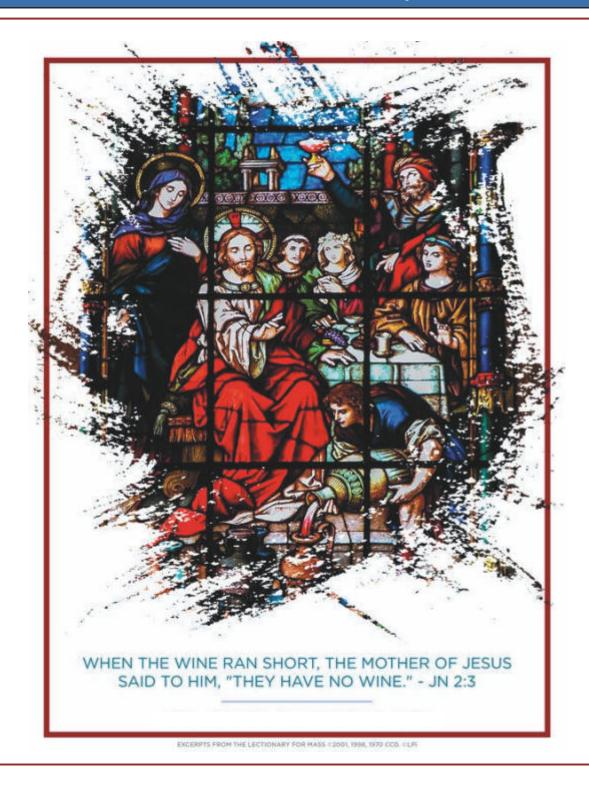


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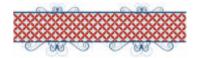


Mondays:

St. Bartholomew Church, 8:30-9:00 a.m. St. Maximilian Kolbe Church, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Saturdays:

Holy Cross Church, 3:00-3:45 p.m. St. Maximilian Kolbe Church, 4:00-4:45 p.m.



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Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

<u>Friday</u> 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

The office is CLOSED on weekends.



The Parish Office will be closed on January 17

in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 15

4:00 p.m., HC Anthony & Gertrude Salamone by their Son,

5:00 p.m., SM Charles Prinn, III by Marilee Pandiscio

Sunday, January 16

8:00 a.m., SM Reginald Ford by the Carlista Family 9:00 a.m., SB The Parishioners of St. John Paul II Parish

10:00 a.m., HC Joanne Coyne by her Family

10:30 a.m., SM Donna O'Brien by the Campbell-Tice Family

Monday, January 17

8:00 a.m., SB George & Frances Clemont by the Valcourt Family

9:00 a.m., HC Vern Evans by Maria & Elvin

(school only)

Tuesday, January 18

7:30 a.m., HC Michael Kane by his Wife, Kitty, & Family 7:30 a.m., HC Scott Butler by Susan & Terence McNamara

Wednesday, January 19

8:00 a.m., SM Richard Lee by Anne Letourneau 8:00 a.m., SM Savannah Lovett by the Carlista Family

Thursday, January 20

8:00 a.m., SM Richard Lee by the DeGrinney & Mitchell Families

Friday, January 21

7:30 a.m., HC Rocky Rodrigues from Rashmi Rodrigues

Saturday, January 22

4:00 p.m., HC David Scully by his Family 5:00 p.m., SM Charles B. Haller by his Family

Sunday, January 23

8:00 a.m., SM Thomas Truc Tran and Marguerite Lai Cong Nguyen by their Daughter, Kim Tran,

Children, and Grandchildren

9:00 a.m., SB Ralph Aceto, Jr. by Kevin & Stacie Flynn 10:00 a.m., HC The Parishioners of St. John Paul II Parish 10:30 a.m., SM Douglas & Annette Parent & Family by

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Holy Cross Church

Eucharistic Adoration—First Friday of every month, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Rosary—Prayed 30 minutes before the

weekday Masses and on the first Saturday of every month, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Rosary & Adoration—Tuesdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m.



Rosary—Prayed 30 minutes before the weekday Mass.

St. Maximilian Kolbe Church

Eucharistic Adoration—Thursdays, 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Marian Cenacle—Mondays,2:00-3:15 p.m.

Rosary—Prayed 30 minutes before the weekday Masses.

Readings for the week of January 16:

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/ Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/

Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28 Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/

Mk 3:7-12 Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19 Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/

Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/ 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Blessing of Throats February 3

February 3 is the Feast Day of St. Blaise, a bishop and martyr of the fourth century, who is popularly known as the saint who protects us from ailments of the throat. Blessing of throats will take place on that day, at the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church. The following prayer will be used:



"Through the intercession of St. Blasé, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from diseases of the throat and from every other illness. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

BAPTIZED

*Levi Jace Meir*Holy Cross Church





All intentions are confidential and no request is too small. To place a prayer request, contact Gail Atkins (799-8243, gatkins 189@gmail.com).



