



Heavenly Father and God of mercy,  
we no longer look for Jesus among the dead  
for he is alive and has become the Lord of Life.  
From the waters of death you raise us with him  
and renew your gift of life within us.

Increase in our minds and hearts  
the risen life we share with Christ  
and help us to grow as your people  
toward the fullness of eternal life with you.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES SECOND COLLECTION**

Your donation to the Catholic Charities 2011 Annual Campaign next weekend, **May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011**, will make a difference in the lives of almost 40,000 who turned to us in need. Your donation provides adoption, crisis pregnancy services, support for those impacted by abortion; domestic violence services, services for youth in after school mentoring programs; gang outreach services, housing services for homeless women, low income families, disabled persons, and the chronically mentally ill, immigration and anti human trafficking services, refugee services and elder services. Please give as generously as you can to the 2011 campaign by using the attached envelope.

### **MOTHERS DAY BREAKFAST**

Families come and treat your moms to a FREE breakfast and gift from the St. Patrick Knights of Columbus on Sunday, **May 8, 2011** from 9:30am to 12:30p.m. Mom deserves the FREE day! Prices for others are: Adults \$5, children 6-12 \$3, and under 6 are free. Menu will include ham, eggs, pancakes, and French Toast. Come treat your mom and family to a great breakfast. Proceeds from the breakfast will go towards Knights parish projects.

### **2011 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

The Knights of Columbus will provide Scholarships to current graduating seniors who are members of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Canby. The Scholarship is for post secondary education. Applications can be picked up at the Parish Office. The deadline to return the application will be Monday, **May 23, 2011**.

### **CALENDARING**

The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday, **May 3<sup>rd</sup>** from 1pm-5pm in order for the Staff to do our yearly calendaring. Thank you for your understanding.

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Eucharistic Adoration will end early on Thursday, **May 5<sup>th</sup>** with Benediction at **6:00pm**.

## **REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL**

“Aw, go on!” “Get out of here!” “You’re kidding!” “You’re pulling my leg!” “You don’t say!” “I don’t believe it!” With these and other expressions we exclaim our disbelief at something that has been said or reported to us as having been done. The sheer multiplicity of these expressions reminds us that we are quite comfortable with and prefer direct, tangible proofs. Thomas seems to be doing only the human thing when he asked for proof from the disciples who had claimed to see the Lord. He got way more than he bargained for! Thomas refuses to believe that Jesus is alive without the physical proof of seeing and touching this wounds. Seemingly quite willing to accommodate, Jesus returns the next week and invites Thomas to see, touch, and believe. We too, like Thomas, need to encounter the risen Jesus in tangible ways. We share with him this basic human tendency to want tangible proofs. The risen Lord is relentless in bringing us to the same belief he coaxed out of Thomas. Today that “proof” comes in his being present to us and in his offer of peace. It comes to us through the community of believers who reinforce for each other that Jesus is, indeed, alive and among us because his Spirit is within us. Jesus offers us our “proofs” in our encounters with this risen presence through the “many wonders and signs” the Spirit works within the community of believers. Blessed are we, indeed! Our blessedness rests in our realization that the resurrection is not merely believing in Jesus’ new life, but through the Spirit we ourselves share in this life as we are sent forth to continue Jesus’ saving ministry. Our belief is strengthened by our doing. The struggle to believe is no less than the struggle to recognize and encounter the risen Christ. This is really what our Christian life is all about-encountering the risen Christ who lives now within the Christian community and living the reality that risen life is given to us to share with others. Our Easter joy doesn’t come from proofs; it comes from persons who are willing to struggle with the mystery because what the mystery promises is so much: new life.

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## ANNUAL LETTER CARRIER FOOD DRIVE SORTING PARTY

Saturday, **May 14<sup>th</sup>** between the hours of **2:00-5:00pm** right here in our gym. Come join the fun by helping us sort the food collected in Canby by our local Letter Carriers. This is a great family activity and all ages are welcome. Questions? Please call: Gretchen McCallum at 503-266-1197.

## RELAY FOR LIFE UPDATE

Thank you for supporting the tulip sale. We sold over 200 bunches of tulips making \$605 for the American Cancer Society. Through donations and sales, our team has raised about \$900 so far. The relay is June 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up sheet for walking times or working in the snack bar is available in the vestibule. If you have any questions or would like to make a contribution, please contact Ellen Hannan, 503-651-2973. Thank you! Next team rally Monday, May 9, 7:00pm at St. Patrick's.

