

Saint Joseph's Church



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– New England Province of St. Mary

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Parish Directory

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

And by appointment

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Religious Education [Grades Pre K – 9]

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695 Stevens Avenue

Portland, Maine 04103

207-797-7073

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 Michael Pizzo (207-797-6326)

**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”

A VOCATION VIEW

“Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you”. Are you being chosen to give life to His people as a priest, deacon, or in the 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.

STAND FOR MARRIAGE

We have been asked by Fr. Andrew Dubois, Vicar General of the Diocese of Portland, to print the following information: Contributions made to the Stand for Marriage Maine Initiative by the Catholic Diocese came from a dedicated account that was established from a gift by a donor who indicated his wishes that it be applied to issues such as this one. NEITHER THE WEEKLY GOOD WILL OFFERING OF THE PARISHIONERS NOR THE BISHOP’S APPEAL – OR ANY OTHER FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGN – HAS EVER BEEN USED FOR THIS REFERENDUM. The only exception to this policy is when parishioners are clearly and expressly asked to give to a special collection for a particular cause, and of course, they are always free to give or to refrain from giving.

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 15th, 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.



The first St. Joseph’s Vacation Bible School is over. **WOW**, what a glorious and wonderful week we had! There are people who need to be recognized for giving us their time and talents:

Fr. Don Bosco, thank you for your blessing that opened our first day. God was really listening because He gave us the best week for our VBS.

Thank you and **huge kudos** go to our exceptional team of counselors: Jan Libby, Suzanne Winchester, Cindy Sevigny, Cindly Clark, Alyssa Cormack, Anthony Emerson, Teresa Emerson, Katherine Reynolds, Lauriana Gaudet and Emily Rodrigue. Not only did you give us your time and talents, but more importantly, you shared your faith, and that made a week filled with faith and fun. As the kids said, “Counselors, you rock!” Can’t get any better than that.

Many thanks to the people behind the scenes who donated items, set up, decorated, baked, took down or lugged: Barbara Dalton, Beverly Libby, Michelle Birkel, Julie Cannon, Denise Reynolds, Steve Savage, The Women’s Sodality, Suzanne, Teresa, Katherine, Anthony, Jean, Joan, Jan, Cindy, Libby, Emily, and Zach.

Our backyards were great because of all of you!

And finally, **THANK YOU** to the most awesome group of kids. “Kids Rock, too!” We had a blast learning how to serve Jesus. Wait until next year!!!!

With Joy & Laughter,
Pam

RCIA

BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Adults who wish to become full members of the Catholic faith are invited to participate in the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**. Meetings are held on Sunday mornings beginning in early September. Eligible for RCIA are those who have never been baptized, those who have been baptized in other Christian Churches, and those who have been baptized in the Catholic church but never celebrated First Communion and Confirmation. Please contact **Fr. Jim Hammer at 797-7026, ext. 205**, to arrange for a personal interview



Mass Intentions

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

Monday, August 17

8:00 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, August 18

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

Wednesday, August 19

8:00 a.m. Marguerite Beck

Thursday, August 20

8:00 a.m. Rosemarie Vaughan

Friday, August 21

8:00 a.m. Jeannette Gagnon

Saturday, August 22

8:00 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Victor St. Pierre, Jr.
4:00 p.m. Alfred & Lee Carnicella

Sunday, August 23

8:00 a.m. Sister's of Mercy 2009 Jubilees
10:00 a.m. Our Parish Family
5:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Capuchins & Their Benefactors

BUS TRIP TO CASTLE TUCKER



St. Patrick / St. Pius X Women's Fellowship will sponsor a bus trip on Thursday, August 20th, to Castle Tucker in Wiscasset. The price is \$21.00, includes bus, tip to driver, and tour of castle. Lunch will be on your own at The Taste of Maine Restaurant. The bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. from St. Pius X Church and it will return by 3:30 p.m. Call Marion Stevens at 772-1576 or Jeanne Stevens at 773-2560. Please make your check payable to Women's Fellowship and mail check to Marion Stevens at 108 Capisic Street, Portland, ME 04102 (your check confirms your reservation).

CHURCH SUPPORT



A total of 669 individuals attended Mass last weekend and contributed \$7,900. Last year over the same weekend, 722 individuals attended church and contributed \$8,490 to our offertory.

For the first six weeks of the new fiscal year, a total of \$43,645 has been collected. This is \$3,815 below the 4% offertory increase we had budgeted for and \$1,990 less than last year.

Did you know? Our Finance Committee has scheduled a total of eleven second collections for this fiscal year. These very special collections go directly to benefit our church. This is the same number as last fiscal year. The funds collected are used to offset church expenses incurred for church and friary building maintenance, religious education, snow removal, debt reduction, heating, and our cluster school. The first of these second collections will occur on September 12 – 13 and will be used to benefit our parish's Religious Education program.

YEAR FOR PRIESTS 2009 – 2010

The priest always, and in an unchangeable way, finds the source of his identity in Christ the Priest. It is not the world which determines his status, as though it depended on changing needs or ideas about social roles. The priest is marked with the seal of the Priesthood of Christ, in order to share in his function as the one Mediator and Redeemer.



Coffee and Cake Served!

Come join your fellow Disciples in Mission in the lobby of the Fr. Hayes Center for prayer and fellowship after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, August 23rd. 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.