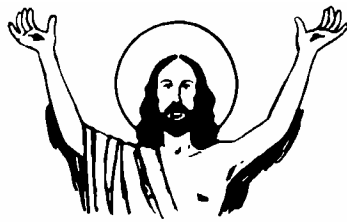


EASTER SUNDAY



EASTER

HE HAS RISEN, ALLELUIA!



HOLY CROSS/ST. JOHN'S

Saturday March 26
HC 7:30PM Easter Vigil
 (No 4:00PM Mass Today)

Sunday March 27(EASTER SUNDAY)
HC 7:30AM Walter J. "Mike" Norton by
 Eleanor Flaherty
SJ 9:00AM For the Intentions of the Parishioners
HC 10:30AM Don Abraham by Family
SJ 11:00AM Elizabeth Conley by M/M Jerry Shea

Monday March 28
SJ 12:00Noon Adelaide Flaherty by
 Marilyn & Raymond Michaud

Tuesday March 29
HC 7:30AM Margaret Gregory by
 Theresa Cielezsko

Wednesday March 30
HC 7:30AM Communion Service
SJ 12:00Noon Communion Service

Thursday March 31
SJ 12:00 Noon Patrick Conley by Dr. & Mrs. Barron

Friday April 1
HC 7:30AM David C. Kiah by
 Mary & Don Kane

Saturday April 2
HC 4:00PM James Sylvester by
 Ted & Doris Cook
SJ 5:30PM Patricia Fletcher by Bill Fletcher

Sunday April 3
HC 7:30AM Dorothy E. Maroon by Family
SJ 9:00AM Blanche Blanchette by
 Relatives & Family
HC 10:30AM Peter McKenney by Wife



DEVOTIONAL LIGHTS

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

Frank & Maydene Potrepka
 Requested by Kathy Potrepka
 And

A devotional light is burning this week at
St. John's in loving memory of:

Jeannette Regina

Requested by M/M Michael Connolly

Stop In... AND HAVE A CUP OF COFFEE



Join us for Coffee, Juice, Donuts & Bagels after the
 8:30AM Mass at **St. John's** in the Church Hall. Your
 host at St. John's will be the Eucharistic Ministers.
 Next week your host will be the Pastoral Council
Holy Cross will not be having coffee hour this week,
 to give our volunteers time with their families. See you
 next week!



**WE WILL HAVE THE FIGURES IN NEXT WEEK'S
 BULLETIN. THE BULLETIN HAD TO BE TRANSMITTED
 ON FRIDAY IN ORDER TO HAVE THEM FOR EASTER.**

THE WEEK AHEAD

Holy Cross/St. John's

Sunday, March 27

Wishing you all a Blessed Easter!

Monday, March 28

12:00Noon Bridge - **SJ Center**
 6:00PM Odyssey of the Mind - **Dble Rm**
 7:00PM Quilter's - **Conf. Rm. #1**

Tuesday, March 29

2:00PM Adult Bible Group - **SJ Center**
 6:00PM RCIA - **SJ Center**
 6:00PM F. Formation - **SJ Center**
 7:00PM Marian Cenacle Prayer Group -
 At **HC Church**

Wednesday, March 30

9:00AM Women's Bible Group - **SJ Center**
 6:30PM Adult Bible Group - **SJ Center**
 6-8:00PM Odyssey of the Mind - **SJ Center**
 7:00PM Rosary - **SJ Church**

Thursday, March 31

9:00AM Food Cupboard - **SJ Church**
 9:00AM Quilters - **SJ Center**
 3:30-5:30PM Odyssey of the Mind - **Center**
 5:00PM Church Kitchen & Hall In Use
 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal - **SJ Church**
 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal - **HC Church**
 6:30PM AA Mtg. - **S. J. Center**

