

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO PORTLAND



Calendar

Ascension

(Acts 1:1-11Ps 47 Eph 1:17-23 Mk 16:15-20)

Masses 8:30 and 11 a.m.

Baptism 11 a.m.

No C/R

Catholic Home Mission collection

Multi Cultural mtg. 12:15 p.m. PC

Mon: **Memorial Day observed** (Acts 19:1-8 Ps 68 Jn16:29:33)

No communion service or mass

NO Altar Soc.Crafts10 a.m. gym

OFFICE CLOSED

Tue **Mass 8 a.m.** (Acts 20:17-27 Ps 68 Jn17:1-11a)

Holy Hour 8:30 a.m.

MACG Health Care Team mtg. 7-9 PC

Gym in use 7-9 p.m.

Wed **Mass 8 a.m.** (Acts 20:28-38 Ps 68 Jn 17:11b-19)

Catechist mtg. 7 p.m. PC

Gym in use 7-9 p.m.

AA mtg— Rm 15b 7:30 p.m.

Thurs **Mass 8 am** (Acts 22:30;23:6-11 Ps 16 Jn 17:20-26)

Share the Word 8:45 a.m. Rm 2

Communion to the Sick 9:45 a.m. Rm 2

Fri **Mass 8 am.** (Acts 25:13b-21 Ps 103 Jn 21:15-19)

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

Sat. **No morning mass** (Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Ps 11 Jn 21:20-25)

PC in use 12-4 p.m.

St. Vincent dePaul St. Charles Pantry open11-1pm

Reconciliation 4-4:30 p.m.

Vigil Mass 5 p.m.

End OF pedometer program

Next Sunday Pentecost (Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104 1 Cor 12:3b-7,12-13 Jn20:19-23)

One Mass only at 10 a.m.

Multi Cultural Celebration and parish pot luck

NO c/r

End of pedometer program

* indicates outside of parish

PRAYERS OF SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Sick: Jill Barrowcliff, Joan Bruneau, Marie Tillman, Harold Klein, Bill Schmich, Harriet and Larry Strand, Roscoe Logan, Toni Baker, Pat Turner, Shirley McClendon, Scott and Bev Brown, John Nielsen, Hoi Tran, Lee Gallet and Debra Hanson.

Please pray for these parishioners.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS: There will be a Memorial Day Mass on May 25th at 10 a.m. at both Mt. Calvary and Gethsemani Cemeteries. Everyone is invited to attend. Archbishop Vlazny will be presiding at Mt. Calvary and Vicar General Dennis Donovan will be presiding at Gethsemani.

PLEASE NOTE: PENTECOST SUNDAY MAY 31, THERE WILL BE ONE MASS ONLY ON SUNDAY AT 10 A.M. FOLLOWED BY A PARISH POTLUCK AND MULTI CULTURAL CELEBRATION.

HELP! We need a group of parishioners, who like to work in the yard, who would be willing to get our parish grounds cleaned up and then get a schedule going where weeding and cleaning could be done every month or 6 weeks. Please contact the parish office if you would be willing to do this. Thank you.

ST. CHARLES ST. VINCENT dePAUL: During the past week the St. Charles St. Vincent dePaul helped 16 families with food and clothing for a total of 52 adults & children helped.

In our food room we need laundry soap and paper products (toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, etc.) cooking oil and boxed cereals.

It takes many hands and hearts to work for the least of our brothers and sisters.

Thank you for your continued support.

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS: The Salad Luncheon and Fashion Show is now a thing of the past. We had a full house and everyone seemed to enjoy the great salads, homemade rolls, and the neat fashions from Christopher and Banks at Lloyd Center. Plus the Salad Cookbooks that everyone has been asking for were available too. The drawings for the quilt and the handmade table were also held at the luncheon and won by : The quilt by MaryAnn Hannibal and the table by Mary Bittler. Thanks to all who helped make this a success and to all who supported this luncheon. See you next year.

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A friendly reminder that dues are due every January. Still only \$5 a year. Check with Joan Calabrese, Treasurer, to see if you have paid for the current year.

NW CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONVOCATION: "Dawning of a new story, Radical Hope". Twelve women from St. Charles traveled to Seattle for this convocation of 2,000 Catholic women and a few good men! For the next several weeks some of these women will share an impression they experienced at this inspiring gathering.

