

## This Week at Saint James Parish

*Sunday, January 17*

Farewell Reception for Anne Eyford  
After the 9 & 11 o'clock Masses

Religious Education Classes:  
All ages K—12 meet in the  
Upper Hall after the 11 am Mass

*Wednesday, January 20*

Tai Chi Class — 1:00 pm, Upper Hall

*Thursday, January 21*

RCIA — 7:00 pm, Upper Hall

*Friday, January 22*

Church Cleaning — 7:30 am, Church

*Saturday, January 23*

Reconciliation — 3:30 pm, Church

### Upcoming Events... Mark your calendar

- Parish Potluck:  
Sunday, February 7th, 5 pm
- Confirmation Classes for Adults begin:  
Sunday, February 14, noon
- Vietnamese New Year Celebration Mass  
Sunday, February 14, 2pm
- Shrove Tuesday—Supper, Raffle & Bingo  
Tuesday, February 16th, 5-7 pm

## ***A Thank You & Farewell Reception for our Parish Secretary, Anne Eyford***

This weekend, after the 9am and 11am Sunday Masses, we will have a special reception in gratitude to Anne. She is retiring after serving the Parish for 13 years.

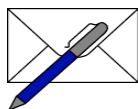
The Altar Society will be hosting this reception in the Lower Hall. Please come by and give a word of thanks for all that she has done for this parish. Her years of service have been a blessing to us all.

## ***Boxed Offering Envelopes***

Boxes are available on the tables at the entrance to the church. Please pick yours up as soon as possible. There is considerable cost to mailing them out. Thank you for saving the postage costs. If you would like to receive a box, please call the office or write your name and address on the clipboard by the envelopes. They will be ready next week.

## ***Regarding Your New Envelopes***

In order to help in our bookkeeping process, please write your last name in the space provided on the new envelopes.



## ***Tax Statements***

End of year donor tax statements will be mailed out before the end of January, 2010. If you have moved, please notify us of your current address.

## ***Vietnamese New Year Celebration Mass***

On Sunday, February 14th, the Vietnamese Mass at St. James will be at 2pm.

## ***Shrove Tuesday Supper, Raffle & Bingo***

Come to the Ham & Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 16th, 5—7 pm. Start Lent off with your St. James friends. Enjoy a traditional pre-Lenten supper and try your hand at Bingo.

Raffle tickets will be available soon. This year the first prize is \$300. The cost is \$5—adults, \$2.50—children and \$13—family.



## ***New to St. James?***

If you are new to our parish, we welcome you. If you would like to become a part of our Catholic community, registration forms are available at the entrances of the church. You can also visit our website for a form ([www.saintjames-parish.com](http://www.saintjames-parish.com)), or call our parish office (693-3052). And, of course, you are always welcome to stop by the office during our office hours.

## ***Poinsettia Masses***

Each year we have asked you to bring poinsettias for our Christmas decorations and you responded with these lovely plants. In gratitude for your generosity, Masses are scheduled for the repose of every soul that each one of these plants represents. This weekend these Masses will be said at the Saturday Vigil and Sunday 11am Masses.



*May He Rest In Peace*

***John ("Jack") Wilkinson***

*May God grant comfort to his family*

## **MASS INTENTIONS**



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## ***Offerings of Treasure for January 10th***

Regular Offering _____	\$6,209.76
Capital Campaign _____	\$1,927.00
St. Vincent de Paul _____	\$290.00
Solemnity of Mary _____	\$145.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## **Adult Confirmation Preparation**

Any adults who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to participate in our set of preparation classes. The classes will begin Sunday, February 14th. They will be held immediately after the 11:00 Mass and last about an hour (12:10—1:10). The Confirmation will take place at the Easter Vigil Mass on April 3rd.

