

Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world." — Jn 11:25-27



## SAINT ANNE'S CHURCH WEEKEND LITURGIES

**Sunday 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM**

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**Weekday Masses**  
**Wednesday and Friday 9am**  
**Communion Service Monday 9am**  
**Our Lady of Sebago— Closed for the season**

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## LIGHT IS ON

Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

April 8th,	9th ,	&	10th
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>		<b>Thursday</b>
Our Lady's	St Anthony's		St Anne's
Windham	Westbrook		Gorham
6-7pm	6:30pm		6-7pm

### CLUSTER 23

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## SAINT ANNE'S PARISH COMMUNITY, GORHAM

### WELCOME

We want to welcome you to St Anne's . If you are visiting we hope that you enjoy your stay. If you are interested in joining our Parish Family please call the office for a registration form.

### ADMINISTRATOR'S CORNER

**THE CHRISM MASS: (continued)** The blessing of the oils used for sacraments takes place this year on April 15 at the Cathedral Church. This is the first year that Bishop Robert Deeley will preside. Two parishes from our Cluster 23 are named to receive the oils this year: St Anne, Gorham, and St Anthony, Westbrook. Two representatives from each parish and I will receive the oils as part of the rituals at the end of the Mass. Tickets to attend the Chrism Mass are limited: reserved seating tickets are designated for the selected parishes, and general seating tickets are designated for others who will be attending. Since Our Lady's is not a selected parish this year, we have "general" tickets only. I have encouraged staff to assist me in inviting those adults and older children who will be receiving Sacraments to attend.

### CONFIRMATION (continued): TIMES

In a series of articles already published, I have written about the celebrant for Confirmation (the Bishop or his delegate), the ceremony (we have received revised norms and guidelines from both Rome and the diocesan office), the ages of those to be confirmed (you need only to review practices we have known in our lifetime), and the place (each parish, once every three years or one church for a group of parishes; or alternating churches). This year in the Diocese of Portland we have begun a three-year cycle of scheduling Confirmation at the various churches in a cluster, so that each parish church will be hosting the Mass and reception.

In a phone call on Saturday, March 29, as they were driving to Rumford and Jay to visit the priests there, Bishop Deeley and his assistant, Msgr. Andrew Dubois, suggested a way that we could have two Masses for Cluster 23, since the number of candidates had grown to over 80 and our desire is to accommodate all families. The date remains: June 1; the place remains: St Anne, Gorham; **the times will be 9:30 A.M. and 5:30 P.M.** (in between Bishop Deeley will go to McAuley High School's graduation). This permits the Bishop also to visit with the candidates and time for a reception following each Mass. By phone I have consulted the Parish Catechetical Leaders, and we agree that this helps in accommodating the number of people who will be attending. I sent an email on Monday morning to the Bishop's assistant, accepting this suggestion and expressing my gratitude to Bishop Deeley for offering to do this given his busy Spring schedule.

Since St. Anne's and Our Lady's with 49 candidates will have the greatest number of parishioners driving the longer distances, I have scheduled these two churches at the morning Mass, and St Anthony's with 30-plus candidates are scheduled at the afternoon Mass. We want to keep the communities of candidates who have prepared together as intact as possible. It does mean that we will have to plan for and coordinate two teams of volunteers, liturgical ministers, musicians, ushers and reception coordinators.

*Fr Joe Koury, Administrator of Cluster 23*

### LIGHTS ARE ON FOR YOU

#### Come Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday April 8th 6-7pm OLPH Windham

Wed. April 9th 6:30pm ST ANTHONY Westbrook

Thursday April 10th 6-7pm ST ANNE'S . Gorham

### Stations of the Cross:

St. Anne's High School and Middle School students invite you to join us on Friday, April 11th immediately following the Knights of Columbus haddock dinner for the Stations of the Cross in the church. We hope that you will be able to come and share in this beautiful prayer as we make our way into Holy Week. FMI or to participate contact Stephanie Heatley at 207-329-3213 or [stessaheats@yahoo.com](mailto:stessaheats@yahoo.com)

**TENEBRAE** will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Windham Monday, April 14th 7:30pm. This service is taken from an early Christian service called Tenebrae. The name Tenebrae is the Latin word for "darkness" or "shadows." One of the most conspicuous features of the service is the gradual extinguishing of candles until only a single candle, considered a symbol of our Lord, remains. As it gets darker and darker the community reflects on the great emotional and physical pain that was very real for Jesus during his passion. It ends with a single light, the reminder that good triumphs over evil.



