

OUR LADY OF HOPE PARISH

Portland, Maine

St. Joseph

St. Patrick

St. Pius X

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TEMPTATION

LA TENTACIÓN

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February 26, 2012
First Sunday in Lent

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Prayer from the wilderness

Father of All, your Spirit took Jesus away into the wilderness for forty days. As we observe forty days of Lent, we pray that your Spirit will direct us also. The wilderness is lonely and strange. In the wilderness, even Jesus could be tempted.

God our strength, give us the courage to risk the challenges of new and strange places, that we may be strong and be found righteous in your sight. As we give thanks for the good things that you have done among us, we pray that we may be responsive to your challenges for our future. As your Spirit led Jesus, lead and guide us we pray.

Creator of All, the world is full of richness and beauty. Yet many times, we seem to be in some kind of wilderness, like Moses in the desert, and we feel powerless. Help us to accept our situations as Jesus accepted the wilderness, and to learn to love wherever we are. But teach us also how to walk with you to amend our lives and change our nation and our world -- your world.

Healer of All, for too many of us, life is a wilderness of illness and suffering. Yet Jesus also knew suffering in the desert and on the cross. And because he endured to the end, we know that human suffering will also end. We pray for all our friends whose lives are presently in a Lenten wilderness.

Hope of All, we believe that because of Jesus' death and resurrection, our wilderness experience will end in your kingdom of light and life. We ask your special care for those who have died and their loved ones left behind.

Because Jesus overcame, we know that we also are able to overcome, not in our own strength, but by your grace and in the power of your Spirit. We give thanks. Amen.

Adapted from a prayer by Brian McKinlay
(submitted by Fr. Jim Lafontaine)

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." — Mk 1:14-15

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Readings for the Week of February 26, 2012

Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Monday: Lenten Weekday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Lenten Weekday

Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Lenten Weekday

Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Lenten Weekday

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Lenten Weekday

Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: St. Katharine Drexel, V.

Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Rom 8:31b-34/
Mk 9:2-10

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Daily Lenten Reflections—delivered to you by e-mail: Catholic Charities USA is Offering daily scripture reflections during Lent.. If you would like to receive these spiritual messages, please go to www.catholiccharitiesusa.org under the "Catholic Traditions" heading click on "reflections".



To OUR LADY OF HOPE PARISH.

If you are just visiting us, we are glad to have you with us for the liturgy today. **We wish you well on your journey.** If you are new to the

Portland area, we would be delighted to have you join our community of faith. Please feel free to contact our parish office at 772-6325 to register or for more information.

God Bless you.

**FOR THE WEEK OF
FEBRUARY 26, 2012**



**OUR LADY OF HOPE
SANCTUARY LAMP
WILL BURN THIS WEEK**

February 26—March 3, 2012

In Loving Memory of

JOE CREMO

@ St. Patrick's

**Our Lady of Hope Parish
Adorations & Devotions**

ADORATIONS: *Tuesday evenings from 7PM—8PM @ St. Joseph, Fridays from 9:30AM to 5PM @ St. Pius X in the church.*

ROSARY DEVOTION: *Monday thru Thursday following the daily 9AM Mass @ St. Pius X.*

**Lenten Bible Group with
Deacon John McAuliffe**

Please join us on Sundays at 6:30 PM

at the St. Joseph rectory beginning March 4th

Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl Reflection: **God's Covenant.** In Today's 1st reading, we hear about God's covenant with Noah, with his descendants & with all living creatures. During Lent, we are called to deepen & strengthen our baptismal & covenantal relationship with God, which includes our responsibility to care for all of God's creation. This week through your Rice bowl packet, we **learn** about subsistence farmers in Madagascar. We **Pray** for all who struggle to feed their families on depleted lands, & we **fast** in solidarity with those who hunger. We **give** so that CRS can help farmers improve their growing methods & act as good stewards of God's creation.

Today's the day! Please join us for our parish supper tonight Saturday, February 25th @ St. Pius X. At the supper, there will be a silent auction for the Matthew 25 Project that provides heating assistance & winter clothing.

