

No Striking Out with Jesus

"Their name never cut off." Isaiah 48:19

One strike. Two strikes. Three strikes- you're out! You only get three strikes in baseball then you are out.

There was a man who had different kind of strikes against him. There were too many to count and some of them were really horrible like killing another human being. Because of the laws he had broken and the suffering he caused, it was time to cut him off. His sentence was to be hanged on a tree. You could say that he struck out.

There was another man, full of grace, who came for the man who struck out. He was unlike any other man. He did not believe in strike-outs. He would never say, "Three strikes and you're out." He would never say, "A million strikes and you're out." He would never cut you off. Yes, you could cut him off but he would never cut you off. When you did strike out and hurt others all he asked that you would come back in sorrow. If you did that you would not be cut off and your strikes would be taken away.

Here's the story about these two men. They are hanging on crosses next to each other in the middle of being executed. The man who had countless strikes against him saw something powerful in the man who had no strikes against him. In sorrow, the man who had hurt and even killed others reached out to the man who would never cut off anyone, "Jesus, Remember me when you come into your kingdom." The man who would never let anyone strike out replied, "I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise."

What assurance! No one strikes out with Jesus. Just come back to him in sorrow.

Let us pray: "They struck you, Jesus. They struck your back 39 times with metal hooks and glass and ripped your flesh apart like you were some piece of meat. You went through all of that and so much more to show us that there are no strike-outs with you. Human beings only allow so many strikes and then you are out. But not you. You have a no strike-out rule. All we have to do is come back in sorrow. Now, I come back in sorrow to you. And please, help me to live by your no strike-out rule for others. Amen."

Wait in trust (WIT),
+Fr. John

Aug 21st Outdoor Mass and BBQ: Come to our 10:00AM outdoor Mass followed by a BBQ on Sunday, Aug 21st. It is surely going to be a time of Joy and celebration. Please, Please, Please, call Beth at the office and let her know how many are coming to the BBQ-we need a head count. You can reach her at the office at 503-761-8710. **Remember, there will be no confession or 5:00PM Mass scheduled for Saturday, Aug 20th and the 10:00AM Mass on Aug 21st will be the only mass on that weekend at St. Joseph the Worker.**

Thank you, Father John

Holy Land Pilgrimage - Join Fr. John on a Spiritual Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from Sept, 11-20, 2011. For more info call Rinda or Mike of 206 Tours at (800) 206-8687 or email rok@206tours.com or go to www.pilgrimages.com/framsberry .

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Aug 1, 2011

Communion Service

Tuesday, Aug 2, 2011

Communion Service

Wednesday, Aug 3, 2011

+Gerri Stankey

(Vincent Bresch)

Thursday, Aug 4, 2011

+Carl Dulay

(Richard Rossetto)

Friday, Aug 5, 2011

+Scott Nugent

(Pat & Vernae McCarthy)

Saturday, Aug 6, 2011

+Victor Errico

(Mom & Dad)

Sunday, Aug 7, 2011

8:30AM: +Dr Joseph Shields

(Joe Shields)

10:30AM: People of the Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, Aug 1, 2011

7:00PM-Social Justice Mtg-SR

Tuesday, Aug 2, 2011

6:00PM-Family Rosary & Pot Luck

Friday, Aug 5, 2011

8:30AM-Fatima Prayer Cell



Thank you to all the Vacation Bible School Volunteers. It was another huge success.

CAN/BOTTLE Monthly 😊
Recycling is "on vacation"
until Sept. No collection
in July or August



Altar Guild

We hope many of you have spent time this summer working on your crafts for the November Annual Craft/Bake Sale. If you are interested in donating items or services please contact Geraldine@ 503 422-1177



Next Class for Infant Baptisms

will be held on Sunday, Sept 18, 2011 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, Sept 25, at the 10:30AM Mass. **NOTE:** The date of the **class** has been changed.

The fourth annual Nationwide Friends of the Poor® Walk will be on September 25.

Consider volunteering to walk while others make pledges on your behalf. Money raised will benefit those most in need in our community. Walk a mile in someone else's shoes and find out how good it feels to give. To register as a walker, to pledge support for a walker, or for more information, go to:

www.svdpfriendsofthepoorwalk.org
or contact:

Barbara Stonewall: 503-665-8357

Virginia O'Donnell: 503-761-8596

Feast of the Assumption: Memorial Mass for the Little Saints (Those children lost before birth or at a young age).

St Joseph the Worker

2310 SE 148th Ave

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Monday, Aug 15th, 2011, 7:00PM

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Budget amount: \$ 7,032.00

Amount collected: \$ 6,177.20

Over/under: - \$ 854.80



Our 3rd annual **Fr. Chester Memorial Multi-Cultural Family Rosary Night and Potluck** is coming up

on Tues, August 2nd. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. We will start the Rosary at 6pm to be followed by a potluck. All are welcome. If you would like to take part in leading a decade of the Rosary in your language please call Kathi at 503-760-8429.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CHURCH PRESENTS THE JOPLIN, MO FLEA MARKET & VARIETY SHOW!

St. Joseph the Worker Church will be putting on a fundraiser for the victims of the Joplin, MO tornado that destroyed their homes and their entire town in just 9 minutes in May of this year! These people need our help and we hope that we can give a little support by putting on this fundraiser. The fundraiser will take place on **Sunday September 25th from 1pm to 7pm.** WE/THEY need YOUR help! Our event is going to be a flea market with a variety show, raffle and buffet that will go on all day at St. Joe's. The variety show, raffle and food will all be in the Social Room and the flea market will be held in the classrooms. We need help in the following areas:

Be a seller at flea market. (This can be new items, good used items or arts and crafts) Each seller will be asked to donate 50% of their proceeds for that day.

Recruit sellers.

Help promote the fundraiser.

Help at the event.

Get donations for raffle.

Please, if you would like to help or find out more contact: Patti LaRue, 503-894-8291
pattiurlvd@stjosephtheworkerpx.org

Tickets will be sold at the door the day of the event for just \$5 and 100% of these proceeds, raffle ticket sales and 50% of the Flea Market proceeds will all go to:

Bishop's Joplin Relief Fund!

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