

FROM FR. JOHN

Happy Easter!

"This man God raised on the third day." Acts 10:40

The closer you get, the better it gets!

I am a hoop's fan and I like the Portland Trailblazers. The Rose Garden, where they play, has over 20,000 seats. It is fun to go to games and can be quite electric. I have sat in the nose-bleeds, half way up, 6 rows behind their bench, 3 rows behind their bench, 2 rows off the court and then, just recently I got to sit court side. Court side! You are right there. It is almost like you are playing in the game. You see and hear the sweat, determination, expressions, laughter, communication (some they probably should go to confession for 😊) that is going on. There is a big difference even between court side and 2 rows back. It does not get any better than court side!

The closer you get, the better it gets!

Jesus has made it possible for everyone to sit court side. You can be right there! It does not get any better. You see and hear all that is going on in heaven. It does not get any better or more joyful or loving than heaven. And the closer you come to heaven, the better it gets! So, draw close! Use all the invitations and directions to get court side!

I am so moved by the power of this line from the preface of the Eucharistic prayers during the Easter Season (Listen for it in mass throughout the Easter Season):

The



of the resurrection renews the whole world!

Jesus' JOY not only renews you, your whole family, your local community, your country, your continent but it renews the whole world! How great is that JOY? If it can renew over 7 billion people living, it can renew you such that all people see when they see you is JOY! JOY- Jesus Over You! Jesus over sin and death and pride and suffering and selfishness and betrayal and loneliness and hopelessness and poverty and abuse and injustice and on and on. If we put Jesus first we will come into the JOY of his perfect love in this life and the life to come! He offers that JOY everywhere, all the time now that he is Risen from the dead. Take him up on the offer- all the time. The JOY that renews the whole world is with you all the time. And it is not just any ol' JOY- if you noticed on the bottle- it is ultra-concentrated!

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I pray we have all gotten closer to court side, to the JOY that renews everything, this Lenten Season. As Karen Carpenter sang so beautifully, "We've Only Just Begun."

It has been such a blessing to journey with you to Jesus this Holy Season. My love and prayers!

+Fr. John

Remember The



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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 5, 2010

Communion Service

Tuesday, April 6, 2010

+Joan Marie Bowen

(Joe Bowen)

Wednesday, April 7, 2010

+Don Fromwiller

(Mary Fromwiller)

Thursday, April 8, 2010

+ Richard Orth

(Colleen Jackey)

Friday, April 9, 2010

+Lucille Brodsky

(JoAnn and Joe)

Saturday, April 10, 2010

+Richard Orth

Sunday, April 11, 2010

8:00AM Mr and Mrs Donald Weber

(Julian Paluck)

10:00AM People of the Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Easter Sunday, April 4, 2010

NO Faith Formation

NO Bible Study

Monday, April 5, 2010

7:00PM KOC Officers mtg S.R.

Tuesday, April 6, 2010

8:45AM-SVDP mtg—S.R.

7:00 PM-Family Rosary Night

7:30PM-LOOP mtg—S.R.

7:30 PM-Choir Practice

Thursday, April 8, 2010

7:00 PM-Bible Study Rm. 4

Friday, April 9, 2010

4:00 Homeless Outreach

Saturday, April 10, 2010

2:00PM-Baptismal Class-Pr Ctr

Altar Guild Meeting

We will have our meeting April

13th in the Social Room at 10 AM.

All Ladies of the parish are cordially invited to attend. The

Agenda: 1. Vote on new officers, 2. Deciding on 4 menu items for our annual Ladies Night Out. Held at the Sayler's Old Country Kitchen some time in June. 3. Set up committees for funeral luncheons.

Coffee and Donuts are served in the Social Room on Sunday morning after the Masses.

WOWS Lunch: April 7th This is a social activity open to all widows, widowers and those who are single for any reason. We will enjoy a 1:00 lunch at Claim Jumper at Clackamas Town Center. We will have the bus, holding the first 14 callers, at the parish ready to leave at 12:30. The bus ride is \$2. For reservations please call me, Becky, at 761-8710x105 by Tues. the 6th.

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11

St Joseph the Worker Parish will have a Divine Mercy Prayer service from 2:00-3:00PM Divine Mercy Sunday afternoon. The prayer service will consist of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers related to this devotion, information and history of St. Faustina and the Divine Mercy Devotion and Benediction. Confession will be available during the service. To help ensure that the faithful, of more Parishes, would observe this day with intense devotion, Pope John Paul II, in 2002, established that a Plenary Indulgence may be obtained on Divine Mercy Sunday. Questions, call Ed @ (503) 761-3852.

Tickets Now Available

For the St Therese Women's Association Spring Fling 2010, Salad Luncheon and Fashion Show Tickets are again \$8 a person. This will be held Thursday, April 22 at 12 noon in our Parish Social Center. For information call Sharon @ (503) 253-0053 between 9:00 AM and 5:00PM, Mon-Fri. SEE YOU THERE!

Benefit Dinner and Auction for Mt Angel Seminary-April 17:

Every year is the "Year of the Priest" for the Knights of Columbus as we continue our third annual Mt Angel Benefit Dinner and Auction. Last year we were able to raise over \$10,000 to benefit our future priests. The Dinner is delicious. The Auction is awesome and the Fun is fabulous. This event takes place in our own social room on April 17. Purchase your tickets (\$40) after all the Masses or email lynnlawer@pcez.com or call (503) 201-5656.

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Budget amount: \$ 7,032.00

Amount collected: \$ 7,106.67

Over/under: + \$ 74.67

No Can/Bottle Recycling Easter weekend. It has been moved to April 10-11.

Homeless Outreach : On Friday, Apr 9th we will host the dinner served at the Sunnyside Coffee House. We feed around 200 people and will need volunteers to prepare dinner and serve the guests. We start preparing food at 4:00PM and serve at 6:00PM. The soup kitchen is located at SE 35th and Yamhill. Call Jan at (503)254-2212 for more information.

To Save a Life

How far would you go?

How much would you risk?

How hard would you fight to save a life??

It's TIME to find out!

High School students are invited to the "To Save A Life Series"

WHEN: April 11, 18 & 25

May 2 & 16

TIME: 7:00-8:30 PM

Take a chance-Make a difference

Youth Group Schedule

Jr High

Sun: Mar 28 11:30 PC

Sat: Apr 3 1:30-3 pm **Easter Egg**

Hunt

Sun Apr 11, 9 AM mtg Rm 5

Sun Apr 18, 9 AM mtg. Rm 5

Sun Apr 25, 9 AM mtg. Rm 5

High School

Sun. Apr 11, 7 PM, Rm 5

Sun Apr 18, 7 PM, Rm 5

Sun Apr 25, 7 PM, Rm 5

Phone number correction in

Church Directory:

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