



# *JANUARY 24, 2010—THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

Dear Parishioners,

The world is still coming to realize the inexpressible loss of life and devastation that has resulted by Tuesday's 7.0 earthquake in Haiti. The quake may have completely collapsed the entire infrastructure of the country. Many countries have mobilized aid and are trying to analyze the extent of the damage. Time will tell how bad it is.

## Offering Help

How can you help? First Pray. Pray for the dead and the survivors. God is at work through each of us and our prayers. We need to pray for calm and an increase of faith.

Another good way is by offering temporal help. Some people may be tempted to send things that they think may help the Haitian people such as shoes or food. But, what is needed right now is monetary assistance.

This weekend, January 23 & 24, all the parishes of the Archdiocese of Portland will be conducting a second collection at Mass. All these funds will go to Catholic Relief Services. You may write a check to St. Anne Church with a memo for Catholic Relief Services/earthquake relief. CRS have already committed \$5 million to the relief efforts. They are an excellent organization and they will use your donations well.

Haiti is the poorest country of the Western Hemisphere and was still recovering from the deadly 2008 hurricanes when this devastating quake struck.



## Avoid Scams

In a time like this, it is hard to believe, but some people will use this crisis as an opportunity to scam unwitting people who wish to do good. Perhaps the easiest way to avoid a scam, charity experts say, is name recognition. Some of the most prominent destinations for Haitian earthquake relief are extremely large and well-known. In a major disaster like this one, a seasoned and well-funded charity will be able to make the biggest difference. Be cautious if you get an e-mail from someone claiming to be a disaster victim in need, that should raise a flag.

Sincerely,

Fr. William Holtzinger  
Pastor

## THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	01/24	8:00 am	Carol Wright +
	(RR)	9:00 am	Parishioners
		9:30 am	
		11:00 am	Mitchell & John Krol +
Monday	01/25	8:00 am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Tuesday	01/26	8:00 am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Wednesday	01/27	8:00 am	Yvonne Paradis +
Thursday	01/28	8:30 am	Int Dorothy Rice
Friday	01/29	8:00 am	Int Teresa Jessup
Saturday	01/30	5:30 pm	Carol Wright +
	(CJ)	5:30 pm	

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

January 24 through January 31, 2010

Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a,5-6,8-10 Ps 19:8-10,15 1 Cor 12:12-30 Lk 1:1-4;4:14-21
Monday:	Acts 22:3-16 Ps 117:1bc,2 Mk 16:15-18
Tuesday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 Ps 96:1-3,7-8a,10 Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday:	2 Sm 7:4-17 Ps 89:4-5,27-30 Mk 4:1-20
Thursday:	2 Sm 7:18-19,24-29 Ps 132:1-5,11-14 Mk 4:21-25
Friday:	2 Sm 11:1-4a,5-10a,13-17 Ps 51:3-7,10-11 Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	2 Sm 12:1-7a,10-17 Ps 51:12-17 Mk 4:35-41
Sunday:	Jer 1:4-5,17-19 Ps 71:1-6,15,17 1 Cor 12:31-13:13

**You should soon be receiving your year end charitable contribution tax report, or you may have already received one by now. We are trying to get these to you as soon as possible. We want to thank all of you for your wonderful generosity and commitment this past year. If you have any questions regarding this statement please call the parish office at 541-476-2240.**

**FROM THE OFFICE OF  
FAITH FORMATION**

You will notice on the Westside of the assembly area of the church there are some lambs. These lambs were made by some of the students who will be going to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Wednesday, January 27th at 6:00PM. Please keep all of these students in your prayers as they embark on this part of their spiritual journey. This leg of their journey is difficult for some of them. Do you remember your first Reconciliation? Maybe you can share this experience with a grandchild or your own child.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

First Reconciliation—January 27th at 6:00PM

Ash Wednesday—February 17th

Lenten Fair—February 21st from 9:00AM-1:00PM

Watch for further information on these events.

