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To: All Priests, Deacons, Seminarians and Pastoral Associates  
Date: Friday, March 31, 2017  
Re: VARIA – April 2017  

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS  

Chancery Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM.  

Holidays: In observance of the following holy days/holidays, the Chancery will be closed:  
❖ Good Friday – Day of Prayer: Friday, April 14, 2017  
❖ Patriots’ Day: Monday, April 17, 2017  
❖ Memorial Day - Observed: Monday, May 29, 2017  

New Chancery Hires:  
❖ Mrs. Yvonne Borelli-Chace, who succeeds Ms. Ruth Oakley, as Director of Missions/CRS  
❖ Mr. Gerald Coutu, who succeeds Mr. Thom Meschinelli, as Director of Safe Environment  

Rest in Peace: Please pray for the repose of the soul of:  
❖ Br. Paul R. Lauze, S.C., 74, a native of Lewiston and former faculty member at St. Dominic Regional High School, Lewiston, who died on Tuesday, February 7, 2017, in Woonsocket, Rhode Island. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Saturday, February 11, 2017, at the Chapel of the Sacred Heart Retirement Center, Pascoag, Rhode Island.  
❖ Reverend Armand J. Bill, 90, a priest of the Diocese of Portland, who died on Monday, March 13, 2017, at Port St. Lucie Nursing & Restorative Care Center, Port St. Lucie, Florida. In addition to a funeral Mass at Holy Family Catholic Church in Port St. Lucie, the Most Reverend Robert P. Deeley, Bishop of Portland, was the principal celebrant at a Mass of Christian Burial on Friday, March 31, 2017, at St. Joseph Church of Good Shepherd Parish, in Biddeford. Msgr. Paul Stefanko was the homilist. Members of the Diocesan Priests’ Benefit Plan are reminded to offer three (3) Masses for the intention of Fr. Armand Bill.  
❖ Brian E. Bachelder, 75, husband of Cindy Bachelder of the Office of Safe Environment of the Diocese of Portland, who died on Saturday, March 18, 2017, at Mercy Hospital in Portland. A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, May 19, 2017, at Brooklawn Memorial Park, Portland.  
❖ Very Reverend Normand E. Carpentier, 71, a priest of the Diocese of Portland, who died on Sunday, March 19, 2017, at Central Maine Medical Center, Lewiston. The Most Reverend Robert P. Deeley, Bishop of Portland, was the principal celebrant at a Mass of Christian Burial on Friday, March 24, 2017, at Holy Family Church of Prince of Peace Parish, in Lewiston. Reverend Frank J. Murray was the homilist. Members of the Diocesan Priests’ Benefit Plan are reminded to offer three (3) Masses for the intention of Fr. Normand Carpentier.
Lorraine M. Bonti, 82, the oldest of Msgr. Rene T. Mathieu’s eight siblings, who died on Sunday, March 19, 2017, in Sanford. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Monday, March 27, 2017, at Holy Family Church of St. Thérèse of Lisieux Parish, in Sanford. Please pray also for the consolation of their friends and families, natural and religious.

Diocesan Directory: Go to www.portlanddiocese.org/diocesandirectory13. As changes are made and/or submitted, they are included in the Weekly Mailing (please see the Diocesan Directory Changes page in this Weekly Mailing).

Clergy Events

- **Annual Priests’ Retreat 2017**: Sunday, October 8, through Thursday, October 12, 2017, Marie Joseph Spiritual Center, Biddeford Pool. Rev. James F. Quigley, O.P., who is in residence at Providence College, will lead the retreat.
- **Annual Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests**:
  - Friday, June 23, 2017, at St. Charles Borromeo Church of All Saints Parish, Brunswick.
  - Presenter: Rev. David P. Skillman, Ph.L., of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, MO.

**Liturgy of the Hours**:

- **Lent-Easter Seasons**: Continue using Volume II on Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017, through Sunday, June 4, 2017 (the Solemnity of Pentecost).

**Resource - Lent-Easter VARIA**: Please see the special edition of the Lent-Easter VARIA sent out earlier by the Office of the Bishop and also included in this mailing. This document provides information about items such as THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU, the TIME of the EASTER VIGIL, RCIA-related Masses, retreats, etc.

Schedule of Masses for the Most Reverend Robert P. Deeley, J.C.D., Bishop of Portland - During Holy Week, as is the custom of our diocesan bishops, Bishop Deeley will be the principal celebrant and homilist at Masses and prayer services held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, at St. David Church in Madawaska, and at Confirmation-First Communion Masses in parishes throughout the diocese. He will also be the principal celebrant and homilist at the following Masses during the month of April:

- **Annual State Convention of the Knights of Columbus**: 4:00 PM on Saturday, April 22, 2017, Sunday River Resort, Newry, Maine
- **Annual Diocesan Youth Convention**: 10:00 AM on Sunday, April 23, 2017, Samoset Resort, Rockport, Maine
- **Sixth Annual Women’s Conference**: 9:00 AM on Saturday, April 29, 2017, Holiday Inn by the Bay, Portland, Maine

**Resource - Echoing God’s Word in the Catholic Faith Community**: Each week, in “Echoing God’s Word in the Catholic Faith Community,” Father Clement Thibodeau shares reflections on the Scripture passages read at Mass, offering insight into the readings, and providing historical context for them. The weekly reflections also include a prayer, questions to ponder or discuss, and related Catholic doctrine. Echoing God’s Word is a valuable resource for both individuals and small faith-sharing groups. The reflections may be found year round at
www.portlanddiocese.org/echoing-gods-word-reflections. If your parish would like to receive the reflections as word documents, please email: lois.czerniak@portlanddiocese.org.

