

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 18, 2009

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

The weekday Masses will be said by the Jesuit Fathers at their chapel as scheduled. Saturday and Sunday intentions will be said by the Jesuits at St. John Fisher unless otherwise specified.

Monday	7:15 a.m.	Dorothy Davern +
Tuesday:	7:15 a.m.	Hank Sprauer +
Wednesday:	7:15 a.m.	Canonization of John XXIII
Thursday:	7:15 a.m.	Deceased of SJF Parish
Friday:	7:15 a.m.	Fenton Royal +
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	David Cecchi +
Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	John & Mary Weber +

Please pray for our deceased priests:

Sunday	Fr. John Reginald Mitchell, OP	1970
	Fr. Austin S. Johnson	1985
	Fr. William J. Johnson	1997
Monday	Fr. John M. Clare, CSSR	1962
Tuesday	Fr. John T. Costelloe	1959
	Fr. Daniel K. O'Connell	1971
Wednesday	Fr. Warren A. Waitt	1938
Friday	Fr. James Patrick O'Flynn	1980
Saturday	Fr. James Harris	1999

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

TODAY:	Liturgy/Word/Children	9 and 11 a.m.
Monday:	Offices & School Closed	
	Senior's Potluck	12 noon
Tuesday:	Pastoral Council Mtg	7 p.m.
	Music Rehearsal	7 p.m.
Thursday:	RCIA	7 p.m.
	SJF Choir Rehearsal	7 p.m.

SERVER & GREETER SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 24th:

4:30 PM Kelly Kramer
Luke Douville
GREETERS: The Wilder Family

Sunday, January 25th

9:00 AM Thomas Swide
Siobahn Furnary
GREETERS: The Seedall Family
11:00 AM Kendall Scott
Marco Albanese
GREETERS: The Gardner Family

SJF FATHER-DAUGHTER SWEETHEART DANCE

Don't miss this perennial favorite. Dads, take your best young lady to the father-daughter sweetheart dance. This fun afternoon includes dancing to DJ Music under the lights, boutonnieres and corsages given at the door, great prize baskets, professional photography, yummy food and drinks, and crafts of beaded bracelets, Valentines and cookie decoration.

The date is Sunday, February 8th from 2-5 pm

Cost is \$25 per person

Place is St. John Fisher School Cafeteria

Contact Brenda Martinek at 970-6933 to purchase tickets.

FOCA POSTCARD CAMPAIGN

Next weekend we will be participating in a Postcard Campaign against the Freedom of Choice Act. This campaign consists of parishioners signing postcards addressed to our U.S. Senators and Representatives, encouraging them to vote against FOCA. The FOCA would force taxpayers to fund abortions, would eliminate the protection of medical professionals to refuse to perform abortions on basis of their consciences and would require states to allow "partial birth" abortions. To read about the Catholic Church's opposition, please go the www.usccb.org. The U.S. Bishops encourage Catholics to oppose the FOCA. For more information, please contact Scott in the parish office.

In honor of the Year of St. Paul, next Sunday will be the Conversion of St. Paul.

Family Faith Sharing Questions:

We encourage parents to reflect on these questions at home each week with their children. Start talking, share the Faith!

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John 1:35-42

In this Gospel, Jesus is called the Lamb of God, Rabbi, and the Messiah. What's in a name?

Why is Jesus called the Lamb of God? What does "messiah" mean? Rabbi means "teacher." What has Jesus taught you? Find out if your name has a meaning. What are some other names Jesus is called?

MIRACLE ON 46TH AVE

In spite of relentless snow, ice and closures, and due to the overwhelming generosity of parishioners and others, 322 boxes of food were packed and delivered to families in need, on schedule, and in time for Christmas. Dodging the weather, 295 parishioners participated in the sorting and packing of food. Saturday morning, with a brief break in the storms, 38 drivers delivered the boxes to 303 people who live in our area and also to those who live in the Vasquez migrant camp. This represents a total of five tons of food!

In the weeks prior to the delivery day, several Boy Scout Troops, St. John Fisher School students, and adults collected and delivered food to the church. Several suppliers also donated food and equipment. Additionally, your monetary contributions to our parish St. Vincent de Paul drive enabled us to buy chickens, hams and fresh produce for the Christmas dinners.

The members of our parish St. Vincent de Paul are deeply grateful to everyone who participated to make the 2008 Christmas box program a success.

FELIZ NAVIDAD

With chains on his sled, Santa and our St. Vincent de Paul members were able to brave the weather to deliver Christmas gifts to the 22 children at Campo Vasquez migrant camp. Members of the St. John Fisher Men's Group purchased and wrapped gifts for each of the children who range in age from two months to 17 years. It was just two days before Christmas but none of the children opened their gifts then, choosing to save them for their traditional gift opening with their families. The kids and their parents always love posing for photos from our Polaroid cameras, and their smiles grow wider when they learn that the pictures are theirs to keep.

VOCATIONS ICON

The Vocations Committee would like to thank the Parish community and school for making the traveling Vocation Icon a success. Here are a few reflections from those who dedicated themselves to praying for vocations and welcomed the Icon in to their homes.

Reflections with Traveling Icon:

In March I had the privilege of sharing my dwelling for a week with Jesus in the form of a beautiful icon. His presence was a visible reminder that my life is not merely an existence on this earth for an allotted period of years, but is an ongoing calling as his disciple.

I had to give up the icon of Jesus to the person next on the list, but know he is always, and has always been, present in the depths of my being, gently prodding, sometimes admonishing, but always assuring me of his confidence that I will not fail to do those tasks that I must do in the time remaining.

VALENTINE TEA

You are invited to attend a Valentine Tea on February 8 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., held on the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon Campus in Beaverton. You will be treated to culinary delights prepared lovingly by the Sisters and serenaded by award-winning musicians, Sister M. Juliana Monti (piano), Sister M. John Therese Miller (harp) and Sister Denise Klaas (voice). Bring a friend or your daughter(s). The fee for the Valentine Tea is \$20 and pre-paid reservations are required by February 2. If you have questions, please call Sr. Noreen at 503-644-9181.

MOVIE ON THOMAS MERTON AT UP

A screening of award-winning producer Morgan Atkinson's latest documentary, *Soul Searching: The Journey of Thomas Merton*, will take place at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21 in the Buckley Center Auditorium on the University of Portland campus, 5000 N. Willamette Blvd.

The documentary covers key aspects of the Catholic identity and provides provocative insights into the interior landscape of Merton, a central figure in the Church's history of spirituality and social justice and one of the spiritual giants of modern times.