

NEWSLETTER

*In the Roman Catholic Diocese
of Portland, Maine*

*Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 26/27, 2009*

Catholic Schools: Teach as Jesus did:

Proclaiming the Gospel is a perennial task and joy for the Church of Jesus Christ. Rarely if ever has it been more pressing a need, more urgent a duty and more ennobling a vocation than in these times when the world stands poised between unprecedented fulfillment and equally unprecedented calamity.

Catholic education is an expression of the mission entrusted by Jesus to the Church He founded. Through education the Church seeks to prepare its members to proclaim the Good News and to translate this proclamation into action. (Bishops' pastoral on Catholic education - Nos. 6 & 7)

Cathedral School, the right choice: In our cluster, this is where children in grades Pre-K through 8 begin every day with scripture and prayer, and where Jesus is the role model of behavior. For more information about ways to support Cathedral School, call 775-1491 or go to <http://www.cathedralportland.com/>

Cheverus High School Fall Open House October 18, 2009, Noon to 4 p.m. and **Ignatian Scholarship Exams** for incoming freshman, class of 2014 will be held January 23, 30, and February 6, 2010. For info, call 774-6238 ext. 35.

Catherine McAuley High School First high school placement test for 2014 will be held October 31, 2009. Take this placement test and receive a \$300 tuition break if accepted.



The Athletics Department at Saint Joseph's College is pleased to offer its Kids Night Out program

on Saturday, Oct. 3, at the Harold Alford Recreation Center. The event, open to children ages 7-13, sponsors games, movies, swimming, rock climbing, arts & crafts and sports. The program goes from 5:30 to 9 p.m. The price will be \$9 per child and \$6 for each additional child from the same family.

Kids Night Out is sponsored and supervised by the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics at Saint Joseph's College. No pre-registration is necessary, just register on-site during child drop-off on the day of the event (no phone registration). 893-7723.

Other dates the program is offered this year include Nov. 7, Nov. 21 and Dec. 5. In 2010, the dates are Jan. 23, Feb. 20, March 20, and April 10.

Thomas More College of Liberal Arts is hosting its annual Fall Open House on Columbus Day, Monday, October 12, 2009, 8:30 a.m. All high school seniors, juniors, and their families are invited to attend classes, have lunch, converse with students, and meet with professors. Located in scenic Merrimack, NH, Thomas More College provides a classical liberal arts education that is authentically rooted in Western Catholic Tradition. Thomas More College has a study abroad program in Rome, Italy, internship opportunities, and a relatively low tuition rate. For more information, contact an Admissions Officer at (603) 880-8308 or email admissions@ThomasMoreCollege.edu

For a complete list of Catholic New England colleges, revisit the July 26 issue of our Newsletter on the Web at www.cluster21portland.org/history/newsletters/

A SERIES OF ONE DAY RETREATS

A "spiritual stimulus" package on Prayer at:

Marie Joseph Spiritual Center
Biddeford, Maine

Given by: Sr. Aline Plante, p.m.

When: Oct. 15: 10:00a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Topic... Making prayer a part of your life

Cost: \$20. includes hot meal

or \$12. bring bag lunch- drinks provided

To register: Call 207-284-5671 (at least 7 days prior)

Stand for Marriage Maine

Update: This weekend and next at liturgies throughout our cluster, there will be a viewing of the DVD of Bishop Malone's homily for Stand for Marriage Maine. On September 26-27, the DVD will be shown during the homily time at Cathedral, St. Peter, St. Louis, and St. Christopher's; October 3/4, it will be shown at Sacred Heart / St. Dominic Parish.

Trauma Intervention Program

(TIP) is looking for caring people 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, accidents, suicides, etc. We are called by Police, Fire and ER personnel in Portland, South Portland, Westbrook, Gorham and Scarborough, Falmouth, and Windham. Our next training starts **Oct 22** at 6pm. To register or for more information call Avery Jenkins at 207-874-1030 ext 300 or Gary Landry 650-4249.

Children's Corner:

We know that it's good to always try to do right. Well, it's also good to teach others to do right, to help keep them from doing wrong too, and hope they will do the same for us.

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.

VERITAS

portland's young adult ministry

Hour of Power Schedule 7 p.m. on Wednesdays at the following locations:

Wed, 9/30 - St. Peter's in Portland with Fr. Kevin Martin

Wed, 10/7 - NO Hour of Power

Wed, 10/14 - ON THE ROAD at St. Anne's in Gorham, Maine.

Wed, 10/21 - back to St. Peter's in Portland as usual.

Veritas sponsors this hour of prayer and adoration for people of any age. As a part of each evening, there is an opportunity for reconciliation with the Lord.

Catholic Charities Maine Family Life Institute offers many services for families in both good times and in bad. For information, call 1-800-CARE-002 ext. 2670, or e-mail familylifeinstitute@ccmaine.org.

Move Beyond the Pain of Divorce! "Divorce & Beyond", a facilitated support group, begins Thursday, October 1st, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Yarmouth. Pre-registration is required at 1-800-CARE-002, ext. 2670, e-mail: familylifeinstitute@ccmaine.org. Fee is \$25. No walk-ins, please.

