

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
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 Phone: 207-775-3032 Fax: 207-874-7514

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 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.

ST. PATRICK/ ST. PIUS X



Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." - Jn 8:6b-7

Readings for the Week of March 21, 2010

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent
Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

Monday: Lenten Weekday
Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday: Saint Toribio de Mogrovejo, bishop
Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Lenten Weekday
Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: The Annunciation of the Lord
Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Lenten Weekday
Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Lenten Weekday
Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14---
23:56 or 23:1-49

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Welcome

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.

St. Brigid's Annual Auction

is coming up soon!! Save the date of **March 26th** and join us for what promises to be our best auction ever!!

Casino Royale is this year's theme. Have fun dressing up for an exciting event and take part in bidding for hundreds of high quality items during our silent and live auction. Even take a chance at the Black Jack tables!!

Where: Italian Heritage Center

Time: 5:30 p.m. – 12:00 Midnight

Dinner (Full Buffet) / Cash Bar/ Dancing

Cost per ticket: \$32.00. Tables seat 8-10

Tickets are available through St. Brigid School

All proceeds benefit St. Brigid School.

Hope to see you there!!



The exchange of Peace and the Cup will resume Palm Sunday at all Masses.



ST. PATRICK'S SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN THIS WEEK

March 21 – March 27

In Loving Memory of

BEV HALEY



Members from St. Patrick's from the Women's Fellowship will be collecting for Easter Flowers next weekend, March 27/28 after all the Masses at St. Patrick's. Use the special flower collection envelopes if you would like donation in memoriam.



Girl Scout Troop 1973 will be having a Cookie/Bake Sale on **March 28** from 9:30 – 11:30AM in the St. Pius X church hall following Mass.

PORTLAND

ST. PATRICK'S



**YOUR GIFTS OF STEWARDSHIP
FOR THE WEEK END OF MARCH 14, 2010**

**Weekly Offertory was \$3,878.50
145 envelopes used**

**Catholic Relief Services was \$1,042.00
93 envelopes used**

Second Collection next wk will be for St. Brigid's School

Thank you for your generosity-God Bless

WEEKLY GOAL \$5,850.00

ST. PIUS X



**YOUR GIFTS OF STEWARDSHIP
FOR THE WEEK END OF MARCH 14, 2010**

**Weekly Offertory was \$3,302.90
200 envelopes used**

**Catholic Relief Services was \$1,227.40
115 envelopes used**

**Collection for Fuel & Energy will be next
weekend 3/21/2010**

Thank you for your generosity-God Bless!

WEEKLY GOAL \$5,500.00



ST. PATRICK'S CASH CALANDER WINNERS

February 27, 2010 – **NANCY D. SMITH** - \$20.00

February 28, 2010 – **VICKI MCOSKER** - \$40.00

March 1, 2010 – **JIM CURRAN** - \$20.00

March 2, 2010 – **KELLI CAIAZZO** - \$20.00

March 3, 2010 – **NANCY KILBRIDE** - \$20.00

March 4, 2010 – **CHRISTOPHER BROWN** - \$20.00

March 5, 2010 – **THOMAS WHITE** - \$20.00

March 6, 2010 – **DIANA CONNOLLY** - \$20.00

March 7, 2010 – **KENT WHITE** - \$40.00

March 8, 2010 – **DAVID NICHOLSON** - \$20.00

March 9, 2010 – **STEVE & ANN MCCARTHY** - \$20.00

March 10, 2010 – **SHARON NOYES** - \$20.00

March 11, 2010 – **MIKE REILLY** \$20.00

March 12, 2010 – **BRIAN DAY** - \$20.00

Reminder: There will be a big \$250 drawing this month & everyone is still welcome to purchase a calendar. You can contact Ellen Pirono or get one in the back of the church and put the \$ & stubs in the collection basket.

**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	Jordan Place
John C.	Jeffrey Landry	Joanne Zwolinskai
Bill Siedel	Skip Stacki	Phyllis Henderson
Michael Solak	Sally Gagnon	Tommy Nee, Jr.



Many **THANKS** to the Knights of Columbus Council 101 for the 6th Annual St. Patrick's Celebration Dinner in the Parish Center. It was the most successful yet, with over 200 in attendance. To the Veggie Peelers, Setup Crew and the many hands in the kitchen – a job **WELL DONE!** The Donations of Irish Breads and Gift Certificates were greatly appreciated. It couldn't have been done without all of you.

