

EUCHARIST INTENTIONS

Among the intentions for those who gather for the **Eucharist** this week will be:

MONDAY, JULY 21, 2003

9:15AM JOAN GENESKY – Bernadette Sillery

TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2003

7:00AM JOHN RICHARD HUDY –
Helen, Andy and Andy Jr. Gavula
9:15AM MORNING PRAYER

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2003

7:00AM BILL BENWITZ – Stan & Joanne Douglas
9:15AM DOROTHY GEIER – Arlene & Pete Trott

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2003

7:00AM O. JANE GRIFFITH –
Husband and Family
9:15AM THE PEOPLE OF ST. RITA PARISH

FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2003

9:15AM ANDREW J. SPATULA, JR. – Family

SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2003

5:00PM RONALD FORGIONE –
The Stephen Ministers

SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2003

7:30AM IN HONOR OF EDWARD GEIER'S
BIRTHDAY – Family
9:00AM JAMES A. STYLES –
Robert & Dorothy Styles
10:30AM MARY FLYNN – Kathy Bayer

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**This week the Tabernacle Light
will burn in loving memory of
James Styles**

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VOCATION VIEW ~ When the apostles were trying to reflect on their ministry, Jesus asked them to: "Come by yourselves to an out-of-the-way place." Listening to God in quiet prayer is very important in vocation discernment. Listen to God's voice in an out-of-the-way place. If you feel the call is genuine, call Pat Finnerty, Director of Vocations Awareness at 328-3228 ext. 229 or Fr. Bill Donnelly at 461-2890.

Pastor's Perspective

One of our parishioners recently shared this reflection with me and I would like to share it with all of you.

Summer is a great time to remember and celebrate the ordinary and wonderful blessings of all of our lives.

The Seven Wonders of the World

A group of students were asked to list what they thought were the current Seven Wonders of the World. Though there was some disagreement, the following got the most votes:

- Egypt's Great Pyramids
- Taj Mahal
- Grand Canyon
- Panama Canal
- Empire State Building
- St. Peter's Basilica
- China's Great Wall

While gathering the votes, the teacher noted that one quiet student hadn't turned in her paper yet. She asked the girl if she was having trouble with her list.

The girl replied, "Yes, a little. I couldn't make up my mind because there were so many."

The teacher said, "Well, tell us what you have, and maybe we can help."

The girl hesitated, then read, "I think the Seven Wonders of the World are:

- to touch
- to taste
- to see
- to hear
- to feel
- to laugh
- to love

The room was so full of silence you could have heard a pin drop. Those things we overlook as simple and "ordinary" are truly wondrous.

A gentle reminder that the most precious things are before you: Your family, your faith, your love, your health, and your friends.

Peace and Happy Summer,

PLANS FOR THE WEEK JULY 20, 2003

SUNDAY

10:30 AM Babysitting during 10:30 Mass - Rm 4
7:30PM BINGO at the K of C – Team 4

TUESDAY

1:00PM Recovery – Rm 3

WEDNESDAY

7:30PM Charismatic Prayer Group at St. Paul's

THURSDAY

7:00PM Choir Rehearsal – Gym

FRIDAY

8:00-4:00PM Rummage Sale – Gym
2:00PM Jesus Rosary – Church

SATURDAY

8:00-2:00PM Rummage Sale – Gym

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PARISH SUPPORT		
Last Week	Weekly Goal	Variance
\$11,790	\$12,654	- \$864
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$35,841	\$39,480	+ \$3,639
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!		
<small>(Our fiscal year is 7/1/02 - 6/30/03)</small>		

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Wedding Banns

***Adriana Quinones & Mark Lippha
Bernadette Cassano & Ryan Bhame***

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FAMILY FAITH NEWSLETTER!

The July-August issue of the Family Faith Newsletter is now available in the Narthex. This issue has ideas for family activities, prayer and much more. Remember a "family" comes in many shapes and sizes. All are welcome to take a copy home to enjoy!

We welcome the newest member of our parish family who was baptized this weekend:

Logan Joseph Brown

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BIBLE READINGS:

- 20 Sun **16th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Jer 23:1-6
Ps 23:1-6 Eph 2:13-18 Mk 6:30-34
- 21 Mon Ex 14:5-18 Ex 15:1bc-6 Mt 12:38-42
- 22 Tue **St. Mary Magdalene** Ex 14:21-15:1
Ex:15:8-10,12,17 Jn 20:1-2,11-18
- 23 Wed Ex 16:1-5,9-15 Ps 78:18-19,23-28 Mt
13:1-9
- 24 Thu Ex 19:1-2,9-11,16-20b Dn 3:52-56 Mt
13:10-17
- 25 Fri **St. James, Apostle** 2 Cor 4:7-15 Ps
126:1-6 Mt 20:20-28
- 26 Sat **Sts. Joachim and Anne** Ex 24:3-8 Ps
50:1-2,5-6,14-15 Mt 13:24-30
- 27 Sun **17th Sunday in Ordinary Time** 2 Kgs
4:42-44 Ps 145:10-11,15-18 Eph 4:1-6 Jn
6:1-15