New Location: Regional Confirmation Masses for Already Baptized Catholic Teens and Adults
– Because “the ordinary minister of confirmation is the bishop” (Canon 882), the Most Reverend Robert P. Deeley, J.C.D., Bishop of Portland, invites teenagers and adults who already have been baptized in the Catholic Church to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at one of the following three locations throughout the diocese:
❖ Friday, April 28, 2017 @ 7:00 PM – Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Portland
❖ Friday, May 5, 2017 @ 7:00 PM – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Presque Isle
❖ Friday, May 19, 2017 @ 7:00 PM – St. Teresa Church, Brewer
If some of these already baptized Catholic candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation also require the reception of First Eucharist/Holy Communion, they, too, should be included in one of these celebrations.

Please note that it is always appropriate to include already baptized Catholic teens and adults in the local parish celebration that Bishop Deeley also will celebrate. For registration information, visit www.portlanddiocese.org/olff/confirmation-baptized-teens-and-adults.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Special Collections: These collections will be taken in all churches of the diocese on the designated weekend. Unless otherwise indicated, all collections must be remitted to the Diocesan Finance Office by the second Friday after the collection. Links are provided as resources to assist you in promoting these collections through bulletin inserts, pulpit announcements, prayers, etc.

Please encourage parishioners to be generous stewards by supporting the important needs that exist in your parish, at the diocesan level, and for the universal Church.

Reminders for Collections to be taken in April:

Name of Collection: Church in the Holy Land
Date of Collection: April 14, 2017 (Good Friday)
Deadline to Remit: Friday, April 28, 2017
Resources: Support Christians in the Holy Land Now

Name of Collection: Easter Collection**
Date of Collection: April 15/16, 2017 (Easter Vigil & Easter Sunday)
Deadline to Remit: Friday, April 28, 2017
Important Info: 75% supports the Diocesan Priests’ Health & Pension Plans
25% of this collection supports Diocesan Emergency Needs

**Please encourage support of this collection, which supports our retired priests who have been generous in their service to the faithful of this diocese.

Name of Collection: Catholic Home Missions
Date of Collection: April 29/30, 2017
Deadline to Remit: Friday, May 12, 2017
Resources: Strengthening the Church at Home

NEW Mileage Reimbursement Rate: Effective January 1, 2017, the Diocese has adopted the already approved IRS standard mileage reimbursement rate of $0.535/mile. For more information, click on this link: New Standard Business Mileage Rate January 2017. Upon presentation of documentation that indicates the day, the main points of travel, the distance, and the nature of the business travel, parishes and diocesan offices are permitted to reimburse at the
rate of $0.535/mile. The travel must be related to one’s assigned duties for the parish or the
diocese, have proper documentation, and cannot include commuter miles (that is, miles driven
between your residence and primary office/place of work).

**SACRAMENTS & RELATED INFORMATION**

**Resource Page on Diocesan Website – Recurring VARIA Items:** Certain VARIA features recur
and do not change from month to month; therefore, they have been re-created on the diocesan
website at the following link: [http://www.portlanddiocese.org/recurring-VARIA](http://www.portlanddiocese.org/recurring-VARIA). As these
items are updated, they will be reissued in the VARIA and on the website. For example, the items
appearing on this specially created page of our diocesan website include:

**Sacramental Registers**
- Handling Requests Made for Information Recorded in Sacramental Registers
- Recording Sacraments Celebrated in Institutions – Hospitals and Colleges
- Recording Sacraments Celebrated in Joint Parish Celebrations
- Using Death Registers
- Disposing of Old/Outdated Liturgical Books

**Marriage-Related Matters**
- Need for Delegation of a Priest/Deacon for a Catholic Wedding
- Annulments and the Setting of Wedding Dates
- Requesting & Processing of Marriage Dispensations
- When Annulments are Pending and/or Restrictions Have Been Imposed
- Sacramental vs. Valid Marriages in Church and Civil Law

**Celiac Sprue Disease & Low-Gluten Hosts**
- Requirements for Using & Availability of Low-Gluten Hosts

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Policy RE: Extending Invitations to International Clergy to Exercise Ministry in the Diocese:**
Please note that extending invitations to international clergy is reserved to the Bishop and his
delegates. While we are all aware of the very real need for priests to provide coverage during
vacations, retreats, or other time away, we must also be conscious that international clergy must
receive an invitation from the Bishop to serve in this Diocese, and then, that invitation includes
an extensive vetting process that follows the procedures and regulations of the United States
Department of Homeland Security and other federal agencies. International clergy must have
the correct type of VISA (all VISAs are not created equal; for example, some are for visitor or
tourists, others for students, and others for work and, more specifically, for “religious workers”).
A VISA does not automatically allow a priest to exercise ministry in the USA. Of course, the
vetting process must also include diocesan procedures related to Safe Environment and the Code
of Ethics. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Msgr. Andrew Dubois.