*If you are interested, please contact Joseph Salazar in the Parish Office, 360-693-3052.*

## **Adult Faith Formation**

### **Today is World Day for Migrants & Refugees**

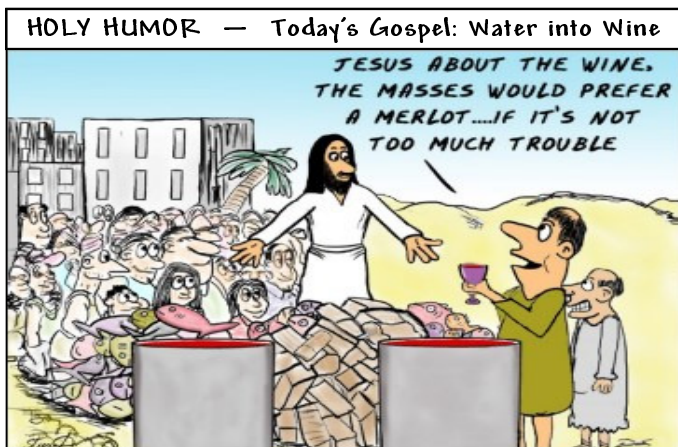
*MESSAGE FROM HIS HOLINESS BENEDICT XVI*

This celebration gives me the opportunity to express the Church's constant concern for those who, in different ways, experience a life of emigration. This is a phenomenon which, as I wrote in the Encyclical Caritas in Veritate, upsets us due to the number of people involved and the social, economic, political, cultural and religious problems it raises on account of the dramatic challenges it poses to both national and international communities. The migrant is a human person who possesses fundamental, inalienable rights that must be respected by everyone and in every circumstance. As a child, Jesus himself experienced migration for in order to flee the threats of Herod, he had to seek refuge in Egypt together with Joseph and Mary (cf. Mt 2:14).

Jesus' words resound in our hearts: "I was a stranger and you welcomed me" (Mt 25:35). Hospitality and solidarity to strangers becomes a proclamation of the Gospel of solidarity. The Church proclaims this when she strives to have the rights of migrants and refugees respected, moving the leaders of Nations, and those in charge of international organizations and institutions to promote opportune initiatives for their support.

May the Blessed Virgin Mary help us to understand the difficulties faced by those who are far from their homeland. I assure all those who are involved in the vast world of migrants and refugees of my prayers and cordially impart to them the Apostolic Blessing.

*(Please see the information regarding the "Workshop on Justice for Immigrants" to the right in the Community Corner.)*



## **Catholic Community Services Envelopes**

In your pew you will find envelopes entitled, "Changing Lives, Together." You are invited to use these envelopes for your donation to Catholic Community Services. You may place your donation in the Sunday collection during Mass.

Catholic Community Services provides local help through counseling, children's mental health programs, family preservation, home care for elders and people with disabilities, emergency shelters, pregnancy support and Project Rachel, foster care and adoption, and much more.

*For more information about their services you can pick up a brochure from the table in the vestibule or visit their website, [www.ccsww.org](http://www.ccsww.org).*

## **COMMUNITY CORNER**

### **Birthright: Volunteers Needed**

Bring your compassion for pregnant women in need to Birthright. Caring makes the difference. Don't hesitate. We'll train you and work with your schedule. Shifts can be shared. The need to support the choice for life is great. Call 694-8156 or speak with fellow parishioner, Juli Pirak at 699-1600.

### **Pro-Life Rally**

Sunday, January 17th, 2—3pm  
Pioneer Courthouse Square in Portland  
Oregon Right to Life invites all people to join Archbishop John Vlazny who will speak there.  
Information contact: 503-463-8563 or [www.portlandproliferally.com](http://www.portlandproliferally.com).

### **Seniors Luncheon**

January 19th (Third Tuesday of the month)  
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 4723 NE Franklin St.

### **St. John Vianney—Live Performance**

Friday, January 29th, 7—8:30pm  
Holy Redeemer Parish, 17010 NE 9th St., Vancouver

*There is no admission fee. Suggested free-will offering: \$10—adults, \$5—children. Suitable for*

### **Workshop on Justice for Immigrants**

Saturday, January 30th, 9am—Noon,  
St. John the Evangelist, 8701 NE 119th St. Vancouver

*The Archdiocese of Seattle is offering this half day workshop. Information and registration contact:*

### **St. Joseph's School Open House**

Sunday, January 31st, 10am—2pm  
St. Joseph's School, 6500 Highland Drive, Vancouver