

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO PORTLAND



Calendar

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Today: **MASSES 8:30 AND 11 A.M.**

CARNIVAL SUNDAY

Faith Formation classes 9:45 am
 Faithful Generations registration
 No Liturgy of the Word for Children
 Nursery open
 Rite of Election
 Adult Ed 9:45 am
 Blood Pressure Clinic after masses— parish office
 Blessing of Couples
 NO Sunday Hospitality
 Reception for Marie Noonan 100th birthday noon-2 pm
 Confirmation mtg. 12:15 p.m. PC

Mon: **Communion Service**

Altar Society Crafts 10 am gym
 Quest for Youth 7-8:30 pm Rm 15b

Tue **Mass at 8 a.m.**

Holy Hour— 8:30 a.m.
 42nd Ave. mtg. * 8:30 a.m.
 PC in use 1:30—3 pm
 Bereavement mtg.* 7 pm
 FF Commission mtg.*
 MACG Catholic Caucus* 1:15 p.m.

Wed. **Mass 8 a.m.**

Altar Society mtg. 1 p.m. PC
 Evening Prayer— 7 p.m.
 AA mtg.— Rm 15b 6:30 pm
 SCC (Rennie) 11-12:30 a.m. Rm 3
 SCC (Johnson) 7:45 p.m. Rm 2
 In the Word (SCC) 7:45 p.m. PC
 St. Vincent dePaul mtg.— 7 pm PC

Thurs. **Mass 8 a.m.**

Share the Word— 8:45 am PC
 Communion to the Sick 9:45 a.m. PC
 PC in use 1:30—3 p.m.
 HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

Fri **Mass 8 a.m.**

Stations of the Cross—noon church
 AA mtg. Rm 15b 6:30 p.m.

Sat. **NO morning mass**

Reconciliation 4-4:30 p.m.
Vigil Mass 5 p.m.

SCC (Marsha White) 3:15-4:45 Rm 15b

Next Sunday

Second Sunday of Lent

Masses 8:30 and 11 a.m.

Hospitality School parents
 Registration for Faithful Generations

* indicates outside of church

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Mon Lv 19:1-2,11-18 Ps 19 Mt 25:31-46
 Tue Is 55:10-11 Ps34 Mt 6:7-15
 Wed Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51 Lk 11:29-32
 Thur Est C 12,14-16, 23-25 Ps 138 Mt 7:7-12
 Fri: Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130 Mt 5:20-26
 Sat: Dt 26: 16-19 Ps 119 Mt 5:43-48
 NEXT SUNDAY 2nd Sunday of Lent
 Gn 12:1-4a Ps 33 2 Tm 1:8b-10 Mt 17:1-9

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL: During the week of Jan 28– Feb 1 the St. Charles St Vincent dePaul made 24 food calls and 3 utility calls for a total of 108 people helped.

In our food room we need sugar, cooking oil and eggs. If you need items picked up please call Polly 503 284-7940. Socks for all ages are always needed for the clothing room.. Thank you for your support of this ministry.

With Polly Rennie stepping aside in the near future, this Wednesday's Feb. 13 meeting is an organizational meeting, open to anyone who is interested in volunteering for this ministry.

Dear Parish Family: Lent is here! The big question is always—what am I going to do for Lent? Perhaps the rock received this weekend can be a start. How can I let God change my hard, stony heart to a more loving heart? How can I trust God more, and let Jesus really be my rock?

Could I suggest that we fast this Lent from various types of clutter in our lives? Let's fast from negative thoughts, harsh judgments, and negative talk to ourselves. Let's fast from some of the business, the rush and stress, the overloading of our lives with things to do so that we have more time for God and people. And how about all the stuff that is clutter in our lives, which adds to the heaviness, and burden of our day to day? Lent can be a time to clean house, throw away the junk and give away the extra stuff to someone who can use it. More order will refresh us and free us!


I wish you a holy Lent and let us pray for one another on this journey that we are making together to the Easter renewal of our Baptismal Promises as we join our new Catholics in their Easter commitment.

Peace to you

Fr. JOHN

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS: The Altar Society meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 1 p.m. Come take part in the planning for upcoming activities. We have a treasure and bake sale and a special afternoon Lenten reflection coming up in March!

We also must continue the conversation about Altar Society's future.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY: Love is both a noun and a verb. Long term relationships cannot survive without action, effort and time together. We pray for all couples for love to shine forth in their lives, and for love, forgiveness, and random acts of kindness to be part of all our lives. 

THANKS: to everyone who helped make the Mardi Gras party "happen" and to those who participated. We celebrated an awesome party! See photos on our website. Our profit for parish is \$4,050.00.

PRAYERS OF SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Sick: Bernadette Gruhler, Jill Barrowcliff, Betty Welch, Austin Schulz, Ron Mowlds, Larry Strand, Ada Newsom, Jennifer Norman, Mike Kelly, Victoria Thomas, Dorie Cole, Debbie Kern, Bernie Fritz, Elizabeth McCarthy and Joan Bruneau.

Please pray for these parishioners.

BLESSED ARE YOU, O LORD, OUR ROCK!

FEBRUARY 10, 2008
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The story of Adam and Eve is the eternal question of good and evil. Adam and Eve personify each person who strives to have all the power and possessions. When we collaborate with evil, evil ends up destroying us.

