone to work with our bulletin boards too! Thanks for answering the call!

MANDATORY SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MEETINGS SUNDAY SEPT. 27TH

Sacrament of Confirmation & First Eucharist Preparation

Parent meeting 12:00-1:00 pm

Make up meeting Tues. Sept. 29 at 4:30-5:30 pm

Parents who are interested in preparing their child(ren) to receive the initiation Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist, especially 2nd grade parents, must attend one of these meetings to receive an overview of the preparation program, and also to participate in discussions on the importance of initiation into the church to the mission of Christ.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Preparation

Parent meeting 1:00-2:00 pm

Make-up meeting Tues Sept. 29 at 4:30-5:30 pm

Parents who are interested in preparing their child(ren) to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, especially 4th grade parents, must attend one of these meetings in order to receive an overview of the preparation and also to participate in discussions about the central message of forgiveness in Jesus' teachings.



GLORY CHOIR, GRADES 2-6, CHOIR PRACTICE BEGINS OCT. 6TH AT 3:30-4:14 PM.

THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL RED MASS

The Annual Red Mass for lawyers and judges will be celebrated at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on **Thursday, October 1 at 4:30 PM.** The Most Rev. Richard J. Malone, Th.D., Bishop of Portland, will be the principal celebrant and homilist. A reception and dinner will follow at the Portland Country Club in Falmouth. The featured speaker will be the Honorable John A. Woodcock, Jr., Chief Judge of the U. S. District Court (District of Maine). Reservations forms are on the table in the hallway near the parish office. Please **RSVP by Sept. 14th** to Heather Stevens at hstevens@pierceatwood.com or 791-1392. The cost is \$45 per person.

Move Beyond the Pain of Divorce! If you are recently divorced or going through a divorce, come to an 8 week program of caring and confidential support with others in similar situations. "*Divorce & Beyond*", a facilitated support group, **begins Thursday, October 1st, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Yarmouth.** Fee is \$25. Pre-registration is required at 1-800-CARE-002, ext. 2670, e-mail: familylifeinstitute@ccmaine.org. No walk-ins, please.

Continued from Sept. 6th 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.

CELIBACY: The state or condition of those who have chosen to remain unmarried for the sake of the kingdom of heaven in order to give themselves entirely to God and to the service of his people. In the Latin Church, celibacy is obligatory for bishops and priests. In some Eastern Churches, celibacy is a prerequisite for the ordination only of bishops; priests may not marry after they have been ordained (1579, 1580).

CHARACTER, SACRAMENTAL: An indelible spiritual mark which is the permanent effect of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders, by which a person is given a new permanent configuration to Christ and a specific standing in the Church; the reception of these sacraments is never repeated (1272, 1304, 1582).

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Sept. 13

YEAR FOR PRIESTS 2009 ~ JUNE 19 ~ 2010

Dear brother priests, the example of the Curé of Ars invites us to a serious examination of conscience: what place do we give the Mass in our daily lives? Is it, as on the day of our Ordination - it was our first act as priests! - the principle of our apostolic work and personal sanctification? What care do we take in preparing for it? And in celebrating it? In praying before the Blessed Sacrament? In encouraging our faithful people to do the same? In making our Churches the House of God to which the divine presence attracts the people of our time who too often have the impression of a world empty of God? (**Pope John Paul – 1986 Letter to Priests on Holy Thursday**)



The 3rd Annual **Harvest Ball**, an evening of entertainment, dining and dancing is scheduled for **Friday, October 30 from 7PM to midnight at the Holiday Inn by the Bay, Portland.** This fundraiser, hosted by Bishop Richard Malone, features the Tony Boffa Band, a delicious meal, door prizes and a silent auction. The auction includes New England Patriot tickets, jewelry, weekend getaways and more. Proceeds will benefit *Harvest Magazine*, the diocesan bi-monthly magazine which is distributed free of charge to 40,000 Maine households. *Harvest* features stories of faith from across the state, spiritual direction for daily living and theological teachings. The cost for the Ball is \$60 per person or \$100 a couple (you and your spouse, friend, neighbor or relative). Call 773-6471 and ask for Christine to register, make your dinner selection and arrange payment (checks or credit cards accepted).

Mass Intentions for the Week



Monday, August 14

8:30 AM Eucharistic Service

Tuesday, September 15

8:30 AM †Carl Rivotto

Requested by Ted and Sally Dalton

Wednesday, September 16

8:30 AM Eucharistic Service

Thursday, September 17

8:30 AM †Martin Mullen

Requested by Florence Johnson

Friday, September 18

8:30 AM Eucharistic Service

Sunday, September 20

9:00 AM †Adele Dean

Requested by Florence Johnson

11:00 AM †James V. Gibbons, Jr.

Requested by Joanne Leete

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 September 20

9:00 AM

11:00 AM

Altar Ser

T.Pilk

C.Kelly

N.Shedd

C.Kelley

Euch Min

J.Boyington

M.FitzGerald

P.Dumont

C.Reid

D.Conley

M.Pesirla

E.Dunfey

K.Williamson

S.Pilk

P.Yantakosol

Lector

P.Russell

C.Tierney

Ushers

G.Montpelier

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

Sept. 13 9 and 11 Masses Finance Commission

Sept. 20 9 and 11 Masses Faith Formation Com.

