

# Catholic parishes plan Divine Mercy Sunday celebrations

PORTLAND — Many Catholic parishes in Maine are planning Divine Mercy Sunday celebrations for Sunday, April 3, including the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, veneration of the Divine Mercy image, the sacrament of reconciliation and the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Here is a list of many of the Divine Mercy Sunday celebrations scheduled for around the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland:

— A Divine Mercy Sunday celebration will be held 2 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at St. Joseph Church, 1 Lincoln Ave. in Gardiner. The celebration will include exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and adoration, recitation of the rosary, readings from the Old and New Testaments and Gospel readings on mercy, a Divine Mercy reflection, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and a musical recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 p.m.

— St. Paul the Apostle Parish will hold a Holy Hour followed by the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at St. Teresa Church, 425 South Main St., Brewer.

— Divine Mercy Sunday celebration, 3 p.m. Sunday, April 3, St. Joseph Church, 225 South High Street in Bridgton.

— A Divine Mercy Sunday celebration will be held 2:30-3 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at St. Mary Church, 144 Lincoln St. in Bath, including the Blessed Sacrament, readings from the Gospel and St. Faustina's Diary, and the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Reception.

— Benediction and recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at St. Vincent de Paul Church, 60 Franklin St., Bucksport.

— Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Holy Rosary Church, located on 34 Vaughn Street in Caribou. The sacrament of reconciliation will be offered from 1:15 to 3 p.m. and there will be a worship hour from 2 to 3 p.m. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited at 3 p.m. followed by benediction.

— Divine Mercy Sunday sacrament of reconciliation, 2-3 p.m., and Divine Mercy service, 3 p.m. Sunday, April 3, St. Martin of Tours Church, 19 Colby St. in Milbrook. Light supper.

— Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song before the Blessed Sacrament, followed by prayer and adoration, 3-4 p.m. Saturday, April 2, and 9:30-10:45 a.m. Sunday, April 3, St. Joseph Church, 231 Main St., Ellsworth.

— Celebration of the Feast of Divine Mercy will begin at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at Holy Martyrs Church, 266 Foreside Road, Falmouth, including veneration of the Divine Mercy image, medita-

tion, Eucharistic adoration, recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and benediction. Mass at 5:30 p.m.

— Divine Mercy Holy Hour, 2-3 p.m. Sunday, April 3, St. Louis Church, 26 East Main St., Fort Kent.

— The Chaplet of Divine Mercy, 3 p.m. Sunday, April 3, St. Mary of the Visitation Church, 112 Military St., Houlton.

— Divine Mercy celebration, 2 p.m. Sunday, April 3, Franciscan Monastery, 28 Beach Ave., Kennebunk.

— A special devotion to Divine Mercy, 2 p.m. Sunday, April 3, St. Raphael Church, 6 Whipple Road, Kittery.

— Jubilee Year of Mercy pilgrimage to the Basilica of Ss. Peter & Paul, 122 Ash St., Lewiston. Mass at 10 a.m.; public outdoor procession with the Divine Mercy image to be enthroned in the basilica chapel. Chaplet of Divine Mercy, 3 p.m., Holy Family Church, 607 Sabattus St., Lewiston. Exposition and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament followed by sacrament of reconciliation at 4 p.m.

— Divine Mercy service, 3 p.m. Sunday, April 3, Queen of Peace Chapel, Old Town. The service will include a talk about Sister Faustina and the mission to spread the message of Divine Mercy, veneration of the Divine Mercy image, and the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

— Quiet prayer time before the Blessed Sacrament 2:30-3 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at St. Agnes Church, 238 Detroit Ave., Pittsfield. Bring your favorite prayer books or just sit and pray. Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed in song and the prayers for the last day of the Novena, which began on Good Friday, will be offered at 3 p.m.

— Divine Mercy service, 3 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at St. Louis Church, 279 Danforth St. in Portland, featuring the final Divine Mercy Novena and the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy.

— Divine Mercy Sunday, including the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, 2:30-4 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at Saint Athanasius and St. John Church, 126 Maine Ave., Rumford. Deacon Rod Berger will be the guest speaker.

— Holy Hour celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday 4-5 p.m. Sunday, April 3, Most Holy Trinity Church, 271 Main St., Saco. The Holy Hour will include Eucharistic adoration, music, silence, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. A youth Mass will follow.

— Chaplet of Divine Mercy, 3-4 p.m. Sunday, April 3, at Notre Dame Church, 116 Silver St., Waterville. Refreshments.

# Man found dead in Ellsworth motel room

BY BILL TROTTER  
BDN STAFF

ELLSWORTH — Drugs are suspected in the death of a Cherryfield man whose body was found Thursday morning at a local hotel.

Brendon Bubbar, 28, was found in a room at the Colonial Inn around 8:30 a.m. Thursday, according to the Ellsworth Police Department.

# Lisbon bicyclist dies after being hit by truck

CBS 13

LISBON — A bicyclist from Lisbon is dead after he was hit by a pickup truck Thursday night.

Lisbon police Chief David Brooks said officers went to 173 Lisbon St. (Route 196) around 5:12 p.m. Police said a man on a bicycle, 34-year-old Joseph Lamothe, was pronounced dead at the scene.

Police said the driver of a 2001 Chevy Silverado that hit Lamothe, 52-year-old Henry Raymond Jr., suffered minor injuries.

Brooks said Route 196 was closed on the westbound side for about five hours while Maine State Police helped reconstruct the scene.

The cause of the crash is still under investigation.