Friday, April 1

1-5--PM First Friday Adoration - **SJ Church**

**APRIL
 FOOLS
 DAY!**

EASTER SUNDAY



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

People in our families, our friends and members of our parish who are ill, facing surgery,

hospitalized, or experiencing difficult times have asked for our prayers. During the course of the week, please take a few moments to offer a prayer of healing and strength for: **Linda Balzano, Lydia Barron, Harold & Betty Janson, Peg Girr, Percy Farmer, Patricia Berry, Steve Lesneski, Laura Stevens, Louise Dixon, Elaine Cribby, Michael LaForgia, Jonathan Gorman, Gertrude Fraser, Don Knight, Anne Hewlett, Ed & Ann Letourneau, Theresa Chicoine, Bill Crangle Sr., Patricia Earles, Eleanor Ward, Marty DiMauro, Pete Peterson, Carmela Gatley, Louise Bickford, Eleanor Krupski, Rose Clark, Maria Bracero, Ryan Burton, Ethel Ball, Claude Vachon, & Eugenia Britt**

Readings for the Week of March 27, 2005

Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43/ Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/ Jn 20:1-9
Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33/ Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41/ Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10/ Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26/ Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12/ Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21/ Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday:	Acts 2:42-47/ 1 Pt 1:3-9/ Jn 20:19-31

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Holy Cross Church Friday, April 1, 8AM – 5PM
St. John's Church Friday, April 1, 1PM – 5PM
Please stop by during the day, at either church at the times listed above, for a visit before the Blessed

DR. JOHN BERNIER

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

There will be a seven week course presented by Dr. Bernier on "Outline of the Old Testament"

Date is: Wednesday, April 6th through May 18th.

Time is 6:30-8:30PM

Cost is \$5.00, Pay at the Door.

Place: Cathedral Chapel

RAFFLE

RAFFLE TICKETS FOR THE HOLY CROSS SCHOOL AUCTION WILL BE SOLD AT HOLY CROSS AFTER THE 10:30AM MASS IN THE NARTHEX. TICKETS ARE \$10.00 EACH.

1ST. PRIZE IS A \$1000. SCHOOL VOUCHER TO THE SCHOOL OF YOUR CHOICE.

2ND. PRIZE IS DINNER FOR TWO AT THE REGENCY IN PORTLAND.

ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS

A Young Adult Ministry Conference is being hosted by the Diocese. Set **May 21, 2005** aside on your calendar and plan to be in Portland at the USM Woodbury center to take part in this wonderful occasion. Fr. John Cusick, Diocese of Chicago and developer of the "Theology on Tap" program will be the keynote speaker. Workshops on healthy relationships, being Catholic 24/7 and affirming life issues will be some of the topics to be addressed that day. Bishop Malone will preside at the afternoon liturgy. The time is 8:00AM-6:00PM Cost: registration prior to April 15- \$30.00 after \$40.00. FMI call 892-4855 or email Ginny at ginnymweeks@hotmail.com.

FLEXIBLE 20HOUR WEEK OPENING CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF MAINE

Catholic Charities of Maine has an opening for a Marriage Support & Divorce Ministry Coordinator. The Coordinator shall develop and coordinate marriage enrichment programs and divorce ministry services throughout the dioceses. Work closely with parishes, provide educational presentations, publicize services and work closely with volunteers. You should have a bachelor's degree in pastoral studies, helping profession, or equivalent field. To apply please send (2) cover-letters and (2) resumes by April 4th to Catholic Charities Maine Human Resources Office, P.O. Box 10660, Portland, Me 04104



THORNTON HEIGHTS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Bean Supper, Saturday, April 2nd from 5:00-6:30PM. Two kinds of beans, homemade biscuits, hot dogs, brown bread, American chopsyuey, Coleslaw and pies. Eat in or take out. Adults \$6.00 and Children \$3.00.

CHEVERUS PROJECT GRADUATION

Presents Bob Marley

The Cheverus High School Project Graduation committee is presenting a show by comedian **Bob Marley** at Holy Cross School on Saturday, April 2nd at 6:00PM. Tickets are \$15.00 and are available at the Cheverus High School main office.

