

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO PORTLAND



Calendar

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today: **MASSES 8:30 AND 11 AM.**

Hospitality (c/r) School parents

Nursery open

Jr. High and High School picnic 12:15 pm

Catholic School Parent/child mtg. 9:45 am PC

Mon: **Communion Service 8:00 a.m.**

Altar Society crafts 10 am gym

Shining Star Gym 1:10-1:25 pm

Nursery Meeting 6:30 p.m. PC

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

Holy Hour 8:30-9:30 am.

Depaul gym- 9:35-10:25 a.m. 12:40-1:30 pm

Shining Star gym 10:45-noon

42nd Ave. mtg.* 8:30 am

Baptism session 7:00 p.m. PC

St. Andrew Retreat 10-3 PC

gym in use- 7-9 p.m.

Ladies Nite Out -6 p.m. Amalfi's on Fremont

Wed. **Mass at 8 am**

Staff mtg. 1 pm PC

Shining Star- gym 1-1:30 pm

AA mtg.- Rm 15b 6:30 pm.

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

Share the Word 8:45 a.m.

Communion to the Sick 9:45 a.m.

Shining Star- gym 1-1:30 pm

Depaul- gym 1:35-2:25 pm

Administrative Council mtg. 7 p.m. PC

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

Depaul 9:30-10:30 am & 10:40-11:30 am

AA mtg. Rm 15b 6:30 p.m.

Sat. **NO morning mass**

Reconciliation 4-4:30 p.m.

Vigil Mass 5 p.m.

Next Sunday

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses 8:30 and 11 A.M.

Hospitality (c/r) Multi Cultural Ministry

Nursery open

Nathan Thomas fundraiser

MACG training 12:30- 2:30 pm

* indicates meeting away from St. Charles

PRAYERS OF SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Sick: Enid Ritter, Bernadette Gruhler, Peggy Chilton, Jill Barrow-cliff, Betty Welch, Irene Keller, Isabelle Baumchen, Eileen Chambers, Conchita Campoy, Steve Brown, Gary Auzier, Bert Benson, Cookie Jensen, Lorena Campoy, sister-in-law of Elena Oddy, Kathy Hyatt, mother-in-law of Jennifer Winslow and Beth Pitts

Death: Jack Fazio brother in law of Sebastiano Rebagliati
Please pray for these parishioners

LADIES NITE OUT Now that fall is coming, we are starting up the monthly Ladies Night Out dinners. Our next dinner will be held at Amalfi's on Tues. Sept. 18th at 6:00. All women of the parish are most welcome. Please RSVP to Cathy Smith (503) 288-1071 or MaryLynn Pierce (503) 284-2097. We are also very happy to assist with rides to Amalfi's.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Mon 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 7:1-10

Tue 1Tm 3:1-13 Lk 7:11-17

Wed 1Tm 3:14-16 Lk 7:31-35

Thur 1 Tm 4:12-16 Lk 7:36-50

Fri: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Mt 9:9-13

Sat 1 Tm 6:13-16 Lk 8:4-15

NEXT SUNDAY: 25h Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 8:4-7 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL: During the week of Sept 3-7 the St. Charles Conference of the St. Vincent dePaul Society made 22 food calls, and 1 utility call for a total of 65 people helped. Our meetings are held the 2nd week of each month. The next meeting is October 10, at 7:00 p.m.

Thank you all so much for your support in so many ways!

FROM THE PASTOR:

Dear Parish Family:

It was great to celebrate mass with everyone on the Campout Labor Day weekend in God's outdoor cathedral. Households prepared a banner about their family for our celebration. Yes, each family is a unique reflection of God's love in this world. We call the family the "domestic church" Thank you for the coordinators of this annual event: Kevin and Cora Wrede and their helpers Cathy Smith and Jennifer Winslow, and all who participated!

Thank you to Jeff and Debbie Trump and everyone who helped make the annual BBQ a terrific success. Thanks for all the good desserts and salads too and to everyone who "showed up". It was a fantastic gathering! How blessed I am to be part of such a special parish family. I thank you, dear God.

The coin the woman lost in today's parable was worth about a day's wage, and so it was important to her. The point? We are so important to God, so valuable, in fact we are more precious than we can imagine. If only that truth could really sink in to our hearts for every moment of our lives!

Welcome back from your summer, everyone, and

Peace to you.

Father JOHN.

At mass this weekend: Who did I meet new?
Who did I reach out to? Who did I bless with the love of Christ?

JOIN THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE AND THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND, in a "solar cooker project". These cookers are needed in the refugee camps in Chad where over 200,000 Darfur people struggle to survive. The cookers provide the refugees with an alternative way to cook by harnessing the energy of the sun and thereby cut the need for firewood (which is dangerous to gather and very sparse). For only \$30, 2 solar cookers can be provided to a family of five to seven. **You may send a check made out to St. Charles Parish marked "Cooker Project" by September 30.** Thank you for considering this need!

