

**Stepping Stones to Stewardship**

Stewardship should not be viewed as an obligation or a requirement. Stewardship is a lifestyle we choose to live to show our deepest gratitude to God for all we have been given.

*Stewardship . . . . Live It!*

**VOCATION AWARENESS**

**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 22**

“Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.” (Matthew 10:32) When we use our gifts and talents for the glory of God, our lives can be a reflection of God’s love to the world around us. We do that with our actions and words, in the smallest details of our everyday lives, or in more public ways with our career and vocation choices. How do you acknowledge Christ before others with your life? Contact the **Office of Vocation Awareness** 461-2890 or [www.dor.org/vocations](http://www.dor.org/vocations)

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**Congratulations St. Rita School 2008 Award Winners!** We are proud to announce that the following students from St. Rita School have received recognition awards:

- ❖ **Sarah Bushey** - 2007 - 2008 Making A Difference Award - Sarah received this award for making a difference during her years at St. Rita School.
- ❖ **Sarah Bushey** - 2008 Knights of Columbus Patriot's Day Essay Contest Winner. Sarah will be presented with the award and a \$100 Savings Bond on June 14 at a dinner at the Webster Columbus Center.
- ❖ **Jack Samuelson** - 2007 - 2008 Make A Difference Award - Jack received this award for making a difference during his years at St. Rita School.
- ❖ **Matt Skrypka** - 2007 Fire Prevention Essay Contest Winner. Matt won 8th place in Monroe County and **1st place in New York State**. Several New York State and local dignitaries from the Volunteer Firefighters Association gathered in the Parish Center on June 10 to present Matt with a plaque and \$100.

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**YOUR 2008-2009 PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

Kathleen Anne, Tom Bayer (Vice President), Dottie DeLano, Rich Engel, Will Goodness (youth rep.), Joseph Holleran, John O'Connor (President), Drew Pawluk (youth rep.), Jim Sauer, Elizabeth Swovick (young adult rep.), Lisa Swovick, Barb Tatanus, Ann Tiberio, and Dick Wagner. Please feel free to contact any of these members if needed.

On Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> St. Rita’s Parish was transformed into one of the most memorable Fiesta’s in the long history of this event. The sight of the HUGE tent covering most of the parking lot was impressive to say the least. Add in more than 4,000 people in attendance over the 2 days and you have a truly amazing party. There are so many people for us to thank that it is impossible to name them all.

We must start at the top with Fr. Chuck who allowed us to try out this new idea of putting a tent in the parking lot even though he knew it would disrupt the “status quo” during the week and especially during the Sunday masses. He supported us in every way possible and we are thankful for his trust in us.

The tent construction also disrupted the school activities and Sr. Katherine Ann was very understanding and supportive as well. She coordinated with the buses to change their drop-off and pickup points, allowed us to use her rooms for storage, and created a spirit of anticipation for the school children as the Fiesta approached.

The staff of St. Rita’s also helps us in so many ways. This event could never happen without Karen Casper, Sharon Pucher, Lisa Hendershot, Mary Jo DiNoto, and Steve D’Arienzo. They take care of so many details for us and many of these are with little advance notice.

The Fiesta Committee is made up of thirty-five of the nicest, most dedicated and fun group of people that it is our pleasure to know and work alongside. This year was a very difficult year because we had never worked with this size tent before and the committee did a phenomenal job of working together to make last minute changes and really pulling this together at the midnight hour.

The Fiesta Stewards were once again over 450 strong in their Tangerine shirts this year. It remains an impressive sight to see all those t-shirts and the people in attendance feel very secure in knowing that there are so many volunteers ready and willing to help. This year we asked for extra help cleaning up and the number of people who stayed late on Saturday night was unbelievable. We salute you all and we are proud to be part of your parish family.

