

*In the Roman Catholic Diocese  
of Portland, Maine*

# NEWSLETTER

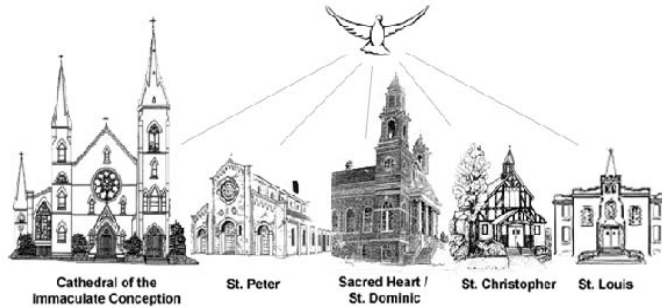
*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 27, 2008*

## In and around Cluster 21

**August 6, 2008, 7 p.m.**  
**Natural Family Planning**  
Catholic Charities Maine  
Family Life Institute  
Services, will present an  
introductory session on  
Natural Family Planning,  
at St. Paul Center in  
Augusta. Engaged and  
married couples are  
invited. Learn to manage  
fertility within the design  
for human happiness.  
Contact 1-800-CARE-  
002, ext 2626 or  
familylifeinstitute@  
ccmaine.org to register.

**August 15, 16, 17, 2008,**  
**The 83rd Annual St.**  
**Peter's Bazaar 2008:**  
Come and enjoy the  
most important social &  
fundraising event of St.  
Peter's Church. The  
Bazaar weekend kicks off  
with St. Peter's signature  
22<sup>nd</sup> Annual 4 Mile Run  
on Friday. Enjoy a pictur-  
esque certified 4 mile  
course around the East-  
ern Prom, starting and  
finishing at St. Peter's  
Church. The Children's  
Fun Run begins ½ hour  
before the race and  
parents are encouraged  
to walk or run with their  
children.

On Saturday & Sunday  
St. Peter's Church will be  
celebrating...



ORDINARY PEOPLE,  
ORDINARY GRACE.  
EACH ONE A PEARL  
IN THIS HOLY PLACE.

### **The Assumption & Feast of St. Rocco.**

For the past 82 years  
St. Peter's has had the  
support of parishioners  
and their families to work  
and operate the booths  
where the whole community  
savors the incredible  
canolli, mouth watering  
ziti & meatballs, the most  
amazing sausage &  
peppers, homemade  
Italian cookies, and of  
course St. Peter's crowd  
pleasing pizza & delicious  
fried dough. St. Peter's  
parishioners, in order to  
get involved as a volunteer,  
please contact Mike or  
Sue Russo -774-6325,  
Ken Giaquinto – 775-9906,  
Mike Hutchins – 671-9706,  
Sue Bowden – 878-0196.

### **September 6, 2008:**

The annual yard sale in  
front of Deering High  
School to benefit the  
Sacred Heart / St.  
Dominic Parish Haiti  
Project. Bring stuff. Buy  
stuff. Great cause!

### **September 10, 2008:**

Public Opening and Ribbon  
Cutting Ceremony at the  
new *Mercy at the Fore*.  
[www.mercyhospital.org/  
mercyfore/](http://www.mercyhospital.org/mercyfore/).

### **September 14, 2008** **"Gather Us - A Maine**

**Mission":** This  
Redemptorist Mission  
retreat is intended to  
complement the goals  
and objectives of  
Disciples in Mission as

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## Cluster Corner

We continue the report  
of the June Cluster 21  
Disciples in Mission  
Reflection Day with the  
goal "to foster a renewed  
understanding of the  
faith among Catholics."

The focus group on this  
goal envisioned new  
methods of adult  
education that would  
utilize various modern  
media and relate to  
Catholics' involvement  
in parish worship and  
service. Formulation of  
catechetical materials  
would be in clear, easy-  
to-grasp language. The  
revision of existing

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## Children's Corner:

The Bible has so  
many different  
ways to teach us  
what is really  
very simple. We  
should do the  
best we can to  
learn what is  
right, and then  
just do it. No  
matter who we  
are, Jesus is the  
one who teaches  
us what is right.

