

SJF CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

We need you, candy and cake makers, pie and cookie bakers! Please bring baked goods for the bazaar to the parish hall on Friday afternoon, Dec. 2nd and before the Masses on Saturday, Dec 3rd and Sunday, Dec. 4th.

The Altar Guild will have the bake sale, wreaths and greens, poinsettias, hand crafted items and a cafe with soup and desserts on Saturday from 4-7 pm.

The bazaar continues on Sunday. Santa will arrive at 10 am. Come and have your picture taken with Santa. There will also be a cookie walk for children. See you there.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT NOVEMBER 27, 2011

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	7:15 am	Eileen Rora + (birthday)
Tuesday	7:15 am	Philip Hosterman +
Thursday	8:30 am	Michael Duffy +
Saturday	4:30 pm	Beatrice Panzer + (anniversary 2006)
Sunday:	9:00 am	Eileen Quелlette +

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday:	Rosary	8:30 am
	Coffee & Donuts	10 am
	Child/Lit/Word	11 am
Monday:	Mom's Group	9:45 am
	RCIA	7 pm
Tuesday:	11 am Music Rehearsal	7:30 pm
Wednesday:	Adoration	7:30-9:30 am
	SJF Choir Rehearsal	7 pm
Thursday:	Ernesto's Night	
Saturday:	Altar Guild Christmas Bazaar	4-7 pm

SERVER & GREETER SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 3:	
4:30 PM	Emily Ferguson Ennis Ferguson
GREETERS:	The Douville Family
Sunday, December 4:	
9:00 AM	Tristan Furnary Jennie Menendez
GREETERS:	The Brauser Family
11:00 AM	Demaree Barton Will Barton
GREETERS:	The Rossetti Family

Deacon Scott will hold a Q&A session about the new Missal after all Masses this weekend.

1ST RECONCILIATION & COMMUNION

Students who would like to make their First Reconciliation and receive their First Communion who have not received info from Janice Benson, need to contact her in the parish office. Registrations are due by December 11th. Parent classes begin in February.

Baptism is a prerequisite for all other sacraments. Parents of students who have not been baptized need to contact Deacon Scott.

CHRISTMAS BOXES

With the Christmas season comes the parish St. Vincent de Paul preparation of Christmas food boxes to be delivered to the hungry of our parish area. This is a wonderful opportunity for families and individuals to continue the tradition of helping those in need with food for Christmas. It is a special part of our parish St. Vincent de Paul mission to provide food throughout the entire year which we could not do without your ongoing generosity of gifts and time. Thank you.

Here are the dates that we invite you to participate with us:

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3rd - 10 am to 2 pm - In the parish garage - Sort food that has been collected by the Boy Scouts.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15th - 10 am - assemble and sort the donated food in the school cafeteria.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16th - 6:30 pm - pack the food boxes in the school cafeteria.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17th -

8:15 am - pack the cold food in the boxes in the cafeteria

9:45 am - Father will bless the boxes

10:00 am - The boxes will be loaded and delivered.

Family Faith Sharing Questions:

Families and parents: start talking, share the Faith!

November 27, 2011

Mark 13:33-37

We begin the new liturgical on a note similar to the end of the liturgical year last week: "Be watchful! Be alert." Once again, we are urged to be prepared for the coming of the Lord. At this time of year, we are usually thinking of the infant Jesus coming at Christmas. But Jesus comes into our lives every day, too. And Jesus will come again at the end of time. During Advent we prepare and watch and wait for Jesus to come in all three ways.

In the Gospel parable, a man leaves his servants in charge of his home, each one with work to do. What is your work or job? What can you do so that your "work" helps prepare the world for the coming of Christ? (Hint: this may have something to do with your attitude when you are doing your job).

Jesus comes in surprising ways. As a family, make an Advent wreath with 4 candles. As you make the wreath, talk together about what you see that needs to be done to prepare for the coming of Jesus in your home, at your church, in your school, at work, in the world. Talk about and then choose one thing you can do together to make the world better for Jesus. The first week, as you light one candle pray together, "Come, Lord Jesus."

LIVING THE EUCHARIST

In Lent 2012 we will be participating in the Living the Eucharist program. This program is highly recommended by Archbishop Vlazny and the Archdiocese. It includes family activities, a daily reflection book, small groups, and bulletin inserts, all to enhance our faith and understanding from the Eucharist. For more info, go to www.livingtheeucharist.org.

We will be having Small Groups, as in the past with Disciples in Mission. If you are interested in facilitating or hosting a small group, please contact Deacon Scott.

FAITH CAFE DATES 2012

Here are the dates when we will serve at the Faith Cafe in 2012:

February 12, April 1, May 20, July 8, August 26, October 14, December 2.

NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Deacon Scott will hold a training for new Eucharistic Ministers on Dec. 4th at 10:15 am. Please contact Deacon Scott if you are interested in serving in this ministry.

HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST

All interested 8th grade students should plan to take the Jesuit High Placement Exam on Friday evening, December 2nd at 4:30 pm (doors open at 4:00) or Saturday, December 3rd at 9:00 am (doors open at 8:00). There will be a \$20 fee for the test. Refreshments will be served. There is no obligation to enroll after taking this test. Visit our website www.jesuitportland.org for more information. This test is good for all the Catholic high schools.

ADVENT RETREAT

Mt. Angel Abbey is hosting a retreat December 2nd-4th on the Beatitudes. The Beatitudes present the Gospel in miniature. The retreat will explore relationships of the Beatitudes to Advent, the Christian new year. The emphasis will be on peace (through being a peacemaker) and purity of heart. Br. Cyril Drnjevic, OSB, will be the retreat master.

Cost of the retreat is \$155 for the weekend. For more info, contact Karen Loftus at retreat@mtangel.edu or 503-845-3025.

BLESSINGS FROM HEAVEN

Blessings From Heaven, a Catholic bookstore in Beaverton (4755 SW Tucker St - behind Beaverton library) is holding an open house on Dec. 2 and 3 from 10 am to 5 pm. They are offering a 20% discount on Christmas and regular stock (excluding Bibles and liturgical books.) There will be music and refreshments. For more info, call 644-1814.

YOUTH CHOIR

Our Youth Choir that sings at the Youth Masses will sing at the Christmas Eve 3 pm Mass this year. They will rehearse on Dec. 18th at 12 noon. To be involved, please contact Dan Scott.

*Next Youth Mass - Dec. 11th at 11 am Mass.
Youth Choir rehearses on Dec. 4th at 12 noon.*