**Advisories:** Please contact the Chancery (either the Chancellor or the Moderator of the Curia) if
you are contacted by or have information about the following individuals or organizations about
whom the Office of the General Secretary of the USCCB has issued the following advisories:
- **New and/or Current Advisories** – None to report at this time.
- **Recurring Advisory**
  - **Solicitations:** Please beware of any and all mailings that you may receive (both through
electronic sources and the postal service) that promise your parish, school, cemetery, or
other organization a bequest, inheritance, grant, or other sum of money in exchange for a
"good faith/gesture donation or commission." Such offers are "too good to be true"; please
do **not** respond in any fashion.
Pilgrimages: If you are planning a pilgrimage or have been approached by a travel agency to lead a pilgrimage, please note that there are “travel or touring” companies that do not always fulfill their obligations, and in some cases, they have failed to return payments already received. If you have any questions or concerns about a particular vendor, please do not hesitate to contact the Diocese.

Directives for Visiting Priests (clarification) - Distinction between the need for a Celebret vs. a Letter of Suitability: Please remember that pastors should always exercise caution in admitting priests to ministry in the parish, especially when they are unknown to them or their parishioners. Even if known personally by the priests of the parish, a visiting priest must have his canonical superior (bishop or religious superior) send a letter of suitability to Bishop Deeley. If the letter is sent directly to the parish, then a copy must be provided to the bishop. If the bishop receives the letter, a COPY of the original will be emailed to the parish, and the original will be kept in the parish file at Chancery. The only time a celebret suffices is if the cleric is visiting the area (i.e., relatives) and will be in attendance as a concelebrant (neither as the principal celebrant nor as the homilist). The celebret must be dated within the year. If there are any concerns relative to the status of a visiting priest, please consult Sr. Rita-Mae Bissonnette, Chancellor. Conversely, if a priest or deacon of the Diocese of Portland is going to exercise ministry outside our diocese, then a Letter of Suitability should be requested from the Bishop’s Office, ideally two to three weeks before the event. It is understood that advance notice may not be possible if you are going to celebrate a funeral, but all other requests should be planned.
VARIA - SPECIAL EDITION: LENT & EASTER 2017

Season of Lent

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017, and goes until the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, April 13, 2017.

Fast & Abstinence
- Ash Wednesday & Good Friday - Both March 1, 2017, and April 14, 2017, are days of fast and abstinence (from meat) in the universal Church.
- Every Friday of Lent - All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence (from meat) in the Church in the United States.
- The Law of Abstinence - Binds Catholics aged 14 and older.
- The Law of Fasting - Binds Catholics aged 18 and over, until the beginning of their 60th year (through age 59).

Lenten Environment & Music - During Lent, the decoration of the altar with flowers is not permitted; musical instruments may be played only to give necessary support to the singing. Exceptions to these rules include Laetare Sunday, Solemnities, and Feasts.

Liturgy of the Hours - Begin with Morning Prayer on Wednesday, March 1, 2017, Volume II of the Liturgy of the Hours and use throughout the Lent-Easter seasons (through Sunday, June 4, 2017).

Ash Wednesday - The following rubrics are to be followed:
- The Penitential Act is omitted. After the usual greeting, the priest offers the Collect.
- The Blessing and Distribution of Ashes take place after the homily.
- The approved words for the Distribution of Ashes are:
  - "Repent, and believe in the Gospel." OR
  - "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Rite of Election & Call to Continuing Conversion 2017 – The Most Reverend Robert P. Deeley, J.C.D., Bishop of Portland, was the principal celebrant and homilist at the Masses in Caribou, Waterville, and Portland:
- Saturday, March 4, 2017 @ 4:00 PM – Holy Rosary Church, Caribou (Precious Blood).
- Sunday, March 5, 2017 @ 10:30 AM – Notre Dame Church, Waterville (Corpus Christi).
- Sunday, March 5, 2017 @ 5:00 PM – Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Portland.

RCIA Retreat Days for Elect & Candidates
The Office of Lifelong Faith Formation is pleased to announce the following "regional" pre-Easter retreat day opportunities for the elect and candidates, their sponsors and godparents, as well as RCIA team members:
- Saturday, April 1, 2017 – St. Charles Borromeo Church Hall, Brunswick
  - Theme: “Rituals of Holy Week” by Fr. Thomas Murphy, presenter
- Saturday, April 1, 2017 – Holy Rosary Parish Center, Caribou
Theme: “Let There Be Light” by Very Rev. Jean-Paul Labrie, presenter
Saturday, April 1, 2017 – Most Holy Trinity Church Hall, Saco
“Theme: “Celebrating the Triduum” by Rev. Msgr. Michael Henchal, presenter
Saturday, April 8, 2017 – St. John Church Hall, Bangor
“Theme: “You did not choose me, I chose you” (John 15:16) by Rev. Augustine Nellary, presenter

For more information, including the registration process, please click on the following link:
www.portlanddiocese.org/content/rcia-lenten-retreat.

