

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO PORTLAND - NOVEMBER 27, 2011



Calendar

1st Sunday of Advent

Nov. 27 Mass 8:30 & 11:00 am

(Is 63:16b-17, 19b;64:2-7 Ps 80 1 Cor 1:39 Mk 13:33-37)
 Nursery Open 11am Rm15A
 c/r Small Church Salt & Light
 Faith Formation—Advent Festival 9:45 am
 AA 6:30 pm Rm15b
 Advent Wreath Supplies For Sale

Mon, Nov. 28 Communion Service 8 am

(Is 2:1-5 Ps 122 Mt 8:5-11)
 Sewing Ladies 10am Gym
 Neighborhood Prosperity Initiative 10am PC

Tue, Nov 29 Communion Service 8 am

(Is 11:1-10 Ps Lk 10:21-24)

Wed, Nov. 30 Mass 8 AM

(Rom 10:9-18 Ps 19 Mt 4:18-22
 Holy Hour 8:30 am
 VHS 10 am Gym
 Confirmation Session 4:30 pm PC
Reconciliation Mass 7 pm Church
 AA Mtg. 7pm Rm15b

Thur. Dec. 1 Mass 8 AM

(Dir 50:22-24 Ps 138 1 Cor 1:3-9 Lk 17:11-)
 Share the word 8:45 am PC
 Comm. To sick 9:45 am PC

Fri, Dec. 2 Mass 8 AM

(Is 26:1-6 Ps 27 Mt 9:27-31)
 Bake&TreasureSetup 3:30pm
 AA Mtg. 7pm Rm. 15b

Sat., Dec. 3 No Morning Mass

(Is 30:19-21,23-26 Ps 147 Mt 9:35-10:1,5a,6-8
 Reconciliation 4 pm
 Vigil mass 5 pm
 AltarSocBake&TreasureSale (after Mass)

2nd Sunday of Advent Dec. 4 Mass 8:30 & 11:00 am

(Is 40:1-5,9-11 Ps 85 2 Pt 3:8-14 Mk 1:1-8))
 Nursery Open 11am Rm15A
 c/r Pastoral Council
 Altar Soc Bake & Treasure Sale (After Masses)
 Faith Formation 9:45 am
 Confirmation Session 12:15 am Rm 15b
 Exchange Student 12:30 PC
 (FamilyGathering)
 Gym In Use 4-7pm
 AA 6:30 pm Rm15b

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION

Do you have statues, rosaries or pictures of The Blessed Virgin Mary from other countries? You are invited to bring them for cultural displays of Our Lady in the gym for the Dec. 11 celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Bring them Sat. morning Dec. 10 or before Mass on Dec. 11.



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

Erich Kunrath(son of Egbert & Linda Kunrath)
 Kerry Lynch (granddaughter of Bob & Ginger O'Harrow)
 Randy Shelton II (grand nephew of Sr. Phyllis)
 Matthew Spady (grandson of Marjorie Fuscus)
 For a daily prayer for peace in Iraq: www.prayercentral.net

PRAYERS OF SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Sick: Jenny Bailey (Bill Bailey's wife), Leslie Barbour, Jill Barrowcliff, Ruby Bigoni, Jim Calabrese, Leonardo Campoy Burpoi (Elna Oddy's), Jim Carl, Bill Chilton, Dave Dahl, Katakei Dois (son of Marcie Dois), Betty Fettig, Lee Gallet, Anthony (Babe) Galluzzo (Angie McKinney's father), Ronnie Gluth, Martin Hickey, Than Hoang, Wes Jaskowskiak (brother of Sr. Phyllis), Chuck Keenan, Barbara Keepes, Esther Klein, Loini Liufau-Eisenach (Zoranna Mapapalangi's mother), Rena Lopez, Michael Lynch (Ray Lynch's son), Shirley Lynch, Dorothy McNeill (Jaqui Thomas' mother), Theresa and Chester Miller, Marlene Mosbrucker (Willilah & Fr. Jack's sister-in-law), Jennifer Norman, Sheryl Perry, L'orien Reilly, Joseph Rohleder, Bill Schmich (Michael Schmich's brother), Thelma Spence, Bill Trump (Jeff Trump's brother), Judy Winchell, Doris Woolley.

Please pray for these parishioners and all who are ill.

MACG Health Care Assembly December 6th
7- 8:30 PM St. Andrew Catholic Church
806 NE Alberta St., Portland

Make Your Voice Heard for Affordable Quality Health Care

What health care is going to look like for Oregonians depends on who has the ear of the Oregon policy decision makers this year. Will it be citizens or industry lobbyists? Oregon's chief policy maker, Dr. Bruce Goldberg, director of Oregon Health Authority will be there to hear our concerns and respond to our questions. A large presence is needed to show policy makers that we are serious and want health care that meets the needs of the most vulnerable and sets Oregon on the path to a system that works for all. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS;SIGN-UP AFTER MASS AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH, OR EMAIL YOUR RSVP TO JOAN WINCHESTER at joanw@stcharlespdx.org.

INTERGENERATIONAL CHOIR

Want to sing for Christmas? Join our intergenerational choir for the 5 pm Family Christmas Mass on Christmas Eve. We need adults and kids. Contact Sr. Phyllis, Joan Winchester, or Meredith Murphy. Come, sing for Christmas. First practice in December on the 11th at 12:30 pm



SAVE THE DATE: upcoming events in the parish

- **Dec. 06** MACG Health Care Assembly
- **Dec. 11** Our Lady of Guadalupe MultiCultural Celebration

ST. VINCENT de PAUL



This week the St Charles SVDP Conference helped provide food to 56 families for a total of 194 adults and children.

