

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



HOLY CROSS

Weekly Goal	\$7,100.00
Total Collection for W/E 10-09-05	\$5,749.00
Bldg. Fund	\$500.00
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.	

ST. JOHN'S

Weekly Goal	\$3800.00
Total Collection for W/E 10-09-05	\$3,522.54
Energy Collection	\$ 984.46
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.	



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 Worship & Spirituality Commission. **Next week** your host will be The Pastoral Council.

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.

ARAMATA BIANCA

The children of Aramata Bianca will be meeting Friday, October 21, at Holy Cross. If you have any questions, please call Maureen Wittmer at 883-5594

WEEK AHEAD

- Monday**
12:00Noon Bridge - **SJ Center-Dble Rm.**
7:00PM Soc. Justice Mtg.-**Ctr.**
- Tuesday**
12:00-2:30PM Kitchen in use- Me Voc (**Church**)
6:00PM Faith Formation- **Ctr.**
6:00PM H.C. Finance Council-**Sm.Conf.**
7:00PM Marian Cenacle Prayer Group -
At HC Church
- Wednesday**
6:00PM AFG- **Ctr.**
6:30PM RCIA-**Center**
7:00PM Rosary- **SJ Church**
- Thursday**
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**

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

Monday October 17
SJ 12:00Noon Eric Wright by Robert & Nancy Wright

Tuesday October 18
HC 7:30AM Elizabeth McCann by Betty Kennedy

Wednesday October 19
HC 7:30AM Communion Service
SJ 12:00Noon Communion Service

Thursday October 20
SJ 12:00 Noon Gene Cote by Wife, Jane

Friday October 21
HC 7:30AM Eudore "Bill" Belanger by Kevin & Angie Cloutier

Saturday October 22
HC 4:00PM Margaret McLaughlin by Daughter & Family
SJ 5:30PM For the Intentions of the Parishioners

Sunday October 23
HC 7:30AM Dorothy E. Maroon by Family
SJ 9:00AM J. Donald Malia by Family
HC 10:30AM Caseiro Family by Albert Caseiro



DEVOTIONAL LIGHTS

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

Margaret McLaughlin

Requested by Daughter & Family
And

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

CWO Stephen Taylor

Requested by Family

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



This coming Thursday, October 20th, is St. John's night at the Wayside Evening Soup Kitchen the dessert will be the usual cupcakes, **perhaps you could decorate them for Halloween.**.. If

anyone is interested in **servicing 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



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 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.



UPDATING PARISH RECORDS

If you haven't sent in your update for the census, please do so as soon as possible.

ANNULMENT PROCESS

Monday, November 7th, 7:00PM at the Most Holy Trinity, 271 Main St. Saco, Msgr. Paul Stefanko the Director of the Diocesan Tribunal Office, will give a presentation on the annulment process and answer all questions related to this important issue. His target audience will be team members in the initiation process who are responsible in raising the question of marriage issues that need to be addressed before a person is received into the church. There is no fee, and any persons interested in the process are welcome. FMI call 773-6471 or for number attending.

ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE HARVEST MOON AUCTION

The first Harvest Moon Auction will be on **Saturday, October 22nd from 5:30-9:00PM** in the parish Hall, Scarborough. There will be entertainment, hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar as well as live and silent auction items. Tickets are \$15.00 per person and are on sale in the church office as well as after Mass.

Prizes; Patriots vs Bills tickets, Bruins bus trip & tickets, hotel & vacation packages, restaurant & entertainment gift certificates, 100 gallons of heating oil and many other goods and services.

ADULT EDUCATION

Msgr. Marc B. Caron will give a presentation on "The Principles of Catholic Worship" at St. Patrick's Parish, October 19, 2005- 7:00PM.

EQUAL JUSTICE UNDER LAW

The Maine Right to Life Committee Convention theme will be equal justice under the law and will bring the niece of Dr. Martin Luther King to Maine. Dr. Alveda King is coming to Portland on Saturday, October 22nd to give the keynote address entitled, "How can the Dream Survive." She is the Director of African American outreach for the Gospel of Life. FMI visit the web at [www.Maine Right To Life.com](http://www.MaineRightToLife.com) or call 622-3837.

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING ANNUAL COMMUNION BREAKFAST

Continuing a tradition that started in 1948, the Greater Portland Council of Catholic Men will sponsor the "Feast of Christ the King" Communion breakfast

on **Sunday, November 20, 2005.** The breakfast will be held at the Italian Heritage Center at 10:00AM following a Mass at 8:30 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception with Bishop Richard J. Malone as Principal Celebrant and Bishop Malone will also be our Guest Speaker. Tickets are: \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for students, \$10.00 for Patrons and \$26.00 for Golden Patrons. For tickets and further information please contact Paul Tully @799-1816 or John Curran @883-5437.

FAITH FORMATION



Attention Parents

2nd. Graders are **encouraged** to attend "Children's Liturgy of the Word" but are **no longer required** to attend.