## EVENTS AROUND THE AREA

### SEMINARY TEA

Members of the Seminary Tea committee cordially invite all members of the Archdiocese and the greater Portland Community to greet Archbishop John Vlazny and Bishop Steiner at the 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Seminary Tea on Wednesday, **May 11, 2011 from 1:30pm-4:30pm**. The Tea will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Dick and shuttle service will be available from St. Thomas More Church. The Seminary Tea is a fund raising event held each spring to assist the Archbishop in funding the education of seminarians for our Archdiocese. Tickets are \$20 and will be available at the door on the day of the tea. For advance tickets you may send your check to:

The Seminary Tea  
c/o Mrs. David Burdick  
2653 SW 73<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
Portland, OR 97225

Donations are gratefully accepted. For more information please call Mari Connolly at 503-705-6707.

**2011 WALK FOR LIFE - May 14 - 8:15am-11am** 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](mailto:joannee@pccnwv.org).

### 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL REAL CATHOLIC MEN CONFERENCE - June 18, 2011

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](http://www.RealCatholicMen.com).

## Parish Happenings

### Sunday

9:45am Last Class for Religious Education grades 4 year-5th grade.  
11:00am Nursery  
11:00am Crowning of Mary  
5:00pm Bible Study  
6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration

### Monday

9:15am Bible Study  
5:00pm Spanish Music Rehearsal  
6:00pm Intercession Prayers  
6:30pm Sacramental prep Parent meeting (spanish)

7:00pm

Charismatic Prayer Group

### Tuesday

7:00pm Tuesday evening Mass  
7:00pm Knights of Columbus meeting

### Wednesday

8:00am Daily Mass  
1:00pm St. Vincent dePaul Food Bank meeting

7:00pm

**Last class for Journey in Faith, Youth in Action, Confirmation Class**

### Thursday

8:00am Daily Mass  
10:00am-2pm VBS work party  
12:00p.m. Eucharistic Adoration  
**6:00pm Benediction**  
6:30pm **Last class Religious Education classes for Spanish Community**  
6:30pm Rehearsal for First Communion [Spanish community]  
7:00pm Bible Study

### Friday

7:00am Marian Prayer Group  
8:00am Daily Mass  
7:00pm Hispanic Prayer Group

### Saturday

10:00am First Eucharist-Spanish community

# 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 Zagyya.* May they be servants of Christ through service to those in need, and may they be kept safe from all harm.



They devoted themselves to the teachings of the Apostles and to the breaking of bread.



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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Tuesday, May 3, 2011

+Dallas Meyerhofer by Clem & Patti Meyerhofer

### Wednesday, May 4, 2011

Special Intention for Rose Judge

### Thursday, May 5, 2011

+Virginia DiTommaso by Rina Malatesta

### Friday, May 6, 2011

Intention of the Trumm family by the Trumm family

### Saturday, May 7, 2011

5:30pm +Helen Vodka by Mark & Jeanne Vodka

### Sunday, May 8, 2011

8:30am +Carol Wilson by Richard & Ellen Hannan

11:00am +Adi Sahukar by Helena Leavell & Rita Leavell Sahukar

4:00pm Intention of the parishioners

## PARISH SUPPORT

### April 24th, 2011

Funds Collected for Others:

Cemetery	\$25.00
St. Vincent dePaul	\$121.00
Holy Land collection	\$876.91
Total:	\$1,022.91
Collection Parish Operating Expenses:	
Envelopes?	\$13,477.09
Loose	\$1,255.94
Children's	\$2.00
Poor	\$25.00
Unemployment Fund	\$100.00
Building Fund	\$135.00
Holy Thursday	\$342.95
Total	\$15,337.98



## OUR PRAYERS FOR HOLINESS OF LIFE

\* That all members of the church grow in believing in the presence of the risen Christ in their midst, we pray to the Lord.

\*That all peoples of the world grow in believing in the goodness and forgiveness of God, we pray to the Lord.

\*That the sick and suffering, the doubting and despairing be lifted up by the ministry of this believing community, we pray to the Lord.

\*That each of us be a source of forgiveness, an instrument of peace, and a faithful temple of the Holy Spirit, we pray to the Lord.

## VISITOR CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

We have included for your convenience **Visitor Welcome Envelopes** in each of the pews. If you are visiting, have moved recently, forgot your envelopes or are not receiving envelopes and would like to receive them, please use these envelopes. Please remember to fill out all the information on the outside of the envelope and drop it in the collection basket. Thank you!

