

From Fr. John:

Why did Jesus fold the Napkin?

Why did Jesus fold the linen burial cloth after His resurrection? I never noticed this.....

The Gospel of John (20:7) tells us that the napkin, which was placed over the face of Jesus, was not just thrown aside like the grave clothes.

The Bible takes an entire verse to tell us that the napkin was neatly folded, and was placed at the head of that stony coffin.

Early Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and found that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance.

She ran and found Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved. She said, 'They have taken the Lord's body out of the tomb, and I don't know where they have put him!'

Peter and the other disciple ran to the tomb to see. The other disciple outran Peter and got there first.. He stooped and looked in and saw the linen cloth lying there, but he didn't go in.

Then Simon Peter arrived and went inside. He also noticed the linen wrappings lying there, while the cloth that had covered Jesus' head was folded up and lying to the side.

Is that important? Absolutely!

Is it really significant? Yes!

In order to understand the significance of the folded napkin, you have to understand a little bit about Hebrew tradition of that day. The folded napkin had to do with the Master and Servant and every Jewish boy knew this tradition.

When the servant set the dinner table for the master, he made sure that it was exactly the way the master wanted it.

The table was furnished perfectly, and then the servant would wait, just out of sight, until the master had finished eating, and the servant would not dare touch that table, until the master was finished.

Now if the master was done eating, he would rise from the table, wipe his fingers, his mouth, and clean his beard, and would wad up that napkin and toss it onto the table.

The servant would then know to clear the table. For in those days, the wadded napkin meant "I'm done ".

But if the master got up from the table, and folded his napkin, and laid it beside his plate, the servant would not dare touch the table, because.....

The folded napkin meant, "I'm coming back!"

He IS Coming Back!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 16, 2009

Communion Service

Tuesday, November 17, 2009

+Alice & Julian Misa

(Geraldine Misa)

Wednesday, November 18, 2009

+Blanche Bonneville

(St. Joseph the Worker Staff)

Thursday, November 19, 2009

Michelle Frank

(Kathy West)

Friday, November 20, 2009

Linda Sabrowski

(Frances Wenner)

Saturday, November 21, 2009

5:00 PM-+Scott Francis

(St. Joseph the Worker Staff)

Sunday, November 22, 2009

8:30 AM- +Paul Tran

(The Tran Family)

10:30 AM-People of the Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 15, 2009

9:00 AM-Faith Formation

Tuesday, November 17, 2009

9:00 AM-Prayer Chain-SR

7:00 PM-Choir practice

Wednesday, November 18, 2009

7:00 PM-RCIA-SR

Thursday, November 19, 2009

7:00 PM-Back to Prayer Night

7:00 PM-Bible Study-Rm. 4

Friday, November 20, 2009

6:00 PM-LOOPS Scrapbooking-SR

Back to Prayer Night And Community Pot Luck

This month's BTPN will be Thursday, November 19th at 7:00 PM. We will have Stella Armstrong as our guest speaker. Please come and be inspired by one of our website writers for the Weekly Word! Don't forget to bring something yummy to share at the pot luck! The evening will begin in the church at 7:00 PM followed by the pot luck in the Social Room. Hope to see you there!

CARE MINISTRY

The **Prayer Chain** will meet Tuesday, November 17th from 9:00-10ish in the Social room of the Church. Anyone from the parish is invited to attend and join us as we pray for those who are ill and have requested prayer support. We will begin our new book "Let in the Light-facing hard stuff with hope". Don't forget to bring your appreciation book also. If you are new to the parish and would like to join us, please come we share books well. Refreshments following the meeting.

Advent Day of Recollection

This is a day of spiritual nourishment especially for our ministers to the sick. Our speaker is Fr. Francis Chun, a retired pastor, teacher and gifted speaker. It will be on Friday, December 4th from 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM at St. Therese Parish, 1260 NE 132nd Ave., Portland, 97230. Flyers are in the back of church. Pre-registration is needed in order to know how many lunches to prepare. There is no cost to Ministers to the Sick in our parish; \$15 to others who wish to attend. Please pre-register by calling Becky or dropping the registration in the collection basket.

St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Day Food Drive

In October we delivered 152 boxes and helped over 20 families with utilities and rent assistance. We have been blessed again this year with your generous contributions of money and food. We will be having our annual food collection November 26th and November 28th and 29th Masses. We are in need of packaged pastas, cereal, canned foods especially canned corn. The entire monetary collection on Thanksgiving Day will be for our parish St. Vincent de Paul. Last year we received over \$5,000.00. Thanks to your generosity we helped 1,885 families and 7,091 individuals.

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Amount Needed: \$ 7,032.00

Amount Collected: 10,576.90

Over/Under: + 3,544.90



Youth Group News

JR HIGH

Nov 22 9:00 AM Meeting Rm 5

SR HIGH

Nov 22 **Real Life Exhibit**

11:30 AM- 3:30 PM

Questions: Call Janet

503-761-8710



Hats & Scarves: The annual hat/scarf, blanket and gloves drive has begun. Please bring any of these items to

the parish center or social room.

Scarves are made from fleece fabric and require no sewing, and hats require minimum sewing. Fleece blankets can be purchased at local stores. Gloves are always appreciated. All items need to be at the Church by December 13th. If you need a pattern for the hats and scarves you can go to the website at hevanet.com/projectkeepwarm or pick one up in the narthex. If you would like to make a cash donation, please put it in an envelope labeled "**Project Keep Warm**" and drop it off at Church. I will use any money donated to buy blankets and fabric. Thank you for your generosity.



LOOP

Scrapbooking/Craft Nite

Will be held this Friday, November 20th at 6:00 PM in the Social Room. Bring your scrapbooking or any other crafts and a snack to share. Everyone is welcome!

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