Yours in Christ,

Terry Knouff  
Director of Faith Formation

**YOUNG ADULT RETREAT  
(For adults 18-40, married or single)**

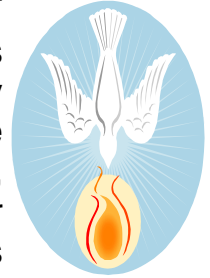
DISCOVERING THE LIFE GOD  
INTENDED FOR YOU

—What it means to live life as Catholics—  
\*\*Non Catholics welcome, so bring your friends\*\*

Join young adults from around the Archdiocese for a weekend of prayer, reflection and fellowship at the 6th annual young adult retreat led by our own **Fr. Bill Holtzinger**, and a team of professional young adult ministers. This retreat will be Friday, January 29-31, 2010; from 7:00 PM Friday, to Sunday, 11:00 AM. This will be at the Christian Renewal Center in Silverton, OR. Cost is \$100 per person, which includes food, lodging and retreat materials. For registration and more information, contact Deborah Francisco at 503-357-8075 or email: [dfrancisco@stanthonyforestgrove.org](mailto:dfrancisco@stanthonyforestgrove.org).

# YOUTH NEWS

**Confirmation** - OUR NEXT CONFIRMATION CLASS is next Wednesday, February 3rd at 7PM. Our topic will be the Theology of the Body, and all the implications for how we are to express God's love through our bodies. Our guest speaker will be Fr. Bill.



**Mid High** - continues to meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Come, and bring a friend!

**High School** - FOR OUR YOUTH NIGHT THIS WEEKEND we return to our regular time and place, 6:00 - 7:30 in the Kelly Youth Center. See you all there!



**THANK YOU to everyone** who helped with our Don Bosco Dinner down at the soup kitchen. Through this ministry our young people have a chance to visit with and serve some of the marginalized within our community here in Grants Pass. This is an amazing opportunity to live out Christ's call to social justice and service.

**AND THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN** to the participants in our youth style Mass, and to the parish for all the support you continue to show for our youth.

**SUPER BOWL PARTY?** Who's interested in watching the super bowl together as a youth group? If you're interested, let Hans know, and we'll see what we can put together.



Mid High  
Mark Johnson  
Phone: 541-476-8507

High School  
Hans Mueller  
Phone: 541-476-5802

## "PARISH NEWS"

**FAITH, HOPE & LOVE...**  
But the greatest of these is  
**LOVE**

**THE GRANTS PASS PREGNANCY CARE CENTER** annual **Baby Bottle** campaign starts this weekend. Every year in Southern Oregon, there are approximately 1,000 little boys and girls aborted. 97% of those mothers will regret that decision. Many mothers have chosen LIFE for their babies simply because we were there to help. With your help we can continue to reduce the number of abortions in our community. Go to [www.forthethebabies.com](http://www.forthethebabies.com) for more info.



### **FORGIVEN AND SET FREE AND HEELING A FATHER'S HEART**

Grants Pass Pregnancy Care Center once again will be offering their Bible Studies/Support groups starting in February. These sessions are for men and women of all ages who are struggling with their choice of abortion and desire healing. **All information is confidential.** We welcome any questions you may have regarding the studies. Call Eileen Palmer at 541-846-7445 or the Pregnancy Care Center at 541-479-6264.

**ATTORNEY CHRIS MECCA** will present a program on wills and trusts at 7:00PM, January 26, in the Parish Center. All parish members are invited to attend this informative and entertaining talk. The talk is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. There will be refreshments served at the conclusion of the program.

**ARCHBISHOP VLAZNY AND BISHOPS ACROSS** the country have called for a special collection to assist in the terrible devastation that the earthquake caused in Haiti. The second collection is this weekend. Please clearly mark your contribution "Earthquake Relief". Make your checks out to St. Anne Church, then we will send one check to the Archdiocese which will in turn funnel the entire collection to Catholic Relief Services for relief work in Haiti. Thank you for your consideration.

