

# St. Pius X - A Stewardship Parish

492 Ocean Ave., Portland, ME 04103

# St. Patrick's Parish - Community

1342 Congress St., Portland, ME 04102

[www.stpius-stpatrick.org](http://www.stpius-stpatrick.org)



## PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. James Lafontaine, S.J. ....	<i>Pastor</i>	Sr. Patricia Mooney, RSM .....	<i>RCIA</i>
Rev. John R. d'Anjou S.J. ....	<i>Parochial Vicar</i>	Sandra Litcher (St. Pius & St. Patrick's) .....	<i>D.R.E.</i>
Rev. Robert F. Regan, S.J. ....	<i>Pastoral Ministry</i>	Mary Gordon (St. Pius & St. Patrick's).....	<i>Program Coord.</i>
Rev., James C. O'Brien, S.J. ....	<i>Pastoral Ministry</i>	Linda McCormack .....	<i>Administrative Assistant</i>
Louis Philippe (St. Pius) .....	<i>Music Director</i>	David Goulet (St. Patrick's) .....	<i>Music Director</i>

### ST. PIUS X Mass Times:

#### Sunday Masses:

Saturday 4:30 PM                      Sunday 7:00 AM & 9:00 AM

#### Holy Days:

Vigil of the Feast 7:00 PM / Holy Day 9:00 AM

#### Weekday Masses:

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday from 3:30 to 4:00 PM & by apt.

### ST. PATRICK'S Mass Times:

#### Sunday Masses:

Saturday 4:00 PM                      Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

#### Holy Days:

Vigil of the Feast 5:30 PM / Holy Day 9:00 AM

#### Weekday Masses:

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday from 2:30 to 3:00 PM & by apt.

## **ST. BRIGID PARISH SCHOOL**

695 Stevens Ave. Portland, ME 04103

Principal: Lori Lee; Administrative Assistant: Sharon Dadiego; Phone: 207-797-7073

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Kindergarten .....	Sunday after the 9:00 AM Mass
Grade 2: .....	Sunday after the 9:00 AM Mass
Grades 1, 3, 4, 5: .....	Sunday after the 9:00 AM Mass
Grades 6, 7, 8: .....	(9 weeks in Fall – 8 weeks in Spring): Sunday after the 9:00 AM Mass
Grades 9 to 12: .....	Youth Ministry meets regularly; see Bulletin

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday &  
 Thursday 9:30 to 12:30  
 Sunday from 8:00 AM to Noon  
 Telephone # 207-775-2185 ext 213  
 Email: [religioused@stpiusx-parish.org](mailto:religioused@stpiusx-parish.org)

### PARISH DIRECTORY:

St. Patrick Parish Office  
 Phone: ..... 207-772-6325 ..... Fax: 207-772-6326  
 St. Pius X Parish Office & Jesuit Community  
 Phone: ..... 207-775-3032 ..... Fax: 207-874-7514

Email: ..... [mccormack@maine.rr.com](mailto:mccormack@maine.rr.com)  
 Mary Gordon ..... [mary@stpiusx-parish.org](mailto:mary@stpiusx-parish.org)

### BAPTISM OF INFANTS:

Pre-Baptism class for parents and godparents 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month. Parents must be registered members of the Parish for at Least 6 months before attending Baptism class. Please contact Parish Office with questions and to sign up for class.

### MARRIAGES:

By arrangement with pastor at least 6 months previous to date of proposed marriage. Must be registered member of the parish or have a written OK from home parish.

### VISITATION OF THE SICK:

Please call if a member of the family is in the hospital or confined at home.

### WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS:

Please call the office so that we can arrange to meet you and register you in the parish community. We want to help and serve you in every way.



Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. - Mk 10:51-52

Readings for the Week of October 25, 2009
Sunday: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52
Monday: Weekday Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Weekday Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: St. Simon & St. Jude, apostles Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16
Thursday: Weekday Rom 8:31b-39/Lk 13:31-35
Friday: Bl. Dominic Collins, S.J., Rel.M. & companions, S.J. MM Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6
Saturday: St. Alphonsus Rodrigues, S.J. Rel. Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Lk 14:1, 7-11
Next Sunday: All Saints Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a



To St. Patrick's and St. Pius Parishes.

