

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



PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. James Lafontaine, S.J.	<i>Pastor</i>	Sr. Patricia Mooney, RSM	<i>RCIA</i>
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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

492 Ocean Ave. Portland, ME 04103

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

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
 Mary Gordon mary@stpiusx-parish.org

BAPTISM OF INFANTS:

Pre-Baptism class for parents and godparents 3rd 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.



"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky." - Mk 13:26-27

Readings for the Week of November 15, 2009

Sunday: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

Monday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, virgin
1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, religious
2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Dedication of the Basilicas of St. Peter & St. Paul, apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, virgin
2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Weekday
1 Mc 2:15-29/Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Weekday
1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ The King
Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37



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.



BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study group with Fr. O'Brien, S.J. will meet again, Monday **November 30th 7PM** at the St. Pius Rectory. Come, bring a Bible.



Reconciliation workshop for students in Sacramental Class will be this Saturday, November 14th from 9:30 to 11AM in the St. Pius parish hall. A snack will be provided.



ST. PATRICK'S SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN THIS WEEK

November 15 – November 21

**In Loving Memory of
EMMETT O'BRIEN**

YOUTH MINISTRY

Movie Night will be held **November 22, 2009** from **6:30PM to 9PM.** @ St. Pius X. There will be food & drink and lots of laughs. We would love to see **YOU** there!



Throughout the month of November @ St. Pius X Church & St. Patrick's, in memory of the dear departed, we welcome you to leave the names for those you wish to remember in a special basket in front of the altar.

ST. PATRICK'S



**YOUR GIFTS OF STEWARDSHIP
FOR THE WEEK END OF November 8, 2009**

**Weekly Offertory was \$4,001.00
156 envelopes used**

**Fuel was \$1,354.00
112 envelopes used**

*Second Collection next wk will be for Campaign for Human
Development*

Thank you for your generosity-God Bless

WEEKLY GOAL \$5,850.00

ST. PIUS X



**YOUR GIFTS OF STEWARDSHIP
FOR THE WEEK END OF November 8, 2009**

**Weekly Offertory was \$4,217.18
210 envelopes used**

**Special Monthly was \$2,459.60
190 envelopes used**

Thank you for your generosity-God Bless!

WEEKLY GOAL \$5,500.00



WAYSIDE EVENING SOUP KITCHEN

St. Patrick's Church assists in staffing the evening Soup Kitchen six times yearly. This is a worthwhile and well-supported community activity, and we welcome the opportunity to participate. (Please accept this ministry as one of yours.) **The next date for our staffing is this FRIDAY, November - 20th, 2009. Volunteers are always welcome, needed & appreciated.** Please call Dr. Bove @ 774-8876 for more information. Please bring your baked goodies to the Rectory before 3PM that day, to the Wayside Soup Kitchen if you are volunteering, or call Dr. Bove. Thank you for your support.



Starting in October, St. Pius X has been adding another monthly collection to help with our energy and fuel costs. The collections are scheduled as follows for the next two months: This weekend - November 15, 2009 & December 20, 2009.



During the next several months St. Pius X Church will be collecting warm hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, & socks for our brothers & sisters that attend the soup kitchens in Portland. A donation box is located in the entryway of the church. Thank you.

GREATER PORTLAND COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC MEN

"FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING ANNUAL COMMUNION BREAKFAST"

Continuing a tradition started in 1948, the Greater Portland Council of Catholic Men will sponsor the "**Feast of Christ the King**" Communion Breakfast on **Sunday, November 22, 2009.**

The breakfast will be held at the Italian Heritage Center @ 10AM following a concelebrated Mass @ 8:30AM at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception with Bishop Richard Malone as the Principal Celebrant.

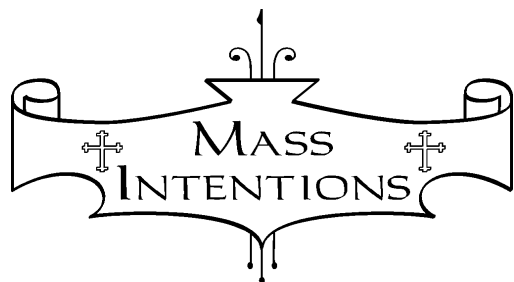
The Dynamic and Inspiring Former Deacon of St. Patrick's Parish, and now The Director Of Diocesan Vocations, Father Robert Vaillancourt will be the guest speaker. Tickets are: \$10.00 - Adults; \$5.00 - Students; \$15.00 - Patrons, and \$25.00 - Golden Patrons.

For tickets and more info contact Ted Borduas 773-8569 or Phil Conley 774-9456 for St. Patrick's and Jim Banks 774-1361 or Mike Matthes 878-3017 for St. Pius

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

...there can never be room for poverty... In his first encyclical letter, *God is Love*, Pope Benedict XVI stated that "within the community of believers there can never be room for a poverty that denies anyone what is needed for a dignified life." In our own country, 37 million Americans struggle in poverty, many despite working full-time. Catholic Campaign for Human Development is committed to helping people create permanent solutions to the problem of poverty in their community. Please give generously to the CCHD appeal next weekend. Visit www.ccmaine.org/info.php?info_id=64 to learn more.

