

# The Most Holy Trinity



## Saturday, 30 May

3:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

3:35 pm ... Rosary

4 pm ... †Jeannette Magarian by Charles Magarian

## Sunday, 31 May

### **The Most Holy Trinity**

7:30 am ... Madeline Zell (living) by Anne Clark

9:30 am ... †Edward Heroux by Cassandra Benner 4:30

pm ... Confession & Reconciliation 5

pm ... Our Parish Family

## Monday, 1 June

### **Saint Justin, Martyr**

12 pm ... †Shaun M. Keane by Jack & Colleen Byrne

## Tuesday, 2 June

### **Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs**

12 pm ... †Lynda Lemay by Erin Brown

## Wednesday, 3 June

### **Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions**

11:30 am ... Confession & Reconciliation

12 pm ... †Eileen Audet by Romuald & Yvette Grandmaison

## Thursday, 4 June

8:30 am ... †Sr. Margaret Ahern, RSM by Lionel & Lil Coulon

## Friday, 5 June

### **Saint Boniface, Bishop & Martyr**

5:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

6 pm ... †Phil Beland by Linda Beland

6:35 pm ... Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

## Saturday, 6 June

### **Saint Norbert, Bishop**

3:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

4 pm ... †Dr. Robert Allard by his mother

## Sunday, 7 June

### **The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**

7:30 am ... Our Parish Family

9:30 am ... †Phil Beland by Linda Beland

4:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

5 pm ... †James McGrath by Margaret-Ann Moran

## Sunday, 31 May

10:30 am ... Trinity Breakfast—Parish Hall

## Tuesday, 2 June

12:30 pm ... Parish Nurse—Church Conf. Room

2:30—4 pm ... Grief & Loss Group—Church Conf. Room

## Friday, 5 June

6:30 pm ... Follies rehearsal—SBA gym

## Sunday, 7 June

10:30 am ... Coffee & Donuts—Parish Hall



### Trinity Sunday Mass and breakfast

Members of this year's First Communion and Confirmation classes, as well as

those welcomed into the Church at the Easter Vigil, will be honored this Sunday during the 9:30 am Mass on the Most Holy Trinity, May 31. After Mass, they will be guests of honor at our parish breakfast. All welcome! Please join us!



### Roots/Routes of Faith! Following in the Footsteps of Saint Paul

—Saint Raphael is planning a **2015 pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey**. The

trip **Oct. 7-18** will include **three nights at sea** as we **cruise key Greek isles in the Aegean!** Interested? Flyers are on our website and at back of church. **Still time to sign up!** Invite your family and friends to join us! Please call the rectory at 623.2604 if you are interested or have questions. Forms are available on our website, [www.saint-raphael-parish.com](http://www.saint-raphael-parish.com).



**Sanctuary candle** The sanctuary candle burns this week for †**Joan Foley** by Connie Raymond.

## *In Sympathy*

Please pray for parishioner †**Heritier J. Bosa**, who died May 17 and whose funeral was

celebrated Saturday, May 30 by P. Jerome. Heritier, 26, was drowned in a swimming accident on Sunday, May 17. If you would like to make a donation to offset the cost of the funeral and to support his family, immigrants from the Congo (Zaire), please make checks payable to Saint Raphael Parish and indicate in the memo line or on the envelope your intentions for the funds. Thank you for your generosity.



Lifeline Screening will be at Saint Raphael Parish on **Monday, July 6**. This preventive health screening can detect your risk for serious disease and help to save your life and the lives of your loved ones through simple, painless, preventive health screenings. Watch for a flyer in the bulletin with registration information in the coming weeks.

## As Civil War's 150th anniversary ends, remembering a New Englander

In the sleepy farm and fishing village of Brewer, Maine, **Lawrence Joshua Chamberlain** was born Sept. 8, 1828 to Joshua and Sarah Chamberlain. The eldest of the Chamberlain clan, it was hoped that he would follow the military tradition of the family, as Lawrence attended Whiting's Military Academy in nearby Ellsworth for part of his formative years in education.

