

Our Mission

*St. John the Baptist
Catholic Community,
inspired by
the Spirit of Christ,
reaches out, educates,
helps and nurtures all
people, as we worship
and serve
Our Heavenly Father.*

All are Welcome Parishioners, New Members, Visitors and Guests:

Thank you for joining
our worshipping com-
munity. Please stop by
our parish office to reg-
ister and let us know if
we can be of
assistance.

Sunday Mass

English:

7:30am, 10:00am,

6:30pm

Spanish: 12:00 noon

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:30pm

Daily Mass

Mon., Tues., Wed, Fri,

7:00am Mass

Thursday & Saturday

8:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:00-5:00 Sat. or by
appointment

Adoration Chapel

Open 24 hours for
prayer. Call the office
for the code.

Parish Office

Tues.- Friday

9am - 5pm

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February 20, 2011

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Rome Sweet Home”

Dearest brothers & sisters,

Greetings to you and to all your loved ones.

I am really happy to be back safe and relaxed. Thank you for all the prayers you sent my way, it all helped to make my vacation to Goa and Rome an awesome experience. I am very grateful to Fr. Francis, all the visiting priests who offered assistance on week-ends, and to my committed staff that went an extra mile to make sure all the ministries and parish events continued to take place as planned.

The highlight of my vacation in India besides the wedding in Mumbai was to see the new baby that my brother and his wife adopted this past September, and she is now seven months old. Everyone calls her a doll and she seems to be a very happy baby. She sure is a great blessing and a delight to my brother's family as their only child.

I had a wonderful time with my sister and brothers and they fed me well with traditional Goan cuisine. While in Goa, I met with my childhood, school and college friends and it's so heart warming to see them grown to be fine young adults raising families with love and dedication. It was real special to see some of them after almost twenty two years and to have such easy conversations. Time in Goa ended faster than I thought it would and so I packed my bags to start another very exciting journey to Rome. The Ancient Rome is indeed an exceptionally beautiful city with architecture, art and monuments that are so very ancient dating back to the time of Christ and even beyond (like the Pantheon). What was most amazing to me was how all this history is preserved so we and the coming generations can look at all of it and marvel with awe. The bible stories, the life of Mary, Jesus, and John the Baptist written on frescos and mosaic art is incredible. Also all the relics and tombs of St. Peter, St. Paul and the countless other saints is something one can experience only in Rome and around it. I had the opportunity to also visit holy basilicas outside of Rome like Florence, Assisi and Nettuno (St. Maria Goretti). This whole trip made me realize the deeper meaning of the saying, “Rome was not built in a day.” Thanks to all those men and women who put their talents to work and built this great city of Rome. On my flight back to Portland I began to appreciate the deep traditions of our Catholic faith and felt the joy of being a member of a Catholic Church that has its strong foundation on the Apostles of Christ.

Once again, I am very happy to be back home at St. John's and to continue my apostolate with greater love and renewed spirit. I know we have lots to accomplish as a parish and also as an archdiocese, so let us pray for each other and support the work of God with love, patience and commitment.

Many Blessings,

Rev. Maxy D'Costa
Pastor

TOPICS OF INTEREST

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Calendar for This Week

Monday, February 21-President's Day

No School

Mass	7:00am	Church
Beginners	6:45pm	Parish Center
Spanish Prayer Grp	7:00pm	Church
AlaTeen/AA/Alanon	7:30pm	Parish Center

Tuesday, February 22

Mass	7:00am	Church
Good Grief Group	10:00am	Saalfeld
School Activity	11:30am	Jordan
After School Care	3:15pm	Daycare Rm
RCIA	7:00pm	Saalfeld/Cafe
St. Vincent de Paul	7:00pm	Church

Wednesday, February 23

Mass	7:00am	Church
Pinochle	1-4pm	Saalfeld
After School Care	2:15pm	Daycare Rm
Religious Education	5:30pm	Parish Campus
Legion of Mary	7:00pm	Saalfeld

