

# EUCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2006**

9:15AM JOSEPHINE TIBERIO –  
Carl & Ann Tiberio

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2006**

7:00AM JOSEPH BIANCO – The Carroll Family  
9:15AM MORNING PRAYER

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2006**

9:15AM ARTHUR CONN – Joan Pinkney

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2006**

7:00AM BERNADETTE SILLERY –  
Leonard Genesky & Family  
9:15AM MORNING PRAYER

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2006**

9:15AM MORNING PRAYER

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2006**

5:00PM FRANCIS PALMIERI – Angela Palmieri

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2006**

7:30AM AGNES DEVINE -Pete & Caryl Bushnell  
9:00AM JERRY FLYNN –  
Colleen, Jim & Ryan Sauer  
10:30AM PETER & RAE BARTLOTTA –  
Pete & Kathy Bartlotta

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**This week the Tabernacle Light will burn  
for the recovery of Michael Taylor, Jr.**

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**FIRST RECONCILIATION**

We wish to acknowledge our young people who will receive their Sacrament of Reconciliation this week. May the Lord bless them and inspire them to keep a close relationship with him.

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**VETERAN'S DAY PRAYER SERVICE**

**Wednesday, November 8  
at 1:00pm in Church**

St. Rita School children will be holding a Prayer Service to proudly honor those who have served in our armed forces. If you would like to send in the names of deceased veterans, please send them in to school or call Sr. Katherine Ann at 671-3132 by Tuesday, November 7. These names will be placed on a scroll and displayed in school. **Everyone is invited to attend.**

# Pastor's Perspective

In the long tradition of our Church, the month of November is devoted to honoring and praying for all who have gone before us. On All Souls Day and at our Annual Bereavement Mass on Saturday, we have done just that. Indeed every time we celebrate the Eucharist we pray for these, the Faithful Departed.

*“You do not walk a lonely road  
for God is always near.*

*He shared your heartbreak and your pain  
and knows the things you fear.*

*His hand will guide you safely,  
for His love is always there  
to give you strength and courage  
if you ask for it in prayer.”*

*Mary Margaret Wittner*

May the Souls of all our Faithful Departed abide with God in peace,

## Catholic Ministries Appeal

This is a time to put things in perspective and wonder what would happen if we indeed gave thanks for all we have . . . **“A Time to Share ~ For Generations to Come.”**

If you have not received a copy of the brochure and pledge form they are available in the back of the Church.

So far 385 of our 2400 households have responded, but we need your pledge too. Every gift is needed and important.

Please take the time this weekend and complete your pledge form. Forms may be placed in the collection basket or mailed directly to the Diocese of Rochester.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

**St. Joseph's Day Table ~ Planning Meeting  
Monday, November 13 at 10:00am in Room 1**

Anyone interested in helping with this celebration (to be held in March) is invited to attend. For more information please call Elaine King at 671-4930 or Felice Armignacco at 671-5177.

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Dear Fr. Latus and Parishioners,

Thank you so much for your donation of food last month. Your donation helps us to meet the many needs of our poor, hungry and homeless. Friends like you make this possible. Know that you are remembered in our prayers.

With deep gratitude,  
Sr. Grace Miller, House of Mercy

**PLANS FOR THE WEEK** **NOVEMBER 5, 2006**

**SUNDAY**

8:30-11:00am Breakfast Club – Gym

**MONDAY**

4:30-5:30pm Religious Education Classes  
6:30-7:30pm Religious Education Classes

**TUESDAY**

9:00-11:00am MOMS Group – Rm 3  
10:00-Noon Stephen Ministers – Rm 1  
1:00pm Recovery – Rm 3  
3:45-4:30pm Children's Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3  
4:30-5:30pm Religious Education Classes

**WEDNESDAY**

2:30-3:15pm Children's Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3  
7:00-8:15pm Contemporary Choir  
7:30-9:00pm Lite Choir Rehearsal  
8:30-10:00pm Men's Basketball – Gym