SATURDAY: February 25, 2012

8:00AM—St. Joseph Norman Galli
4:00PM—St. Patrick James Clark by Michael & Liz Walsh
4:30PM—St. Pius X Dino Tizzano by Wife Mary & Daughter
5:00PM—St. Joseph John G. Oliver by Father & Family

SUNDAY: February 26, 2012

7:00AM — St. Pius X Angela DiPietrantonio by Beaulieu Family
8:00AM—St. Joseph Kathleen Berry
10:30AM—St. Patrick's Joseph Cremo by Family
5:00PM—St. Joseph Anthony D. DiBiase, Sr. by Anne & Michael Walp

MONDAY: February 27, 2012

9:00AM – St. Pius X Joseph P. Foley by Mary Gleason

TUESDAY: February 28, 2012

7:00AM – St. Patrick's Michael J. Bennett by George Houston & Family
9:00AM – St. Pius X Anne Scanlon by Barbara Busby

WEDNESDAY: February 29, 2012

9:00AM – St. Pius X Special Intention by Mary Bellino

THURSDAY: March 1, 2012

7:00AM – St. Patrick's Dan McCool by George & Anne O'Donnell
9:00AM – St. Pius X Jean Donovan by Terry & Marie Wogan

FRIDAY: March 2, 2012

8:00AM – St. Joseph Camilla Jensen by the Fournier Family
9:00AM – St. Pius X Anne E. Scanlon by John, Cathy & Margaret Cruz

SATURDAY: March 3, 2012

8:00AM—St. Joseph Patricia Flurey by Janet Bird
4:00PM—St. Patrick Michael Coppersmith by Dave, Jim & Ron
4:30PM—St. Pius X Theodore J. Volger, Jr. by Mr. & Mrs. Rudolph DiMillo & Family
5:00PM—St. Joseph Robert Marley

SUNDAY: March 4, 2012

7:00AM — St. Pius X Daniel & Elizabeth Commow
8:00AM—St. Joseph Mr. & Mrs. Louis Donahue
10:30AM—St. Patrick's Elinor M. Shuman by the Women's Fellowship Group
5:00PM—St. Joseph Anne Erwin

For Your 2011 Contributions, please call Carolyn at 797-7026 X 213 or e-mail Carolyn.Johnson@portlanddiocese.org



OUR LADY OF HOPE PARISH

YOUR GIFTS OF STEWARDSHIP
FOR THE WEEKEND OF February 12, 2012

Our Lady of Hope Parish Collection was
\$13,282.70

506 envelopes were used

Fuel was **\$3,968.56**

369 envelopes were used

**In order to meet our budget for this year,
our first collection needs to average
\$16,000 per week.**

Thank you for your generosity—God Bless



Our 2nd collections for FEBRUARY are:

February 26th—Snow Removal

If you have any questions regarding your envelopes, please contact Carolyn at 797-7026 ext. 213.

Thank you for your continued support and generous donations.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

There are NO Religious Education Classes THIS Sunday, February 19th due to School Vacation. Classes will resume NEXT Sunday, February 26th at 9AM

Lenten Reconciliation: The Church invites all Catholics to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation & Holy Communion during the Lenten-Easter Season. In addition to regularly scheduled confessions on Saturdays at all Parish churches, the sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered the week of **March 26—30, Monday-Friday, from 6PM -7PM @ St. Pius X Church**

Please join the sixth grade students of St. Brigid School in their **PULL FOR THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE!!!** (For their Lenten project.) **1) PULL** your aluminum tabs off soda, vegetables, tennis & pet food cans; **2) DROP OFF TABS** in the container provided at the back of the church; **3) RECYCLED** tabs are reimbursed & the donation goes directly to our local Ronald McDonald House. Tabs will be collected until Easter. Thank you for your support.

The St. Brigid Annual Spring Auction is taking place on Friday, March 30th. at the Italian Heritage Center. We are asking the parishioners of Our Lady of Hope Parish to help us out with one of our auction events. Each grade is given a theme to donate to. We take the items and/or cash and build packages that we auction off. This year we would love it if the parish community that our school belongs to, could help by donating gift cards for our gift card package. I will leave a donation box in the back at each parish. I thank you so much for your kindness and generosity. Many hands make light work. Laurel Salamone St. Brigid Auction Tri-Chair.

