

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO PORTLAND



Calendar

CHRIST THE KING

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

NO Liturgy of the Word Children
Nursery open
Sunday Hospitality Middle School Youth
Book Fair
Youth Led Mass at 11 a.m.
Youth Grp. mtg. 12:15 p.m. rm 15b
Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Mon: **Communion Service 8 a.m.**

NO Altar Society crafts
Shining Star—gym 9:30 am & 1:10-1:25 pm
CYO— gym 4:45 pm—8:30 pm

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

Holy Hour 8:30-9:30 a.m.
Shining Star gym 10:45-noon
CYO— gym 3:30-8:30 pm
Spaghetti Dinner mtg. PC 7 pm
Faithful Generations mtg. 7 p.m. Rm 2
gym in use 7-9 p.m.

Wed. **Mass at 8 am**

Staff meeting 9:00 am.
Shining Star— gym 1-1:30 pm
AA mtg.— Rm 15b 6:30 pm.
CYO— gym 4:45 pm-8:30 pm
Ladies Night Out— 6 pm Steamers

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

Share the Word
Communion to the Sick 9:45 a.m.
Shining Star— gym 1-1:30 pm
CYO gym 3:30-8:30 pm
MACG mtg. 6-9 pm LC/15b-c
Mardi Gras mtg. PC 7 pm

Fri **Mass at 8 a.m.**

depaul gym 9:30-10:30 am and 10:40-11:30 am
AA mtg. Rm 15b 6:30 p.m.
set up gym and decorate

Sat. **NO morning mass**

Reconciliation 4-4:30 p.m.
Vigil Mass 5 p.m.
Book Fair
World Aids Mass 7:30 pm Bishop Steiner presider— reception following
Parish Center in use 12:30-3 pm
Gym in use 6-10:30 pm

Next Sunday

First Sunday of Advent

FF classes
Liturgy of the Word for Children
Advent reflection 9:45 am Church
Sunday Hospitality: Administrative Council
Confirmation mtg.
Book Fair
Nursery open

* indicates meeting away from St. Charles

MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Mon Dn 1:1-6,8-20 Lk 21:1-4
Tue Dn 2:31-45 Lk 21 5-11
Wed Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17,23-28 Lk 21:12-19
Thur Dn 6:12-28 Lk 21:20-28
Fri: Rom 10:9-18 Mt 4:18-22
Sat Dn 7:15-27 Lk 21:34-36
NEXT SUNDAY: First Sun of Advent
Is 2:1-5 Rom 13:11-14 Mt 24:37-44

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL: During the week of Nov 12-18 the St. Charles Conference of the St. Vincent dePaul Society made 19 food calls, and 1 oil call for a total of 108 people helped.

Thanksgiving is a season to give thanks, so we at our St. Vincent dePaul are giving thanks to all who gave to our Thanksgiving boxes and to all who helped deliver to our families. Also, thanks to all who took part in the St. Rose food drive. We had 20-25 people from St. Charles helping. Now we start thinking about Christmas for our families. We will begin our toy drive for all ages of children. In the meantime we need cooking oil and all personal items, laundry soap, and paper products.

Thank you everyone.

Dear Parish Family: Thank you for the enriching and uplifting Faithful Generations of Faith last Sunday! We really appreciate all who put the experience together for us and to those who participated. The dignity of the human person is central to our faith as Catholics and it was good that we could all explore this social justice teaching together!

If you did not get last weekend's handouts and the schedule for Advent and Christmas, they are available at the office or on our website (www.stcharlespdx.org.)

Jesus our King reveals what kind of King he is—one who is full of mercy and one who uses his power to save others. Now as his followers, seeking justice is to be our passion. Otherwise there is danger that one day we will appear before the King and hear his question: Where are your wounds? Was there nothing to fight for?

May you share peace this week, and preach always, sometimes using words.

Peace to you, Fr. JOHN

WORLD AIDS DAY: St. Charles parish is hosting the WORLD AIDS DAY MASS Saturday, Dec. 1 at 7:30 pm with Bishop Steiner presiding and priests of the archdiocese concelebrating. A reception follows provided by our parish Bereavement Ministry. All are Welcome for this special mass.

ADULT CONFIRMATION: This year we are preparing any adults who want to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you have not received Confirmation, please contact Sr. Phyllis in the office 503 281 6461.

YOUTH CORNER: The High School Youth Group is meeting today November 25th at 12:15 p.m. All high school youth are invited to attend.

PRAYERS OF SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Sick: Enid Ritter, Bernadette Gruhler, Jill Barrowcliff, Betty Welch, Conchita and Lorena Campoy, Austin Schulz, Ron Mowlds, Gary Christensen, Laretta Karons, Shirley Lynch and Joseph Brandes.

