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9:00am - 3:00pm – Tuesday through Friday

IMPORTANT CRISIS NUMBERS

Alcohol and Drug Youth Line: 503-244-1611

Archdiocese Director of Child Protection
(Cathy Shannon): 503-233-8302

Franciscan Province Pastoral Outreach Coordinator:
(Angelica Jochim, MFT) 1-800-770-8013

Hispanic Hotline: 503-669-8350

Portland Women's Crisis Line: 503-235-5333

SafeNet (clergy abuse survivor's alliance): 650-588-2665

Clergy Abuse Survivor Advocate, Elizabeth Goeke, M.ED,
ergoeke@comcast.net, 503-502-4792

Abuse Support – Private and Community Support for survivors
of Abuse: Go to: compassionategathering.com

Parish Contact: Virginia Jones 503-282-6584

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sat 1/28:	*6:30pm	Crab Feed
Sun 1/29:	*9:15am	Sunday School
	*10:30am	Nursery Open
	*11:00am	Spanish Choir
	*12:00am	High School Youth Group
Tue 1/31:	*7:00pm	Spanish Choir
	*7:00pm	RCIA
Wed 2/1:	*6:45pm	Choir Rehearsal
	*7:00pm	Just Faith
	*7:00pm	Couple's Group
	*7:00pm	Spaghetti Dinner Pre-Mtg
	*7:00pm	Baptism Class Spanish
Thu 2/2:		Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	*6:00pm	St. Andrew School
	*7:00pm	Spanish Bible Study
	*7:00pm	Guest Speaker for Couples
	*7:00pm	MCM Agua Viva Choir
	*7:00pm	Spanish RCIA
	*7:00pm	Iglesia Domestica
Fri 2/3:	*7:00pm	Spanish Prayer Group
Sat 2/4:	*8:30am	Men's Group
Sun 2/5:	*9:15am	Parent Meeting
	*9:15am	Sunday School
	*10:30am	Nursery Open
	*11:00am	Spanish Choir

SPAGHETTI DINNER COMMITTEE MEETING

The planning meeting for the Spaghetti Dinner committee chairs will take place on Wednesday, February 1st at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Francis room.

For questions, please call Matt Hathaway or Maria Parish at 503-249-8160, or Jeff Cleys at 503-253-7964.



January 29th, 2012
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Deuteronomy 18:15-20
 Reading II: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35
 Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

Welcome to Ascension Parish!

If you would like information on becoming a member of this parish community, please visit the hospitality table on the third weekend of the month

We Invite You to Read Next Sunday's Readings: February 5th, 2012

Reading I: Job 7:1-4, 6-7
 Reading II: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23
 Gospel: Mark 1:29-39



Your ears will be blessed this weekend as you get to listen to Fr. John rather than Fr. Jorge or myself. Listening is again a theme. As part of his farewell speech, Moses in the first reading tells the people to listen to future prophets. This is not an easy task. Prophets don't always say what we want them to. They challenge us and make us think; we can find them to be annoying and bothersome. Who are the prophets in our life and what are they telling us?

I thank you for your generosity in establishing our Flower Fund. It will help us to have a beautiful environment each weekend. We do give thanks for our Flower Ministry group and their hard work and generosity.

~Fr. Ben



WELCOME FR. JOHN GIBBON, OFM

We welcome Fr. John who will preach at all the Masses this weekend for the Franciscan Missionary Union. (Make Checks out to Ascension, we will consolidate and send one check.) Fr. John had a tough formation experience living with both Fr. Ben & Fr. Jorge while in formation.



FLOWER FUND REPORT

We thank all of you who contributed last week to the establishment of our new Flower Fund. As the fund gets depleted, we will then take additional collections.



CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Fr. Ben, Camerina, the Confirmation students, and the Retreat team will be on retreat next weekend, from February 3rd through the 5th. Please keep them in your prayers, praying that the retreat goes well and for the adults who are giving up their weekend sharing their faith and time.

END OF THE YEAR DONOR TAX LETTERS

The required letters are scheduled to be mailed out this week, if you haven't received it by next weekend please contact Veronica Rangel or Linda Royal to request another copy.

Sat. January 28	All Parishioners	5:00pm
	All Parishioners	7:00pm
Sun. January 29	+Michael Martin	8:30am
	+Anna LeMarte	10:30pm
	All Parishioners	12:30pm
Tues. January 31	+Anna LeMarte	8:00am
Wed. February 1	All Parishioners	8:00am
	All Parishioners	6:15pm
Thurs. February 2	All Parishioners	8:00am
Fri. February 3	All Parishioners	8:00am
Sat. February 4	All Parishioners	5:00pm
	All Parishioners	7:00pm
Sun. February 5	All Parishioners	8:30am
	All Parishioners	10:30am
	All Parishioners	12:30pm



Melanie van der Veen & Peggy Farrell x14

Care Ministry Opportunities

As the New Year begins, so do the resolutions. If you have ever considered helping with serving the community, we have opportunities to work with our home-bound parishioners. Our Care Ministry team visits the sick at home, in hospitals, retirement communities, care facilities and foster homes. We have regular scheduled Masses and Communion Services at several facilities within our parish boundaries. Transportation for those unable to drive is always an area of need. Funeral service luncheons provide loving care to families in times of their sorrow. If you have interest in any of these areas or have any questions, please call Melanie x14. Thank you.

