

NEWSLETTER

*In the Roman Catholic Diocese
of Portland, Maine*

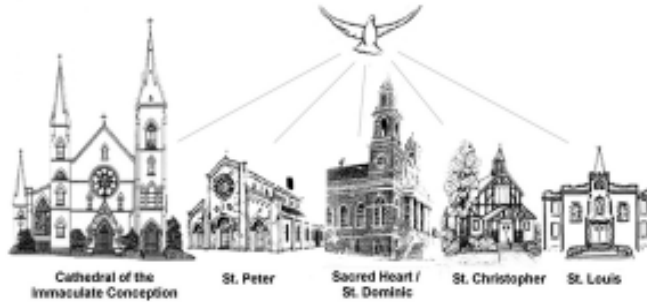
Our Catholic Community

Sunday, April 19, 2009, Holy Name Breakfast: The annual St. Peter's Holy Name Communion Breakfast after the 8 a.m. Mass at St. Peter's on Sunday, April 19. The speaker will be Fr. Michael Seavey. All men of the five Cluster 21 parishes are encouraged to attend the the 8 a.m. Mass and the breakfast. Tickets are only \$5.00. FMI, please call Peter Gribbin at 797-6905.

Sunday, April 19, 2009, 3 p.m. Divine Mercy Sunday at St. Louis Parish: Fr. Kevin will celebrate this special Mass in St. Louis Church. After Mass, there will be a period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Benediction. This Mass fulfills the weekend obligation.

April 19th 2009, Sunday, 5 p.m. Swieonca Supper – St. Louis Polish Roman Catholic Church, 279 Danforth Street, Portland - Share a family style Polish dinner with friends and family: Polish kielbasa, ham, potatoes, Polish cabbage, mixed vegetables, breads, and dessert are found at a typical Polish Easter dinner table. Adults \$10 - Children (under 12) \$5. For tickets call Lee 799-3878. Sponsored by the St. Louis Women's Society.

CHANGE OF DATE
Wednesday, April 22, 2009, Bus Trip to public hearing on LD 1020 to preserve traditional marriage in Maine. 7:15 a.m., Marginal Way Lot. \$15, call 894-5063 for details.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



April 25, 2009, Peace Action Maine's Annual Supper: Chellie Pingree is the invited speaker at this supper, with entertainment by YAAR (Sufi). Donation \$15 in advance or at the door. To purchase tickets in advance go to the Web site, www.peaceactionme.org. 6 p.m., Guild Hall at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

Saturday April 25, 2009, Schooner Fare in a Benefit Concert for St Patrick's Parish (Deering Cluster), 7:30 p.m.: St. Patrick's Church, Outer Congress Street, Portland. Tickets Available at the Rectory, 772-6325, or After Weekend Masses at St. Pat's, \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door, \$10 (12 and under).

*Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy
April 18/19, 2009*

Neophyte Masses: Those who were newly received into the Church, and their families and friends, are invited to attend one of the following Masses with Bishop Malone so as to rejoice in their initiation into the faith:

- **Sunday, April 26**, at 10:15 a.m., St. John Church, Bangor
- **Thursday, May 21 at 7 p.m.**, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Portland.

Day program on scripture using Lectio Divina, 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon on May 14. Marie Joseph Spiritual Center, 10 Evans Road, Biddeford Pool, ME, 284-5671.

Save the date for Unity Day
May 16, 2009
just save it...that's all.
More details coming soon!

Golf for Cathedral School
Thursday, June 4, 2009
Nonesuch River Golf Club
773-2726, Be a Sponsor!

Children's Corner:
Sometimes we are asked to believe things we can't see or touch, and often, like Thomas, we have doubts about these things. As Christians, we can believe Jesus, and knowing him well will help us know what else we should believe, and also what we should not believe.

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



April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Child Abuse Prevention Month is being marked in parishes across the United States in April. Each week the bulletin will include information on how to prevent abuse, clarify misconceptions, and action the Church has taken to reach out to victims and protect children.

Did You Know...?

-You should teach your children never to keep secrets that make them feel bad. This way, they will not be persuaded to keep secrets about bad touch and will feel safe to talk to you about problems.