**THURSDAY**

7:00-8:30pm Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3

**FRIDAY**

2:00-3:00pm Jesus Rosary – Church

**SATURDAY**

4:30-7:30pm **PASTA DINNER – Parish Center**

**BIBLE READINGS:**

- 5 Sun **31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time** Dt 6:2-6 Ps 18:2-4,47-51 Heb 7:23-28 Mk 12:28b-34
- 6 Mon Phil 2:1-4 Ps 131:1-3 Lk 14:12-14
- 7 Tue Phil 2:5-11 Ps 22:26-32 Lk 14:15-24
- 8 Wed Phil 2:12-18 Ps 27:1,4,13-14 Lk 14:25-33
- 9 Thu **Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome** Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12 Ps 46:2-3,5-6,8-9 1 Cor 3:9c-11,16-17 Jn 2:13-22
- 10 Fri **St. Leo the Great** Phil 3:17-4:1 Ps 122:1-5 Lk 16:1-8
- 11 Sat **St. Martin of Tours** Phil 4:10-19 Ps 112:1-2,5-6,8-9 Lk 16:9-15
- 12 Sun **32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time** I Kgs 17:10-16 Ps 146:7-10 Heb 9:24-28 Mk 12:38-44

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**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED**

**Next Weekend ~ November 11 & 12**

- Saturday, 5:00pm:** Kaitlyn Krolik, Haley Lodico  
Sara Quinn, Lauren Navarro
- Sunday, 7:30am:** Kayla & Kyle Chapman
- Sunday, 9:00am:** Kyle Swovick, Gianna Gallese  
Tyler Fulmer, Matt Hayes
- Sunday, 10:30am:** Chris & Mike Macikowski  
Phil DeMarco, Jack Meisenzahl

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**SACRISTAN:**

Week of November 5 Agnes Kopin

**LINENS:**

Week of November 12 Bev Schnorr

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**Do You Knit or Crochet?**

Each year before Christmas we have our annual Mitten Sunday. We collect mittens, hats and scarves for those less fortunate. If you would like to get a head start on some warm items it would be greatly appreciated. Please bring your donations to church and leave them on the counter in the greeting area. Questions? call Marie at 671-6726.

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**BREAKFAST CLUB NEWS**

Join us in the parish center every Sunday morning from 8:30-11:00am. We offer full service with a complete breakfast menu and a special of the day!

**Next Week's Special: Blueberry Pancakes** served with your choice of bacon or sausage and a Free bottomless cup of coffee for \$3.50.

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**CRAFT SALE ~ Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary**

**Saturday, November 11 from 9:30 - 4:00pm**

At the Columbus Center – 70 Barrett Drive

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**Festival of Choirs ~ Sunday, November 19 at 7:00pm.** 9 Webster Church Choirs will be participating at the Webster Presbyterian Church – more details to come!

**PARISH SUPPORT**

Last Week	Weekly Goal	Variance
\$19,162	\$14,330	+ \$4,832
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$242,911	\$257,940	- \$15,029

(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 - 450,025

**ATTENTION SNOW BIRDS** ~ If you are heading south this winter and wish to have parish mailings and/or your envelopes put "on hold" please call the parish office (671-1100) and let us know when you will be away.

**CYO Basketball House League  
For 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Graders**

Please join us for the St. Rita 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Co-ed Basketball House League. The House League is on Sunday nights from 5:30-7:30pm (December-March). It is a great opportunity to learn the game of basketball and have fun with your friends. To sign up, go to the St. Rita web site located at [www.saintrita.org](http://www.saintrita.org) and follow the drop down menu to CYO. Fill out an application and drop it off at the parish office. Applications must be in by December 1, 2006.

NOVEMBER 5, 2006

## Stepping Stones to Stewardship

Giving back the gift of time that God has given to us is a simple way of exhibiting Christian Stewardship. Volunteering in some way that helps others, a gesture of friendship, or any act of prayer are all ways in which we can share our gift of time. Everyone has a different capacity to give. But we shouldn't concern ourselves with comparing our stewardship effort to those of others. Instead, measure your gift by the sacrifice you are making.

*Stewardship . . . . Live It!*

**CAREGIVERS  
SUPPORT GROUP**  
will meet on

**Wednesday, November 15  
at 7:30pm in Room 1**

This gathering is for anyone who is presently caring for a loved one at home, in the hospital or nursing home. More people are finding themselves taking care of sick relatives . . . a little time out will help you! Come for support, prayer and reassurance.