Women's Fellowship Pot Luck Supper is March 6th at St. Patrick's. All women from the cluster are invited to come & join us. Rosary at 6PM downstairs in the parish hall. There will be an Irish treat & a short meeting. The calling committee will be calling. If you are not on the calling list & would like to attend, please call Pat Campbell @ 774-6820.

CHEVERUS HIGH SCHOOL - ADMISSIONS NIGHT, Thursday, March 1, 2012 @ Cheverus High School, 267 Ocean Ave., Portland, ME— Starts at 6PM in the Main Building.

CATHERINE MCAULEY'S OPEN HOUSE: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 @ 6PM. To register call 797-3802 X 2022



The knights of Columbus is once again sponsoring the Relay For Life **PASTA AND MEATBALL DINNER** on Saturday, **March 10th, from 5:00 to 6:30 PM** in the St. Pius Parish Hall. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society's search for a cure. The cost is still \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under the age of 12 years of age. Please mark your calendar and continue to help us support this important cause.



THE HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS Don't miss the excitement! At the Cumberland County Civic Center on Sunday, March 18th @ 2PM. Tickets are available for \$19. Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Hope Parish. Tickets must be purchased by February 27th. Contact Janet Joyce at 797-7026 X 212 or e-mail Janet.joyce@portlanddiocese.org



Knights of Columbus Council 2983 – The Knights of Columbus, Council 2983 meets the **1st Tuesday** of the month @ 7PM in the St. Pius X Parish Hall.

Knights of Columbus Council 101 – The Knights of Columbus, Council 101 meets the **1st Wednesday** of the month @ 7PM in the KC Room at St. Patrick's.

Knights of Columbus Council 11257 – The Knights of Columbus, council 11257 meets the **2nd Tuesday of the month @ 7PM** in the Friary Room @ St. Joseph's.

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree – Fr. Sebastian Rasle Assembly #337 Meets the **2nd Monday** of the month 7PM – St. Pius.

To the men, old and young alike, in Our Lady of Hope Parish: Keeping it simple. Twelve one hour meetings a year, and an hour of service work a month equals twenty-four hours of total involvement in a year. That's all it takes to be an effective member in the Knights of Columbus. Giving up a single day in an entire year, may very well give someone, a lifetime. Couldn't you find the time? Contact a Knight at the Church you attend, or contact Dave Reese @ 415-8442, for further information, when you have a moment. Become a Knight, make a difference!!!.....



LOBSTER ROLL DINNER The Knights of Columbus & Ladies Sodality will be hosting a Parish Lobster Roll Dinner on Friday Evening **March 2nd** from 5 to 6:30PM at the Father Hayes Center of St. Joseph's Church. The dinner will consist of Lobster roll, Pickles, Chips, Cole Slaw, Dessert, Water and/or Coffee for \$9 per person & you may add a 2nd Lobster Roll for \$15.00 per person. For those who do not enjoy Lobster, we will substitute a Grilled cheese Sandwich for \$5. The proceeds will be shared by both groups so that they may continue their good works for the Parish. Join us in community during this Lenten season. You must make a reservation in order to attend so please call in you reservations to the Friary at 797-7026 X 213 before **February 29th**.

Annual Knights of Columbus Charity Raffle The Knights of Columbus 101 St. Patrick's, will be selling raffle tickets after all masses at St Patrick's this weekend. This is our annual Charity Raffle which benefits such organizations as Special Olympics, Salvation Army, Camp Sunshine and Boys and Girls Clubs, just to name a few. We sell 200 tickets at \$100 each so your chances to win are excellent. The Grand Prize is \$5,000, Second Prize is \$1500 and the Third Prize is \$1,000. The drawing will be held at the St. Patrick's Corned Beef Dinner on **March 17** after the 4 pm Mass. If you would like tickets please call Bill Green at 773 -8619 or Robert Carignan at 772-8455. Thank you for helping us with this worthy cause.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER On Saturday, **March 17th @ 5PM (social), 6PM (dinner)**, Following the 4PM Mass, the Knights of Columbus 101 will serve a Traditional Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner in the St. Patrick's Church Hall. Tickets must be purchased in advance at \$15.00. For the **UNDER 12 Set, \$5.00**. Seating is limited, so get your tickets early. There was a waiting list last year.

