



MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- ❖ St. Joseph Finance Committee: Monday, November 9th, 7:00 p.m., friary meeting room.
- ❖ St. Brigid School Board: Tuesday, November 10th, 6:45 p.m., school.
- ❖ St. Joseph Knights of Columbus: Tuesday, November 10th, 7:00 p.m., friary meeting room.
- ❖ St. Joseph Bible Study: Thursday, November 12th, 7:00 p.m., friary meeting room.
- ❖ Disciples In Mission Small Group: Sunday, November 15th, 9:00 a.m., Fr. Hayes Center.



All are invited to enjoy coffee and donuts in the Fr. Hayes Center following the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Masses next Sunday. St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus will be our hosts.

A VOCATION VIEW

“Out of her poverty she has put in everything she had.” Will you respond with generosity should the Lord choose you for priesthood or the consecrated life?
 Contact Fr. Bob Vaillancourt (773-6471, Robert.Vaillancourt@portlanddiocese.org) or Sr. Rita-Mae Bissonnette (773-6471, ritamaebissonnette@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.

PARISH BULLETIN ADVERTISING



A representative of Liturgical Publications, Inc. will visit our area the week of November 16th to solicit renewals and new ads for our parish bulletin. This is an opportunity to reserve space for our new publication year. We are deeply grateful to the advertising sponsors who make it possible for St. Joseph Parish to publish our weekly parish bulletin.

WAYSIDE EVENING



St. Joseph Parish's weekly evening to assist at the Wayside Evening Soup Kitchen is WEDNESDAY. Volunteers are needed to assist this wonderful program (4:00 to 7:00 p.m., each Wednesday). FMI: call Jerry O'Shea at 781-2160.

ST. BRIGID SCHOOL PARENTS

Thanks to you and to all who volunteered at this weekend's Harvest Fair. Your help made the event a grand success. It is so important that St. Joseph's parishioners with children enrolled in St. Brigid School participate in the school's activities, especially in events sponsored in conjunction with St. Brigid's Home and School Association. FMI about the HSA, contact the school office at 797-7073.

ST. ANNE CHRISTMAS FAIR



St. Anne Church, 299 Main Street, Gorham, will hold its Christmas Fair on Saturday, November 14th, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All are invited.

CONNECTED CATHOLICS OF MAINE

Connected Catholics of Maine will hold its general meeting on Sunday, November 1st, 5:00 p.m., at Holy Martyrs Parish Hall, Route 88, Falmouth. The group will also host a night of cribbage on Friday, November 20th (FMI, call Eileen at 829-6951) and brunch at Stone's Grove, North Yarmouth, on Saturday, November 21st (FMI, call Mary Edwards at 829-4054).

FINANCE COMMITTEE



Last weekend's offertory collections totaled \$7,780. One year ago for the same weekend, the offertory collection totaled \$8,405.

Our offertory collection goal for the month of November totals \$42,700. This is approximately a 4% increase over last year's November offertory collection total of \$40,700. Look to receive updates on our progress of reaching this goal each week in our church bulletin.





MASS INTENTIONS

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

Monday, November 9

8:00 a.m. All Souls Novena

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Wednesday, November 11

9:00 a.m. John Powell

Thursday, November 12

8:00 a.m. Leonard Regan

Friday, November 13

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Capuchins & their Benefactors

Saturday, November 14

8:00 a.m. Nora Sepler

4:00 p.m. Arthur Gadnon

Sunday, November 15

8:00 a.m. Joanne Orlando

10:00 a.m. Kathleen Nolan Cavanaugh

5:00 p.m. Our Parish Family



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of November 8th, in loving memory of Daniel "Bucky" Nickerson.

GREATER PORTLAND COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC MEN

The Greater Portland Council of Catholic Men's annual father and son celebration of the Feast of Christ the King will begin with Mass on Sunday, November 22nd at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 8:30 a.m., followed by a Communion Breakfast at the Italian Heritage Center in Portland at 10:00 a.m. Tickets for the breakfast are \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for students. In addition, Patrons are \$15.00 and Golden Patrons are \$25.00, with the additional amount used to offset the expenses for sponsoring this event. Many parishes have elected to become either Patrons or Golden Patrons and are recognized in the printed program in each year's event. For tickets, call Bob Delaney (797-2248) or Jim Pizzo (772-1391).



Religious Education NEWS

ADVENT FAMILY GATHERING

Advent is a Christian tradition which invites us on a four week journey. It is a time for families to "Prepare the Way of the Lord". To help us get ready for Christ's arrival we will have an **Advent Family Gathering on Sunday, November 22nd**. We'll meet at the Fr. Hayes Center at 3:00 p.m. We'll have four family activities that are a part of our Catholic heritage: the Advent Wreath; the Jesse Tree; the Advent Chain/Calendar; and the Crèche. At the activities we'll learn the meaning of each tradition and make keepsakes. We'll end the afternoon with a light supper. We ask that you register by calling 797-9509 this way we'll have enough materials for everyone. We look forward to having you join us.

The First Penance Enrichment Day for second graders is on Saturday, November 14th at the Fr. Hayes Center. The sessions are scheduled for 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.



LEAF RAKING

Cheverus High School seniors will be raking leaves during the month of November as a fund raiser for Project Graduation. A minimum donation of \$25 per lawn is requested. Please contact Margaret Rogosienski at 774-6238, ext 27, to arrange a date.



A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:42-43

Readings for the Week of November 8, 2009

Sunday:	1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44
Monday:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/ Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday:	Wis 2:23---3:9/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday:	Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday:	Wis 7:22b---8:1/Lk 17:20-25
Friday:	Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday:	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday:	Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

News from the Knights of Columbus

The November monthly meeting for our Knights will occur this upcoming Tuesday, November 10th at 7:00 pm in the downstairs Friary meeting room. If you're an existing Knight that hasn't been a regular meeting attendee, please join us. You won't be disappointed! On the other hand, if you've ever had an interest in joining this wonderful organization, but wasn't sure how to go about it, give Mike Pizzo a call at 797-6326. Mike would be more than happy to speak with you!