

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO PORTLAND



Calendar

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Today **Masses 8:30 and 11 a.m.** (Is 40:1-5,9-11 Ps 85 2 Pt 3:8-14 Mk 1:1-8)

NO FF

RCIA 9:45 a.m. PC

Liturgy of the Word Children— 11 a.m.

Hospitality Baptism Ministry

Youth using the kitchen

Mon: **Masses 8 a.m. and 7 p.m..**

(Gn 3:9-15,20 Ps 98 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 Lk 1:26-38)

Immaculate Conception

Altar Society crafts 10 am gym

CYO—gym 3:30-6:30 only

Tue **Mass 8 a.m.** (Is 40:1-11 Ps 96 Mt 18:12-14)

Holy Hour 8:30 am

42nd Ave. mtg. 8:30 a.m. *

Catholic Caucus* 1:15 p.m.

CYO—gym 3:30-6:30 only

Communal Reconciliation and Healing Service 7 p.m.

Bereavement mtg.* 7 pm

Wed **Mass 8 am** (Is 40:25-31 Ps 103 Mt 11:28-30)

Advent Staff Retreat

Office closed

Altar Society Potluck— noon

RCIA team mtg.* 7:30 pm

AA mtg— Rm 15b 7:30 p.m.

St. Vincent dePaul mtg. 6:30 pm Rm 2

CYO gym 3:30-8:30 p.m.

Thurs. **Mass 8 am.** (Is 41:13-20 Ps 145 Mt 11:11-15)

Share the Word 8:45 a.m. PC

Communion to the Sick and anointing-9:45 a.m. PC

Girl Scouts— 4-5 pm rm 2

Catholic Caucus core team mtg.* 6:30 pm

CYO 3:30-8:30 pm gym

Fri **NO morning Mass** (Zec 2:14-17 Ps Jdt 13 Lk 1:26-38)

Mass at 7 p.m.

Our Lady of Guadalupe

DePaul gym 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Depaul gym noon-4:30 pm

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

Sat. **No morning mass** (Sir 48:1-4,9-11Ps 80 Mt 17:9a, 10-13)

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

Reconciliation 4-4:30 p.m.

Vigil Mass 5 p.m.

Knights of Columbus sponsored dinner and play gym/church 6pm

Next Sunday: **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Masses 8:30 and 11 am

(Is 61:1-2a,10-11 Ps Lk1 1Thes 5:16-24 Jn 1:6-8,19-28)

Celebration of our Lady of Guadalupe 11 am mass

FF classes 9:45 am

Liturgy of the Word for Children

RCIA 9:45 a.m. PC

Greening of church 12:15 pm

Hospitality : Dave Smith, Bossom, and Westhead families

Collection for Retirement for Religious

Christmas Party (Middle School & Hi School Youth) 12:15 PC/Rm 15b

Dung University 2 pm rm 15b

* indicates outside of parish



ST. VINCENT DEPAUL: During the past week the St. Charles St. Vincent dePaul helped 10 families by providing Thanksgiving dinners and another 25 families with food & house wares for a total of 80 adults & children helped.

By your support we are able to serve our neighbors. Many thanks to the community of St. Charles for the special collection taken up over the holiday. We realized \$1365.00 and 150 lbs of food. We are so blessed.

Now it is on to Christmas if you can help with this project please contact Toni 503 287 1721. See bulletin elsewhere for items to bring for our St. Vincent dePaul for the weeks of Advent.

Thank you for your continued support.
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I, Elwin Charles Schwab spent some of my growing up years in this parish: from 1943 until I was ordained in 1960. I've had family here until last May.

My first mass was here in May of 1960. My mother, Marian Schwab, buried from here in 1970; my father Al Schwab, in 1971, and my brother Nicholas in 1986.

I am really pleased and feel blessed to be here with you for these few months. Fr. El

ADVENT OUTREACH: for this year focuses on the needs of our St. Vincent dePaul. Your contributions will be brought up during the offertory at all the masses during this holy season: Week 3 (Dec 13-14) baby items— especially diapers— all sizes. Week 4 (Dec 20-21) toiletries— soap, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes, personal hygiene items, etc.