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**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED
NEXT WEEKEND ~ JULY 26 & 27**

Saturday, 5:00pm:

Luke Casselbury, Matt Casselbury, Adam Reask

Sunday, 7:30am:

Lauren Kessler, Kyle Chapman, Kayla Chapman

Sunday, 9:00am:

David Piekarczyk, Sam Piekarczyk, Brad Chiesa

Sunday, 10:30am:

Kathrena Smith, Taylor Smith, David Savella

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SACRISTAN:

Week of July 13

Shirl Mintz

LINENS:

Week of July 27

Jean Fauth

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JULY 20, 2003

Webster-Penfield Catholic Connection
Holy Spirit, Holy Trinity, St. Paul's, St. Rita's

Companions in Grief Group
presents:

"Working Through Your Grief"

**Presenter: Bonnie Anthony from
Anthony Funeral Home**

When: Thursday, August 7 at 7:30 pm

Where: St. Paul's Church – 783 Hard Road

For all those who have lost a loved one!
All are welcome!

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SACRAMENT NEWS

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

This is a process that begins in the fall and is designed for people who have an interest in the Catholic Church. If you were baptized in another faith and are questioning whether you want to become a full member of the Catholic Church, this process is for you. If you have never been baptized and are questioning whether you want to be baptized into the Catholic Church, this process is for you. The process itself involves attending Sunday scripture sessions, attending special parish education programs and meeting with a mentor periodically to discuss a specific RCIA text. The process helps you discern what God is calling you to in your journey of faith. If you are interested or have questions about the RCIA process please call Drew at 671-1100, ext 15.

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SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION
is Underway for
2003-2004

Registration for the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation is underway now. Registration forms are available in the back of church, parish office and Religious Education Office. Sacramental preparation is a parish-based process which means it does not take place in the Catholic School or the Religious Education Program. Once you have registered, you will receive a letter letting you know when the parent meeting takes place. Children who are seven years old are eligible for the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

Stepping Stones to Stewardship

Spend some time in prayerful discernment to make a spiritual inventory of the God-given blessings and graces of your life. This should take a while since we all have so many! Remember to count the gifts we often take for granted: sound health, our education, our faith, our teachers, and so on.

Then ask the Holy Spirit to assist you in determining how best you can live your life as a Christian steward. Be honest with yourself. Ask the Spirit where you might improve. God knows us as even we cannot know ourselves. Stewardship is a lifelong process that requires ongoing evaluation. What we get out of stewardship – like what we get out of life – depends upon what we give.

An excerpt from *Catholic Stewardship – Sharing God's Gifts* by Colleen Smith. Used with permission by Our Sunday Visitor, Inc.

"RITUAL SONG HYMNAL"

Thank you for your great response for donations to help offset the cost of our new parish hymnal. The new hymnal is on display in the back of church. Please feel free to look through the books before you make your decision. There are cards available for you to fill out and either return to the Parish Office or place in the collection basket. If you have any questions please contact Chrisanne Yule at 381-2721 or Judy Leone at 482-4440.

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St. Bernard's is offering summer classes in their certificate and non-certificate program. The brochure is posted in the Narthex with extra copies in the pamphlet rack in Church. These courses offer spiritual growth and enrichment for lay parishioners and accreditation for those seeking certification in a Designated Ministry. For further information on these programs call Tom McDade Clay at 271-3657 ext. 289 or e-mail him at tmcdadecly@stbernards.edu

ADULT FORMATION NEWS

From the desk of Drew Desmarais

ADULT FAITH E-MAIL BULLETIN

This month, I will be putting together a bulletin for adults to be sent out periodically through e-mail. This bulletin will consist of reviews of current books, articles and will include reminders about upcoming adult formation opportunities in the parish and in the neighboring Webster-Penfield Parishes. The purpose of the bulletin is to present up to date information quickly and direct to you through e-mail. In order for me to send you this information, I will need your e-mail address. You can send your address to me at ddesmarais@dor.org

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ST. RITA'S RETREAT INFORMATION

**LADIES ~ SAVE THE DATE!
September 5-7, 2003**

Ladies of St. Rita's ~ Our annual retreat overlooking beautiful Canandaigua Lake at the Notre Dame Retreat House is getting closer! The retreat will be from Friday, September 5 to Sunday, September 7. Please join us for a weekend of prayer and reflection on friendship. This is a great opportunity to focus on your spiritual life for a weekend. Carpooling is available. Just be at St. Rita's at 5:30pm on September 5 if you need a ride. The Donation is \$120. This year's theme is "Who do you say that I am?" To make a reservation or for more information please call Thelma at 872-0642. Praying to hear from you!