The Light is On for You – Our diocese has designated/dedicated the week of Monday, April 3, through Friday, April 7, to host "The Light is On for You" during Lent 2017. All parishes/clusters are asked to offer the Sacrament of Penance (confessions) in at least one of their parish churches from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM, on any four (4) nights between Monday and Friday. Please note the following:

- Based upon local needs and available personnel, extended times, dates and locations are permissible.
- As in previous years, the Diocese will promote “The Light is On for You” through a press release, the website, Harvest magazine, and if possible, The Presence Radio Network.
- We encourage local parishes to make use of local newspaper ads, bulletin articles and inserts, and of course, your parish app.
- In a special way, many thanks to our retired priests who help our priests and parishes in so many ways, including with this grace-filled sacramental moment.

The Annunciation of the Lord – This Solemnity is celebrated on Saturday, March 25, 2017, prior to Evening Prayer I of the Fourth Sunday of Lent (before 4 PM). This is not a holy day of obligation. During the recitation of the Creed, all should genuflect at the words: “…and by the Holy Spirit, was incarnate of the Virgin Mary.”

Holy Week & the Sacred Triduum*
*Please see the special insert entitled, "Lent & Holy Week Rubrics."

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - Saturday, April 8, and Sunday, April 9, 2017. Please note the various options (i.e., The Procession, The Solemn Entrance, The Simple Entrance) that are available in the Roman Missal (¶2-18) for the blessing of the palms and processions.

Chrrism Mass - Please reserve the date! A separate email will be sent regarding the availability and distribution of Chrism Mass tickets! With the clergy serving in the diocese, the Most Reverend Robert P. Deeley, J.C.D., Bishop of Portland, will preside and preach at the annual Chrism Mass on Tuesday, April 11, 2017, at 5:45 PM, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Portland. All priests and deacons are asked to wear their white diocesan vestment (including an alb and matching white stole).

Mass of the Oils – Please reserve the date! With the clergy serving in northern and eastern Maine, the Most Reverend Robert P. Deeley, J.C.D., Bishop of Portland, will preside and preach at the annual Mass of the Oils on Wednesday, April 12, 2017, at 6:30 PM, at St. David Church of Notre Dame du Mont Carmel Parish, Madawaska.

Holy Thursday & the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper - Thursday, April 13, 2017

Reminder regarding Funeral MASSES: Other than the Chrism Mass (in dioceses where it is celebrated on Holy Thursday) and the Mass of the Lord’s Supper, “…other Eucharistic celebrations on Holy Thursday are entirely forbidden.” Therefore, funeral Masses are forbidden on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Solemnities that are Holy Days of Obligation (Resources: USCCB Newsletter, Volume XXIV, February 1988; Revised GIRM, 3rd Edition of the Roman Missal © 2010/2011, ¶380).
Reminder regarding the Celebration of the Sacraments during the Sacred Paschal Triduum: During the Triduum, the sacraments of penance and anointing of the sick may continue to be celebrated. Holy Communion may be given to the sick and homebound immediately after the liturgies of Holy Thursday and Good Friday but only as viaticum to the dying on Holy Saturday.

Good Friday & the Passion of the Lord - Friday, April 14, 2017

Holy Saturday & the Easter Vigil

In the shadows of the passion, crucifixion and death of Jesus on Good Friday, the new fire of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday pierces the darkness of a world that waits for and anticipates the Light of the Risen Christ on Easter Sunday. –AD

Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 15, 2017 - Based upon the estimated time of sunset in various locations throughout the state (from 7:15 PM to 7:28 PM), the Easter Vigil may begin no earlier than 7:45 PM (post-twilight).

Advisory on the Time of the Easter Vigil

- Concerns have been submitted to the Office of the Bishop that the time announced for the proper celebration of the Easter Vigil has not been followed uniformly throughout the diocese. Times varied from as early as ½ to 1½ hours ahead of actual time.
- As is noted above, the Easter Vigil 2017 is to be celebrated no earlier than 7:45 PM throughout the diocese, after nightfall (i.e., not sunset but after the sky has grown completely dark), in order to be in compliance with liturgical law. In regard to the proper time of the celebration of the Easter Vigil, the Roman Missal states, “The entire celebration of the Easter Vigil must take place at night, so that it begins after nightfall and ends before daybreak on Sunday” (#3).
- The Circular Letter Concerning the Preparation and Celebration of the Easter Feasts from the Congregation for Divine Worship (1988), says, “This rule is to be taken according to its strictest sense. Reprehensible are those abuses and practices that have crept into many places in violation of this ruling …” (#78) and the USCCB Committee on the Liturgy has stressed on numerous occasions that it is a misunderstanding of the nature of the celebration of the annual Pasch to have an untimely scheduling of the Easter Vigil. Its (almost) annual advisory notes that nightfall actually takes place 45 minutes to 1 hour after sunset for setting the time of the celebration of the Easter Vigil, which is how this year’s (2017) time of 7:45 PM has been determined.
- If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at Chancery.

Season of Easter

Easter Sunday is on April 16, 2017; the season of Easter runs through Evening Prayer II of the Solemnity of Pentecost on Sunday, June 4, 2017.

Easter Duty - In the dioceses of the United States, the obligation to receive Holy Communion at least once a year may be satisfied from the First Sunday of Lent (March 4/5) to Most Holy Trinity Sunday (June 10/11). For a just cause, the Easter duty may be fulfilled at some other time of the year (Canon 920).

