

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO PORTLAND



Calendar

PALM SUNDAY

(Mk 11:1-10 Ps 22 Phil 2:6-11 Mk 14:1-15)

ONE MASS ONLY AT 10 A.M.

Pancake Breakfast after mass



NO C/R

Practice for Triduum

Liturgy of the Word for Children

NO RCIA

NO FF

Mon: **Communion service** (Is 42:1-7 Ps 27 Jn 12:1-11)

Altar Soc.Crafts 10 a.m. gym

Set up for Seder Meal

Chrism Mass 7 p.m. Cathedral

Tue **Mass** 8 a.m. (Is 49 1-6 Ps 71 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38)

Holy Hour 8:30 a.m.

Seder Meal and potluck 6:15 p.m.

Wed **Mass** 8 a.m. (Is 50:4-9a Ps 69 Mt 26:14-25)

Altar Society mtg.— 1 p.m. PC

St. Vincent dePaul mtg. 7 pm

AA mtg— Rm 15b 7:30 p.m.

Thurs **NO morning mass**

HOLY THURSDAY

(Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 Ps 116 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15)

Share the Word 8:45 a.m.

Communion to the Sick 9:45 a.m.

Mass at 7 p.m.

Adoration until 10:30 p.m.

Fri **NO morning mass.** (Is 52:13-53:12 Ps 31 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42)

GOOD FRIDAY

Walk of the Cross noon Bethlehem Lutheran 1244 NE 39th

Stations of the Cross—3:30 P.M.

Good Friday Service 7 p.m.

AA mtg. 7:30 p.m. Rm 15b

Sat. **Morning Prayer**

9:30 a.m. Parish Center

St. Vincent dePaul St. Charles Pantry open 11-1pm

Decorate church 10 a.m.

Reconciliation 4-4:30 p.m

Practice 6 pm.

RCIA dinner 7 p.m.

Easter Vigil 8:30 pm.

Next Sunday **EASTER SUNDAY**

(Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Ps 118 Col 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9 Lk 24: 13-35)

Masses 8:30 and 11 a.m.

No coffee and Rolls

HAVE A GLORIOUS EASTER

* indicates outside of parish



ST. VINCENT DEPAUL: During the last week the St. Charles St. Vincent dePaul helped 147 people with 36 food and clothing calls, 3 rent calls and 3 utility calls.

Our current needs are: cooking oil, sugar, flour, tuna, chili and laundry soap.

St. Charles St. Vincent dePaul "Jazzy Dessert" concert Sat. night April 18 at 7 p.m. Guest artists include Keith Hinyard Eclectet with Paul Schimming and Dave Chatrey on trumpet and Jeff Homan on sax. The legendary Blues Man, Lee Blake, and the group Funtastic featuring Karl Ludwigsen. Coffee and desserts by Jim & Patty's and members of St. Charles St. Vincent dePaul! Admission \$10 and 2 cans of food.

FIRST COMMUNION: Preparing for First Communion is a special time in a child's journey of faith. This year 10 beautiful children are preparing to share fully in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As a community we can support these young people through our prayers and our welcome.

RACHEL RISCHIOTTO, whose name means innocence of a lamb, is truly loved by her 3 sisters and brother and her mother and father. She was born into this world with some special needs but has courageously overcome obstacles and challenges. Rachel has a healthy self image and a vivid imagination. She is a girl who loves pretty colors, beautiful princesses, kind fairies and delicate butterflies. She would like to be a ballerina herself and dance as if she had fairy wings.

From painting with magic paints to reading stories about nature, Rachel greets most things in life with great enthusiasm. Her eyes sparkle with delight and words seem to pour from her lips as she talks about her love for nature, bugs and flowers. This spring her family is planning a trip to the Oregon Zoo. Rachel is so excited and plans to spend lots of time studying the insect exhibit and investigating the butterfly garden. Rachel cherishes her big family, but having older siblings also means saying goodbye to them when they leave for college. To celebrate her brother Nick's and sister Monica's transition to college, the Rischiottos gathered at Amalfi's for some good Italian food and family fun. Tomato soup with bread is Rachel's very favorite meal. At home, Rachel looks forward to girls night with her 2 sisters. They watch movies and munch on snacks late into the evening.

