



**Mass Intentions
Holy Cross and St.
John's**

Saturday, November 18

HC 4:00PM Anthony Radomski by His Family
SJ 5:30PM Eleanor Hayworth by Her Family

Sunday, November 19

HC 7:00AM *For the Intentions of the People*
SJ 8:30AM Carl Rivotto by Kathleen Meehan
HC 10:00AM Patricia Scott by the Rosary Society

Monday, November 20

SJ Noon Patricia DeMarco by Candy & Jim Welch

Tuesday, November 21

HC 7:30AM Matthew McCarthy by Bob & Vivian Ryan

Wednesday, November 22

HC 7:30AM Communion Service
SJ Noon Communion Service

Thursday, November 23 Happy

Thanksgiving

HC 9AM Glenn Johnson by the John Curran Family

Friday, November 24

HC 7:30AM Veronica Marquis by Patricia Peasley

Saturday, November 25

HC 4:00PM Mary Hare by Her Family
SJ 5:30PM Carmino Puopolo by The Spino Family

Sunday, November 26

HC 7:00AM Kay Kane by Her Husband Bill
SJ 8:30AM *For the Intentions of the People*
HC 10:00AM Mary & John Keenan by Their Family



Devotional Lights

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

Phil LaRoe

requested by His Family

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

J. Donald Malia

requested by His Family

Readings for the Week of November 19, 2006

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/ Heb 10:11-14, 18/ Mk 13:24-32
Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/ Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/ Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/ Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/ Lk 19:41-44
Friday: Rv 10:8-11/ Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/ Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/ Rv 1:5-8/ Jn 18:33b-37

HOLY CROSS

Weekly Goal \$ 7,100.00
Total Collection for W/E 11/12/06 \$ 6,532.50

Thank you for your continued support and generosity

ST. JOHN'S

Weekly Goal \$ 3,800.00
Total Collection for W/E 11/12/06 \$ 3,689.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity

The Second Collection this weekend is for the Campaign for Human Development.

"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather (his) elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky." - Mk 13:26-27

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



Lydia Barron, Harold & Betty Janson, Gail Smith, Steve Lesneski, Laura Stevens, Louise Dixon, Elaine Cribby, Gertrude Fraser, Anne Hewlett, Ed & Ann Letourneau, Theresa Chicoine, Eleanor Ward, Rose Clark, Ryan Burton, Ethel Ball, Eugenia Britt, Francis Branley, Janet Yankowsky, Anne Blake, Margaret Page, Emily Kane, Diana Slowinski, Evan Mayone, Rick Lopez, Carolyn Keegan, Joan Clark, Karen Hastings, Brady Wasina, Buddy Cohen, Wayne Carter, Bob Wilson, Robert Belanger, Helen Bernier, Paul Lavangie, Tom McDonough, Ann Marie Conley, Homer Brookes, Catherine Kneeland, Edie Dominicus, Ron Messori, Natalie Rice, Evelyn Taylor, James Duane, Catherine Lee, Terry Bourassa, Ginny Carr, Frank Conroy, Kathy Lehman, Roberta Potvin, Jacques Chazaud, June Mosley, Helena Jones, Marie Stanley, Craig Wickham and Jason Steatson.



Mass of Praise and Thanksgiving

**Thursday, November 23
9:00AM Holy Cross Church**



Giving Trees

Thank you to everyone who took a tag for one of our six agency recipients. There are some tags left and we only have 2 weeks left! Please plan to have gifts back here no later than 12/3, wrapped and with tag fastened securely to the outside of the gift.
God Bless!



St. John's Women's Council

Ninth Annual "Light Up The Grove"

Help us light up the grove of trees next to St. John's Church for the Christmas Season! Tree lights may be purchased for \$3 each in memory of, or in honor of, a loved one, relative or friend. Names will be published in an easy to read format on red bows at the back of the church. The first Tree of Light will be sponsored by the Women's Council in honor and memory of all council members. Dedication forms are available in the bulletin, at the back of the church or from the Parish Office. FMI: Pat Cook 772-1136
All proceeds benefit St. John's Church.

Advent Begins December 3rd

Join Your Parish Family

in the Annual Advent Wreath Making Workshop Sat, Dec 2 from 2 to 3:30PM at the Holy Cross School Cafeteria. This is a wonderful opportunity for our parish families to come together and share the gift of friendship. The cost for all materials needed to make one wreath is \$10. There will be a craft table for children & snacks will be provided. Please bring an extra pair of wire cutters! FMI: 773-8710



Cheverus Tree Sale

Cheverus High School, 267 Ocean Ave, Portland, will hold a Christmas Tree Sale from 10AM to 4PM on Dec 2 & 3 to benefit the Cheverus Haiti Solidarity Club. A limited supply of interesting crafts and cards will also be available.
FMI: Jody Lamscha 774-6238 x 25

Offertory Envelopes

Envelopes for 2007 will continue to be mailed quarterly to registered parishioners of both parishes. If you have a change of address (temporary or permanent) please notify the Parish Office, by phone or in writing, as soon as possible. Our mailing list must be submitted to the envelope company before November 20th.



