

OUR PARISH

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

If you would like to join the Parish Liturgical Ministries, contact: Eucharistic Ministers and Servers, Steve Jones (503-256-5850 x105); Lectors, Bob Cornell (leave message at 503-256-5850).

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Deceased: Rosalie Vogel
The Living: Judy Dwyer, Dennis Becker, Rosemary Elliott, Mary Ennis, Roy Routledge, Karen Saso, Thomas Fahey, Reynaldo Tingzon, Marlene Mosbrucker, John Hamilton, Dee Spike, Fredia McPeak, June Lagler, Rita Glazebrook, Shannon Lusby, Bill Benson, Amabile R. Zorich, Mary Cox, Dorothy Brightbill, Francis Montani, Cheryl Perry, Marie Carter, Millie Gomoll, Vera Saxton, Cheryl Trimpler, Lucille Dole, Joanne Scabery, David & Lisa Marie Lecce-Borders, Jean Cotterell, Jack & Marge Curtis, Cindy Daugherty, Dan Duncan, Evelyn Mertz, Lou Schmiedescamp, Dolores Waterman, Geraldine Wirfs, Clarence Young, Maria Neukamm

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

Total Offertory for 12/18/11.....\$ 7,537.46
Average Weekly Offertory 2011--12.....\$ 7,964.03
Average Weekly Budgeted 2011--12.....\$ 8,307.12
"Average Weekly Offertory" is based on a total of 25 weeks. The "Average Weekly Budgeted" is based on the total 2011-12 Fiscal Year Offertory Budget divided by 52 weeks.

Special Events of the week

Dec 26	Monday	
	Office Closed	
Dec 27	Tuesday	
Dec 28	Wednesday	
6:00 pm	Finance Council Meeting.....	Bus. Off
6:30 pm	Choir Practice.....	Church
Dec 29	Thursday	
Dec 30	Friday	
Dec 31	Saturday	
7:35 am	Rosary.....	Church
Jan 1	Sunday	
10:00 am	R/E Classes.....	School
10:00 am	Coffee and Doughnuts	PSC
12:30 pm	Coffee and Doughnuts	PSC

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: CHRISTMAS SEASON

December 19 – December 30

Office open 8:30 a.m. – Noon only

If you need keys for events, be sure to come to the office before Noon to check them out.

December 26: Office Closed

Prayer for Vocations

God of Love, You call us to live in your love through the grace of our baptism. Bless us with the courage to carry out the mission of Jesus. Grant us open and generous hearts to see the needs of others and to respond with compassion. May the Church be blest with women and men who are dedicated to you through marriage, the single life, the diaconate, priesthood, and the consecrated life. It is in Christ and through Christ that we offer ourselves to you now and forever. Amen.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL News

St. Vincent De Paul – St. Therese is looking for someone to take care of customer's rent & utilities. Some training is involved. Please contact Gene Mosbrucker at 503-255-6381.

Thank you for your donations of food, money, and other items throughout the year.

If you are staying in a hotel or motel during your holiday travels, please donate the guest soaps, shampoo, etc to help the homeless. Full size items are needed by the St Therese conference to give out in the December food boxes. Please place donations in the white bin at the church entrance.

Thanks to your generosity St. Therese SVDP provided personal care items for all the Christmas food boxes distributed during the month of December. We would like to thank those who generously donated personal care items or money for the purchase of these items. Various guilds of the St. Therese Women's Association contributed personal care items during the month of December. The XYZ's encouraged members to contribute food or personal care items during their Christmas Brunch. We would also like to thank Dr. Michael C. Regan DMD and Gentle Dental for their donations of tooth brushes and tooth paste. A special thanks to Shasta Hatter who packed all the donations for the baskets.

CLOTHING NEEDED

The members of the St. James Small Faith Community are collecting adult men and women's clothing for two agencies that serve the homeless and hungry in the Portland area: The Downtown Chapel and the Francis Center. Please place your new or gently used items in the large tub in the main vestibule of the church. For more details or if you need items picked up, call Gabriella Maertens at 503 254-5161. Donation receipts are available upon request.

PASTORAL COUNCIL:

We welcome 2 new members to the Pastoral Council: Joan Galles and Greg Buhr. That makes 5 non-voting and 12 voting members. We keep well-informed about the school, the liturgy, diocese and parish organizations. We are blessed to have so many hard-working and talented parishioners on the Council. Keep us in your prayers. Our next meeting will be on Jan. 19th, 2012.

XYZ: Extra Years of Zest!

XYZ Board Meeting January 9, 2012 in Parish Office Conference Room @ 10:30 am.

XYZ Luncheon January 11, 2012 @ NOON PSC, Mild Meaty CHILLI with all the trimmings, corn bread, ice cream & cookies. Cost: \$6.00

BIBLE STUDY COMING UP!

The details: Studying St. Paul's letters to the Galatians and Romans. A 15 week study.

Starts on January 5. Meet on Thursdays @ 6:30pm to 8:00 pm in the PSC. Sign up ahead by phone, mail or email to Nancy in the parish office. Books cost \$13.50, payable at the first meeting.

Why? Knowing more about the Scriptures helps us to be more understanding of the Word of God, helps us be better followers of Jesus. These two letters of St. Paul are important because here he gives the basic theology that has formed Christianity for 20 centuries. These studies are enjoyable and easy to understand no matter your level of Scripture knowledge. All are welcome!

Upcoming Retreat at Spirit Center at the Monastery of St. Gertrude, Cottonwood, ID

Holy Darkness: Let Justice & Peace Embrace, March 2-4. When darkness surrounds, it can be hard to see or feel God's grace. Insights into dark nights of the soul suggest more might be happening in the dark than we know. Learn about this journey to deeper faith. Suggested donation: \$175 single/\$130 per person, shared. 208-962-2000, www.Spirit-Center.org

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