If you are just visiting us, know how glad we are to have you with us for liturgy today. We wish you well on your journey.

If you are new to the Portland area, we would be delighted to have you join our community of faith. Please feel free to contact our parish offices to register or for more information.

God Bless you.

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Youth Ministry for Cluster 28 (St. Joseph's, St. Patrick's & St. PiusX) will hold a meeting this Sunday, October 25, 2009 in the St. Pius Hall @ 11AM. There is much to be done in our Cluster, in our Community & in our State! Come and share your thoughts & ideas with us. Come and share your FAITH!

BRING CHRIST TO THE ELDERLY

Can you spare approximately an hour-and-a-half once a month to bring Christ to the elderly? Volunteers are needed to bring the Eucharist to the Catholic residents of Cedars Nursing Home one Sunday a month at 10AM. For more information, call Terry Goodwin at 772-5582.



ST. PATRICK'S SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN THIS WEEK

October 25 - October 31

In Loving Memory of PHILIP CASASA

ST. BRIGID SCHOOL HARVEST FAIR

NOVEMBER 7, 2009
FR. HAYES CENTER
9am TO 3:30pm
Bingo 6PM to 9PM

We have many new & exciting additions to the Harvest Fair this year including a 5K Run, a Kid's Run, Tag Sale, ice-cream dipping, penny candy, kid's corners, food galore and Bingo!

Come and join the fun!

If interested in volunteering from 9-12, 12-3 or both, call Susan Gaudet @ 878-9015 or sgaudet@maine.rr.com

**ST. PATRICK'S**



**YOUR GIFTS OF STEWARDSHIP  
FOR THE WEEK END OF October 18, 2009**

**Weekly Offertory was \$4,382.50  
170 envelopes used**

**World Mission was \$1,033.00  
113 envelopes used**

*Second Collection next wk will be for*

**Thank you for your generosity-God Bless**

**WEEKLY GOAL \$5,850.00**

**ST. PIUS X**



**YOUR GIFTS OF STEWARDSHIP  
FOR THE WEEK END OF October 18, 2009**

**Weekly Offertory was \$4,650.35  
195 envelopes used**

**World Mission was \$1,629.00  
195 envelopes used**

**Thank you for your generosity-God Bless!**

**WEEKLY GOAL \$5,500.00**



The Women's Fellowship & K of C 101 wish to thank all who donated & worked **SO VERY HARD** on the rummage sale. It was the best ever. The ladies are very grateful to the Knights for all they do. God Bless all of you.

**Prayer Requests for both  
St. Pius and St. Patrick's**

Please remember these people in your prayers

**PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:**

Maureen Foley-Bolling	Shelley Hamilton Masters	Michelle Whitten Sawyer
Michael Monsivais	Lisa Savard	Bonnie Peteillo
Carolyn Cabral	Bob Beecher	William Legge
Alison	Jean Dwyer	Paul Gagnon
Deborah Hannigan	M. McCarthy	Jean Schwalbenberg
Michael Davis	Emily Palacino	Gina Layug
James Taylor	Stephen Rice	Martin Jennings
John Wirtz	Alyssa	Joanne Zwolinskai
Lisa Elwell Nelson	Jordan Place	Raymond Pinkerton
John Lynch		



The Respect Life Commission is having it's **ANNUAL** Christmas Ornament Sale this weekend, October 24 – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009 after all the Masses. We have a limited number of ornaments supporting our military. Prices are \$8.00 & under with many items being \$3.00. Donations are always welcome.



**BIBLE STUDY**

The Bible Study group with Fr. O'Brien, S.J. will meet again, Monday **October 26<sup>th</sup> 7PM** at the St. Pius Rectory. Come, bring a Bible.