The Rischiotto's have been active members of the St. Charles community since 1986. From spicing and stirring the spaghetti sauce for the annual fundraiser and organizing parish breakfasts with the Knights of Columbus, to serving on Pastoral Council and being both altar servers and Eucharist Ministers, the whole family has shared their gifts and time to make a positive difference and support the community.

An extravert by nature, Rachel reaches out each Sunday to meet and greet everyone enjoying coffee and donuts with her friendly smile and cheerful hello. Rachel feels good about receiving her First Communion. A new white dress hangs ready for her; but, more importantly, her brother and sister will be coming home from college to share this special day with her. Just as Jesus cleans us from sin and purifies our hearts, Rachel prays for a clean world to support all life. May the prayers of this community touch the heart of this precious girl and support her faith journey.

PRAYERS OF SPECIAL INTENTIONS

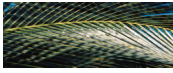
Sick: Jill Barrowcliff, Joan Bruneau, Marie Tillman, Harold Klein, Bill Schmich, Harriet and Larry Strand, Bill Pashley, Hoi Tran, Bob Walters, Roscoe Logan, Barbara McCormick, Shirley Lynch, Toni Baker, Pat Kern, Pat DeLeon Turner, Kai Saechao and Theresa Bittler.

Please pray for these parishioners.

I wish to thank everyone for your well wishes, calls, cards, prayers, and thoughts during my long confinement. I am on the mend and should be back soon.

Love to all —Barbara McCormick

SEDER MEAL: Please mark your calendar's for the annual St. Charles Seder Meal. This coming Tuesday evening **April 7th at 6:15 pm** in the gym. For many years, great numbers of Christians have been learning about the Jewish Festival of Passover, and especially about its special ritual, the Seder Meal. This is an opportunity to celebrate and acknowledge our biblical roots. A fun and wonderful family evening that includes a potluck dinner. If you haven't signed up but want to attend, contact the parish office.



APRIL 5, 2009

PALM (PASSION) SUNDAY



PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY: True prophets do not rebel against their call. Though others decline to speak on behalf of God, they let nothing deter them from their mission, even when it seems as though God has abandoned them. Although ears are closed to their message, the prophets steadfastly proclaim God's tidings to the assembly. This is the attitude of Jesus. He did not regard power and authority as something to be held with a tight fist. Rather, he opened his hand and emptied himself, pouring out his humanity to become a servant to his brothers and sisters.

Unlike Jesus, we are not always submissive. At the table we betray him, despising the body with whom we have gathered. We say "Amen" to the cup with little understanding that we are saying "yes" to dying to self like Jesus. Obedient in all things, he bound his will to God and did not turn away from death, even the disgraceful death on a cross. Willingly, he drank the dregs of the chalice of suffering and poured out his blood on our behalf.

Because Jesus was faithful, God exalted him, raising him above heaven and earth, giving him the name above all names. Our hearts and knees bow at his name. Our tongues proclaim to the glory of God: "Jesus Christ is Lord!"

Do I proclaim the Lord's death when I eat the bread and drink the cup? How can I offer hope to a hopeless world?

FAMILY FAITH SHARING: We encourage parents to reflect on these questions at home each week with their children and family. Start talking. Share your faith!

Today, we come to the story of the Passion. Mark's Gospel finally answers the question of "who" Jesus is only at the end, when the centurion proclaims: "This truly was the Son of God." Jesus' identity as the messiah is only fully revealed when he dies on the cross.

Think of a time when life made no sense. What, if anything, kept you trusting? Peter denied Jesus three times. Think of a time when you found it hard to take a stand for the values of Jesus — tell about it.