Death: Peggy Chilton sister in law of Bill Chilton

Please pray for these parishioners.

NOVEMBER 25, 2007

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Jesus is God's son. Because Jesus was an obedient son, he is the "beloved" son of God. As head of the church, Jesus' primacy is above all other thrones and principalities. Yet unlike human rulers, Jesus reigns by submission and acceptance of God's will. Because of Jesus' compassion and forgiveness, the invisible God is made visible on earth.

On the cross, a sign was hung over Jesus' head: "This is the King of the Jews." But the people mocked him, saying, "You saved others; why not save yourself?" They failed to understand that Jesus did not come to save himself; he came to save others. Two condemned men were crucified with Jesus. Both were equidistant from Jesus' outstretched arms, but only one of them accepted his mercy. "This day you will be with me in paradise."

Paul knew first hand about God's mercy. When he was in darkness, God rescued him and brought him into the light. Paul was filled with gratitude for being made worthy to share God's reign. We rejoice with all the saints as we go into the house of the Lord to worship Christ our King. We know that this is just a foretaste of God's eternal reign.

Have I accepted God's love and mercy? How do I show my gratitude?

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

In today's Gospel we hear the story of Jesus on the cross. God asked Jesus to do something very hard so that we would be saved from our sins. Jesus became man and came to earth and died on the cross for our sins. Even when Jesus was suffering on the cross, he still was kind and good. Jesus forgave the thief and told him he would be with Jesus in paradise.

Can you think of a time when you had to do something that was hard, but you did it anyway, because it was the right thing to do? Share what that was. Think about some people who do things that are difficult, but do them anyway because it is a good thing to do. How can you know what it is that God wants you to do?

Make the sign of the cross and remember that Jesus died on the cross for us. Tell Jesus how much you love him. Tell Jesus thank you for saving us.

Fruit of the Holy Spirit for the month of November

GENEROSITY

I tell you, use your worldly resources to benefit others and make friends. In this way your generosity stores up a reward for you in heaven. Luke 16:9

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

	each week	YTD
Sac. Giv. needed	5,712.00	119,952.00
Sac Giv.(11/18)	6,460.00	98,813.00
Shortfall	+ 748.00	- 21,139.00

(after 21 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!

THE INCOME FROM OUR SPAGHETTI DINNER WAS \$14,367.00. WELL DONE EVERYONE!

PRAYER CORNER FOR FAMILY MEMBERS SERVING IN IRAQ OR OTHER AREAS OF CONFLICT:

Michelle Sterling, Jason Ostrow, Kyle Vidan, Travis McGrann and Phillip Ballard

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

Mass intentions for this week:

- Nov 27-Myrtle Griffith—deceased
- Nov 28-Patrick Spence— deceased
- Nov 29- Riem family— all deceased members
- Nov 30- Mann family— all deceased members
- Dec 1- Marion Farrenkopf— deceased
- Dec 2- St. Charles parishioners— 8:30 am
Agnes Johnson— deceased 11 am

ADVENT REFLECTION: On Sunday, Dec. 2 from 9:45-10:45 am there will be a reflection on the season of Advent, with prayer, talks, silent time for personal prayer and reflection and song. Come join us as we prayerfully begin our Advent Season.

INVITING ALL SENIORS: You are all invited to a Christmas Potluck Dec. 17 at noon in our gym. Games after lunch. So put this on your Christmas Schedule!

LIBRARY BOOKS: Our Book Fair continues next weekend Dec 1-2 in the gym. You can purchase books for yourselves and also for our newly updated Library. There will be a "book plate" with the donor's name on the donated books. Thank you to our parish Altar Society for their donation of \$500 towards new library books!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Dec 1- World Aids Day Mass 7:30 pm at St. Charles
- Dec 1-2 Book Fair- after all masses
- Dec 2- Advent Reflection 9:45-10:45 am
- Dec 7- Immaculate Conception masses 8 am 7 pm
- Dec.8-9 Altar Society Bake and Treasure Sale after all masses
- Dec 11- Communal Reconciliation 7 p.m.
- Dec 24- Christmas family mass- 5 pm
Christmas vigil mass-10 pm
- Dec 25- MERRY CHRISTMAS
Mass 10 am

IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY:

FRANCISCAN SPIRITUAL CENTER: Listening to the Heartbeat of the Trinity: A Celtic Advent Retreat Dec 8- 9 am—3 pm Cost \$35 includes lunch and snacks. Information 503 794-8542.

MT ANGEL ABBEY RETREAT HOUSE: Advent Retreat—Dec 7-9 "The Christian Celebrates Advent" Registration 7 pm Dec 7. Cost \$134.50 single/\$219 double. 503 845-3025 for information or to make reservations.