

EUCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

MONDAY, JULY 31, 2006

7:00AM ROBERT MARTON – The Marton Family
 9:15AM MORNING PRAYER

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2006

9:15AM MADELINE PAYCOFF – Daughter

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2006

9:15AM MORNING PRAYER

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2006

9:15AM KATHY PALUMBO – Patty & Joe Janiak

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4, 2006

9:15AM PAT ALWARD – Clara Alward

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2006

5:00PM RICHARD DI MARIA – Joseph & Ruth Gombetto

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2006

7:30AM LEE MITCHELTREE – St. Rita Society
 9:00AM MARY HUDY – Verna & Phil, Bill & Dorothy
 10:30AM ROBERT WILKINSON – Pauline Lincourt



This week the Tabernacle Light will burn for Don & Shirley Requa's 63rd wedding anniversary

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Wedding Banns

Anne Marie Schouten & Branden Farrell

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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.

In respect for the prayerful celebration of the Eucharist, please turn off all cell phones and pagers. Thank you.

Stepping Stones to Stewardship

We should be honest with ourselves and with our God. Our contribution of time, talent and treasure to our Church needs to reflect the blessings God has bestowed upon us.

Stewardship Live It!

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.

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!

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 Elementary Religious Education please contact Anita Wagner at 671-2079.

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Webster-Penfield Catholic Connection
COMPANIONS IN GRIEF GROUP
 Present

Discovering Together What We Have Lost

An Informal evening together – sharing stories and treasured memories.

**Facilitated by Susan Miller, MA, MS
 Chaplain for Lifetime Care**

**Wednesday, August 16 at 7:30pm
 At Holy Spirit Church**

(Corner of Hatch and Plank Roads)

All who have lost a loved one through death are welcome to join us for this informal gathering.

TUESDAY

1:00pm

Recovery – Rm 3

PARISH SUPPORT

Last Week	Weekly Goal	Variance
\$11,632	\$14,330	-\$2,698
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$48,925	\$57,320	-\$8,395
(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 -\$459,370

Thank you for making up your weekly donation after you return from vacation.

ALL ARE INVITED

See the Fruits of Your Generosity!

OPEN HOUSE AND BARBEQUE

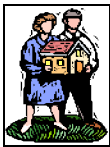
La Casa

(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

SACRISTAN:

Week of July 30 MaryAnn Beikirch & Jean Melia

LINENS:

Week of August 6 Annette Rosotti

FOOD COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

On the first Sunday of each month, parishioners are asked to bring in food for the needy in our area. Food may be left in the greeting area of Church. Please remember to bring your nonperishable foods to church with you next weekend. Your Social Action Ministry Committee thanks you!

St. Rita's has a special blessing for expectant parents held on the first Sunday of each month. Our next Expectant Parent Blessing will take place during all of the Masses the weekend of August 5 & 6.

BIBLE READINGS:

- 30 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
- 31 Mon St. Ignatius of Loyola Jer 13:1-11 Dt 32:18-21 Mt 13:31-35
- 1 Tue St. Alphonsus Ligouri Jer 14:17-22 Ps 79:8-9,11,13 Mt 13:36-43
- 2 Wed Jer 15:10,16-21 Ps 59:2-4,10-11,17-18 Mt 13:44-46
- 3 Thu Jer 18:1-6 Ps 146:1-6 Mt 13:47-53
- 4 Fri St. John Mary Vianney Jer 26:1-9 Ps 69:5,8-10,14 Mt 13:54-58
- 5 Sat Jer 26:11-16,24 Ps 69:15-16,30-31,33-34 Mt 14:1-12
- 6 Sun The Transfiguration of the Lord Dn 7:9-10,13-14 Ps 97:1-2,5-6,9 2 Pt 1:16-19 Mk 9:2-10

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED

Next Weekend ~ August 5 & 6

Saturday, 5:00pm:

Lily Ciszewski, Erin Hasso, Breanna Bernardi

Sunday, 7:30am:

Kyle McGrath, Sean McGrath, Josh Kwiatkowski

Sunday, 9:00am:

Candice McCardle, Lauren Benz, Lauren Tatanus

Sunday, 10:30am:

Sabrina Rotolo, Marisa Rotolo, Indy Diumano

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 presented:

1. What is Faith?
2. Faith and Church
3. Faith and Suffering
4. Faith Lived

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 1:00pm. 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!

