

# ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO PORTLAND



## Calendar

### TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today **Masses 8:30 and 11 a.m.** (Ez 33:7-9 Ps. 95 Rom 13:8-10 Mt 18:15-20)

**PARISH BBQ after 11 am mass**

NO coffee and rolls

Foot care class 9:45 a.m. PC

Mon: **Communion Service 8 am.** (Mi 5:1-4a Ps 13 Mt 1:1-16,18-23)

Altar Society crafts 10 am gym

Tue **Mass 8 a.m.** (1 Cor 6:1-11 Ps 149 Lk 6:12-19)

Holy Hour 8:30 am

Catholic Caucus\* 1:15 p.m.

RCIA information nite 7 p.m. Rm 15b

Baptism session 7 p.m. PC

Bereavement ministry mtg. \* 7 p.m.

Wed Communion Service 8 am (1 Cor 7:25-31 Ps 45 Lk 6:20-26)

Altar Society mtg. 1 p.m. PC

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

St. Vincent dePaul mtg. 6:30 p.m. Rm 2

Thurs. **Mass 8 am** (1 Cor 8:1b-7,11-13 Ps 139 Lk 6:27-38)

Share the Word- 8:45 am PC

Communion to the Sick 9:45 a.m. PC

RCIA team mtg\* 7 p.m.

Fri **Communion Service 8 a.m.** (1 Cor 9:16-19,22b-27 Ps 84 Lk 6:39-42)

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

Sat. **No morning mass** (1 Cor 10:14-22 Ps 116 Lk 6:43-49)

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

Painting Party

**Reconciliation 4-4:30 p.m.**

**Vigil Mass 5 p.m.**

Next Sunday: **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

**Masses at 8:30 and 11 am** (Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78 Phi 1 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17)

Sunday Hospitality school families Olsen, Natalie White,  
Barbara Wilson families.

Catholic School parent mtg. 9:45 am

FF registration

Youth Family Picnic 12:15 \*

\* indicates outside of parish

**ST. VINCENT DEPAUL:** During the past week the St. Charles Conference of the St. VdePaul helped 24 families by providing, food, clothing, school supplies and house wares for a total of 70 people helped. In our pantry we need Chili, rice, canned beans, sugar and refried beans.

Know that as you give your gift to help the poor, you bring God's love to them through your generosity and donations.

Thank you for your support!

Interested in volunteering? Please call Toni Schimming 503 287-1721 or email her at [Tonischimmi@msn.com](mailto:Tonischimmi@msn.com)

### DEAR PARISH FAMIY OF ST CHARLES:

My sincere thanks to the Altar society for the receptions after last weekend's masses—the wine and cheese and punch after the 5, the tasty and special donuts after the 8:30, and the beautiful cakes after the 11! Thank you to everyone for your kind words and gifts and prayers and blessings. I take so many happy memories with me and I will keep you all in my prayers as you move forward with the grace of God and the guidance of God's holy spirit. Let us keep our focus on Jesus our shepherd and follow the ways that he leads us. Thank you again and peace to you. Fr. JOHN

**FR AGNELO WILL BE IN TOWN & CELEBRATING THE WEEKEND LITURGIES WITH US SEPT**

**ALTAR SOCIETY:** The first meeting after summer break will be September 10, at 1 p.m. in the Parish Center. Please come and help get us started with the new officers. We need your input.

**FAITH FORMATION** (including 1st Communion preparation) begins Sept. 28. Sessions for children Kindergarten-8th grade take place most Sundays through April. Registration is this weekend and next, or you may contact the parish office.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**- Do you know of someone who is interested in exploring the Catholic faith and perhaps becoming a Catholic? You can encourage them and invite them to join the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) process that begins in our parish in the fall. Anyone interested in RCIA may contact Sr. Phyllis at 503 281 6461 or Carlene Suminski 503 284 3060.

### PRAYERS OF SPECIAL INTENTIONS

**Sick:** Bernadette Gruhler, Jill Barrowcliff, Betty Welch, Jennifer Norman, Ilene Chambers, Bill and Linda Pashley, Robert Jones, Scott Brown, Joan Bruneau, Austen Schultz, Harold Klein, Chester, Theresa, and Anthony Miller and Bill Schmich.

Deaths: Phil Kelly son of "Mike" Kelly.

Please pray for these parishioners.

**PARISH FORUM:** Please be sure and save the date of **September 28** at 12:15 in the gym for the parish forum. Lets look to the future. We need everyone's ideas.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RAEYVEN RASHEED FAMILY AND ALL THE VICTIMS OF HURRICANE GUSTAV.