Blessed Quilters Notice

Blessed Quilters will not meet in February. The group has decided that we will now meet every other month for this year. Our next meeting will be March 13th and continue to be on the odd numbered months. We will keep the second Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. for our gatherings. Please call Melanie with any questions or concerns. We look forward to seeing you March 13th and hope you can join us at that time. Donations of flannel and cotton fabrics or batting are gladly accepted. Our last donation of beautiful lap quilts was made to the Providence Children's Center and Passage Quilt Project at Providence Medical Center.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Ill parishioners and family members: Sarah Mariani, Johanna Sinons, sister of Betty Hutinga, Pat LeMarte, Mary Marino, Vicki Ford, Bob Pletka, Herbert Williams, Donald Southard, Richard Jewett, Gloria Louthan, John Hoffard, son of Leon Hoffard, Karen Diebele, Merissia Gutierrez, Ilene Schall, Lovella Dowhaniuk, Bonnie Matsler, Sr. Anne Hail, Sr. Katie Wagner, Paul Gerrero, Sara Flores, Koste Garolis, Evelyn McNeff, Marion Fouse, Kim Cox, Jim Sutherbee, Jim Jenness, Marie Duncan, Dolores Hortsch, Dave Smith, Carol Steffen, Yolanda Nassri, Antonio Nerio, Dorothy McDonald, Victoria George, Alberta and John Weir and Marilyn Kirvin.

If you know of someone in our community in need of our presence or prayers, please give us a call.

STAFF MEMBER OUT SICK FOR A FEW DAYS

Veronica, our Parish Secretary, is having foot surgery this week and will be out for a few days. Please be patient with the staff as they cover some of her duties. We wish her well.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION
Contact Person: Sharon Grigar x21

Couples ABC's
(Always Building Communication)
Thursday, February 2 @ 7:00pm
Conference Rm.

Guest Speaker: Mary Jane Weber
Mary Jane is a Family Life Educator at Northwest Family Services and has worked for over 20 years in Parish Ministry.

This is a great Valentine's gift!
Please sign up in the vestibule.

Men's Group

Communion Service at 8:30 am followed by a presentation on The Holy Spirit at 9am.
Guest Speaker: Sharon Grigar
Saturday, February 4

Parent Gathering

All parents are invited to gather in the Conference Rm. on Sunday February 5 from 9:15 to 10:15 as we view and discuss the video:
"Consuming Kids".

Women's Group

Join us as we view and discuss:
Spirituality and the Two Halves of Life;
A video workshop with Fr. Ron Rohleiser
Thursday, February 9 at 7pm
in the St. Clare Rm.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22.

This Lenten and Easter Season plan to stay, watch and participate in discussion after the Mass you normally attend:

"Catholicism" with Fr. Robert Barron.

- 1. Amazed and Afraid:**
The Revelation of God Become Man
- 2. Happy are We:**
The Teachings of Jesus
- 3. The Ineffable Mystery of God:**
That Than Which Nothing Greater can be Thought
- 4. Our Tainted Nature's Solitary Boast:**
Mary, the Mother of God
- 5. The Indispensable Men:**
Peter, Paul, and the Missionary Adventure
- 6. A Body Both Suffering and Glorious:**
The Mystical Union of Christ and the Church



Children's Program



Contact Person: Sharon Grigar x21

Sunday-School Schedule

January 29 Sunday-School 9:15am
February 5 Sunday-School 9:15am
and Parent Meeting!

We also provide childcare for children younger than Kindergarten age during the 10:30 Mass.

Our volunteers are "Safe Environment trained" parishioners who provide this service for our youngest members in the St. Anthony Rm.



Ascension Youth Ministry

Youth Group Meetings

High School: Sunday, Jan. 29th
12pm-1:30pm ~ San Damiano Room
Middle School: No Meeting Feb 4th
JC Group: No Meeting Feb. 3rd

Youth Group Name Contest Results

The Middle Schoolers voted and their new group name is:
Warriors of God

Thank you to all who participated in the contest and congratulations to our winner Louee.

Confirmation

Next weekend the youth will be attending the Confirmation Retreat. We ask for you hold them in your prayers this week, so they have a life-changing encounter with Jesus and return full of the Holy Spirit.



ASCENSION ST. VINCENT DE PAUL UPDATE:

The year 2011 was very busy one for our Ascension Conference. For the year, our food pantry provided the following boxes of food and sundries:

<u>FAMILIES</u>	<u>PEOPLE</u>
1,073	3,565

ON UTILITIES:
Households: 93
Number of people: 263
Cost: \$18,281.29

On December 18th we provided Christmas food boxes, toys, and Christmas decorations for 217 families that fed and gifted over 1,000 individuals. This year we provided 25 military families with the same.

OPPORTUNITIES ELSEWHERE

St. Therese School Open Houses...

