

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO PORTLAND



Calendar

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today **Masses 8:30 and 11 a.m.** (Is 56:1,6-7 Ps 67 Rom 11:13-15,29-32 Mt 15:21-28)

Sunday Hospitality Liturgy Ministry
 St. Vincent dePaul potluck * 2 pm
 St. Vincent dePaul collection
 parish campout ends

Mon: **Communion Ser 8 a.m.** (Ez 24:15-24 Ps Dt 32: Mt 19:16-22)

Altar Society crafts 10 am gym
 House mtg. – 7-8:30 p.m. Hankin's home *

Tue **Mass. 8 a.m.** (Ez 28:1-10 Ps Dt 32: Mt 19:23-30)

Holy Hour 8:30 am
 RCIA team mtg.* 6 pm
 House mtg. 10:30 am-noon PC

Wed. **Mass 8 a.m.** (Ez 34:1-11 Ps 23 Mt 20:1-16)

AA mtg. – Rm 15b 7:30 p.m.
 Staff mtg. – 9:00 a.m.
 House mtg. – 7-8:30 pm * Wilkinson's home*

Thurs. **Communion Service 8 a.m.** (Ez.;36: 23-28 Ps 51 Mt 22:1-14)

Share the Word– 8:45 am PC
 Communion to the Sick 9:45 a.m. PC
 Administrative Council mtg. 7 pm PC.

Fri **Communion Service 8 a.m.** (Ez 37:1-14 Ps 107 Mt 22:34-40)

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

Sat. **No morning mass** (Ex 43:1-7ab Ps 85 Mt 23:1-12)

St. Vincent dePaul St. Charles Pantry open 11-1pm
Reconciliation 4-4:30 p.m.
Vigil Mass 5 p.m.

Next Sunday: **21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Masses at 8:30 and 11 am (Is 22:19-23 Ps 138 Rom 11:33-36 Mt 16:13-20)

Sunday Hospitality: Bereavement Ministry

* indicates outside of church

PRAYERS OF SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Sick: Bernadette Gruhler, Jill Barrowcliff, Betty Welch, Jennifer Norman, Ilene Chambers, Bill and Linda Pashley, Bobby Berstler, Robert Jones, Margaret Retz, Scott Brown, Joan Bruneau, Austen Schultz, and Harold Klein

Death: Bergi Salstrom, mother of Toni Schimming

Please pray for these parishioners.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

Aug 19- Hal Smith, deceased
 Aug 20- Hal Smith, deceased
 Aug 21- Communion Service
 Aug 22- Communion Service
 Aug 23- Hal Smith, deceased
 Aug 24- Peace and Justice (8:30 a.m.)
 Aug 24- St. Charles parishioners(11 am)

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL: During the past week the St. Charles Conference of the St. VdePaul made 5 food calls, 2 utility calls, paid part of a rent and helped 9 families in our Saturday Pantry with food, clothing and house wares for a total of 70 people helped. In our pantry we need Chili, cooking oil, flour, laundry & dish soap and personal hygiene products. Back to school is just around the corner. Please help us help the children in our community by donating school supplies. Know that as you give your gift to help the poor, you bring God's love to them. Thank you for your support!
 Interested in volunteering? Please call Toni Schimming 503 287-1721 or email her at Tonischimming@msn.com

DEAR PARISH FAMIY OF ST CHARLES: I want to thank those of you who have been praying for St. Charles and me and for your best wishes and your expressions of kindness. I chose to leave St Charles Parish and to retire. I have realized that my presence here has not been a "good fit". It was becoming increasingly more difficult for me to minister effectively. Of course, this was a difficult decision and one I did not make alone. This move seems best for the parish and for me and the Archdiocese agreed to it. St. Charles Parish prides itself on being the "people's parish" and I know you will continue to work together with your staff and the priests who will be with you in bringing about the kingdom of God.

I will be helping in area parishes, and for the time being, I will be the priest chaplain at Laurelhurst Village during the week. I hope to stay in my apartment, at least for now, and I am looking forward to this new chapter in my life.

Let us pray for one another during these challenging times of change and opportunity. I hope that many will participate in the upcoming House Meetings and take a real interest in the future of your parish and be part of your beginnings. I will not be attending those gatherings. Thank you again for your love and prayers and peace to you.

FATHER JOHN

SAVE OUR PLANET: Be more environmentally friendly: Did you know that the junk mail delivered in the US in 2005 was enough to fill 450,000 garbage trucks? By some estimates, the catalogs and direct mail we receive over the course of one year uses enough paper to deforest the Rocky Mountain National Forest every 4 months. We receive an average of 475 pieces of unwanted mail per year and 44% of it is thrown away unopened. Fight back! Join Metro's "Say No to Junk mail" campaign.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)- Do you know of someone who is interested in exploring the Catholic faith and perhaps becoming a Catholic? You can encourage them and invite them to join the RCIA(Rite of Christian Initiation) process that begins in our parish in the fall. Anyone interested in RCIA may contact Sr. Phyllis at 503 281 6461 or Carlene Suminski 503 284 3060

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION for Fr. John will be August 30-31. We will celebrate after each mass. Please plan to stay and wish him well on the next chapter of his life. There will be a basket for your cards and blessings.