Divine Mercy Sunday (Second Sunday of Easter) – April 23, 2017

New Location: Regional Confirmation Masses for Already Baptized Catholic Teens and Adults
- Because “the ordinary minister of confirmation is the bishop” (Canon 882), the Most Reverend Robert P. Deeley, J.C.D., Bishop of Portland, invites teenagers and adults who already have been
baptized in the Catholic Church to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at one of the following three locations throughout the diocese:

- Friday, April 28, 2017 @ 7:00 PM – Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Portland
- Friday, May 5, 2017 @ 7:00 PM – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Presque Isle
- Friday, May 19, 2017 @ 7:00 PM – St. Theresa Church, Brewer

If some of these already baptized Catholic candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation also require the reception of First Eucharist/Holy Communion, they, too, should be included in one of these celebrations.

Please note that it is always appropriate to include already baptized Catholic teens and adults in the local parish celebration that Bishop Deeley also will celebrate.


**The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord** - Thursday, May 25, 2017. This is a holy day of obligation. A vigil Mass may be celebrated on the evening of Wednesday, May 24, 2017. A pro populo Mass (for the people) must be offered. Funeral and nuptial/wedding Masses are not permitted.

**The Solemnity of Pentecost** - Saturday Vigil, June 3, & Sunday, June 4, 2017. Please review the rubrics in the *Roman Missal*, which provide details for both options of the Vigil of Pentecost (i.e., "Extended Form" and "Simple Form").

**Neophyte Mass** – A Neophyte Mass will be celebrated by the Most Reverend Robert P. Deeley, J.C.D., Bishop of Portland, at **10:00 AM on Sunday, June 11, 2017, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception**, Portland. All of the newly baptized, as well as those who completed their initiation at the Easter Vigil, are invited to join Bishop Deeley for this special Mass at which they will be prayed for and blessed. Priests and deacons are invited to concelebrate and assist, respectively; please bring an alb and a green stole.
Liturgy Notes: Lent & Easter Reminders from the Roman Missal, 3rd Edition*

Ash Wednesday & Sundays of Lent - The Prayer over the People at the Final Blessing is obligatory, concluding with: "And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you forever. Amen." On weekdays of Lent, the Prayer over the People is optional.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - For convenience, the opening Gospel text (all options, all cycles) used at the Procession with Palms have been printed in full in the Missal, eliminating the need for more than one book to be used before the procession. However, use of the Book of the Gospels is still permitted.

Chrism Mass - The Rites of the Blessing of Oils and Consecrating the Chrism are no longer included in the Missal. The Holy See has provided provisional texts in a recent reprinting of the Roman Pontifical.

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

- General Notes - Please review the rubrics and special notations beginning on page 154.
  - Throughout the Sacred Paschal Triduum, it is important to note that the Sacraments of Penance and the Anointing of the Sick may continue to be celebrated.
  - Holy Communion may be given to the sick and homebound immediately after the liturgies of Holy Thursday and Good Friday.

- Holy Thursday - For pastoral reasons, the Ordinary may permit another Mass to be celebrated in the evening; and, in the case of genuine necessity, [at an earlier time in the day], but only for the faithful who are in no way able to participate in the evening Mass (p. 155; no. 3).

- Good Friday - Two changes of note are highlighted:
  - At the Celebration of the Lord's Passion, deacons are no longer permitted to preside, noting that "[t]his liturgy by its very nature may not...be celebrated in the absence of a Priest" (p. 169; no. 4).
  - Multiple crosses are no longer permitted for adoration by the faithful. Two options may be pursued: (1) a larger Cross may be approached by the people from different sides, or (2) a smaller representative group of the faithful conduct the adoration on behalf of the assembly, after which the Cross is lifted up for a time by the Priest to allow all to adore in silence (pp. 184-85; nos. 14-20).

- Holy Saturday & Easter Vigil
  - Holy Communion - Holy Saturday: Only the dying may receive Viaticum.

(continued)
Holy Communion - Easter Vigil: In regards to rubric on Holy Communion (page 238, item #65), all the faithful, including the newly baptized, are encouraged to receive Holy Communion under both kinds (presuming the availability of sufficient and properly trained ministers of Holy Communion and the safeguarding of the Sacred Species against profanation).

Preparation of the Paschal Candle: Preparation of the candle using a stylus (i.e., for the “cutting” of the cross †, the Α and the Ω, and the numerals of the current year) must be done at the beginning of the Vigil. The insertion of the grains of incense may occur thereafter (pp. 199-200; nos. 11-14).

Easter Sunday: The text for the Renewal of Baptismal Promises is found at the Easter Vigil (pp. 235-237).

*Some items from USCCB Newsletter, Committee on Divine Worship, Volume XLVII, May 2011, p. 19 [with permission].
Liturgy Notes: Celebration of the Sacraments During Holy Week

Sacrament of Penance/Confession: During the Sacred Triduum, this sacrament may be celebrated.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: During the Sacred Triduum, this sacrament may be celebrated.

(Funeral) Masses of Christian Burial: During the Sacred Triduum, funeral Masses are not permitted.

Distribution of Holy Communion:

- **Holy Thursday:** Per the Roman Missal and Ordo, Holy Communion is distributed to the faithful during [the] Mass [of the Lord’s Supper]; it may be brought to the sick at any hour of the day.*

- **Good Friday:** Per the Roman Missal and Ordo, Holy Communion is distributed to the faithful only within the celebration of the Lord’s Passion**; it may be brought at any hour of the day to the sick who cannot participate in this celebration.