# Houlton 4-H leader feeds the hungry

BY JEN LYND  
BDN STAFF

HOULTON — Three years ago, Houlton High School student Kate Newman saw a need in the community to bring hot meals to senior citizens or the less fortunate in southern Aroostook, especially during the colder months.

The president of the Crafty Critters 4-H club sprang into action, and with the help of friends and family, has spent the ensuing years feeding more than 200 people.

"It is something I am very proud of," Newman said Friday of her Everyone Cares Dinner, a monthly meal that is offered for free at the Houlton Recreation Center on the third Sunday from October through April. The hour-long dinner, which begins at 3 p.m., is always a hot meal, consisting of turkey, ham, chop suey or another food that Newman said she works hard to get provided by a local retailer or to get purchased with donated funding.

Newman said she gets help with the dinner from other members of the 4-H club and from students with Houlton High School's Breaking Ground Program and the National Honor Society.

The high school junior said she got the idea when she saw a similar dinner



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Kate Newman, president of the Crafty Critters 4-H club, has spent the past three years feeding more than 200 people through her Everyone Cares Dinner, a monthly meal that is offered for free at the Houlton Recreation Center on the third Sunday from October through April. Assisting her are (from left) Bethany Devoe, 4-H member; Deborah Wynes, Houlton High School teacher and project supporter; Andrea Newman, Kate Newman's mother; Kate Newman; and Shelly Bouchard, Houlton High School teacher and project supporter.

being planned in the community fall by the wayside.

"I knew there was a need for it, so I decided to pick it up on my own," she explained. "I conducted it through the 4-H club because I needed the support of the club, and you also need insurance to put something like this on, and they offer it."

She said about 20 people, most of whom are senior citizens, usually attend the dinner each month, but younger

people show up as well.

"It is good for people, especially who are senior citizens, to come and have a warm place to socialize," she said. "Especially when it is cold and not everyone can get out during the colder months."

She said attendance started increasing once word of mouth about the dinners got out.

"Now we have regulars mixed with new faces each month and it feels good to know I am helping to make a

difference in their lives," she said.

According to Newman, the dinners have benefited more than 200 people, including several shut-ins whose meals are delivered.

Even with all she has done, she is looking toward the future, including providing transportation and obtaining sponsors for grocery store gift cards for attendees.

For information on how to donate or volunteer at the dinner, call 532-0570.



COURTESY MICHAEL MCLEAN

Two veterans groups are raising money to install two flagpoles, one on either end of this stage at Calais Triangle Park. They then plan to hold flag-raising ceremonies before events such as the summer concerts.

# Veterans fundraising for flagpoles in Calais

BY JOHANNA S. BILLINGS  
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CALAIS — The Calais American Legion Post 3 and the VFW Post 9779 are working together to raise \$3,000 to install two flagpoles at Calais Triangle Park.

Michael Mclean, commander of the Legion Post, said the two groups want to install two 25-foot flagpoles and purchase lights and flags. An American flag and POW/MIA flag will share the pole on the left-hand side of the park stage, and the

Maine flag will be on the right-hand side.

During the summer, area businesses sponsor concerts at the park. The veterans' groups want to hold ceremonies before each concert and before other activities at the park, he said.

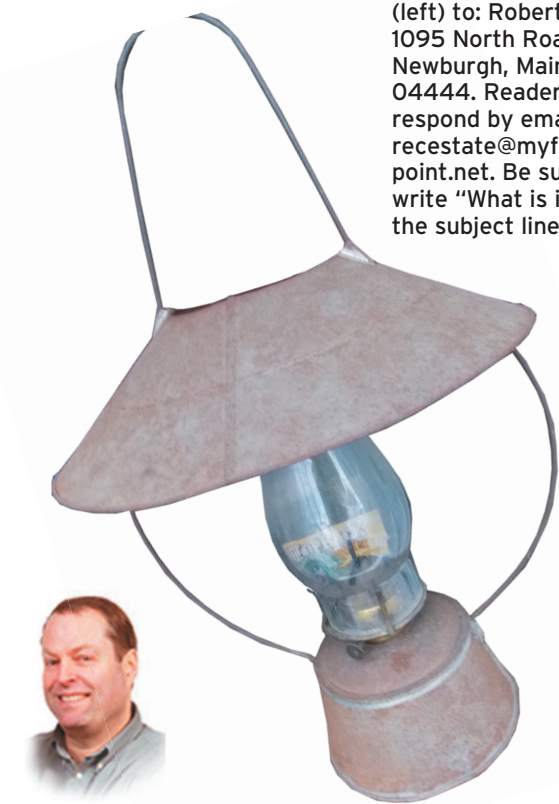
"It's just a little sentimental thing to keep the flags flying," Mclean said.

Fundraising started three weeks ago.

The groups hope to have the flagpoles installed before concerts start in June, he said.

# WHAT IS IT?

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ROBERT CROUL



The What Is It in the March 19 edition of the Bangor Daily News was correctly identified as a store countertop trade stimulator dice game by Andrea Pelletier of Fort Fairfield, Richard DeGraaf of Camden, O.K. Blackstone of Caribou, Ted Bromage of Somesville, Stephen Dickinson of Presque Isle and Larry Smith and Mike and Della Gleason of Bangor. These games were placed on general and cigar store counters. For a penny you could roll the dice and if you were lucky could win a cigar worth considerably less than a penny.

# Free community supper at Belfast

BELFAST — A free community supper will be offered at 5 p.m. Saturday, April 2, at Belfast United Methodist Church, 23 Mill Lane, East Belfast.

The menu will include chicken, baked potato, peas, applesauce, rolls, beverages and pie for dessert.

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