

# ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO PORTLAND



## Calendar

### Today : 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Jos:1-2a,15-17,18b Ps 34 Eph 5:21-32 Jn 6:60-69)

Masses 8:30 and 11 a.m.

c/r school families Mapapalangi, Neal and Wrede

AA mtg.

Mon: **Communion Service 8 a.m.** (Rv 21:9b-14 Ps 145 Jn 1:45-51)

**Spaghetti Dinner mtg. 7 p.m. PC**

Tue: **Mass 8 a.m.** (1 Thes 2:1-8 Ps 139 Mt 23:23-26)

Holy Hour 8:30 a.m.

Wed: **Mass 8 a.m.** (1 Thes 2:9-13 Ps 139 Mt 23:27-32)

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

Thur: **Mass 8 am** (1 Thes 3:7-13 Ps 90 Mt 24:42-51)

Share the Word 8:45 a.m. PC

Communion to the Sick 9:45 a.m. PC

Fri : **Mass 8 am.** (1 Thes 4:1-8 Ps 97 Mt 25:1-13)

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

Sat. **No morning mass** (1 Thes 4:9-11 Ps 98 Mk 6:17-29)

Liturgy Planning mtg. 9-noon PC

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

Reconciliation 4-4:30 p.m.

**Vigil Mass 5 p.m.**

Next Sunday : **22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

(Dt 4:1-2,6-8 Ps 15 Jas 1:17-18,21b-22,27 Mk 7:1-8,14-15,21-23)

Masses 8:30 and 11 a.m.

c/r Multi Cultural Ministry

Blessing of catechists

Catechetical Visioning mtg. 12:15-2 p.m. PC

AA mtg. 7 p.m. Rm 15b

\* indicates outside of parish

### **PRAYERS OF SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

**Sick:** Jill Barrowcliff, Joan Bruneau, Harold Klein, Bill Schmich, Harriet and Larry Strand, Scott Brown, Lee Gallet, Debra Hanson, Shirley Lynch, Steve Brown, Semiei Mateaki and Elizabeth Perry.

Please pray for these parishioners

**PARISH BBQ:** September 13, is the date to put on your calendar for our annual BBQ here on the parking lot and in the gym beginning right after the 11 am mass. This is also Grandparents Day, so bring your grandparents and make a big day of it. **All you need to bring are salads and/ or desserts to serve 10 people.** The parish will furnish the hamburgers, hot dogs, condiments and beverages.



Thank you to all who sent cards and sympathy calls and condolences on the recent loss of my step mother. Also for the masses that have been said in her memory. I do appreciate you all. Pat G



This last week the St. Charles Conference of SVDP helped 18 families for a total of 58 adults and children. We also helped one family with their rent.

The school supplies are, thankfully, rolling in – sorry kids but all good things must come to an end (like summer vacation). The pantry could also use jackets, backpacks, scissors, hand sanitizer, boxes of tissue and more notebook paper (college and wide ruled). If fighting your way down the school supply aisle is not for you, the pantry could also use liquid dish soap, spaghetti sauce and cake mixes. You can bring these much needed items to the pantry (open hours 11-1 p.m. Saturdays) or place the items in the SVDP food box by the main entrance door of the church.

A big THANK YOU to our SVDP member, Margaret Retz! She bravely and graciously volunteered to host our annual summer SVDP picnic this past Sunday!

Our ministry isn't always about work and helping others—Margaret's lovely home and yard helped remind us to take time to enjoy each other and our many SVDP blessings.

If you are interested in volunteering in this ministry, please contact our President, Toni Schimming at [tonischimming@msn.com](mailto:tonischimming@msn.com) or 503 522-6316.

**PARISH NURSES MINISTRY:** Seniors who have turned 60 by April 1, 2009, and receive food stamps or Medicaid, have a monthly income below \$1038 for an individual and live in your own home or rental unit can get free \$30 (farm direct checks) to use at any participating farmers markets for fresh and healthy local produce. **Sign up by Sept 15.** Coupons are good through the end of October. Closest contact 5325 NE MLK Blvd. Bldg. 322A, Main Floor 503 988 3660.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER: WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT DAVID HAGERTY HAS VOLUNTEERED TO BE THE SPAGHETTI DINNER CHAIR FOR THIS YEAR.** He comes with enthusiasm and many creative ideas. He is having a meeting for all the committee chairs on Monday **August 24th** at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center.

We want to thank Dave for stepping up to be the chair. Let's all get behind him and make this year a great one for the Spaghetti Dinner.

**We still need a publicity chair,** so if you were wondering what to do with your time between now and Nov. 1st, come be the publicity chair.