By the 1840s, Lawrence began working on the family farm, as a bricklayer and rope walker to ease some of the family's financial hardship. He also spent some time teaching school in nearby Milford, Maine. By the latter half of the 1840s, Chamberlain enrolled in **Bowdoin College** in Brunswick, Maine, where he excelled in languages and study of the classics. It was on his enrollment papers at the college that Chamberlain reversed his name to **Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain**.

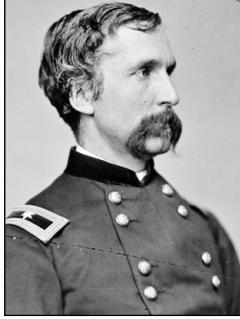
While at Bowdoin Chamberlain was a student of Calvin Stowe, husband to famed author Harriet Beecher Stowe, and one of the members of Brunswick society to hear the first chapters of *Uncle Tom's Cabin* at a reading circle. It was at the First Parish Church he would also meet his future wife, **Fanny Adams**.

After graduating from Bowdoin in 1852, Chamberlain went on to **Bangor Theological Seminary**, where he would study to become a minister or missionary. Yet, by 1855, Chamberlain felt a different calling—to return to Bowdoin as a **professor of rhetoric and oratory**, unique given that Chamberlain as a child suffered from a stammer. His persistence in his studies and regular practice weaned him from the impediment. His tenure at Bowdoin proved to be successful, as he taught nearly every subject the school offered with the exception of math and science. By 1861, **fluent in nine languages**, he was appointed chair of the Language Department.

In April of 1861, with the firing on Fort Sumter, Chamberlain felt the early stirrings of needing to answer yet another calling. As the Civil War raged, Chamberlain continued to read of the conflict, and watched troops leave his small New England town.

Coming from a **long line of citizen soldiers**, Chamberlain petitioned Bowdoin to let him serve the nation. The college declined his request, citing that he was too valuable to lose to such a conflict and instead offered him sabbatical in Europe. After Lincoln's call for more volunteers by 1862, Chamberlain wrote the governor of Maine, admitting that while not a trained soldier "I have always been interested in military matters, and what I do not know in that line, **I know how to learn.**" Chamberlain was made a lieutenant colonel to the **20<sup>th</sup> Maine Regiment** and in August 1862, went off to Camp Mason.

The early years of the 20<sup>th</sup> Maine Regiment



saw little active engagement. At **Antietam**, the 20<sup>th</sup> Maine was held in reserve. By **Fredericksburg**, the regiment was involved in the exchange of fire near **Marye's Heights**, and escaped with light casualties, while much of the Union army was slaughtered. It was also

at Fredericksburg, where bitterly cold nights rivaled those of Maine, that Chamberlain and his men were forced to **bivouac with the dead**—using corpses of fallen soldiers as temporary shelters.

Chamberlain felt pangs of homesickness for Maine, as he watched the aurora borealis, unusual so far south, light the frigid Maryland sky.

By spring, the 20<sup>th</sup> Maine continued with the V Corps of the Union army, relocating to **Chancellorsville**—and yet, while there, were spared of active combat, as small pox ran rampant through the camps. By battle's end, Adelbert Ames, the commander who was a mentor to Chamberlain, was promoted to the XI Corps, leaving Chamberlain to run the 20<sup>th</sup> Maine Regiment.

With the army on the move, Chamberlain and his men found themselves on the outskirts of **Gettysburg**, Pennsylvania. Once in town, the regiment was placed at the Union's far left flank, high ground located at the base of **Cemetery Ridge**—a steep, rocky, incline veiled by a tree line. It was **Little Round Top**. Told to hold the line at all costs, Chamberlain, the 20<sup>th</sup> Maine suffered several assaults from the 15<sup>th</sup> Alabama.