Catholic Campaign for Human Development

When we hear that 37 million Americans live in poverty ~ that many families are two paychecks away from becoming poor themselves ~ are we overwhelmed? Paralyzed? We can make a difference! We can give a hand up to people struggling to change their lives & communities. The CCHD supports the self-help projects of poor & low-income people working together to break the cycle of poverty. **Please give generously to CCHD in today's collection.**

Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated within the context of our parish's Eucharistic Celebration ~ our time of gathering as the Body of Christ. Baptism of infants and children will be celebrated the Second Sunday of every month during the weekend masses (4PM, 5:30PM; 8:30AM & 10AM) Participation in a Baptismal Preparation class is required and the next class will be held on Mon, Nov 20 at 6:30 at St. John's Parish Center. FMI & Reservations please call the Parish Office at 772-7489.

Employment Opportunity

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland is seeking an Executive Assistant and Resource Center Coordinator for the Office of Parish Planning for Evangelization. This position is responsible for providing administrative support to the Director of Parish Planning for Evangelization. Please send your resume and a cover letter to Teresa Schulz, Director of Human Resources, at the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland, P.O. Box 11559, Portland, Maine 04104-7559 or email to hr@portlanddiocese.net.

Blessed Sacrament

Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament every Wed at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church, Black Point Rd, Scarborough immediately following Mass until 9:30AM. Led vocal prayer (for 10 minutes) followed by quiet prayer and reflection.
FMI: St. Max Parish Office 883-0334

"Heritage of Faith"

The end of 2006 is fast approaching and the tax season will be upon us shortly. This is a reminder to anyone who might be considering giving funds towards their original pledge to the "Heritage of Faith" Capital Campaign at Holy Cross Church to do so before the end of the year. Thank you for your generous support!

Connected Catholics of Maine

Christmas Party

Sun, Dec 3, Holy Martyrs Parish Hall, Rte 88, Falmouth. Pot Luck Supper at 5PM followed by "Yankee Swap" (\$5 limit) and Christmas Carols. FMI: Phil 856-6431
Single Catholics Welcome!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Holy Cross and St. John's

Sunday, November 19

8:30AM Children's Liturgy of the Word - **SJ**
 9:30AM Coffee Hour - **SJ Hall**
 10:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word - **HC**
 After 10AM Mass Coffee Hour/400 Club - **HC Café**
 9:30-10:30 Faith Formation Gr. K-5 - **SJ Center**
 6:30PM FF Middle School Youth Ministry Gr. 6-8
SJ Teen Center

Monday, November 20

Noon Bridge - **SJ Center**
 6:30PM Baptism Prep Class - **SJ Center Library**
 7:00PM Mass for Deceased Members of the Knights of
 Columbus Cheverus Council - **HC Church**

Tuesday, November 21

Noon - 5:00PM Kitchen In Use - **SJ Center**
 7:00PM HC Marian Cenacle Prayer Group **HC Church**

Wednesday, November 22

6:00-8:00PM AFG - **SJ Center**
 7:00PM Rosary - **SJ Church**



Thursday, November 23

Happy Thanksgiving!
Parish Offices Closed

Friday, November 24

More Turkey, Please!
Parish Offices Closed

Holy Hour

Marian Holy Hour to pray for non-believers, religious vocations, world peace and right to life issues at St John's Church, Sat, Dec 2 from 5 to 6AM. Please enter by parking lot back door. Those who cannot join us at Church are urged to pray an *Our Father*, *Hail Mary* and *Glory Be* for these intentions sometime during the day.

Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities Maine is looking for volunteers help at Therapist SearchLine (a place to call if you are in need of a therapist anywhere in the State of Maine.) Volunteers file, take calls, enter data or assist in responding to requests for information. Flexible opportunity at 250 Anderson St in Portland. FMI: Sr. Joanne Roy 523-2746.

Antioch Reunion

Fri, Dec 8 at Sts Peter & Paul Basilica in Lewiston for anyone who attended the Antioch Retreat Weekends in Augusta during the 70's & 80's. FMI Gigi at 784-0451

From the Pastor's Desk

First Reading [Daniel, Chapter 12, Verses 1-3](#)

1. Can you think of people you have known or known about who have died and who now shine brightly like the stars? What things did those people do that keep their memories alive for you?

2. Which qualities of the people mentioned above would you like to emulate in your life?

3. This reading is poetry about "end times." One theologian (Von Balthasar) says its purpose is to make people conscious of the ultimate decision of persons for God and God for persons. Where do you stand in your ultimate decision for God? Do you feel that God will take care of you if you have tried to make decisions in God's favor?

Second Reading [Hbrws, Chapter 10, Verses 11-14, 18](#)

1. Compare and contrast old covenant priests and their repeated sacrifices with Jesus and his one sacrifice? How do the many celebrations of the Eucharist fit into the one-sacrifice event?

2. Jesus won redemption for us. Does he just hand it to us? What part do we have in it?

3. Jesus' death was a perfect sacrifice. What do you think makes a sacrifice perfect? Does God ask you for sacrifices? How can your sacrifices help anything?

Gospel [Mark, Chapter 13, Verses 24-32](#)

1. The Word of God will not pass away. List the things in your life that will end and that you would like to see end. What in your life do you not want to pass away?

2. You take the love in your heart with you when you die. What is the correlation between love and the Word of God that does not pass away?

3. What can you do to stretch your capacity to love?

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FOOD CUPBOARD

The Food Cupboard is closed Thanksgiving Week. Special thanks to: So. Portland HS, Memorial MS and Boy Scout Troop #37 for all the canned goods they have collected and to the Bridge Club Members for their cash donation.

Food Cupboard Needs

Peanut Butter, Jelly & Chicken Noodle Soup.
 Thank you for your generous support!