Though sin abounds, Jesus offers life, forgiveness, and redemption. Where Adam fails, Jesus, the "new Adam," is the obedient son of God. At his baptism, Jesus was totally submissive to God's will. He overcame evil by having faith and trust in God's care despite the obstacles in his path. During Lent, each of us has the opportunity to be like Jesus. When the Elect come forward to declare their desire to be baptized in Christ, we make our own commitment to renounce the works of evil and strive to do God's will. God confirms our intention: "You are my beloved son; you are my beloved daughter."

Am I aware of the Spirit's guidance through the desert places in my life? How has the Spirit helped me to overcome temptations on my Lenten Journey?

Our schedule of Lenten opportunities and our Holy Week schedule are on our website: www.stcharlespdx.org, and there are extra schedules in the back of the church.

ARCHBISHOP'S CATHOLIC APPEAL 2008: "Strike the Rock and the Water will Flow" The appeal provides funds to support essential parish based ministries that would find it difficult, if not impossible, to operate solely on parish funds. The funds you've contributed have been used for their intended purpose. Even in bankruptcy, the Archdiocese must honor the intent of each contributor. Part of the funds are also used to assist retired archdiocesan priests.

- Jesus reminds us that as His followers, we are blessed by God's faithfulness and everlasting love.
- At some point in our lives we have felt the foundations of our faith challenged. In some way, we have all been impoverished or hungry; we have all been insulted or rejected.
- The very act of doing for others—the very act of giving—is an outpouring of life to one another.

Please pray for the Lord's guidance as you consider the above reflections, and please give generously according to the blessings God has given you.

ASSISTING OUR PARISH NURSES: Katie Thornton is visiting us from University of Portland where she is a graduate nursing student. She is currently working on her community health clinical in Parish Nursing with Alice McCarthy and Barbara Fritz. She is originally from Massachusetts. She graduated with a BS in Pre-Med from Hawaii Pacific University. She has spent time volunteering in Cambodia as Project Manager of a non governmental organization and plans to return to the field of international aid once she receives her doctorate of Nursing in 2013. Welcome Katie among us.

Blood Pressures will be taken in the parish office after today's masses. The parish nurses were excited how well the walking program/pedometers were received. Remember to place week one walking steps in the boxes provided.

HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY, MARIE NOONAN! We wish you good health and many blessings. Thank you for being part of our parish family and the presence of the Lord you are to us. We honor Marie at a special reception provided by the Altar Society from noon until 2 p.m. this Sunday (today). All are welcome!

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

	each week	YTD
Sac. Giv. needed	5,712.00	182,784.00
Sac Giv.(2/3)	6,619.00	174,416.00
	+ 907.00	- 8,368.00

(after 32 weeks)

We need an average of \$5712 each weekend to meet the 2007-08 budgeted offertory income. We need an average of \$8381 each weekend to meet the 2007-08 total budgeted income. The additional \$2699 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:

Jason Ostrow, Kyle Vidan, Travis McGrann, Phillip Ballard and Jacob DeHaan

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

- Feb. 12- Helen Soder, deceased
- Feb 13- Irene Keller, deceased
- Feb 14- Dorothy Merz, deceased
- Feb 15- The deceased members of the Margaret Cook family
- Feb 16- Our faithful departed
- Feb 17- David Stewart, deceased
- Feb 17- Paul & Inez Than, deceased (11 am)

ASSISI PLEDGE FOR PEACE

During Advent and Christmas, many of us committed ourselves to the Assisi Pledge for Peace. For the next couple of months we will print in this bulletin some concrete ways we can live out this pledge.

- 2) We commit ourselves to educating people to mutual respect and esteem, in order to help bring about a peaceful coexistence between people of different ethnic groups, cultures, and religions.

February is Black History Month. There are many celebrations such as last weekend's Vietnamese New Year Celebration. Take the time to read about these and what they signify.

This week introduce yourself to someone from a different ethnic origin or culture. This can be here at St. Charles, your workplace, or your neighborhood. Let this be the beginning of really getting to know them.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Feb 26- Communal Reconciliation
- Mar. 2- Faithful Generations
- Mar 16- PALM SUNDAY(Pancake Breakfast) **one mass only 10 am**



- Mar 18- Seder meal- 6:15 pm
- Mar 20- Holy Thursday
- Mar 21- Good Friday
- Mar 22- Holy Saturday Easter Vigil 8:30 pm (reception after)
- Mar 23- EASTER SUNDAY masses 8:30 and 11 am.



IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY:

ST. THERESE: Parish Mission, Feb. 24-27 at 7:30 p.m. in the Church (6:40 Rosary and Confession) "Called to Discipleship with Jesus and Mary"

METROPOLITAN CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP: Lenten retreat for young adults (ages 18-40) at the Christian Renewal Ctr. In Silver Falls. Feb 29-Mar 2. RSVP anthonyg@mcfpdx.org by Feb. 15. Cost \$85. Information mcfpx.org.

FRANCISCAN SPIRITUAL CENTER: Milwaukie, Or. Taize Prayer: A Journey into the Heart of God Feb. 11 7-8 p.m. (cost donation) Prayerful Piecing: (learn how to create a prayerful, sacred space) Feb 11,25 and Mar. 3 6:30-8:30 pm Cost \$75.

T'ai Chi Chih Practice: Feb 12, 26, & Mar.3 7-8:30 p.m. \$10 per session.

Ignatian Spirituality Feb 19-26 6:30-9 p.m. Cost \$60.

To register for any or all of the above -call 503 794 8542.