

PORTLAND PENINSULA AND ISLAND PARISHES
NEWSLETTER

In the Roman Catholic Diocese
of Portland, Maine

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 7/8, 2009

Campus ministry at USM:

Connect college students to a faith community while they are away at school:

The Catholic Newman Club at the University of Southern Maine is making a special effort to reach commuter students and Portland students this year. Their meetings will be alternating locations between the Gorham and Portland campuses.

Monday, 11/9, 7:30 p.m.,
Woodbury Campus Center,
Portland campus.

Monday, 11/16,
7:30 p.m.,
1st Andrews study lounge in
Robie-Andrews Hall on the
Gorham campus.

Connect with other students
of faith, and help to create a
Catholic Community at our
local University that will be a
nurturing Catholic space for
students "from away."

Children's Corner:

Jesus teaches us
that he is grateful
not only for what
we give that we
don't need any
more, but most
especially for what
we are willing to
give up that we
might still need.



Next Saturday, perfect for a day on the Peninsula!

Parishioners around town are making preparations for two great Christmas fairs and a silent auction in our cluster on November 14, 2009.

We have heard our Gospel teach us to let go of our possessions. We continuously look for that delicate balance between having enough, and having too much. We look for ways to help our mission. We look for ways to give to those in need. We look for ways to give to those we love.

The life of our Catholic community in Portland is dependent on our response to the call to do all of these things, in ways appropriate to each one's call. What better time to answer that call in a fun, community setting, that will help us to continue to know our five parishes better and better.

St. Peter's Parish has become known far and wide over the years for what will be this year the **14th Annual Buon Natale Christmas Fair**, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the 14th, and is sponsored by the

St. Peter's Sacred Heart Sodality. The parish's only fundraising event of the year, it supports several charities, featuring a favorite selection of hand-made knitted and crocheted items, crafts, jewelry, new items, baked goods, pies, and good 'ole white elephant bric and brac. It's not just St. Peter's folk that come to this fair. All are welcome.

St. Louis' Christmas Fair and Bazaar is held on the same day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. sponsored by the St. Louis Women's Society. It is the parish's major fundraising event also featuring hand knit, crocheted and hand crafted items. There will be products and gifts certificates at the raffle table. There will be a food table with baked goods, and a table for antique jewelry. If you ever wanted to know what *glomka* is, come to the Polish luncheon! Many people will be taking part in making this fair a success, and all proceeds will benefit the parish fuel fund.

The day on the Peninsula ends with the **Sacred Heart / St. Dominic 4th Annual Silent Auction** beginning at 5 p.m. One of the favorite features of this auction is the café, where homemade

soups and chowders will be available to refresh shoppers for the fun night ahead. David Goulet will be the auctioneer for the evening event, and many silent auction prizes will provide the excitement leading up to the live auction.

Silent and live auction items can be found on the Web at: www.shsdp.org/2009auction.htm

Each of these events is a major annual fundraiser for their parish. Together, we can make a difference on the Peninsula, and in our families when we come together as a Catholic community.

Cross some boundaries on November 14, and plan for a day of shopping on the Peninsula. Conveniently placed in between these important fundraising events are the centerpiece of our lives, the Liturgy where we will be refreshed and renewed in the life and mystery of Christ.

November 14 Saturday Mass Schedule:

- 4:00 p.m. in the Chapel at Sacred Heart / St. Dominic
Fr. Kevin Martin
- 4:30 p.m. Cathedral
Fr. Lou Phillips
- 4:00 p.m. at St. Peter
Fr. Richard Bertrand, S.J.
- 5:15 p.m. at St. Louis
Fr. Kevin Martin

Please take the time to support these events. We are many parts, but one body, gratefully providing for the Church in Portland, in a way that brings us into community.

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.

Community News:

Portland Peninsula and Island Parishes Cluster Central Office is now open at the Guild Hall, next to the Cathedral Rectory on the corner of Congress and Franklin Streets.

Cheverus High School seniors will be raking leaves as a fundraiser for Project Graduation during the month of November for a minimum donation of \$25/lawn. Please contact Margaret Rogosinski at 774-6238 x 47 for a date.

A Child Advocacy Forum for the Portland Peninsula & Island Parishes, after the 11 a.m. Mass on November 8, 2009 at St. Louis. Contact Mary at Cathedral at 773-7746 to get involved.