...are planned for February 10th at 9:30am, February 15 at 6pm, February 26th at 10am and March 6th at 6pm. The choice to send your child to Catholic school can make a difference in their life. We have a fully accredited academic program which exceeds state requirements, before and after school care, a hot lunch program and speciality classes such as Spanish, PE, Technology, Humanities, and Fine Arts (choir, strings, band, guitar, hand bells, choir and private music lessons). Our principal, Sr. Kathy Cordes, shcj, has worked hard over the last seven years to build a strong and diverse educational program. She is the only religious principal working in the Archdiocese of Portland. Come to an Open House or call 503-253-9400 for questions or to schedule a private tour.

Service with the Archbishop Vlazny

In celebration of a Day for Consecrated Life, Archbishop John G. Vlazny invites parishioners to join him, and those living in consecrated life, to a vespers service at St. Mary's Cathedral, Saturday, February 4, 2012 at 7:00 pm. Reception to follow.



Misa en Español
Sábado - 7:00pm
Domingo - 12:30 pm.

Horario de oficinas
9 am a 3pm martes a viernes
(503)256 3897

María Solís x.17
Padre Jorge x.19

Clases de Biblia todos los jueves 7pm.
Hora Santa, Primer Viernes de cada mes 7pm.
Misa de Sanación el Tercer Viernes de cada mes 7pm.
Asamblea de Oración Segundo y Cuarto Viernes 7pm.

29 de enero del 2012
Cuarto Domingo de Tiempo Ordinario

Bautizos

Los próximos bautizos son el 4 de febrero a las 10:00am. Las pláticas son el 1ero de febrero a las 7:00pm. Las pláticas son requeridas por la parroquia, si no pueden asistir a las pláticas las pueden tomar en otra iglesia nomás me traen el comprobante.

Si tiene alguna pregunta puede llamar a la parroquia.



Sábado Cambio Reconciliación

Recuerden que las Confesiones en español son los sábados en la mañana de 9:00 a 10:00am. Las Confesiones son únicamente los sábados y entre semana puede hacer con cita. La razón de esto es porque el no puede hacer Confesiones antes de la Misa porque el se tiene que preparar para la liturgia. Por favor las personas que no pueden venir los sábados a las Confesiones hagan una cita con el durante las horas de oficina. El teléfono de la parroquia es el 503-256-3897 Ext. 19





**SOCIEDAD DE
SAN VICENTE DE PAUL
DE LA
ASCENSION**

REPORTE ANUAL

El banco de comida y de ayuda de la Ascension estuvo muy ocupado el año pasado. En todo el año 2011 nuestro banco de comida obsequio las siguientes cantidades de comida y productos no perecederos:

AYUDAMOS A:

1,073 Familias; 565 personas

EN PAGOS DE RECIBOS AYUDAMOS A:

93 Hogares

263 Personas

Costo: \$18,281.29

El 18 de diciembre repartimos juguetes, cajas de comida y decoraciones navideñas a 217 familias, ayudando a 1,000 personas. De la misma manera pudimos ayudar a 25 familias militares. ¡Gracias por su apoyo!

**MIEMBRO DEL PERSONAL FUERA
POR ALGUNOS DÍAS.**

Veronica, nuestra secretaria, estará fuera algunos días debido a que se someterá a una cirugía del pie. Los demás miembros del personal estarán ayudando en algunas de responsabilidades que la secretaria realiza normalmente. Les pedimos su paciencia en los próximos días y le deseamos a Veronica una pronta y sana recuperación.

REPORTE DE IMPUESTOS PARA EL AÑO 2011

Las cartas que muestran las cantidades totales de sus donaciones para el año 2011 serán enviadas por correo esta semana. Si para la segunda semana de febrero no la ha recibido en su domicilio, por favor comuníquese con Veronica a la extensión 13 o con Linda Royal a la extensión 12.



Ministerio de Jóvenes

Reuniones de Jóvenes

Grupo de High School:

domingo, 29 de enero 12pm-1:30pm

~ Salón San Damiano.

Middle School: No reunión 4 de febrero

JC Group: No reunión 3 de febrero

**Resultados del Concurso
"Nombrar el Grupo Juvenil"**

Los jóvenes del grupo de Middle School votaron y el nombre de su grupo es:

"Guerreros de Dios"

Gracias a todos los que participaron en el concurso y felicidades a nuestro ganador Louee.



CONFIRMACIÓN

El próximo fin de semana los jóvenes del grupo de confirmación asistirán a el Retiro de Confirmación. Les pedimos que los mantengan en sus oraciones para que puedan llegar a tener un encuentro con nuestro Señor Jesucristo, transformador del mundo, y para que regresen llenos del Espíritu Santo.

QUINCEAÑERAS

Se les recuerda a todas las personas que están interesadas en mandar hacer una Quinceañera tiene que hacer la reservación con 2 años de anticipación. El 2012 ya está lleno y en el 2013 los meses de abril, mayo, junio, julio, agosto y septiembre ya están ocupados. Por favor de llamar a la parroquia durante horas de oficina. ~Maria Solis.