BAPTISM



The next Pre-Baptismal Preparation Class will be on **April 7th**. 6:30PM in St. John's Center. Anyone wishing to have their child baptized within the next six months can call and register for this class. #772-7489.

FAITH FORMATION

SAVE THE DATE

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

June 27 - July 1

More details to come in the next few weeks!

Confirmation/First Eucharist Retreat Volunteers.

We are looking for a few good women and men to lead our April 30th retreat. If you plan to volunteer, please call the parish office and leave your name and address so we can mail you your material in anticipation of the training workshop. You can also email us at ff@hcsj.org and we will email you the material. We need Station Leaders who teach a 20 minute component, Group Leaders who rotate with the children from station to station, and we need food preparation helpers. The **training workshop** has a *new date*: **Sunday, April 24, 2005 at St. John the Evangelist Center.**

NEW VIDEO SERIES ON THE CHURCH

Lay Collaborative Inquiry Group will be beginning a video series by Fr. Michael Himes which highlights the many changes in the Church that Vatican II brought about, especially those which emphasize lay participation. Join us on **Tuesday, March 29 at 7:15PM at SJ.** for serious inquiry into the role of the laity during this time of diocesan exploration of plans for parish reconfiguration.

Parents with Children Preparing for the Sacraments

If you did not turn in your workbooks last week please do so as soon as possible, *even if your child has not finished the Confirmation worksheets.* Your child will have time to finish them later. Without the workbooks, we cannot insert the First Eucharist worksheets and give them back to you.

OPERATON RICE BOWL

Alleluia! We celebrate new life in Christ as people around the world celebrate the great feast of Easter. We also celebrate with them their newfound hope because of the assistance they receive through our efforts directed to them by way of *Operation Rice Bowl.* Our **prayers** do make a difference. Our **fasting** has helped us become aware of our brothers and sisters in need around the world. Our **almsgiving** has generated funds for Catholic Relief Services to continue to assist people in the areas of agriculture, water and sanitation, microfinance, healthcare for mothers and children and education projects. We join with our bothers and sisters around the world in singing, "Alleluia!" for the wonders we have wrought through *Operation Rice Bowl.*

VOCATIONS

"The Lord is Risen, it is true!" Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, brothers and sisters. If God is calling you, Call Fr. Frank Murray at 782-6911 ext 3109.



The K of C #8144 would like to thank all those who attended the Lenten Friday night Baked Haddock Dinners at St. John's. It was a pleasure to prepare and serve each one of you and we really appreciated the great turn out each week.

Hopefully we will see you next year!

WOMEN JOURNEYING IN FAITH

Where: Marie Joseph Spiritual Center
10 Evans Road (Rt 9/208)
Biddeford Pool

When: Thursday, April 7th, 1-4PM
Please bring your Bible.
Love offering accepted.

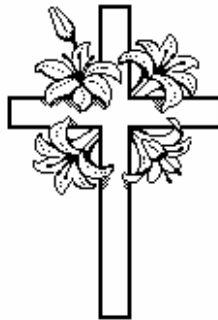
Topic: "Has St. Catherine of Siena Anything to Say to Today's Women?"

Presenter: Sister Sylvia Genesse, P.M.
FMI and to register call 284-5671.

RETURN TO YOUR HEART
APRIL 2, 2005

Sr. Irma Gendreau, P.F.M., a PRH Growth educator from Worcester, MA (and Fr. Mike's aunt) will conduct a three hour introductory workshop, free of charge. This workshop will be held at The Holy Cross / St. John Pastoral Center on Aspen Avenue on **Saturday, April 2nd from 9AM to Noon.** To register or FMI please call Fr. Mike Gendreau at 772-7489.

ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S COUNCIL
Next meeting will be **Monday, April 4th** in the Center.



NO MORE TO DIE
Death and life were locked together
In a unique struggle,
Life's captain died;
Now He reigns, no more to die.
Alleluia

May we share in the joy and certainty of His resurrection as we follow Him in the dance of love and life.