PALM SUNDAY—THE PASSION: The story of the anointing of Jesus is one of the few stories that appears in all four Gospels. As people begin to grumble about the cost and waste of the perfume, Jesus responds: "You always have the poor with you and any time you want to you can do something good for them."

As we continue our Operation Rice Bowl journey let us remember in **prayer** that we are one human family, regardless of our differences. Answering the call to love our neighbors will promote a culture of respect and lead to peace in our own community, and in communities around the world. May our **fasting** keep us mindful we are our brothers and sisters keepers.

May our **almsgiving** assist those in need here in the United States. 75% of our gifts to Operation Rice Bowl support Catholic Relief Services' programs around the world. The remaining 25% of your contributions stay in dioceses in the U.S. to assist local hunger and poverty alleviation programs.

Filled Rice Bowls may be returned to the parish beginning on Holy Thursday.

HELP: FAITH FORMATION NEEDS EMPTY PRINGLE CANS WITH LIDS. PLEASE DROP THEM OFF AT THE PARISH .

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

	each week	YTD
Sac. Giv. needed	5,700.00	222,300.00
Sac Giv. (3/29/2009)	3,394 .00	164,579.00
(after 39 weeks)	- 2,306.00	- 57,721.00

We need an average of \$5700.00 each weekend to meet the 2008-09 budgeted offertory income. We need an average of \$9043.00 each weekend to meet the 2008-09 total budgeted income. The additional \$3374.00 needed weekly comes from rentals, fundraisers, and other income. **Thank you for sharing your time, treasure and talents with your parish family as God's faithful stewards!**

PRAYER CORNER FOR FAMILY MEMBERS SERVING IN IRAQ, AFGHANISTAN OR OTHER AREAS OF CONFLICT:

Col. Dan Kern, AJ Asche, Lindsay Jaszkwiaik and Adam and Michelle Sterling

For a daily prayer for peace in Iraq:
www.prayercentral.net

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2009:

Monday— April 6- Chrism Mass 7 p.m. at the Cathedral

Tuesday— April 7 SEDER SUPPER 6:15 p.m.



HOLY THURSDAY- April 9

7 p.m. Holy Thursday Mass and Adoration until 10:30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY-April 10— noon Walk of the Cross Bethlehem Lutheran 1244 NE 39th Ave. - 3:30 Stations of the Cross at St. Charles

7 p.m. GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

HOLY SATURDAY— April 11—9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer; 10 a.m. decorating the church; 5:30 pm practice for Easter Vigil; 7 p.m. dinner for the RCIA/C

8:30 p.m. EASTER VIGIL with reception after the service

Easter Sunday April 12 -masses at 8:30 and 11 a.m.



HAPPY EASTER

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS: THE RAFFLE CONTINUES UNTIL MAY 16 (WHEN WE HAVE OUR SPRING SALAD LUNCHEON). IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BUY A TICKET ON THE QUEEN SIZE QUILT OR THE ROUND MAHAGONY TABLE PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE 503 281 6461. TICKETS ARE \$2 EACH OR 3 FOR \$5.

Our monthly meeting will be April 8 at 1 p.m. In the Parish Center. Hostesses will be Joan Calabrese and Jo Martens with Jo saying the prayer. Please come and join in with ideas or just friendships.

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESAN PEACE AND JUSTICE OFFICE:

The US Dept. of Health & Human Services is inviting public comment on a proposal to rescind an important Dec. 2008 federal regulation that protects the conscience rights of health care providers. Help protect the rights of our Catholic health care professionals and institutions. Please visit www.usccb.org/conscienceprotection to access links to make a comment and to find out more information. Comments must be posted by **April 9, 2009.**

BAPTISM:

Sessions for parents wishing to have their child baptized begin Tuesday evening, **April 28th** at 7 p.m. Preparation consists of 4 evening sessions and culminates with baptism during the 11 a.m. mass on May 24th. To register or for information please contact Joan Winchester 503 281 6461 or email her at Joanw@stcharlespdx.org