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Sunday Mass: 7:00pm
 Weekday Mass: Noon
 Liturgy of the Hours:
 Weekdays: 9:15 am, 4:00pm
 Adoration: Tuesdays 9:15-11:30 am

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday
 in Ordinary Time**

September 20, 2009

St. Paul's Vision Statement

St. Paul's Catholic Student Center is a Roman Catholic community serving Boise State University students and staff. Through worship, study, social activities, and service, St. Paul's works to provide for the spiritual growth and development of the complete person. "In essentials, unity. In non-essentials, liberty. In all things, love." - St. Augustine of Hippo.



This Evening's Readings

One of the strongest themes in the Gospel of Mark is the failure of the crowds and even of Jesus' closest disciples to understand what Jesus was about. In this evening's reading, Jesus explains clearly to his disciples that he will be handed over, crucified, and rise again after three days. The disciples behave as if they can't even hear him and instead spend their time arguing about who among them is the greatest. People just won't listen

Perhaps the focus of this passage reflects the fact that Peter (the main source for this Gospel) repented so deeply his failure to listen to Jesus. When you are caught up in dreams of your own future greatness, it is hard to hear Jesus reminding you that he and all of us must suffer and "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."

**Communion Service Mondays in the SUB
 Mass in the Chapel Tuesday to Friday**

Starting this week we'll have a communion service in the Brink Room of the SUB each Monday at noon. Tuesdays through Fridays at noon we'll have Mass here in the chapel. We work hard to make sure that our service is finished by 12:30 so you can make it to a 12:40 class. We pray the rosary each weekday starting at 11:40 a.m. Mondays we're in the SUB, other days we're in the chapel.



St. Paul's Fall Retreat

Join us in Idaho City for a weekend retreat September 25th through 27th. We'll leave Friday afternoon at 5:30 p.m. and return Sunday afternoon about 2 p.m. The focus of the retreat is interior conversion. Cost is \$35 which includes transportation, food, and lodging. We'll be staying at Camp Ivydale. Much of Saturday afternoon is set aside for play (or for homework if necessary). Come. Relax a little. Make some new friends. Deepen your faith. **Fill out a form in the pew or e-mail Chuck or Joe to sign up now!**



Homecoming 2009



St. Paul's will celebrate Homecoming with a Spaghetti Feed for all students, alumni, and friends. The event will run from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday October 3 right here at St. Paul's. The Homecoming football game starts at 6 p.m. Dinner will be \$5 per person with opportunities to participate in a raffle and auctions to benefit the Betty-Jo Legerski scholarship fund – a fund at BSU which provides scholarships to St. Paul's Students. Please help us get the news out to alumni and friends

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Starts Thursday



RCIA is the way that Catholics welcome new people into the Christian faith or into full communion as Catholics (for those who are members of another Christian denomination). It is also the process we use to prepare adult Catholics who are getting ready to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. (You need to have received the Sacrament of Confirmation to serve as a Eucharistic Minister or to be a godparent.) Our RCIA group here at St. Paul's will start meeting this coming Thursday (September 24). If you would like to join the group or you know someone who would like to join, please contact Chuck.

Theology of the Body

Starting Monday September 21 (tomorrow) we'll be studying Pope John Paul II's life work, "The Theology of the Body." "Brace yourself! If we take in what the Holy Father is saying in his Theology of the Body, we will never view ourselves, view others, view the Church, the Sacraments, grace, God, heaven, marriage, the celibate vocation...we will never view the world the same way again." - Christopher West. Come along and enjoy. Dinner is at 6. We'll start our meeting at 6:30. Done before 8 p.m. Bring some food (chips, soft drink, salad, etc.) to share if you can.



St. Paul's Catholic Student Center Statement of Purpose

We are a community of faithful Catholics seeking the help of God and seeking to help one another in our lives at Boise State University. As a community centered on Jesus Christ, we nurture spiritual growth, personal development, and a sense of belonging in each of us. We also reach out to others as we help those in need, foster social justice, and speak out for Christian principles.

Meaningful liturgies, quality catechesis, lively discussion groups, small faith sharing groups, direct help to the less fortunate, education and advocacy for social justice, and gathering just for fun are activities that characterize our ministry and build our community

St. Paul's Catholic Student Center is a facility provided and staffed by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Boise. The campus minister is appointed by the bishop and serves as the pastor of the community. St. Paul's Catholic Community at Boise State University, SPC2, is a student organization recognized by ASBSU. It works with the campus ministry. With the help of an advisory board consisting of BSU faculty, staff, and alumni, the student organization and campus minister work together to provide a strong and vibrant Catholic presence on the campus as well as a welcoming place for all members of the BSU community who seek to be fed by the Roman Catholic tradition.

An overriding goal for all our activities is the development of a stronger community. In the midst of our learning, praying, growing, and fun, we will find more effective ways to welcome new members into our community and bring closer those who may not feel totally accepted. We will work to eliminate cliquishness or any other dynamic that pushes some people away or makes them feel left out. We will come closer to God by coming closer to one another.