



**Saturday February 11**  
**HC 4:00PM** For the Intentions of the Parishioners  
**SJ 5:30PM** Sandra Louise Souza by Jim & Candy Welch

**Sunday February 12**  
**HC 7:30AM** Peggy Marsh by Family  
**SJ 9:00AM** Patrick Hayes by Don & Nancy Foshay  
**HC 10:30AM** Timothy Page by Jo Gacetta

**Monday February 13**  
**SJ 12:00Noon** The Ball Family by Lolita Ball

**Tuesday February 14**  
**HC 7:30AM** M/M Victor Cioffi by Family

**Wednesday February 15**  
**HC 7:30AM** Communion Service  
**SJ 12:00Noon** Communion Service

**Thursday February 16**  
**SJ 12:00 Noon** Bill Crangle by Yvette & Roger Gagnon

**Friday February 17**  
**HC 7:30AM** Mary Hanson by Bob & Barbara Kritzer

**Saturday February 18**  
**HC 4:00PM** Josephine McDougall by John McDougall  
**SJ 5:30PM** For the Intentions of the Parishioners

**Sunday February 19**  
**HC 7:30AM** Dorothy Maroon by Family  
**SJ 9:00AM**  
**HC 10:30AM** Mark Gillis by Helen & Nona Gillis

**DEVOTIONAL LIGHTS**

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

**Jerry Ahern**

Requested by Family  
 And

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

**Grace Louise Swett**

Requested by Family



**HOLY CROSS**

Weekly Goal	<b>\$7,100.00</b>
Total Collection for W/E 02/05/06	<b>\$6,784.00</b>
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.	

**ST. JOHN'S**

Weekly Goal	<b>\$3800.00</b>
Total Collection for W/E 02/05/06	<b>\$3,972.00</b>
Thank you for your continued support and generosity.	

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Monday February 13**  
 12:00Noon Bridge - **SJ Center-Dble Rm.**  
 6:30PM Pastoral Council- **Activity Rm. 2a**  
 7:00PM Social Justice & Peace Mtg.- **Library**  
 7:00PM Worship & Spirituality Mtg.-**Act. Rm 1**

**Tuesday February 14**  
 12:00-1:30 Co-Ed Bible Grp- **Sm.Conf.Rm**  
 12:00-1:30 Me. Voc. - **Church Kitchen**  
 6:00PM Faith Formation- **Ctr.**  
 7:00PM Marian Cenacle Prayer Group -  
**At HC Church**

**Wednesday February 15**  
 10-11:30AM Ladies Bible Group- **Library-Ctr.**  
 6:30-8:00PM Co-Ed Bible Grp. - **Resource Rm**  
 6:30PM RCIA-**Center**  
 6:30PM Scouts Mtg. - **Act. Rm. 1**  
 7:00PM Rosary- **SJ Church**

**Thursday February 16**  
 9:00AM Quilters- **Center**  
 9:00AM Food Cupboard- **Church Hall**  
 4:15PM Me. Voc- **S.J. Church Kitchen**  
 6:30PM S.J. Choir-**S.J. Church**  
 6:30PM H. C. Choir - **H.C. Church**  
 6:30PM AA- **S.J. Church**

**St. John's Night at Preble St.-Dessert- Cupcakes**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup>.**  
**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING 6:30PM**  
**SOCIAL JUSTICE & PEACE MTG. 7:00PM**  
**WORSHIP & SPIRITUALITY MTG. 7:00PM**

**Thank You**

*I would like to thank all my friends and fellow parishioners for All the prayers, cards and good wishes sent to me. I am still in the hospital undergoing treatment. Just wanted you all to know how much I appreciate your good wishes and thoughtfulness.*

**Kay Kane.**

**HAVE**

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**HAPPY**



**FAITH FORMATION**

**TO ALL CATECHISTS**



For those of you who could not make the weekly meeting of "Echoes" (our catechist certification program) we will offer a half day retreat on Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-2:30PM. We need 4 or more people for this program to be offered. If interested please call Laurie in the Faith Formation Office @773-8710.



The **Cheverus Council of K of C #2344** will be hosting a **Spaghetti Dinner** this month at the K of C Hall on **February 21, 2006**. For reservations please call Margaret Page @799-7796 or Ed Powers @799-5227.



