



*Father,
 help us to be like Christ your Son,
 who loved the world and died for our salvation.
 Inspire us by his love,
 guide us by his example,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, for ever and ever.
 Amen.*

FINANCIAL NEWS

Current Average Weekly Collection: \$6000
 Minimum amount needed to meet monthly bills without borrowing, no less than \$7500 per week. THAT IS A 20% shortfall in weekly collections.

SOLUTION:

Each family will ideally increase their weekly donation by 20%
 See below for some giving examples with a formula at the bottom to customize your own level

- \$20 current level \$20 x 1.20=\$24 new level
- \$40 current level \$40 x 1.20=\$48 new level
- \$75 current level \$75 x 1.20=\$90 new level
- \$100 current level \$100 x1.20=\$120 new level

FORMULA (plug in your own numbers)

Current giving level x 1.20=New amount to give weekly.
 Please prayerfully consider your contribution to St. Patrick. Every dollar does make a difference.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection! Through your generosity exploited children will be helped, families will be reunited, and many will have vital humanitarian needs met. Please visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections to learn how funds are making a difference.

RELAY FOR LIFE TULIP SALE

Relay for Life will be selling Tulips after the Masses today, **April 9 & 10** and next weekend, **April 16 & 17**. \$5.00 per bunch. Each bunch contains 10 tulips. If you would like to order in advance, call Thelma at 503-263-8750 or Ellen at 503-651-2973. \$2.75 for each sale goes to the American Cancer Society. All monies stay in the state of Oregon.



WORK PARTY!

Are you looking for a project that you and your family could do during Lent? Join us on Saturday, **April 16th** from **9am** until approximately **1pm** as we will gather for a work party to clean up the grounds around the church in preparation for Easter. We will rake leaves, weed flower beds and trim bushes. We would love to see a great turn out! For more information, please contact Paul Crawford.

**REFLECTING
 ON THE GOSPEL**

Often when a jetliner crashes, news reports carry a story about someone who had been booked to be on the flight but missed it for some reason. We think, how lucky for that person, but how sad for those who lost their lives. In less grave situations, we all find ourselves occasionally saying, “If only . . . If only I had not spent so much money eating out, I wouldn’t be so far behind in my bills. If only I had paid more attention to the school zone, I wouldn’t have a steep traffic tickets to pay. If only I could lose weight, I would fit into all those clothes in my closet. If only . . . If only . . . In this Sunday’s gospel, both Martha and Mary greet Jesus with an “If only” statement: “Lord, if you had been here.” They were thinking of the immediate situation-Jesus has proved over and over again that he has the power to heal. Their brother Lazarus is ill and dying. Why didn’t Jesus, their dear friend, come and heal their brother? Why did Jesus wait two days to go to Bethany? The answer to these painful questions is that Jesus was thinking and acting beyond the immediate situation. More is at stake than Lazarus recovering his health. If Jesus had chosen to go to Bethany when first called, he could have healed Lazarus. But this would have been a very different sign. The raising of Lazarus is the sign of a new revelation that death is not final. Life is. Ultimately, the raising of Lazarus has more to do with Jesus, us, and believing than it has to do with Lazarus. Two deaths are evident in the gospel-Lazarus’s, very clearly; but also Jesus’ impending dying. Thomas has an inkling of this when he tells the other disciples after Jesus’ decision to go to Bethany: “Let us also go to die with him.” Thomas’s presumption, however, is that death is a final end. Jesus works an even greater miracle than healing Lazarus. By raising him from the dead he gives a clear sign that he has power over death and life. The raising of Lazarus is a new kind of statement about life. Jesus’ sign in this miracle is the power of the Spirit bringing life out of death. The new life he brings is risen and eternal. Do we believe this sign? Do we live like we believe it? Are we willing, like Jesus, to stake our lives on it?

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Parish News

OUR PRIVILEGE, OUR RIGHT, AND OUR DUTY

As it is written 'even if these forget,
yet I will not forget you.' (Is 49:15):

We in the Catholic Church in the Community of St. Patrick remember, hold in our memory, and pray for the men and women who serve in the Armed Forces especially: *Cody Amick, Ryan Thomas Blackwood, Ryan Bridges, Aaron Burch, Isaiah Creel, Tanner Cushing, David Davis, Loyd Davis, Kenny Doleac, Brad Dunn, Bill Ellis, Adam Ferrell, David Hannon, Nolan Henden, Joe Hauck, April Kennedy, Patrick Kirsch, Mike Krzmarzick, Sarah Losson, William Losson, Johnny Lugo, Adam Lulay, Alonzo Maronilla, Jordan Martinez, Jordan Morelli, Joey Nikkirk, Daniel Olsen, Keith Schantin, Matthew Schmader, Robert Selner, Kristian Spencer, Tarl Spencer, John Suchanek, Brian Thomas, CJ Trillo, Jonathan Turner, William Walsh, Ivan Wilson and John Zagyva.* May they be servants of Christ through service to those in need, and may they be kept safe from all harm.



