



Dear Friends,

Quotes from Pope Benedict's encyclical, Caritas in Veritate

The common good

Priest To love someone is to desire that person's good and to take effective steps to secure it. Besides the good of the individual, there is a good that is linked to living in society: the common good. It is the good of "all of us", made up of individuals, families, and intermediate groups who together constitute society. It is a good that is sought not for its own sake, but for the people who belong to the social community and who can only really and effectively pursue their good within it. To desire the common good and strive towards it is a requirement of justice and charity.

In (his encyclical) *Populorum Progressio*, Paul VI taught that progress, in its origin and essence, is first and foremost a vocation: "in the design of God, every man is called upon to develop and fulfill himself, for every life is a vocation". This is what gives legitimacy to the Church's involvement in the whole question of development.

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MASS INTENTIONS and MASS SCHEDULE

August 1	4:00 PM	Dr. William Casey, by Con Fanning & family
August 2	8:30 AM	Eunice Carroll, by John & Judith Goodrich
	5:30 PM	The Parishioners
August 3	7:30 AM	Dorrie Kurkjian, by her family
August 5	7:30 AM	Madeline & Ralph Wendell, by Kathie Porensky
August 6	7:30 AM	Communion Service

Next Weekend Masses

August 8	4:00 PM	Lev Agren
August 9	8:30 AM	Frank Clark, by Dot Clark & family
	5:30 PM	The Parishioners

Last Weekend's Offering: Thank you for your contributions of **\$4,644.00** last weekend. To meet our budget for the new fiscal year the weekly collection should average **\$6,000**.

Today we recall the apostolic journey of Pope Benedict XVI to the United States and his call to us to cast the light of Christ upon the world. We can show our solidarity with the Holy Father and our suffering brothers and sisters abroad through our support of this week's Collection. These funds allow him to provide emergency assistance to victims of war, disaster, oppression, and disease.

Please be generous in today's Peter's Pence Collection.

Strengthening the Heartbeat of the Church is the theme of a Diocesan Campaign to support future ministries and generations. Every parish in Maine is being asked to work to provide formation for laity serving the church, to support formation and continuing education of priests and assist ill and retired priests, to fund tuition assistance in our schools and to assist Catholic Charities – Maine. Please be receptive to requests for your time, talent and treasure.

E-Giving: We have introduced e-giving for the parish. At this time e-giving does not include the second collections. E-giving allows parishioners to establish a monthly debit to the account of their choosing. This provides a convenient means to support the parish. Forms are available in the rear of the church.

Pledging: Seven weeks ago annual pledge forms were included with the bulletin; additional forms are in the rear of the church. You may request a report of your giving over the past year by calling the office.

Offertory Envelopes – Offertory envelopes for the 2009/2010 fiscal year are in. Please pick up your envelopes in the Narthex today.

Friendship House is a residence in South Portland for formerly homeless men recovering from substance abuse. The first Wednesday of each month, members of our parish contribute prepared hot or cold dishes and grocery items such as fresh produce, paper products or toiletries, which I take to the men at FH. If you would like to contribute something **this Wednesday, August 5**, please call Deborah Nicklas @ 781-4362.

Cumberland/Falmouth Food Pantries – We are in need of a volunteer or more to deliver the donations every other Monday to the Falmouth Food Pantry. Joe Silvestri has been our very reliable person since this program began. Joe's wife Jill has been volunteering as a religious education teacher also. The Silvestri's have accepted education positions in Jordan and will be leaving Holy Martyrs in early August. Holy Martyrs' loss is most certainly Jordan's gain – thank you Joe and Jill for your enthusiastic, dedicated response to the needs here at Holy Martyrs. If you can help out with the delivery every other Monday beginning August 10 please contact Jack Mullin at 829-5632. It will take about 30-45 minutes of your time. Thank you for your response.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter in Maine – Treat yourselves to an enrichment which will continue to pay dividends for the rest of your marriage. The next weekend date is on 11-13 September at the Ramada Inn in Bangor, so now is the time to mark your calendars and set that weekend aside just for the two of you! Your love is worth it! The registration cost is \$50.00 and there is an opportunity for a free will offering on the weekend. This is a weekend offered in the Bangor area by request. Register on-line at: www.womenewengland.org or contact Dave and Ellie at: 207-933-4237 or DaveEllie@fairpoint.net. You deserve all this weekend has to offer!

Healing from the Pain of Abortion - "If only one person had said, 'you can do it'; if only one person had called the life within me 'a baby', the decision would have been different." Find comfort and peace at a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Weekend, sponsored by Catholic Charities Maine Project Rachel. For an understanding ear and to learn more, call 871-7464 (Portland), Ext. 2670; toll-free at 1-800-CARE-002; or e-mail: familylifeinstitute@ccmaine.org All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Holy Martyrs Weekly Calender

Sunday August 2	Mass at 8:30 AM & 5:30 PM Readings Begin at #1000 <i>113: Ex 16:2-4,12-15; Ps 78; Eph 4:17,20-24; Jn 6:24-3</i>
Monday August 3	Mass at 7:30 AM <i>407: Nm 114b-15; Ps 81; Mt 14:13-21</i>
Tuesday August 4	Mass at St. Gregory's at 8:00 AM <i>408: Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51; Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2,10-14 see 612: Ez 3: 17-21; Mt 9:35-10:1</i>
Wednesday August 5	Mass at 7:30 AM Friendship House <i>409: Nm 13:1-2,25-14:1,26-29a,34-35; Ps 106; Mt 15:21-28</i>
Thursday August 6	Communion Service at 7:30 AM <i>614: Dn 7:9-10,13-14; Ps 97; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10</i>
Friday August 7	Mass at St. Gregory's at 8:00 AM <i>411: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77; Mt 16:24-28</i>
Saturday August 8	Mass at 4:00 PM <i>412: Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18; Mt 17:14-20 see 617: 1 Cor 2:1-10a; Lk 9:57-62</i>
Sunday August 9	Mass at 8:30 AM & 5:30 PM <i>116: 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Ps 34; Eph 4:30-5:2; Jn 6:41-51</i>

Office Hours for the Week of August 3-7

Monday, Wednesday & Friday – 10:30-5:00
Tuesday & Thursday – 8:30-3:00 PM

MASSES: *Saturday Mass: 4:00 PM*
Sunday Masses: 8:30 AM & 5:30 PM
Daily Mass: Mon. & Wed. at 7:30 AM
Thurs. at 7:30 AM
Confession: Sat. 3:15-3:45 & by appointment

Communion Service:

OFFICE HOURS: 8:30-3:00 PM, Monday – Friday

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BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Notices for the bulletin must be at the rectory office by 12:30 PM on Tuesdays.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! We invite you to join in our parish community. Please register by contacting the rectory office

DEPARTING PARISHIONERS: Please inform the rectory office when you move from the parish.

HOMEBOUND & HOSPITALIZED: Please contact the rectory office to arrange for a visit.

BAPTISMS: By appointment – please contact the rectory.

MARRIAGES: Couples should contact the rectory at least six months in advance.