

EUCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2006

No Masses

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2006

7:00AM JOSEPH DRABICKI – Bob & Anne Muir

9:15AM MARY LOU ALLOCCO –
The George Schum Family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2006

9:15AM ELMER MAURER (25th Anniversary) –
Ginny and Family

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2006

7:00AM JAMES HASCHMANN – The Dill Family

9:15AM DENNIS MURTAUGH –
Sister Patty, Joe and Sons

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2006

9:15AM MARY URSO – Leo & Pat Urso

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2006

5:00PM MEMBERS OF THE DI CIACCIO FAMILY
Tony & Maria Sutera

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2006

7:30AM IN THANKSGIVING TO ST. RITA, ST.
ANTHONY AND ST. JUDE - Anonymous

9:00AM MARY PARISI – Evelyn Parisi

10:30AM GERALD PINKNEY –
Charles & Irene Keegan

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This week the Tabernacle Light will burn for the intentions of the People of St. Rita Parish

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SACRAMENT NEWS

FIRST EUCHARIST PARENT MEETINGS

On **Wednesday, January 18** and **Thursday, January 19**, there will be parent meetings for the start of the First Eucharist Program. The meetings will be held in Church at 7:30 p.m.

The January 18 meeting is designed for parents who are going through this process for the first time. The January 19 meeting is geared to the parents repeating this sacrament. You only need to attend one meeting. If this is your third child going through the process, you can pick up the material at the Religious Education Office starting Tuesday, January 24 and bypass the meetings.

Pastor's Perspective

One of my New Year's resolutions is to say thank you more often and always take the time to express my gratitude for those who are so supportive of the life of our parish family here at St. Rita. Let me begin today:

- As you know – because Christmas fell on a Sunday, we were worried about the loss – equivalent to an entire weekend collection. In fact you responded with the largest Christmas collection in the parish's history - \$43,255 . . . Thank You
- Last week we met and exceeded our TGA Diocesan Ministries Appeal. 890 donors gave \$83,463 and some gifts are still coming in. . . . Thank You
- As we worked on the Parish Budget for 2005-2006 we were looking at a deficit. Thanks to the work of both the Finance and Parish Councils and your generosity, we are in the black. We still have much work to do, but we are hopeful of finishing the year slightly ahead of what we budgeted. . . . Thank You
- You will recall that on the Partners in Faith Capital Campaign we exceeded our goal significantly and pledged \$913,695.55. One half of all pledges paid comes back to our parish explicitly for the three parts of our Parish Case Statement. In today's bulletin you will see a page that spells out where we are to date and what these monies have accomplished. Again . . . Thank You

When we are good stewards of all the gifts God has given us – great things happen for our faith community. Thank you,

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NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

Consider the gifts of the Spirit that have been given to you. How are those gifts being used to serve and to build God's kingdom? Is God calling you to serve as a husband or wife - a parent - a single person? Might God be calling you to a Church vocation – lay, consecrated, or ordained? Let us listen for God's invitation for us. To speak with someone regarding a possible vocation to the Priesthood, or other Church vocation, please call the Office of Vocation Awareness at the Diocese of Rochester at 461-2890 or visit our website at www.dor.org and choose "Vocations".

PLANS FOR THE WEEK JANUARY 15, 2006

SUNDAY

8:30-11:00am Breakfast Club – Gym

MONDAY

No Religious Education Classes
 11:30am-2:00pm St. Rita Society Luncheon – Gym
 7:00pm Parish Pastoral Council – Rm 1
 7:30-9:00pm Caregivers Support Group – Rm 3

TUESDAY

No Religious Education Classes
 9:00-11:00am MOMS Group – Rm 3 & 4
 1:00pm Recovery – Rm 3
 3:45-4:30pm Children's Choir – Rm 3
 4:30-5:30pm Religious Education – School
 7:00-9:00pm Social Action Ministry – Parish Office

WEDNESDAY

2:30-3:15pm Children's Choir – Rm 3
 7:00pm Liturgy Committee – Rm 1
 7:30pm First Eucharist Parent Meeting – Church
 8:30-10:00pm Men's Basketball – Gym