**GENTLEMEN ~ SAVE THE DATE!
September 26-28, 2003**

Would you like to give your spiritual life a boost? The perfect way to do that is to attend the St. Rita's annual Men's Retreat at the Notre Dame Retreat House overlooking beautiful Canandaigua Lake. This year's theme is "Who do you say that I am?" For more information call Al Dittman at 671-7453.

**3rd & 4th AND 5th - 6th GRADE
CYO SOCCER REGISTRATION
HAS BEGUN!**

St. Rita CYO Soccer Registration has begun for the fall season. All parish children entering grades 3-6 are eligible to participate. Registration forms can be picked up at the Parish Office or the Narthex in Church. There is a one-time entry fee of \$25 per child or \$35.00 per family. The registration deadline is Friday, August 15. The number of teams will be dependant on your registration form being in on Friday, August 15 and that Coaches have volunteered. If you have any questions please call:

John Burnette at 671-0156 for 3rd & 4th grade prog.
Carol Pilato at 265-0931 for 5th & 6th grade program

Thanks and come support our St. Rita Tigers!

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Attention Cursillistas: The next Men's Cursillo begins Thursday, July 31. We need palanca. We also hope that all of you will consider making las mananitas and the closing (morning and evening on August 3). Please leave palanca either in the parish office before 4:00 PM on Thursday, July 31, or place it in the special basket for palanca in the Library in Church. The candidates are Tom DiSalvo, Richard DeMartino, Gerald Saunders and John Connell. If you are considering attending any event, please let Fr. Joe know. He would like the St. Rita people to be together.

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"Have you lost a spouse to death or divorce?"

Beginning Experience of Rochester, a peer ministry for those suffering grief from being divorced, widowed and separated, will offer a group discussion on the book "Rebuilding After the Relationship Ends" by Dr. Bruce Fisher. This discussion group begins Sunday, September 7, 2-5 PM for ten weeks at St. Charles Borromeo Prayer Center, 3003 Dewey Avenue, Rochester. For information contact Colleen Donnellan, 865-6015 or the BE "INFO LINE" 987-1750."

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REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE
Saturday, August 9, 2003**

Theater on the Ridge (Kodak Park)
200 Ridge Rd. West
Registration is at 8:00am ~ Mass at 5:15pm

The day includes a variety of well-known Speakers
Chaplet of Divine Mercy ~ Eucharistic Adoration ~
Lunch ~ Music of Catholic Singer-Songwriter
Simonetta and Mass

To register or for additional information please call
Lise at 671-6534 or Alice at 671-0813.

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**Bus Trip to the
National Shrine of St. Rita in Philadelphia, PA
National Shrine of St. Jude in Baltimore, MD
October 27-28, 2003**

Trip includes roundtrip motor coach from Rochester
to Philadelphia and Baltimore. Dinner and overnight
accommodations in Baltimore, MD and lunch on the
way home. Mass at St. Rita's Shrine and St. Jude's.
\$179 per person. A deposit of \$50 is needed by
August 7.

"Continuing the Journey"
in association with Hear & There, Inc.

Also available:

August 15 Fatima Shrine in Lewiston
September 11-15 Cruise with Fr. Joe Catanise
October 4-5 Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, MA

For more information or to register for any of these
trips please call Candi at 719-9433.

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St. Ann's Community ~ Rochester's premier
provider of Senior Services, invites you to visit their
three Adult Day Centers in Penfield, Irondequoit, and
Rochester that benefit older adults with memory
problems, decreased functioning, chronic illness,
depression, or social isolation. Family caregivers,
also receive much needed rest. To learn more about
the Home Connection in Irondequoit or Home &
Heart of Penfield and to register for a complimentary
day, call 697-6361 or visit
www.stannscommunity.com

**Our St. Rita Choir is hosting a
RUMMAGE
SALE**

**Friday, July 25
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
and
Saturday, July 26
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

at St. Rita Parish Center Gym

**This is a major fund-raising effort
for our group. The proceeds will
be used for our choir's pilgrimage
to Austria this October.**

Donations are needed!

**Now is the time to clean out your
closets, garages and basements!
Do you have any unneeded items
you would like to donate? Please
consider donating items to the
rummage sale.**

Items can be brought to the Gym:

- * During Mass times this weekend**
- * Mon., Tues., Wed. from
6:00-9:00pm**
- * or call the Parish Office
671-1100.**

**Please no clothing except Infant -
Toddler clothes and please make
sure all electronic items are in
working order.**

**All donations are greatly appreciated!
Hope to see you there!**