Friday, October 2, 2009 International Day of Non-Violence - evening prayer service: Pax Christi is sponsoring a 7 p.m. prayer service for non-violence at Sacred Heart / St. Dominic Parish. This day is the International Day of Non-Violence and the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi. Everyone is invited. For more information, contact the Sacred Heart / St. Dominic Parish Office, 772-6182, between 4 and 5 p.m., or from 6 - 8 p.m., Monday through Friday, or write to tsacredh@maine.rr.com.

October 10th - Fall Yard, Book, and Bake Sale - 9am - 3 pm - St Louis Church, Yard sale will feature new, antique, and slightly used items; St Louis Women's Society baked goods table; New and used books for wintertime reading. Reasonably priced luncheon also available. Sponsored by the St Louis Women's Society.

October 23, 2009, Cathedral School's annual gala fundraising event! This year's theme is "We Believe." 5:30 p.m., Italian Heritage Center, Outer Congress Street. Hundreds of fantastic auction items will be up for bid. Enjoy a marvelous dinner, Christmas shop and support Cathedral School at the same time. Tickets go on sale this weekend and will be available after several of our cluster Masses. Tickets purchased by October 4 will be \$35.00. Tickets purchased after that date will be \$40. Call 775-1491 for more information.

Friday, October 30, 2009 3rd Annual Harvest Ball: 7 p.m. to midnight at Holiday Inn by the Bay, featuring the Tony Boffa Band. \$60 per person / \$100 per couple, or organize a group and reserve a table of eight for \$400. The ball is black tie optional. The evening's festivities begin with a social hour at 7 p.m. followed by dinner at 8 p.m. with dancing to follow. The menu choices are: Bleu Cheese Encrusted Sirloin, Zucchini Parmesan, or Mediterranean Chicken. To purchase tickets or for more information, call 773-6471 or e-mail: harvestball@portlanddiocese.org. Checks should be made payable to Roman Catholic Bishop of Portland, and mailed to 510 Ocean Avenue, Portland, ME 04103. Sign up today and join the fun!

Two Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday September 26, 2009 // Saturday, October 3, 2009
 • 4:00 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Bertrand, S.J. // Fr. Seavey
 • 4:30 p.m. Cathedral - Fr. Lou Phillips
 • 5:00 p.m. St. Peter - Fr. Mike Seavey // Fr. Kevin Martin
 • 5:15 p.m. St. Louis - Fr. Kevin Martin // Fr. Richard Bertrand, S.J.

Sunday September 27, 2009 // Sunday, October 4, 2009
 • 8:00 a.m. St. Peter - Fr. Mike Seavey // Fr. Kevin Martin
 • 8:30 a.m. Cathedral - Fr. Lou Phillips
 • 9:00 a.m. St. Louis - Fr. Kevin Martin // Fr. Paul Marquis
 • 9:30 a.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Richard Bertrand, S.J.
 • 10:00 a.m. Cathedral - Fr. Lou Phillips
 • 10:00 a.m. St. Christopher - Fr. Fred Irving // Fr. Mike Seavey
 • 10:30 a.m. St. Peter - Fr. Mike Seavey // Fr. Kevin Martin
 • 11:00 a.m. St. Louis - Fr. Kevin Martin // Fr. Paul Marquis
 • 12:00 p.m. Cathedral (Latin Mass) - Fr. Robert Parent
 • 12:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic (Sp) - Fr. Phil or Fr. Richard
 • 5:00 p.m. Cathedral - Fr. Lou Phillips // Fr. Mike Seavey
 • 6:00 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Richard Bertrand, S.J.

3rd Annual Harvest Ball

Friday, October 30, 2009
 7 p.m. to midnight
 Holiday Inn by the Bay
 hosted by Bishop Malone
 featuring the Tony Boffa Band
 \$60 per person / \$100 per couple
 773-6471, ask for Christine
Proceeds will benefit Harvest Magazine

November 14, 2009, Support your Cluster: Plan now for this day of Christmas shopping fun and community in our Cluster on November 14th with **St. Peter's Buon Natale Christmas Fair** from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. sponsored by St. Peter's Sacred Heart Sodality; and **St. Louis' Christmas Fair and Bazaar** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. sponsored by the St. Louis Women's Society; finishing the day with the **4th Annual Silent Auction at Sacred Heart / St. Dominic Parish.** Mark your calendar! Please try to attend all of these Cluster events and support the Catholic Community throughout Portland.

CLUSTER 21 PRAYER LINE, 774-7120. Confidential. Names are not used.

Daily Masses

Monday, September 28, 2009
 7:00 a.m. St. Peter
 12:15 pm. Cathedral

Tuesday, September 29, 2009
 7:00 a.m. St. Peter
 12:15 pm. Cathedral
 5:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic

Wednesday, September 30, 2009
 7:00 a.m. St. Peter
 12:15 pm. Cathedral
 5:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic

Thursday, October 1, 2009
 7:00 a.m. St. Peter
 12:15 pm. Cathedral
 5:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic
 6:30 p.m. St. Louis

Friday, October 2, 2009
 7 a.m. St. Peter
 12:15 pm. Cathedral
 5:15 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic

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 Phillips.....773-7746
 Fr. Richard Bertrand, S.J. 772-6182
 (English, Français, Español)

Fr. Alfred Irving..... 380-5620
 (English, Français)

Fr. Paul Marquis..... 233-5914
 (English, Français) or 662-5911

Fr. Kevin Martin..... 773-0748
 Fr. Michael Seavey..... 773-7746
 Fr. Phil Tracy..... 767-6501
 (English, Français, Español, Portugues)



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