

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

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Parish Office Hours 8:00am until 12:00 noon (Monday –Thursday)

Faith Formation 207-892-8922

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

4:00p.m Saturday 10:00a.m. Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES: 8:00 a.m. Tuesday & Thursday

WEEKDAY SERVICES: 8:00 a.m. Monday, Wednesday & Friday

November 9, 2014

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica



"What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in

three days I will raise it up." But he was speaking about the temple of his Body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this. - Jn 2:18b-19, 21-22b

November 11, 2014

Veteran's Day



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Our Sister/Cluster Parish: St Anne's, Gorham: Sunday Masses 8:00a.m. & 10:30a.m.

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How May We Serve You?

Please contact the Parish Office at 892-8288, if you would like to receive a registration form; have someone prayed for; going into the hospital, appreciate a visit from the church; or a change of address.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Finance Council *Timothy Verreault*

Social Justice & Peace Commission *Christine Koza*

Worship & Spirituality Commission *Susan Snow*

Faith Formation Comm. *Lawrence Guertin O.F.S.*

Our Lady's Guild *Rosemary Skillin*

Knights of Columbus *Dave Spada*

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:00-3:45 p.m. or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Preparation Course and paper work required, before an appointment for baptism. Please call the parish office at 892-8288 for information.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Please contact the office (892-8288) six months prior to the wedding.

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Please call 892-8288. Greg Smith is the facilitator.

RCIC: Rite of Christian Initiation of Children

Please call Lawrence Guertin at 892-8922.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Mass Schedule: November 8 through November 16

4:00 p.m. Mass is on Saturday, November 8

Joseph Bruni @ Julie Hall & family

10:00 a.m. Mass is on Sunday, November 9

Mass is offered for the Parish family

8:00 a.m. Mass is on Tuesday, November 11

For all the Veteran's deceased and living

8:00 a.m. Mass is on Thursday, November 13

Special Intention for Michelle & Lisa Perry

4:00 p.m. Mass is on Saturday, November 15

May & Thomas Trenholm @ the family

10:00 a.m. Mass is on Sunday, November 16

Mass is offered for the Parish family

8:00 a.m. Word & Communion Service

Monday, Nov. 10 Wednesday, Nov. 12 Friday, Nov. 14

DIOCESAN NOTICES

The Mission of CCHD is made possible by the generous support of Catholics in the United States, especially through this annual collection taken up in most parishes the Sunday before Thanksgiving. From this collection, 25% of the proceeds remain in Maine to support local efforts with significant parish engagement. In recent years, this amount has been around \$14,000. The remaining 75% is collected by the USCCB to distribute for larger national funding opportunities from which Maine agencies and organizations that address the systemic root of poverty can also apply. The collection for the *Catholic Campaign for Human Development* is November 22-23.

Donate an unwanted car or boat and help change lives here in Maine! Donate it to Catholic Charities Maine! Simply call our toll-free number at 1-855-460-GIVE (4483) and we will do the rest. You will receive a donation receipt for tax purposes. For more information, call us at 1-855-460-GIVE (4483) or visit us online at www.ccmaine.org.

The Spiritual Benefits of a Lifelong Marriage November 14 (7 p.m. to 9 p.m.) at the St. Ignatius Gym/Cafeteria on Riverside Avenue in Sanford. Registration is required to attend. FMI or to register, contact Shelly Carpenter at (207) 324-2420 or at shelly.carpenter@portlanddiocese.org.

PARISH OFFICE

Tuesday Nov. 11 **Veteran's Day:** Parish Office will be Closed
Sat/Sun. Nov 22-23 **Second Collection:** Catholic Campaign
Mon. Dec 8 **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin**
Sat/Sun. Dec 13-14 **2nd Collection:** Retirement Fund for Religious
Wed. Dec 24 **Christmas Eve**
Thurs. Dec 25 **Christmas Day**

FINANCE — STEWARDSHIP *November 1-2 2014*

First Collection \$ 3,072.22 All Saints \$441.00

WEEKLY REPORT FROM THE CATHOLIC APPEAL

The progress report to date (October 24) for Our Lady's is \$26,492.00 from 133 donors = 56.73% of goal of \$46,700.00
Thanks to all of you who have contributed thus far.

ADMINISTRATOR'S CORNER

ON THE WEEKEND when we observed the "Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed" (All Souls Day), the reality of dying, and sometimes tragic dying, hits very close to home with the death of five young adults in the fire in Portland and the life-threatening injuries to a sixth young person. Sudden deaths strike us as most tragic, and we are left with unanswered questions. All we can do is acknowledge yet again that life is fragile, give thanks to God for the gift of life as we know it, and pray yet again that the souls of these young people rest in peace in God's gentle embrace.

I am mindful also of the more than 50 men, women and children massacred by extremist fundamentalists in Anbar Province in Iraq, where so many Americans died during the Iraq war. This intentional evil seems to be endless. It can also be contagious, as often happens, when the desire for revenge takes over. God help us.