Lastly, we thank our sponsors whose contributions in both money and services are really the backbone of this event and make it possible to provide. We do have to single out one sponsor in particular, Ray Isaac, President of Isaac Heating & Air Conditioning. Ray was instrumental in our putting up the big tent this year. Not only did he help us financially but he put his own sweat and muscles to work in helping us set up during the week. Ray is a very good businessman, but he is even a better person. We are happy he is a sponsor and even happier that he has become a friend.

The clock is ticking on the 55<sup>th</sup> Fiesta so hold these dates open: **May 29 & 30, 2009 !**

Tom & Anne Cali and Ed & Barb Ritzel



### EUCCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

#### **MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2008**

7:00AM FENNA NADIAK – Urban Bieck  
9:15AM MIRIAM TRIPI – Jean Magrin

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2008**

9:15AM MORNING PRAYER

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 2008**

9:15AM HELEN ROSE YOUNG – Husband, Joe Young  
11:00AM MASS AT BAYWINDE (Sage Harbor)

#### **THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2008**

7:00AM JEAN DAYTON – Family  
9:15AM IN HONOR OF PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE STUDENTS OF MERCY HIGH SCHOOL – Circle of Mercy

#### **FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2008**

9:15AM RICHARD BIGELOW – Wife, Gwen

#### **SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2008**

5:00PM LEO FOX – Mary Lohmaier

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2008**

7:30AM MATT & GERT KUEBEL – Bob & Sandy Kuebel  
9:00AM MAX BARBEAU – Joan & Bob Sullivan  
10:30AM THELMA ZAEPFEL – Kathleen Cannon

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

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#### **DAILY MASS PARTICIPANTS**

**Phone 671-1100 x 22 – anytime for the most up to date daily Mass schedule!**

Call the parish office ask for extension 22 or if the recording comes on you can press 22.

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#### **FAITH FORMATION and SACRAMENT REGISTRATION 2008-2009**

Registration forms for all currently registered students have been mailed home. Registration forms for new students are available in the following locations.

- the Church (on the table to the right of the Chapel)
- the Parish Office
- the Faith Formation Office (located in the School building)
- on our website at [www.saintrita.org](http://www.saintrita.org)

Parish registration is required prior to registering for Faith Formation and Sacrament Preparation Programs. Questions may be directed to Anita Wagner at 671-2079.

## *Pastor's Perspective*

This year is a banner year for our staff celebrating Jubilee's – remembering all the ways God called us and blesses us in His ministry. This weekend we honor Sr. Katherine Ann as she marks 25 years of service as principal of St. Rita School. I have no doubt that St. Rita is the strong and inviting school it is today thanks to Sr. Katherine Ann's devotion and warmth extended now over several generations of children. I've kidded her that she is surely the longest serving principal – perhaps in the history of our diocese - though she denies that she was appointed to the position by Bishop McQuaid!



Sr. Katherine Ann – I hope you take some quiet time in the weeks ahead to remember and savor all the lives you have touched and shaped by your dedication.

Thank you for your example and for remembering all of us little and not so little ones that we are all "God drops".

With prayers and congratulations,

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The Diocese of Rochester Office of Vocation Awareness is hosting the 9th annual **'24 Hours with the Lord'** retreat on Friday, June 27. This mini retreat is for single Catholic men, ages 17-40, who are serious about their faith and would like to know more about the vocation to diocesan priesthood. It will begin Friday evening with dinner, prayer and conversation with Bishop Matthew Clark and some members of the Vocation Awareness Team; and will conclude Saturday morning following the priestly ordination of Edison Tayag at Sacred Heart Cathedral. If you, or someone you know, would appreciate an opportunity to hear more about this unique life of service in the Catholic Church, please call 585-461-2890 or e-mail [cdady@dor.org](mailto:cdady@dor.org).

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#### **STRAWBERRY SOCIAL TIME**



**SENIORS You are cordially invited to our 19<sup>th</sup> annual Strawberry Social**

**Wednesday, June 25 at 2:00pm**

We will start at 2:00pm in Church for prayers and anointing, then over to the Parish Center for dessert and social. **For reservations** or if you need a ride please call the Parish Office at 671-1100. Volunteers are needed to help. For more information please call Kathy Foster at 671-4347.

