

Saint Joseph's Church



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– New England Province of St. Mary

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Portland, Maine 04103

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Ms. Lori Lee – Principal

New Parishioners:

Welcome! We invite you to the St. Joseph Parish Family. Please Register by calling the friary.

Departing Parishioners:

Please inform the friary office prior to moving from the Parish.

Knights of Columbus,

St. Joseph Parish:

Bishop Amedee Prouix Council #11257

FMI Contact: Grand Knight Peter Rovnak (797-0795)

**673 Stevens Avenue
Portland, Maine 04103**

Established 1909

Liturgical Life

Sunday Masses:

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM

Holy Days:

Vigil of Feast: 7:00 PM, Feast Day: 8:00 AM and 12 Noon

Weekdays:

Monday – Saturday: 8:00 AM

Legal Holidays: 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday: 2:30 PM and by appointment.

Baptism: Please call friary office.

Baptism is customarily celebrated on the last Sunday of the month.

Marriage: Couples should contact the friary office at least 6 months in advance.

Please notify the friary office if a family member is hospitalized or if a home visit is desired.

Mass cards and enrollments for the living and deceased are available in the friary office.

“Lord make me an instrument of thy peace”

PORTIUNCULA INDULGENCE

Today, August 2nd, is the Feast of the Dedication of the Little Chapel of Our Lady of the Angels (Portiuncula) in Assisi, said to be the birth place of the Franciscan Order. Because of the love and esteem that St. Francis of Assisi had for the Holy Father, the opportunity for a special plenary indulgence was given to all who, to this very day, fulfill the following prescriptions: receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Communion within a week before/after August 2nd, and visit a church from noon, August 1st, to midnight, August 2nd. Say the following prayers: one Our Father and the Creed for the intention of the Holy Father.

A VOCATION VIEW

“This is My Son, the Beloved: listen to Him.” Do you approach the Lord in prayer, confident that He will make known your vocation if you listen to Him? If God may be inviting you to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact Fr. Bob Vaillancourt (773-6471, Robert.vaillancourt@portlanddiocese.org) or Sr. Rita-Mae Bissonnette (773-6471, ritamaebissonnette@portlanddiocese.org). If you are interested in the Capuchin Franciscan way of life, please speak with one of the friars here at St. Joseph's, contact Br. Tim Jones, O.F.M. Cap. (212-567-1300, brtimjones@yahoo.com), or log onto www.capuchin/vocations.org.

ENROLLMENT AT ST. BRIGID SCHOOL

For information about enrollment opportunities at St. Brigid School (grade Pre-K – 8), please call the school office at 797-7073.

YOUR WILL

Please remember St. Joseph's Parish in your will. Our legal title is: St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church.



HANKS! Sincere thanks to Peter Rovnak, parishioner and member of St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus, who re-painted the handicapped ramp to the side entrance of the church. The handicapped ramp is an important and well-used facility here at St. Joseph's. Peter has helped to maintain its usefulness, for which we are grateful.

FR. JOSEPH B. POMEROY, S.J.

We have recently received news of the death of Fr. Joseph R. Pomeroy, S.J. on July 16, 2009. Fr. Pomeroy, a native of Portland, was a member of St. Joseph Parish. He offered his First Mass as a priest here on June 24, 1962. May he rest in peace.

HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI REMEMBERED

Peace Action Maine, Pax Christi, Physicians for Social Responsibility, Maine Council of Churches and Maine Veterans for Peace will sponsor programs of Hiroshima Remembered (Thursday, August 6th) and Nagasaki Remembered (Sunday, August 9th) from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. at Portland's Post Office Park.

**Coffee and Cake Served!**

Come join your fellow Disciples in Mission after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday mornings in the lobby of the Fr. Hayes Center for prayer and fellowship. It is spiritually uplifting to all of us to hear other parishioners' personal stories of how they “live the Beatitudes” related to the day's readings at Mass. Jesus sent the Apostles out into the community to spread His good news. As a young and growing community we welcome you to join us. Our August meetings will be on **August 9th and 23rd**. Jesus invites you to be part of our discussions!

**ANNUAL WESTERN CEMETERY MASS**

The Ancient Order of Hibernians invites all to their 11th Annual Mass on the Catholic Ground of the Western Cemetery. Mass will be celebrated at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 16th. The cemetery is located at the corner of Danforth and Vaughan Street in Portland. It is held in remembrance of the early Catholic citizens, (mostly Irish) who are buried there. A memorial stone was dedicated on August 15, 1999. A reception will follow at St. Patrick's Church Hall. All are welcome! In case of rain the Mass will be held at St. Patrick's Church.



Among the intentions remembered at the Masses during the upcoming week are:

Monday, August 3

8:00 a.m. Philippe Mimeault

Tuesday, August 4

8:00 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, August 5

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Capuchins & Their Benefactors

Thursday, August 6

8:00 a.m. Henry Guay

Friday, August 7

8:00 a.m. Alice Kelly

Saturday, August 8

**8:00 a.m. Pearl Greenier
4:00 p.m. Deceased members of the Casale Family**

Sunday, August 9

**8:00 a.m. Our Parish Family
10:00 a.m. Sam & Mary Colucci
5:00 p.m. Alice Kelly**



The Sanctuary lamp will burn the week of August 2nd, in memory of Robert Marley, Sr.

Readings for the Week of August 2, 2009

Sunday:	Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35
Monday:	Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday:	Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday:	Nm 13:1-2, 25---14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/ Mt 15:21-28
Thursday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10
Friday:	Dt 4:32-40/Mt 16:24-28
Saturday:	Dt 6:4-13/Mt 17:14-20
Next Sunday:	1 Kgs 19:4-8/Eph 4:30---5:2/Jn 6:41-51

CHURCH SUPPORT



A total of 717 individuals attended Mass last weekend and contributed \$6,930. This was \$390 less than what was collected one year ago over the same weekend.

For the month of July, weekend collections totaled \$28,620 compared to \$29,320 collected one year ago. This was \$1,875 below where we need to be for the month to have an equal amount of revenue versus expenses for our fiscal year.

Our offertory goal for the month of August is \$42,275. This is \$1,625 (4% higher) than what was collected one year ago during August. If each church attendee increases his/her offertory contribution by \$1 each week, that would go a long way toward helping us achieve our goal. We'll be sure to keep everyone updated on our progress with weekly updates in the parish bulletin.

Did you know? Weekend offertory first collections for the last fiscal year accounted for a whopping 87% of the revenue collected to pay for the "day to day" expenses incurred to operate our parish. Your continued and faithful financial support of our parish is **most needed and appreciated. Thank you!**

Religious Education NEWS



New registrations and re-registrations for **2009 – 2010** Religious Education classes will take place in the back of the church after each Mass on:

August 29th (Saturday) & August 30th (Sunday)

September 5th (Saturday) & September 6th (Sunday)

September 12th (Saturday) & September 13th (Sunday)

Packets, which include class schedules and Parent Handbooks, will be distributed at this time.