

Saint Joseph's Church

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– New England Province of St. Mary

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Religious Education [Grades Pre K – 9]

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695 Stevens Avenue

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, Council 11257

Bishop Amedee Prouix

FMI Contact: Grand Knight Michael Pizzo (207-797-6326)

St. Joseph's Women Sodality

FMI Contact: 207-797-9509



**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”

SINCERE THANKS!

Sincere thanks to all who made last Sunday's Parish Centennial Celebration such a wonderful occasion! Special thanks are due to the Centennial Committee that put together and coordinated the many centennial events throughout the year and coordinated all aspects of the Centennial Mass and Reception last Sunday.

**Columbus Day**

Monday, October 12th, is Columbus Day, a legal holiday. Our parish Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. The friary office will be closed for the holiday.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- St. Joseph Parish Council Executive Committee: Tuesday, October 13th, 5:00 p.m., friary meeting room.
- St. Brigid School Board: Tuesday, October 13th, 6:45 p.m., school library.
- St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus: Tuesday, October 13th, 7:00 p.m., friary meeting room.
- Parents of First Penance Children Information Meeting: Wednesday, October 14th, 6:00 p.m., Fr. Hayes Center.
- Bible Study: Thursday, October 15th, 7:00 p.m., friary meeting room.

**YOUTH**

St. Joseph's Youth Choir will sing at the 10:00 a.m. Mass next Sunday.

AUXILIARY TO MERCY

The Auxiliary to Mercy Hospital will hold a fall membership luncheon on Friday, October 23rd, at the Purpoodock Club, 300 Spurwink Avenue, Cape Elizabeth. Marcia Feller of Couleur Collection will speak about "how to make your wardrobe new again." Social hour begins at 11:30 a.m., followed by lunch. Cost is \$25. Please RSVP by October 16th by calling 774-6597.

TEACHING MASS

Fr. Bob Vaillancourt will offer a "Teaching Mass" on Thursday, October 15th, at 7:00 p.m., at the Chancery (510 Ocean Avenue, Portland). This Mass will give attendees a greater understanding and love for Jesus in the Eucharist as we enter the mystery of the greatest gift from God. This event is intended for young adults (18-39). FMI, contact Lisa at veritasportland@yahoo.com, or call Craig at 831-0852.

**HOUR OF POWER**

Veritas, Portland's Young Adult Ministry, invites community members of all ages to its weekly gathering of music, worship and Eucharistic Adoration. Up-coming schedule: Wednesday, October 14th, (St. Anne's Gorham), Wednesday, October 21st, (St. Peter's, Portland). FMI, contact Becky at hourofpowerportland@gmail.com or call Chris at 653-1429.

A VOCATION VIEW

"Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" If you ask the Lord this question in prayer, are you ready to respond with a joyful "yes" or will you turn from Him with a heavy, unyielding heart? Consider following Christ more closely as a priest 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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMORIAL MASS

The Annual St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, October 18th, at 8:00 a.m., here at St. Joseph's Church.

WAY TO SERVE THE LORD

Are you looking for a way to serve the Lord? Volunteers are needed to wheel elderly Catholic residents of Cedars Nursing Home, Portland, to and from the Sunday morning Communion Service. Volunteers are needed from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. on one Sunday per month. Many St. Joseph's parishioners have been among Cedars' residents who have benefitted from this service. FMI, call Sylvia O'Connell at 871-9039.



Mass Intentions

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

Monday, October 12

9:00 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, October 13

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

Wednesday, October 14

8:00 a.m. Joann Flaherty

Thursday, October 15

8:00 a.m. Joseph Ballantine

Friday, October 16

8:00 a.m. Kenneth Ledue

Saturday, October 17

8:00 a.m. Patricia Monahan Scott
4:00 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Michael Casale

Sunday, October 18

8:00 a.m. Knights of Columbus Deceased Members
10:00 a.m. Joshua Libby
5:00 p.m. Our Parish Family

HARVEST BALL

The Third Annual Harvest Ball will be held on Friday, October 30th, from 7:00 p.m. to midnight, at the Holiday Inn by the Bay, Portland. This fundraiser features the Tony Boffa Band, a delicious meal, door prizes, and silent auction. Proceeds will benefit Harvest Magazine, the diocesan bi-monthly magazine. Tickets: \$60 per person, \$100 per couple. Free parking. FMI, call Christine or Sue at 773-6471.

CATHERINE MCAULEY OPEN HOUSE

Catherine McAuley High School, will host its Annual Open House for prospective students and their parents on Sunday, October 25th, at 2:00 p.m. Young women of all faiths are invited to the campus at 631 Stevens Avenue, Portland, for a program that will feature student and alumni speakers. After the formal presentation, information on financial aid and scholarship programs will be available, guided tours will be offered, and students will have the opportunity to meet faculty members, coaches, student athletes, and enjoy refreshments.

DVD NIGHT

Join other young adults (18-39) in watching "Molokai: The Story of Father Damien" at St. Peter's Parish Hall, 72 Federal Street, Portland on Friday, October 16th at 6:30 p.m. Fr. Damien will be canonized a saint by Pope Benedict XVI on October 11th. Pizza will be ordered at \$3 per person. Call in advance to allow for optimum planning. Contact Lisa at veritasportland@yahoo.com or Craig at 831-0852.

CLUSTER 28 TRANSITION COMMITTEE

In the bulletin insert two weeks past reporting on our meeting this month, we mentioned that the reduction of the number of priests serving our cluster would necessitate a reconsideration of the Mass schedules of our churches. When the Capuchins formally end their presence at St. Joseph next August, the whole cluster will be served by the Jesuit Community. We expect that the Jesuits of New England will commit four priests (one retired) to the cluster. Currently, seven priests serve the cluster churches providing a daily Mass and three/four weekend Masses at each church. Additionally, the Capuchins have a long, historic relationship with the Sisters of Mercy at the Frances Warde House. The Jesuits have a similar commitment to the Sisters of the Precious Blood. We would like to be able to continue honoring these commitments in some form.

We also understand the commitment of individuals and families to certain liturgies. The challenge of honoring those commitments makes adjustments to the Mass schedule a matter for the community at large, not just this committee. Thus in that same bulletin insert, we made this request of you: to begin thinking and praying about your needs and concerns in this regard. After the first of the year, we hope to hold an open cluster meeting with interested members of our community to discuss with you what we might do to address this situation.

Here are some questions to help guide you in your prayer and reflection on this matter: (1) What creative ways do you see that we can reduce the number of Masses and still serve our cluster's needs? (2) What Masses do you attend regularly and how would the elimination of one or the other of them affect your ability to practice your faith? (3) Are there particular Masses you think it would be more important to preserve than others, why? (4) Would you be open to traveling to one of the other cluster churches for Mass at least occasionally? (5) Are there particular characteristics of a certain liturgy (such as music) that should be preserved, even if the times of the Masses were changed? (6) Experience suggests that the elimination of a Mass can affect the financial support of the parish – how can we avoid having this happen?

As always, we pledge to communicate with you in a regular and transparent manner about our planning. We will utilize the bulletin, school news notes/letter, and websites as the first means of this communication. If at any time you have input you wish to share, please feel free to speak with one of the committee members – you can call your parish or school office for contact information. Please continue to keep us and this process in your prayers.

MISSION SUNDAY

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday. The second collection will assist the foreign mission work of the Church.