-Child abuse is more prevalent than you may imagine. Studies indicate 1 in 10 adult men and 1 in 5 adult women say they were molested before age 18. 42% of the men and 33% of the women victimized as children had never told anyone.

-Outreach to victims of child sexual abuse is one of the ministries in our diocese. The Support and Assistance Ministry Office provides help through therapy assistance and/or spiritual direction. Call Carolyn Bloom, LCSW at 782-1051.

- Our diocese is audited every year by an independent agency to monitor compliance with safe environment program training and background checks, as well as insuring that procedures are followed for prompt response to allegations of abuse.

VERITAS

portland's young adult ministry

Hour of Power - Praise the Lord with music, worship and Eucharistic Adoration!

Veritas, Portland's Young Adult Ministry, invites community members of all ages to this weekly event at St. Peter's Church, 72 Federal St in Portland. The first Wednesday of each month we are "On The Road." To offer your musical talents or for event information contact Becky at hourofpowerportland@gmail.com or call Chris @ 653-1429. This event is open to ALL AGES.

"Casual Tuesday" April 28, 2009, 7 p.m. ~

All young adults are invited for a regular evening of young adult fellowship, on the last Tuesday of each month. Come meet with old friends and make new ones. \$3 Dewey's has decent street parking, a great selection of beer, free popcorn and big tables for us to enjoy. Please note, no formal talk will be given, this is purely social. Come out and join us, you never know whom you might meet!

DVD Night 6:00 p.m. Friday, April 24, 2009

Join other young adults ages 18-39 in watching "Karol, A Man who Became Pope" at St. Peter's Parish Hall, 72 Federal St, Portland, Me. Pizza will be ordered at \$3 a person. Let us know in advance for optimum planning. Contact Becky at veritasportland@yahoo.com or Craig 831-0852.



This weekend's presiders are:

Saturday, April 18, 2009

- 4:00 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Kevin Martin
- 4:00 p.m. St. Peter - Fr. Richard Bertrand, S.J.
- 4:30 p.m. Cathedral - Fr. Fred Morse
- 5:00 p.m. St. Louis - Fr. Mike Seavey

Sunday, April 19, 2009

- 8:00 a.m. St. Peter - Fr. Mike
- 8:30 a.m. Cathedral - Fr. Bob Vaillancourt
- 9:00 a.m. St. Louis - Fr. Kevin
- 9:45 a.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Richard
- 10:00 a.m. Cathedral - Fr. Bob Vaillancourt
- 10:00 a.m. St. Christopher - Fr. Fred
- 10:30 a.m. St. Peter - Fr. Mike
- 11:00 a.m. St. Louis - Fr. Kevin
- 12:00 p.m. Cathedral (Latin Mass) - Fr. Robert Parent
- 12:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic (Spanish Mass) - Fr. Richard
- 3:00 p.m. St. Louis - Divine Mercy Mass with Fr. Kevin
- 5:00 p.m. Cathedral - Fr. Kevin
- 6:00 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Mike

Reconciliation

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

Or by appointment:

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

A Special "Thank you!"

goes out to all who submitted an entry to name the Cathedral School 5k Road Race. There were several excellent suggestions submitted and considered, and after a lively debate, the name was voted on by the race committee and decided. The winning entry was submitted by Elizabeth Witkowski, Cathedral School parent, and Cathedral Parishioner.

Mark the date:

September 5th, 2009
East End 5 K
To benefit Cathedral School

Daily Masses

Monday - Patriot's Day

9:00 a.m. Cathedral Chapel
(National Holiday schedule - see announcement below)

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

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

Thursday

7 a.m. St. Peter
12:15 pm. Cathedral
5:00 p.m. St. Christopher
5:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic
6:30 p.m. St. Louis

Friday

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

Place Change

Change in Mass Schedule on National Holidays:

Beginning with Patriot's Day, Monday, April 20, on national and state holidays (such as Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Veteran's Day, etc.), there will be one Mass for our entire cluster at 9:00 a.m. at the Cathedral Chapel, rather than the normal weekday Mass schedule.



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