Thursday, February 24

Mass	8:30am	Church
After School Care	3:15pm	Daycare Rm
Finance Council	5:00pm	Saalfeld
Knights of Columbus Potluck	6:00pm	Jordan/Kitchen
Parish Choir	7:00pm	Church
Spanish Bible Study	7:00pm	Cafeteria
Ushers Ministry Reflection	7:00pm	Saalfeld
Adult Education	7:00pm	Library

Friday, February 25

Mass	7:00am	Church
After School Care	3:15pm	Daycare Rm
Set up for Spaghetti Dinner		Parish Center

Saturday, February 26

Set up for Spaghetti Dinner		Parish Center
Men's Group	7:00am	Jordan
Mass	8:30am	Church
Confessions	4-5pm	Church
Vigil Mass	5:30pm	Church

Sunday, February 27

Masses: 7:30am; 10:00am & 6:30pm

Spanish Mass: 12:00 noon

Spaghetti Dinner 11:30-6:00

Parish Center



Sunday, February 27

Rolling Library will be available today! Stop and take a peek to see what is there for your enjoyment.

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Adult Education

The last class will meet at 7:00pm; location listed below.

Patrick David's presentation on the rosary was an introduction to a series he will be offering. If you were not able to attend this session do not miss the next offering. Thank you Patrick for a wonderful presentation.

February 24th

Deacon Gerry Delgado will lead us in a class on the basics of prayer. Do you ever feel you are not able to "devote" enough time to your prayer life? Gerry will help us with some very basic prayers that we can pray all day and any time of the day. "Pray Always" is what Our Lord asks of us. **NOTE: This class will be back in the school and we will use the classroom just inside the door so you can avoid stairs.**

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Save the Date

Ushers, E.M.'s and Lectors

Ushers

Fr. Maxy will lead a day of reflection on the ministry of ushers this Sunday February 20 at 2pm or Thursday February 24th at 7pm.

Eucharistic Ministers

Fr. Maxy will lead your day of reflection on Thursday March 10th at 7pm or Sunday, March 13th at 2pm

Lectors

Fr. Maxy will lead your day of reflection on Sunday March 27th at 2pm or Thursday March 31st at 7pm.

You only need to attend one of the presentations. Father is just offering two choices.

Baptism



NO Baptism's will be held in April or May. the next celebration of the sacrament will be June 5th following the 10am Mass. Are you expecting or do you have a baby who you would like to baptize? St. John's offers

baptism once a month on the first Sunday of the month. First the parents must attend a baptism class. Please contact Pat at 503-654-5449 or email at pat.raschio@gmail.com to arrange your class.

Mark Your Calendar

The next Estate Planning Interactive Presentation will be held Thursday, April 14th, from 6 – 8 pm, in the Saalfeld Room, with complimentary wine/beer and heavy hors d'oeuvres provided. Our estate planner, Gene Christian will provide updated information on the tax codes and other considerations. This event is sponsored by the St. John's Catholic Community Foundation.

Collection	This week	BUDGET (Average/week)	
02/13/2011	\$13,510	\$14,135	
Week 33 of 52	2010/2011	2010/2011	Over (Short) Year to Date:
Fiscal Year to Date:	\$448,076	\$466,455	(\$18,379)
Prior year to Date (2010):	\$435,861		
Building Maintenance Fund this week: \$392			

Living Your Strengths

Do you know what specific gifts you have been given by God? Discover your God-given gifts (also known as *signature themes*) in the book, ***Living Your Strengths***, available at no cost through the parish office. In the first letter of Peter, Chapter 4, he says:

“Each of you has been blessed with one of God’s many wonderful gifts to be used in the service of others. So use your gift well. If you have the gift of speaking, preach God’s message. If you have the gift of helping others, do it with the strength that God supplies. Everything should be done in a way that will bring honor to God because of Jesus Christ, who is glorious and powerful forever.”

This week we look at the gift that allows you to sense the emotions of those around you, and to understand where they are coming from. You may not necessarily agree with their perspective, but you are able to view things through their eyes and put their perspective into the right words and the right tone.