We are also collecting clean, gently used or new blankets and coats and NEW socks for the Soup Under the Bridge ministry, serving the homeless in the downtown Portland area. These items may be dropped off in the box outside the parish office.

PRAYERS OF SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Sick: Bernadette Gruhler, Jill Barrowcliff, Joan Bruneau, Austen Schultz, Robert Jones, Teri Liberator, Alice McCarthy, Marie Tillman, Shirley McClendon, Albert Oddy, Toni Baker, Mike Barrows, Bette Eivers mother of Marilee Hankins and Anthony "Babe" Galuzzo father of Angie McKinney.

Deceased: Iralda Blom sister of Eula Vidan

Please pray for these parishioners.

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS: Next Wednesday Dec. 10 at noon, we will have our Christmas Potluck with Eula Vidan and Mary Pendergast as our hostesses. A short business meeting will be held following the potluck. Don't forget our Adopt a Family project for Christmas. Also remember our raffle tickets are now on sale after all masses. \$2 per ticket or 3 for \$5.00. Drawing will take place Dec. 21 after the 11 am mass.



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Waiting for good news or bad news can fill us with joy or dread. One day may seem like a thousand years. When we forget God's faithfulness, we need to be assured that God's promises will be fulfilled, perhaps not by our watches and calendars but with guaranteed fidelity. We need to comfort others when they fail to remember: "Here is your God! See, the Lord comes with might to save us!"

John announces the good news: "Make straight the way of the Lord!" John is God's mighty voice, yet Jesus' words are more powerful. John stresses judgment, whereas Jesus speaks of salvation: "Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss." The mountains in our lives will be overcome; the wastelands will flourish in the grace of the Holy Spirit. God is a loving shepherd who shows generous patience toward us when we wander. We need to patiently wait in hope as we pray: "Lord, let us see your kindness and grant us your salvation!"

Am I making every effort to be found without "stain or defilement" as I await Christ's coming? Do I work for justice and peace in my community?

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!

On the Second Sunday of Advent, we hear a passage from the beginning of Mark's Gospel. These verses remind us of Isaiah's prophecy, which tells about the coming of the Messiah and is found in the Hebrew Testament. This text provides a rich and very colorful description of John the Baptist and his ministry, telling us how he baptized people in the Jordan River and told them about the "Mighty One" who was yet to come! It is a reminder to us of our commitment to our own baptism, that wonderful sacrament through which we were welcomed into our faith community.

Advent is a great time to recommit ourselves and our families to practicing our faith. Take time to learn what St. Nicholas did to earn the place of honor in this season of preparation.

How can we prepare our home (and heart!) so that each of us can be ready for the presence of Jesus in our life?

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

	each week	YTD
Sac. Giv. needed	5,700.00	125,000.00
Sac Giv. (11/30)	5,361.00	93,657.00
(after 22 weeks) -	339.00.	- 31,743.00

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, Joe DuFresne, AJ Asche, and Lindsey Jaszowski

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: sponsoring Leonardo De-Filippis Play and Dinner at St. Charles **Dec. 13th**—dinner at 6, performance at 7:30 pm "The Gospel of John". Dessert & coffee following. Donation \$35 adults; \$15 under age 16; (age 10 and under free) Information contact Steve Purves 503 639 4840. This is to benefit Precious Children of Portland.

FOR YOUR ADVENT PRAYER "FIVE MINUTES WITH THE WORD". Feel free to take one if you wish. These booklets are at the entrance of the church.

LADIES NIGHT OUT: December will be a BREAKFAST instead of dinner. We will meet at Rose's Restaurant located at 1200 NE Broadway (near Lloyd Ctr) on Sat. Dec. 20 at 9 am. Please RSVP to Mary Lynn Pierce by Dec. 18th. We hope you can join us! If anyone needs a ride let MaryLynn know.

RESOURCE BOARD

The large rolling bulletin board that is often in the main entrance of the church is for parishioners to post services, goods, community services that offer assistance and to offer volunteer services to fellow parishioners. Please feel free to leave your posting in the office or put it in the attached envelope and it will be added to the board. The board will rotate through the gym often during hospitality. During these tough economic times, let us support one another.