

HOLY CROSS & ST. JOHN'S PARISHES, SOUTH PORTLAND, ME

Mass for the Intentions  *for the Week*

Saturday **May 28**
HC 4:00PM Ernest Rollins by
 Daughter, Elaine Dysinger & Family
SJ 5:30PM Domenico Floridino by
 M/M Russell Blanchard

Sunday **May 29**
HC 7:30AM For the Intentions of the Parishioners
SJ 9:00AM Robert Violette by Nellie Romano
HC 10:30AM George H. Cadigan Sr. by
 Donna & Marty Craine

Monday **May 30**
SJ 12:00Noon Robert MacDonough
 By Mary Bradley

Tuesday **May 31**
HC 7:30AM Diane Greenwood by Jean Gaudreau

Wednesday **June 1**
HC 7:30AM Communion Service
SJ 12:00Noon Communion Service


Thursday **June 2**
SJ 12:00 Noon Janet Campbell by
 M/M Thomas Foley

Friday **June 3**
HC 7:30AM Walter F. Feeney by
 M/M Edward Madairos


Saturday **June 4**
HC 4:00PM Mary Brogan by Melaugh Family
SJ 5:30PM Carmino Puopolo
 By the Spino Family

Sunday **June 5**
HC 7:30AM Margaret Gregory by Marcia Marley
SJ 9:00AM For the Intentions of the Parishioners
HC 10:30AM J. Frederick Simpson by wife, Agnes
 Son, Fred & Family

HOLY CROSS

		
Envelopes used	#390	\$5562.00
Loose money		<u>\$1349.10</u>
Total Collection for W/E 05-22-05		\$6911.10
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.		

ST. JOHN'S

		
Envelopes used	#138	\$2374.00
Loose money		<u>\$ 577.00</u>
Total Collection for W/E 05-22-05		\$2951.00
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THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday May 30



12:00Noon Bridge - SJ Center

Tuesday **May 31**
 2:00PM Adult Bible Group – SJ Center
 7:00PM Marian Cenacle Prayer Group -
At HC Church
 7:15PM Lay Inquiry Group- **2B**

Wednesday **June 1**
 6:30PM Adult Bible Group – SJ Center
 7:00PM Rosary- **SJ Church**
 5:30-8:30PM AFG- **Rm 1**

Thursday **June 2**
 9:00AM Food Cupboard- **SJ Church**
 9:00AM Quilters- **SJ Center**
 5:00PM Church Kitchen & Hall in Use
 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal – **HC Church**
 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal- **SJ Church**
 6:30PM AA Mtg. – **Church**

Friday **June 3**
 8:00-5:00PM First Friday Adoration- **H.C.**
 1:00-5:00PM First Friday Adoration- **S. J.**
 5:00PM American Institute- **Dble Rm**

Saturday **June 4**
 8:00AM American Institute- **Dble. Rm.**
 11:00AM Small Room in Use/ L. Stevens



DEVOTIONAL LIGHTS

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

David C. Kiah

Requested Betty Fizell
 And

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

John Dominicus

Requested by wife, Edie & Family

St John's Women's Council will be held June 6th at 6PM in the Center. Reservations must be made by May 29th – all women are welcome. FMY call Pat Cook, 772-1136 or Pat Shea, 883-5455.

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



Conroy Tully Crawford funeral home together with St. John's Parish is sponsoring a special Memorial Day Service at New Calvary cemetery, on **Monday, May 30th at 9:00AM**. Most Reverend Richard J. Malone, Th.D., Bishop of Portland will be the celebrant and homilist. In case of rain, the service will be at St. John's on Main Street. Seating will be limited at the cemetery. You may bring your own lawn chair if you wish.

On Memorial Day we gather to pay homage to those who have died in our place; to those who have fallen in battle against our enemies that we might live to seek peace; to those who did not ask what their "country could do for them," but asked "what they could do for their country," and in receiving an answer, willingly gave their life for their country and us.



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

experiencing difficult times have asked or our prayers. During the course of the week, please take a few moments to offer a prayer of healing and strength for: **Lydia Barron, Harold & Betty Janson, Gail Smith, Steve Lesneski, Laura Stevens, Louise Dixon, Elaine Cribby, Michael LaForgia, Gertrude Fraser, Anne Hewlett, Ed & Ann Letourneau, Theresa Chicoine, Bill Crangle Sr., Patricia Earles, Eleanor Ward, Pete Peterson, Camella Gatley, Rose Clark, Maria Bracero, Ryan Burton, Ethel Ball, Eugenia Britt, Norman Hughes, Eleanor Krupski, Katherine Farrell, Dan Campbell, Diane Greenwood, Francis Branley, Barry Richards and Joyce Yankowsky.**

Stop In... AND HAVE A CUP OF COFFEE 

Join us for Coffee, Juice, Donuts & Bagels after the 9:00AM Mass at **St. John's** in the Church Hall. Your host at St. John's will be the **Choir**. Next week your host will be the Knights of Columbus. This will be the last coffee hour for the summer. Join the parishioners at **Holy Cross** for *Hot Chocolate, Donuts, Bagels and Other Special Treats* in the school cafeteria this Sunday immediately following the 10:30AM Mass.