### FISH DINNERS April 11th 5-6:30pm

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**WEB SITE** Contact [Martha.a.muldoon@gmail.com](mailto:Martha.a.muldoon@gmail.com)

**Women The Maine Diocesan Council of Catholic Women** cordially invites all interested Catholic Women to attend its annual meeting at St. Anne's, Gorham, Saturday, **April 26th**. Registration begins at 9 a.m. , MASS 9:30. . Cost \$25, includes a Lasagna lunch. . Register call Barb Welch, call 807-8458

**LIVING CHRIST REUNION** . On **June 4**, 6pm at St. Anne's , Fr. John McHugh from St. Joseph's College will talk about continuing to grow in faith. Please come for community with your fellow parishioners from St. Anne's, OLPH and St. Anthony's. A light dinner is planned. No cost. FMI, please contact Susan Snow at [sesnow23@gmail.com](mailto:sesnow23@gmail.com) or 632-9009

**.5th Annual Holy Saturday Church Walk!** we will visit seven Catholic churches in Portland by foot, Saturday, **April 19**. About nine miles. Bring good sneakers! We will break for lunch along the way. Meet at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 8:00 a.m. Bishop Deeley Morning Prayer at 7:00 a.m. Feel free to attend this as well. The day ends at 3:00 p.m. Optional ferry ride to Peaks Island afterward.

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### CONTRIBUTIONS REPORT March 30th 2014

Offertory	\$2,982.00
Catholic Relief Services	235.00
Mortgage	20.00
Total	\$3,237.00

This weeks second collection is for the **EASTER FLOWERS**  
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Next week second collection is for the **Mortgage**.

**ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER** If you are interested in using EFT contact Teresa in the office at 839-4857.

**Sincere Thank you to all who contribute faithfully and generously to our parish.**

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### ST. ANNE'S PRAYER NETWORK

Would you like us to pray for someone, or would you like to join the prayer line? Call Barb Welch 807-8458

### BEREAVEMENT

St. Anne's Bereavement Committee is here to help families in time of sorrow. We are available to provide food (reception) at the church after a funeral, , Call Chris 892-9437 Thanks!

### FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry is opened each Thurs morning 9-11, the 2nd & 4th Wed from 6-7pm each month, canned meat, canned tuna, beans, vegetables, and fruit. And cereal Items can be left in the wire basket in the lower lobby. Thank you for your continued support

### Diocese News

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**Rachel's Vineyard Retreat** April 25-27 Struggling with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion, including men, relatives and medical professionals. FMI Annette Rioux at (207) 321-7885 or [annette.rioux@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:annette.rioux@portlanddiocese.org)

**Silver & Gold Anniversary Mass** Bishop Deeley will celebrate a Silver & Gold Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland on Saturday, June 28, at 4 p.m  
Couples planning to attend please RSVP Annette Rioux 321-7885 or [annette.rioux@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:annette.rioux@portlanddiocese.org).

**Veritas**, Greater Portland Young Adult ministry, serves all young adults (18-39), single, married, and professed, in the greater Portland area. All events and activities are self-run, and we welcome you! FMI, [veritasportland@yahoo.com](mailto:veritasportland@yahoo.com)

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## FAITH FORMATION

**Older Confirmation:** Missed this sacrament.? Contact Sr. Jackie 839-4857

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOP** to find scheduled workshop in our area [www.portlanddiocese.net](http://www.portlanddiocese.net)

**Eucharist- CD available in lending Library.** The Mass explained by Fr Larry Richards. Fr. Larry will do a parish mission @ St Joseph's in Bidd. March 31-April 3rd. Another CD available highlights The Sacrifice Theme by Richard May . FMI See Sr Jackie

### Catholic Youth Convention Lights, Camera, Action!

Join hundreds of other Catholic teens from around Maine as we celebrate our faith at the Catholic Youth Convention 2014 on April 25-27 at the Samoset Resort in Rockport, ME. Our national presenters and local youth leaders will explore our Catholic faith with a special look at Popes John XXIII and John Paul II who will be canonized that weekend! FMI or to register for the convention [www.OLFFmaine.com](http://www.OLFFmaine.com) or Stephanie Heatley 329-3213

**Vacation Bible Camp:** In the Wilderness with Moses, June 23-27, 9-noon, at St. Anne's, for K-grade 5. Older teens can help in small groups or at activity sites. Crafts, outdoor games, drama, music, snacks

