

JULY 6, 2008

**Stepping Stones to Stewardship**

As Christian stewards, we willingly offer service because we believe. We don't guess. We don't hypothesize. We don't suspect or speculate or suppose. We believe. Belief implies confidence, assurance, and trust. As Christian stewards, we place our trust in the Lord because we believe. God rewards our generosity. That's why we believe in stewardship.

*Stewardship . . . Live It!*

**VOCATION AWARENESS  
14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 6**

Over and over Scripture emphasizes the importance of humility of heart. Jesus says we must become like children to enter the kingdom of heaven; and, those who are 'last' will be made 'first'. In today's gospel he says, "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart." (Matthew 11:29) Following God's will for us means letting go of all that prevents us from walking humbly with our God. For more information please contact the **Office of Vocation Awareness** 461-2890 or [www.dor.org/vocations](http://www.dor.org/vocations).

\*\*\*\*\*

**ST. RITA SCHOOL PRE-K OPENINGS** - Many changes can happen in a 3 year olds life between registering for Pre-K in February and now. St. Rita School has a few unexpected openings in our Pre-K program for the 2008-2009 school year. Please give us a call at 671-3132 if you are interested.

\*\*\*\*\*

**Webster Penfield Catholic Connection  
Parish Health Ministry News**

The WPCC Health Ministry focuses on educational efforts in the health and wellness area, providing monthly blood pressure screenings in each of the four parishes as well as regular educational programs on health and wellness-related issues of concern to our community. This begins a series of educational articles on Hypertension (high blood pressure.)

**What is Blood Pressure?** Blood pressure is the force of blood against the walls of arteries. Blood pressure is recorded as two numbers -- the systolic pressure (as the heart beats) over the diastolic pressure (as the heart relaxes between beats). The measurement is written one above or before the other, with the systolic number on top and the diastolic number on the bottom. For example, a blood pressure measurement of 120/80 mmHg (millimeters of mercury) is expressed verbally as "120 over 80." **Normal blood pressure** is less than 120 mmHg systolic and less than 80 mmHg diastolic.

\*\*\*\*\*

**Did You Know?** Our bulletin is available each week on-line at [www.saintrita.org](http://www.saintrita.org) – check it out!

**DID YOU KNOW?**

We have **gluten-free hosts** available for those who have special dietary needs. For more information please call Mary Ann Kwiatkowi at 671-1997.

\*\*\*\*\*

**PARISH VISITATION**

Do you have a loved one at home, in a nursing home, or hospital that is in need of a visit? Our pastoral staff is here for you. Please call Rose Leisenring at 671-1100 ext. 17 or Drew Desmarais at 671-1100 ext. 15.

\*\*\*\*\*

**LADIES OF ST. RITA ~ SAVE THE DATE**

**September 5-7 for our Annual Retreat  
at the Notre Dame Retreat House**

The theme this year is "Understanding St. Paul – A Realistic Guide for Today's Culture". Pope Benedict XVI will dedicate the year beginning in June to St. Paul, marking the 2000<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Apostle's birth.

Come away for the weekend with the Lord. Let Him restore and renew your spirit. Let Him create in you strength and courage through the teachings of St. Paul.

Think about it ladies and plan on saving the date for a quiet get-away with the Lord. You deserve it! More information will follow in the coming weeks.

\*\*\*\*\*

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



**Youth News**

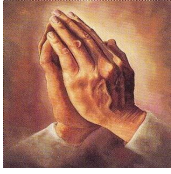
All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome to join us. Get together with other youth who share the same faith, thoughts and beliefs as you do. Check out our website at [www.saintrita.org](http://www.saintrita.org) for more information and upcoming events that will be starting up again in September.

**SAVE THE DATE:**

Our annual "**Senior Send Off**" Mass will be held on **Saturday, July 12 at the 5:00 Mass**. We will recognize all seniors of the class of 2008. All are welcome to come and celebrate our youth.

**Youth Group is sponsoring a day at Darien Lake!!  
Saturday, July 26  
from 10:30am until 10:00pm**

If you are interested in going, the Youth Group is getting tickets at a discount for that day. The price per ticket without a meal voucher is \$15.99 per person. If you would like to add a meal voucher to your ticket, the price will be \$23.17 per person. Please contact Mary Jo no later than July 7.



## EUCCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

### **MONDAY, JULY 7, 2008**

7:00AM CLARENCE TROTT – Ray & Murlyn Zimmer  
9:15AM DEMETRIUS WOWK – The Kraft Family

### **TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2008**

9:15AM THOMAS G. BROWNE – Clara Alward

### **WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 2008**

7:00AM LAURICE ENGEL – Don & Mary Brown  
9:15AM RICHARD BIGELOW – Wife Gwen

### **THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2008**

7:00AM MICHAEL RINASZ – Don & Mary Brown  
9:15AM ANNE CONGILARO – Ruth Goldberg

### **FRIDAY, JULY 11, 2008**

9:15AM MEMORIAL SERVICE for PATRICK GRAHAM

### **SATURDAY, JULY 12, 2008**

5:00PM ROBERT D. MUIR – Anne Muir & Family

### **SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2008**

7:30AM ROBIN DAVIS - Diane & Family  
9:00AM FRANK NICASTRO – Family  
10:30AM BRIAN HARRIS – Paddy Masucci & Family

\* \* \* \* \*

**This week the Tabernacle Light  
will burn in loving memory of  
Louise Waters**

\* \* \* \* \*  \* \* \* \* \*

**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.

\* \* \* \* \*

### **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 via e-mail please contact Drew at: [ddeymarais@dor.org](mailto:ddeymarais@dor.org). If you have any questions call Drew at 671-1100, ext 15.