### **THE 2010 UNITED STATES CENSUS IS UNDERWAY....**

Are you interested in short-term employment primarily during March and April to perform work as a census taker? A valid driver's license and use of a vehicle are required. This short term job pays \$12 per hour, plus you get 50 cents per mile for necessary driving of your own car. Your hours can be very flexible, including weekends, and can vary from as little as 20 hours up to 40 hours per week. Call toll-free 1-866-861-2010, or go to the website at [www.2010censusjobs.gov](http://www.2010censusjobs.gov) for more information.

### **ATTENTION GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS**

The Knights of Columbus has several scholarships available for 2010 graduates.

The A.P. Valtakis Memorial Scholarships—Student must attend a college or university in Oregon. Academic ability (GPS of 2.5 or better), need, character and participation in Catholic church programs. Must be a member of St. Anne, St. Patrick, or Our Lady of the River Church.

Doran & Irene Taylor Memorial Scholarships—Sam criteria as above, but must attend a Catholic college in any state.

Applications should be through your high schools and they will forward them to the Knights, so be on the lookout for notices from school. If you have any questions, contact Bob Busch at 541-226-7898.

## **ADORATION CHAPEL**



*Parishioners of Saint Anne, you have a beautiful, very quiet Adoration Chapel open 24/7. Come visit our Lord in prayer, quiet contemplation, or just learn more about your Catholic Faith from our excellent reading material in the chapel. Better yet, try Fr. Bill's suggestion to just LISTEN to what God has to say to us.*

*Many blessings await those who respond to the Lord's invitation to come spend one hour with Me!*

*If you are interested in any open hours or just visiting the chapel, please.....*

*Contact Rex Titus at 541-479-3561*

### **ARCHBISHOP'S CATHOLIC APPEAL 2010 "Handing On Our Faith"**

Most past contributors to the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal will receive a mailing from Archbishop Vlazny within the next few days. At all Masses next weekend additional information will be provided in the bulletin insert. The Appeal provides funds to support essential parish-based ministries that would find it difficult, if not impossible, to operate solely on parish funds.

Appeal funds are used to help fund Archdiocesan offices and agencies that assist the parishes and their people. In addition, part of the funds are used to assist retired archdiocesan priests.

The theme of the 2010 Archbishop's Catholic Appeal is "Handing On Our Faith." *As you consider the amount you can pledge to help these ministries, please reflect on the following:*

- Contributing to the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal is one concrete way to Imitate Christ.....compassion, kindness and self sacrifice.
- Take a moment to honestly examine all the God-given blessings in you life and then ask not yourself, but ask God: "What is Just?"
- By our baptism and our confirmation in the Catholic church, each of us is called to serve as a good shepherd. We're called not only to follow Christ but to be Christ.
- Please pray for the Lord's guidance as you consider the above reflections, and please give generously according to the blessings God has given you.

## **"OTHER NEWS"**

### **MONASTIC VOCATION DISCERNMENT RETREAT.**

Mount Angel Abbey sponsors vocation discernment retreats for men between the ages of 16-40, several times per year. The next retreat is scheduled for the weekend of January 29-31, 2010. If you are interested in making a Monastic Discernment Retreat, please contact Rev. Odo Recker, O.S.B., director of Monastic vocations, at 503-845-3123, or by email: [abbeyvocation@mtangel.edu](mailto:abbeyvocation@mtangel.edu).

### **28TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S GATHERING**

January 29-31, 2010, at St. Rita's Retreat Center in Gold Hill. **True Discipleship**, reflections on Matthew 16:24-26. In Mathew's Gospel (as well as Luke and Mark) Jesus clearly tells us what it takes to be his disciple. This weekend will break down the Three "Conditions of Discipleship" so that we can truly be the men that God is calling us to be. Guest speaker, David J. Renshaw, is the Executive Director of Real Catholic Ministries. Cost is \$110 per person, which includes meals, room and materials. Contact Don Zimmerer at 541-535-7404.

### **"ON THE PRIESTLY VOCATION"**

If you are a single man of 18-50 years of age and have felt a calling to the priestly ministry, you are invited to a weekend retreat (Friday evening through Sunday morning, January 29-31, 2010) hosted by Archbishop John Vlazny: "On the Priestly Vocation." The retreat will take place at Our Lady of Peace Retreat House in Beaverton and is free of charge. Please contact Fr. Kelly Vandehy at 503-233-8368 to register or if you have further questions.

