

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Sept 19, 2011

Communion Service

Tuesday, Sept 20, 2011

+Gene Cammann

(Terry Ballard)

Wednesday, Sept 21, 2011

+Margaret Cony

(Susan Cony)

Thursday, Sept 22, 2011

+Alberta Perkins

(Robert Perkins)

Friday, Sept 23, 2011

+Bill Serdar

(Peggy Serdar)

Saturday, Sept 24, 2011

People of the Parish

Sunday, Sept 25, 2011

8:30AM: +Julian Misa

(Geraldine Misa)

10:30AM: +Joan Marie Bowen

(Joe Bowen)



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, Sept 20, 2011

9:00AM-Prayer Chain Mtg-SR

7:00PM-LOOP Mtg - SR

Wednesday, Sept 21, 2011

5:00PM-WOWS-14th St Brew Pub

Saturday, Sept 24, 2011

8:00AM-3:00PM-Blood Drive

Sunday, Sept 25, 2011

8:45AM- Faith Formation

12:00PM-7:00PM-Joplin Fund

Raiser/Rummage Sale

St Vincent de Paul

During the month of August St Joseph SVDP conference delivered food for 757 individuals. This is a 25% increase over the current year's average weekly deliveries. We also assisted 17 families with rent and utilities at a total cost of \$1,640. Now for the good news! Since we alerted you of the increasing need for assistance, the food collected in the container in the vestibule has also increased substantially. God bless you for your continuing participation in this vital program.

"I will pray for your good."

Psalm 122:8

Have you ever wished evil upon another person? Maybe they hurt you in some way big or small. Maybe their philosophy, theology or morality is very different than yours. Do you pray for this person? How do you pray for this person? Do you pray that they would be mightily blessed by our God who is always good to all?

Is it enough to pray for this person? Does not prayer call us to enter into dialogue to discover what is truly good? How many times do we just want to wash our hands and not have to enter into the mess of it all?

My friend wanted to challenge his father not to just live on the physical level but to know that the deepest desire of our hearts is for reverential love. How to approach his dad? I suggested coming into that discussion by asking if it would be OK to share some feedback to what he is seeing with his father. It would be all prefaced by saying, "The only reason I am saying this is because I care." Thankfully, the father was open to his own loneliness and empty way of relating and how he could change.

Let us pray: "Jesus, help me to pray for the good of all, especially those who are most difficult to wish the good for. And Jesus, do not let me just pray for their good but give me the wisdom to work for their good. Help me to enter into dialogue and talk about the matters of the soul. Give me the courage to enter into the mess of it all and welcome your healing working for good. Jesus, you entered this mess. You went to the messiest mess there ever was and brought your goodness there. I know you have gone before me and I ask that you now come with me, Jesus- that I will pray and work for the good of all. Amen."

BBTB,
+Fr. John



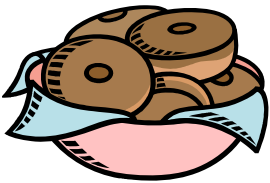
Confirmation
Confirmation will be offered for high school students this year. Meetings will start on Thurs. Oct 6th, at 7:00PM. Please contact Janet at the Parish Office to register. 503-761-8710 ext. 110.



Homeless Outreach:
On Friday, Sept 30th, we will host the dinner served at the Sunnyside Coffee House. We start preparing food at 4:00PM and serve at 6:00PM. The soup kitchen is located at SE 35th and Yamhill. If you are interested in volunteering contact Jan at (503) 254-2212 for more information

Communion Minister Wanted
who speaks Spanish. We have a new couple who would like to receive communion in their home who are more comfortable speaking Spanish. If you would like to try this call me, Becky at 503-761-8710x106. Training is included.

Catholic Radio KBVM Fall Sharathon: Your Catholic radio station, KBVM-FM 88.3 will broadcast its Fall Sharathon Oct 3-7. The weeklong event will feature a variety of special guests, interesting conversations about the importance of our faith and an opportunity for listeners to support the region's only Catholic radio station. More information is available at www.kbvm.fm or 503-285-5200.



Coffee and Donuts will start again on Sundays after the 8:30AM and 10:30AM

Masses. It's a great time for fellowship and socializing. If you wish to volunteer during the Coffee and Donut hour there will be sign up sheets available. If you have questions please contact Darcy at 503-255-6181.

WOWS Dinner Sept 21. This is a social activity open to all widows, widowers and those who are single for any reason. We will enjoy a 5:00PM dinner at the 4th Street Brew Pub, in Gresham. For reservations please call me, Becky, at 761-8710x106 by Tues. Sept 19th.



RCIA- If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please get in touch with Fr. John at 503-761-8710. **RCIA- Rite of Christian Initiation** for Adults is the beautiful and soul-opening process to the depth of our sacred faith. We will hold classes on Wednesday, nights in the social room starting in the fall. Now is the day of salvation!

The Prayer Chain will meet Tuesday Sept 20th 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 (I have 14) *One Day He Beckoned* by Antoinette Bosco. If you are new to the parish and would like to join us, please come we share books well. There will be refreshments following the meeting.



Joplin, MO Benefit:
Everyone is invited to come to our Joplin, MO Sunday Market & Music Event on Sept. 25th! There will be items to buy, live music to enjoy, food to eat, a silent art auction and two raffles! **Entrance fee is \$5.00 and children under 10 are free!**

Please come and support a worthy cause! The event will begin in the Social Room at **1pm**. If you can't make it to the event, donations will be gladly accepted for the people of Joplin! **All proceeds from this event will go directly to the Bishop Joplin Fund in Springfield, MO.**

Contact Patti at 503-894-8291 or 503-922-9121 if you have any questions!

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Budget amount: \$ 7,032.00
Amount collected: \$ 7,326.70
Over/under: + \$ 294.70

Rummage Donation Drop Off Times: Our Joplin fundraiser is coming fast and for all of you who have signed up to give donations to the rummage sale, we have set up a drop off schedule for your donations to be dropped off at the church.

Fri. Sept. 23rd – 11am to 12 noon
Sat. Sept. 24th – 11am to 1pm

We can't accept any donations the day of the event on Sept. 25th. So if none of these dates work for you, please call Patti at 503-894-8291 or 503-922-9121.

If you are bringing **food donations** for the event then please drop these items off in the social room kitchen before and after the **8:30 and 10:30 Masses on Sept. 25th!**

40 Days for Life: Christians throughout the city of Portland are invited to take part in the International 40 Days for Life effort from Sept 28th through Nov 6th. In addition to 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion, please consider volunteering to pray outside of the Planned Parenthood at 3727 NE MLK Jr. Blvd, during the 40 days and spread the word to others about this important life-saving effort. To get more information, or to volunteer to help, please contact Therese Ruesink at 503 997 1884. Ruesinktherese@comcast.net. See also www.40daysforlife.com/Portland. Also, please come to our Kick-off event on Saturday, Sept 24th, at Life Change: 3635 N. Williams Ave Portland from 1 to 3 p.m. All are welcome!