

EUCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

MONDAY, JULY 17, 2006

7:00AM ROBIN DAVIS SMITH –
The O'Connor Family
9:15AM CARMELLA IULIANELLO –
Francey & Ray Roth

TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2006

7:00AM BETTY BLEIER – Bill Bleier
9:15AM MARGARET PINKNEY –
Tom & Kim O'Brien

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2006

9:15AM EILEEN BAREIS – St. Rita Society

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2006

7:00AM JOSEPH ISAAC – Mary & Bud Grandpre
9:15AM ARTHUR J. CONNORTON – Family

FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2006

9:15AM NICK AGNELLO - The Fantigrossi Family

SATURDAY, JULY 22, 2006

5:00PM DORIS RIEFLIN – Family

SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2006

7:30AM MR. & MRS. JOSEPH FABRIZI –
Kirk Stenson
9:00AM JAMES MICHAEL HOLLA –
Ronald DiNoto & Genevieve Leone
10:30AM JOSEPH PROETO –
Ann Marie & Anthony Lipari

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**This week the Tabernacle Light
will burn for a Special Intention**

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ST. RITA'S ~ PRAYER LINE

Did you know that we have a very active Prayer Line here at St. Rita Parish? Your request of any kind can be passed along to over 100 people who will remember your need in their daily prayer. If you would like to have a special intention remembered in prayer through our Prayer Line, please call either Eleanor Hanley at 671-3247 or Lee Bartle at 671-6286. We thank Lee and Eleanor for coordinating this compassionate ministry.

Pastor's Perspective

Some lighter thoughts for summer:

An atheist was taking a walk through the woods.

"What majestic trees! What powerful rivers! What beautiful animals", he said to himself.

As he was walking alongside the river he heard a rustling in the bushes behind him. He turned to look. He saw a 7 foot grizzly charge towards him.

He ran as fast as he could up the path. He looked over his shoulder and saw that the bear was closing in on him. He looked over his shoulder again, and the bear was even closer. He tripped and fell on the ground. He rolled over to pick himself up but saw the bear right on top of him, reaching for him with his left paw and raising his right paw to strike him.

At an instant the atheist cried out: "Oh my God . . ."

Time stopped.

The bear froze.

The forest was silent.

As a bright light shone upon the man, a voice came out of the sky:

"You deny my existence for all of these years, teach others I don't exist, and even credit creation to a cosmic accident. Do you expect me to help you out of this predicament? Am I to count you as a believer?"

The atheist looked directly into the light, "It would be hypocritical of me to suddenly ask you to treat me as a Christian now, but perhaps could you make the Bear a Christian?"

"Very well", said the voice.

The light went out.

The sounds of the forest resumed.

And then the bear dropped his right paw, brought both paws together and bowed his head and spoke:

"Lord, bless this food, which I am about to receive from thy bounty through Christ our Lord, Amen."

Laughter is good for the heart and soul!

Peace,

PLANS FOR THE WEEK **JULY 16, 2006**

TUESDAY

1:00pm Recovery – Rm 3

PARISH SUPPORT		
Last Week	Weekly Goal	Variance
\$11,078	\$13,770	- \$2,692
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$26,629	\$27,540	+ \$911
(Our fiscal year is 7/1/06 - 6/30/07)		
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!		
* Monthly Mortgage Payment - \$5,836		
Current Parish Center Mortgage Balance -\$462,415		
Thank you for making up your weekly donation after you return from vacation.		

ST. RITA VBS 2006
Son Treasure Island
Discovering God's Love

Vacation Bible School 2006 was a great success! Over 160 children spent the week discovering God's Love at Son Treasure Island. They learned that God's Love is Giving, Kind, Caring, Forgiving, and Forever.

Many thanks, to the nearly 100 volunteers who led the children in games, lessons, crafts and provided fun and delicious snacks. Special thanks to Mary Jo DiDia, and several members of the Youth Group who educated and entertained the children daily through amusing skits and inspirational songs.

Also, thanks go out to all the families who participated in this year's service project. Our VBS family was able to collect over 150 boxes of cereal, 200 roles of toilet paper, hundreds of diapers, over 150 jars of peanut butter and hundreds of tubes of toothpaste and bars of soap for the women and children in need at Bethany House. Your response was overwhelming!

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Thank you ~ to all the Volunteers who made the Strawberry Social for our Seniors a great success!

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HUGE RUMMAGE SALE

Friday, July 21 and Saturday, July 22
 At St. Louis Church, Main St. in Pittsford
 The sale will benefit the combined choirs of St. Rita Church and St. Louis Church to help defray the cost of their trip to Italy in April 2007.

