

Saint Joseph's Church

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– New England Province of St. Mary

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695 Stevens Avenue

Portland, Maine 04103

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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

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St. Joseph's Women Sodality

FMI Contact: 207-797-9509



**673 Stevens Avenue
Portland, Maine 04103**

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”

**THIS WEEK**

St. Joseph's Parish Council: Tuesday, May 25th, 5:30 p.m., friary meeting room.

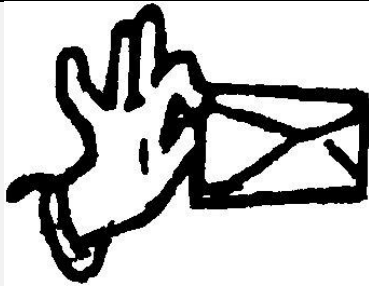
A VOCATION VIEW

"The Spirit gave them ability." Is the Holy Spirit preparing you to share the Lord's mission 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.

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 schedule changes in August. It will assure the financial stability of each parish in our cluster.

YEAR FOR PRIESTS

"You have spoken of the parish as a fundamental structure, assisted and enriched by movements. And it seems to me that precisely during the Pontificate of Pope John Paul II, a fruitful combination between the constant element of the parochial structure and, let us say, the 'charismatic' element, was created, which offers new initiatives, new inspirations, new life. Under the wise guidance of the Cardinal Vicar and the Auxiliary Bishops, all parish priests can together be truly responsible for the growth of the parish, taking in all of the factors that can come from the movements and the living reality of the Church in varied dimensions." Benedict XVI, 5/13/2009.

2010 BISHOP'S APPEAL

St. Joseph Parish's goal for the 2010 Bishop's Appeal is \$50,000. Thus far, \$11,140 has been received in donations and pledges from 72 parishioners.

THANK YOU

The Capuchin Franciscan Friars of the Province of St. Mary are grateful to the St. Joseph Parish Family for its generosity in the May 8th and 9th annual special collection to fund the training and formation of future Capuchins. A total of \$3,046.68 has been forwarded to the Province and will be included in the St. Joseph Parish, Portland, ME Burse.

FATHER'S DAY NOVENA

Father's Day is Sunday, June 20th. All are invited to participate in St. Joseph's Father's Day Novena of Masses from June 20th to June 28th. Envelopes are available in the budget envelope packets and at the exits of the church.

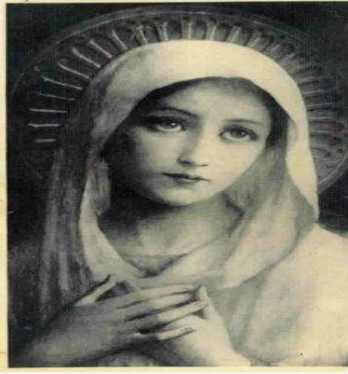
CHURCH SUPPORT

A total of 655 individuals attended our four weekend Masses last weekend and contributed \$7,310 to the offertory collection. This amount was below our "challenge goal" of a 4% offertory increase for the week compared to the same time period as last year. As regular readers of the church bulletin 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 30th for each week that we exceed our "challenge goal". This week's offertory challenge goal is \$8,045.

Last week's Ascension Thursday offertory collection totaled \$720.

Did you know? Approximately one month remains in our church's fiscal year that runs from July 1st to June 30th.





Mass Intentions

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

- Monday, May 24**
8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Capuchins & Their Benefactors
- Tuesday, May 25**
8:00 a.m. Souls in Purgatory
- Wednesday, May 26**
8:00 a.m. June Cartwright (living)
- Thursday, May 27**
8:00 a.m. Emilienne Pinette
- Friday, May 28**
8:00 a.m. Jacqueline Beaudry
- Saturday, May 29**
8:00 a.m. Mary Mone
4:00 p.m. George Robertson
- Sunday, May 30**
8:00 a.m. Souls in Purgatory
10:00 a.m. Our Parish Family
5:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Capuchins & Their Benefactors



Jesus said to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him." - Jn 14:23

Readings for the Week of May 23, 2010

- Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or 14:15-16, 23b-26
 - Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9/Mk 10:17-27
 - Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/Mk 10:28-31
 - Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/Mk 10:32-45
 - Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/Mk 10:46-52
 - Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13/Mk 11:11-26
 - Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25/Mk 11:27-33
 - Next Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15
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CLUSTER 28 TRANSITION

Some months ago when I informed you that the main Cluster office would be located in the St. Joseph Friary, I speculated as to how we might utilize that building for a number of purposes. As our planning has progressed, I am now able to be more specific about our use of the friary.

As I said previously, the main Cluster offices will be on the first floor. We will be making some minor renovations to provide an additional office on that floor. The current dining room/kitchen area will become a staff lounge area for the Cluster staff and the staff of St. Brigid School. The main entrance to the Cluster office will be the entrance under the archway that connects the church to the rectory. Currently we are planning office hours to be Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. We plan to continue keeping the church open during those hours as well, as has been the custom, for people who wish to make a visitation or have a place to pray.

At some point after the beginning of August, we will do what is necessary on the second floor to provide large and small meeting areas as well as storage areas for religious education and Cluster supplies. Since no one will be living at the friary after that point, we will consider carefully what might be necessary to ensure the security of the friary and church.

The friary basement will continue its current use as a meeting/social space. Other than the staff lounge on the first floor and perhaps some limited office space, we have no plans at this point to utilize the friary for any other school needs. Some work will be done in the school buildings this summer to accommodate the need for additional classroom and office space.

Please continue to keep us and this process in your prayers.

-Fr. Jim Lafontaine

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS



Our Knights are looking for volunteers to assist in placing American flags on the graves of our veterans at Evergreen Cemetery for the upcoming Memorial Day weekend. St. Joseph Knight Don Farr and his wife Marsha are heading up this special volunteer project and will meet all interested volunteers at the Evergreen Cemetery office at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 25th to complete this very worthy project. Rain date will be the following day (Wednesday, May 26th) at the same time. All are welcome!