2)DAWNING OF A NEW STORY—RADICAL HOPE—I wondered where will this take me for the next couple of days and then it began —with everyone gathering in the main hall wow! How inspiring to be in a room with 2000 women of faith! It really does give a person "Radical Hope" for our future. I was struck by the feeling of a shared spirit and a shared belief that we can do better than we are doing right now and it is time for that "Dawning Of A New Story". As I listened to speakers such as Cokie Roberts and Edwina Gately I became incensed that our church could try to silence these women for having visions of doing a better job of living the gospels of Jesus. I listened to a young woman who a few years ago was not sure she believed in God and after attending Gonzaga University—realized that she could live her faith by her desire for social justice and that her faith was a faith of doing and not a faith of don't do this and don't do that or that as a woman she was not allowed to do certain things or to say certain things. She found her power as a woman was indeed very strong and that she can make a huge difference—she can be a part of the "dawning of a new story". It was 2 days of hearing these women tell their stories and in the telling of the stories change can begin. I think that almost everyone who was at the convocation left with a renewed spirit of hope—no, not just hope but "radical Hope " for our future as church. We can give birth to a new story but we have to begin to tell the stories first.

Sandy Bossom

MAY 24, 2009

THE ASCENSION

ASCENSION :

At times we do not see Jesus clearly in our everyday lives. When we only look for the glory of heaven we will miss the reality of his presence on earth. We can find him in word and in sacrament. He is visible in all who continue his work, loving and serving as he did. We pray that God will open our eyes. We pray that the Spirit will enlighten the darkness of our innermost being and give us the insight to know the great home to which we are called, the wealth of our heritage.

Jesus commands us to go into the whole world and proclaim the good news. When we do this, the demonic greed for possessions and addictions to wealth and power are expelled. Then we can handle the serpents of oppression, refuse to drink the poison of intolerance, and speak one common language of love. Jesus is not beyond our sight. The immeasurable scope of God's power has been revealed on the cross. The dying and rising of Christ is greater than any earthly or cosmic power.

Am I passively waiting for God to restore the world? Or am I actively participating in its renewal?

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!

Jesus said to his disciples: "Go into the whole world and tell everyone what I have taught you. (Proclaim the gospel) All who believe and are baptized will be saved. Those who will not believe will be condemned. After Jesus talked to the disciples he was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. The disciples went out and preached everywhere and the Holy Spirit worked with them and made them strong.

**How can you spread the gospel?
Will you spread the gospel?**

GROUNDS FOR JUSTICE-FAIR TRADE COFFEE: For many of us, the first sip of coffee in the morning is an instant relief, helping us make it through those first hours of the day. But for millions of small-scale coffee farmers in rural communities around the world, coffee provides little relief. Isolated from markets, subject to unstable prices, and wracked by debt, they struggle simply to live. In recent years, overproduction of low grade coffee has caused a crisis in the world market, resulting in widespread unemployment, abandonment of farms and hunger.

OPT TO ACT: Next Sunday as we celebrate Pentecost and solidarity, we will be serving and selling fair trade coffee. The cost will be around \$10 per pound. Thank you for supporting this effort to promote fair working conditions.

RICE BOWL: For your information and a thank you from Catholic Charities for our generosity with Rice Bowl collections. We took in \$1,132.86. Thank you very much for your support.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

	each week	YTD
Sac. Giv. needed	5,700.00	262,200.00
Sac Giv. (5/17/2009)	2,900.00	194,956.00
(after 46 weeks)	- 2,800.00	- 67,244.00

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:

AJ Asche, Lindsay Jaszowski and Adam and Michelle Sterling

For a daily prayer for peace in Iraq:

Thank you to all who have been praying for the servicemen and women who are serving in all areas of conflict. I especially want to thank you for prayers for Col Dan Kern who has come home safely.

Pat Kern.

ECONOMIC JUSTICE FOR ALL: A Catholic Framework for Economic Life (A statement of the US Bishops) As followers of Jesus Christ and participants in a powerful economy, Catholics in the US are called to work for greater economic justice in the face of persistent poverty and growing income gaps in the US and around the world. We urge Catholics to use the following ethical framework for economic life as principles for reflection, criteria for judgment and direction for action. These principles are drawn directly from Catholic teaching on economic life. In the following weeks we will publish principles established by the US Bishops:

4. All people have a right to life and to secure the basic necessities of life(e.g., food, clothing, shelter, education, health care, safe environment, economic security).

GLAD DAYS: (our vacation bible school) Kids, parents, catechists and helpers: Kingdom of the Son Vacation Bible School fun takes place this year on June 22 to 26th at St. Rose, from 9 am to noon. We are looking for adult and youth volunteers to assist with bible stories, games, music, crafts and more. Please contact Toni Moore 503 287 3355 or Molly O'Harrow 503 281 5783 if you can help. Registration forms are in the parish office if you haven't registered your child/ren yet. This is a fun week you and your child/ren won't want to miss.

IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY:

RETROUVAILLE: A Catholic Ministry to Troubled Marriages- The next Retrouvaille Weekend is June 12-14 at Mt. Angel Retreat House, Mt. Angel Oregon. Information call 503 285 2342. Couples of all faiths are welcome.

MONASTIC WEEK: Benedictine Sisters of Mt. Angel hosting a Monastic week July 5-11. Catholic women 18-50, who want to experience the Benedictine way of life. Call 503 845 6141.