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.

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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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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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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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.

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: ddesmarais@dor.org. If you have any questions about this newsletter, call Drew at 671-1100, ext 15.

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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 Sr. Janet Korn at 328-3228x1287 or skorn@dor.org.

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Christ the King School Seeks
Graduates and Former Staff!

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 cctanise@yahoo.com for information.

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Beginning Experience of Rochester is offering a ten week healing course for those widowed, divorced and separated based on the book "Rebuilding Your Life When Your Relationship Ends," by Bruce Fisher. The course will be held at Good Shepherd School, Henrietta, beginning Friday Sept. 8 through Friday Nov. 10 from 6:30pm to 9:00pm. For information or registration, please call 768-8431.

July 30, 2006

From the Desk of Fr. Bob...

Training Sessions for New Altar Servers to begin in September

Where has the summer gone? August is here already and soon school will begin again! Fr. Chuck asked me to work with Elaine King and Christine Chapman to welcome and train new young people to serve at Mass. Serving at Mass is a great privilege and honor; to carry the processional cross and lead the entrance procession, to hold the Sacramentary for the Priest and Deacon, to receive the gifts from God's people, to prepare the altar and wash the hands of the priest! By helping the priest and the people carry out the actions of the Mass, altar servers are really serving God. All of these duties require commitment, reverence, attention and devotion to the different parts of the Mass and to Jesus, present in our midst.

Not everyone is called to this ministry of service at the altar, but certainly some boys and girls will want to serve the Lord in this special way. It is awesome to participate as part of our parish family in the Mass as an altar server, but also to do important work of God's people. I recall my own training as an altar server in Watkins Glen. Before we could enroll in Altar Server practice sessions, we had to know by heart all the responses and prayers of the Mass which was celebrated in Latin. The nuns (Sisters of St. Lucy Filippini) would rehearse these prayers with us until we said them all correctly. The hardest prayer for me to learn was the "Confiteor" ("I confess"), which was part of the prayers at the foot of the altar. Now it is part of the penitential rite. I did finally learn it!

Serving Mass today is much simpler; but it is a responsibility and a wonderful gift from the Lord, drawing young people closer to Jesus. As another school year begins, we are inviting girls and boys to help serve on weekends and at the monthly school Masses. We count on parents to encourage and invite their fourth graders and older daughters and sons to consider being Altar Servers. As kids grow, their personalities emerge. We want to offer them the best opportunities to grow spiritually as well as intellectually and emotionally. There is no better way to learn about Jesus and our faith than by participating in the Mass, hearing God's Word and receiving the Bread of Life. It is at Mass that the true Christian Spirit is formed. Altar servers are the closest ones to draw strength directly from the "Spring of Salvation, Jesus, in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass."

Part of the ministry of the server is to "set the pace" for others participating. What servers do and how they do it can assist the people to understand the Mass better. Servers try to become very involved with the Mass, so that the people will become more involved also. People will take more interest in the Mass if they see that the servers are also interested. Being an altar server means serving God and His people at Mass. That is what makes serving Mass worth doing and worth doing well. Good altar servers should want to do their best.

Why does the Priest need servers to help him celebrate the Mass? From the early days of the church, people have thought that the priest should not do everything at Mass and so other people helped out: Deacons, readers, acolytes, etc. Today, altar servers do the same tasks that acolytes did in the past. In times past, altar servers were often young men studying to be priests. Today, altar servers need not be interested in becoming priests, although as you know, there is a great need for more priests in our church today, and many priestly vocations come from serving Mass. In 1994, the rule that only boys could be servers at Mass was changed. Girls are also welcome to assist the priest and deacon at Mass and we encourage the service of our girls and boys at the altar here at St. Rita Church. Why not give it a try? If you have any questions or an interest in this ministry please call Elaine King at 671-4930, Christine Chapman at 671-0346 or me at 671-1100 x 21.

Peace,

Fr. Bob

SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION 2006-2007 HAS BEGUN

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.