## *Summer Reflection*

School is out. Summer is here. This is a time for reflection and renewal. Take this time to go about reflection and renewal deliberately, and with a healthy dose of self-honesty.

Look back on the past year and ask yourself:

*“What is it that I learned this year?”*

*“If I boiled my experiences down to the one or two things that had the greatest impact for me; what were they; and what did they teach me?”*

*“Can I look back to one behavior that I deliberately set out to change and succeeded?”*

*“What was the biggest risk I took this year?”*

*“Did I help a friend or colleague recognize their unique gifts during the year?”*

*“Did I use my own unique gifts this year?” “Could I have used them even more?”*

*“Did I fully express my appreciation to my friends and/or colleagues?”*

*“Did I live and work mostly in my head and mind, or did I bring my heart, and spirit into my work and my relationships?”*

*“Did I model the attributes and behaviors that I hoped others would exhibit?”*

*“Did I live and work deliberately, always feeling that I had choices, or was I overwhelmed by the business of day and details that needed attention?”*

*“Did I make time for the kids around me?”*

*“Did I work outside my comfort zone?” “What was most uncomfortable?” “Why?”*

*“Did I make time to quiet myself and listen to the wisdom of my own inner voice and to hear God’s words to me?”*

Explore these and other questions that only you know to ask. You may want to write your answers, for there is something in writing that crystallizes fleeting thoughts and vague ideas, and brings them home to our hearts, our minds, and our spirits.

The beauty of summer is a gift, a chance for us to be present to our own inner knowing, to reflect, to renew; and most importantly, to learn.

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



Morgan Paige Schaller

\* \* \* \* \*

**BIBLE READINGS:**

- 6 Sun **14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time** Zec 9:9-10  
Ps 145:1-2,8-11,13-14 Rom 8:9,11-13 Mt 11:25-30
- 7 Mon Hos 2:16,17b-18,21-22 Ps 145:2-9 Mt 9:18-26
- 8 Tue Hos 8:4-7,11-13 Ps 115:3-10 Mt 9:32-38
- 9 Wed Hos 10:1-3,7-8,12 Ps 105:2-7 Mt 10:1-7
- 10 Thu Hos 11:1-4,8c-9 Ps 80:2-3,15-16 Mt 10:7-15
- 11 Fri **St. Benedict** Hos 14:2-10 Ps 51:3-4,8-9,12-14,17 Mt 10:16-23
- 12 Sat Is 6:1-8 Ps 93:1-2,5 Mt 10:24-33
- 13 Sun **15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time** Is 55:10-11  
Ps 65:10-14 Rom 8:18-23 Mt 13:1-23

\* \* \* \* \*

**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED**

Next Weekend ~ July 12 & 13

**Saturday, 5:00pm:**

Megan LaVigne, Neil LaVigne, Lauren Navarro

**Sunday, 7:30am:**

Dan Hohl, Mike Hansen, Connor McKenna

**Sunday, 9:00am:**

Joseph Hayes, Matt Hayes, Tyler Fulmer

**Sunday, 10:30am:**

Jimmy Marton, Erik Rall, Nick Gaglio

\* \* \* \* \*

**Dear Friends of HOUSE OF HOPE**

We are in need of clothing sorters. We can use any help sorting or cleaning at HOPE house during the next few weeks. Our big rush is July/Aug/Sept so we can sort more the next 3 months. Air conditioners are in the 2 main sorting rooms for hot times. Work can be done any time we are open for the 2 hour ministries. The Thursday 2-5 pm crew is fun to work with. Please call me at 469-6728 if you are able to help out. God is good. Jayne Heetderks (gnpjayne@yahoo.com)

\* \* \* \* \*

**4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PIG ROAST ~ FOR MATT OLIVERI**

**Saturday, August 2**

Lakeview Pavilion at Webster Park

Matt Oliveri along with his dad Mike are parishioners here at St. Rita and attend 5:00 Saturday Mass. Matt is a quadriplegic due to injuries sustained in an accident. He hopes someday to be out of his wheelchair and sitting in a pew once again. Your prayers and financial support will help make this dream a reality. Please see the poster in the narthex of church with complete details. If you cannot attend the party, donations would be welcome.

**PARISH SUPPORT**

For Last Weekend June 28 & 29

Last Week	Weekly Goal	Variance
\$12,018	\$13,700	-\$1,682
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$762,563	\$726,100	+\$36,463

(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 July 1, 2008 - \$200,229

**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 July 6

Agnes Kopin

**LINENS:** Week of July 13

Frances Montagne

\* \* \* \* \*

**MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Dentists, Dental Hygienists, Dental Assistants, Physicians, Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, Mental Health Counselors, Nurses, and Adjunct Therapists. Mercy Outreach Center, a ministry of the Sisters of Mercy, provides free health/dental services to the uninsured through the generosity of professional volunteers. Time commitment is determined by the volunteer's availability. Please contact Mary Jo Hohl, Practice Coordinator at 288-2634x12 for information or view website: www.mercyoutreachcenter.org.Thank you.

\* \* \* \* \*

**Do You Knit or Crochet?** ~ Each year before Christmas we hold our annual Mitten Sunday. We collect mittens, hats and scarves for those less fortunate. If you knit and would like to get a head start on some items it would be greatly appreciated. If anyone is in need of yarn or if you have any questions please call Marie at 671-6726.