Janet Gilbert Catherine Kane Holy Cross Church James Gannon St. Bartholomew Church

The Presentation of the Lord February 2

The Presentation of the Lord occurs forty days after Jesus' birth, when Mary and Joseph present him in the temple. The Presentation is a proclamation of Christ—Messiah and Priest, Lord and Savior. He is the light who came into this world to dispel sin and darkness. Tradition since the seventh century, candles to be used throughout the year are blessed at Mass on this day, hence coining the term

Candles will be blessed at the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church on February 2. Parishioners are encouraged to bring their candles to that Mass for blessing.

"Candlemas".



ADORERS NEEDED

Thursday mornings at <u>St. Maximilian Kolbe Church</u>. To be a scheduled adorer (one hour shifts), contact Shirley Estabrooks (838-8309).

First Fridays at <u>Holy Cross Church</u>. Call Marilyn Schiavoni (450-1892) to become an adorer.



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24 SUNDEY IN ORDINARY TIME





Family Faith Formation

Family Formation Sessions

Our theme this month is on prayer. Signup can be found at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a45a8ac2ba7f58-pick.

January 23 - 9:00 a.m. - St. Maximilian Kolbe Church

January 23 - 11:00 a.m. - Holy Cross Church

January 23 - 2:00 p.m. - St. Maximilian Kolbe Church

January 24 - 6:00 p.m. - St. Maximilian Kolbe Church

January 25 - 6:00 p.m. - St. Bartholomew Church

This session also counts as a Sacramental Preparation - Year 1 retreat. If you have already signed up for a session this month, you are covered for both Sacramental Preparation and Family Formation

Thank you for all you do to raise your children in the faith.

Adult Faith Formation

PRACTICAL CATHOLICISM

Understanding the Catholic Mindset January 18, 7:00 p.m.

St. Maximilian Kolbe Church

Have you ever wondered why Catholics do what they do?

Fr. Jack and Michelle Valcourt will be offering the first in a series of back-to-basics talks on the Catholic Faith. This first session will discuss the common threads that bind all Catholics and looking at how Catholics take intangible truths of God and His love and make them tangible. All are welcome!

To watch this talk online, you can find it on jp2me.org.

Who Was Augustine? What Did He Confess?

A Presentation by Dr. John Kenney February 15 — 7:00 p.m. St. Maximilian Kolbe Church

Dr. John Kenney and his wife, Ann, have been involved in Catholic education for many years. Most recently, John taught religion and humanities at St. Michael's College and was the Dean of the College for a decade. John is part of a larger movement among Catholic scholars who have sought to return to the ancient sources of our faith and to discover anew their answers to the perennial questions of human life, including our knowledge of God, the problem of evil, and the immortality of the human soul.

Dr. Kenney has graciously offered his time to lead a discussion on St. Augustine and his contribution to the faith. Join us for this one-night event. If you love what you hear and want to continue learning about St. Augustine, you can join Dr. Kenney's five-week reading group which will start on March 1 (7:00 p.m., St. Maximilian Kolbe Church).

Youth Ministry

Our middle and high school youth will be gathering on January 23 at 6:00 p.m. at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church to discuss the Corporal Work of Mercy—Sheltering the Homeless. All teens are welcome to attend and help organize ways we can help those who are struggling with finding a place to call home. For more information, contact Michelle Valcourt (883-0334 x228, michelle.valcourt@portlanddiocese.org).

YOUTH MINISTRY IN ACTION!

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Children's Faith Formation

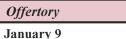
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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

Save the date! Vacation Bible School 2022 is being held the week of June 20-24. Registration will open in February!



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Upcoming Second Collections

<u>Date</u>	Collection Intention
January 23	Latin American Missions
February 13	Building Maintenance & Heat

Daily Mass and Snow Days

When there is a snow storm which causes South Portland to cancel school for the day and when a daily/weekday Mass is scheduled for that day at Holy Cross Church, the scheduled morning Mass will automatically be cancelled. By making this "rule", we avoid the difficulty of trying to notify daily Mass goers at Holy Cross in the event of a storm when the priest may be unable to get there. Daily Masses are never cancelled at St. Maximilian Kolbe or St. Bartholomew Churches since a priest lives at those rectories and can always get to Mass. Please use caution when deciding to attend Mass in inclement weather.

Parish Office and Snow Days

When there is a snow storm which causes Cape Elizabeth, South Portland, or Scarborough schools to close, the parish office will also be closed.



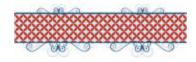
PARISH DONATIONS & CHARITABLE DEDUCTIONS

Only donations received through **offertory envelopes** or through **WeShare** (our online system) are recorded to your account in our parish database. We are happy to

provide you with a donation record if requested. Contact Susie DeGrinney (susie.degrinney@portlanddiocese.org, 883-0334 x261) and provide her with the following: name, church, envelope number, address, email, and telephone number. Due to the large number of requests received, we ask that you please be patient. We do our very best to respond as quickly as possible.