PARISH SUPPORT

April 3th, 2011

Funds Collected for Others:

Cemetery	\$98.00
St. Vincent dePaul	\$179.00
Catholic Relief coll	\$1799.27
Arch. Capital Camp	\$5.00
Total:	\$2081.27
Collection Parish Operating Expenses:	
Envelopes?	\$7695.50
Loose	\$434.09
Children's	\$1.00
Poor	\$75.00
Unemployment Fund	\$
Building Fund	\$155.00
Total	\$8360.59

O my people!

I will put my spirit in you

that you may live.

Ezekiel 37:13-14

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, April 12, 2011

+Dallas Meyerhofer by Clem & Patti Meyerhofer

Wednesday, April 13, 2011

+Marino Malatesta by Rina Malatesta

Thursday, April 14, 2011

+Margaret & Thomas Mullins by Schoen family

Friday, April 15, 2011

+Richard Barrie by Richard & Ellen Hannan

Saturday, April 16, 2011

5:30p.m. Trumm family by the Trumm family

Sunday, April 17, 2011

8:30am Special Intention for Cyndi Hays by Clair & Pat Kuppenbender

11:00am Intention of the parishioners

4:00pm Intention of the parishioners

OUR PRAYERS FOR HOLINESS OF LIFE

*For all those being called to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, that they may deepen their faith in Christ who calls them to glorify God in a profoundly personal way through their vocations, we pray to the Lord.

*May all leaders of nations choose actions that give fuller life to their people, we pray to the Lord.

*May those suffering diminished life receive hope and strength from our dying to self for the good of others, we pray to the Lord.

*May each of us constantly encounter Jesus and grow in the gift of new life he offers, we pray to the Lord.

FRIDAY NIGHT LENTEN SOUP SUPPER AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Don't forget to join us for our weekly Friday Night Lenten Soup Supper and Stations of the Cross. Supper is served at **6pm** followed by the Stations of the Cross at **7pm**. A sign-up poster is posted in the vestibule of the church.

ADORATION

With Easter right around the corner, this is a great time to come and join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays. Come and sit in the presences of Jesus and allow yourself to "rest". Hours of Adoration are between 12noon and 8pm.

Religious Education

LENTEN ACTIVITY

The last day to bring in supplies for the soldiers is **April 17**. If you haven't had a chance to contribute, there is still time. Please bring all supplies to the Parish Center no later than **10:00am** on **April 17, 2011**. At that time, the children will start sorting and organizing the supplies to get them ready to be mailed off to the Army National Guard Soldiers who are in Afghanistan. This has been a great project to teach the children about the Lenten practice of Almsgiving.

In addition to supplies, we are still in need of large, Flat Rate boxes (available at the Post Office). Any contributions would be greatly appreciated!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School will be **July 11th - 15th**. Many hands are needed to prepare decorations and crafts. We will be having work parties every Thursday from 10:00-2:00p.m. in room 7/8 of the Parish Center. Come help and join in the fun and fellowship with other ladies from our parish.

ATTENTION TEENS

If you love to act or if you are involved in plays at school, we need you! We are looking for enthusiastic teens and adults to do skits for Vacation Bible School. Please let us know if you would like to play a part and have fun with other teens your age! To sign up, call Jody Patershall.

CONFIRMATION DAY RETREAT SCHEDULED

Mark your calendars! Our final confirmation day retreat has been scheduled for Friday, April 29, 2011. This is a "reduction" day for Canby School District, so why not have a retreat. Permission forms have been handed out and are due back by April 20th. Please see Frances Parker for more information.

WEDNESDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We will have **Wednesday religious education classes on Wednesday, April 20th**. Our calendar originally indicated "No Class" that evening, but we have a lot to accomplish and time is running out!

CONFIRMATION SERVICE PROJECT

Our confirmation youth will be collecting new or gently used sleeping bags for the homeless. We are asking for 100% cotton sleeping bags for the ease of cleaning. Please help our youth help those less fortunate. Donations will be accepted in the vestibule of the church after each mass on April 16th and April 17th. Thank you for your generosity.