Neighboring regiments struggled to repel **numerous Confederate assaults**. With munitions low and casualties high, Chamberlain realized another assault could expose the Union flank to risk; if taken, the rebels could sweep up Cemetery Ridge, defeating the

Union army. Chamberlain called for his troops to form a 90 degree angle at the flank. Chamberlain ordered a "**right wheel maneuver**" in which the men on the angle would sweep down the mountain, **leading a charge, bayonets fixed**, against the weary Confederate troops. The move stunned the Alabamians and Texans, and many were captured. Chamberlain was awarded the **Medal of Honor** for bravery and leadership.

As the war raged on, Chamberlain was injured six times, most severely at the Battle of **Petersburg** when he was shot through the hip—severing major arteries, nicking his bladder and urinary tract. Such wounds often saw a 90

percent mortality rate then, so Gen. Ulysses S. Grant promoted Chamberlain to **brigadier general** on the spot. Somehow, the stubborn Yankee recovered, though slowly, from wounds that would pain him the rest of his life.

While such a wound would end many a military career, Chamberlain's resolve took him back to battle, and the final campaign of the war. On April 12, Chamberlain was selected to

**preside over the official surrender of the Confederate Army** (artwork below). As a weary Confederate army marched through Appomattox Court House, VA, Chamberlain "instructed my subordinate officers to come to **the position of 'salute'** in the manual of arms as each body of the Confederates passed before us. It was not a 'present arms,' however, not a 'present,' which then as now was the highest possible honor to be paid even to a president. It was the 'carry arms,' as it was then known, with musket held by the right hand and perpendicular to the shoulder. I may best describe it as a marching salute in review. The General was riding in advance of his troops, his chin drooped to his breast, downhearted and dejected in appearance almost beyond description. At the sound of that machine like snap of arms, however, **Confederate Gen. [John Brown] Gordon** started, caught in a moment its significance, and instantly assumed the finest attitude of a soldier. He wheeled his horse facing me, touching him gently with the spur, so that the animal slightly reared, and as he wheeled, horse and rider made one motion, the horse's head swung down with a graceful bow, and Gen. Gordon dropped his sword point to his toe in salutation." Such a gesture by Chamberlain and the reciprocity demonstrated by Gordon, enemies only days earlier, indicated that **peace and restoration of the Union could be possible**.

Following the war, Chamberlain returned to Maine only to answer another calling—one with political aspirations. He served **four terms as governor**, where he helped establish what is now the University of Maine. Later, he served as **president of Bowdoin**, revamping curriculum and renovating the campus. Even in retirement, he was active in the Grand Army of the Republic and was a **U.S. surveyor of customs** for the Port of Portland and he wrote of his memoirs.

Chamberlain passed away **Feb. 24, 1914**, just before the start of World War I.

As the nation concludes the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, what of this professor, this "Renaissance man" from a small town in Maine? What importance lies with this citizen-soldier, turned politician? Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain, as evidenced through his accomplishments, demonstrates what it means to be called to serve, and to answer that call to better humanity—regardless of environment.

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# May 31, 2015

## Readings for the week of May 31, 2015

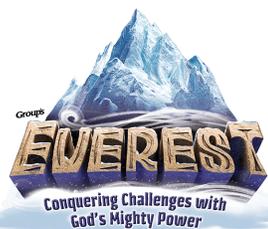
**Monday:** Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8; Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-6; Mk 12:1-12  
**Tuesday:** Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2, 7-9; Mk 12:13-17  
**Wednesday:** Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25:2-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mk 12:18-27  
**Thursday:** Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 12:28-34  
**Friday:** Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-10; Mk 12:35-37  
**Saturday:** Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tb 13:2, 6efgh-8; Mk 12:38-44  
**Sunday:** Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26



Catholic Charities

Our 2015 Catholic Charities fundraising drive has begun. Our **goal** this year is to raise **\$30,000 and we have raised \$2,050 to date!**

You can give through a pledge, become a sustaining donor with a monthly gift or give once a year. **Every dollar is important. Every gift brings hope.** As you're considering your donation, please keep in mind that Catholic Charities serves 1-in-13 people throughout NH. To do that, we need your continued support. Thank you!



