

St. Pius X - A Stewardship Parish

492 Ocean Ave., Portland, ME 04103

St. Patrick's Parish - Community

1342 Congress St., Portland, ME 04102

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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.



Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen. - Lk 9:35-36

Readings for the Week of February 28, 2010

- Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent
Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17---4:1
or 3:20---4:1/Lk 9:28b-36
- Monday: Lenten Weekday
Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday: Lenten Weekday
Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12
- Wednesday: Saint Katharine Drexel, virgin
Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday: Saint Casimir
Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31
- Friday: Lenten Weekday
Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday: Lenten Weekday
Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Next Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent
Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

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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.

CONNECTED CATHOLICS OF MAINE

FYI: Connected Catholics is a group of single, widowed, separated & divorced Catholic men and women, who gather to share their faith journey and celebrate life, who want to participate in their church, grow in faith and build a better life in their community.

CCME General Meeting

Sunday, March 7, 2010 – Holy Martyrs Parish Hall
Route 88, Falmouth, ME.

5PM: Social Hour – Pot Luck Supper.

5:45PM Business Meeting

6PM Program: James Sheppherd, a Tuskegee Airman, will talk about America's first black military airmen.

DINING OUT

Saturday, March 20, 11:30AM -- Mediterranean Grill 10 School Street, Freeport (Across from St. Jude's Catholic Church). Call Grace @ 878-6459 to reserve.



ST. PATRICK'S SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN THIS WEEK

February 28 – March 6

In Loving Memory of

BEV HALEY

ST. PATRICK'S



**YOUR GIFTS OF STEWARDSHIP
FOR THE WEEK END OF February 21, 2010**

**Weekly Offertory was \$7,260.08
Next wk. envelopes used**

**Black & Indian Collection was \$987.50
Next wk. envelopes used**

Eastern Europe Collection was \$739.00

Second Collection next wk will be for Fuel & Energy

Thank you for your generosity-God Bless

WEEKLY GOAL \$5,850.00

ST. PIUS X



**YOUR GIFTS OF STEWARDSHIP
FOR THE WEEK END OF February 21, 2010**

**Weekly Offertory was \$4,869.00
238 envelopes used**

**Black & Indian Missions was \$1,424.35
131 envelopes used**

Eastern Europe Collection was \$623.00

St. Pius X monthly collection is March 7, 2010

Thank you for your generosity-God Bless!

WEEKLY GOAL \$5,500.00

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

ON SATURDAY, MARCH 13 AT 5:30 P.M., FOLLOWING THE 4 P.M. MASS, THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 101 WILL SERVE A TRADITIONAL CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER IN THE ST. PATRICK'S PARISH CENTER. TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE AT \$10.00. FOR THE UNDER 12 SET, \$5.00. SEATING IS LIMITED, SO GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY.

COME JOIN THE FUN. ALL ARE WELCOME. TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH AFTER MASS BEGINNING FEB. 20. FOR MORE INFO OR TICKETS CALL PHIL CONLEY 774-9456 OR TED BORDUAS 773-8569.

DEADLINE IS MARCH 7.

**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	Helene Neal	William Legge
James Taylor	Jean Dwyer	Paul Gagnon
Deborah Hannigan	M. McCarthy	Jean Schwalbenberg
Jerome Davis	James Breunig	Gina Layug
Fr. O'Toole	Stephen Rice	
John C.	Jeffrey Landry	Joanne Zwolinskai
John Lynch	Jordan Place	Raymond Pinkerton
Bill Siedel	Skip Stacki	Phyllis Henderson
John Wirtz	Sally Gagnon	Tommy Nee, Jr.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent immediately following the 9AM Mass at St. Patrick's. St. Pius X will have the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 7PM.