**Notice to Women's Fellowship Members – If you have not as yet paid your dues, please make check to Women's Fellowship & mail to Marion Stevens, 108 Capisic St., Portland, ME 04102.**



Starting in October, St. Pius X will be adding another monthly collection to help with our energy and fuel costs. The collections are scheduled as follows for the next few months:

**November 15, 2009  
December 20, 2009**

**October is National Physical Therapy Month! Mercy Hospital staff of physical therapists & physical therapy assistants are offering free lectures to the public at their Mercy Physical Therapy Center, 1364 Congress St., Portland, ME. They will be from 6PM – 7PM. October 29<sup>th</sup> Joint Replacement.**

**ST. PATRICK'S**



**SATURDAY, October 24, 2009**

4:00 PM Patricia Foley & Patrick Foley by Thomas Foley

**Sunday, October 25, 2009**

8:00 AM For Our Parish

10:30 AM Kenneth Leduc by Mary & Leonard Regan

**MONDAY, October 26, 2009**

9:00 AM Mery Burke by Mr. & Mrs. William Foley

**TUESDAY, October 27, 2009**

9:00 AM Fred Gleason by Mrs. Evelyn Hawkes & Family

**WEDNESDAY, October 28, 2009**

9:00 AM Leonard Regan by Clair Foley

**THURSDAY, October 29, 2009**

9:00 AM Leonard Regan by Renette Nobile

**FRIDAY, October 30, 2009**

9:00 AM Leonard Regan by Christine Heskett

**SATURDAY, October 31, 2009**

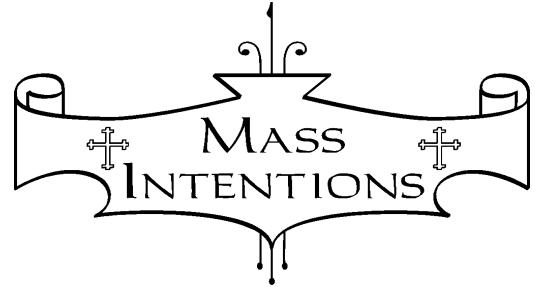
4:00 PM Catherine Brodie by The Family

**Sunday, November 1, 2009**

8:00 AM Catalina & Felix Atienza Sr. by the Family

10:30 AM Theresa McDonough by the Family

**ST. PIUS X**



**MONDAY, October 26, 2009**

**DEVOTION: 8:45 AM – MORNING PRAYER**

9:00 AM John Welch by Connie Somma

**TUESDAY, October 27, 2009**

9:00 AM George W. Scott by the Family

**WEDNESDAY, October 28, 2009**

9:00 AM Mary J. Martin by Helen Churchill

**THURSDAY, October 29, 2009**

9:00 AM William Caprio by the Family

**FRIDAY, October 30, 2009**

**DEVOTION: 8:45 AM – MORNING PRAYER**

9:00 AM Robert & Jean Cafazzo by their daughter Mary

*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 9:30 AM  
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament – 4:45 PM*

**SATURDAY, October 31, 2009**

4:30 PM Jack Mahl by Mary Carr & Family

**SUNDAY, November 1, 2009**

7:00 AM George "Bill" Littlefield by Dan & Connie Haley

9:00 AM Our Parish Family

**Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, All Souls Day, St. Patrick's & St. Pius X will be commemorating all their faithful departed loved ones from November 2008 – November 2009.**

**McAuley Academic Excellence Scholarship**

Catherine McAuley High School will be holding their first High School Placement Test (HSPT) October 31. Alternate test dates are December 5 & January 9. A full tuition scholarship will be granted to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade student who has shown academic excellence by being the top ranking tester. For more information, or to register, call the Admissions Office @ 797-3802 or visit their website at [www.mcauleyhs.org](http://www.mcauleyhs.org).