Prize Winners of the 2010 K of C Council 101 Charity Raffle:

JOHN KEANEY \$5,000.00
PATRICK LEE \$1,500.00
DAVID LEVASSEUR \$1,000.00

THANKS AGAIN, Phil Conley

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. PATRICK'S



SATURDAY, March 20, 2010

4:00 PM Josephine N. Caron by Judy Pasquali

SUNDAY, March 21, 2010

8:00 AM Shirley Colton by John Brown & Family

10:30 AM Mark Werden by Christopher & Ellen Pirone

MONDAY, March 22, 2010

9:00 AM Annie DeCoursey by Wallace V. DeCoursey

TUESDAY, March 23, 2010

9:00 AM Evangeline C. Derouche by Mary Regan

WEDNESDAY, March 24, 2010

9:00 AM Fred Gleason by Mary

THURSDAY, March 25, 2010

9:00 AM Special Living Intention for Rocco

FRIDAY, March 26, 2010

9:00 AM Kathleen DiBiase by Philip & Barbara DiBiase

SATURDAY, March 27, 2010

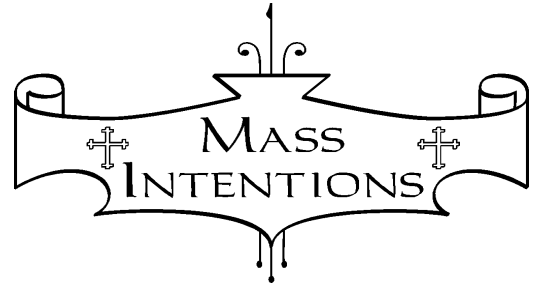
4:00 PM James S. Noel by the Family

SUNDAY, March 28, 2010

8:00 AM Deceased Of Our Parish

10:30 AM Mary DeCoursey by Wallace V. DeCoursey

ST. PIUS X



MONDAY, March 22, 2010

DEVOTION: 8:45 AM – MORNING PRAYER

9:00 AM Rosalind Mayo by Judy & Mitse

TUESDAY, March 23, 2010

9:00 AM Margarete Reisch by Barbara & Terry Goodwin

WEDNESDAY, March 24, 2010

9:00 AM Dominic Mazziotti by the Falcone Family

THURSDAY, March 25, 2010

9:00 AM Dominic Mazziotti by Hanah & Arnold Fasulo

FRIDAY, March 26, 2010

DEVOTION: 8:45 AM – MORNING PRAYER

9:00 AM Maura Keane by Ann & Jim Bourke

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 9:30 AM

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament – 4:45 PM

SATURDAY, March 27, 2010

4:30 PM Our Parish Family

SUNDAY, March 28, 2010

7:00 AM Mary & Jack Rich by Anna Dell'Aquila

9:00 AM Fred DeSarno by Margaret DeSarno

SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!

Saturday May 22nd

St. Pius X Fundraiser

Murder Mystery Theater

A FUN TIME to be had by all and help support St. Pius X Parish!!

Looking for volunteers to help with the Murder Mystery Theater. Meeting Sunday March 28th after the 9AM Mass in the church hall. Lots of help needed to work on Decorating, Food, Ticket Sales, Advertising, and Set up/Cleanup. Anyone interested that cannot make the meeting, please call Mary Senore @ 878-8033.



**Eucharistic Adoration
at St. Pius**

NO Adoration on Good Friday, plus we need people to sign up for Adoration on Holy Thursday. A sign-up sheet will be available in the church or you can call Mary at St. Pius, 775-3032 X 201. Thank you..

MARCH 21, 2010

ST. PATRICK'S

NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

4:00 P.M. Saturday March 27, 2010

Eucharistic Ministers

*T. Mikkelsen
B. Joyce
M. Doyle
G. Hubner
M. Solak

Lector

A. McCormack

8:00 A.M. Sunday March 28, 2010

Eucharistic Ministers

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

Lector

M. Tole

10:30 A.M. Sunday March 28, 2010

Eucharistic Ministers

*J. Brown
S. Richard
B. Smith
M. Conley
L. Savard

Lector

L. Savard

ST. PIUS X

NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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

Eucharistic Ministers

R. McKeough
J. McKeough
I. Dempsey
K. Stokes

Lector

F. Eagan

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

Eucharistic Ministers

T. Donatelli
G. Donatelli

Lector

F. Mack

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

Eucharistic Ministers

J. Leonard
J. Austin
J. Austin
E. Desmore

Lector

J. Beal

Please mark your Calendars!