ST. PATRICK'S



SATURDAY, February 27, 2010
4:00 PM The Holy Souls

Sunday, February 28, 2010
8:00 AM Joan Regan Hedrick by the Family
10:30 AM Paul Guimont by his wife Alice

MONDAY, March 1, 2010
9:00 AM Anne Mary Grover by Jack & Cheryl Kuntz

TUESDAY, March 2, 2010
9:00 AM Frederick Gleason by Charlie & Sharon Noyes

WEDNESDAY, March 3, 2010
9:00 AM Theodore James volger by Jim & Mary Allen

THURSDAY, March 4, 2010
9:00 AM For The Holy Souls

FRIDAY, March 5, 2010
9:00 AM Catherine Rielly by Anny Marie Murphy

SATURDAY, March 6, 2010
4:00 PM James & Marion Vasile by Peter & Stella Brolis

SUNDAY, March 7, 2010
8:00 AM For Our Parish
10:30 AM Patricia E. Nueslein by Barbara & Don Smith

ST. PIUS X



MONDAY, March 1, 2010
DEVOTION: 8:45 AM – MORNING PRAYER

9:00 AM Daniel & Elizabeth Commow by Zita Paul

TUESDAY, March 2, 2010
9:00 AM Nicholas Snider by Family

WEDNESDAY, March 3, 2010
9:00 AM Karol Zapata by Family

THURSDAY, March 4, 2010
9:00 AM Leo Agurto Zapata by Family

FRIDAY, March 5, 2010
DEVOTION: 8:45 AM – MORNING PRAYER

9:00 AM Robert Lavigne by Family

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

SATURDAY, March 6, 2010
4:30 PM Our Parish Family

SUNDAY, March 7, 2010
7:00 AM Rosalind L. Mayo by John & Philomena Lane
9:00 AM Alice & Peter W. Kelly, Jr.

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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 @ 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 March 6, 2010

Eucharistic Ministers

*J. Willey
B. Willey
G. Hubner

Lector

Sr. Margaret Coyne

8:00 A.M. Sunday March 7, 2010

Eucharistic Ministers

*A. Campbell
B. Welch
K. Welch

Lector

M. Foley

10:30 A.M. Sunday March 7, 2010

Eucharistic Ministers

*M. Whitney
M. Conley
M. Solak

Lector

D. McOsker

ST. PIUS X

NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

4:30 P.M. Saturday February 27, 2010

Eucharistic Ministers

I. Dempsey
S. Heald
K. Lee
M. Vessey

Lector

M. Curtis

7:00 A.M. Sunday, February 28, 2010

Eucharistic Ministers

J. McKew
J. Landry

Lector

D. Hunter

9:00 A.M. Sunday, February 28, 2010

Eucharistic Ministers

L. Morris
C. O'Brien
Z. Paul
K. Masse

Lector

J. McNaughton

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The St. Patrick's Pot Luck Dinner for the Women's Fellowship will be **March 9th @ 6PM** in the Parish Hall of St. Patrick's. All activities for the evening will take place in the Parish Hall.



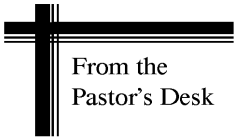
The St. Patty's Bake Sale by the Women's Fellowship will be March 13th after the 4PM Mass. Please drop off food donations prior to the 4PM Mass in the entrance of the Church at St. Patrick's. If you have any questions, please call Margo Conley at 761-0874.

Life Line Screening

St Pius X is pleased to offer a **preventive health event. Life Line Screening**, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive, painless health screenings on Friday April 9th, 2010 . Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries, which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms, which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat, which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package with Heart Rhythm for \$149. All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete.

Remember, sign up with the church sign up sheet and save \$10.00 on the Wellness Package.

Your Health is in Your Hands, so sign up at the church before Feb. 26th to save \$10.00 or call 1-888-653-6441 for more information or to pre-register after Feb. 26th. Sign up sheets are available in the church entryway at both St. Pius X and St. Patrick's.