THURSDAY

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3
 7:00pm New School Parent Info Night – Gym
 7:30pm Companions in Grief Group – Rm 1
 7:30pm First Eucharist Parent Meeting – Church

FRIDAY

2:00pm Jesus Rosary – Church

SATURDAY

7:30pm **SPECIAL CONCERT – Church**

PARISH SUPPORT

Last Week	Weekly Goal	Variance
\$15,443	\$13,770	+ \$1,673
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$383,302	\$385,560	- \$2,258

(Our fiscal year is 7/1/05 - 6/30/06)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

* Monthly Mortgage Payment - \$5,836
 Current Parish Center Mortgage Balance -\$480,211

2005 Parish Contribution Statements

Will be available in Room 1 after all Masses the weekend of January 28 & 29 and at the Parish Office beginning Monday, January 30.

SACRISTAN:

Week of January 15 Diane Cocilova

LINENS:

Week of January 22 Martine Cianciotto

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

Matthew Michael Grattan

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BIBLE READINGS:

- 15 Sun 2nd **Sunday in Ordinary Time** 1 Sm 3:3b-10,19 Ps 40:2,4,7-10 1 Cor 6:13c-15a,17-20 Jn 1:35-42
- 16 Mon 1 Sm 15:16-23 Ps 50:8-9,16-17,21,23 Mk 2:18-22
- 17 Tue **St. Anthony, Abbot** 1 Sm 16:1-13 Ps 89:20-22,27-28 Mk 2:23-28
- 18 Wed 1 Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51 Ps 144:1-2,9-10 Mk 3:1-6
- 19 Thu 1 Sm 18:6-9;19:1-7 Ps 56:2-3,9-13 Mk 3:7-12
- 20 Fri 1 Sm 24:3-21 Ps 57:2-4,6,11 Mk 3:13-19
- 21 Sat **St. Agnes** 2 Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27 Ps 80:2-3,5-7 Mk 3:20-21
- 22 Sun 3rd **Sunday in Ordinary Time** Jon 3:1-5,10 Ps 25:4-9 1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20

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**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED
 NEXT WEEKEND ~ January 21 & 22**

Saturday, 5:00pm:

C. Smith, H. Lodico, L. Ciszewski, B. Bernardi

Sunday, 7:30am:

Sean McGrath, Kyle McGrath, Mike Hansen

Sunday, 9:00am:

Lauren Tatanus, Lauren Benz, Gianna Gallese

Sunday, 10:30am:

Sabrina Rotolo, Marisa Rotolo, Jamie Farris

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BREAKFAST CLUB NEWS!

Breakfast is served every Sunday morning from 8:30am to 11:00am in the gym. Order from a complete breakfast menu.

Next week's special: Waffles or Pancakes with Fresh Blueberry Sauce served with your choice of bacon or sausage and a free bottomless cup of coffee for \$3.00.

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**COMPANIONS IN GRIEF
 SUPPORT GROUP**

**Thursday, January 19
 at 7:30pm in Room 1**

All who have experienced the loss of a loved one through death are invited to attend. All are most welcome!

JANUARY 15, 2006

Stepping Stones to Stewardship

"Tell the rich in the present age not to be proud and not to rely on so uncertain a thing as wealth but rather to God, who richly provides us with all things for our enjoyment." 1

Timothy 6:17

Stewardship Live It!

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WEBSTER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NIGHT

The Webster Catholic Schools will have **Parent Information Nights** to explain their Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 6 and Day Care programs for the 2006-2007 school year. The registration process will also be discussed. The first one will be on:

**Thursday, January 19 at 7:00pm
at St. Rita School**
1008 Maple Dr. (671-3132)

The second will be held on:

**Wednesday, January 25
at 7:00pm at Holy Trinity School**
1456 Ridge Rd. (265-2002)

Baby-sitting will be available both evenings.

NOTE: Tours of the Monroe County Catholic Schools will be held on Wednesday, February 8 (9:00am - 2:00pm). You will be able to enjoy part of a typical day at St. Rita and Holy Trinity schools.

From the desk of Mary Jo DiDia, Youth Minister



671-1100 ext. 18 ~ mdidia@dor.org

**Sunday, January 22 from 5:30-7:30pm
YOUTH GROUP GATHERING**

All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to the Parish Center gym for our next Youth Group gathering. Please come early so we can begin right at 5:30.

