

MASS INTENTIONS (\$10.00)

Jan 17th – Jan 22nd

Tuesday	1/17	11:00 a.m. Mass
Wednesday	1/18	8:30 a.m. Communion Service
Thursday	1/19	8:30 a.m. Communion Service
Friday	1/20	9:00 a.m. Mass
Saturday	1/21	5:00 p.m. Mass
Sunday	1/22	8:00 a.m. Mass 10:00 a.m. For the Parish

PRAYER REQUESTS

James Brown, Patricia Lightner, Barbra Cowlin, Pam Curnutt, Sandy Byers, Pauline Thompson, Chris Arnis, Bernard Offley, Debbie Medeiros, Leon Frappier, Ronald Schaumberg, Leo Carina, Bill Jauron, Marie Anderson, Joey Bates, Patty Lowe, Dick Wall, Lloyd Ebert, JoAnn Evans, Rodney Mann, Jim Fery, Ted Hile, Craig Chabala, Marvel Brown, Sherry Elder Baker, Martin Scheer Sr., and Gail Norwood Young.

From July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 the weekly need is \$3,885. This does not include Religious Education, Youth Ministry personnel, which could account for \$16,000 or more, nor does it include the Capital Campaign.

<u>Weekly Need</u>	\$ 3,885.00
<u>Collection Jan 7/8</u>	\$ 1,440.22
	\$-2444.78
 <u>Maintenance</u>	 \$ 1,031.00

Attendance

5:00 p.m.	51
8:00 a.m.	5
10:00 a.m.	50

BULLETIN DEADLINE Information for the January 21st/22nd bulletin needs to be emailed or brought in to the office by Friday, January 13th.

Week Day Mass Schedule

Please check the bulletin or the front page of the website for each week's weekday Mass schedule.

St. Vincent de Paul

St. Vincent de Paul is in need of all food except canned vegetables and cereal.

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God." John the Baptist had an important message to impart. He was called by God to prepare the people of Israel to recognize Jesus' true identity. In a sense, he helped establish credibility for Christ by confirming that he was in fact the Messiah. Jesus didn't just have to claim it on his own; John also "testified" to the fact. We, of course, also benefit from the witness of John the Baptist recorded for us in the Gospels. And we have additional witnesses from the rest of the people throughout the Gospels who knew and recognized Jesus as the Son of God. But we also have the benefit of two thousand years of Church history! We have countless testimonies of saints and believers throughout the centuries who have known Jesus in their own lives and acted accordingly.

This raises two questions. First, are we willing to believe these testimonies from those who have gone before us? Consider how much credence we give to the experiences and the stories of our forefathers and foremothers in the faith—whether they are blood relatives or members of the larger communion of saints. Sometimes these personal accounts of coming to know the Lord are much more powerful than any "proof" or intellectual proposal about Christianity. They do require a degree of faith and trust, but they nonetheless provide us with real evidence about the impact of being close to Christ.

Secondly, let us consider whether or not we are willing to give testimony to who Christ is to us? It's one thing to believe in Jesus; it's another thing to share that faith with others. But like John the Baptist, we are called to share the truth so that others may come to believe.

Cycles of Faith

Holy Cross Catholic School is a PreK - 8th grade school in North Portland. The school has nurtured, affirmed, and challenged its students in their pursuit of learning, including responsibilities of faith and citizenship, for more than 100 years. Holy Cross takes pride in teaching Catholic education to all families and is one of the most ethnically and socio-economically diverse schools in the Archdiocese. Please come to our Open House on Sunday, January 29, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. For more information on the school, please check out our website at <http://www.holycrosspx.org/school>.

Sacramental Prep classes in the Parish Center on Wednesday from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Readings for the week of January 15, 2017

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: s 8:23—9:3/Ps 27/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Can you imagine what kind of response I would get if I asked my three children, “Who would like to volunteer to clean up the kitchen after dinner today?” Six eyeballs staring at me like I had two heads! If I couch my request in terms of volunteerism, I have suggested that they don’t have any real ownership in this matter. Perhaps they do sometimes think that their mother and I are simply hired hands to take care of them, but rest assured, I have not received a paycheck for services rendered lately.

When you and I give a donation of blood, we volunteer our time and blood to the Red Cross. The Red Cross does not employ most of us, nor do we own a part of the Red Cross. We can only volunteer ourselves for the cause.

As parishioners we are part of a parish family. We belong to our parish community. We do not visit on a Sunday morning, since we cannot visit a place that is home. The call of the body of Christ occurs in every parish and our response should be that of the psalmist, “Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.” Real stewardship never counts the cost and never asks for volunteers. We step forward because we belong to something greater than ourselves and the head of that community is Jesus. After dinner at my house, someone needs to clean up the kitchen. In your parish community, someone needs to respond to the call of Jesus. In both cases, no volunteers are needed. We will rely on family instead.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Instructions for Online Giving

Instructions for online giving are in the vestibule.
Pick up your copy today.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults learned why we need the Catholic Church last week. If you see a topic that interests you, please come and join us in us on Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. in Room 5.

Upcoming topics include:

1/17—The First 3 Commandments

1/24—The Last 7 Commandments

1/31—Our Eternal Destiny (4 last things) + Purgatory

2/7—Baptism and Confirmation

Bunco Group

St Frederic has a women’s Bunco group that meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. The group has twelve regulars who take turns hosting by cooking dinner and purchasing the prizes. The cost is \$5 to play, which is used for purchasing the prizes. If you are interested in joining Bunco, please call the office at 503-397-048 to be added to the substitute list. If we have enough people who want to join, another group can be formed. We always have a great time.

Religious Ed Classes

If public school is cancelled due to weather, Religious Ed will also be cancelled.

Pre-K through 6th grade after 10:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Center will resume January 22th.

Sacramental Prep Reconciliation and First Communion classes will be on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Youth Group is on Sunday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Update from the Office

Offertory Envelopes have arrived. They are in the vestibule and are in alphabetical order. If you are new to the parish and have registered your Offertory Envelopes should be there. If you have not registered and would like to registrations forms are in the vestibule along with a sheet requesting envelopes.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK!

Mater Dei Radio

We would like to thank Mater Dei for placing an ad in our bulletin.