GOSPEL LIVING Preparation

The Easter season is a fitting time to prepare ourselves for our mission. Pentecost marks the time when Jesus' followers began to spread the good news. The crucifixion and death of Jesus had left them full of doubt and they were bewildered. Even after Jesus appeared to them, they were unsure and did not know what to do. During the time between the resurrection and the coming of the Holy Spirit, they were being prepared for the mission ahead. We also need to prepare ourselves. This is not something you do once and then it is over. Every year, we need to deepen in our journey. The Church offers us help through the season: Advent helps us renew our openness to God, Lent gives us an opportunity to reflect on our shortcomings and seek forgiveness as we renew our dedication to Christ, the Easter season calls us to reflect on how Christ influences our lives and our relationships with others-how we are going to spread the good news of God's unending love for us. After Lent, most of us are somewhat relieved and just want to get back to "normal" things after all the extra praying and fasting and special celebrations. But, what is "normal" for a disciple of Christ? It is not going back to focusing on ourselves. It is continually learning how to better reflect God's love to others. We are far from perfect and we need to continually reassess what we are doing and how we might improve. Take some time during this Easter season to reflect on how you might be a better witness to God's love. Perhaps you need to learn to control your temper more or give more time in service of others. You cannot tackle everything. Pray for guidance to find one thing to work on in the coming year. Be as practical as you can and be specific about how you will work on this goal. On Pentecost, put your resolution in writing and make it a point to read it everyday. The season of "Ordinary" Time can become an extraordinary time in your journey.

From: Parish Secretary newsletter- March/April 2011



Parish Happenings

ATTENTION WOMEN OF ST. PATRICK

St. Patrick Women's Club will gather together on Monday, **April 11th** at **7pm** in the Multipurpose room of Parish Center. All women are very welcome and encouraged to attend.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Come and join the Relay for Life on Monday, **April 11th** from **6:00pm-8:00p.m** in the Parish Center. Everyone is welcome!

EVENTS AROUND THE AREA

April 16 - 8:45am-5pm 2011 ANNUAL LIFE CONFERENCE

"Welcome Life, Protect it by Law". Sponsored by Oregon Right to Life Holiday Inn Airport, 8439 NE Columbia Boulevard, Portland, OR 503-256-5000. Register on line: www.ortl.org or 503-463-8563, Adults \$40, Seniors & Students: \$25 (+\$5 each after April 9). This conference is a real education and encouragement for life saving. "A person is a person no matter how small". Car-pooling is an option, call Dave Bernklau 503-651-3708.

April 29 - 7pm THEOLOGY ON TAP: An open forum informal discussion. All are welcome. Coffee shop, Mount Angel Abbey-Hosted by Professor of Theology, Br. Jonah Wright O.S.B., STL and Mount Angel Seminary seminarians.

April 30-11am-2pm Canby Pregnancy Care Center-Open House. Come visit the new Canby PCC medical clinic with the new Ultra-Sound machine that gives clients a live view of their unborn child. When mothers see their infants in the womb they see the need to keep them. "A person is a person no matter how small." Thanksgiving to God for this new addition.

May 14 - 8:15-11am - 2011 Walk for Life at Wait Park in Canby for our local Pregnancy Care Center support. For more information or have a pledge form mailed to you, contact the PCC at 503-829-2673 and ask for Joanne or email at joannee@pccnwv.org.

June 18 - 4th Annual Real Catholic Men Conference - St. Joseph Parish, Vancouver, WA. Speakers: Fr. Larry Richards Michael Cumbie, and Fr. Brian Mullady. This conference has been inspiring to men and their sons for building up their Catholic Christian faith. It gives spiritual encouragement and strength to deal with life's daily struggles. The morning session includes Confession, with the Vigil Mass concluding the day's events. A continental breakfast and deli lunch are part of the ticket price. Tickets are just \$25 until April 18. After that they will be \$35. For more information or to register: www.RealCatholicMen.com.

Sunday

9:45am REP Grades 1-5
11:00am Nursery
3:00pm Children's Baptismal
Preparation class [RCIC]
3:00pm Spanish Sacramental Prep
5:00pm Spanish Bible Study
6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration

Monday

9:15am Bible Study
5:00pm Spanish Music Rehearsal
6:00pm Intercession Prayers
6:00pm Relay for Life
7:00pm St. Patrick Women's Club

Tuesday

7:00pm Tuesday evening Mass

Wednesday

8:00am Daily Mass
7:00pm Journey in Faith, Youth in Action, Confirmation Class, RCIA

Thursday

8:00am Daily Mass
10:00am-2pm VBS mtg (call Jody first)
12:00pm Eucharistic Adoration
6:30pm Spanish Religious Education

Friday

7:00am Bible Study
8:00am Benediction
7:00am Marian Prayer Group
8:00am Daily Mass
6:00pm Soup Supper
7:00pm Stations of the Cross
7:00pm Hispanic Prayer Group

Saturday

9:00am Work Party
9:30am St. Patrick Choir Rehearsal
5:00pm Music
Prep (Hispanic community)



I am the
RESURRECTION
and the **LIFE**

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