**Eucharistic Adoration  
at St. Pius**

**More volunteers are presently needed to sign up for a regular weekly hour. If you can help, please call Mary at 775-3032 X201. Adoration takes place on Fridays from 9:30AM to 5PM in the church. Please join us.**

**ST. PATRICK'S**

**NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**4:00 P.M.** Saturday October 31, 2009

Eucharistic Ministers

T. Smith  
B. Haley  
M.A. Weston  
M. Doyle  
G. Hubner

Lector

A. McCormack

**8:00 A.M.** Sunday November 1, 2009

Eucharistic Ministers

B. Green  
A. Campbell  
C. Noyes  
S. Noyes  
J. Morin

Lector

B. White

**10:30 A.M.** Sunday November 1, 2009

Eucharistic Ministers

T. Borduas  
S. Borduas  
M. Whitney  
L. Savard  
P. Mullin

Lector

Sr. Margaret Coyne

**ST. PIUS X**

**NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**4:30 P.M.** Saturday October 31, 2009

Eucharistic Ministers

A. Litcher  
S. Litcher  
I. Demsey  
S. Heald

Lector

S. McGonagle

**7:00 A.M.** Sunday, November 1, 2009

Eucharistic Ministers

J. Landry  
J. McKew  
B. Green  
Sub Needed

Lector

F. Mack

**9:00 A.M.** Sunday, November 1, 2009

Eucharistic Ministers

E. Tosi  
K. Stokes  
K. Masse  
D. Lyons

Lector

G. Terricciano



**.... .BAZAAR NEWS**

**St. Patrick's Bazaar**

**Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> 9am - 7pm**  
**(Raffle drawings and Big \$ spins begin at 6PM)**

**YOU CAN HELP! IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY.....**

- **Donate a new item or gift certificate for the Big Wheel**
- **Donate your used books, CDs and DVDs**

**AND**

**WATCH FOR BIG RAFFLE TICKETS NEXT WEEK.**  
**PICK THEM UP AT MASS TO SELL OR PURCHASE.**

We ALWAYS need knit, crocheted and other craft items, White elephant stuff, \$\$\$, gift certificates, volunteers, your ideas and talent!

**FMI call Sue Stasium 775-4136 or Bill Green 773-8619.**

**ORGANIST** needed at Holy Cross Church in So. Portland. For more information please e-mail [tom.sheehan@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:tom.sheehan@portlanddiocese.org)

**Disciples in Mission:**

Do you have:

- a strong belief in Christ and his saving mission;
- a mature faith in the power of the Holy Spirit to carry out Christ's mission;
- acceptance of Vatican II theology and spirituality;
- willingness and desire to serve

Then call me and become part of the Disciples In Mission Leadership Team. As many of you know, Disciples In Mission is a Lenten experience that our parishes have participated in for the past two years. This year will be our third and final year for Disciples in Mission.

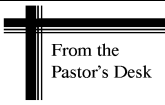
The goal for this year is to foster gospel values in our society, promoting the dignity of the individual, the importance of family, and the common good of our society, so that our nation may continue to be transformed by the saving power of Jesus Christ.

It would be beneficial to the experience to have 2-3 volunteers join me to help coordinate the various activities and events throughout the season. It is not necessary to have participated in Disciples in Mission in the past to be part of this team. The team would meet 3 to 4 times during the fall/winter to plan and then meet again in the spring when we host two events. If this is a ministry that interests you, please take some time to pray about this invitation.

\*If you have any questions, feel free to call me during regular business hours at the St. Pius rectory office at 775-3032 ext.#201.

Thank you.