Come join the Fun. All are welcome. Tickets will be on Sale at the back of the Church after Mass beginning **THIS Weekend, February 25**. For more information or tickets call Phil Conley @ 774-9456. Deadline is **March 11**.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD DRIVE FOR ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOUP KITCHEN : Hunger knows NO season! As the economy sputters along & unemployment shows no signs of abating, many people are going hungry. Fortunately, St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen in Portland is in a position to help, but they are in much need of food supplies & could use our HELP. The K.C. of Our Lady Of Hope Parish will be collecting food during this Lenten season to help those in need. The drive began Ash Wednesday, February 22nd & will end on Good Friday, April 6th. St. Vincent's is currently serving 150+ people five days a week for lunch & are in need of restocking their pantry. Our parish has always been generous in helping those in need within our community & are asking parishioners & friends to donate canned goods, dry goods, paper goods or drink mixes during the "40 Cans for 40 Days" of Lent. There will be boxes at the entrance of each church in our Parish (St. Joseph, St. Patrick & St. Pius X) to leave your food donations. St. Brigid School has also asked to join us & a box will be placed at School. The boxes will be collected during the week & the food donated delivered to St. Vincent's by volunteers from the K.C. No Donation is too small & we can all help. If you are unable to make it to church & you wish to donate, please call 797-7026 ext 213 and a Volunteer will make arrangement with you to pick up the donation.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PRAYER HOUR The K.C. of Our Lady of Hope Parish will be hosting a Marian Prayer Hour in honor of our Lady. It will be held **THIS WEEKEND, Sunday, February 26th, at 3:30PM @ St. Pius X Church**. Knights from 14,000 Councils across the country will be hosting at least one Prayer Service so that Knights of Council Members & all Catholics will learn of our order's devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe & strengthen their own devotion to the Patroness of the Americas. A beautiful framed image of Our Lady will be displayed at the service. Coffee & donuts will be available after the service in the Fr. Flannagan Hall adjacent to the Church.

PASTORAL STAFF:

Our Lady of Hope Parish

(St. Joseph, St. Patrick & St. Pius X Churches)

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Parish Office number: 207-772-6325 / FAX 207-772-6326 - Hours: M-F 7AM-3PM

Parish School-St. Brigid: 207-797-7073

Religious Education Office: 207-797-9509 - Hours: M-F 8AM-4PM

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Rev. Richard-D. Bertrand, S.J. Parochial Vicar
Rev. John d'Anjou, S.J. Parochial Vicar
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New Parishioners:

Welcome! We invite you to Our Lady of Hope Parish family. Please register by calling the parish office at 207-772-6325. Departing families please inform the Parish office prior to moving 207-772-6325.

Religious Education:

207-797-9509

Classes:

Pre-K-8

Youth Ministry

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Office hours Monday-Friday 8AM-4PM

Baptism

Please call the Parish office at 772-6325 to register for pre-baptism class.

Marriage:

Couples should contact the Parish office at least six months in advance.

Mass Schedule:

Saturday:

4:00PM St. Patrick (1342 Congress St)
4:30PM St. Pius X (492 Ocean Ave.)
5:00PM St. Joseph (673 Stevens Ave.)

Sunday:

7:00AM St. Pius X
8:00AM St. Joseph
10:30AM St. Patrick
5:00PM St. Joseph

Holy Days:

Vigil 5:30PM St. Patrick
Vigil 7:00PM St. Joseph
Feast 9:00AM St. Pius X

Daily:

Mon - Fri 9:00 AM St. Pius X
Tues / Thur. 7:00 AM St. Patrick
Friday 8:00 AM St. Joseph
Saturday 8:00 AM St. Joseph

Reconciliation:

Saturday or by Appointment:
2:30PM - 3:00PM St. Patrick
3:30PM - 4:00PM St. Pius X
3:30PM - 4:00PM St. Joseph