ST. PATRICK'S



SATURDAY, November 14, 2009

4:00 PM Leonard Regan by Gertrude Letellier & Family

Sunday, November 15, 2009

8:00 AM Andrew Marsh by Mr. & Mrs. Peter Malia

10:30 AM Mery Burke by Ed & Rose Greco

MONDAY, November 16, 2009

9:00 AM Fred Gleason by Janet Burns

TUESDAY, November 17, 2009

9:00 AM Catherine Rielly by The Women's Fellowship

WEDNESDAY, November 18, 2009

9:00 AM Catherine Rielly by Janet Burns

THURSDAY, November 19, 2009

9:00 AM David Leblond & His Grandparents by The Family

FRIDAY, November 20, 2009

9:00 AM Lorraine Shevenell by Mr. & Mrs. Henry Aesenault

SATURDAY, November 21, 2009

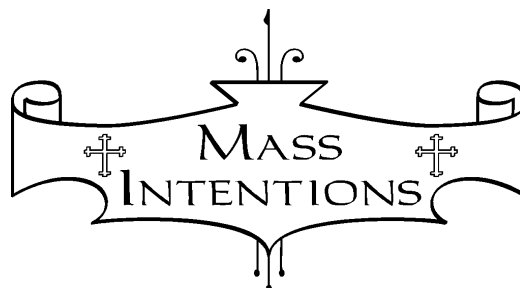
4:00 PM Mery Burke by Denise & John Budkiewicz

Sunday, November 22, 2009

8:00 AM For Our Parish

10:30 AM Mary A. Downes by Melda & Bill

ST. PIUS X



MONDAY, November 16, 2009

DEVOTION: 8:45 AM – MORNING PRAYER

9:00 AM Mary J. Messina by John & Rosaria Walsh

TUESDAY, November 17, 2009

9:00 AM Charles Skerritt by Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Bickford

WEDNESDAY, November 18, 2009

9:00 AM Jack Welch by the Family

THURSDAY, November 19, 2009

9:00 AM Leo Agurto Zapata by Wife & Children

FRIDAY, November 20, 2009

DEVOTION: 8:45 AM – MORNING PRAYER

9:00 AM Leo Agurto Zapata by The Family

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

SATURDAY, November 21, 2009

4:30 PM Ralph A. Troiano by Loving Wife Anna

SUNDAY, November 22, 2009

7:00 AM Our Parish Family

9:00 AM Julia Foggia by Daughters Judy, Nancy & Family

YEAR OF THE PRIESTS

After twenty centuries of Christianity there is still no shortage of wide missionary fields. All Christians should be aware that, in virtue of their baptismal priesthood, they are called to collaborate, in so far as their personal circumstances permit, in the new evangelizing mission which is a common ecclesial undertaking. Responsibility for missionary activity is incumbent primarily on the College of Bishops presided over by its head, the Successor of Peter. Priests, who are collaborators with the bishop in virtue of the Sacrament of Orders, are called to share responsibility for the mission. Thus it can be said that, in a certain sense, they bear primary responsibility for this new evangelization of the third Millennium. THE PRIEST & THE THIRD CHRISTIAN MILLENNIUM, Pope John Paul II, 1999.



**Eucharistic Adoration
at St. Pius**

More volunteers are presently needed to sign up for a regular weekly hour. The Hours of 11 – 12 Noon & Noon – 1PM are the hours that are most needed now. 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 November 21, 2009

Eucharistic Ministers

P. Conley
S. Conley
T. Smith

Lector

A. McCormackl

8:00 A.M. Sunday November 22, 2009

Eucharistic Ministers

P. Campbell
A. Campbell
B. Welch

Lector

J. Amato

10:30 A.M Sunday November 22, 2009

Eucharistic Ministers

T. Borduas
S. Borduas
M. Arzigian

Lector

S. Orlando



**HOLIDAY CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
OF REMEMBRANCE**

Please join us for a special service for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one this past year on **Sunday, December 6th** @ 2PM at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church, 150 Black Point Road, Scarborough. There will be light refreshments at the conclusion of the service. Sponsored by Conroy-Tully Crawford Funeral Homes & Cremation Services. Guest speakers at this year's service will be the V. Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Henchal, Pastor of St. Maximilian Kolbe Church and the Rev. Philip Shearman, Retired Pastor of the First Congregational Church in Gorham. Music will be provided by Judith James, Musical director at St. Maximilian Kolbe and St. Maximilian Kolbe's choir. If you plan to attend, please call 773-6511 or e-mail at info@ctcrawford.com with the number of family members who will be joining us, as well as the name of your deceased loved one.