**PLANS FOR THE WEEK** **JUNE 22, 2008**

**SUNDAY 6/22**

Noon – 3:00pm Party for Sr. Katherine Ann

**TUESDAY 6/24**

1:00pm Recovery – Rm 3  
7:00pm Liturgy Committee – Parish Office

**WEDNESDAY 6/18**

2:00pm Anointing and Strawberry Social – Church

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

*Gabriella Grace Grattan  
Miranda Hope Sullivan  
Jenna Marie DiMarco  
Ella Maria Douglas  
Sarah Eva Murray*



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**BIBLE READINGS:**

- 22 Sun **12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time** Jer 20:10-13  
Ps 69:8-10,14,17,33-35 Rom 5:12-15 Mt 10:26-33
- 23 Mon 2 Kgs 17:5-8,13-15a,18 Ps 60:3-5,12-13 Mt 7:1-5
- 24 Tue **The Nativity of John the Baptist** Is 49:1-6  
Ps 139:1-3,13-15 Acts 13:22-26 Lk 1:57-66,80
- 25 Wed 2 Kgs 22:8-13;23:1-3 Ps 119:33-37,40 Mt 7:15-20
- 26 Thu 2 Kgs 24:8-17 Ps 79:1-5,8-9 Mt 7:21-29
- 27 Fri 2 Kgs 25:1-12 Ps 137:1-6 Mt 8:1-4
- 28 Sat **St. Irenaeus** Lam 2:2,10-14,18-19 Ps 74:1-7,20-21 Mt 8:5-17
- 29 Sun **Sts. Peter and Paul** Acts 12:1-11 Ps 34:2-9 2 Tm 4:6-8,17-18 Mt 16:13-19

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**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED**  
Next Weekend ~ June 28 & 29

- Saturday, 5:00pm:**  
Breanna Bernardi, Marisa Bernardi, Lily Cizewski
- Sunday, 7:30am:**  
Kyle Chapman, Jack Samuelson, Sam Dauria
- Sunday, 9:00am:**  
Zach Barbeau, Krista Barbeau, Tyler Kohrt
- Sunday, 10:30am:**  
Jamie Farris, Abby Geen, Jenny Geen

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**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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**ATTENTION PLAY-GOERS!**

**What:** A trip to see *Les Miserables*  
**When:** Wednesday, July 16  
**Where:** The Merry-Go-Round Playhouse in Auburn

Cost is \$88 per person includes play and lunch. See the flyer on the bulletin board in church or if you have questions please call Sr. Roberta Rodenhouse at 671-1612.

**PARISH SUPPORT**  
For Last Weekend June 14 & 15

<b>Last Week</b>	<b>Weekly Goal</b>	<b>Variance</b>
\$13,651	\$13,700	- \$49
<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>Year to Date Goal</b>	<b>Variance</b>
\$737,279	\$698,700	+\$38,579

(Our fiscal year is 7/1/07 – 6/30/08)

The surplus in the weekly collection is allocated to reduce the overall budget deficit of the parish.

Monthly Parish Center Mortgage Payment - \$2,725  
Mortgage Balance as of June 1, 2008 - \$201,792

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

**ACT Now ~ Automatic Contribution Transfer**  
**NO CHARGE TO YOU!**

It is easy to make your financial contribution to Saint Rita Church by automatic withdrawal directly from your bank account. Sign-up cards are available in the back of Church or for more information please call the parish office at 671-1100 x 12.

**SACRISTAN:**

Week of June 22 Miriam & Dan Kennelly

**LINENS:**

Week of June 29 Sandra Kuebel

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**RCIA**

RCIA stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. It is a process that begins in the fall and it is designed for people who have interest in the Catholic Church. If you were baptized in another faith and are questioning if you want to become full members 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, and attending special parish education programs. The process helps you discern what God is calling you to in your journey of faith. Call Drew at 671-1100, ext 15 if you have interest or questions about the RCIA process.