

ST. BARTHOLOMEW, CAPE ELIZABETH



"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ...Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." - Mt 5: 3, 9

Readings for the Week of November 1, 2009	
Sunday:	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
Monday:	Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40
Tuesday:	Rom 12:5-16b/Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday:	Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33
Thursday:	Rom 14:7-12/Lk 15:1-10
Friday:	Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8
Saturday:	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Lk 16:9-15
Next Sunday:	1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Faith Formation Question of the Week

All Saints

"Blest Are You"

Key Passage Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. Matthew 5:12

Adult What is the greatest challenge of the beatitudes for you?

Child What does it mean to be blessed by God?

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FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

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

Sunday, October 25, 2009

Offertory Collection	\$4,919
Weekly Electronic Giving	<u>810</u>
TOTAL	\$5,759

Total Offertory Collection Budgeted \$6,432.00

Year to Date Offertory Collection – Actual	\$98,954
Year to Date Offertory Collection – Budgeted	<u>115,776</u>
Net	(\$16,822)

World Mission Sunday Collection \$588.00

Feast of Christ the King Communion Breakfast sponsored by Greater Portland Council of Catholic Men will be Sunday, Nov. 22 with 8:30 am Mass at the Cathedral followed by breakfast at the Italian Heritage Center in Portland at 10 am. For tickets contact Leroy Chace 799-6583 or George Montpelier 799-0229.



Small Blessings

Parents with their infants and preschool children are invited to attend our **SAINTS** gathering on **Monday, Nov. 2nd** from **10:00-11:00 a.m.** Our leader will be Lynn Blank. 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

November 8th – 32nd Sunday in OT (B)

9 AM Prayer & Reader: Jennifer Haines

Homilist: Sue Guerette

11AM Prayer & Reade: Emily Mitchell

Homilist: Lynn Blank



Faith Friends Grades 2, 3, & 4

Christmas Pageant Practice will start for grade 2-4 on Nov. 17th. All children grades 2-4 will be participating. We are looking for a few parent helpers!! The play is *Christmas Hide and Seek*. If you are available during class time Nov. 17-Dec. 20th please contact Sharon 799-5528 x 103 or e mail Sharon.pilk@portlanddiocese.org. Parents that are not here every week but have some free time can help us too. We need costume, set help, and xeroxing.



GOOD NEWS DISCIPLES Grade 5 & 6

Remembering the Dead Prayer Service

Nov. 3rd at 5:00 pm

All parishioners are welcome! Faith Friends and Good News Disciples will not meet on Nov. 3rd so all families may attend the Service together. Please bring a picture (labeled with your child's name and preferably framed) of a relative who has died recently. The pictures will be displayed throughout the month of November in the Church to honor the dead and emphasize our communion in prayer with the dead as one Body of Christ.

There is No Faith Formation Classes Tuesday Nov. 10 for the Veteran's Day Holiday.

There is Glory Choir on November 3rd at 4:00 pm. Glory Choir will sing at the 5:00PM Prayer Service.



*JrYM (Edge) and YM (Lifeteen):
Nov. 1st Jr. YM topic to be determined. YM topic
Promoting a Culture of Life Globally.*

ALL SAINTS



LIBRARY NEWS

The St. Bartholomew Children's Library is **MISSING** the following books. Please check your children's rooms. When returning books, please just place them on the table for check in. **Do Not** file them in the bookcases.

Love You Forever by Robert Munsch
A Prayer Book for Catholic Families
Picture Book of Saints: Illustrated Lives of the Saints for Young and Old by Rev. Lawrence G. Lovasik, S.V.D.
Small Acts of Kindness by James Vollbracht
Someday Heaven by Larry Libby
The Story of Saint Patrick by James Janda
Waiting for Wings by Lois Ehler
Winter Saints: Stories for the Days of Advent and Christmas by Melissa Musick Nussbaum
Illustrated Book of Saints by Fr. Thomas J. Donaghy

Are there clouds of sadness surrounding your upcoming Christmas Season? "Embracing Christmas" is a program for divorced, widowed and single persons that provides helpful ways to journey through the holidays. "Embracing Christmas" will be held on Saturday, November 14th at Holy Martyrs Church in Falmouth from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. It is free and open to all. Please RSVP by Nov. 12th, 871-7464, ext. 2672 (outside the Portland area 1-800-CARE-002) or psm@ccmaine.org. "Embracing Christmas" is co-sponsored by Connected Catholics of Maine and Catholic Charities Maine Parish Social Ministry.