- **Holy Saturday:** Per the Roman Missal and Ordo, Holy Communion may be given only as VIATICUM to the dying on this day (prior to the celebration of the Easter Vigil).

*In regards to Holy Thursday, the Ordo also states, “It is more appropriate that the Eucharist be borne directly from the altar by the deacons, acolytes, or extraordinary ministers at the moment of communion for the sick and infirm who must communicate at home.”

**The above rubric would indicate that Holy Communion is not to be distributed at other prayer services (Office of Readings & Morning Prayer) and devotions (Stations of the Cross).

Celebration of the Sacred Triduum: Mass of the Lord’s Supper, Passion of the Lord & Easter Vigil:

In the rubrics of the Roman Missal, Third Typical Edition, English Translation, it states:

“The celebrations of the Sacred Triduum are to be carried out in cathedral and parochial churches and only in those churches in which they can be performed with dignity, that is, with a good attendance of the faithful, an appropriate number of ministers, and the means to sing at least some of the parts.

“Consequently, it is desirable that small communities, associations, and special groups of various kinds join together in these churches to carry out the sacred celebration in a more noble manner.”

“Care should, nevertheless, be taken that [additional] celebrations of this sort [Mass of the Lord’s Supper] do not take place for the advantage of private persons or special small groups, and do not prejudice the evening Mass.”

The above paragraphs would indicate that the Sacred Triduum is not to be celebrated in hospitals or other institutions that cannot supply the above-mentioned requirements.
Clergy Institute 2017
Monday, May 15, through Thursday, May 18
Atlantic Oceanside Conference Center, Bar Harbor
Institute begins at 1 p.m. on Monday and ends at noon on Thursday

Program: Year 3 of Catholic Leadership Training

Active Priests & Deacons: $700   Wives: $260   Retired Priests & Deacons: $460

Some guest rooms may not be available until 3 p.m. on Monday.
Special one-day rate for jubilarians on Tuesday: $100
(includes lunch, presentations, dinner, room for Tue. evening, and breakfast on Wed.)

Please make checks payable to: Roman Catholic Bishop of Portland

To register, mail payment and form below to: Mrs. Rachel Daigle, Office of Ministerial Services, 510 Ocean Avenue, Portland, ME 04103-4936. If you should have any questions, call (207) 321-7874 or email rachel.daigle@portlanddiocese.org.

Please bring your diocesan vestments. The registration deadline is Friday, April 7.

Registration---Clergy Institute 2017

Name:__________________________________________________________

Address:____________________________________________________________________________

Phone: ______________________ Email Address: ________________________________

Special Needs:________________________________________________________________________

How you like your name to appear on name badge?______________________________

On your wife’s name badge?______________________________

☐ Wife attending ☐ I wish to arrive on Sunday, May 14
($113 for the additional night with breakfast included. Must be paid in advance.)

☐ Special Jubilarian Rate

Entrée Selection on Monday: ☐ Lobster ☐ Chicken ☐ Steak

Wife Entrée Selection on Monday: ☐ Lobster ☐ Chicken ☐ Steak
Child Abuse Prevention Month 2016

Each April, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) observes Child Abuse Prevention Month to spread awareness about the importance of protecting children and young people and to make our communities aware of child sexual abuse and the steps to prevent it. The Diocese of Portland has provided a variety of resources for use by individuals, families, and parishes:

www.portlanddiocese.org/child-abuse-prevention-month

As always, Bishop Deeley encourages anyone who may have information about any case of sexual abuse of a minor by a church representative to contact civil authorities and Michael Magalski, Director of the Office of Professional Responsibility for the Diocese of Portland, at (207) 321-7836 or michael.magalski@portlanddiocese.org.
Diocesan Directory Corrections
www.portlanddiocese.org/diocesandirectory13

Please note that the page numbers correspond to the latest version of the directory. If page numbers in your printed version do not match the ones given here, you may need to go to the website and see if you have the latest version. At the bottom left of each page is the date of the last update. You may not want or need to reprint every time there is a correction; however, periodically, this will be necessary. It is your responsibility to keep your copy of the directory updated. Only printed copies of new sections will be provided on a first-time basis.

For March 31, 2017

Parishes:

B-17: Correct the zip code for Our Lady of the Rosary Pastoral Center to: 04280-4250

Alpha Priest List:

D-1: Add Fr. Patrick E. Agbodi, SMA, St. Joseph Rectory, 174 South High Street, Bridgton, ME 04009-4110. Tel. #: (207) 647-2334.

Remove Fr. Armand J. Bill – deceased.


Priest Seniority List

D-9: Remove Rev. Armand J. Bill.

Remove Rev. Normand E. Carpentier.

Priest Necrology List


Deacon Alpha Listing:

E-2: Change name of Deacon Richard M. Philips-Doyle to Deacon Richard M. Doyle and move to E-1 between Deacon Timothy Dougherty and Deacon Walter Foster.

Deacon Seniority List

E-5: Change name of Deacon Richard M. Philips-Doyle to Deacon Richard M. Doyle.