Fruit of the Holy Spirit for the month of September

Goodness

Surely your goodness and unflinching love will pursue me all the days of my life, and I will live in the house of the Lord forever. Psalms 23:6

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The people of Israel were once slaves in Egypt, and it took them a long time to learn how to live in freedom. Instead of worshipping the God who liberated them, they made sacrifices to idols. Moses did not deny the reality of their sin, but he interceded on the sinners' behalf. Paul did not rationalize his sins. He listed them openly: blasphemer, persecutor, arrogant unbeliever. Because he experienced God's mercy, Paul knew that the grace he received was in "overflowing measure."

Sinners loved to gather around Jesus to listen to his stories of God's mercy toward the lost. The two sons in the story were mirrors of themselves. Like the younger son, they disregarded their inheritance and squandered it. Like the elder son, they were angry when their "Father" took their wayward brother back and reinstated him. Jealousy blinds us, too, when we see ourselves as "slaves" who never get what we think we deserve. God does not give us what we really deserve but instead offers divine mercy. Though dead to sin, we are restored to life.

Am I grateful for God's mercy when I sin? To whom do I need to show God's forgiveness?

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!

In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells three parables, or stories, which show us how eager God is to find us when we stray. When we fail to treat other people the way Jesus did, God is still willing to welcome us home. As in the story of the Prodigal Son, God rushes toward us with love, compassion and forgiveness. Actually, God's love and forgiveness are almost too much to be believed. It is just about impossible for us to offer forgiveness and reconciliation on this grand of a scale—or is it? This is the challenge each of us faces.

What can we learn from these three parables? Why does God rush toward us with such loving compassion? Are you able to forgive and reconcile with those people who have hurt you? Why or why not?

News from New York: Dear Friends,
Hello from the Empire State! Thank you for the lovely farewell party in June. I was touched by your love! Thanks for your care, cards, wishes, gifts and supporting my ministry at St. Charles. I'm missing all of you. It's been a month now that I have been here. I'm an associate at Holy Spirit Parish in Brooklyn. This parish has masses in English, Spanish and Korean. I do the English and Spanish masses. This neighborhood used to be very Catholic and Italian. The demographic has drastically changed in the last few years. It appears we are in the middle of Jerusalem with Hasidic Jews with their ear locks, long coats and beards living in our parish area. I began my classes last week and they are going well. I have not connected with too many people out here. I know it will take time. Hope to keep in touch with you. If you come to New York, feel free to get in touch with me. Below is my contact information. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers. Sincerely,
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SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

	each week	YTD
Sac. Giv. needed	6,954.89	76,503.79
Sac Giv.(9/9)	6,296.00	53,739.06
Shortfall	-658.89	- 22,764.73

(after 11 weeks)

Sacrificial Giving does not include rentals, fundraisers and other income— as actual cost of running the parish per week is \$9,623.63.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

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

Mass intentions for this week:

- Sept. 18— Clem Uhlenkott deceased uncle of Sr. Phyllis
- Sept 19- Olivia Grace Gee— for health of (new baby girl)
- Sept 20- Steve Brown- for health of
- Sept 21- Robert Spezza— deceased

CONFIRMATION IS COMING! CONFIRMATION IS COMING! Next

Spring our parish will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. All high school age parishioners and older are welcome to join us for preparation, starting with an orientation meeting Sunday Sept. 30 from 12:15—2 pm in the Parish Center.

Hopefully, we didn't miss anyone when we sent letters out to non confirmed high schoolers; but, if we did please contact Maureen Simmonds 503 236 6563.

Also, please note that if any adults missed this sacrament, when you were growing up there is a place for you at this time of preparation also. It's never too late!

CONFIRMATION PARTICIPANTS—save the date of Sunday October 7. We will have our kick off retreat from 12:30-5:30 at The Grotto. Please put this on your calendars and save the date.

SUMMER SIZZLE RAFFLE—The winner of the 50/50 raffle was our own Jeanne Allen! The total was \$4,025.00, Jeanne took home \$2,012.50!! Congratulations Jeanne!

IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY:

ALL SAINTS: We are invited to the All Saints Parish Lecture—"Mega-trends in the Catholic Church" columnist for the National Catholic Reporter, John L. Allen, Jr. At All Saints Monday September 17 at 7:30 p.m. FREE!

AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF OREGON: Regular meeting Sept. 23rd, 1:30 pm. St. Andrew Community Center, N.E. 8th and Alberta Report from National Black Catholic Congress.

ECUMENICAL MINISTRIES : 9/25/07 7:00 p.m. Churches, the Sanctuary Movement & the Law, FREE, 1st United Methodist Church 1838 S.W. Jefferson. For info call: Kevin (503) 221-1054 #204.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKEND FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION:

If you suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus on a weekend retreat Nov. 9-11 in Portland, Feb. 22-24 in Medford. Participation is strictly confidential. Info and registration contact Lori Eckstine 1-800-249-8074, E2Lori@aol.com. Cost is \$140.00. Financial Assistance available.

CONCORDIA UNIV. Christ or Caricature? 10/26 Prof. Paul Maier, 1015 S.W. 18th, 7:00 p.m. FREE - Conversation with Paul Maier, 10/27 10:00 a.m. St. Michael's Fellowship Hall 6700 N.E. 29th.

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