We welcome the newest members of our parish family who were baptized this weekend:

Caitlin Virginia Weisskopf
Eliza Marie McGonigle

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BIBLE READINGS:

- 16 Sun **15th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Am 7:12-15 Ps 85:9-14 Eph 1:3-14 Mk 6:7-13
- 17 Mon Is 1:10-17 Ps 50:8-9,16-17,21,23 Mt 10:34-11:1
- 18 Tue Is 7:1-9 Ps 48:2-8 Mt 11:20-24
- 19 Wed Is 10:5-7,13b-16 Ps 94:5-10,14-15 Mt 11:25-27
- 20 Thu Is 26:7-9,12,16-19 Ps 102:13-21 Mt 11:28-30
- 21 Fri Is 38:1-8,21-22 Is 38:10-12,16 Mt 12:1-8
- 22 Sat **St. Mary Magdalene** Mi 2:1-5 Ps 10:1-4,7-8,14 Jn 20:1-2,11-18
- 23 Sun **16th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Jer 23:1-6 Ps 23:1-6 Eph 2:13-18 Mk 6:30-34

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ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED
Next Weekend ~ July 22 & 23

- Saturday, 5:00pm:**
 Brian Chmiel, Andrew Chmiel, Chris Gilbert
- Sunday, 7:30am:**
 John Hohl, Dan Hohl, Michael Hohl
- Sunday, 9:00am:**
 Tim Bruno, Tyler Fulmer, Kyle Swovick
- Sunday, 10:30am:**
 Kevin Connell, Phil DeMarco, Steven Fantigrossi

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SACRISTAN:

Week of July 16 Agnes Kopin

LINENS:

Week of July 23 Maureen Morehouse

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CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD NEEDS YOU!

Offered during the 9:00am & 10:30am Masses

The Children's Liturgy of the Word program is in need of additional catechists, otherwise we will not be able to provide this program every weekend. If you can help or would like information contact Ellen Smith, 671-9637 or Teri Bucks, 265-0984.

JULY 16, 2006

ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration 2006-2007

The Registration deadline for the 2006-2007 school year was June 22. If you neglected to submit your Registration Form please do so as soon as possible as classes are filling. Extra forms are available in the Religious Education Office, the Parish Office and in the Narthex of the Church.

Stepping Stones to Stewardship

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth... but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” **Matthew 6:19-21**

Stewardship Live It!

We have openings for catechists at these times:

Monday at 4:30 – Grade 2
 Tuesday at 4:30 – Grade 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

Please consider joining our great team of teachers!

RETREAT DATES SET FOR SEPTEMBER

12th ANNUAL WOMEN’S RETREAT will be held Friday, September 8 – Sunday, September 10 at the Notre Dame Retreat House overlooking Canandaigua Lake.

The theme this year is *“Do Not Be Afraid; I Give You Peace”*. There will be four talks will be presented:

1. **What is Faith?** Trust in Jesus Christ brings us peace. It is a gift from God.
2. **Faith and Church Today** – By faith one wholly and freely commits to the person of Jesus Christ.
3. **Faith and Suffering** – is a key part of the Pascal Mystery. Focus on the power of suffering on our journey to eternity.
4. **Faith Lived** – We are all called to make the living word the “Lived Word” and truly be people who show by our lives we have the peace of Christ in our lives.

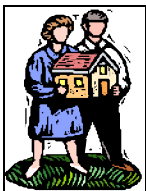
To carpool meet at St. Rita Church parking lot at 5:30pm on Sept. 8 (sign in is at 7:00pm) and we will return on Sept. 10 about 11:00pm. For reservations call Thelma at 872-0642 or Anita at 872-3789 by Sunday, August 27. Suggested stipend: single room/shared bath \$130 – double room/shared bath \$100 per person. Double room used as a single with private bath \$190. Meals included. Don’t let the price keep you away; pay what you are able!

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ALL ARE INVITED

See the Fruits of Your Generosity!

OPEN HOUSE AND BARBEQUE



La Casa
 (Housing for migrant workers)
 16 Maple Avenue, Sodus, NY
 Friday, August 4 4:00 - 7:00pm

Please RSVP to Peter at 315-483-9034 or pmares@dor.org by July 31st

Parish registration is **required** prior to registering for Religious Education and Sacrament Preparation Programs. If you have not registered with the Parish, please meet Betsy McDermott on any Sunday morning before or after the 9:00 or 10:30 Masses in the Church library.

If you have any questions about our Elementary Religious Education Program please contact Anita Wagner at 671-2079.

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HOSPITAL RULES HAVE CHANGED!

Please have someone let the parish office know if you are admitted to the hospital.

The new federal privacy regulations make it much more difficult for the parish to be notified by the hospital when parishioners have been admitted. We would like to visit them but depend on you to let us know when a parishioner or relative is in the hospital. Please let us know by calling the Parish Office at 671-1100.

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SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION 2006-2007

Registration for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, 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 will take place. Children who are seven years old are eligible for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation.