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL SPECIAL COLLECTION

Thank you very much for your generosity with the special collection for Holy Cross School. The amount collected for Holy Cross School from **St. Bartholomew was \$803.25**. The total amount that was raised from the 4 Cluster parishes was \$ 6,564.00. Holy Cross School provides quality Catholic education focused on Christ's message and mission, academic achievement, self-discipline, and service to others. For more information on Holy Cross School, you can call Sister Theresa Rand, Principal, at 799-6661. If for some reason you were not able to be at the Masses this past weekend, and would like to make a tax deductible contribution to Holy Cross School, you may do that by sending a check to Holy Cross School, Parish Office, 29 Aspen Avenue, South Portland, Me. 04106. May God bless you, your families, our cluster churches and the students and families of Holy Cross School that are entrusted to our care. Rev. Msgr. Michael Henchal, Pastor and Sister Theresa Rand, Principal.

Early Christmas Shopping?

Purchase a 400 Club Membership (to help support Holy Cross School) for yourself or sell one (or buy it as a gift) for a relative or friend who supports the mission of Catholic Education. Yearly memberships are \$55 and every month six prizes are awarded, ranging from \$25 to \$200. **Members have 72 chances to win cash prizes.** Membership forms are on the table in the back of church or check with Gail Atkins.

Continued from Oct. 25th 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.

COMMUNION: Holy Communion, the reception of the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist (1382). More generally, our fellowship and union with Jesus and other baptized Christians in the Church, which has its source and summit in the celebration of the Eucharist. In this sense, Church as communion is the deepest vocation of the Church (959).

COMMUNION OF SAINTS: The unity in Christ of all the redeemed, those on earth and those who have died. The communion of saints is professed in the Apostles' Creed, where it has also been interpreted to refer to unity in the "holy things" (*communio sanctorum*), especially the unity of faith and charity achieved through participation in the Eucharist (948, 957, 960, 1474).

ADULT EDUCATION

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

ADORATION

Please join us at St. Max for a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday morning immediately following mass (from 8:30-9:30). The first ten minutes consists of a led vocal prayer for vocations and the remainder of the hour is for quiet prayer and reflection. We invite you to join us as we adore our Lord.

SENIOR APPRECIATION LUNCHEON AND BINGO

St. Bart's Wants You!

St. Bartholomew Church will be hosting its annual Senior Appreciation Luncheon on Sunday, **November 15th from 12:15-2 pm** to honor senior citizens in our parish community. Please come and enjoy baked ham, potatoes, vegetable, salad, rolls and assorted pies and Bingo! Seniors are welcome to bring a friend, but please sign up in the Narthex to let us know you are coming. This event is hosted by the Parish Life Commission.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter in Maine

We give our cars a tune up to keep them running smoothly and we go to the gym to exercise and keep our bodies in shape. How about our marriages? They can use the attention of a good enrichment program also! You do not need a weekend, you deserve one! Plan now to join us for time to enrich your marriage by going on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The registration costs \$50 and there is an opportunity for a free will offering on the weekend. The weekend will be held at the **Lewiston Ramada Inn on November 6-8**. Register on-line at www.womenewengland.org or contact Dave and Ellie at 207-933-4237 or DaveEllie@fairpoint.net. You deserve all this weekend has to offer!

NOVEMBER 1, 2009

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week

INSERT MORNING CONNECTION

Monday, November 2

8:30 AM Eucharistic Service

Tuesday, November 3

8:30 AM †Frederich Gleason

Requested by John and Maura Kilgallen

Wednesday, November 4

8:30 AM Eucharistic Service

Thursday, November 5

8:30 AM †Theresa Carey

Requested by John and Maura Kilgallen

Friday, November 6

8:30 AM Eucharistic Service

Sunday, November 8

9:00 AM †Dina McGillicuddy

Requested by her family

11:00 AM †Dorothy Day

Requested by Paul and Anne Laliberte

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 November 8

	<u>9:00 AM</u>	<u>11:00 AM</u>
Altar Ser	E.Dineen	E.Canarie
	H.Dineen	A.Godfrey
Euch Min	G.Atkins	L.Brennan
	J.Boyington	D.Canarie
	D.Conley	M.FitzGerald
	P.Dumont	C.Reid
	E.Dunfey	P.Yantakosol
Lector	S.Haines	R.Beaudoin
Ushers	G.Montpelier	J.Herrick

ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS: Please contact Gail Atkins with any dates that you will be unable to serve for January thru March. **DEADLINE:** November 30.

