

PORTLAND PENINSULA AND ISLAND PARISHES
NEWSLETTER

*In the Roman Catholic Diocese
of Portland, Maine*

*The Second Sunday in Lent
March 7/8, 2009*

Our Catholic Community

March 8, 2009, Sunday, 6 p.m. St. Peter's Men's Holy Name Society invites male parishioners, cluster members and their guests to a short meeting, 6:15 p.m., followed at 7 p.m. by Religious Recollection in the church by Father Michael Seavey, 7 p.m. - pizza and refreshments in the church hall, no charge. For information, call Peter Gribbon at 797-6905 or Salvatore Bonetti at 871-7300.

Tuesday, March 10, 7 p.m. Pub Night w/ special guest Fr. Bob Vaillancourt.

Veritas, Portland's Young Adult Ministry, invites all young adults to come enjoy fellowship and discussions of faith with guest Fr. Bob Vaillancourt. This event is open to young adults 18-39. We will meet at the Old Port Tavern, 11 Moulton St, Portland, ME. Arrive early for dinner and socializing. For more information contact Lisa at veritasportland@yahoo.com or Craig at 831-0852.

March 15/16, 2009 ATTENTION PARENTS OF 2ND GRADERS: All parents of second graders in the Portland Peninsula and Island Parishes (Cathedral, Sacred Heart / St. Dominic, St. Christopher, St. Louis and St. Peter) are required to attend a parent information session. This is for Confirmation and First Eucharist. Choose one session to attend, either Sunday, March 15, 4 p.m. at St. Louis, or Monday, March 16, 6



p.m. at Sacred Heart / St. Dominic. For more information, please call your parish office.

Tuesday, March 17, 2009, St. Patrick's Day Mass with Bishop Malone: 12:15 p.m., Cathedral. All are invited.

March 19, 2009, Trauma Intervention Program (TIP) Begins: Caring people are invited to join a team of fellow citizen volunteers, trained to provide emotional and practical support to the victims of traumatic events i.e. sudden deaths, suicides, accidents, etc. We are called by Police, Fire and ER personnel in Portland, South Portland, Westbrook, Gorham and Scarborough, Falmouth, and Windham. To register for this training, or for more information call Avery Jenkins at 207-874-1030 ext 300 or Gary Landry 650-4249.

Friday, March 20, 2009 Lenten Taizé Prayer Service, 7 p.m., Abraham Schechter. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic Chapel.

Monday, March 23, 2008, Cluster-wide Penitential Service, Remember the treasure of our Cluster mission, and help to renew it in one another with an evening of reconciliation, song, and prayer. 7 p.m., Cathedral.

Sunday, March 29, 2009, 1:30 - 4:30, Protecting God's Children: St. Peter's Church. Contact facilitator, Christine Thibeault, 776-5686, or e-mail thibeault@cumberlandcounty.org.

Sunday, March 29, 2009, 2 - 4 p.m. OPEN HOUSE Cathedral School: Imagine a place where children begin every day with scripture and prayer, and where Jesus is the role model of behavior. Learn about Cathedral School for the young children of our Portland Peninsula and Island Parishes. See why Cathedral School could be the very best gift to give a child.

Marriage Resources

Unitas begins this week: Our Cluster-wide Marriage Prep program ("Unitas") is starting this Sunday for couples seeking marriage preparation. This is a time tested program that has benefited many couples over the years. Sessions will be held in Cathedral Guild Hall at 6 p.m. on the following dates: **March 8**, March 15, March 22, Mar. 29, Apr. 5, Apr. 19, and Apr. 26. For more information, contact Steve & Kathy Beirne at 772-2968.

Retrouvaille: Rediscover a loving marriage with a Retrouvaille weekend. The next weekend is March 20-22, 2009. Find out more at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Find marriage and family resources and more at Catholic Charities of Maine, www.ccmaine.org.

Children's Corner:

Listen to Jesus!
There's more to listening than just listening with ears. We should listen with our hearts and minds too. When we listen to Jesus really well, we learn how to live and care for ourselves, and also for those in need.

Find more about the Catholic Community of the Portland Peninsula and Island Parishes online at www.cluster21portland.org

The Web site contains the most current news and information about our five parish community, the history, meeting dates and minutes, links to each parish, and a schedule of activities and events throughout the cluster. This Newsletter is produced by the Communications Committee of the Portland Peninsula and Island Parishes Pastoral Council together with the bulletin editors of each parish.

Neighbors

March 21, 2009, St. Pius X Craft Fair, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.: Free admission! Featuring jewelry, glass work, photography, Girl Scout cookies and much more! Sponsored by Daughters of Isabella.