One piece of scripture that relates to this gift of empathy comes from Romans 12:15 “*Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.*” One way to grow spiritually with this gift is to make time for private prayer in your life; give yourself the gift of experiencing the emotional aspects of communicating with God.

Do you recognize yourself? LYS says “You can pick up on the pain and joy of others – sometimes before they can express it. Other people feel heard by you and experience your compassion.” But this gift can be challenging because you can become overwhelmed by all the emotions you pick up on during the day. LYS recommends you “learn to recognize your own signs of being overly stressed, and know what to do about it. It is essential that you know when and how to make yourself a priority”.



Please contact Libbie Allen in the parish office at 503.654.5449 to get your copy of ***Living Your Strengths***.

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday, Feb. 21

Sirach 1:1-10; Psalm 93:1-5; Mark 9:14-29

Tuesday, Feb. 22

1 Peter 5:1-4; Psalm 23:1-6; Matthew 16:13-19

Wednesday, Feb. 23

Sirach 4:11-19; Psalm 119:165-175; Mark 9:38-40

Thursday, Feb. 24

Sirach 5:1-8; Psalm 1:1-6; Mark 9:41-50

Friday, Feb. 25

Sirach 6:5-17; Psalm 119:12-35; Mark 10:1-12

Saturday, Feb. 26

Sirach 17:1-15; Psalm 103:13-18; Mark 10:13-16

Sunday, Feb. 27

Isaiah 49:14-15; Psalm 62:2-9; 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Matthew 6:24-34

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, Feb. 21

7:00: Vaetz Family/Living & Deceased..Mary Vaetz

Tuesday, Feb. 22

7:00: Dana (Int)...Mary

Wednesday, Feb. 23

7:00: Fred & Frances Paulson (d)...
Don & Kathleen Adams

Thursday, Feb. 24

8:30: Robert Peterson (d)...Geri Foy

Friday, Feb. 25

7:00: Mary Jacobs Dietrich (d)...Virginia Hicks

Saturday, Feb. 26

8:30: George Fossati (d)...Lou & Joe Fossati

5:30pm: Louis Rivelli (d)...Jim Rivelli

Sunday, Feb. 27

7:30am: Doris Quintana (d)...Allan & Betty Jones

10:00am: For the People of the Parish...Pastor

12:00pm: Richard Bartel (d)...Family

6:30pm: Scott Winter (Int)...Judy Groebner

Altar Servers



Saturday, Feb. 26

5:30 Mass:

Moira & Lara Eaton,
Marissa Vanecko

Sunday, Feb. 27

7:30 Mass:

Nicole Schreiber, Brittany Gottsch,
Luke Guasco

10:00 Mass:

Sara & Timothy Sawtelle, Maddy Sheahan

12:00 Mass:

Lzrael Chavez, Eddie Sanchez, Abe Torres

6:30 Mass:

Eryn Likkel, Kyle Obermire, Jarrett Anderson



**Prayer Concerns
for February**

Karl Anderson, Hal Bauer
Millard Becker, Kathleen Butler
Jeffrey Luna, Paul Newman
Maggie Schwab, Joe Shelley

**Family Faith Sharing
Questions????**

In this passage from the Book of Matthew, Jesus teaches his disciples (and us) another difficult lesson—if someone hurts us, we are not to “get even!” He tells us to walk away and to pray for the people who hurt us! That means we should pray for our “enemies.”

Have you ever felt like you wanted to “get even” with someone who hurt you? If you answered “yes,” did you actually “get even” with them? Talk about what happened. What did that feel like? Was it very satisfying? If you’re angry or upset with someone right now, take a moment and say a prayer for them.

Liturgy of the Word for Children:

THANK YOU! To the wonderful people who answered the call to share the Word of God with our children during the 10:00am Mass. If you think you might like to join this awesome ministry, give Pat a call at 503-654-5449. More volunteers always makes the job easier and this is an easy and very rewarding ministry.



