

**New Parishioner Welcome Breakfasts:**  
Periodically throughout the year all five of our churches offer coffee and donuts as a welcome to new members and a way to get to know one another outside of Mass.

**Ministries at Mass**  
Do you feel called to serve? From Altar Servers and Lecturers to Greeters and Decorators, all 5 of our churches would love to have either you or your family involved during the liturgy.

**Social Justice & Peace**  
The Parish is reemitting our efforts to organize social ministry as one of the priorities as a parish. We know that many of our parishioners are already involved in the work of the Gospel by helping our neighbors. We would like to know what you are doing and where you are going so that we can inspire others to join you in your efforts.

**Family Fun Nights**  
As the Church moves through it's liturgical seasons, we celebrate with Family Fun Nights. From outdoor movies on our fields to trivia nights and cabin fever relievers. These faith filled nights are fun for the whole family.

The Next Family Night is February 9th with:  
**Fat Tuesday on a Friday Trivia Night at the Basilica**

**Knights of Columbus:**  
Often Called the Right Hand of the Church, The KC is a fraternal order committed to supporting the church and her acts of charity throughout the community. Our parish is blessed to have 5 councils through which much is accomplished in the way of bringing help to those in need and serving our Community.

**St. Anne Sodality**  
An association of the Christian Faithful for women, devoted to Sainte Anne and drawing strength and inspiration from her as patroness of women.

**The Music at Prince of Peace**  
There are adult choirs at each of the churches of the parish that provide music each week at several of the masses.  
**Our Lady of the Rosary**  
8:30 Sunday mass  
**Holy Trinity:** 10:30 Sunday mass  
**Holy Cross:** 8:30 Sunday mass – rehearsals are Monday evenings.  
**Holy Family:** 11:00 Sunday mass – rehearsals are Wednesday evenings.  
**Basilica** – 4:00 Saturday mass – rehearsal for this choir is at 3:00 just prior to mass.  
10:30 Sunday mass – rehearsal for this choir is Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00.  
**The Parish Handbell** choir performs several times a year. Rehearsals are Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30.  
**The Prince of Peace Children's Choir** is open to children of all ages. It sings at various masses throughout the year, most notably for Easter and Christmas eve.  
**The African Choir** sings in several languages including French and Kirundi at several masses throughout the year.  
**For more information about joining a choir at Prince of Peace, Please Contact our Director of Music**  
Scott Vaillancourt by email  
Scott.Vaillancourt@PortlandDiocese.org



**A Christmas Eve Prayer**  
Loving Father,  
Help us remember the birth of Jesus,  
that we may share in the song of the angels,  
the gladness of the shepherds,  
and worship of the wise men.  
Close the door of hate and open  
the door of love all over the world.  
Let kindness come with every gift  
and good desires with every greeting.  
Deliver us from evil by the blessing  
which Christ brings,  
and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.  
May the Christmas morning  
make us happy to be thy children, and  
Christmas evening bring us to our beds  
with grateful thoughts,  
forgiving and forgiven,  
for Jesus' sake.  
Amen.

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**Prince of Peace Roman Catholic Parish**  
Lewiston • Lisbon Falls • Sabattus

**Christmas Mass Schedule**  
December 24 - Christmas Eve

4:00 PM - Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, Lewiston  
3:30 PM Youth Choir Christmas Carols  
Child Friendly Mass

4:00 PM - Holy Trinity, Lisbon Falls  
3:30 PM Children's Christmas Carols  
& Christmas Pageant

4:00 PM - Holy Family, Lewiston  
4:00 PM - Our Lady of the Rosary, Sabattus  
6:00 PM - Holy Cross, Lewiston

10:00 PM - **"Christmas Mass During the Night"**  
**Principal Mass of the Parish**  
Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, Lewiston  
9:30 PM Christmas Carols by Choir

**December 25 - Christmas Day**

7:00 AM - Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, Lewiston  
8:30 AM - Holy Cross, Lewiston  
8:30 AM - Our Lady of the Rosary, Sabattus  
9:00 AM - Holy Family, Lewiston  
10:30 AM - Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, Lewiston  
10:30 AM - Holy Trinity, Lisbon Falls

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**Walk by Faith**

**Weekend Masses in the Parish**  
The parish gathers each Sunday for the celebration of the Eucharist to listen to the Word of God and celebrate the Last Supper, the action Jesus did before He died on the cross and told us to do this in memory of Him. The Mass times in the parish are as follows:

**Saturday Night Vigil Masses:**  
4:00 PM at the Basilica of Sts. Peter & Paul,  
Holy Family, & Holy Trinity

**Sunday Masses, the Day of the Resurrection**  
Basilica of Sts. Peter & Paul, Lewiston - 7:00 AM & 10:30 AM  
Holy Cross, Lewiston - 8:30 AM  
Holy Family, Lewiston - 11:00 AM & 5:00 PM  
Holy Trinity, Lisbon Falls - 10:30 AM  
Our Lady of the Rosary, Sabattus - 8:30 AM

**Rivier Adoration**  
The Chapel at Holy Cross is open every day for silent prayer and meditation before the Most Blessed Sacrament. The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet are prayed each day and weekly; there are special prayers for the very sick, for vocations in the Church, and for grandparents who want to pray for their children and grandchildren. Consult the website for days and times of these special prayers.

**Live Out Your Faith**

**RCIA**  
Are you looking to finish your journey into the church? Have you ever wondered about how to become Catholic? Our RCIA program starts with a conversation. Every 1st Wednesday of the Month and every Wednesday in August and September we offer Inquiry. An open forum night for you or anyone you know who may be thinking of joining the church. Come check us out in the entrance of Holy Family Church from 6:30 - 7:30.