From the
Pastor's Desk



Answered Prayers - Mary Gordon

"Is something wrong with me?" I think it is a safe bet that everyone at some point in their life asks themselves this question. I know I have, but in this case the question came from my 12 year old son as we sat on the couch one evening watching the Olympic Games. The men's snowboarding cross qualifications to be exact. "What makes you ask that?" I figured that was a safe reply. My son is a smart guy and if I answered –"Of course nothing is wrong with you-you're perfect just the way you are" wouldn't cut it even if it is true. He sat for a moment watching the snow boarders race through their treacherous course. "I don't like to pass people"... "Could you elaborate a bit?". "When I did indoor track last year, I didn't like it because I didn't like to pass people. I didn't want to make them feel bad. I know how I feel when people pass me and I didn't want to do that to anybody." Picture a 2 x 4 whacking me across the head. It took over a year but I finally got the true answer as to why my son did not want to sign up for indoor track this year! The most I had gotten from him was that he "just didn't like it". It also explained what had baffled my husband and I all last season-why isn't he running all out? Why isn't he living up to his potential? We'd made him finish the season-you don't quit your team...ever. Given this new insight to the individual my son is, I adapted my parenting a bit. I knew my son was empathetic to others; I just had no idea to the depth that empathy went. He's in for some challenges and I pray to God I have the wisdom and sensitivity to help guide him on his way. But the reason I wanted to share this story with you is what may seem obvious. It's that I couldn't help but be very aware of how similar this short exchange between mother and son is to that of prayer to our Father. The exchange between a person of faith and the Lord. I've been told God answers all prayers. There is a sign in St. Pius X church by the reconciliation room that reads GOD ANSWERS ALL PRAYERS...SOMETIMES THE ANSWER IS NO. I understand the humor there but I don't agree with it at all. God does answer all our prayers with a yes but his answer most times is not the answer we expect or want-THANK GOD! He knows what's best for us. Much better than we do. And he knows WHEN it's best for that prayer to be answered. It may take a year or more-just like in my story. It may be almost unrecognizable because it is so far off from the expected-just like my story, but if you remain patient, expectant and open to the Holy Spirit, you might be fortunate enough to actually get a glimpse of your answer. Stay alert. Many of His answers are subtle but they are all beautiful and they all are given in love and at the right time. Fr. Jack shared a little saying with me not to long ago. It went something like this: "God loves me just the way I am but, He loves me too much to leave me that way". THANKS BE TO GOD!

K.C. Council 101 – The Knights of Columbus, Council 101 will have their monthly business meeting this Wednesday, March 3rd @ 7PM in the K.C. Room at St. Patrick's. All Brother Knights are urged to attend.

Council 2983 – The Knights of Columbus, Council 2983 meets the **1st Tuesday** of the month @ 7PM in the St. Pius X Parish Hall.

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

K.C. Council 11257 – The Knights of Columbus, Council 11257 meets the **2nd Tuesday of the month** @ 7PM in the Friary Room @ St. Joseph's.

Your Knights of Columbus, **Council #101**, will be selling raffle tickets after all the Masses at St. Patrick's this weekend.

These are our annual **Charity Fundraiser Raffle Tickets**. All Money raised from this raffle is donated back to local charities.

This past year we were able to award over \$10,000 to local charities from this fund.

We only sell 200 tickets, so your odds of winning are good.

Tickets are \$100 each.

First prize is \$5,000; Second prize is \$1,500; Third Prize is \$1,000.

The drawing will be held at our annual St. Paddy's Day Corned Beef Dinner on March 13th @ 7PM.

We thank you in advance for helping us assist the local Portland Charities.

SEA DOGS TICKETS

Council #2983 at St. Pius X will be selling Sea Dogs tickets, 5 for \$20.00. This is a \$15.00 savings to the customer. It is good for any game other than July 5. This is a great way to get the family out and enjoy the Sea dogs. If interested, please contact Mike Matthes at 878-3017, Andy Chapman at 879-0069 or any Knight from Msgr. Houlihan council #2983.