Rejuvenate your Marriage. You deserve it! The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is at the Lewiston Ramada Inn on March 20-22, 2009. The registration fee is \$50 and a freewill donation will be accepted at the end of the weekend. For information or to register contact Dave & Ellie at 207-933-4237 or go to: www.wmneNewEngland.org

March 22, 2009, 3 p.m., St. Joseph's Centennial Musical Celebration, 673 Stevens Ave. Portland The concert will feature St. Joseph's organist Tom Ayling, the Norembega Brass Quintet, the St. Joseph's choir, a special appearance by Ray Cornils and more. Suggested donation of \$15 will be collected at the door. Proceeds will benefit the St. Joseph's Organ Fund.

New Confession Schedule

Saturdays, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m., Cathedral Chapel

Saturdays, 3:00 - 3:30 p.m., Sacred Heart / St. Dominic

Sundays, 12:00 noon (Spanish) Sacred Heart / St. Dominic

Reconciliation is also available by appointment.

Or by appointment:

Fr. Lou or Fr. Mike 773-7746
Fr. Kevin 773-0748
Fr. Richard 772-6182
Fr. Fred 766-2585

March 29, 2009, Bishop's Mass in Honor of Persons with Disabilities and their families, 10:30 a.m. at Notre Dame Church, 112 Silver Street, Waterville.

Saturday, May 16, 2009 St. Dominic's Grammar School 2nd Annual Reunion 12 - 4 p.m., Maine Irish Heritage Center (formerly St. Dominic's Church) Invitations to Follow with Cost and Information. FMI call 780-0118 "All Years Are Welcome" Spread the Word.

Disciples in Mission Prayer

Loving God, open our hearts to Jesus.

You called us each by name and gave your only Son to redeem us.

You sent the Holy Spirit to complete the mission of Jesus among us.

Give us the courage to speak His name to those who are near and the willingness to share His love with those far away.

We pray that everyone throughout the world be invited to know and love Jesus as Savior and Redeemer.

May they come to know his all-surpassing love, and may that love transform every part of our society.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

St. Paul the Apostle, pray for us.

By the Paulist Fathers, adapted for music for the Portland Peninsula and Island Parishes by Suzanne Proulx

For information about any Portland Peninsula and Island Parish liturgies, programs, or events, contact your parish office, or visit www.cluster21portland.org.

Presider Schedule for this week

Saturday, March 7, 2009

4:00 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Richard
4:00 p.m. St. Peter - Fr. Mike
4:30 p.m. Cathedral - Fr. Lou
5:00 p.m. St. Louis - Fr. Kevin

Sunday, March 8, 2009, Second Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m. St. Peter - Fr. Lou
8:30 a.m. Cathedral - Fr. Kevin
9:00 a.m. St. Louis - Fr. Richard
9:45 a.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Mike
10:00 a.m. Cathedral - Fr. Kevin
10:00 a.m. St. Christopher - Fr. Fred
10:30 a.m. St. Peter - Fr. Lou
11:00 a.m. St. Louis - Fr. Richard
12:00 p.m. Cathedral (Latin Mass) - Fr. Robert Parent
12:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic (Spanish Mass) - Padre Felipe
5:00 p.m. Cathedral - Fr. Mike
6:00 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Richard

Monday, March 9, 2009

7:00 a.m. St. Peter
12:15 pm. Cathedral
5:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

7:00 a.m. St. Peter
12:15 pm. Cathedral
5:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic

Wednesday, March 11, 2009

7:00 a.m. St. Peter
12:15 pm. Cathedral
5:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic

Thursday, March 12, 2009

7 a.m. St. Peter
12:15 pm. Cathedral
5:00 p.m. St. Christopher, during Lent, followed by Disciples in Mission scripture study group
5:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic
6:30 p.m. St. Louis

Friday, March 13, 2009

7 a.m. St. Peter
12:15 pm. Cathedral
5:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic
6:30 p.m. St. Louis (during Lent followed by Stations of the Cross)

Saturday, March 14, 2009

4:00 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Kevin
4:00 p.m. St. Peter - Fr. Richard
4:30 p.m. Cathedral - Fr. Mike
5:00 p.m. St. Louis - Fr. Lou

Sunday, March 15, 2009, Second Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m. St. Peter - Fr. Richard
8:30 a.m. Cathedral - Fr. Lou
9:00 a.m. St. Louis - Fr. Kevin
9:45 a.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Mike
10:00 a.m. Cathedral - Fr. Lou
10:00 a.m. St. Christopher - Fr. Fred
10:30 a.m. St. Peter - Fr. Richard
11:00 a.m. St. Louis - Fr. Kevin
12:00 p.m. Cathedral (Latin Mass) - Fr. Robert Parent

Stations of the Cross Fridays during Lent March 13, 20, 27; April 3

Cathedral Chapel
2:00 p.m. Led by Cathedral School Students
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

St. Louis Church
5:00 p.m. Simple Soup Supper
6:30 p.m. Mass
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross



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