## AN IMPORTANT REMINDER!

Please, please keep our church free of candy, gum and food items. We are starting to see an increase in these items in the main body of the church. Help us keep this beautiful church looking beautiful.

# Religious Education

## FINAL CLASS

Final class for all elementary students will be **May 1<sup>st</sup>** from 9:45am-10:45am. We would like to thank all the parents who entrusted their children to us and who supported and nurtured their children's faith formation.



We were extremely blessed this past year to have had so many wonderful Catechists, Aides and resource room helpers who were so willing to share the Catholic faith with the children of this community. With gratitude and appreciation, we would like to thank the following individuals for their dedication and service: **Patty Rydquist, Riley Walton, Whitney Ferris, and Jennifer Patershall (3 year olds), Stacey Helm, Angela Baker, Allison Gamble, and Sara Branum (4 year olds), Alicia Thomas, Christina Patton, and Jennifer Vandecovering (Kindergarten), Audene Nored, Ann Boyd, and Olivia Parker (First Grade), Connie Biltonsmith, Crissy Daly, Jacob Daly, Peter Judge, Christina Gonzales, and Mindy Ferriss (Second Grade), Gary Tady, Kristina Phan, and Kelly Patershall (Third Grade), Michelle Davies, Anna Nguyen, and Katie Corcoran (Fourth Grade), Adriana Baurer and Tracie Martin (Fifth Grade). Finally, we are very thankful for our terrific Resource Room helpers: Karen Sadoff, Patty Crussell, and Raquel Rodriquez, and for our talented photographer: Nancy Patton, who helped with many projects throughout the year. Thank you all for sharing the gifts God has given you with the children of St. Patrick!**

## IN APPRECIATION

As we come to the end of another year of religious education, the children and teachers of St. Patrick would like to thank all the members of the Knights of Columbus for their generous contributions to the religious education program. The support that they have given is a tremendous help to our program and is greatly appreciated by all of us!

## REGISTRATIONS

Registration packets for the year 2011/2012 will be passed out to all elementary families this Sunday. Early Bird registration runs through June 30, 2011. Please fill out and return all forms as soon as possible so that we may get your child registered for next year.

VBS registration were already sent home with all elementary students. If you are in need of a registration form, please contact Jody Patershall. The cost for VBS is \$35.00 per child. If your child is planning on attending Vacation Bible School this

summer, please return the form as soon as possible because space is limited.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School will be **July 11-15<sup>th</sup>** from 9:00am to 12:00pm. VBS is a wonderful experience for all children, but in order to run the program, many volunteers are needed. There are many activities to help with, so if you have some free time please call Jody Patershall to sign up.

## END OF THE YEAR PARTY

Following the 11:00am Mass, the elementary students and families will be having a party to celebrate the closing of our religious education program. We will be having a potluck and playing Bingo. Please come to help us celebrate with our students.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED

Our final class of the year will be this Wednesday, **May 4<sup>th</sup>**. We are very thankful to have shared our faith with 82 youth each Wednesday evening. Our program would not be possible without a team of dedicated Catechists and volunteers. With much appreciation, we would like to give thanks for **Ron Suchanek (6<sup>th</sup> Grade), JoAnna Earl (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade), Paula Kraemer (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade), Sarah Crawford-Dietz (High School), Jason Dietz (High School), Betty Crawford (Confirmation), Tony Crawford (Confirmation), Brian Masterson (Confirmation), Nancy Patton (Snack Queen), Ann Boyd (Faithful Helper), and last but not never least Anna Nguyen (another Faithful Helper).**



## CONFIRMATION

Our confirmation youth will receive their final blessing this weekend prior to receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on **May 10 at 7:00pm**. We ask that you will continue to pray for these young people; Jose Zurita, Yesenia Zamora, Sydney Will, Laura Simnitt, Diego Santiago, Alma Santiago, Evan Sanders, Zack Riener, Christopher Phan, Christina Patton, Ryan Patershall, Lissette Ocegueda, Eduardo Ocegueda, Anay Ocegueda, Alvaro Mendez, Raymond Lopez, Joshua Kraemer, Peter Judge, Chris Johnson, Luis Jimenez, Ashley Holmes, Martin Gerardo, Zach Ferriss, Nathan Earl, Thomas Davies, Chris Davies, Maddie Brockman, Maritza Bermudez, and Gerardo Alvarez.