

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



HOLY CROSS

Weekly Goal	\$7,100.00
Total Collection for W/E 10-02-05	\$6263.45
Building Fund	\$2,154.00
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.	

ST. JOHN'S

Weekly Goal	\$3800.00
Total Collection for W/E 10-02-05	\$4,567.00
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.	

Parish Council Meeting
Monday October 10th at 6:30 p.m.
 To be held at the Parish Center – Aspen Avenue – all are welcome

Saturday **October 8**
HC 4:00PM John Kneeland Family by Daughter
SJ 5:30PM For the Intentions of the Parishioners

Sunday **October 9**
HC 7:30AM James Sylvester by Wife
SJ 9:00AM Angie Barsanti by Linda Williamson
HC 10:30AM Douglas McBride by Family

Monday **October 10**
SJ 12:00Noon Lorraine Casey by John, Elaine & Family

Tuesday **October 11**
HC 7:30AM Henry Yankowsky by wife Joyce

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

Thursday **October 13**
SJ 12:00 Noon Mary A. Murphy by Children

Friday **October 14**
HC 7:30AM Maryann McGonagle by Joseph & Elizabeth Conroy

Saturday **October 15**
HC 4:00PM For the Intentions of the Parishioners
SJ 5:30PM John A. Marcoux by Elaine Guerette (sister)

Sunday **October 16**
HC 7:30AM M/M Michael Iaconeta by Family
SJ 9:00AM James & Catherine Welch by Jim & Candy Welch
HC 10:30AM Patricia McBride by Family

HOLY HOUR

Bishop Richard Malone and the Sisters invite you to a *Holy Hour* for Vocations at the Chapel of the Monastery of the Precious Blood on Sunday, October 16th at 5:00PM.

WEEK AHEAD

Monday **October 10**
 12:00Noon Bridge - **SJ Center-Dble Rm.**

Tuesday **October 11**
 12:00-2:30PM Kitchen in use- Me Voc (**Church**)
 7:00PM Marian Cenacle Prayer Group - **At HC Church**
 7:15PM Lay Coll. Inq. Group -**Act. Rm. 2B**

Wednesday **October 12**
 6:30PM RCIA-**Center**
 7:00PM Rosary- **SJ Church**

Thursday **October 13**
 9:00AM Food Cupboard- **SJ Church**
 9:00AM Quilters- **SJ Center**
 4:15PM Church Kitchen & Hall in Use
 6:30PM Rt. 1 Men's Step Mtg. – **Church**
 6:30PM S.J. Choir Rehearsals- **Church**
 6:30PM HC Choir Rehearsals- **Church**



DEVOTIONAL LIGHTS

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

Henry Yankowsky
 Requested by wife, Joyce
 And

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

Dennis O'Donnell
 Requested by wife, Marcia

The **Marian Cenacle Prayer Group** meets each Tuesday evening from 7-8:30PM in the sacristy of the church at Holy Cross. FMI contact Carolyn or Jim Carson at 799-4796.

FAITH FORMATION

ATTENTION First Eucharist Families. The first sacramental workshop will take place on **October 27th at 6:30PM** at St. John's in the Parish Hall.

ALL sacramental children with their parents are expected to attend. FMI call Laurie in the Faith Formation Office @773-8710. The schedules will be mailed soon.

FLU CLINIC

There will be a Flu Clinic held at St. John's Center on **October 14th, from 9-11:00AM.** Please bring your Medicare card and if you do not have one the cost will be \$30.00. FMI please call VNA @780-8624



The K of C #8144 is doing a Fund Raiser for St. John's Church. They will be selling bags of 20lbs. of #1 Grade Russet Potatoes for \$10.00.

See insert in Bulletin for more Info and to sign up..



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: **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, Eleanor Ward, Pete Peterson, Rose Clark, Ryan Burton, Ethel Ball, Eugenia Britt, Eleanor Krupski, Diane Greenwood, Francis Branley, Janet Yankowsky, Anne Blake, Libby Vescobi, Margaret Page, Emily Kane, Diana Slowinski, baby Evan Mayone, Katie Large, Rick Lopez, Carolyn Keegan, Laurent (of Lifesong Ministry), Joan Clark and Gordon Welch..**



Holy Cross and St. John's Parish welcome our newly baptized.

Julie Kathleen Melson

Daughter of Christian and Marybeth Melson
Baptized at Holy Cross, August 7, 2005.

Jeremiah Keegan O'Brien

Son of Jeremiah and Ashley O'Brien
Baptized at Holy Cross September 11, 2005

Gabriel Francis Galarraga

Son of Charles & Mary Galarraga
Baptized at Holy Cross, October 2, 2005

Griffin P. Smart

Son of Brian & Maureen Smart
Baptized at St. John's Church, September 25, 2005

LOBSTER ROLLS

ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S COUNCIL will be delivering lobster roll lunches to businesses or homes in our community on Friday, October 21st please help us in our effort by asking neighbors, friends or fellow workers. The cost is \$12.00 and the meal of a Lobster Roll, bag of chips and large cookie will be delivered at the time requested. We will collect orders and money on Friday the 14th. **MINIMUM ORDER of 5 TO EACH LOCATION.** Please call Pat Cook @772-1136 or Peg Furbush @767-2897 with orders..