Sacramental workshops will take place throughout the year, look for schedules in the mail. If you have any questions please call Laurie @773-8710.

Holy Cross "CLOW" team will meet Sunday, October 16th at 10:30AM.

Adult volunteers for Youth Ministry Commission needed - The Faith Formation Commission is looking for a group of adult volunteers to form a separate commission to look into starting a Youth Ministry program for St. John/Holy Cross. If you are interested, please call Faith Formation Commission chairman Bob Falconer at 799-9568.

THE FOOD CUPBOARD

“GIVE ME FIVE!” KEEPS ON GIVING! Guess what? We did win the proceeds from the door on Filene’s Charity day! All of you, who put your coupon(to win the \$1,000 shopping spree) in the boxes at the doors, thank you! Susan was told we will receive another \$2,000. Not bad for competing with 59 other non-profits! All totaled we will have earned close to \$6,000 participating in this fund-raiser. Thank you all for your support!

The South Portland High School students had “Spirit” early this year and collected so many canned and packaged goods we needed the van and a truck to carry everything to the Cupboard! The Sentry ran 2 pictures of the students loading the van in the October 7th edition. The students did a super job! Thank you! Thank you!

Jordan’s Farm in Cape Elizabeth is still donating fresh vegetables every week, 15-18 crates full! We are so very grateful to them for their generosity this year. We were also saddened to read they had lost their Father recently and their Mother a few months ago. The next generation is committed to keeping the family farm going and we wish them well!

The South Portland Lions Club once again donated \$2,000.00 to the Cupboard. They are the biggest donor to the Cupboard of the fraternal organizations in our area. They will also donate one hundred fifty \$25.00 gift certificates to the Cupboard for Thanksgiving giving.

Believe it or not we are already for the Christmas holidays. Each year the Mill Creek Hannaford store gives us non-food products throughout the year. Many are toys, stuffed animals, games, etc. We save and recently, with the help of our super organizer Linnea Farrar, we have all items evenly boxed for the 4 weeks prior to Christmas. Every week, we share the same amount and variety of items with the visitors who come for food. As they only come once a month everyone has an opportunity to receive Christmas items for children and adults. It really is special!

We thank the following for their monetary donations: William Keniston, Bob Hewlett (in memory of Charlene, Dick, our Pope, poor souls in Purgatory and all our volunteers), Mary Cash, Florence Cairns, Rita Lambert, Jeanette Fournier, Mary & Joe Mitchell, Scott Ewing (UNUM matching gifts program), and anonymous.

Cupboard needs: Spaghetti sauce, Cocoa, Tuna fish, & Cake mixes.

400 CLUB DRAWING FOR SEPTEMBER, 2005

1 st Prize \$200.00 #31	Carolyn & Peter Cianchette
2 nd Prize \$100.00 #24	Kim Bryant
3 rd Prize \$100.00 #163	Arthur Mills
4 th Prize \$100.00 #227	Alice Flaherty
5 th Prize \$ 75.00 #153	Matt & Kelly Towse
6 th Prize \$ 25.00 #134	Fr. Feeney
7 th Prize \$ 25.00 # 62	Peg O’Leary
8 th Prize \$ 25.00 #285	Robert Hasson
9 th Prize \$ 25.00 #379	Dick Pyne
10 th Prize \$25.00 #120	John Higgins

\$100.00 Profit for Holy Cross School

Readings for the Week of October 16, 2005

Sunday:	Is 45:1, 4-6/ 1 Thes 1:1-5b/ Mt 22:15-21
Monday:	Rom 4:20-25/ Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday:	2 Tm 4:10-17b/ Lk 10:1-9
Wednesday:	Rom 6:12-18/ Lk 12:39-48
Thursday:	Rom 6:19-23/ Lk 12:49-53
Friday:	Rom 7:18-25a/ Lk 12:54-59
Saturday:	Rom 8:1-11/ Lk 13:1-9
Next Sunday:	Ex 22:20-26/ 1 Thes 1:5c-10/ Mt 22:34-40

QUESTIONS & REFLECTIONS

First Reading [Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6](#)

1. Did Cyrus, who was a Gentile, have any idea that God was using him to accomplish good things for the chosen people? What is the message here for you?

2. Give some other examples of non-Christian people whom God has used to bring about good.

Second Reading

[Thessalonians, Chapter 1, Verses 1-5b](#)

1. What does the addition to the Gospel of power, the Holy Spirit and much conviction do for your reception of the word?

2. Compare and contrast receiving the word as way of life with receiving the word as a code of conduct. What facts in the reading indicate how the Thessalonians received the word? How is your “hope and your work of faith and labor of love”?

Gospel [Matthew 22: 15-21](#)

1. The universe and everything in it is made in God’s image. Ultimately, therefore, it all belongs to God. Discuss the fact that you are God’s caretaker.

2. Do God’s and Caesar’s worlds have to be separated? What would the world look like if they were joined together?

By Anne Osdieck of the *Center for Liturgy at Saint Louis University*

