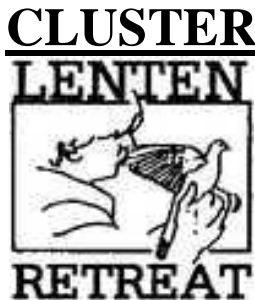




**MEETINGS THIS WEEK**

- ❖ Disciples In Mission Small Group: Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 6:30 p.m., friary meeting room.
- ❖ Cluster 28 Transition Committee: Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 7:00 p.m., St. Patrick Rectory.
- ❖ St. Joseph Parish Council Executive Committee: Tuesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5:00 p.m., friary meeting room.
- ❖ St. Brigid Finance Committee: Tuesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30 p.m., school.
- ❖ St. Joseph Women's Sodality: Tuesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:30 p.m., friary meeting room, following the rosary in church.



All are invited to attend the Cluster Retreat: Tuesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 p.m., at St. Pius X Church, Ocean Avenue, Portland. The Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession) will be available at the Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> service.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Lenten Stations of the Cross will be prayed each Friday of Lent at 7:00 p.m., in the church.

**A VOCATION VIEW**

“This is My Son, My Chosen; listen to Him.” If in your listening to the Lord you are sensing the invitation to follow Christ as a priest, deacon, sister, or brother, Contact Fr. Bob Vaillancourt (773-6471, [Robert.Vaillancourt@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:Robert.Vaillancourt@portlanddiocese.org)) or Sr. Rita-Mae Bissonnette (773-6471, [Ritamae.Bissonnette@portlanddiocese.org](mailto: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](mailto:brtimjones@yahoo.com)), or log onto [www.capuchin/vocations.org](http://www.capuchin/vocations.org).

**ST. BRIGID TAG BOARD**

Take a look at the new St. Brigid Tag Board located in the vestibule of the church near the large bulletin board. The tag board offers opportunities for parishioners to support our cluster school by offering service donations, or materials needed for the classrooms. Take a tag, perform the service or provide the needed supplies directly to the school office.

**CHEVERUS HIGH SCHOOL**

Cheverus High School will hold a Prospective Parent Information Night. Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Topics to be presented include curriculum, financing a Cheverus education, college advising, and a Cheverus student panel. FMI, contact Kate Luke-Jenkins (774-6238 ext. 35, or email [Luke-Jenkins@cheverus.org](mailto:Luke-Jenkins@cheverus.org)).

**PREBLE STREET/WAYSIDE EVENING SOUP KITCHEN**

As of March 1<sup>st</sup>, Preble Street will serve all three meals a day at the soup kitchen, located at the Preble Street Resource Center. St. Joseph Parish volunteers have participated in the past on the first Wednesday of the month. This association, it is hoped, will continue. Dinner volunteers are needed from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., to help with the meal preparation, service, and clean-up. There will always be a kitchen manager and social worker on hand at every meal to provide support. FMI, contact Kristin Rieff at [krieff@preblestreet.org](mailto:krieff@preblestreet.org) or 775-0026, ext. 162.

**CHURCH SUPPORT**

**Wonderful news!** We are most pleased to report that last week's offertory totaled \$8,450...\$1,100 higher than the same weekend one year ago. As a result of this accomplishment, we successfully achieved our “challenge goal” of a 4% increase for the week (for the second time this month!). As many of you are aware, an anonymous parishioner has agreed to make a donation equal to 3% of that week's budgeted offertory collection from now through June 30<sup>th</sup>, for each week that we exceed our “challenge goal”. This week's offertory challenge goal is \$8,595.

Last weekend's second collection to support Black and Indian Missions totaled \$1,395. The Ash Wednesday collection in support of the Church in Central and Eastern Europe totaled \$1,460.

Your financial support of our church is **most appreciated** and much needed! **Thank you!**



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

- Monday, March 1**  
8:00 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory
- Tuesday, March 2**  
8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Capuchins & Their Benefactors
- Wednesday, March 3**  
8:00 a.m. Robert Marley, Sr.
- Thursday, March 4**  
8:00 a.m. Anthony Hatch
- Friday, March 5**  
8:00 a.m. Mary Beck
- Saturday, March 6**  
8:00 a.m. Dennis Penn  
4:00 p.m. Anthony Casale, Sr.
- Sunday, March 7**  
8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Capuchins & Their Benefactors  
10:00 a.m. Our Parish Family  
5:00 p.m. Josephine Baldante

Religious Education NEWS



**Baobab Blast is Coming!** Be a part of God's Great Get Together at this year's Vacation Bible School. The dates are August 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>. Join us for this huge Safari Blast! More details will be provided in the next couples of weeks.

**REMINDER: The First Eucharist Enrichment Day is on Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>.**



*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*



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of February 28<sup>th</sup> in memory of Robert Marley, Sr.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS**

Our Knights recently filed their yearend 2009 Fraternal Activities Report. We are most pleased to report that our council donated to our church, community, and youth \$6,500 of financial contributions and a whopping 950 volunteer hours!

**Readings for the Week of February 28, 2010**

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

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