

HOLY CROSS PARISH, SOUTH PORTLAND



Saturday	April 17
4:00PM	Lenore Higgins by Husband John Higgins
Sunday	April 18
7:00AM	Anita & Edward Ventura by Daughter Ann Pepper
10:00AM	Intentions of the Parishioners
5:30PM	Timothy Brown by Nan Whitten
Monday	April 19
12 Noon	Mass at St. John's
Tuesday	April 20
7:30AM	Bernadette Alves-Meuse by Mildred McLaughlin
Wednesday	April 21
7:30AM	Communion Service
Thursday	April 22
12 Noon	Mass at St. John's
Friday	April 23
7:30AM	Rose Frustaci by Family
Saturday	April 24
4:00PM	John Kneeland Family by Daughter Catherine Kneeland
Sunday	April 25
7:00AM	John F. Haley by Family
10:00AM	Seamus Nee by Alberta Cloutier
5:30PM	Ernest MacVane Sr. by Avis L. Fleck

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Fr. Paul, Fr. Feeney, Fr. McAllister, Deacon Steve and to all

those who helped to make our Triduum and Easter celebration so meaningful and inspiring. A Special thanks to our Choir Director, Sally Page, members of the choir, our organist, Brian Frank, and all the cantors, Eucharistic ministers, lectors and altar servers. Special thanks also to Mike & Debbie Gregory, Steve Bussone, Ana Bussone and the environmental committee for their hours of love given to create a unique atmosphere for each of our liturgical celebrations.

"HE IS RISEN INDEED, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA"



Special thanks to the Cheverus Council Knights of Columbus for your donation of the American Flag and Papal Flag to Holy Cross Church.

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers during my recent illness. God bless you all!

*With Sincere Appreciation,
Henry Mahoney*



DEVOTIONAL LIGHT

A devotional light is burning this week in loving memory of:

Jerry Ahearn

Requested by Gloria & Family.



"Men of Galilee, why do you stand here looking up at the skies?"

THE WEEK AHEAD

*No Faith Formation or Adult Sessions This Week
Due to Patriots Day Weekend and School Vacation*

	Sunday, April 18
10:00 AM Mass	CLOW
	Monday, April 19
	Parish Office Closed/Patriots Day
2:030PM	Women's Bible Group – SJ Center
	Tuesday, April 20
7:00PM	Majesty of Mary Cenacle Prayer Group – HC Chapel
	Wednesday, April 21
9:00AM	Women's Bible Group – SJ Center
7:00PM	Women's Bible Group. – SJ Center
	Thursday, April 22
9am-Noon	Food Cupboard – SJ Church Hall
6:30PM	HC Choir Practice – HC Church

PLEASE NOTE:

THE ENTIRE SCHOOL AT HOLY CROSS WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL ACTIVITIES DURING THE APRIL VACATION. THANK YOU!



Envelopes used	423	\$4855.00
Loose money		\$4620.44
Total Collection for W/E 4/11//04		\$9475.44
Clergy & Health Pension Collection	\$2286.97	
Holy Land Collection	\$ 880.00	
Thank you for your continued generosity.		

PLEASE NOTE: Coffee Hour and the 400 Club are not being held this weekend in observance of the Patriots Day Holiday Weekend.



REMEMBER THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN!

Campaign envelopes are available in the narthex for your convenience. If you have not made a pledge or a one-time donation and wish to do so, please call the parish office @772-7489. Many thanks to all for your continued support!

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH, SOUTH PORTLAND

Readings for the Week of April 18, 2004

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19;
Jn 20:19-31
Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21
Next Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL OPENINGS

Holy Cross School is now accepting applications for Pre-K and Kindergarten for the 2004-2005 school years. There are some openings available through Grade 8. If you are interested in an application, please call the school at 799-6661.

PARISH BUSINESS MANAGER POSITION AVAILABLE

Our business manager, Marianne Fox, is moving out of the area and her position, as business manager, is now available. If you are interested in this position please send your letter of intent, your resume and references to the Search Committee, 29 Aspen Avenue, South Portland, Maine 04106.

BOOK SIGNING

Msgr. Charles M. Murphy will be at the Abbey Catholic Book Store Route I, Scarborough on Saturday May 1st from 10:00AM-12:00Noon signing his newly released book. "**Belonging to God**".

WHITE ELEPHANT RUMMAGE SALE: St. Patrick's Church Hall, April 23/24, 9:00AM-1:00PM. Sponsored by the St. Patrick's Women's Council & the Knights of Columbus.

CAPIM GROSSO CORNER



We would like to thank the St. John's Women's Council for the very generous donation of \$100.00 for the Capim Grosso Fund. We have had tremendous support from parishioners for our Capim Grosso Lenten Projects over the past few weeks. Thank you for your support for the parish water relief project, the Bake Sale, the coin boxes, and the Holy Cross School fundraising efforts. Because of your continued generosity we will be able to assist the Medical Missionaries of Mary in Brazil as they perform God's work at the Mission.

FAITH FORMATION

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: *BREAD OF LIFE*

The final set of worksheets for Sacramental Preparation, First Eucharist "Bread of Life," has been distributed to the children preparing to celebrate the Sacraments in May. If you did not receive your workbook with the worksheets in it, please call the Faith Formation office at 773-8710 as soon as possible. They will be collected at the Confirmation/1st Eucharist Retreat on May 8. Copies of Baptismal Certificates and Sponsor Eligibility Certificates can be mailed or faxed to us at: 29 Aspen Avenue, S. Portland, ME 04106 fax: (207) 772-7480.

THE FOOD CUPBOARD

We thank each and every one of you that donated to the Holy Thursday collection for the Food Cupboard. We collected \$588.40.