AUGUST 17, 2008

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She stood at the crossroads, pleading for her troubled daughter, begging like a dog for mercy. She didn't seem to understand that Jesus' mission was to the household of God's people. Why should he waste his time with the likes of her — a Canaanite, a foreigner, and a woman? She was not welcome at the table of the "righteous" people. Though they wouldn't break bread with her, the woman humbly accepted crumbs. Jesus was amazed at her persistent faith, and her daughter was healed.

Paul didn't throw crumbs to the Gentiles. God had called him to give the entire message to all who were outcast because of their ethnicity and culture. When Paul's message was rejected by his own people, he turned to those who were hungry for God's word.

The prophet Isaiah broke down walls of prejudice, opened wide the doors of the sanctuary, and welcomed those excluded as aliens. All who came to worship in God's temple were acceptable; God's house was a house of prayer for all people. "May all the nations praise you!" we sing.

Does my parish welcome everyone regardless of race, gender, or nationality? What would make my community a house of prayer for everyone?

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

Today's reading is from the Gospel of Matthew in which we hear about an encounter that Jesus had with a Canaanite woman. Because Canaanites had different religious beliefs, Jews thought of them as outcasts and pagans and usually didn't have anything to do with them. This woman must have made a pest of herself, because the disciples ask Jesus to tell her to leave and stop pestering them — but she doesn't go away. In her conversation with Jesus, she is very clever when she responds to Jesus' use of the metaphor of throwing children's food to the dogs. Jews of that time did not treat dogs as well as we do in our country today. The woman's quick witted reply shows us that dogs might have been found around a home, where they would have been able to snap up the scraps from under the table. The Canaanite woman is telling Jesus that even outcasts and pagans should be able to hear and respond to God's word! Jesus rewards her for her great faith in him and in his power to heal — and he grants her request and heals her daughter.

How persistent are you in prayer? What can you learn from the story of the Canaanite woman?

THANK YOU: We wish to thank everyone for your thoughtful and generous gifts to the St. Vincent dePaul Society in memory of my mother Bergi.

Toni Schimming and family

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

	each week	YTD
Sac. Giv. needed	5,700.00	34,200.00
Sac Giv.(8/10)	5,849.00	30,079.00
(after 6 weeks) +	149.00	- 4121.00

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 \$3,374.00 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 OR OTHER AREAS OF CONFLICT:

Phillip Ballard, and Adam Winslow.

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

HOUSE MEETINGS: This is the last weekend to sign up for house meetings. Space is still available Tuesday morning in the parish center, Monday and Wednesday evenings of this week in the homes of fellow parishioners. The purpose of these meetings is to begin the discussion of our time without a resident priest and to give you all the information we have at this point. Sr. Phyllis and Joan Winchester will be present at all the meetings. Sign up at the table at the entrance of the church, or call the parish office.

ST. CHARLES ANNUAL PARISH BBQ: September 7, 2008.

If you haven't done so yet mark your calendars now for this fun time.

The parish will furnish the hamburgers and hotdogs and trimmings. We ask that you bring a salad or dessert for 10 people, to share with fellow parishioners.

PARISH NURSE MINISTRY "St. Charlie's Angels" will be a team participating in the Race for the Cure on Sunday, **Sept. 21st**. Those signed up need to complete the registration form and make a check for \$30 out to St. Charles and turn these into the Parish Office. **The deadline for our registration as a team is Sunday August 24.** Registration forms are at the entrance of the church from the parking lot. If questions call Alice McCarthy 503 282 8828.

BAPTISM: Sessions for parents wishing to prepare for the baptism of their child will begin Tuesday evening, Sept 9, at 7 p.m in the Parish Center. Preparation consists of 4 evening sessions and culminates with baptism on Oct. 5 during the 11 a.m. mass. Fr. Jack Mosbrucker will be the presider for this liturgy. To register or for additional information, please call Joan Winchester 503 281 6461 or email her at joanw@stcharlespdx.org.

IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY:

OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Volunteers needed to give tours of various exhibits in the museum. Volunteers needed in the Research Library, Museum Shop and Visitor Services also. If interested please contact Mary Miller 503 306 5226 or email volunteer@jobs.org.

NW FAMILY SERVICES: immediate open for a Latino Youth worker (Spanish/English language required). If interested fax 503 215 6940 or email service@youthsolutions.info.

FRANCISCAN SPIRITUAL CENTER: 6902 SE Lake Rd. Ste. 300 Milwaukie, Or. Presents Eucharist According to Acts. 7 week series 10-11:30 a.m. beginning Aug. 22. Cost \$60. To register 503 794-8542. Information www.francisspctr.com