What: Our **Third annual Habitat for Humanity / Portland Interfaith Walk**

When: **Sunday May 23, 2010** Noon – 4:00 pm

Where: St. Pius X parish parking lot / hall

Who: You, your family, your neighbors, fellow parishioners, other inter-faith members!

Why: To help raise money for a home for a needy and deserving family

How: Getting sponsors to pledge for your walk around Back Cove Bay
Pledge sheets will be at the church entrance, church office or pledging can be accomplished via on-line (details upcoming)

We have had a super response over the years! This is your chance to not only meet fellow parishioners of Cluster 28, but other denominations within the Portland area. Have fun while providing a great service for a fellow neighbor. There will be a barbecue lunch, balloons, and the same crazy fun we've had the past couple of years.

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Portland believes that all people are entitled to live in simple, decent housing. As a non-profit, Christian based organization, **Habitat** has worked in partnership with all God's people in need in order to build 50 homes in the Portland area over the past 25 years. We then sell them at no profit, and provide no-interest monthly mortgages.

Walking side by side, this special teamwork demonstrates the meaning of neighborly love. Please make plans to join us and help this worthy cause. Thank you!

Portland Interfaith Steering Committee Co-leaders: Tony Doman of St. Pius X (and Cluster 28) and Judy Kimball of Thornton Heights United Methodist. Questions: Please call Tony at 773-1788 or e-mail at adoman@maine.rr.com

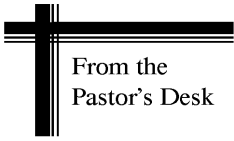


RUMMAGE SALE The Women's Fellowship & Knights of Columbus 101 of St. Patrick's will have their Rummage Sale on **APRIL 16th and 17th, from 9AM – 1PM** in the Parish Hall of St. Patrick's. We request donations of **clean** salable clothing, household items & lines, small appliances in working order, dishes, glasses, etc. We love Books too, but **NO** Text Books or Encyclopedias, **PLEASE**.



Sorry, but we cannot accept outdated computers, TV's & large furniture (due to more restrictive disposal rules). If you have any questions about donations, please call Margaret or Kent @ 773-3610 or Pat @ 774-6820. Items may be dropped off at St. Patrick's Parish Hall from 9:30AM – 4PM weekdays starting April 12th **or** by appointment if you call Linda @ 772-6325. Parish Hall will be **open April 15th from 9AM to 4PM for drop off as well.**

Looking forward to seeing all our faithful & hard working volunteers.



DIVERSITY

(Way back when Fr. Bob, Fr. Jack and the two Fr. Jims were in training, the Jesuit seminary was a tight little enterprise, a long black line of young Jesuits and their Jesuit professors, a place where just about nothing ever changed. Well, it's all changed now. It's in a new location – the campus of Boston College – and the Jesuit students have been joined by young Capuchin Franciscans, Redemptorists, and women and men preparing for careers in the ministries of the Church. And you know what? It's wonderful. The dean of that school is Fr. Richard Clifford, S.J., a noted scripture scholar and a native of Lewiston. In a recent newsletter he published an essay that I thought might be helpful to us as we enter the new and changing landscape of Cluster 28. Some of his words follow.)

Fr. Jim O'Brien

Scientists tell us that biodiversity enables species to survive in new environments. Diversity in human communities is also a good thing that enables them to adapt to change. There is a difference, though. Humans must choose to prize diversity as the price of their flourishing. But that is not easy for tradition-minded people. It challenges those who are more comfortable with the familiar than with the strange. Most of us prefer to hang out with our own crowd.

That's nothing new. The behavior was routine in the first Christian community that we know much about, Corinth in Greece. When St. Paul visited it in the mid-fifties of the first century, he heard people saying, "I belong to Paul," "I belong to Cephas (Peter)," and "I belong to Apollos." Paul was horrified; he had hoped they would be of the same mind and purpose. To help them get the point, he used the metaphor of one body animated by the Spirit conferring different gifts to the community.

Though diversity is challenging, it was and is still essential for the flourishing of the Church. We have to receive and prize it, but also, as Saint Paul does so deftly in his first letter to that Church, we must show in our lives "the more excellent way" of love that unifies and creates authentic Christian community.



K.C. Council 101 – The Knights of Columbus, Council 101 meets the **1st Wednesday** of the month @ 7PM in the KC Room at St. Patrick's.

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.

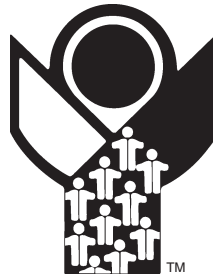


- **Knights of Columbus Council 2983 will be hosting a parish breakfast at the St. Pius Parish hall THIS Sunday, March 21 starting @ 7:30AM. Cost is \$6 Adults & \$3 Children 12 & younger.**

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.

