

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

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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

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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.



"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest." - Lk 19:38

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.

Readings for the Week of March 28, 2010

- 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
- Monday: Monday of Holy Week
Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11
- Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week
Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
- Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week
Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25
- Thursday: Holy Thursday
Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Rv 1:5-8/
Lk 4:16-21
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
- Friday: Good Friday of the Lord's Passion
Is 52:13---53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1---19:42
- Saturday: Holy Saturday
Vigil: Gn 1:1---2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ex 14:15---15:1/
Is 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15, 32---4:4/
Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Rom 6:3-11/Lk 24:1-12
- Next Sunday: EASTER SUNDAY THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/
Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12

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ST. PATRICK'S SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN THIS WEEK

March 28 – April 3

**In Loving Memory of
BEV HALEY**



St. Pius X Parish - If you would like to give a donation towards the Easter Flowers that adorn our Sanctuary on Easter in memory of your loved one(s), envelopes will be available in the basket on the table in the church entryway.

You may put your Easter Flower envelope in the offertory basket or mail it to the parish office. We will list the names of those being remembered on the church bulletin board Easter Sunday. Your donation is greatly appreciated.



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



Please join us at St. Pius X parish hall this **Saturday, March 27** from 5PM – 6:30PM for our 4th annual Portland Nursery School Silent Auction/Church Supper. Silent Auction will take place during the supper in the annex of the hall. List of auction items is displayed on the bulletin board at St. Pius X. Come, place your bids & enjoy supper while waiting to see if you're an auction item winner! Menu includes PASTA / meatballs, fresh salad, vegetable, beverage and homemade pie. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and younger. Hope to see you there!

ST. PATRICK'S



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

**Weekly Offertory was \$ Next Week
envelopes used**

**Repairs & Maintenance was \$ Next Week
envelopes used**

Second Collection next wk will be for Diocesan Charities

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 21, 2010**

**Weekly Offertory was \$ Next Week
envelopes used**

**Fuel & Energy was \$ Next Week
envelopes used**

Thank you for your generosity-God Bless!

WEEKLY GOAL \$5,500.00



ST. PATRICK'S CASH CALANDER WINNERS

March 13, 2010 – **DOTTY JONES** - \$20.00

March 14, 2010 – **ALICE LANDER** - \$40.00

March 15, 2010 – **MARGARET LOCKE** - \$20.00

March 16, 2010 – **SUE STASIUM** - \$20.00

March 17, 2010 – **PAT KILBRIDE** - \$100.00

March 18, 2010 – **RAYE & LARRY LAUZE** \$20.00

March 19, 2010 – **MARY ELIZABETH FOLEY** - \$20.00

**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
John Wirtz	Jean Dwyer	Paul Gagnon
Deborah Hannigan	M. McCarthy	Brittany
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.

Holy Thursday Penitential Meal – Following the Holy Thursday liturgy at 6PM at St. Pius X Parish, please join us for our simple supper. The meal will consist of macaroni casserole and beverages (supplied by the parish). We ask that you bring either salad or bread to share with your table-mates. Please call (775-3032 x.201) or email mary@stpiusx-parish ahead by Tuesday, March 30th if attending. Thank you.



The Thirty-Sixth Annual **Cheverus Basketball Day Camp** will be held on the Cheverus campus starting June 21st. Boys between the ages of 8-15 are invited to attend for one week (\$175) or the entire two week program (\$325). The camp welcomes all ability levels. The fundamentals of basketball are taught in a fun filled atmosphere. Boys, who would like to develop their skills, meet new friends and have fun return year after year! Many of the camp's counselors are the members of the Cheverus High School Varsity Basketball team, this year's state championship team! There is a camp store and a luncheon service each day. Get your summer off to a great start by attending this outstanding camp which provides expert instruction and individual attention. We fill to capacity so if you are interested, please contact the Camp Director, Cheverus' Athletic Director Gary Hoyt 774-6238 Ext 26, ghoyt1@maine.rr.com or visit www.cheverus.org/athletics/camps/bBallCamp.asp to download an application. Hope to see you at camp!



THANKS to all the "Irish" bakers and buyers at the Irish Bake Sale at St. Patrick's. The Women's Fellowship made \$325.00.