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 Lectors**. Next week your host will be The Church Life Commission. Join the parishioners at **Holy Cross** for *Hot Chocolate, Donuts,*

*Bagels and Other Special Treats* in the school cafeteria immediately following the 10:30AM Mass

**THE FOOD CUPBOARD**

Each year we update applications to the Cupboard. This takes time and we alert visitors a month in advance of the information we need. It is amazing to see the number of people who waited for over 3 hours to receive their food. We saw over 50 families last week and were open way passed 1pm.

We thank the following for their monetary donations: James & Doris Whitworth and Bob Hewlett (in memory of Charlene, Dick, Widows, Widowers, all the sick, Holy souls, & Pope Benedict XVI)

The Food Cupboard needs: Strawberry jam (18oz size), Marshmallow fluff (7.5oz size), and packages of rice or potato.

THANK YOU



**Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup> is St. John's night at the Wayside Food Kitchen.** The dessert will be cupcakes of your choice.

**HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS**

Bishop Malone and the Sisters of the Precious Blood invite you to a Holy Hour at the Chapel of the Monastery of the Precious Blood, State Street, Portland on **Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:00PM.**

THANK YOU

Holy Cross & St. John's would like to thank **Broadway Gardens** for the prompt service given to us on our Christmas flower purchase. The flowers were very beautiful and healthy and lasted longer than usual.



**WELCOME FR. BILL JAREMA** of the Missionaries of Mercy who is with us this weekend.

Be sure to check out Fr. Bill's book **"Comedy, Parables, Miracles & Angelic Encounters."**

The cost is \$14.95; the proceeds help the Missionaries of Mercy. Fr. Bill promises this book will make you laugh, cry, ponder and enjoy the blessings and moments of mercy.



**CAPIM GROSSO CORNER**

The eight parishioners planning to travel to Capim Grosso in June are: Matt & Sarah Michaud, Auralee & Ana Bussone, Sue and Rob Hasson, Joe Canarie, and Fr. Mike Gendreau. We will be traveling at the end of June and stay in Brazil for 10 days. During our stay we will be helping with the work of the Mission: this includes assisting in building water collection systems, working at the school, constructing cisterns, visiting the local churches, and participating in cultural festivities. We will be staying with local host families, and with the MMM's. There are many people who have helped sponsor our trip so far, and we hope that you too can find a way to help us meet our goals on this journey.

**BOOK CLUB NEWS:**

The book club recommends: **"The Return of the Prodigal Son"** by Henri J.M. Nouwen. A chance encounter with a reproduction of Rembrandt's famous painting The Return of the Prodigal Son catapulted Henri Nouwen on a long spiritual journey. The inspiration that came to him through Rembrandt's depiction of the powerful Gospel story evoking the drama of the parable is sure to reverberate in the hearts of readers. The themes of homecoming, affirmation, and reconciliation will be newly discovered by all who have known loneliness, dejection, jealousy or anger.

Our next book club meeting will be Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:30PM in the Library. Any questions please call 773-8710.



**PRAY FOR . . .**

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, Francis Branley, Janet Yankowsky, Anne Blake, Margaret Page, Emily Kane, Diana Slowinski, baby Evan Mayone, Rick Lopez, Carolyn Keegan, Laurent (of Lifesong Ministry), Joan Clark, Gordon Welch, Karen Hastings, Brady Wasina, Buddy Cohen, Wayne Carter, Bob Wilson, Robert Belanger, Helen Bernier, Paul Lavangie, Robert Seymour, Judy King, Julie Melson and Kaye Kane.**

**Cluster 22 Planning Committee Update**

The January notes of our cluster meeting are available in the Narthex. We will have an "all parish" meeting in the future. In the interim we have placed **marked** boxes in the Narthex. These are for your questions, suggestions, etc. Now that you have had 2 copies of meeting notes, let us know what you are thinking.