### **VALENTINE'S WEEKEND COUPLES RETREAT**

You are invited to attend a romantic and fun weekend with your spouse on Valentine's Weekend, February 12th-14th. After the busy holidays perhaps a little time to refresh your relationship with some tender loving care. Weekend starts at 7:00PM Friday with a dessert potluck and get acquainted time. Saturday, explore yours and your partner's love language. Relax, walk, and spend time together. Saturday evening is a social time; Sunday there will be Mass and brunch. This is at St. Rita's, 10800 Blackwell Rd, Gold Hill, OR. Suggested cost is \$175 per couple. For more info or reservations call Richard Jensen, MS, at 541-944-8018.

**"JOURNEY TO TRUE FINANCIAL FREEDOM"**.....a seminar by Crown Financial Ministries is being offered at Sacred Heart Parish in Medford on January 30th, 2010, 8:30AM to 4:30PM. This seminar is ideal for all Catholics who want to live according to God's principles of finance. Thousands of Christian families have been blessed by learning and applying God's "how-to" for family finances. For registration forms contact Annette Lewis at 541-779-2868 or go online to [sacredheart-medford.org](http://sacredheart-medford.org).

## **WEEK AT A GLANCE...**

### **SUNDAY**

9:30 AM  
3:30 PM

**January 24—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Religious Ed Classes  
High School Youth Group—KYC

### **MONDAY**

7:00 PM

**January 25—Conversion of St. Paul**  
Divorced/Widowed/Separated Support - PC

### **TUESDAY**

6:30 AM  
1:00 PM  
7:00 PM

**January 26—St Timothy & St. Titus**  
Men's Study Group—Library  
Over 55 Club Meeting—KYC  
K of C Meeting/Program—Rooms 5/6

### **WEDNESDAY**

6:30 AM  
9:00 AM  
7:00 PM  
7:00 PM

**January 27—St Angela Merici**  
Women's Bible Study—Room 4  
Legion of Mary—Room 2  
Biblia y Catecismo—Room 4  
Mid-High Youth Ministry—Skyroom

### **THURSDAY**

9:30 AM  
6:30 PM

**January 28—St Thomas Aquinas**  
Marian Prayer Group—Room 2  
RCIA Classes—Room 1

### **FRIDAY**

**January 29—**

### **SATURDAY**

6:30 PM

**January 30—**  
PASTA Spaghetti Dinner & Bingo—Skyroom

### **SUNDAY**

9:30 AM  
6:00 PM

**January 31—**  
Religious Ed Classes—Parish Center  
High School Youth Group—KYC

## **SCHOOL NEWS**



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Wednesday, January 27—**Wacky Wednesday  
**Thursday, January 28—**8:30AM Mass, Dress Uniform. Also, end of 2nd quarter and 1st Semester  
**Saturday, January 30—**PASTA spaghetti dinner and Free Bingo—6:30PM, Skyroom. Also the kickoff of Catholic Schools Week, January 31st through February 7th.

**Saturday, February 20th—6:30 PM, LADIES only Bunco Night in the Skyroom.**

### **AUCTION NEWS**

Our 2 student winners for the Early Bird drawing for the students that sold and turned in tickets by 8:00AM, Friday, January 15 were: Pre-K student, Joaquin Martinez & 1st grade student, Clarissa Zavala.

### **13th Annual Auction, Saturday, April 17, 2010**

Tickets go on sale in February for \$40 per person –120 maximum tickets sold. If you have not received an invitation previously, please contact the school at 541-479-1582, if you would like one.

**THE BENEFIT RAFFLE TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW FOR \$10 EACH. THE GRAND PRIZE IS \$1000 AND WE WILL ONLY SELL 800 TICKETS. Odds are good!!!**

**We are now accepting donated Auction Items and they Can be brought to the school office during school hours.**  
**OR**

**If you wish for someone to pick up an item please contact The school office at 541-479-1582.**