ST. PATRICK'S



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

MONDAY, March 29, 2010
9:00 AM George J. Piacentini by Mr. & Mrs. Francis J. Walsh

TUESDAY, March 30, 2010
9:00 AM David Leblond & His Grandparents by the Family

WEDNESDAY, March 31, 2010
9:00 AM George Piacentini by Johnny Joyce

THURSDAY, April 1, 2010
HOLY THURSDAY
(See St. Pius Schedule)

FRIDAY, April 2, 2010
3:00PM Stations of the Cross
7:00 PM Good Friday Service

SATURDAY, April 3, 2010
8:00 PM George J. Piacentini by Jim & Judy Lynch

SUNDAY, April 4, 2010
8:00 AM Mary McGonigle by Wallace V. DeCoursey
10:30 AM George (Buz) McCarthy by the Family

ST. PIUS X



MONDAY, March 29, 2010
DEVOTION: 8:45 AM – MORNING PRAYER

9:00 AM Leo Agurto Zapata by the Family

TUESDAY, March 30, 2010
9:00 AM Fred Lipari by Pauline Lipari

WEDNESDAY, March 31, 2010
9:00 AM Robert Pickett by Stuart & Sylvia Infantine

THURSDAY, April 1, 2010
HOLY THURSDAY
6PM Liturgy of the Lord's Supper

FRIDAY, April 2, 2010
3:00 PM Good Friday Service
7:00PM Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, April 3, 2010
(See St. Patrick's Schedule)

SUNDAY, April 4, 2010
7:00 AM Our Parish Family
9:00 AM Mark Fasulo by the Family



**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

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 TODAY 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.

ST. PATRICK'S

NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

8:00 P.M. Saturday April 3, 2010

<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Lector</u>
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TBA	TBA

8:00 A.M. Sunday April 4, 2010

<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Lector</u>
*C. Noyes	M. Tole
S. Noyes	
A. Campbell	
J. Morin	
B. Green	

10:30 A.M. Sunday April 4, 2010

<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Lector</u>
*J. Brown	L. Savard
S. Richard	
B. Smith	
M. Conley	
L. Savard	

ST. PIUS X

NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

7:00 A.M. Sunday, April 4, 2010

<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Lector</u>
T. Donatelli	F. Mack
G. Donatelli	

9:00 A.M. Sunday, April 4, 2010

<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Lector</u>
J. Leonard	J. Beal
J. Austin	
J. Austin	
E. Desmore	



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.



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**.

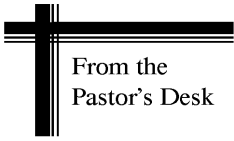


Sorry, but we cannot accept outdated computers, TV's & large furniture (due to more restrictive disposal rules). If you have any questions about donations, please call Margaret or Kent @ 773-3610 or Pat @ 774-6820. Items may be dropped off at St. Patrick's Parish Hall from 9:30AM – 4PM weekdays starting 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.

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



From the
Pastor's Desk

Holy Week begins with shouts of "hosanna!" The King comes with shouts of praise. So many hopes are being put on Jesus---unrealistic hopes that Jesus will bring the people back to the glory days of David and Solomon by overthrowing the Roman occupational army. The people never really heard him when he told them that this was not his mission from the Father.

As the people begin to realize that Jesus was not the military-political "Rambo," they change their "hosannas" to "Crucify him!" on Good Friday. They are so wedded to their image of who they think Jesus should be that they don't seem to want to have anything to do with who he really is---the Prince of Peace who challenges them and us to love God with our whole hearts, minds, and souls, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Hopefully, this is the Messiah that we recognize in Jesus. Then, at the end of Holy Week, our "hosannas" will become "Alleluia" on Easter Sunday.

Have a holy and blessed Holy Week.

Fr. Jack d'Anjou, SJ

Items for the Easter weekend bulletin, need to be into Linda by Noon time, Thursday, April 1.

VIANNEY performed by *Leonardo Defilippis*, sponsored by the Diocese of Portland will be at **McAuley High School, Portland Friday, April 9th @ 7PM.** Admission is Free Will Offering. Come experience the gripping story of the remarkable priest who battled the devil to save souls. This performance is suitable for ages 9 and up. Visit www.vianneydrama.com for more info.



April 3, 2010, behind Catherine McCauley H.S. & St. Joseph Convent between 11AM – 2PM there will be an Easter Egg hunt, face painting cotton candy machine, prizes, refreshments and the Easter Bunny.. Sponsored by Jones, Rich & Hutchins. Flyers with more information on the tables at the back of the church @ St. Patrick's.

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



DISCIPLES IN MISSION TURN TO THE SPIRIT



DURING THE EASTER VIGIL, THOSE WHO ARE ENTERING THE CHURCH WILL RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION: BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, AND EUCHARIST. EACH ONE OF THESE CONNECTS US TO JESUS CHRIST AND TO CHRIST'S HOLY SPIRIT. WITHOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT, THERE CAN BE NO CATHOLIC FAITH EXPERIENCE.

The Holy Spirit

Most Roman Catholic churches have a cross or a crucifix as the central image in the sanctuary. It is very startling, then, to visit St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. There, behind the main altar, in the very front of the basilica, is a dramatic representation of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove.