**400 CLUB**

**WINNERS FOR MONTH OF JANUARY, 2006**

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize \$200	#103	Rick & Peg Lopez
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize \$100	# 19	Robert Melaugh
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize \$100	#218	Katie & Dickie Nee
4 <sup>th</sup> Prize \$100	# 3	Sybil Riemensnider
5 <sup>th</sup> Prize \$ 75	#338	John & Margaret Leasure
6 <sup>th</sup> Prize \$ 25	# 64	Elaine Barry
7 <sup>th</sup> Prize \$ 25	#297	Anne & Joe Sullivan
8 <sup>th</sup> Prize \$ 25	#142	Dan Peabody
9 <sup>th</sup> Prize \$ 25	#279	Katherine Chisolm
10 <sup>th</sup> Prize \$25	# 96	Robert Giamotti

*Profit for Holy Cross School \$100.00*

Just a reminder, it's time to renew your yearly membership. Look for a lime green renewal slip in the back of the church. Thank you for your support.

**MEN'S CONFERENCE IN BOSTON  
MARCH 4TH**

Fr. Corapi, a noted speaker on EWTN will be among the speakers at a special men's conference in Boston. The Mass Celebrant will be Archbishop Sean Patrick O'Malley.

A group of men from the **Windham** area will be traveling down and want to extend an invitation to all young adult men to join them, FMI contact Ginny at [ginnymweeks@hotmail.com](mailto:ginnymweeks@hotmail.com)

Another group from **Waterville** will also be traveling down. If there is enough interest, this group may take a bus. FMI contact Colby at [Colby.m@hotmail.com](mailto:Colby.m@hotmail.com).

**BAPTISM**



Parents who would like to have their child baptized must attend a Pre-Baptismal Preparation Class. The next class will be on **February 23, at 6:30PM in the Center.**

Please call the office to register #772-7489.

**MINISTRY DAY**

**Next Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-11:00AM**

*"Uniting our Gifts in Ministry to the Catholic Community in South Portland."* Each year parish ministers gather together to pray, reflect and to receive training in order for us as church to provide meaningful liturgies and pastoral care. This year this Ministry Day **is mandatory for all parish ministers.** It is also open to people who have expressed an interest in becoming a lector, Eucharistic minister, greeter or usher. There will be a training session specific to each ministry: Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Ushers/Greeters. *Altar servers have been trained separately and do not need to attend this ministry day.* This ministry day will be held at the Pastoral Center on Aspen Avenue.



**FUND RAISER RAFFLE: Glenna Goulet** (*The dessert lady for all the K of C suppers*) is making a **Valentine basket** of home made candies to be raffled off at St. John's.

Chances will be 3 for \$2.00 and can be purchased before and after Masses this weekend. **All proceed go to St. John's. The winner will be drawn Sunday, February 12, at 12:00 Noon.**

**Readings for the Week of February 12, 2006**

Sunday:	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/ 1 Cor 10:31—11:1/ Mk 1:40-45
Monday:	Jas 1:1-11/ Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday:	Jas 1:12-18/ Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday:	Jas 1:19-27/ Mk 8:22-26
Thursday:	Jas 2:1-9/ Mk 8:27-33
Friday:	Jas 2:14-24, 26/ Mk 8:34—9:1
Saturday:	Jas 3:1-10/ Mk 9:2-13
Next Sunday:	Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25/ 2 Cor 1:18-22/ Mk 2:1-12

**QUESTIONS & REFLECTIONS**

**First Reading** [Lev. 13: 1-2, 44-46](#)

1. Compare and contrast the way lepers were treated in the Old Testament with the way Jesus treated them.
2. How would you feel if because of some ritual, you were made to tear your clothes, live apart from those you love and forced to announce your presence by hollering "Unclean"? Discuss rules, regulations or rituals that could be improved by taking people's feelings into consideration.

**Second Reading**

[1 Corinthians 10: 31 - Chapter 11:1](#)

1. "Whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." What is the "whatever" for you in? During which of your day's activities is it easy for you to remember the presence of God?
2. What is Paul's attitude toward those in his care? What can we learn from Paul about leadership from this reading? How would you handle a situation in which you are not able to "please everyone in every way"?

**Gospel** [Mark 1: 40-45](#)

1. Using Jesus' healing of the leper as an example, describe the new world order that he was trying to establish. If the old laws were written on stone, where do you think Jesus' new laws are written?
2. Have you been healed in any way? Do you have some scars? Does the world still stand in need of healing? How can you, scarred as you are, be God's healing touch to those who are ailing around you?

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