**Baptism**  
The first step in getting your child baptized at Prince of Peace is to register on our website and set up a meeting with one of the priests of the parish. From there we want to meet you where you are and congratulate you on the birth of your new child. Our priests will share with you our "Belonging" online prep course that you complete on your time.

**Confession**  
The parish offers various times for Catholics to go to Confession. These include: Monday through Thursday at Holy Family Church from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM, before each of the Saturday 4:00 PM Masses, and by appointment. If you have not been to the Sacrament of Confession in a long time, tell the priest before beginning your Confession, and he will help you through it so that you have a wonderful experience of reconciliation with God and God's people.

**Eucharist to the Homebound**  
Do you know of someone who needs Holy Communion at home? Catholics who are too ill to come to Mass (or are "shut-ins") can receive Holy Communion at home. Please call Sam Ouellette at the parish office to arrange for Holy Communion to be brought to their homes.

**Anointing of the Sick**  
The Sacrament of the Sick is for Catholics who are seriously ill, have grown worse in their illness, are facing serious surgery, or are elderly. Continuing the work of Jesus and in His Name, the priest anoints the sick to ask for spiritual and physical healing from God. Call the office if you know of anyone who needs the Sacrament of the Sick.

**Marriage**  
To those getting married this coming Summer & Fall, it is not too early to begin your preparations. Please remember that it is important to secure your date six months prior to the date of your wedding. To those who were married outside the Church, we at Prince of Peace Parish would like to assist you in the process of bringing your marriage into the Church so that you will be able to receive Holy Communion. Contact one of the priests for more information on having your marriage "blessed." Know that if you need to have an annulment first, one of the priests would be happy to assist you in that process as well.

**Sacramental Preparation for Children**  
Our program typically begins when your child enters first grade and continues through spring of 2nd grade. Our program is family led and meets most Sundays through out the school year. Registration for Year 24-25 will open early Summer 2024. For more information or if you have an older child please contact us today.

Contact the Evangelization & Catechesis Office today for more information by calling (207) 777-1200 or by emailing Tyler.Nadeau@portlanddiocese.org



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**Deepen Your Faith**

**Children's Liturgy of the Word**  
During the 10:30 Mass on Sunday at both the Basilica and Holy Trinity, Young Children are offered their own special Liturgy of the word so that parents can focus on the gospel message as their child learns about it on their own level.

**Totus Tuus**  
Totus Tuus is a Catholic youth program for students from 1st through 12th grade dedicated to teaching the Gospel and deepening love for the Church through catechesis, prayer, Christian witness, and the sacraments. Our Parish is hosting this program from **June 16th-21st at Holy Family Hall**.

**Called High School Ministry**  
All high school students are welcome and this program is designed to build friendships rooted in the Catholic faith. Once monthly gatherings will include a pot-luck dinner (please bring a dish to share), minute to win it games, and a short video & discussion, concluding in prayer. In addition, Called will support parish community service events and hopes to attend a Life Teen

**Meeting dates at 6:00PM Holy Family Hall are:**  
1/21, 2/11, 3/17, 4/28, 5/19

**Monday Nights with Fr. Daniel**  
On Monday Nights throughout the year, Fr. Daniel leads a study on the Bible. Available in-person and online, people are able to join from the comfort of their homes. All winter long Fr. Dan will be diving into the Catechism of the Church.

**Called High School Ministry**  
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3. Enter your name and email  
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\*Member sign up, download the FORMED app, and scan the QR code.

**Share Your Faith**

**Thursday Night Study**  
Thursdays during Lent Tyler from the ECO will lead a study on the Passion of Christ using No Greater Love from Ascension Press. **Will You Follow Jesus to Calvary?** Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *No Greater Love* is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling author Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ's life. You will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Every step of the way, Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death. Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love for you—grow closer to Jesus than you ever have before. From 6:00PM -8:00PM every Thursday during Lent. Each Night begins with a potluck dinner. Please bring a dish to share.

**Women's Group "Full of Grace"**  
Women of the Parish are joined by the Local Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist on the **1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Holy Cross Senior Hall from 6:30pm-7:30PM**. The current discussion is on Finding your identity in Christ through Mary.

**Men's Group "The Catholic Man"**  
**Every Saturday Morning starting at 6:30**, Men of the Parish Gather at the Holy Family Church Hall for eggs, coffee, & fraternity as Fr. Daniel leads the discussion on what it takes to be a Catholic Man. Men's group will be diving deeper into the Catechism of the Catholic Church all winter long.

**ACTS Community**  
A Four day and three night Catholic lay retreat. The retreat begins on Thursday evening and ends the following Sunday at a Mass celebrated with the parish community. Retreats for men and retreats for women are given separately. Talks and activities during the retreat focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service, from which the ACTS program acronym is derived.

**Catholic Grandparents Association**  
Grandparents have a unique vocation that must be fostered and cherished in the spirit of St. Joachim and St. Anne, the Grandparents of Jesus and parents of Mary, is here to help you pass on the faith to your grandchildren.

**Lectio Divina**  
Parishioners gather each Thursday at Our Lady of the Rosary in the evening to pray and study the Sunday readings from the Bible.

**Marian Women's Prayer Group & Women's Prayer Group**  
Second Saturday of each month women gather at Holy Trinity and Our Lady of the Rosary for prayer and spiritual growth.

**Widows Ministry**  
To be the hands of God's mercy in supporting grieving widows and helping them to gradually rediscover their new role and dignity in God's plan for their difficult state of widowhood.