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God has his plans. We have ours. Just ask Mary. Mary had seen how her family and friends had gotten married, worked their trade and lived their lives raising children. Why would she think she would do anything different? Marry the carpenter Joseph and have a family just like everyone else. Right? But then God shows up through his messenger Gabriel with a whole different plan. He wants Mary to give birth to his Son.

Thank God Mary listened.

May I ask you a question? OK- thank you for letting me ask. I do a lot of preaching. What is much more important for my preaching- my mouth or my ears? You got it- the correct answer is my ears. I must listen and listen and listen before I speak. I want to give the life of Jesus and not the death of John. So, before there is ever a word on my lips I want God to burn it on my heart.

What if Mary had not listened and followed? What would have happened with Jesus and salvation?

Jesus wants to be born through us, too, all the day long. Otherwise, how else will he be revealed to others? How will he be born through us if we do not listen and follow? Are we giving others the life of Jesus or the death (sin) of ourselves?

I think we spend way too much time telling Jesus what to do instead of letting him tell us what to do.

The deal is that the Savior of the world wants to be born through you. Do not brush off this plan from God Most High.

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Let us pray: "Lord, teach me, like Mary full of grace, to listen. Prevent me from telling you what to do. I abandon myself to the mercy of your plan. Burn your words and life on my heart so that I may share you with the world. I know you want to be born through my thoughts, words and actions. Be born through me according to your plan. Amen."

Wait in trust (WIT),
+Fr. John



Apr 10th
Life Night
"Uum"

Apr 14th
Teen Praise & Worship
**"I am the resurrection and the life,
believe in ME and live."**

Apr 17th
Life Teen Mass

May 1st
"Know Your Momma"



Apr 11th
Edge Night
"Amazing Love: Good Friday"

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Teen Praise & Worship
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Apr 17th
Life Teen Mass

Apr 23rd
Easter Egg Hunt for children of the
Parish @ 2:00PM

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Apr 11, 2011

Communion Service

Tuesday, Apr 12, 2011

Loretta Brady
(Patty Rubich)

Wednesday, Apr 13, 2011

Mike Rubich
(Patty Rubich)

Thursday, Apr 14, 2011

+Marcella Heber
(The Otto Family)

Friday, April 15, 2011

Gerri Stankey
(Vincent Bresch)

Saturday, Apr 16, 2011

+Marcella Heber
(The Otto Family)

Sunday, Apr 17, 2011

8:30AM: +Mr. & Mrs. Kiem Nguyen
(Their Family)

10:30AM: People of the Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, Apr 11, 2011

6:30PM-Edge Night-Basement

Tuesday, Apr 12, 2011

10:00AM-Altar Guild Mtg-SR

7:00PM-Choir Practice-Church

7:00PM-KOC Mtg-SR

Wednesday, Apr 13, 2011

6:30-8:00PM-Adoration & Worship

7:00PM-Woman's Support Gp-SR

Thursday, Apr 14, 2011

7:00PM-Teen Praise and Worship @
Holy Family

Friday, Apr 15, 2011

6:30PM-Stations of the Cross-Church

Saturday, Apr 16, 2011

9:00AM-Choir Practice-Church

5:00PM-Bake Sale & Car Wash

Sunday, Apr 17, 2011

Palm Sunday

9:00AM-Faith Formation

Altar Guild Mtg is scheduled for Tuesday, Apr 12th at 10:00AM. They will be announcing the new Officer positions.

Are you registered at the Parish?

If you aren't sure contact Beth and she will check our data base to see if you are. To register there will be forms in the Narthex or you can come by the Parish Center for one.

Next Class for Infant Baptisms

will be held on Saturday, Apr 30, at 2:00PM in the Social Room. Pre-registration is required. Please contact Beth at the Parish Center to register. Baptisms will take place on Sunday, May 1st at the 8:30AM Mass.

Back to Prayer Night:

Please plan to attend our next Back to Prayer Night on **April 28, 2011** when our guest speaker will be Ed Gustafson, who will be speaking on "Special Devotions and Adoration" The pot luck will begin at 6:00PM and the presentation in the church will begin at 7:00PM. This is a community pot luck so please bring something to share if you can.



Homeless Outreach: On Fri. Apr. 29th 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.

Homeless Outreach Donations:

Homeless outreach during the season of Lent—we will be collecting socks, new or slightly used for men and women. A marked box will be in the Narthex.

Holy Week Schedule and Easter Mass Schedule

**April 21st-Holy Thursday
Mass**

7:00 PM

**April 22nd-Good Friday
Service**

7:00 PM

**April 23rd-Easter Vigil
Mass**

8:00 PM

**April 24th-Easter Sunday
Masses**

8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Budget amount: \$ 7,032.00

Amount collected: \$ 8,168.27

Over/under: + \$ 1,136.27

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And we know what that means! It's spring cleaning time. Ick! But hey, while you are doing that spring cleaning, why not dust off the old camping gear and give us a call and reserve yourselves a site for St. Joe's Annual Camp Out?! This year it's Aug. 12 – Aug. 14th! For more information check the website or call:
Patti @ 503-894-8291
Dianne @ 503-998-5683

Light of Africa Hope for Children Orphanage: We will be collecting 25lb. bags of rice and beans, cases of canned peaches and fruit cocktail, lumber and cement on the weekends of April 10, 17 and May 1. Please bring these items to any of the masses and we will pick them up. If you can't get the items to church please call Jan Loumena at 503-661-1694 to make arrangements for pick up. Thank you for helping the Light of Africa Hope for Children Orphanage.



EASTER EGG HUNT: The Youth Group invites all children up through 4th grade to an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 23rd at 2:00PM.