**Save the date! VBS...**  
Saint Raphael's ever popular Vacation Bible School is coming! This year, VBS will be **July 13-17 from 9 am—12 pm.** This year's theme is

**"Everest—Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power".** We are enlisting volunteers and participants and applications will be available soon!



A shout out to **Christian Copely** who will be graduating from Holy Family Academy this year. Christian will attend Assumption College in Worcester, MA with a major in music. Christian has been

our organist at the 4pm Vigil Masses for the last two years. His last day here will be Aug. 7. Congratulations, Christian! Do you have a graduate in the family? Please email the office at [secretary@saint-raphael-parish.com](mailto:secretary@saint-raphael-parish.com) with the graduate's school and further endeavor plans so we can share it with our parishioners.

## Lynne Hartshorn Memorial Blood Drive



Please mark your calendar for **Monday, June 16 from 1-6 pm** in the Parish Hall. Lynne was a longtime volunteer and receptionist at the American Red Cross Center in Manchester. Her son,

Peter Hartshorn and his wife, Melissa and their three children are parishioners of Saint Raphael. All blood donations would be greatly appreciated!

## Weekly Collection

**May 24, 2015**

Offertory Regular	\$ 3,380.00
Offertory Make-Up	222.00
Offertory Loose	758.80
Offertory Online Giving	260.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 4,620.80</b>
Stewardship	\$ 9.00
Ascension of the Lord	\$ 25.00
<b>Food Pantry</b>	<b>\$ 670.00</b>

*Thank you for your generosity!*



## Saint Raphael Food Pantry

The food pantry was closed Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day. We are in need of soup, macaroni & cheese, and Spaghetti's. Be sure to LIKE

us on our new Facebook Page—**Saint Raphael Food Pantry / Hope Chest** to get news and updates!



## Special Collection for Victims of Nepal Earthquake

Bishop Libasci is asking parishes to take up a special free will offering during this weekend's Masses to support recovery efforts in Nepal following last month's devastating earthquakes.

Donations collected will benefit Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for responding to this plea and please keep all of



**Baby Bottle Fundraiser**—Bottles are available for distribution at the back of the church for Saint Raphael Respect Life Committee's 6th Annual Baby Bottle Fundraiser. Bottles should be returned during the Father's Day weekend Masses, June 20-21. Thank you for helping to make this a success again this year!



We are still looking to increase our group of altar servers **especially for the 4 pm Saturday Vigil, 7:30 am, and 5 pm Sunday Masses.** Typically, candidates are considered as soon as they reach third grade and have made their First Communion. **If you are interested in training to be a server, please contact Kerri Stanley in the rectory at 623.2604 in order to set up a training session.**



# The New Saint Raphael Follies & Revue

*WHO? YOU'LL BE SURPRISED, BUT YOU KNOW THEM ALREADY*

*WHAT? A TALENT SHOW FOR THE NOT-SO-FAINT-OF-HEART!*

*WHEN? FRIDAY, 26 JUNE 2015, 7.30 P.M.*

*WHERE? KOONZ THEATER, DANA CENTER, SAINT ANSELM COLLEGE*

*WHY? TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE PARISH ... AND RAISE FUN FOR ALL!*

*HOW? TICKET SALES, ETC. ... AND YOUR HELP*

## *WHOM & WHAT DO WE NEED RIGHT NOW?*

▶ *DONORS FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD PRIZES: FIRST PRIZE: NEW TV OR IPAD, APPROX. \$400 VALUE; SECOND PRIZE: ADVENTURE OR ROMANTIC TRIP FOR TWO; THIRD PRIZE: LOTS OF GOOD STUFF*

▶ *VOLUNTEERS FOR PARKING AND CHILD CARE*

▶ *PROGRAM SPONSORS: FULL PAGE \$100, HALF PAGE \$50, QUARTER PAGE \$25, SHOUT-OUT PATRONS \$10, WITH PHOTO \$20, THREE-LINE MAX. AD COPY DUE AT PARISH OFFICE BY JUNE 12.*



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