Go to St. Rita Parish Website www.saintrita.org and click on Youth Group for a list of events or for more information about St. Rita Youth Group please call Mary Jo our Youth Minister at 671-1100 x 18.

Special Concert

at St. Rita Church
Saturday, January 21 at 7:30pm

Featuring:
**John Chiazza, Tenor
and Stephanie Honz, Accompanist**

Join us for a beautiful evening of song featuring Italian, sacred, and popular music

A benefit for St. Rita Ministries

Tickets available at the door.
\$10.00 adults and \$5.00 students

Program will be followed by coffee and dessert in the gym.

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"Love My Parish . . . Love To Travel Raffle"

Your chance to **Win a \$4,000 "Go Anywhere"** (*well almost anywhere*) **Travel Voucher**. This is a great opportunity to help support the parish you love, while getting the chance at the trip of a lifetime. All proceeds will go directly to support our parish needs.

Only 2,400 tickets are being sold - that's one ticket for every family/household in our Saint Rita Faith Community. **This gives you a great chance to WIN!** Tickets were mailed to every household. The donation is \$20 per ticket. Place your raffle tickets in the collection basket on the weekend or mail it to the parish office by February 2.

Beginning February 2, the public sale of all remaining tickets not purchased by Parish family and friends, up to 2,400 total tickets will begin. **All Official Raffle Tickets must be received by February 14 at 12:00pm**, for the special event drawing at Saint Rita.

If you Love Your Parish, and Love to Travel, this raffle is the best of both worlds; helping our Parish needs and ministries AND a chance to win a \$4,000 Travel Voucher. **Questions?** Please call the Parish Office at 671-1100. Thanks for your continued stewardship of Saint Rita Parish.

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FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

Our **Parish Health Ministry Committee** will be offering free Blood Pressure Screenings after all Masses next weekend in Room 1.

La Casa Update ~ La Casa the Transitional house for the migrant workers at 16 Maple Ave, Village of Sodus needs help in many unskilled jobs to finish up the project. There is trim painting, light carpentry and odd jobs that need to be done. Men, women and teens are welcome. All volunteers are covered by insurance. Work days are 8-5 Tues. - Sat. and the construction foreman can be reached at 315-573-9938 (cell) or Joyce Hollander at 671-3281 for more information. To get to La Casa take route 104 East and at the second signal light after Williamson turn right on Maple Ave. La Casa is a mile down the road on the left (across from Verizon) and shares the driveway with the Reform Church. Please park in the back.

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**MARRIAGE AND MEYERS BRIGGS:
What does personality bring to Marriage?**

At this evening session, couples will have a chance to learn something new about each other through the use of the Meyers Briggs Personality Inventory. They will then learn how personality affects our views of each other in the intimate area of marriage and family.

Join Deacon John and Betsy McDermott at the Mercy Prayer Center on Saturday, February 11 from 7:00-9:00pm. Betsy is Assistant Director of Career Counseling at St John Fisher College and a certified instructor in Meyers Briggs Personality Inventory. To register, please call the Mercy Prayer Center at 473-6893.

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GLOBAL ETHICS IN AN AGE OF WAL-MART

- Is it right for corporations to send more and more jobs to China?
- Should the government try to protect US industries at the expense of helping emerging countries with their own development?
- Should consumers join boycotts against retailers like Wal-Mart for their employment practices?

How do we as Catholic Christians respond to these questions? Deacon John McDermott and Marv Mich will lead an evening seminar on January 24 from 7:30-9:00pm at Transfiguration Church, 45 West Bloomfield Rd., in Pittsford. Come and learn more about Catholic Social Teaching in this complex and challenging area. To register, call Damian Zynda at 248-2427, or just come!

John McDermott is Deacon at St. Rita Church and has over 20 years experience in international business. **Marv Mich** is Director of the Office of Social Policy and Research at Catholic Family Center in Rochester.

ST. RITA SOCIETY NEWS!