With holiday sales/coupons, the Pantry could use tomato sauce, diced tomatoes ,spaghetti sauce and new TOYS! You can place all of these needed items in the SVDP Food Box by the main entrance door to the Church.

A BIG thank you to all the SC parishioners (20+) who showed up to work the St. Rose SVDP food drive last Saturday! Check your calendar – we will need drivers to help deliver SC SVDP's Holiday Food Boxes on 12/17 from 9-11am. More info and thank you' s coming soon!

Remember the Reason for the Season...



FAMILY FAITH Mark 13:33-37

We begin the new liturgical on a note similar to the end of the liturgical year last week: "Be watchful! Be alert." Once again, we are urged to be prepared for the coming of the Lord. At this time of year, we are usually thinking of the infant Jesus coming at Christmas. But Jesus comes into our lives every day, too. And Jesus will come again at the end of time. During Advent we prepare and watch and wait for Jesus to come in all three ways.

In the Gospel parable, a man leaves his servants in charge of his home, each one with work to do. What is your work or job? What can you do so that your "work" helps prepare the world for the coming of Christ? (Hint: this may have something to do with your attitude when you are doing your job). Jesus comes in surprising ways. As a family, make an Advent wreath with 4 candles. As you make the wreath, talk together about what you see that needs to be done to prepare for the coming of Jesus in your home, at your church, in your school, at work, in the world. Talk about and then choose one thing you can do together to make the world better for Jesus. The first week, as you light one candle pray together, "Come Lord Jesus."

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

The people of God lost everything in the exile; their homeland their temple, and their king. When they returned, they were distressed that the reconstruction of their lives was taking so long. In their anguish, they blamed God for their troubles. "You are our Father; why did you allow us to wander from your ways?" Yet they realized that God was not at fault. The problem was their faithlessness to God's ways. In humble submission they turned to the one who longed to shepherd them: "Show us your face and we shall be saved."

Paul is a faithful witness to God's loving-kindness. He thanked God for the favor bestowed on each of us, and he encouraged us to use God's gifts to do good. When we recognize that God is the potter who formed us from the clay, the work of our hands will be as beautiful.

Jesus compared himself to a master who went on a journey, leaving his servants in charge of the household. If we persevere to the end like Paul did, we will find an eager welcome at Christ's return. We dare not fail in our vigilance.

For Reflection: Am I prepared to meet the Lord today? Am I using God's gifts to bring about God's reign.

ALTAR SOCIETY UPDATE AND NEWS

Don't forget we are in need of treasures for the Christmas Bake, Treasure and Craft Sale on the 3rd and 4th of December, after all the Masses, and also the baked goods for the sale.

Another note, it would be greatly appreciated if you could bring your money donation for the Adopt-A-Family to our December 14th Meeting, which will be our Advent Retreat Day, more about that later. Or, you can give your donation to Jo Martens anytime before then. And again, thank you.

Neighborhood Prosperity Initiative - 42nd Ave. Has been invited to apply for this 7 year permanent improvement program that will bring a substantial amount of money to help further the vision of 42nd between Prescott and Killingsworth. This is VERY exciting. Please mark your calendars for the first visioning session: Jan 11th, 7:00 pm in our gym.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

Week 21 Nov. 20, 2011 \$ 3277.50

Thank you for sharing your time, treasure, and talent with your parish family as God's faithful stewards.

BOOKS!!! BOOKS!!!!

I have lots of books. I am more than willing to loan them out. A book does no good just sitting on a shelf! But,..... please.....return them. This past week I looked for two books that I wished to share with people, and they are not here. Please, if I loaned a book to you, look around and see if you have yet returned it. They are doing no one any good sitting idly at your house. Thanks! Fr. Schwab

LOST & FOUND

We have quite a few items in our lost & found cupboard on the south side of the church. Please check it out and see if anything belongs to you. We have several jackets, several umbrellas, gloves, keys, and other miscellaneous. Some things have been there for a very long time. We will donate any unclaimed items to SVdeP in a couple of weeks if they are not claimed. Any questions call Willie in the parish office.

EUCHARIST MINISTERS

Our team of Legacy Emanuel Catholic Hospital Eucharist Ministers comfort sick Catholic adults and children in a very meaningful and God filled way. Please call Barb at 503-288-1027 or Paul at 503-239-3441 to learn more about this valuable ministry. Emanuel Hospital and Eucharistic minister training support is provided.

Minister to the sick, walk a lot, and have a multicultural experience everytime.

IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY

Central High School , St. Mary's Academy & LaSalle College Preparatory High School Placement Tests All interested eighth grade students should plan to take the placement Exam Dec. 3 & 5. Visit the school's individual website for more information.

DeLaSalle North Catholic , Jesuit, & Valley Catholic High Schools will hold their placement Exams on Dec. 2 at 4:30pm or Sat., Dec. 3rd at 9 am. Visit the school's individual website for more information.

Annual Pancake Breakfast at the Franciscan Montessori School, 14750 SE Clinton, Dec. 4, 8am to 12 pm. Benefits the School Scholarship.

Pacific Luther Univ.'s "The Magnificat" concert to be held at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall, Wed., Nov.30 at 7:30pm. For ticket info visit www.plu.edu/christmas or call 1-253.535.7787

Come and See Retreat Sat., Dec.3, 2011 - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Prayer, Discernment and Discussion. Single Catholic women 18-40 interested in spending time with Sisters to learn more about their life of prayer, service and community. Come and see us and the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon in Beaverton. For more details call Sr. Michael Francine at 503-644-9181 or email smichaelfrancined@ssmo.org.

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