THE "SPREAD SHEET" for November and December was no sooner sent out to the priests and staff, and posted in the sacristies of Our Lady and St Anne churches when I had to make changes for the weekends of Nov 1-2 and November 15-16.

I really appreciate the flexibility of Father Levesque and Fr Phillips who agreed to adjust their schedules.

CHILDREN IN FAITH-FORMATION & SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS. I was asked to include the parish children in the faith and sacraments programs in our weekly "Prayers of the Faithful." I am happy to do so, and I will continue to do so, as it is a reminder to all in our parishes of our responsibilities to the children. To all you adults: I can only invite and encourage all of you to welcome these children and support the catechists and volunteers who give of their time and talents.

Fr. Joe Koury, Administrator

SOCIAL JUSTICE & PEACE COMMISSION

Our Lady's is sponsoring a **COMMUNITY MEAL** scheduled for **Mon., Nov. 17th** at the Windham Hill United Church of Christ 140 Windham Center Road. The meal is served at 5:30pm. Set up 4pm and the clean-up crew 5:00pm. There will be a sign up sheet & a basket for non-perishable items. All perishable food must be delivered to the Windham Hill Church by 4pm.

THANKSGIVING FOOD BOXES Donations are needed **no later than Sun., Nov. 16th**. A list of the food items that we need to fill the boxes are available in the narthex. You can also donate either a check made payable to OLPH for \$15. or a \$15. gift card to purchase turkeys. We also need 100 banana boxes and volunteers to help with counting items, food shopping and preparation for Ministry Sunday (box packing). FMI, please call Christine Koza at 595-2170 or Sandra Bois at 310-8761. Thank You!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS are offering a "Countdown To Christmas" prize calendar. Each day from Dec. 1st to 24th we will draw a number, Monday thru Saturday winner will receive \$25, Sunday \$100 and on Christmas Eve \$500. Included are some gift certificates and special days with an extra prize donated by a local merchant. Calendars \$10 each and only 200 will be sold. Tickets are available after Masses or by contacting any Knight.

Thanks to our parish family and the Lakes Region Community who supported last week's Chicken Cordon Bleu dinner. Because of your support the Knights are able to make a generous donation to Operation Tribute.

Life Long Faith Formation News

e-mail: Lawrence.Guertin@portlanddiocese.org.

Faith Formation for grades K – 12, Nov 9th and Nov 16th are regular sessions 8:30am to 9:45am. Please note special events for adults listed below.

Think First- Stay Safe (Child Lures Prevention) is a program designed to educate both parents and children on the different ways that sexual predators behave and how children can best protect themselves from being abused. Nov 16th 8:30 to 9:40am, there will be a sessions for adults to further explain the program. This session will be in the church.

Catholicism Project. Adult Faith Formation The Catholicism Project is a program that will be offered on Sunday Mornings. During these sessions, through the Catholicism DVD and materials, participants will learn about the Catholic Faith in a whole new way. Anyone who would like to know about their Catholic Faith. There is no cost to attend. **The next session is November 9th from 8:30am—9:40am here at Our Lady's! All parishioners are welcome to attend. Come join us!**

How do I become Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults or RCIA process finds its roots in the life of the early church, where those seeking to enter the Church were introduced into the rich sacramental, liturgical, and prayerful traditions of the Catholic Church. Is God calling you or someone you know to the Catholic faith? FMI call Larry Guertin 892-8922 or Lawrence.Guertin@portlanddiocese.org

Faith Formation Cancellation Information: The winter weather is coming. In case of inclement weather, notice of cancellation will be listed on the parish website and will be aired on the following television channels 6 WCSH, 8 WMTW, and 13 WGME. If you have a distance to travel, please use your judgment as to whether it is safe to travel

Guild Meeting Nov. 12th. Social 1 p.m., meeting 1:30 p.m. Guest speaker is Melissa Allen, House of Healing Program.

Also, if you can bring something in for the local food pantry it will be appreciated.

A new request for help has come forward for new or gently used clothing/shoes for children 5-9 years of age who are in need.

Our Christmas luncheon is set for December 10th, cost is \$10.00 for members \$20.00 for guests.

CHRISTMAS FAIR ACTIVITY DECEMBER 6 & 7, 2014


Please contribute! Proceeds from past Christmas Fairs have helped our parish by contributing to many areas of Our Lady's Church. Collectively, we all make a big impact. Questions? Call Molly 655-1215.

Donations Needed! Please take a slip off the bulletin board in the Narthex to help out with Christmas Fair baskets. There is a collection basket in the coat room. Please label your contribution. Thank you for your participation! Call Molly @ 655-1215.

The Knit and Crochet Committee for Our Lady's Christmas Fair kindly requests the help of parishioners for donations of newly made hand knitted or crocheted items. Please see the bulletin board for suggested items

Looking For Clean, Nearly New Or Slightly Used Items such as household or children's things. Please no clothing. Please label boxes or bags "Nearly New" and place them in the coatroom. FMI, call Marilyn Bose at 627-5066.

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