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SEPTEMBER 7, 2008

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Ezekiel was a prophet, one who spoke for God, which was no easy task. People didn't want to hear that they were on the path to destruction. But Ezekiel had an obligation to point them in the right direction. If the prophet didn't warn them of their misdeeds, God would hold him accountable. If they refused to change their ways, the prophet would not be liable for the consequences.

Paul said that we have a responsibility to God and one another. If we hold others accountable for their wrongdoings, we need to take stock of our own actions. Are we unfaithful, murderous, thieving, or greedy? Paul said that love was the unifying principle behind God's commands. Love never did wrong to anyone. That's why it is the fulfillment of all the laws.

Jesus said that love is not the avoidance or denial of reality. The welfare of the community depended on being able to confront one another when there was an offense. With genuine love, a person should accept correction. Otherwise, that individual probably wouldn't listen to the church, which has the power to "bind and loose." When we hold someone's sins against them, we are keeping them bound. When we forgive, we are setting them, and ourselves, free. Jesus is in our midst when we gather in love and forgiveness.

***Do I accept guidance from others? Am I able to forgive when wronged?***

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**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!

Too often we hear the word "community" and think that it means only the church that we go to — we don't see the larger picture. In today's Gospel reading from Matthew, we learn that early followers of Jesus sometimes found themselves in conflict and disagreement. Jesus talks to them about forgiving one another and tells them how members of the church community can help each other reconcile with one another. In this passage, Matthew also reminds us that Jesus is in our midst whenever we gather in his name — which means that as we gather together in prayer, Jesus is with us.

***Jesus rejected the idea of, "An eye for an eye..a tooth for a tooth," because he wants us to learn how to relate with one another as God relates to us. But this is often hard for us! Why do you think the idea of "payback" can still be such a struggle for us? Can you think of a time when you wanted to "get even" with someone? Talk about what happened. Jesus calls us to be "one" with the members of our church community. How does the presence of Jesus help us do this?***

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT**

	each week	YTD
Sac. Giv. needed	5,700.00	51,300.00
Sac Giv.(8/31)	2,866.00	39,123.00
(after 9 weeks) -	2,384.00	- 12,177.00

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 week to meet the 2008-09 total budgeted income. The additional \$3,374.00 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 OR OTHER AREAS OF CONFLICT:**

Phillip Ballard, and Adam Winslow

For a daily prayer for peace in Iraq: [www.prayercentral.net](http://www.prayercentral.net)

**LET'S FIX OUR BROKEN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM:**

The Oregon Health Fund Board is hosting a town hall mtg. on their draft reform plan Monday Sept 8 from 6:30-9 pm at the Oregon Convention Ctr. 777 NE MLK Blvd.

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**ST. CHARLES ANNUAL PARISH BBQ: Today is the day.**

The parish will furnish the hamburgers and hotdogs and trimmings. We ask that you bring a salad or dessert for 10 people, to share with fellow parishioners.

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**RACE FOR THE CURE:** Arrangements have been made for a special blessing for the St. Charlie's Angels and anyone else from St. Charles participating in the Race for the Cure. It will be at the 5pm mass on Saturday, Sept. 20th.

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**BAPTISM:** Sessions for parents wishing to prepare for the baptism of their child will begin this Tuesday evening, Sept 9, at 7 p.m in the Parish Center. Preparation consists of 4 evening sessions and culminates with baptism on Oct. 5 during the 11 a.m. mass. Fr. Jack Mosbrucker will be the presider for this liturgy. To register or for additional information, please call Joan Winchester 503 281 6461 or email her at [joanw@stcharlespdx.org](mailto:joanw@stcharlespdx.org).

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**IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY:**

**FRANCISCAN SPIRITUAL CENTER** 6902 SE Lake Rd. Suite 300 Milwaukie. Bridges to Contemplative Living with Thomas Merton Sept 9-Oct 14, Nov 11 & Dec 9 6:30-8:30 Cost \$60. To register call 503 794-8542. Women at the Well: Women of the Word starting Sept 11 and every 2nd Thursday 7-8:30 p.m. Cost Donation. To register call the above number.

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH:** Sept 22 at 7:30 pm Sr. Simone Campbell, will speak at the "Theresa Willett Memorial Lecture". Topic "Faith Alive: Catholic Social Teaching, Spirituality & the 2008 Election".

**ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON:** 3145 SW 192nd Aloha. —Couples for Christ Foundation for Family and Life are sponsoring a Christian Life Seminar Sept 13 from 8:15-4:30 pm and Sept 20 from 8:15 to 1 p.m. No fees. Everyone welcome.