As the Easter basket project numbers and costs increase every year, we are very grateful for this donation. Because of you, our generous parishioners, we have been able to give an Easter basket of food to every family that has come to us in the last 4 weeks. **We gave 159 baskets!** Every family that had children 10 years and younger received a basket filled with fun foods, candy and a small rabbit. **We gave out 95 children's baskets!** Families with children 6 years and under received a stuffed rabbit thanks to Hannaford.

The Thursday before Easter we had 49 families come to us for food. This was a special day, first we had a teenage girl come in with her Mom and donate \$160.00 to the Cupboard, money she had earned, and next we had a single Mom recently from Chili with a 4 year old adorable little girl (Gracie) that needed food. You had to be there to see the expression on Gracie's face and how she hugged the stuffed rabbit we gave her. It brought tears to your eyes! Some of these families that visit our Cupboard don't know where to turn. Food is not their only problem. For example, we helped a young widow with 3 children with food and transportation to legal aid. She is being evicted from her apartment for reasons too long and private to relate here. We feel so blessed to know that young people are helping this ministry, that our parishioners are so supportive, and that we can share food and assist families in accessing needed services.

The Cape Veterinary Clinic has donated gifts their clinic has received to the Cupboard - peanut brittle and boxes of dog and cat toys.

We gratefully thank the following for their monetary donations: Michael & Eileen Connolly, volunteer Janet Malia, volunteer Stephen Curran, First United Methodist Church, Bob Hewlett (in memory of Charlene and in Thanksgiving), and Cheverus Council Knights of Columbus. God Bless!

THE CUPBOARD NEEDS: Cake, Brownie or Muffin Mixes.

VOICE OF THE FAITHFUL-MAINE

Under the sponsorship of Voice of the Faithful-Maine, **Fr. Thomas P. Doyle** will deliver a major address at **7:00PM, Monday, April 26, at St. Pius X Church**, 492 Ocean Avenue, Portland. Internationally renowned as an expert in the canonical and pastoral dimensions of clergy sexual abuse, this will be Fr. Doyle's first appearance in Maine. All are cordially invited to attend this important event.

CELEBRATION OF MUSIC

United Methodist Church

Sunday, April 25th at 3:00PM in the church's sanctuary, there will be a celebration of music of faith, presented by the THUMC Choir. Tickets are \$8.00, Seniors and Children \$6.00. FMI call Walter Kimball at 761-9512.

OFFICE CLOSED

The office will be closed Monday, April 19, in observance of Patriot's Day.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH, SOUTH PORTLAND



Thank You

The Worship & Spirituality Commission would like to thank: our Choir Director, Bill Wells and the Choir: for making our Easter Celebration meaningful and inspiring. Special thanks to our environmental committee Marcia O'Donnell, Frank & Jane Maguire, Ralph Furbush, and Florence Bouchard for creating a unique atmosphere to each of our liturgical celebrations. Last but not least, many thanks to the cantors, Eucharistic ministers, lectors and altar servers for their selfless gift of time.

REMINDER: The Worship & Spirituality Commission will be meeting Monday, April 19th at 7:00PM in the Center.



ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S COUNCIL NEWS

You must have received your raffle tickets in the mail by now, but in case you haven't or you would like more, please call Peg Furbush at 767-2897. Just imagine winning one or more of the fifteen prizes. There are cash prizes, gift certificates, and several great services. So don't wait - get your tickets and money in ASAP. **Your Ticket (s)** may be one of the lucky ones. The drawing will be after the 8:30AM Mass on May 16th.

- Saturday April 17**
5:30PM Adeline LeClair by Sue Poulin
- Sunday April 18**
8:30AM Robert Hegarty by Mary Hegarty
11:30AM Edmund Landry by Beverly & Bill Wells
- Monday April 19**
12:00Noon James Dexter by Catherine Ayer
- Tuesday April 20**
7:30AM Mass at Holy Cross
- Wednesday April 21**
12:00Noon Communion Service
- Thursday April 22**
12:00Noon Dominic DiBiase by Family
- Friday April 23**
7:30AM Mass at Holy Cross
- Saturday April 24**
5:30PM Michael Norton by Anne Bain
- Sunday April 25**
8:30AM Linnie Grass by St. John's Women's Council
11:30AM For the Intentions of the Parishioners

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, April 19
12:00Noon Bridge Group – SJ Center
2:30PM Women's Bible Group – SJ Center

Tuesday, April 20
NO FAITH FORMATION THIS WEEK (SCHOOL VACATION)

Wednesday, April 21
9:00AM Women's Bible Group - SJ Center
4:00PM Church Kitchen/Hall in Use
7:00PM Women's Bible Group - SJ Center
7:00PM Rosary – SJ Church

Thursday, April 22
9AM-12Noon Food Cupboard – SJ Church Hall
9:00AM Quilter's – SJ Center
6:30PM Choir Practice – SJ Church

Friday, April 23
4:00PM Girl Scout Troop 114 –SJ Center

Saturday, April 24
9:00-3:00 Catholic Scouting Training – SJ Ctr.
8:00-12:00 Girl Scout Troop 114 –SJ Center.



DEVOTIONAL LIGHT

A devotional light is burning this week in loving memory of:

Rita Colucci

Requested by

Parents, Mr. & Mrs. Jules Frenette

Envelopes used	233	\$3011.50
Loose money		\$1842.50
Total Collection for W/E 4-11-04		\$4854.00
Clergy Health & Pension Collection		\$1,011.00
Holy Land Collection		\$ 548.00

Stop In... AND HAVE A CUP OF COFFEE

Please join us this Sunday after the 8:30AM Mass for Coffee, Donuts & Bagels in the church hall. Our host this week will be the Religious Education Commission. Next week our host will be the Choir.