VERITAS portland's young adult ministry

Hour of Power November 11 and 18, 7 p.m. at St. Peter's. Sponsored by Veritas, Portland's Young Adult Ministry.



St. Peter's Holy Name Society Turkey Shoot and Family Fun Night, **6 p.m., Sunday November 8.**

All are invited. Along with a wonderful magician there is good food and cheer.

Raffle and auction!

\$10 per person, under 12 years old come free.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTION

Please credit this offering to:

Cathedral
Sacred Heart / St. Dominic

Name (optional)

Use the Five Parish Offertory Envelope when visiting a different parish in our cluster.

Cluster Junior High Youth Gathering: is Sunday, November 15 from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the multipurpose room of Cathedral School. Think First; Stay Safe Programs will be presented to junior high youth students and their parents. Mrs. Rachel Johns will be the presenter. All junior youth and their parents are asked to attend.

November 15, 2009, 4 p.m. Troy MacGillivray, winner of several Canadian music awards will perform at St. Louis Polish Church on Danforth St., Troy is an acclaimed fiddler, step dancer and pianist. He was selected to perform for the troops in Afganistan representing Canada. Admission \$10, Seniors \$8, children 12 and under, free.

A message from Fr. Mike: I will be away for the next two weeks. This Sunday, November 8th, I am beginning a week's retreat in Atlanta, Georgia. This annual retreat is an important time to reflect, pray and find renewed strength from God's love for the pastoral tasks at hand. This is also an important time to bring all parishioners to prayer, as I do every day. Please keep me in your prayers while on this retreat. Your prayers are important to me and I grateful to you for them. Following a week's vacation, I will return for the weekend Masses on November 21/22.

Peace, Fr. Mike Seavey

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

The Greater Portland Council of Catholic Men's Communion Breakfast for the Feast of Christ the King is set for Sunday, November 22, 2009.

Two Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday, November 7, 2009 // Saturday, November 14, 2009
• 4:00 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Bertrand, S.J. // Fr. Martin
• 4:30 p.m. Cathedral - Fr. Lou Phillips
• 4:00 p.m. Fr. Mike Seavey // Fr. Richard Bertrand, S.J.
• 5:15 p.m. St. Louis - Fr. Kevin Martin

Sunday, November 8, 2009 // November 15, 2009
• 8:00 a.m. St. Peter - Fr. Richard Bertrand., S.J. // Fr. Kevin Martin
• 8:30 a.m. Cathedral - Fr. Lou Phillips
• 9:00 a.m. St. Louis - Fr. Paul Marquis // Fr. Harold Moreshead
• 9:30 a.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Seavey // Fr. Bertrand
• 10:00 a.m. Cathedral - Fr. Lou Phillips
• 10:00 a.m. St. Christopher - Fr. Kevin Martin // Fr. Fred Irving
• 10:30 a.m. St. Peter - Fr. Richard Bertrand, S.J. // Fr. Kevin Martin
• 11:00 a.m. St. Louis - Fr. Mike Seavey // Fr. Harold Moreshead
• 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. Paul Marquis // Fr. Lou Phillips
• 6:00 p.m. Sacred Heart / St. Dominic - Fr. Martin // Fr. Bertrand

"What the Catholic Church Teaches About the Bible"

Fr. Mike Seavey will offer an adult faith formation class on Catholic Church teachings on the Bible. This will be a four week course beginning on Tuesday, December 1st at St. Peter's Church hall on Federal Street. The class will present the basic teachings on "What is the Bible?", "How did the Bible Come to Be?", "How to better understand the Bible", and "What are the different parts of the Bible?". No previous understanding of the Bible is necessary to take this course. Classes will begin at 6:30PM on Tuesdays, Dec. 1, 8, 15, and 22. Please bring a Bible to class!! Some Bibles will be available for those that do not own one. Parking is available on Federal Street or in the Cathedral parking lot on Congress Street. There will be no fee for this class, however a basket will be available for donations for a designated charity each week. This first week, money will be collected for The St. Vincent DePaul Society.

Daily Masses

Monday, November 9, 2009

7:00 a.m. St. Peter
12:15 p.m. Cathedral

Tuesday, November 10, 2009

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

Wednesday, November 11, 2009

9:00 a.m. Cathedral
All Diocesan Offices are closed

Thursday, November 12, 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, November 13, 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, Portuguese)



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