Adult Confirmation

If you are an adult who has not received this sacrament, our Archbishop invites you to prepare for the celebration of Adult Confirmation on May 13th at the Cathedral. If you are one of the many people who decided in high school you did not have the time, or were not as faithful to the Catholic faith, but now are a practicing adult in the faith, and would like to be a fully initiated member, please call Pat. She will explain the simple process and give you more information and register you for the reception of the sacrament. Pat: 503-654-5449 or pat.raschio@gmail.com

Senior (and others) Outing

to LaSalle's *Galileo Play* starring Ernie Casciato. \$10.00 on Feb. 24th at 7:30pm. Call John white 503-513-6809 ASAP!



Little Black Books for Lent will be available in the vestibule of the church, beginning next Sunday, Feb. 27th.

Actions That Build a Friendlier Church

Use the *Missing Word*.

One of the most powerful words in our society today is: "missed". "I have been missing you." "I miss a blessing when you are not here." "Our group has not been the same because you are missed." You help to verify a person's worth by telling her she is missed. You can even tell them through a friend, "Tell the friend you brought last Sunday that I missed her today." Using the "Missing" word will help draw people back to your fellowship. Use it often.



ST. JOHN'S BENEFITS FROM ENDOWMENT EARNINGS DISTRIBUTION

Both the parish and school are beneficiaries of the first earnings distribution in the amount of \$8,345 from St. John's Catholic Community Foundation Endowment funds. "The faith of the initial funders is being realized." said Denny Stoecklin, President of the Foundation. "Our hope is that this initial distribution will remind people of the power of establishing an endowment that will live in perpetuity while providing much needed income to beneficiaries."

"This is one of the best investments we've ever made," says Gil and Kathryn Wolfe, who set up a \$10,000 Named Fund. "We know the money will always be there, with the earnings going to support the needs of St. John's Catholic School. It's truly a gift that keeps on giving!"

The Foundation assets have grown to almost \$240,000 in the past five years as people have become more aware of needs and tax advantages for contributions. "The Foundation remains committed to working toward providing a sustainable funding mechanism to support the ministries of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and School well into the future," said Stoecklin. "God has certainly blessed our efforts during 2010 as nearly 20 couples or individuals have been led to provide direct future support to the parish through their estate gift plans totaling over \$5 million. These people have a deep love and affection for this parish and we ask for the Lord's continued blessings on our work for His church."

Specific allocations are as follows:

The Mary Ann Bisio Music Education Endowment Fund....	\$4,790
Ruth B. Cach Education Endowment.....	240
Gil and Kathryn Wolf School Endowment.....	475
Ercole & Odelia (Feser) Battilega Scholarship Fund.....	770
Roberta (Bobs) Sullivan Family School Fund.....	240
General Endowment – School.....	70
General Endowment – Church.....	1,760

St. John's Catholic Community Foundation (SJCCF) supports the mission and ministries of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and School, but is an independent, non-profit organization, not under the control of the Parish or the Archdiocese. Contributions may be sent to the Foundation at 10955 SE 25th Avenue, Milwaukie, OR 97222.

Outside News

Mark Your Calendars for Catholic Charities 14th Annual Celebration!

Please join Catholic Charities for a lively evening of celebration, blessings and renewed friendships at the 14th Annual Celebration, Saturday, April 2, 2011, beginning at 6 p.m. in the Oregon Convention Center Portland Ballroom in Portland. The Annual Celebration includes a cocktail reception, dinner, presentations, dessert and dancing to the music of Pressure Point.

Please help increase the number of parishes represented at the Celebration by joining with your friends, family and fellow parishioners to fill a table. You'll enjoy a fun and lively evening and see the many ways Catholic Charities is changing lives in our community!

Tickets are \$125 per person, tables of ten available for \$1,250. Please contact Catholic Charities at 503-688-2628 or kthomas@CatholicCharitiesOregon.org for reservations and sponsorship opportunities. All net proceeds from this event fund programs and services for poor and vulnerable people who are struggling.