DISCIPLES IN MISSION RESPECT OTHERS' FAITH



IN THESE FINAL WEEKS OF LENT, WE PREPARE FOR THE RE-PRESENTATION OF THE GREAT STORY OF OUR REDEMPTION, THE DYING AND RISING OF JESUS. WE ALSO RECOGNIZE THAT THE WHOLE DRAMA OF GOD'S LOVE FOR US IN JESUS IS ABOUT MERCY.

The Catholic Call

If God's mercy extends to every person, and if the Good News makes a claim on every human being—this is the very essence of what the word *catholic* means—how do we reconcile that with our modern-day sense of pluralism? After all, the last thing we want to do is impose our faith on others or violate the courtesy of acknowledging someone else's experience of faith. So what does it mean to evangelize in a pluralistic world where many faiths are held and shared?

Careful reflection on our faith, and respect for God's work in the lives of other people, can help us escape many misunderstandings in this area.

The first insight is that evangelization does not mean proselytism, which is the manipulative, disrespectful, and dismissive approach to someone else's faith. Our bishops teach us in *Go and Make Disciples*: "Catholics cannot proselytize—that is, manipulate or pressure anyone to join our Church. Such tactics contradict the Good News we announce and undermine the spirit of invitation that should

characterize all true evangelization" (p. 8). Evangelization never gives us permission to dismantle the faith of others.

This leads to the second insight: as believers, we can always share our faith appropriately with others when we speak from our personal experience. Sharing faith recognizes the integrity of the other person and is based on respect. We need only remember how we felt the times people approached us without respect for our faith.

The third insight is that sharing leads to inviting when that inviting arises from a dialogue of faith and friendship.

A Time to Share

We share our faith with different people, and the meaning of our sharing is affected by the situation of those with whom we share. The kind of invitation we offer is similarly affected.

We can think, for example, of *those who are unchurched*, with whom we might share our faith. These are people who, for all practical purposes, do not belong to any religious

community. When we share with the unchurched, we are inviting them to faith and conversion.

We know others who are *inactive Catholics* or inactive members of another church. When we share with these people, we are inviting them to a rediscovery of their faith.

We also know many people who are *active, committed Christians* belonging to other churches or denominations. Sharing with these people means recognizing the Gospel that they already accept. Some of these people will be drawn to enter the Catholic Church, something of great joy. Most, however, will remain in their own denominations, where they will continue to grow in God's grace. The Holy Spirit, through the ecumenical movement, is drawing all Christians together. As evangelizers, we support this as a sign of the Gospel. Still, we can always invite these people to know our faith more clearly.

This is what the bishops say, in *Go and Make Disciples*, about sharing our faith: "Catholics earnestly share their faith in Jesus Christ, which gives meaning to their lives, praying for that good day, known to God alone, when all peoples will address the Lord in a single voice and serve God with one accord" (p. 7).

We may also know people *who do not know Christ*, but here too, we acknowledge differences. Our Christian faith has grown out of the Jewish experience: we worship the God of Jesus, who is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Our

sharing with Jewish people must never deny the covenant God formed with them as God's chosen people. Muslim believers are also descendants of Abraham. We approach members of these religions mindful of their relationship to our God.

People of the other world faiths also deserve great respect; we recognize that through these religions, God mysteriously touches the hearts of people. Our sharing with non-Christian believers gives us the opportunity to reveal how the experience of Jesus touches and challenges all human beings.

Everyone has the right to hear the Gospel of Christ; our respect for others' faith never takes that away. But everyone also has the right to hear that Gospel with dignity and love.

The Golden Rule

In our sharing and inviting, we need to return to the gospel injunction itself, the Golden Rule. It will keep us from detracting from the faith experience of others or from our own experience. Jesus, in his first instruction to his disciples, taught them: "Do to others whatever you would have them do to you. This is the law and the prophets" (Matthew 7:12).

A lesson like that should never be forgotten.

Reflection

Think about the last time you shared your faith with someone. What did it lead to? Have you ever invited someone to a parish activity, to worship or pray with you?

Action

Make a list of the people whom you could, in an appropriate way, invite to join you in a worship service or a parish event.

Prayer

SLOWLY RECITE THE LORD'S PRAYER. PAY ATTENTION TO ITS UNIVERSAL SCOPE. HOW IT CAN BE PRAYED *BY* ANYONE AND *FOR* ANYONE.