ST. PIUS X

NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

4:30 P.M. Saturday November 21, 2009

Eucharistic Ministers

K. Stokes
J. Selberg
V. Stratchko
C. Battelli

Lector

K. Lee

7:00 A.M. Sunday, November 22, 2009

Eucharistic Ministers

T. Donatelli
G. Donatelli
J. Landry
Sub needed

Lector

J. Grolley

9:00 A.M Sunday, November 22, 2009

Eucharistic Ministers

R. Doman
J. Leonard
K. Masse
Z. Paul

Lector

A. Doman

St. Pius X and St. Patrick coordinators for the annual **Portland Interfaith Walk for Habitat for Humanity!** Join with representatives from other Portland Faith Communities to plan and promote the 2010 walk, to be held on **Sunday, May 16th** and hosted by St. Pius X. Three evening meetings max, between January and May (plus at least one social evening to celebrate certain success!).

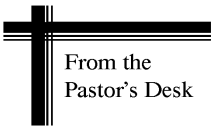
Adults and High School students welcome (earn community service hours!) Learn about Habitat, meet new and interesting folk from other faith communities, all the while building community, having fun and serving a good cause!

FMI: call Mary Gordon @ 207-775-3032 or Email: mary@stpiusx-parish.org



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Family Advent Wreath Project: Sunday, **November 22nd** @ **11AM** in the parish hall of St. Pius X, your family is invited to make an Advent Wreath. We will supply all the materials to make the wreath & one of our priests will bless the wreaths. A snack will be provided. Please call 775-3032 ext. 213 or email at religioused@stpiusx-parish.org by November 15th so we will know how many kits to assemble. Please join us.



NOVEMBER THOUGHTS

When I was in the seminary college, one of the topics we studied in philosophy was the immortality of the human person. The proof went something like this. We don't want to die; no matter what age or shape we're in, death is an awful idea. Well, it was argued, if God, the author of nature, is good, he would not have put that desire for immortality in us and then turned around and frustrated it. Our desire itself, if God is good, is a clear sign that everlasting life does await us, and is now being experienced by those we have known and loved.

Well, when I was a seminarian in my twenties, I said, "Uh-huh, yeah," and moved on to the next subject. But as I get older, nothing I ever learned has seemed more true. As priests we go to funeral after funeral. But we never get used to it. There's a sense that death ought not to be. And believing that, we come to funerals to remind ourselves that the real theme on those days isn't Death, it's resurrection. God has put it in our nature to trust that death not only ought not to be, but will not be. Because God is good, He does not frustrate that deepest desire he has put inside us. And that's not just philosophy; the bottom line is that Jesus conquered death, for himself and for us.

That's why in Masses for the dead, of which we have many in November, we still sing "Alleluia" before the gospel.

Fr. Jim O'Brien, S.J.

Cluster 28 Transition Committee

As you know, we have worked hard to communicate transparently with you these past months about our work in bringing the school and parishes together into a single cluster. Thus far, however, our communication has been mostly one-way – we have presented these regular written reports to you. While we have invited individual response and feedback from you, something that is always welcome, we are aware of the need to provide some more public forums where we can meet with groups of parishioners and parents to allow questions and concerns to be raised more directly. As we have already noted, we plan to hold a town hall meeting, probably in early February, for interested parties in all four institutions to come together and discuss the mass schedule which will need to be adjusted to allow for fewer priests.

At our last meeting, we also decided that during the month of January, members of this committee will attend the Pastoral Council meetings of the three parishes and the School Board meeting so that those leadership groups can participate in our planning for the transition. As we continue to plan more concretely how the cluster will be structured, we hope to have additional focus group meetings at all sites to allow for more direct communication with us about specific issues of the transition. Possible topics for these focus groups might include the organization of the business and pastoral offices, religious education, the appropriate use of our buildings and properties, repair and maintenance issues, and the spiritual nourishment and re-evangelization of our community. We hope many of you will use these opportunities to join the conversation.

In our ongoing effort to communicate with you in a regular and transparent manner about our planning, we will continue utilize the bulletin, school news notes/letter, and websites as our first means of our 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.

Fr. Lafontaine, S.J.



K.C. Council 101 – will be holding their monthly **BOTTLE DRIVE** next week-end, November 21st & 22nd. Please leave all bottles & cans in the vestibule of the church. The Knights thank you for helping them to support our local charities.

Council 2983 – Meets the 1st Tues. of the month – 7PM St. Pius X Parish Hall.

K.C. 4th Degree – 2nd Tuesday of the month 7PM – St. Pius

Employment available – Per diem 16 hrs.

The Frances Warde Convent in Portland is seeking a Personal Care Assistant for the over night shift of 11PM – 7AM. This per diem position is approximately 16 hours per week and includes every Friday night and every other weekend. Candidate must be available to accommodate holiday shifts. If interested, please contact Tricia Dow, House Coordinator @ 772-1140 ext. 10 or pdow@mercyne.org