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

Nov. 1	9 Mass	Gail Perkins family
	11 Mass	Daly family
Nov. 8	9 Mass	Brenda Sands family
		Al and Jane Sands
	11 Mass	Mike and Teri Feely

ALL SAINTS



St. Bartholomew's Christmas Prelude

December 4th-6th

Friday, December 4th Polar Express Adventure 6-9 pm
Saturday, December 5th Christmas Craft Fair 9-3 pm
Sunday, December 6th Pancake Breakfast with Saint Nicholas

Christmas Prelude Planning

Anyone willing to help out with the Christmas Fair planned for Dec. 4-6th should contact Gail Atkins at 799-5528 or Gail.Atkins@portlanddiocese.org. Some activities in the planning are: "Polar Express" movie adventure, craft tables, snack bar, pancake breakfast with Santa, Silent Night raffle and bake sale. If you, your business, or someone you know would be interested in donating an item or a service to our raffle, please contact Gail.

Didn't Sell Everything at your Garage Sale?

The Christmas Fair Committee is looking for new or gently used jewelry, CDs, DVDs, books (adult or youth), or other good quality items that are still useful for our Wisemen's Treasure Chest. Please bring in items between Nov. 15th and Nov. 29th to Room 2.

Liturgical Minister Training

Training for people who would like to get involved with the following liturgical ministries is as follows:

Altar Server – please contact Gail Atkins if you would like to be trained as an altar server. You must be at least in the 4th grade and have experience attending Sunday Mass. Thom Meschinelli will provide the training on Sunday, Nov. 15th and Sunday, Dec. 13th between Masses (10:00-11:00 am).

Lector – please contact Kathy Williamson. Training is on Sunday, Dec. 13th after the 11:00 Mass (12:00-12:45 pm). You must be at least in high school and have experience attending Sunday Mass, as well as a comfort leaving with reading and speaking in front of a large group.

Usher/Greeter – please contact Kathy Williamson. Training is on Sunday, Nov. 29th after the 11:00 Mass (12:00-12:45 pm). You must be at least in the 7th grade, have experience attending Sunday Mass, and have a welcoming disposition.

Eucharistic Minister – please contact Kathy Williamson. Training is on Sunday, Jan. 10th after the 11:00 Mass (12:00 pm-12:45 pm). You must be at least 16 years old and be approved by the Bishop before you can practice this ministry. You must have experience attending Sunday Mass and a devotion to the Eucharist.

Cantor – please contact Irene Kecskemethy. Training is done on an individual basis and consists of being paired with a veteran cantor until the new cantor feels comfortable leading the congregation in song. You must have experience attending Sunday Mass, and love to pray through song.

The **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.

MY SISTER'S KEEPER

With the change in weather My Sister's Keeper will begin collecting clothes again and is in need of heavy winter jackets, hats and gloves, pants and slacks sizes 12-18 and sweaters in all sizes. As you go through your winter wardrobe please keep this worthwhile cause in mind.

My Sister's Keeper, a mentoring ministry for women in corrections will be holding a clothing drive to collect **newly** purchased undergarments for women. We will be collecting underwear (sizes 5, 6, 7, 8, 9), bras (sizes 36, 38, 40 C & D) as well as large and extra large sports bras and socks of various sizes. There will be a collection basket at St. Bartholomew's, Holy Cross, St. John's and St. Maximillian. The undergarment collection will be **Sunday November 1st and Sunday November 8th**. Thank you so much for your generosity and if you would like more information about My Sister's Keeper, please contact Kelly Dell'Aquila, Director of Services @ 712-5962 or kcoggs@aol.com

Holy Cross Church in South Portland, Maine is in need of an Organist. This position is part time with two Masses per weekend (one Saturday and one Sunday) and choir practice. Must be available for the more important holy days (e.g., Christmas, Holy Week). Additional remuneration for funerals and/or weddings available but not required. Must be an accomplished organ and piano player. Experience in a Catholic Church setting is desired. Must be reliable and dependable. Reports to Pastor and Music Director.

If interested please send cover letter and resume to: Rev. Msgr. Michael Henchal, Pastor, Holy Cross Church Parish Office, 29 Aspen Avenue, South Portland, Me. 04106. No phone calls please. Email submission of a cover letter and resume is permitted. Send to tom.sheehan@portlanddiocese.org.

FOOD CUPBOARD

We were the recipients of the excess food at the Saturday afternoon Harvest on the Harbor Event. With the help of seven SP/CE Rotarians and FC volunteers we stuffed the Van! What a great selection of food items we received, sandwiches, salsa, apples, lovely vine tomatoes, chili, sausages & kielbasa from Kayem, cheeses, and much more. A very profitable 2 hours! The help from our own Anita & Ken & Rotarians whose motto is "Service above Self" was truly evident from them all! Saying thank you is not enough!

Hannaford in Mill Creek, SP has contacted us to say that they are going to have the "Fund a Feast Boxes" again this year from 11/1-12/31. This is such a great help and our visitors are so appreciative.

We have a number of food drives going on this month of November, so we will receive needed food items from these, but **we can always use Baked beans, Tuna fish, Chicken noodle soup & Spaghetti's.** Thank you.