Sisters Alpha Listing:

F-1: Remove Sr. Alice Beauchemin, SCIM – deceased.
“Save the Dates” in 2017
For more details on these events, click on the links next to the titles.
If the event has no link, details will be coming in the near future.

Morning of Reflection for Administrative Professionals
(www.portlanddiocese.org/olff/morning-of-reflection)

Georgette Dionne, the director of lifelong faith formation at the Parish of the Holy Eucharist in Falmouth, will present “Disciples Crossing: Road Signs & Rest Stops.” All parish, school, and Catholic Charities administrative professionals, receptionists, and volunteers are encouraged to attend. Admission is $10 (includes lunch). The gatherings are set for:

**Tue., April 18**
St. Pius X Church Hall, 492 Ocean Avenue, Portland
(9 a.m. to 1 p.m.)

**Tue., April 25**
Holy Rosary Parish Center, 31 Thomas Avenue, Caribou
(9 a.m. to 1 p.m.)

**Wed., April 26**
St. Mary Church Hall, 768 Ohio Street, Bangor
(9 a.m. to 1 p.m.)

Catholic Youth Ministry Convention
(www.portlanddiocese.org/olff/catholic-youth-ministry-convention)

It’s a weekend experience you’ll never forget! The 30th annual Catholic Youth Ministry Convention is set for **April 21-23** at the Samoset Resort in Rockport. The convention is filled with teen energy, fun, large group activities, music, prayer, workshops, adult and youth keynote addresses, and a Mass with Bishop Deeley. Register through your parish’s youth ministry coordinator. For general inquiries, contact Maureen Provencher in the Office of Lifelong Faith Formation at (207) 321-7813 or maureen.provencher@portlanddiocese.org, or visit the special section of the diocesan website listed above.
Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat in Southern Maine
(www.portlanddiocese.org/projectrachel)

The Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat weekend on April 21-23 (ending on Divine Mercy Sunday) offers a supportive, non-judgmental process for those personally wounded because of an abortion. The grief and pain that you or a loved one has carried for years will be unburdened. The retreat will transform the hurt through Scripture meditations, opportunities for the sacrament of reconciliation, a memorial service, Mass, and sharing with others personally affected by abortion. Rachel's Vineyard provides a safe place to grieve the loss and to understand the effects of abortion and how to grow beyond it. **Preregistration is needed, and the deadline to register is Friday, April 14.** To discuss registration, contact Annette Rioux in the Office of Lifelong Faith Formation at (207) 321-7885 or annette.rioux@portlanddiocese.org.

TeamRCIA Catechist School (www.portlanddiocese.org/olff/team-rcia)

**Fri., June 23, and Sat., June 24**
Chancery on 510 Ocean Avenue in Portland
(Videoconferencing available in Bangor and Caribou)

Silver & Gold Mass (www.portlanddiocese.org/olff/silver-gold-mass)

**Sat., June 24**
St. John Church, 217 York Street, Bangor (4 p.m.)
All couples celebrating milestone anniversaries invited. RSVP by June 16 at (207) 321-7885 or annette.rioux@portlanddiocese.org. You can also register at the link above.
Employment Opportunities

For job descriptions, requirements, and details on how to apply for any opening, visit: www.portlanddiocese.org/human-resources/job-openings.

New Openings (2)

**Family Life Ministry and Programming Coordinator**  
**Diocese of Portland**

The Diocese of Portland has an immediate opening for a family life ministry and programming coordinator to work in the diocese’s Office of Lifelong Faith Formation. The position provides marriage and family resources, formation, and services to parishes and also collaborates with other members of the office staff in the planning, oversight, and implementation of faith formation programs. The successful candidate will have three to five years of experience in family ministry and be an active Catholic in good standing with the Church. Additionally, this individual should be experienced in planning and organizing programs and possess excellent management, budgeting, and communication skills. Evening and weekend work will be required. To apply, send a cover letter, resume, and references to: Ms. Elizabeth Allen, Director of Human Resources, Diocese of Portland, 510 Ocean Avenue, Portland, ME 04103-4936. Interested parties can also email their materials to hr@portlanddiocese.org.

**Pastoral Life Coordinator**  
**Parishes of Cluster 22**

The parishes of Cluster 22 (St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish, Scarborough; St. Bartholomew Parish, Cape Elizabeth; St. John and Holy Cross Parish, South Portland) seek a pastoral life coordinator. The pastoral life coordinator assists the pastor and parochial vicars in the daily operation of the parishes by coordinating the pastoral, sacramental, liturgical, and catechetical needs of the parishes in accordance with Canon Law and diocesan policies/guidelines. The successful candidate will be a person of faith committed to Gospel values and helping the Church fulfill its mission and purpose. The pastoral life coordinator must be an active, practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church. Candidates who have earned a master’s degree or equivalent experience are preferred (CPE units or other credentials will be considered). Two years of experience working in parish ministry is also preferred. To apply, send a cover letter and resume to: Ms. Katie Benedict, Business Manager, St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish Office, P.O. Box 57, Scarborough, ME 04070-0057. Interested parties can also email their materials to katie.benedict@portlanddiocese.org.
Other Current Openings (8)