**HOUSE BILL 2116:** HB 2116 passed the legislative session. This guarantees health care coverage for Oregon uninsured children under the age of 19. If you are interested in further details, please call the parish office 503 281 6461.

AUGUST 23, 2009

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Before they crossed over into the Promised Land, Joshua gathered all the people and challenged them to make a decision. Would they serve the gods of the world or the true God of Israel? Fidelity to God is not easy. We must think carefully before taking on such an obligation. We must decide not only today but tomorrow and the next day. We hope that we will say, as Joshua did: "As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD" (24:15). But can I decide for others when my own faith commitment may be fragile? Can I make such a commitment for my loved ones — spouses who do not believe, children who are disinterested? We must not impose our faith on others but rather defer to one another, waiting patiently for the Spirit to stir each heart to make a decision.

Jesus knows how weak our human flesh is. He knows we sometimes fail to take his words seriously. We murmur in protest at his hard words, even though we know the promise they contain: "The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life" (Jn 6:63b). Jesus knows there are some among us who do not believe. "Do you want to leave me too?" he asks. "To whom can we go?" we cry. "You have the words of eternal life" (v68b).

*Have I pledged my faithful commitment to the Lord today?*

**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!

In Today's Gospel reading from the Book of John, some of the disciples are having trouble understanding and accepting Jesus' teachings. Jesus states, "The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life." This is a "call" to the disciples to believe in Jesus and trust God. Many of the disciples cannot do this, so they leave and return to their former ways of life; this leaves the "Twelve". Simon Peter speaks for the twelve disciples when he says, "We have come to believe...you are the Holy One of God." This shows the faith conversion of the twelve disciples.

*Think about the things that have happened in your life. Have you trusted in God even when bad things have happened? Explain your answer. Try to think of some things that you can do to increase your trust in God...talk about them.*

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

AJ Asche, John Jaszowski and Randy Shelton

For a daily prayer for peace in Iraq:  
[www.prayercentral.net](http://www.prayercentral.net)

**SHARE THE HARVEST:** Don't forget to bring your excess produce from your gardens to share with others. Simply place any extra fruit or vegetables you may have on the table. Everyone is welcome to take what they can use. Leftovers will be given to our St. Vincent dePaul.



**SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT**

	each week	YTD
Sac. Giv. needed	5,700.00	39,900.00
Sac Giv. (8/16/2009)	3,227.00	28,257.00
(after 7weeks)	- 2,474.00 -	11,643.00

We need an average of \$5700.00 each weekend to meet the 2009-10 budgeted offertory income. We need an average of \$9043.00 each weekend to meet the 2009-10 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!**

**ST. CHARLES WELLNESS PROJECT:** The Wellness Team is continuing its work on the Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon Congregational Wellness Project. We have completed a Congregational Health Inventory and will use this information to shape activities which will help all of us continue to be healthy and even become healthier! We hope you have enjoyed your summer activities and the sunshine. Stay tuned for more health conscious activities in the Fall and for exciting new information from the Wellness Team.

**PARISH CAMPOUT:** This annual event is now a thing of the past. Thank you to Kevin and Cora Wrede and their helpers for another memorable year of campout. From the word that is traveling around, there were about 28 overnight on Friday and then more came on Saturday. The mass was attended by 38 people (Thank you Fr. Schwab) and the campfire, s'mores, sing along, food, and especially the camaraderie was wonderful. GREAT JOB. Now start making plans for attending next year.

**RACE FOR THE CURE:** Sunday, September 20. Registration is \$30.00. **Registrations need to be in by August 31. SHOULD WE HAVE A ST. CHARLES TEAM?** We need 10 people to qualify as a team. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office 503 281 6461 right away. You can also register on line at [Komenoregon.org](http://Komenoregon.org) Thanks.

**IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY:**

**MICHAEL ALLEN HARRISON:** "13 Nights on the River" Concert Series Sept 3 —6 to 9 pm. Historic Riverfront St. Helens, Or. Michael Allen Harrison and Tom Grant Duo.

**FRANCISCAN SPIRITUAL CENTER:** Sept 2, Human Trafficking Information Session 9:30 am –noon 6902 SE Lake Rd. Suite,300, Milwaukie. To register 503 794 8542.—Sept 3 Men's Wisdom Circle every 1st Thursday beginning Sept 3 for 6 months. Cost \$100 for the complete series. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Restricted to 12 men.—Leaving a Spiritual Legacy: Creating a Spiritual Will. This 3 session workshop will be Sept 8, 15 and Oct 6. Cost \$75 per person. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Information on all of these please call the above number.