

THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL

JANUARY 25, 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.	Dave Porter +
Tuesday:	7:15 a.m.	Marie Colasurdo (int-b-day)
Wednesday:	7:15 a.m.	Jerry Corrigan +
Thursday:	7:15 a.m.	Sick members of SJF parish
Friday:	7:15 a.m.	Anne Carr +
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Chuck Guinasso +
Sunday:	11:00 a.m.	James Bochsler + (b-day)

Please pray for our deceased priests:

Sunday	Fr. Martin Stravens	1920
	Fr. Charles M. Smith	1958
	Fr. Henry LaCerte, OSB	2006
Monday	Fr. Richard E. Carberry	1945
	Fr. Segundon Llorente, SJ	1989
Tuesday	Fr. James P. Heade	1973
Wednesday	Fr. William McClory, OP	1972
Thursday	Fr. James Murphy	1907
Friday	Fr. G. C. Thibau	1892
	Fr. Richard Beaudet, OMI	1990
Saturday	Fr. Benedict J. O'Connor, OP	1935
	Fr. Joseph P. Clancy	1946

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

TODAY:	CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK	
	Liturgy/Word/Children	9 and 11 a.m.
	RE Classes	10:15 a.m.
	1st Reconciliation Class	12:30 p.m.
Monday:	Mom's Group	9:45 a.m.
	Baptism Class	7:30 p.m.

Tuesday:	Finance Council Mtg	6 p.m.
	Music Rehearsal	7 p.m.
Wednesday:	Grandparent's Day at School - Mass at 10 am	
Thursday:	RCIA	7 p.m.
	SJF Choir Rehearsal	7 p.m.
Friday:	School Inservice	

SERVER & GREETER SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 31st:		
4:30 PM	Patrick Hickam	
	Christian Martinek	
GREETERS: The Ullring Family		
Sunday, February 1st:		
9:00 AM	Heidi Grompe	
	Michael Fitzgibbon	
GREETERS: Carol Gilchrist & Marge Beaudoin		
11:00 AM	Elliot Rask	
	Carmen Alzaga	
GREETERS: The O'Day Family		

FOCA POSTCARD CAMPAIGN

Next weekend we are 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 the basis of their consciences and would require states to allow "partial birth" abortions. To read about the Catholic Church's opposition, please go to www.usccb.org. The U.S. Bishops encourage Catholics to oppose the FOCA. **The date was changed due to a delay in the postcards being shipped to us.**

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

This week is Catholic Schools Week. We will hold our annual Grandparent's Day Mass on **Wednesday, January 28th at 10 am**. All are invited as we celebrate our excellent St. John Fisher Catholic School.

All calendar items for February need to be into the parish office by Tuesday, January 27th.

Family Faith Sharing Questions:

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

January 25, 2009

Mark 16:15-18

Today is the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, during a year when we celebrate the 2000th anniversary of the birth of St. Paul. St. Paul is so important for many reasons. His letters give insight into the early Christian communities and are full of lessons that we use today. Without his work in spreading the Gospel, we might not have our faith today. He also worked to share the Gospel with Gentiles, opening the way of faith to all. Most important, St. Paul was dedicated to Jesus Christ.

How do I see Jesus Christ working in my life? How can I share the Good News of Jesus with the world?

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.

Note of thanks —

We want to let you know that we were glad to have the vocation icon in our home. We continue to pray the vocation prayer often. We realize how important vocations are to the life and growth of the Catholic Church here in American and worldwide.

Thank you for giving us the chance to be a part of this very worthwhile devotion. Yours in Christ.

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 for tickets.

ALTAR GUILD VALENTINE'S CANDY SALE

On January 31st & February 1st and February 7th & 8th, the Altar Guild will be selling delicious fudge made by the Brigittine Monks in Oregon.

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.

ST. PHILIP NERI CASINO NIGHT

On January 31st, St. Philip Neri Parish (SE 18th & Division) will host a Casino Night from 7-10 pm. Tickets are \$20 and include "play money" and appetizers. Prizes available. For more info, contact St. Philip Neri parish at 231-4955.

2009 SEARCH FOR PEACE

ART EXHIBIT

Call for Artists: The 2009 Search For Peace Art Exhibit invites your participation. We encourage artists, parents and teachers to talk with their children and students about peace and nonviolence, and to create related art works. For more information about the exhibit, the *Peacemaker Prize*, or to see art works from previous exhibits, go to www.SearchForPeaceArt.org or call 503 646-5449. Entries are accepted through noon March 6. The public exhibit is from 6:30 PM to 8PM, Saturday, March 7, and on Sunday, March 8, from 8:30 to 3 PM in the St. Pius X Community Center, 1280 NW Saltzman Rd., Portland 97229, in Cedar Mill. Engraved Peace Medals, ribbons, and many other prizes, will be awarded for each of the 4 age divisions. **Everyone is a winner in the Search For Peace!**