



Dear Friends,

Quotes from Pope Benedict's encyclical, Caritas in Veritate

Economics and moral consequences

Priest The Church's social doctrine has always maintained that justice must be applied to every phase of economic activity, because this is always concerned with man and his needs. Locating resources, financing, production, consumption and all the other phases in the economic cycle inevitably have moral implications. Thus every economic decision has a moral consequence.

Economic life undoubtedly required contracts, in order to regulate relations of exchange between goods of equivalent value. But it also needs just laws and forms of redistribution governed by politics, and what is more, it needs works redolent of the spirit of gift. The economy in the global era seems to privilege the former logic, that of contractual exchange, but directly or indirectly it also demonstrates its need for the other two: political logic, and the logic of the unconditional gift.

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MASS INTENTIONS and MASS SCHEDULE

August 8	4:00 PM	Lev Agren
August 9	8:30 AM	Frank Clark, by Dot Clark & family
	5:30 PM	The Parishioners
August 10	7:30 AM	Dorrie Kurkjian, by her family
August 12	7:30 AM	Molly Brown, by Mary T. & Jim Honan
August 13	7:30 AM	Communion Service

Next Weekend's Masses

August 15	8:00 AM	Parishioners of Holy Martyrs and St. Gregory's
	4:00 PM	William F. Bergen, by Vincent & Peg Furrey
August 16	8:30 AM	Catherine Riley Boege, by Dan & Margaret Honan
	5:30 PM	The Parishioners

Last Weekend's Offering: Thank you for your contributions of **\$5,180.00** last weekend. To meet our budget for the new fiscal year the weekly collection should average **\$6,000**. The second collection for Peter's Pence totaled **\$1,448.50**.

Feast of the Assumption of Mary: Saturday, August 15 is a holy day, but since it falls on Saturday the obligation to worship is suspended. There will be a Mass for this feast at 8:00 AM.

Funerals: Hence forth when a funeral is to take place on Mondays and Wednesdays there will not be a Mass at 7:30 AM. On Thursdays there will not be a communion service when a funeral is scheduled.

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.

Offertory Envelopes – There are just under 100 offertory envelopes for the 2009/2010 fiscal year that have not been picked up. Please take your envelopes home with you today.

School Tuition Assistance Policy for Catholic School Students

As families consider the advantages of a Catholic education, a clarification of the policy on financial aid from the parish is offered. Aid will be provided for students who with their families worship at Holy Martyrs and volunteer in some way on behalf of the parish; the family must use our budget envelope system. The elementary school students meeting these requirements will be provided tuition assistance in accord with the amount determined by the Catholic school. **High school students meeting these requirements are asked to present a written request for aid ASAP.**

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.

Contributions made to the Stand for Marriage, Maine initiative by the Catholic Diocese came from a dedicated account that was established from a gift by a donor who indicated his wishes that it be applied to issues such as this one. **NEITHER THE WEEKLY GOOD WILL OFFERING OF THE PARISHIONERS NOR THE BISHOP'S APPEAL – OR ANY OTHER FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGN – HAVE EVER BEEN USED FOR THIS REFERENDUM.** The only exception to this policy is when parishioners are clearly and expressly asked to give to a special second collection for a particular cause, and of course, they are always free to give or to refrain from giving.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter in Maine – September is not far off, and there is not better way to nurture and enrich your marriage than by taking advantage of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. We are hosting a Bangor area weekend because of the many requests from central Maine. You deserve the grace and enrichment which the 44 hours of this weekend has to offer. The registration cost is \$50.00 and there is an opportunity for a free will offering on the weekend. The weekend will be held at the Bangor Ramada Inn on 11-13 September. 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!

Holy Martyrs Weekly Calender

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>	Readings Begin at #1003
Monday August 10	Mass at 7:30 AM <i>618: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112; Jn 12:24-26</i>	
Tuesday August 11	Mass at St. Gregory's at 8:00 AM <i>414: Dt 31:1-8 (Ps) Dt 32:3-4,7-9,12; Mt 18: 1-5,10,12-14 see 619:Phil 3:8-14; Mt 19:27-29</i>	
Wednesday August 12	Mass at 7:30 AM <i>Opus Dei Women 10:00-2:00 415: Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66; Mt 18:15-2</i>	
Thursday August 13	Communion Service at 7:30 AM <i>416: Jos 3:7-10a,11,13-17; Ps 114; Mt 18:21-19:1</i>	
Friday August 14	Mass at St. Gregory's at 8:00 AM <i>417: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136; Mt 19:3-12 see 620A: Wis 3:1-9 or 1 Jn 3:14-18; Jn 15:12-16</i>	
Feats of the Assumption of Mary Saturday August 15	Mass at 8:00 AM & 4:00 PM <i>622: Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab; Ps 45; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56</i>	ICDA 2-9
Sunday August 16	Mass at 8:30 AM & 5:30 PM <i>119: Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58</i>	Readings Begin at #1006

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.

Office Hours for the Week of August 10-14

Monday & Friday – 10:30-5:00

Wednesday – 10:00-4:30

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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Parish Secretary: Debra J. Coppinger

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.