Call Gail Atkins at 799-5528 to claim a spot for your family or group to serve.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ADULT EDUCATION

Little Rock Scripture Study will be offered again this September with a study of Women in the Old Testament. This 10 week course introduces participants to women whose stories offer courage and insight. Beginning September 15 and running through November 17, we will meet here at St. Bartholomew's on Tuesdays at 9:00 am. Sign-ups will be held after all Masses on Sept. 13. Space is limited. There will be a \$15.00 fee for materials. Please call Trish Morin @ 767-5978 for info.

"De-stress Your Life: Rediscovering Holy Leisure" led by Kathy Williamson. Register through Cape Community Services 799-2868. (Began. Sept. 9-Oct. 30th)

Pastoral Care Ministry Continuing Formation Retreat led by Msgr. Paul. Sat. Oct. 3rd at 8:30-10:30 @ St. Bart's Register through Gail Atkins 799-5528 or gail.atkins@portlanddiocese.org

RCIA Inquiry Nights about becoming Catholic. Tues. Sept. 15 at 7 pm @ St. Max; Mon. Sept. 21 at 6:30 @St. Johns; Thurs. Sept. 24 at 7 pm @ St. Barts. Contact appropriate parish office.

Little Rock Scripture Study: Hebrews through St. Max. Beg. Sept. 16. Contact 883-0334.

Little Rock Scripture Study: Parables through Holy Cross/St. John beg. Dec. 2. Contact 772-7489.

Sunday by Sunday Faith Sharing Groups beg. Oct. 4. Contact parish offices.

Book Discussion Group: The Way of the Lord: Christian Pilgrimage Today led by Msgr. Henchal beg. Oct. 3rd at St. Barts' and St. Max. Contact appropriate parish office.

University of Dayton Virtual Learning Courses beg. Oct 18. With registration beg. Sept. 1. vlc.udayton.edu to register.

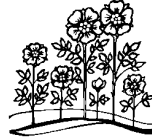
Protecting God's Children Workshops Wed. Sept. 30 at 5:30-8 pm at St. Barts register with sharon.pilk@portlanddiocese.org or 799-5528 ext. 103 and Mon. Oct. 19th at 6-8:30 pm at St. John register with laurie.kelly@portlanddiocese.org or 773-8710

DONATIONS NEEDED

My Sister's Keeper, a mentoring ministry for women in transition from corrections is looking for gently used/new furniture to be donated to women moving into new apartments. There is an **immediate need for beds and frames, dishes and other kitchen needs. Bedding is also needed for all mattress sizes.** If you have furniture that you would like to donate, please contact Kelly Dell'Aquila, Director of Services, My Sister's Keeper @ 712-5962 or kcoggs@aol.com. Thank you for your support!

Baptism Reunion Mass, Brunch & Storytelling Workshop for families who had infants or children baptized in the last 3 years on Sept. 20. Contact Kathy Williamson if you did not receive an invitation.

The **Women's Group** meets at 10 am on Tuesdays.



Altar Flower Donations

If you would like to donate summer flowers from your garden, please contact Pauline Dumont (767-1085) for help with arrangements.

EXCITING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The **Art & Environment Committee** was formed to assess the environment in our sacred spaces to support prayer and worship. We have helped to bring the Stations of the Cross and a set of green banners to our sanctuary. We are involved in decorating for the different liturgical seasons and providing enrichment and training for our liturgical ministers. If you have a creative eye or like to decorate, please consider joining our committee. The next Art & Environment Committee meeting is on **Monday, Sep. 14th at 10:00 am at St. Bartholomew's**. Please contact Pauline Dumont at 767-1085 or pdumont@maine.rr.com to join our committee or for more information.

Are you looking for a new ministry?

Become a **Minister of the Sick**. Our ministry is in need of a few people wanting to help with our Communion Service at our two Nursing Homes (Village Crossing and Piper Shores). Our ministers do the services in teams of two. A short training will be provided. For more information or to sign up please call Rosemarie Willitts at 767-3486.

Stand for Marriage Rally

Please join us at the Augusta Civic Center for the **Stand For Marriage Rally** presented by Focus on the Family, The Maine Jeremiah Project, Family Research Council, Stand For Marriage Maine (SFMM) and many other family groups on the evening of **September 13, 2009 from 6-8 PM**. Invited speakers include Bishop Richard Malone, Tony Perkins of the Family Research Council, Dr. James Dobson of Focus on the Family, Pastor Bob Emrich – Director of the Maine Jeremiah Project and other national and locally known supporters of traditional marriage. Tickets are required and may be obtained **free of charge** through SFMM or the Public Affairs Office in the Chancery. Contact information for Brian Souchet at SFMM is 207-846-9052 brian@standformarriagemaine.com. Contact information for the Chancery Public Affairs Office is 207-773-6471 Christine.pitteroff@portlanddiocese.org. Include your name, telephone number and requested number of tickets when you call or email. Call the SFMM office in Yarmouth at 207-846-9052 if you'd like to make arrangements to pick up tickets. Each parish center will also have a limited amount of tickets for distribution. Website address for more information: www.standformarriagemaine.com. Click the News tab on the site.