

Saint Joseph's Church

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– New England Province of St. Mary

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Parish Directory

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Religious Education [Grades Pre K – 9]

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695 Stevens Avenue

Portland, Maine 04103

207-797-7073

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
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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. Brigid School Board: Tuesday, May 11th, 6:45 p.m., school library.
- St. Joseph Knights of Columbus: Tuesday, May 11th, 7:00 p.m., friary meeting room.



St. Joseph's Parish Family extends prayerful good wishes to the mothers in our midst. We ask the Lord to abundantly bless you!



ASCENSION THURSDAY

Thursday, May 13th is Ascension Thursday, a holy day of obligation. Masses for the holy day will be celebrated Wednesday at 7:00 p.m., Thursday at 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon. The students of St. Brigid school will attend the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

A VOCATION VIEW

“Those who love Me will keep My word.” Is your love for the Lord leading you to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon, sister, or brother? Contact Fr. Bob Vaillancourt (773-6471, Robert.Vaillancourt@portlanddiocese.org) or Sr. Rita-Mae Bissonnette (773-6471, Ritamae.Bissonnette@portlanddiocese.org). If you are interested in the Capuchin Franciscan way of life, please speak with one of the friars here at St. Joseph's, contact Br. Tim Jones, O.F.M. Cap. (212-567-1300, brtimjones@yahoo.com), or log onto www.capuchin/vocations.org.

2010 BISHOP'S APPEAL

St. Joseph's Parish Family welcomes Patricia Long, Director of the 2010 Bishop's Appeal, who will speak at each Mass this weekend to explain and promote the appeal. All parishioners will have the opportunity next weekend to make a commitment to this year's appeal by completing a pledge/donation card. The purpose of the Annual Bishop's Appeal is to fund the day-to-day operations of the Diocese of Portland. It should not be confused with the \$40 Million Capital Campaign, whose purpose was to endow major areas of Church life in Maine. St. Joseph Parish's goal for the 2010 Bishop's Appeal is \$50,000.

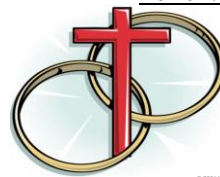


CHURCH SUPPORT

A total of \$8,200 was collected during last weekend's four Masses. This was \$585 less than what was collected one year ago over the same weekend. As a result, we were unsuccessful in achieving our "challenge goal" of a 4% increase in our weekly offertory giving. As all of you that are weekly readers of our church bulletin know, 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 "challenge goal". This week's offertory challenge goal is \$7,165.

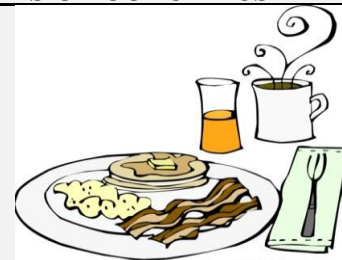
As always, your continued financial support of our church is most appreciated. Thank you!

2010 WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES



St. Joseph Parish's annual celebration of wedding anniversaries will take place on Sunday, May 16th. Parishioners who are observing a 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th wedding anniversary at any time during 2010 will be invited to renew their marriage vows during the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Following the Mass, a festive breakfast will be served by the Knights of Columbus in the Fr. Hayes Center. Each couple may invite 10 guests to the breakfast. If you are a registered parishioner and your special anniversary occurs this year, please call the parish office (797-7026, ext. 201) before the May 9th deadline.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST



Our Knights of Columbus will be hosting the Wedding Anniversary breakfast on Sunday, May 16th, in the Fr. Hayes Center from 8:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Cost is \$5.00 per person, children under 4 free, and \$20.00 for a family of 4 or more. French toast, scrambled eggs, hash browns, sausage, coffee, and juice are served. A great breakfast for a great cause! Come join us!



Mass Intentions

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

Monday, May 10

8:00 a.m. Mother's Novena

Tuesday, May 11

8:00 a.m. Mother's Novena

Wednesday, May 12

8:00 a.m. Mother's Novena

7:00 p.m. Alphonse Pizzo, Jr.

Thursday, May 13

8:00 a.m. Mother's Novena

12:00 p.m. Vito Baldante

Friday, May 14

8:00 a.m. Mother's Novena

Saturday, May 15

8:00 a.m. Mother's Novena

4:00 p.m. Luther Johnson & Clarence Olsen

Sunday, May 16

8:00 a.m. Mother's Novena

10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Capuchins
& Their Benefactors

5:00 p.m. Our Parish Family



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of May 9th in memory of Frederick Lesniak

MURDER MYSTERY: WHO HAS BEEN KILLING THE ELVISES?

Murder Mysteries Inc. presents "Who Has Been Killing the Elvises?" on Saturday, May 22nd, 6:30 p.m., at St. Pius X Church Hall. Tickets are available after Masses on May 8th/9th and May 15th/16th or at our parish office. Cost is \$25 per person or \$175 for a table of eight. Enjoy this interactive theater production!!

CLUSTER 28 TRANSITION

Since the final Mass schedule was published a few weeks back now, a number of those involved in the churches as lectors, ministers of Eucharist, ushers and altar servers have ask about how these important roles in our community will be sustained going forward. Obviously, all these roles are vital to the life of our community of faith – we must continue to nourish and grow them in the coming years. When the Mass schedule changes this summer, those ministers whose ordinary liturgies have changed will of course have the option to choose other liturgies in the Cluster in which to exercise their ministries, either at the same church at a different time or at another church. My hope is that all of you will continue your participation and be flexible in welcoming ministers from other Cluster churches into your ranks. We are fortunate in that the way these important ministries are exercised in all three churches is relatively uniform, thus ministers will easily be able to minister in another church.

The overall coordination of these ministries in the future will be done by Mary Gordon in the Cluster office; but our hope is that a committee of individuals from all churches can be organized to help her in both scheduling and training. We will likely continue minister training on a ad hoc basis utilizing practicing ministers to train new ones. My hope is that, over time, the scheduling of ministers will become more centralized, and ministers with some flexibility will participate in ministry at more than one site – another way we can get to know each other and become more melded into a single community. Once a year, we will have a retreat/workshop for all those involved in liturgical ministries to deepen our unity in the Lord and celebrate the richness of our community.

I end by thanking all of you who perform these ministries for our community for your generosity and the example of faith you give to the whole community.

Fr. Jim Lafontaine

USE YOUR OFFERTORY BUDGET ENVELOPE

It is important that all parishioners faithfully use their St. Joseph offertory budget envelopes, even when attending Mass at another church. It is the practice that, when another parish's offertory budget envelope is received at St. Joseph's, the envelope is returned to the parish of origin. This same practice holds true with our neighboring parishes – St. Joseph's envelopes are returned to us. This practice will become increasingly important when our cluster's Mass schedules change in August. It will assure the financial stability of each parish in our cluster.

