

Don't be so Defensive

“O God, with your judgment endow the king.” Psalm 72:1

True story. Two eighth-grade boys got into some trouble. One boy came from a cohesive family in which the parents were very involved in his moral formation. The other boy came from a split up family with little parental involvement. He was just kinda running wild. As they talked in the back seat of the car, the boy from the strong family situation said, “I got grounded for a month and it stinks.” To which the other boy replied, “You are so lucky.”

The point is that we all want to know what is right and do that. The boy running wild just wanted someone to show him the way. We want what is good, true and dignifying.

But to get to what is good, true and dignifying; we are going to have to be open to that. That means that we are going to have to let the Holy Spirit, others and ourselves judge us. Here is where it gets tricky. We don't like to be judged or criticized. We can take the defensive really quickly.

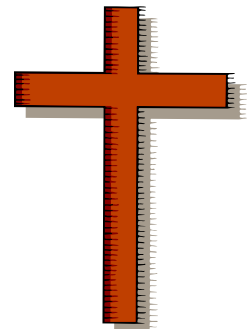
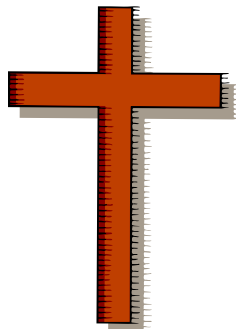
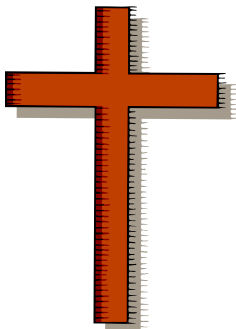
But all reproof can be for our good- if we let it. Why are we so defensive about any message from the Holy Spirit, others or ourselves that would move us into deeper communion with Jesus who is living right all the time?

How open are you to criticism? When it comes your way slow down and observe it. What is it saying to you and how you can live in deeper union with LOVE? Then move towards that love by changing your behavior and enjoy.

We are made for what is good, true and dignifying. Let us not become instantly defensive when criticism comes our way but see it as a possibility to get closer to Jesus.

Let us pray: “Lord, you want to fill me with goodness, truth and dignity. You are constantly guiding me to this blessed end. Help me be open to the many ways you will move me there. Take away my defensiveness so that I may not stay stuck where I am. Move me into you. Amen.”

Wait in trust (WIT),
+Fr. John



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 13, 2011

Communion Service

Tuesday, June 14, 2011

+Carl Dulay

(John & Becky Fletcher)

Wednesday, June 15, 2011

+Eugene Best

(Mary Fromwiller)

Thursday, June 16, 2011

+Teresa Asevo

(Carolyn Clawson)

Friday, June 17, 2011

+Eugene Best

(Carolyn Clawson)

Saturday, June 18, 2011

+John Lauro

(Linda Cammann)

Sunday, June 19, 2011

8:30AM: +Don Fromwiller

(Mary Fromwiller)

10:30AM: Gene Cammann

(Linda Cammann)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, Jun 14, 2011

7:00PM-KOC General Mtg S.R.

7:00PM-Altar Guild's Ladies Night

Out; Old Country Kitchen (See below)

Sunday, June 19, 2011



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Altar Guild's Annual Ladies Night Out is June 14th. Happy hour at 6:00PM and dinner at 7:00PM. It will be at the Old Country Kitchen, located at 10519 SE Stark. The choices for dinner are:

4oz. Tenderloin steak \$20.55

6oz Prime Rib \$22.75

Chicken Fried Steak \$15.55

Prawns \$21.55

Fish and Chips \$16.75

It is a wonderful time to meet new friends and visit with old friends.



International Potluck

By popular demand, the Pastoral Council is hosting another International

Potluck on Pentecost Sunday, June 12th, after the 10:30AM Mass. This time it's a Pentecost theme. Bring an ethnic cuisine dish representing your cultural heritage, wear red, and have your kids prepared to run around on the grass at our Red Easter Egg hunt for children up to the age of 10. Sign-ups will start the weekend of May 21-22, after all three masses. Come be filled with good food, great community, and the glorious Holy Spirit!

Heal Our Land

The Community Prayer Walk Pentecost Sunday June 12th will begin at Freedom Foursquare Church at 2:00 with a short prayer rally. Then St. Joseph parishioners will walk from Dairy Queen on 174th & Division to the church. We will have a 14-passenger bus to take us to Freedom Foursquare and then to Dairy Queen so you can leave your cars in the church lot. We have the international potluck at 12:00 here so you can eat lunch before the walk.



Our next Back to Prayer Night will be **June 30th**. We will begin at **6pm** in the Social Room with a simple potluck and will continue at

7pm in the church. Our special guest will be the **Holy Spirit!** Come sing, pray, praise and get to know Him better! This will be our last BTPN until **September 30th**! Please come and worship Him!

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Budget amount: \$ 7,032.00

Amount collected: \$ 7,907.23

Over/under: + \$ 875.23

Capital Campaign

We would like to announce the start of an exciting campaign for the Catholic Church of western Oregon and St Joseph the Worker. The *Sharing Our Gifts, Shaping Our Future* Capital Campaign is being launched. Gifts received will ensure the ability of our parish to meet important needs, as well as, the needs of the Church in western Oregon.

What is this Capital Campaign

about? It is an all-parish, all-parishioner, five-year pledge effort to raise funds for St Joseph the Worker and the future of our Catholic faith. The funds are to solidify the financial future of:

- Seminary education
- Priest retirement
- Faith Formation and Catholic education our needs at St Joseph the Worker

Why conduct this campaign now?

There has been a need to conduct a campaign to address financial areas for over a decade. The time is now to attend to these critical items. Every parish will conduct the campaign; several have already successfully completed this task. We at St Joseph the Worker are part of the final wave of participants.

What does this mean for St Joseph

the Worker? Well, we will be asking every household to respond in this campaign. Over the next 12-14 weeks we will explain the campaign, the needs to be addressed, the way in which you can give—all the information you will need to make an educated decision. So what this means is we're looking toward to the future for St Joseph the Worker. *Will you help us shape our future?*