

EVERYONE Needs Compassion

"The Lord is compassionate towards all his works." Psalm 145:9

A homeless kid breaks into a house. He does not really do any damage and he does not steal anything. What is going on here? He just wants to get caught. He wants someone to notice, someone to care. Even if it is not the most positive way of seeking compassion it is still, nonetheless, a way.

Aren't we all the homeless kid? Don't we all want that compassion- all the time? How many times and ways have we "broken into the house" just to get someone to notice, to care, to give us some compassion?

God is compassionate- all the time. And all the time- God is compassionate. We come from this God and we are going back to this God. This is the God we all want. Let us remember that the next time a homeless kid breaks into our house.

Let us pray: "God, we are homeless kids wanting to find a safe home in your compassion. No matter the times and ways we "break into houses" it is with one and the same cry- we want your compassion. Help me to remember that the next time a homeless kid "breaks into my house". Amen."

Wait in trust (WIT),
+Fr. John



Jan 28th-29th
NET Team at SJTW
Feb 13th
"Save the Date"
Feb 20th
Life Teen Mass
Feb 25th-26th
"30 Hour Famine"
7:00PM Friday- 7:00PM Saturday
Mar 6th
"Fight"
Mar 13th
"Called"

NET TEAM IS COMING **Teen/Parent Retreat** **Jan 28-Jan 29**

All Middle & High School youth and their parents are invited to a retreat put on by the NET Team. Take time as a family to **Slow Down, Observe and Enjoy!** Let God have prime time on this weekend. Please see Janet to register or contact her at the Parish Center during the week at 503 761-8710 ext 110



Jan 28th-29th
NET Team at SJTW
Feb 5th-6th
Souper Bowl of Caring
(After each Mass)
Feb 7th
"Anywhere Man"
Feb 14th
"Game Night"
Feb 20th
Life Teen Mass
Mar 7th
Edge Night

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Jan 24, 2011

Communion Service

Tuesday, Jan 25, 2011

+Mai Thi Nguyen

(Anna Doan)

Wednesday, Jan 26, 2011

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Thursday, Jan 27, 2011

+Gerhard Heckman

(Patty Murphy)

Friday, Jan 28, 2011

Jaime Fletcher

(John & Becky Fletcher)

Saturday, Jan 29, 2011

Gerhard Heckman

(Patty Murphy)

Sunday, Jan 30, 2011

8:30AM: People of the Parish

10:30AM: Richard Maxson

(Beth Fredericks)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, Jan 24, 2011

7:00PM-Just Faith

Tuesday, Jan 25, 2011

7:00PM-Choir Practice

1:00PM-WOWS Luncheon

Friday, Jan 28, 2011

4:00PM-Net Team Retreat Begins

SR, Church, and School

Saturday, Jan 29, 2011

3:00PM -Net Retreat Ends

4:00PM-Confessions-Church

Sunday, Jan 30, 2011

9:00AM-Faith Formation



LOOP Ladies Tea

February 19 at

1:00PM. Our speaker

this year is Joanie

Quinn. Joanie is a forty

-something, goofy mom

who turns her stay-at-home chaos into hilarious tales for all to enjoy. Tickets are \$18 and are on sale after all the masses. Get your ticket soon, they are sure to sell fast.

MINISTERS TO THE SICK

COMMISSIONING:

On January 30th at the 8:30 Mass, we will again commission and bless all those involved in Pastoral Ministries- the Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick, those who drive people to Mass, bake cakes and send cards. There will be a brief service following the homily. Please pray for these compassionate visitors and helpers.

Back to Prayer Night

Please come join us on

February 24th, 2011 for

our first BTPN of 2011!

Our Guest Speaker will be **Beloved**

Larry Loumena. Come and listen

as he shares his spiritual journey

with all of us! The evening will be-

gin at **7:00PM** in the church. This

will be a **community pot luck** so

please bring something to share if

you can! Hope to see you there!



Upcoming retreats at Spirit Center at the Monastery of St. Gertrude in Cottonwood, Idaho:

“To Have and To Hold”, Feb. 11-13.

Couples will pray together and be blessings for one another, exploring differences, challenges, possibilities and service. Includes presentations, reflection, prayer and discussion.

“Building the Reign of God”, Feb. 25

-27. Teaching his disciples, Jesus prepared a banquet for strangers and outcasts. Join Pat McCormick in exploring: How do we feed the hungry today?

For more information or to register,

contact the Spirituality Ministry Team at Spirit Center Phone: 208-962-2000

E-mail: retreat@stgertrudes.org •

Web: www.Spirit-Center.org

All Saints School Open House dates for 2011-2012 School Year

Pre K: Feb 15th 2011, 7:00PM

Kindergarten: Feb 8th, 2011, 7:00PM

1st-8th Grds: Jan 25th, 2011, 7:00PM

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Budget amount: \$ 7,032.00

Amount collected: \$ 7,387.09

Over/under: + \$ 355.09

Open House at St John the Baptist School in Milwaukie. Please join us for our annual Open House on Sunday, Jan 30th from 8:00AM to 12:00PM All are welcome to visit and tour our blue ribbon school. Our principal, faculty and staff, parents, and students will be accessible to speak with you. Application packets will be readily available that will include information on the 2011-2012 Tuition Schedule and financial assistance. We look forward to discussing the many benefits and opportunities our school has to offer. St. John the Baptist is located 2 blocks off of McLoughlin Blvd. in downtown Milwaukie.

WOWS Lunch Jan 25th: This is a social activity open to all widows, widowers and those who are single for any reason. We will enjoy a 1:00PM lunch at the 4th Street Ale House in Gresham. 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 761-8710x106 by Tues. the 18th.

The Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist of Bridal Veil

are having their 32nd Valentine Luncheon on Feb.12th. Seating at 11:00AM & 1:00PM. We have reserved 50 seats at 11:00AM and will have the bus available at the parish leaving at 10:30. It is a free will offering for the lunch and \$2 for the bus. There are also raffle tickets available for \$1. If you would like to go, please call Donna or Sandy Norton 503-256-0791. This is a benefit for the work of the Sisters.