FOOD CUPBOARD

"GIVE ME FIVE! Remember when you purchased the \$5 ticket for the Filene's Charity Shopping day and we tore off the end ticket? We were required to have these stubs into Filene's by a certain date, before the Tuesday fund-raiser. There was a 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize (\$3,000, \$2,000, and \$1,000) for the most ticket stubs turned in by this date. Our chairwomen, Susan Saba, did a superb job in handling this and reports that when all ticket stubs were counted we **WON SECOND PLACE, A \$2,000 EXTRA BONUS!** There were 60 non-profits taking part in this Charity event and to have sold the 2nd most number of tickets is truly remarkable! Thanks to Susan and all her volunteers. (Susan even received a \$250.00 donation from Ram Management Co. owners of River place Apartments) The part of the form we all filled out and dropped in the box on Tuesday for the extra prizes, are in the process of being counted. The non-profit having the most of these prize tickets will receive all the proceeds from ticket sales at the doors on that day. As all our tickets were stamped we may get lucky again. We sold 373 tickets and made \$1,865 on this initial sale of tickets.

The month of collecting bottle return receipts at Hannaford Mill Creek has come to an end and we received a check for \$481.60. Thank you Hannaford and everyone who put their bottle slips in this donation box. Hannaford Millcreek selects each non-profit once a year. We are actively seeking to do the same in other large grocery stores.

Erin & Chris Soule donated a large number of children's furniture to the Cupboard, car seats, booster seat, rocking infant swing, bicycle and many other infants and small children items. Some we will give away right now and others items we will save for Christmas. Thank you Erin & Chris!

September was a busy month. Not only were we trying to fund-raise in competition with the devastating hurricanes, we had 187 families (428 men, women and children) come to us for food. It is interesting to note that 46% of these families consisted on one person. With winter approaching, companies downsizing, it will be a challenge for us all. Poverty is alive and well in South Portland.

We thank the following for their monetary donations: Patricia & Fran Cook, Florence Cairns, Eileen Cullinan, and anonymous.

Cupboard needs: Chicken noodle, Vegetable, and Tomato soup. Thank you!

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED of GREATER PORTLAND

Meeting Monday, October 10, 2005

Time 11:30AM,

Place North Deering Congregational Church, 1364 Washington Ave. Portland.

Donations for Food Pantry items are welcome!

Readings for the Week of October 9, 2005

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/ Phil 4:12-14, 19-20
 Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10
 Monday: Rom 1:1-7/ Lk 11:29-32
 Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25/ Lk 11:37-41
 Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11/ Lk 11:42-46
 Thursday: Rom 3:21-30/ Lk 11:47-54
 Friday: Rom 4:1-8/ Lk 12:1-7
 Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Lk 12:8-12
 Next Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/ 1 Thes 1:1-5b/ Mt 22:15-21

QUESTIONS & REFLECTIONS

First Reading [Isaiah 25: 6-10](#)

1. Explain how banquet imagery describes the fullness of life in the presence of God. How can a juicy feast of rich food and pure, choice wines be a sacramental vision of the universe?

2. God will destroy the veil (whatever separates people from the divine presence of God), and will also destroy death and wipe away tears from every face.

Which of these images speaks to you? Explain.

Second Reading

[Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20](#)

1. Paul's strength and sustenance came from God. Why do you think he was so delighted with the Philippians' kindness? These readings show God bestowing gifts on us without measure. Explain how you might put "friends" in the gift-without-measure category.

2. How did the Philippians imitate God in their self-giving sacrifice for Paul? Do you or I "measure," when we give? How could we measure a little less?

Gospel [Matthew 22: 1-14](#)

1. What does the Father give us in the Eucharistic banquet? What hungers are filled?

2. How does this banquet not only sustain life but also transfigure it?

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Friday, October 14 5:00-6:30PM

St. John's K of C #8144 will once again be preparing their delicious **Dinners** every second Friday of the month, to help defray Parish expenses. **This month will be a Fish Dinner.**



October 20th, is St. John's night at the Wayside Evening Soup Kitchen, If anyone is interested in serving food to the homeless, we would greatly appreciate your help. Soup Kitchen runs from 6:00-

7:00PM if you are interested please give me a call to let me know that you can make it, or just show up. St. John's night is **ALWAYS the third Thursday of the month** just in case you want to mark you calendars for future dates. Thanks,

Katherine Jones 767-4265



Holy Cross K of C Monthly Dinner 6:30PM

Harvest Dinner October 18, 2005, for reservations call Margaret Page @799-7896 or

Dick Pyne @799-6352, Ed Powers @799-5227.



4th Degree K of C will be sponsoring a Roast Pork Dinner at St. Pius on Saturday, October 15th at

5:00-6:30PM. Please call Dick Pyne @799-6352, Jim Banks @774-1361.



Beginning with October 9, 2005 a separate "Collection to help defray **higher utility and energy costs**" will commence at St. John the Evangelist on the second Sunday

of each month. The envelopes are available at the church. To ensure your donation is credited to your offertory account, please write your name and envelope number on the outside of the envelope provided.

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 The Knights of Columbus. **Next week** your host will be The Eucharistic Ministers. 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.