Tax law requires that we acknowledge receipt of any single donation of \$250.00 or more with a letter, which is our standard procedure. However, smaller amounts donated by check to the collection basket that are not in offertory envelopes are not recorded, but directly deposited to the bank. You must then rely on your cancelled check and bank statements as record for your donation.

If you would like to receive offertory envelopes, contact the parish office (883-0334 x221). THANK YOU ALL in advance for your cooperation and generosity throughout the year!



Job Openings

Business Manager

St. John Paul II Parish is seeking a Business Manager to become a member of our team. This is a full-time, exempt/salaried position. Duties include, but are not limited to, financial management and reporting, cash receipts control, payroll and accounts payable control, overseeing the use and maintenance of facilities, human resource management, attendance at finance and school board meetings, participation in diocesan business manager meetings, and adherence to internal audit controls. Applicants should have business management experience, be a Catholic or have an understanding of Catholic values and norms, have the ability to multi-task, and work collaboratively with others. This position reports to the parish Pastor.

Interested candidates should send a letter of intent, resume, and three references to hr@portlanddiocese.org.



Music Minister Seeking a part-time Music Minister to be responsible for developing musical gifts with the parish to enhance all liturgical celebrations and for fostering full, conscious, and active participation in the liturgy by all parishioners.

Custodial/Facilities Worker

Looking for a Facilities Worker to join our team. This position is part-time or full-time. Duties include cleaning, ordering supplies, scheduling and overseeing outside maintenance contracts and inspections. Offers the opportunity for reduced hours in the summer.

Assistant Faith Formation Director

With an Emphasis on Middle and High School Youth Ministry

Seeking a dynamic, inviting, and enthusiastic individual to join their pastoral staff. The Assistant Faith Formation Director with an emphasis on Youth Ministry will oversee planning and leading a comprehensive youth ministry program. Applicants must be practicing Catholics in good standing. A Bachelor's degree is required and the candidate must be willing to work nights and weekends.

For more information on these openings, go to the parish website (sjp2me.org).

If you are interested in sharing your gifts and becoming a contributing member of our team that is passionate about making a difference every day, send a cover letter and resume to Business Manager, 150 Black Point Road, Scarborough, ME 04074.



Before & Aftercare Staff

St. John Paul II Parish and Holy Cross School are seeking responsible, caring, and energetic individuals to staff our Before & Aftercare program. This part-time position (15-20 hours per week) runs from 7:15-8:35 a.m. and 3:00-5:15 p.m., Monday-Friday and provides care, fun, and activities for pre-k-grade 4 students. Days/hours can be flexible to accommodate your schedule.

For more information or to apply for this position, contact Teri Feely (teresita.feely@portlanddiocese.org).

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

It Takes All Kinds

"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

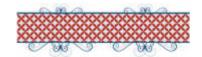
But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers—do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



PARISH LIFE

Age Friendly Parish Workshop

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EVENT POSTPONED

Justice & Peace

Supporting Seniors.

Due to the rise in Covid cases, the Age Friendly Parish Workshop has been postponed until March 26. Please watch the bulletin for more information on this event. Thank you for your understanding.

Did You Know?

Faithful Departed

How can we pray for the dead throughout the year?

We commemorate the faithful departed on November 2nd each year. However, we can and should continue to pray for the dead. Our growth in Christian perfection takes a long time. At the time of our death, many of us might not be saints yet. But God, in His mercy, allows for those who love Him to experience purification after death. Our word for that state is Purgatory. It's the antechamber of heaven, so to speak. We know we're getting in the house, but we're not quite ready to go all the way in. There's rain to shake off our coats and dirt that's clogging our shoes.

Here on earth, we can pray for the souls in Purgatory. One way is to request that your parish offer a Mass for the intention of a specific loved one. We can also remember the departed in our daily prayers. Just as we have special intentions for family and friends here on earth, we can pray for those who have died. It's also a good act of Christian charity to pray for the forgotten, those who have no one else to pray for them. God knows who they are!

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Residents of Scarborough, call Project G.R.A.C.E. at 883-5111.

January 20

St. Bartholomew Church

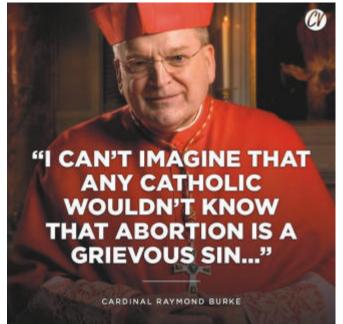
February 1

St. Maximilian Kolbe Church

1:00-6:00 p.m.

These drives have become even more important as the American Red Cross are now in an unprecedented situation where the blood supply is being listed as "dangerously low". Please consider donating!





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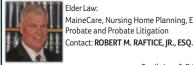


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