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Wayside Soup Kitchen Nite** –Preble Street Resource 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat of each month Cooks 3pm Servers 4:30pm  
**Adoration** Thursday 6-7pm  
**Crafters** Wednesday 9am,  
**Prayer for Peace** First Sat of each Month 9:00am April 5th , May 3rd, June 7th, July 5th, August 2nd  
**Prayer Shawl Group** meets Wed.1pm-2:30pm  
**Monday book group** , 10-11:30am  
**Senior Lunch** Wednesday 9-1 lunch served at noon  
**Centering Prayer** Wednesdays 6:30-7pm  
**Book Group** Wednesday 7-8pm "The Cloud of Unknowing."  
**Children's liturgy** for younger children at 8am Mass  
April 6th Class  
April 8th Communication Group 6:30  
April 11th FISH DINNER 5-6:30pm  
April 12th Soup Kitchen Nite Preble St Portland  
April 13th Palm Sunday  
No Class There is Children Liturgy @8am Mass  
April 12th Sacramental Retreat Sat 1:30-3:30pm  
April 14th Tenebrae 7:30pm at OLPH -Windham  
April 17, 18, 19th EASTER TRIDUUM  
April 20th EASTER  
April 26, 2014 Women's Council 8-2 States  
May 4th Mary Crowning  
May 5th Welcoming Comm 6pm  
May 11th Mother's Day Class - May Crowning / ice cream  
May 18th Last Class  
\*\*\*Rev Gerald Levesque Jubilee Mass @ 10:30 with Reception to follow.\*\*\*  
June 1st First Eucharist and Confirmation



Sunday April 6th

8:00AM Carol LaMontagne by Jack and Cindy McCormack

10:30AM Adam Spellman by his Dad

Monday April 7th

9:00AM Communion Service

Tuesday April 8th NO Mass / No Communion Service

Wednesday April 9th

9:00AM Al Milasauskis by John and Diane Godfrey

Thursday April 10th NO Mass / No Communion Service

Friday April 11th

9:00AM Philip Tanquay by Yvette and Raymond Girouard

Sunday April 13th PALM SUNDAY

8:00AM Our Military men and women and their families

10:30AM Sr Catherine Green by Andre and Kathleen

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Readings for the Week of April 6, 2014

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14--27:66 or 27:11-54

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And when he had said this, he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go." - Jn 11:43-44

ETERNAL LIFE

VOCATIONS

Is the Lord calling you to be a priest, deacon, or in consecrated life? FMI, contact Fr. Nathan March, Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Portland, at (207) 321-7805 or at vocations@portlanddiocese.org

REFLECTION by Pope Francis

God, Teacher, and Father

"I believe in God - not in a Catholic God; there is no Catholic God. There is God, and I believe in Jesus Christ, his incarnation. Jesus is my teacher and my pastor, but God, the Father, Abba, is the light and the Creator. This is my Being."

5th Sunday of Lent

"The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth." His heart had started to beat again, breaking the somber silence of the tomb. His lungs were breathing the air once more. The blood had begun to flow through his veins for the first time in four days. Lazarus rose from the grave, a living paradox: literally a dead man walking. Having done nothing by his own power, he once again knew life: a new life. This resurrection at the hands of Christ was an undeniable testimony to a power even greater than death.

For all our technological prowess and all our medical expertise, humanity has yet to pull off a stunt like this. Near death experiences we've heard plenty about. But four days gone? Even his sisters didn't want to approach their brother in a state like that, "Lord, by now there will be a stench." But Jesus wasn't concerned. Can you hear him yelling, "Lazarus, come out!" Can you see the deceased man emerging from the tomb? What a sight! What a miracle! What a God.

Nothing is beyond the reach of our God. Nothing can trump his power, not even death itself. This was confirmed for us on the first Easter Sunday when, unlike Lazarus, Jesus rose by his own power. And now, he wants to bless us with this same power! "I am the resurrection and the life," he told Martha. "Whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." Then, he asked her a question that applies to us as well: "Do you believe this?" As we continue our journey towards the great triumph of Easter, may we have the faith to answer with Martha, "Yes, Lord, I have come to believe."

Sharing the Gospel Instead of telling people he was the Savior, Jesus showed them. By raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus sent a message loud and clear. Jesus was the Savior they had all been waiting for. He was filled with God's love and power, and many people believed in him.

Prayer Thank you for showing me that you are my Savior, Jesus. Draw a picture of Lazarus wrapped up like a mummy, walking to Jesus.

Mission for the Week Write the words, "God can do anything" on a piece of paper. Read it every morning.

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