**ANNUAL PIE SALE
Weekend of February 4 & 5**

APPLE, PEACHES, PUMPKIN PIE

~ The St. Rita Society will be holding their annual **PIE SALE** after all Masses the weekend of February 4 & 5. There will be a wonderful assortment of flavors. Each pie will sell for \$7.00. Anyone wishing to donate a pie is encouraged to do so. Just drop it off before Mass. Pick up a pie to enjoy during the Super Bowl! All proceeds will be used for St. Rita Society projects.

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**St. Rita's Boy Scout Troop 163
PASTA DINNER**

Saturday, February 4 from 4:00-7:00pm

At St. Rita Parish Center

Adults \$6.50 ~ Children 6-11 \$4.00 ~ Under 5 free

Tickets available at the door

Call Nadine at 671-7206 for more info.

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**Webster K of C to Sponsor Youth Basketball
"Free Throw Championship"**

Saturday, January 21

Boys and girls ages 10-14 are invited to compete in their respective age divisions. Registration begins at 9:00am with the competition beginning at 9:30am in the State Road Elementary School gymnasium located at 1401 State Rd. All contestants will be recognized for their participation and local winners will compete in the district competition to be held in February 2006. District winners will then qualify to move on to the state and possibly the international levels. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. For entry forms or additional information please contact Mark Ludington at 218-6380.

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YOUR GENEROSITY AT WORK

Copy of letter from HOPE recipient

Dear HOPE House Staff:
Thank you so much for being there for us, to help with food, gas, and other things. My family was in hardship for 2 ½ years. Because of your service we were able to eat and make amends. Thank you again. I pray for the HOPE House often. I am so glad you provide for the people in Webster. **I'm glad there are people like you to care for people like me.** My husband got a permanent job, at BOCES Educational Systems. He was hired in May and became permanent in October. Because of the good job we no longer need the help. Thanks again. Thanks for your prayers.

Come join the 33rd **Annual March for Life** in Washington, DC. A coach bus will leave St. Thomas the Apostle Church on January 22 at 10:00pm. We will arrive in Washington DC in time for Holy Mass at the National Shrine on Monday, January 23. The coach bus returns to Rochester at midnight on January 23. Please contact Mary Jo at 342-3216 or Dorothy at 265-0345 for more information.

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A MINI RETREAT WITH KATHLEEN CHESTO
At St. Joseph's Church in Penfield
Saturday, January 21 from 1:00-4:00pm

Where Does Faith Come From? What is faith? How do we become people of faith? What are the important steps in that journey and how do we share faith in our families? Naming God: The names we have for God shape how we live out our faith. Many of those names are given to us in childhood. Some are the result of our own study and prayer. All of those names are capable of helping or hurting our relationship with God. How do you name God? Kathleen Chesto is a woman of faith, a wife, a mother, a storyteller, who gives parish missions and addresses catechetical conventions throughout the United States and Canada. Kathleen holds a doctorate in ministry from Hartford Seminary and a master's in religious studies from St. Joseph College. She is the author of numerous books, articles and videos on spirituality and family life. Please RSVP to Michelle Peter at 586-8089 x 18 or at mpeter@dor.org

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Free Tax Preparation

Who: Anyone who needs help filing their taxes
Where: HOPE House, 1450 Ridge Road
When: February 9th from 5-9 pm,
and March 16th if necessary
How: Make appointment with Jackie Harrison, by calling 265-6694.
Service provided by Rural Opportunities Inc. in association with St. John Fisher College

January 15, 2006

Partners in Faith Report

- Total Pledged by St. Rita Parishioners \$913,695.55
- Half to the Diocese of Rochester \$456,847
- Half to St. Rita Church \$456,847

- Amount St. Rita received back from the Diocese to date: \$245,256
(5th highest return to any parish in the diocese)

- Outstanding pledges: \$427,219

Our Partners in Faith Case Statement has three parts:

1. Pastoral Care for our growing parish:

- Moved Youth Minister to a full-time position
- Music Director moves to full time over 3 years \$41,135

- Creation of 2 more staff offices, computers and a printer \$ 5,019

- Total:** \$46,154

Case item 1 is now capped and completed

2. Reduction of Mortgage (to date): \$39,678

3. Enhancement and enlargement of our worship space: \$15,000 (fees for LaBella Assoc. for preliminary concept designs)

Monies remaining in the Partners in Faith Account (a reserved fund) \$187,105