For more information, visit the Web site [www.cluster21portland.org](http://www.cluster21portland.org)

*The Web site contains the most current news and information about Cluster 21, the history, meeting dates and minutes, links to each parish, and a schedule of activities and events throughout the cluster. The Cluster 21 Newsletter is produced by the Communications Committee of the Cluster 21 Pastoral Council with the Cluster 21 bulletin editors.*

we move forward with our evangelizing mission. Missions like this are taking place this fall all across the Diocese, presenting an opportunity for our parishioners to experience spiritual services, sermons and sacraments that focus on the major themes of our Catholic faith. The Redemptorists leading us through Disciples in Mission possess a rich legacy of preaching redemption - about what Christ has done to set us free from the evils of sin. This will be a time of great grace for the Diocese of Portland, an occasion of healing, conversion, and reconciliation for our parishes and our people. Watch for more information.

**September 27, 2008:** Third annual Silent Auction at Sacred Heart / St. Dominic Parish to benefit the mission and ministry of the parish. A fun annual event to be held directly following the 4 p.m. Mass in the Parish Hall.

**Friday, October 17, 2008, 2nd Annual Harvest Ball:** Join Bishop Malone at the Holiday Inn by the Bay, Portland at this benefit for Harvest Magazine. Dance to the music of The Tony Boffa Band and get in on the fun of the silent auction. Ticket price is \$60 per person or \$100 per couple for this black tie optional event. For details, visit [www.portlanddiocese.org](http://www.portlanddiocese.org).

**Friday, October 24, 2008 Cathedral School gala fundraising event!**

Hundreds of fantastic auction items will be up for bid. This is an annual fundraiser that helps to support our Cluster school. It is also a great opportunity to do some Christmas shopping for a good cause and to meet people from each of our cluster parishes. Call 775-1491 for more information.

**Community News**

**A Pearl in our Cluster:** Cathedral School is our Cluster 21 Catholic elementary school. It provides children a positive environment for learning. Growth and education is enhanced through structure, affirmation, consistency and recognition of self-worth. Each child develops intellectually, morally, emotionally, spiritually, socially, and physically. Rich in ethnic diversity, the school encourages and broadens children's understanding of social justice and peace. At Cathedral School, every day begins with scripture and prayer. Jesus is the role model of behavior. Visit or call Cathedral

*The beginning of wisdom is: get wisdom; at the cost of all you have, get understanding.*

*Proverbs 4:7*

School. See what makes our school such a pearl in the heart of Portland. For information about Cathedral School, go to [www.cathedralportland.com/](http://www.cathedralportland.com/)

**Hour of Power** is held each Wednesday from 7 - 8 p.m. at St. Peter's Church. This hour of Eucharistic Adoration with Praise and Worship is sponsored by VERITAS Young Adult Ministry of Portland. A priest will be present to celebrate the Holy Hour, and for Reconciliation.

**Retrouvaille:** A retreat for married couples who are experiencing difficulties in their marriages. For more information, call 1-800-470-2230, or visit [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

*Seek First the Kingdom of God*

**Cluster Corner**

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catechetical materials would facilitate evangelization and adapt the teachings of the Catechism to the circumstances of the United States. The group envisioned the development of home and family-based catechetical techniques, and the involvement of directors of religious education in the evangelization planning of the parish and evangelization teams in catechetical planning.

**The Goal summary**

- Continue Disciples in Mission events.
- Develop our own catechetical materials.
- Work especially with Catholics committed to evangelizing.
- Publish articles related to our faith in this Newsletter.
- Revamp the parish bulletin to encourage readership.
- Continue with homilies related to the Scripture readings and our faith.
- Develop home or family-based methods of passing along the faith and Church teachings.
- Publicize events of the Cluster and Parishes more effectively.
- Encourage more focused Bible studies.

more next week...

Learn more about Disciples in Mission in our Cluster at [www.cluster21portland.org](http://www.cluster21portland.org)



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