

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, 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”

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- St. Joseph Parish Council Executive Committee: Tuesday, February 2nd, 5:00 p.m., friary meeting room.
- St. Brigid Finance Committee (postponed from January 19th): Tuesday, February 2nd, 6:30 p.m., school.
- St. Joseph Women's Sodality: Tuesday, February 2nd, rosary at 7:00 p.m. in the church, followed by meeting in the friary.
- St. Joseph Bible Study: Thursday, February 4th, 7:00 p.m., friary meeting room.



This week is Catholic Schools Week. Many special activities are planned at St. Brigid School this week. Bishop Richard Malone will celebrate the 8:00 a.m. Parish Mass here at St. Joseph's on Tuesday, February 2nd, in conjunction with his annual visit to our cluster school. A special collection to benefit St. Brigid School is being taken at each of our cluster parishes this weekend. A special insert about the value of Catholic schools is included in this weekend's parish bulletin.

ST. BLASE BLESSING OF THROATS

The St. Blase Blessing of Throats will be administered at the conclusion of the 8:00 a.m. Parish Mass on Wednesday, February 3rd.



The second collection at Masses next weekend is the annual special collection to defray the cost of heating fuel for the church and friary. Please be as generous as your means will allow.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR 2009

If you wish to receive a written statement of your 2009 contributions to St. Joseph's Church, please send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to the parish office.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

At the January monthly meeting of our Knights, District Deputy Ted Borduas presented council members the 2008-2009 Columbian Award plaque for service programs. This prestigious honor is bestowed upon those councils located throughout North America who have performed a minimum of four projects in five different areas involving the church, community, council, family and youth activities.



CHURCH SUPPORT

A total of 796 individuals attended one of our four weekend Masses last week and contributed \$7,435 to the offertory collection. This amount was \$1,680 less than what was collected last year over the same weekend and below our "challenge goal" of a weekly 4% increase. As you might recall, an anonymous parishioner has agreed to make a donation equal to 3% of that week's budgeted offertory collection from now through June 30th for each week that we exceed our goal. This week's offertory goal is \$8,485.

The second collection to benefit the Church in Latin America totaled \$1,730.

Did you know? Our finance committee has budgeted \$32,500 for oil to heat our church and friary this year. Next week's second collection for oil will be used to offset this huge expense. Please be as generous as your means allow.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES FOR ADULTS

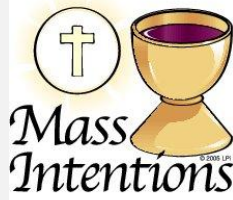
Adults who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year are invited to attend a series of preparatory classes on Sunday evenings, beginning February 28th. The classes will be conducted by Deacon John McAuliffe at 7:00 p.m., on five consecutive Sundays during Lent, in the friary meeting room. The final class will be March 28th. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered at the Easter Vigil, April 3rd. Applicants must register in advance by contacting Fr. Don Bosco at 797-7026 ext. 203.

CONNECTED CATHOLICS OF MAINE

Connected Catholics of Maine is a group of single, widowed, separated and divorced Catholic men and women who gather to share their faith journeys and celebrate life, and who want to participate in their church, grow in faith and build a better life in their communities. Up-coming events:

- Sunday, February 14th, 4:00 p.m., Muddy Rudder Restaurant, Route One, Yarmouth, FMI call Mary Jane (318-6032).
- Friday, February 5th, 6:00 p.m., Cribbage, FMI call Eileen (829-6951).
- Thursday, February 18th, 6:00 to 8:30 p.m., Book Club, 11 Caron St., Portland, FMI, call Gert (797-5251)
- Wednesdays, February 10th, February 17th, February 24th, 7:00 p.m., Hour of Power, St. Peter's Church, Federal St., Portland, FMI, call Mary Dexter (727-3907)





Mass intentions

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

Monday, February 1

8:00 a.m. Peter Pellenz

Tuesday, February 2

8:00 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, February 3

8:00 a.m. Colombe Aceto

Thursday, February 4

8:00 a.m. Mary Brugger

Friday, February 5

8:00 a.m. Joanne Arturo

Saturday, February 6

8:00 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Delaney

4:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the Casale Family

Sunday, February 7

8:00 a.m. Our Parish Family

10:00 a.m. Theresa Grassi

5:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Capuchins
& Their Benefactors



CHRISTIAN UNITY

You are cordially invited to pray for Christian unity during a celebration of the Liturgy of the Word on **Tuesday, February 2nd**, at the **Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Portland**. Bishop Richard Malone and Bishop Brian Marsh of the Traditional Anglican Communion (TAC) will lead the prayers and clergy from both traditions will be participating. The Liturgy will specifically mark the progress toward unifying the TAC with the Roman Catholic Church. The Liturgy will begin at **7:00 p.m.**



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2010

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

St. Joseph's Women's Sodality will host its Annual Valentine's party for patients at the Barron Center. Musicians, Bob Parrott and Mark Sanborn (two of Maine's all-time favorite musicians) will present a program of *easy listening music from the 50s on up* including the always popular Sing-A-Long standards. Family members and friends of the patients are invited to attend. Light refreshments will be served.



LAST CALL

SIGN UP WEEKEND for Disciples in Mission

Follow Jesus.....Spread the Good News!

Are you being called to live your faith more deeply? Do you want to grow in holiness? Lent is a good time to set aside time to learn more about the weekly Scripture readings. Disciples In Mission Lenten faith sharing groups will meet, starting the week of February 14th. To participate in a small faith-sharing group, complete a registration form, which are available in the pews and at the church exits. Fill in the form **TODAY** and deposit in one of the boxes.

Religious Education NEWS



SOUPE BOWL OF CARING FEBRUARY 6th and 7th

Again this year, our Religious Education Program will participate in the Souper Bowl of Caring.

It all started with this simple prayer: *"Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat"*. We can help local charities that support our neighbors who are hungry and hurting this year. If you are able, please donate \$1.00 to the Souper Bowl. Religious Education students will be collecting donations at the exits of the church after all the Masses on February 6th and 7th. Our donations will benefit The Wayside Soup Kitchen, St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen, and Project Feed. Every little bit helps. Thank you!

FEBRUARY



PASTA SUPPER TO BENEFIT ST. BRIGID SCHOOL

Join us to kick off Catholic School Week! St. Brigid's Home School Association and the Knights of Columbus will host a **Pasta Supper** to benefit the school on Saturday, January 30th, from 5:00 to 6:45 p.m., in the Fr. Hayes Center. The cost is \$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children ages 4 and under. Proceeds will be used to purchase tables for our St. Brigid School Lunch Program.