Mary Gordon



From the  
Pastor's Desk

### **Taking Love for Granted** by Mary Gordon

Apparently some parishioners noticed a feature about my husband and me in a small, local periodical a few weeks back. In case you missed it, the topic was **Friends & Lovers - Celebrating boomers and their relationships**. Baby boomer? Me? My birth year being 1964 I just made the cut but I've never, ever considered myself a boomer. Regardless, somehow the story of how we met and came to be landed in the paper. To be honest I enjoyed every minute of the interview and am still reaping the rewards of sharing 'our story'. One of the things I did to help me remember the 'beginning' was dig out my pile of letters Andrew had written to me over an 11 year period (Andrew is from England). Wow! It's amazing the things you forget, such as that just about all those letters contained his declaration of love for me. Sometimes it was very subtle, other times you couldn't miss it. What an amazing foundation he laid for us. I remember he wrote some great love letters but did not remember how *each* one of them was a love letter. Perhaps over the years I haven't forgotten so much as have taken it for granted. I don't think that's a bad thing, by the way. Yes- you read that correctly. I take Andrew's love for granted. I know he loves me. I know his love is forever. No matter what. Done deal. And even better, the feeling is mutual. 100%. How do I know this with such certainty? It's what I was taught. It's what I've been given. It's what I choose to believe and trust in. And even more amazing it's a gift we all share-**LOVE**.

As Christians, it's a gift that we all have. We are all loved. No matter what. Forever. It's a done deal. God declared his love for us in a huge way. He sent his only son to pay the price-give his life- so that we can share in His love, in His kingdom **FOREVER**. As Catholics we are given the gift of the Eucharist to help us keep this gift foremost in our hearts, in our minds and in our very soul.

When I say I take love for granted, I don't mean forgetting it. I don't mean abusing it. I don't mean not acknowledging it. Quite the opposite, I mean I trust completely that it is so. Embrace it. Be joyous in it. **CELEBRATE** it! Don't wait until Valentine's Day to remember it. Don't wait until a birthday to acknowledge it. Do it always as God does with us. And at that special time each week when we come together in communion **KNOW** you are loved deeply, fully and completely and you can take it for granted.

#### **\*\*Attention Parents of St. Brigid School\*\***

Mark your calendars for St. Patrick's Church Annual Christmas Bazaar, Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> from 9AM to 7PM. St. Brigid School will be hosting a table again. It's that busy time of the year, and once again each St. Brigid School Family is being asked to donate any **NEW** item to the school table. We are also looking for volunteers to work at the bazaar. Please drop your **NEW** item off at St. Patrick's Church Rectory – clearly labeled "School Table" or you can drop off w/Sharon in the school office – again please label your **NEW** item "For St. Patrick's Church School table". Deadline is November 12<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Ellen Pirone for volunteering, information or if you have any questions at 871-8049.

### **Cluster 28 Transition Committee**

One of our first important insights in thinking about the process of clustering was to recognize the integral importance of St. Brigid School to the cluster. Hence we have included representatives from the school as members of the transition committee, and in our thinking and planning, we consider the school as an institution of equal importance to the three parishes. As American Catholics, we know the importance of parochial schools to the growth of our Church in this nation; and in that light, we understand the responsibility we have to support Catholic education in our own day, lest they be lost to us. One way our support in this cluster is enshrined is in the financial subsidy that the parishes generously provide for St. Brigid School - \$190,000 in this current fiscal year.

But St. Brigid is precious to us for more tangible reasons than that of fulfilling our obligation as Catholics to support Catholic education. Because of its commitment to the children and families of our parishes, St. Brigid School is central to the life of our cluster. It is not only the sign of our hope for the future of our Church, but also the means whereby we build that future through the education of children and their families. In this busy and often crazy world we live in, the school is our best resource for gathering families into the life of our Church, our parishes, our cluster community. Without this school in our midst, we would be all the more vulnerable to the many forces around us that seek to scatter us. Thus we strongly affirm our determined commitment to our school in this clustering process. The investment of all the resources we can muster in support of St. Brigid represents the best investment in our future that we can make.

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.



Knights of Columbus Council 101 will hold a membership drive at all Masses @ St. Patrick's Church this weekend October 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. KC members will be available to distribute literature, answer any questions, & assist anyone interested in applying for membership. Open House – **FREE BREAKFAST After Sunday Masses. Come One, Come ALL.**

All Catholic men over 18 are eligible.

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**Council 2983** – Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Tues. of the month – 7PM St. Pius X Parish Hall.

**K.C. 4<sup>th</sup> Degree** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month 7PM – St. Pius