The dove is formed with marble so thin that it lets light through. As the sun glows behind it, it seems to fill the whole building. It creates the powerful image of the Holy Spirit taking over the whole sanctuary and the whole assembly. It's as if the Spirit's power engulfs everything.

This centuries-old image shows the place of the Spirit in Catholic life today. The Spirit is God's power communicated to us by Jesus. Only in the Spirit can we follow Jesus.

Evangelizing Power

"Evangelization will never be possible without...the Holy Spirit," wrote Pope Paul VI (*On Evangelization in the Modern World*, n. 75). Indeed, no Christian life is possible

without the Spirit, because life in Christ is precisely life in the power of the Spirit. But evangelization needs the Holy Spirit in a particular way, because evangelization calls on those gifts that the Spirit brings to us: witness, wisdom, proclamation, sharing, compassion, and love.

"The mission of the church, like that of Jesus, is God's work, or, as Luke often puts it, the work of the Spirit," wrote Pope John Paul II (*Mission of the Redeemer*, n. 25). In other words, the Holy Spirit opens us up to mission. Before the Spirit came, were not the apostles huddled in fear? After the Spirit came upon them, they proclaimed with such power that people of all languages and cultures were able to hear the Gospel.

With the coming of the Spirit comes mission. And with the advent of mission comes the ability to reach beyond ourselves to others, in faith.

Bestowing the Spirit on his disciples, Jesus says that the Spirit will enable them to *understand* his message and grow in it (John 14:26). In other words, following Jesus means living in him, taking his word as the word of our lives, and having the confidence to voice that word to others.

The *confidence* to speak God's word arises from the power of the Spirit. For the Spirit works in us even when we are not sure how to say things, voicing our prayers, our needs, and our faith. The Spirit is with us in our weakness and fears, helping us transcend our limitations (Romans 8:22-27).

And the context for proclaiming God's word—*love*—is also a gift of the Holy Spirit. Our centuries of reflection on the Trinity have taught us that the Spirit is the very love between Father and Son. When Jesus gives us his Spirit, he joins us to this divine love itself. "This is how we know that we remain in him and he in us, that he has given us of his Spirit," St. John tells us (1 John 4:13). This love shows itself in such a variety of ways that it brings about a whole abundance of gifts, without which God's word cannot be shared. Paul tells us many of the Spirit's gifts: "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control" (Galatians 5:22-23). Aren't these precisely the gifts we need to spread Christ's message to others?

The bishops tell us in *Go and Make Disciples*: "The Holy Spirit is the fire of Jesus. The Spirit, the first gift of the risen Christ to his people, gives us both the ability to receive the Gospel of Jesus and, in response, the power to proclaim it.

Without the Holy Spirit, evangelization simply cannot occur. The Spirit brings about evangelization in the life of the Church and in the Church's sharing the Gospel with others" (p. 5).

The more attentive we can be to the Spirit, as individuals and as parish communities, the more deeply both the impulse and the skills for evangelization will be implanted in us.

Mary

Has anyone evangelized more completely than Mary, the mother of Jesus? She brought forth God's Word in the flesh. But she herself was a work of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit prepared her to be Christ's mother. The Spirit came upon her and she conceived Jesus, and the Spirit came upon her again after Jesus rose from the dead, as she stood in the midst of the apostles.

Mary, as a disciple, is a model for all of us. Her discipleship, rooted in the experience of the Spirit, guides us in our openness to the Spirit today.

"Come, Holy Spirit," we pray—with Mary, the apostles, the saints, the Church and, indeed, all creation.

Reflection

Read and reflect on Romans 8:12-27.

Prayer

O HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD, BRING TO BIRTH WITHIN ME THE GRACE TO BE A TRUE DISCIPLE OF JESUS. BRING FORTH FROM MY LIFE THE GIFTS THAT WILL ALLOW ME TO BE CHRIST'S SERVANT TO OTHERS. SPIRIT OF GOD, CONTINUE TO POUR INTO YOUR CHURCH YOUR POWER AND LIFE, BRING FORTH FROM HER, AGAIN AND AGAIN, THE VIRTUES AND BLESSINGS THROUGH WHICH SHE, AS CHRIST'S BODY IN THE WORLD, WILL BRING SALVATION. SPIRIT OF GOD, BREATHE THE KINGDOM INSIDE OF US AND BRING US ALL TO CHRIST'S KINGDOM. IN YOUR POWER AND IN ACCORD WITH THE WILL OF GOD OUR FATHER. AMEN.

Action

Try to identify how the Spirit is revealed in your life and in the world around you. List concrete examples.