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### "Surviving the Holidays While Grieving"

**COMPANIONS IN GRIEF  
SUPPORT GROUP**

**Thursday, November 16  
at St. Paul's Church**

Billie Harris and Ann McCrossen will be guest speakers. All who have experienced the loss of a loved one through death are invited to attend. All are most welcome!

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**St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry** invites you to **Fall Information Night**. The theme *Putting the Pieces Together* will focus on the many opportunities for you at St. Bernard's whether you want to take a class, interested in certification or pursue a graduate degree. Join us on **November 8 from 6:30-8:00pm** at St. Bernard's (120 French Road). Please call Laurie at 271-3657 x 290 to register.

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### ST. RITA SOCIETY

All women of the parish are invited to our next gathering in the Parish Center Gym on:

**Tuesday, November 21 at 7:00pm**

**"Memories of Rochester Past"**

Doris Adamek will lead us in a discussion of the way Rochester was 30-60 years ago. Bring a friend and enjoy this nostalgic evening. All are welcome!

## PASTA DINNER

Sponsored by  
St. Rita's Youth Group

**Saturday, November 11  
4:30-7:30pm  
in the Parish Center**

Tickets are available after Mass, at the Parish Office or from one of the youth group members. Walk-ins are most welcome! Dinner includes pasta, meatballs, bread, salad, beverage and dessert. Adults are \$8.00. Children under 8 are \$5.00. There will also be a childcare room for children 3-8 with videos. The proceeds will be used toward Youth Group retreats and programs. Your generosity and prayers for our youth supports them on their faith journey and they are most appreciative.

From the desk of Mary Jo DiDia, Youth Minister  
671-1100 ext. 18 ~ [mdidia@dor.org](mailto:mdidia@dor.org)



## Youth News

All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome!  
Check out [www.saintrita.org](http://www.saintrita.org) for more information.

**Friday, November 10 5:00-9:30pm**  
**"Youth Conference"**

Fr. Joe Catanise and his Youth Minister are hosting Jesse Romero as their guest speaker at St. Leo's in Hilton. If you are interested in more information please contact Kelly Guest at: [Kel4truth@aol.com](mailto:Kel4truth@aol.com).

**Saturday, November 11 4:30-7:30pm**  
**Youth Group's First Annual Pasta Dinner** in the gym.

**Sunday, November 12 2:00-4:00pm**  
**Annual Scavenger Hunt for Food.** Meet in the gym where we will divide into teams and hit the road. We will need parents who have attended CASE to be drivers. The Scavenger Hunt is to collect food for our Thanksgiving Baskets for the needy and the Webster Food Cupboard.

**Sunday, November 12 4:30-6:00pm**  
**Jr. High Youth Group** - Anyone in grades 6-8 are most welcome to attend. Meet at the Youth Center.

**Sunday, November 12 6:30-8:00pm**  
**High School Youth Group** - Anyone in grades 9-12 are most welcome to attend. Meet at the Youth Center.

### YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISERS

- **2007 Entertainment Books – ON SALE NOW!**  
Great discounts on all types of restaurants and entertainment. Cost is \$25.00.
- **Niagara Chocolate Candy Bars** are \$1.00 each. Flavors are Chocolate Almond, Peanut Butter, Caramel, and Milk Chocolate.

The above are available at the parish office or call Mary Jo. The youth thank you for your support.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR** – Sunday, December 3 at 4:00pm in Church, come and hear Handel's *Messiah, Part I*, presented by the St. Rita Adult Choir and friends with outside chamber orchestra. Don't miss a chance to hear this great music live in your own church.

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**CHRISTMAS BRASS CHOIR**

Brass players (high school and older) are invited to play for the Christmas Eve Mass at 10:30 pm. Two practices will be held in December. Contact Teri Bucks, 265-0984, if you can join our brass choir.

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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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**Sharing God's Word & Soup and Salad  
Saturdays from 12:30-2:30pm**

November 4, December 2, January 6, February 3,  
March 3, March 31, May 5, June 2

Soup and Scripture is an opportunity for women to gather with the Sisters of Mercy for prayer and reflection on the upcoming Sunday Scripture readings. Bring your Bible, an open heart and your appetite and join us at the Sisters of Mercy Motherhouse – 1437 Blossom Road. For more information please call 288-2710 (Sr. Kathleen Wayne at x 109 or Sr. Sheila Stevenson at x 112).