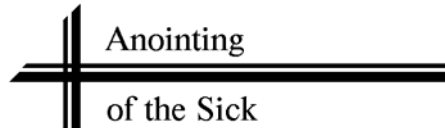
BOOK SIGNING/ ABBEY BOOK STORE **On Saturday, June 4, 2005, 10-12:00Noon.**

Local Parish Priest & Author, Fr. Zachary Grant of St. Joseph Parish Portland, will be signing his New Release "Until the Trumpet Sounds". Reserve a copy by calling 885-5813.

ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S COUNCIL

Good News! The Council has **four (4) new prizes** to add to the 17 other prizes for their raffle. They are a gift certificate to **Amato's \$20.00**, Gift certificate to **Bob's Furniture for \$100.00**, G. C. to **Borders Books**, and G. C. to **Kettle Cove take out and Dairy Bar**. So get your tickets in ASAP. The drawing will take place at the **Women's Council Banquet on June 6th**. The proceeds of the raffle will go to the parish to help with financial needs.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Anointing of the Sick on Sunday, June 12th, 2:00PM at St. John's Parish.

BISHOP'S APPEAL

Sharing Good News, doing Good Works for the people of Maine.

Christian stewards recognize Christ as the source of all good things. God calls us to share what we have to help others. We are grateful for the gifts we have received and eager to use them to show our love for Christ and for one another.

The Bishop's Appeal is one way to use our gifts for the Church. We would very much like to increase participation even more than last year. If you have not yet made your gift, please consider making a prayerful, thankful pledge to the Appeal this weekend.

The Goals for this year are:

HOLY CROSS	\$44,000
ST. JOHN'S	\$15,500



The Parish Office will be closed Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day.

We wish you all a very safe and happy holiday weekend.

VOCATIONS

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to him on our journey as a married, single, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you, call Fr. Frank J. Murray at 207-782-6911 ext 3109.

SOUTH PORTLAND SCHOOL DEPT. is looking for kitchen help- on call basis- Mother's hours. If interested call Martha Spencer @767-7710 ext. 250.

Readings for the Week of May 29, 2005

Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/ 1 Cor 10:16-17
Jn 6:51-58
Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1a-8/ Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/ Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/ Mk 12:18-27
Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a
Mk 12:28-34
Friday: Dt 7:6-11/ 1 Jn 4:7-16/ Mt 11:25-30
Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/ Lk 2:41-51
Next Sunday: Hos 6:3-6/ Rom 4:18-25/ Mt 9:9-13

FAITH FORMATION



Vacation Bible School

Our Vacation Bible School runs 9:00am to 12 noon, from June 27 to July 1, 2005.

The cost is \$40.00 per child with needs-based scholarships available. Please call the parish office to register: 772-7489. Spaces are limited to 50. If you would like to help as a catechists/teacher, group leader, or in other capacities, please let us know.



"BODY OF CHRIST"

LIFE IN A MEAL

God: What makes sharing a meal so important?

Guest: I think when we eat together we can take the opportunity to concentrate on one another, sharing our lives as we share our food. Without food and without community we die.

God: Right! And in leaving you the gift of the Eucharist Jesus wanted to continually be present as a source of life for you and for all My people.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

All are encouraged to spend time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament on **First Friday, June 3rd**.

8:00-5:00PM Holy Cross
1:00-5:00 St. John's

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

A retreat, sponsored by Project Rachel, is an invitation to men, women, couples, and relatives who grieve the loss of a child from abortion to experience the loving compassion of Jesus, and begin a journey toward healing. Project Rachel is a ministry of the Catholic Charities of Maine Family Life Institute. **Upcoming retreat dates are: June 17-19; August 19-21; and October 21-23, 2005.** FMI call 879-1130, ext. 770 or 771; all inquiries are strictly confidential.



PARISH SUPPER BBQ

There will be a supper for all parishioners on **Saturday, June 4th after the 4: 00 PM Mass** in the Holy Cross School Cafeteria. Lot's of yummy BBQ food, make your own sundaes, and a visit from Zabby's Farm Animals (sheep, rabbits and more)! Prices: \$4 children, \$6 adults, \$20 families of 4 or more.

We would like to thank additional members of our communities who helped plan, organize and serve at the celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist last weekend. These include more members of, or collaborators with, the excellent Family Life Commission: Joan Kirby, Chris Kennedy, Kathy Peaco and her daughter Christina (6th grade) and her friend Nicole Connolly. Also, we would like to thank the altar servers who did a wonderful job serving: Lauren Foley, Christina Fields, Ben Savage, Amanda McCormick and John and Daniel Medici.



"Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of

me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever." -Jn 6:57-58

THE FOOD CUPBOARD

During Norway Savings Bank's "Reality" checking campaign, they are asking new customers to select one Maine-based nonprofit organization from their list of qualified nonprofit gift recipients. Recipients will receive a \$50 donation from the bank on behalf of the new customer. Not only were we very pleased to be selected to appear on this list, we received our first \$50 donation from Norway Savings Bank thanks to John Buckley.

We also received a large amount of donated goods from the recent letter carrier drive. Postal workers from the South Portland Annex delivered this food last Thursday. We were very grateful to be considered, in the past this food stayed in Portland.

We extend our sincere thanks to the following for their monetary donations: Mary Cash, (for her six months absence), Leola Curran, anonymous in memory of Rev. John Breen M.M. and anonymous in memory of Eddie Murphy. Your donations enable us to purchase necessary food items. ***Thank you!***

We need: Crackers, Saltines, and Spaghetti's.