ADULT FORMATION E-MAIL NEWSLETTER

Once a month Drew puts together a newsletter with a summary of articles from Catholic publications such as **America, Origins, St. Anthony Messenger, Theology Today.** The summary of the article in the newsletter is concise and therefore an advantage for very busy people to keep up on current developments in the Catholic faith through the convenience of e-mail. If you are interested in receiving this monthly newsletter from Drew, write him at his e-mail address: ddeymarais@dor.org. If you have any questions about this newsletter, call Drew at 671-1100, ext 15.

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BULLETIN ADVERTISING SPACE AVAILABLE

Consider advertising your business in St. Rita's weekly bulletin. Over 1100 copies of the bulletin are printed each week. The price of advertising helps the parish offset the cost of the bulletin printing and you will be reaching out to many families in our parish. The price is \$280 per year or \$75 per quarter for a single ad. Please call Sharon or Lisa at the parish office (671-1100 x 12) if you are interested.

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ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT Our Annual Men's Retreat will be held on Friday - Sunday, September 22-24 at the Notre Dame Retreat House as well.

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Mass Schedule of Neighboring Churches

St. Paul's (783 Hard Rd., Webster)
Saturday at 5:00pm
Sunday at 9:00am & 11:00am

Holy Spirit (1355 Hatch Rd., Webster)
Saturday at 5:00 & 7:30pm
Sunday at 8:30am, 10:30am, and 12:00 Noon

Holy Trinity (1460 Ridge Rd., Webster)
Saturday at 5:00pm
Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am

St. Cecelia (2732 Culver Rd. Irondequoit)
Saturday at 5:00pm
Sunday at 8:00am, 9:30am and 11:30am

St. Ambrose (25 Empire Blvd. Irondequoit)
Sunday at 9:45am and 5:00pm

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ST. AMBROSE CHURCH

*** SATURDAY ***

July 22nd - SALE DAY
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

A Gym Full of Items & Coffee, Muffins, Hot Dogs, Drinks & Snacks Available - July 23rd - 1/2 Price DAY & Coffee Hour 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

*** SUNDAY * In Dailey Hall Sale**

Christ the King School Seeks Graduates and Former Staff!

TUTOR IN A DIOCESAN CITY SCHOOL
A gift to yourself and a boost for a child

Caring adults and older teens are needed to provide assistance to our Catholic City School children by serving as tutors and mentors. As a tutor/mentor your services might include helping a child with his/her school work, assisting in the library or computer rooms, attending field trips or just getting to know one another. The one on one attention provided to a child provides encouragement and goes far in building self-esteem. We are currently in the process of preparing for the upcoming school year and would love to hear from you. Please contact Karen Francati at 671-2296 or e-mail at francati@aol.com or S. Janet Korn at 328-3228x1287 or skorn@dor.org.

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Christ the King School in Rochester, NY is turning 50 years old in 2007 and we are going to have a reunion. Join us on March 18, 2007 for a walk down memory lane and to see what the school looks like now. All graduates and staff members can visit our website to register – schools.dor.org/ctk or call the school office at 585- 467-8730 with your information. As we draw closer to the main event we will send updates to all those who let us know how to reach them. We would love to hear from all of you. You can also write to us at: Christ the King School, 445 Kings Hwy. S. Rochester, NY 14617.

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Fall 2006 -Spring 2007 Trips

9/28/06-10/5/06 - Italy with Fr. Joe Catanise. Sorrento, Italian Riviera, Rome. Includes airfare, hotel, sightseeing and more. \$2699 per person. Last days to register.

12/01/06-5th Annual Advent Bus trip to Fatima Shrine, the Festival of Lights including The Buffalo Botanical Gardens Tour with Fr. Joe, \$69 per person.

2/13/07-2/20/07 - FATIMA and THE ALGARVE-\$1769 per person, double Occupancy. Includes air from Rochester, hotel accommodations, sightseeing.

10/17/07-10/27/07 - Cruise the Danube with Fr. Joe. Early booking bonus. Starting at \$2199 plus port charges from JFK. A refundable deposit of \$300 due by July 25, 2006. After that, the price increases to \$2899.

Call Hear & There, Inc. at 719-9433 or by e-mail to ccatanise@yahoo.com for information.

From the Desk of Mary Jo DiDia, Youth Minister 671-1100 x 18 ~ mdidia@dor.org

YOUTH NEWS

1st Annual Senior Send-Off Mass – Saturday, July 29 at 5:00pm

Join us in wishing our high school seniors “Godspeed”. This will be followed by a reception and then a “lock-in” for all current 2005 -2006 Sr. High Youth Group members. RSVP is required to Mary Jo by Friday, June 21.

Discount Cards For Sale

The Youth Group is selling discount cards for use at area businesses. The cards are \$10.00 each. The proceeds will help fund our Youth Retreats and Programs. Please stop by the parish office to purchase a card. Cards may be used over and over for each business - 1 visit per day – good through May of 2007.