**FOOD COLLECTION FOR THANKSGIVING BASKETS**

As we have done for many years, this year we will be providing Thanksgiving Food baskets to many families who could really use your help. If you are able to donate **non-perishable food items**, please bring them to the Youth Center (former Rectory) **by Saturday, November 18.** Needed items include:

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|-----------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Corn            | Cream of Mushroom Soup | Green Beans | Sweet Potatoes/Yams  |
| Apple Sauce     | White Potatoes         | Cranberries | Gravy or Gravy mixes |
| Salad dressings | Stuffing               | Relishes    | Desserts or mixes    |

Turkeys Needed – Sales are on at Wegmans and Tops – if you care to donate one, please bring it to the parish office. If you know of a parishioner or local Webster family who could use a Thanksgiving Basket, call Rose at 671-1100 x 17, or Gene Wicks at 671-6961. Confidentiality will be respected. Your Social Action Ministry Committee thanks you!

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*From the Desk of Drew Desmarais . . .*

**CUSTOMS AND RITUALS**

**DEAD SEA SCROLLS  
(Source – Catholic Encyclopedia)**

The scrolls designated as “those of the Dead Sea” were discovered by two Bedouin shepherd youths in a cave near the Qumran area in the northwestern region of the Dead Sea in Palestine in 1947. The scrolls themselves were found stored in earthen jars, covered with a pitch or tar-like substance for preservation purposes. These decaying bundles of leather scrolls were found to comprise seven large scrolls. They were wrapped in linen. Written in Hebrew and Aramaic, the scrolls have proved to be of great significance and value to Biblical studies and the background of Christian development. The scrolls are now owned and retained by the Hebrew University where they are made available to qualified scholars for study. Following the first discovery, 300 additional caves were discovered and other fragments of the psalms, Book of Daniel were found. The evidence indicates that the scrolls were placed in the caves probably in the year a.d. 68 when the Roman legions passed through the area on their conquest to destroy Jerusalem, for no inhabitants were known to live in the area for many years to come. The value of these finds is that it enables scholars to reconstruct the textual history of the Old Testament. They demonstrate the general agreement and central substance of the essential ideas, which were well preserved in the Hebrew texts as we have known them.

**Early Church**

The historic period spanning the time from A.D. 30 to the declaration of the Peace of Milan between the Emperor Constantine and Licinius (A.D. 313) is referred to as the early church era. There are two periods that make up the time of the early church, namely, the apostolic age, during which the primitive Church gathered the recording of revelation and the apostolic testimony of Christ and formed the canon and the basic structure of the Church makeup together with a drafting of its creeds against heresy. The Church itself took on a structure as Church or ecclesial entity. This period lasted until about A.D. 180. The second period is the subapostolic age when the image of the Church became fixed and identified with the universal mission it was to fulfill. It was during this period that schools of theology at Antioch and Alexandria brought forth scholars of unusual insight whose writings were to be instrumental in solidifying the early traditional action of the developing Church.

From the primitive community at Jerusalem, the missionary work among the Greeks, Romans, Africans, and others began. The Church developed a culture that was an amalgam of the Jewish, Hellenistic, and the Roman. Even in the face of many dangers associated with expansion, the Church took on a hierarchical structure with a collegial makeup that was ready to meet the challenge of heresies when they arose, and the purity of the gospels was preserved together with a unity centered on the Eucharist. The early Church is characterized by the continuity of the redemptive act as shown in the splendor of its art, architecture and social teachings.

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**RCIA  
(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

If you were baptized in another faith and are questioning if you want to become full members of the Catholic Church or if you have never been baptized and are questioning whether you want to be baptized into the Catholic Church, this process is for you. It involves attending Sunday scripture sessions, 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. Call Drew at 671-1100 x 15 if you have interest or questions about RCIA.

**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, and Theology Today. The summary of the article in the newsletter is concise and therefore this is 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](mailto:ddesmarais@dor.org). If you have any questions about this newsletter, call Drew at 671-1100, ext 15.