**Principal**  
St. John’s Catholic School, Brunswick  

**Afterschool Helper**  
Saint Dominic Academy, Lewiston  

**Business Coordinator**  
Parish of the Precious Blood, Caribou  

**Organist/Piano Accompanist**  
St. John and Holy Cross Parish, So. Port.  

**Lay Hospital Chaplain**  
Central Maine Medical Center, Lewiston  

**Theology Teacher**  
Saint Dominic Academy, Auburn  

**Organist/Pianist/Choir Director**  
St. Rose of Lima Parish, Jay  

**Pre-Kindergarten Teacher’s Aide**  
St. Brigid School, Portland
Parish Social Ministry e-News

Below, you will find a link to the Catholic Charities Maine Parish Social Ministry e-News for this week. Included in the newsletter are spiritual and parish social ministry resources, event listings, and a variety of helpful articles and statements:

salsa3.salsalabs.com/o/50949/t/0/blastContent.jsp?email_blast_KEY=1368456

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Michael Smith, Director of Mission for Catholic Charities Maine, at (207) 523-2772 or at msmith@ccmaine.org.
From the Catholic Community

Thanks from The Presence Radio Network

Thank you for your prayers and support during our Spring Pledge Drive! Your gifts keep Catholic radio broadcasting in our local communities. Thank you for helping to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ and the Church he founded 24 hours a day. God bless you abundantly! If you missed the opportunity to call during the drive you can still donate online at www.thepresenceradio.org. The Presence Radio Network can be heard on 106.7 FM in Portland; 105.7 FM in Springvale/Sanford; 97.5 FM in Fort Kent; 90.3 FM in Bangor; 89.7 FM in Bath/Brunswick; 89.5 FM in Augusta; and 1390 AM in northern Maine. It is also available online at www.thepresenceradio.org, on smartphones by downloading the Presence Radio app, or by calling (605) 475-8037 to listen on your cell phone.

“Praying with Hearts and Hands” Prayer Shawl Retreat in Biddeford on April 28-30

Join the Holy Knitters Prayer Shawl Ministry for “Praying with Hearts and Hands” on April 28-30 at the Marie Joseph Spiritual Center in Biddeford. The participants, led by Connie Bartelson and Marsha Hafferty, will joyfully share in the care of God’s people by using the gifts of their hands to knit or crochet sacred prayer shawls. Prayers and blessings are woven into the shawls, which will then be given to people for comfort, healing, or in celebration. Basic knitting or crocheting skills a prerequisite. The registration fee is $200. For more information or to register, call (207) 284-5671 or visit www.mariejosephspiritual.org.

“Role of the Church in Welcoming New Neighbors” in Bangor on April 29

You can help refugees build new lives here in Maine! Come learn about refugee resettlement at “The Role of the Church in Welcoming New Neighbors” on Saturday, April 29, from 9:30 a.m. to noon at St. Mary Church on 768 Ohio Street in Bangor. For more information, contact Ed French at (207) 217-6740.

Sixth Annual Maine Catholic Women’s Conference in Portland on April 29

Join Catholic women from around the diocese at the Maine Catholic Women’s Conference, set for Saturday, April 29, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland. The conference will feature Leah Darrow, a former professional model who now teaches other women an appreciation of the true meaning of beauty and God’s design. She will reflect on the virtue of modesty with inspiration from Scripture. The event will begin with a Mass, celebrated by Bishop Robert P. Deeley at 9 a.m. The mission of the conference is to gather for a day to nurture and strengthen the faith of the Catholic women of Maine, so they may share the abundance of God’s mercy and love. The cost of the conference is $60 (student rate of $30). The fee includes a continental breakfast and lunch. For more information, call (207) 321-7898 or visit www.portlanddiocese.org/olff/womensconference. To view a flyer for the conference, visit www.portlanddiocese.org/sites/default/files/files/CWCFlyer.pdf.
**“Fatima: The 100th Anniversary Conference” Set for Kennebunk on May 13-14**

“Fatima: The 100th Anniversary Conference” will be held at St. Anthony Monastery, located on 28 Beach Avenue in Kennebunk, on Saturday, May 13, and Sunday, May 14. All are encouraged to attend! During the conference, several keynote speakers will offer presentations on topics connected to the centennial including Fr. John Bacevicius, Fr. D. Joseph Manship, Deacon Darrell Blackwell, and Dr. Peter J. McNelis. Masses will be offered in both the ordinary and extraordinary form, there will be recitation of the rosary, a May “Crowning of Mary” procession, the sacrament of reconciliation, eucharistic adoration, and the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Pope Francis has granted a plenary indulgence opportunity for the 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions, the conditions for which could be met at the conference in Kennebunk. The registration fee is $25. Overnight options are available. To register, call (207) 274-0247 or email Fatima100conference@gmail.com. To view a complete schedule of the conference, visit www.holyspiritme.com/fatima.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter “Weekend” in Lewiston on July 30-August 1**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter will run a midweek “weekend” from Sunday, July 30, to Tuesday, August 1, at the Ramada Inn in Lewiston. The midweek experience is intended to accommodate couples who work weekend jobs, but all are welcome. Worldwide Marriage Encounter is designed as a private experience for husbands and wives to enrich and renew the sacrament of marriage. The application fee is $50, and a freewill donation will be accepted at the end of the weekend. For more information or to apply, contact Bill & Coco Watkin at (207) 668-4885 or visit www.wwmemaine.org to apply online.