

Stewardship News!

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.

Stewardship Live It!



**OUR 2009 FIESTA IS SET FOR
FRIDAY, MAY 29th and SATURDAY, MAY 30th**

Thanks to our title sponsors **Isaac Heating & Air Conditioning, Q-Dental Group, and Vision Automotive**, another fun-filled weekend of family activities is being organized.

We are always looking for people interested in being part of our Fiesta Planning Committee. If you would like to help, please come to our next planning meeting on Sunday, February 8 at 7:30pm in Room 1 in the parish center.

EXCITING RAFFLE NEWS!

If you wondered where the "Love My Parish, Love to Travel" raffle tickets are hiding, look no more. We have a new raffle planned for this year and details will be coming soon!

If you are interested in being part of our Parish Raffle Committee please come to the meeting on Sunday, February 8 from 6:30-7:30pm in Room 1 in the parish center.

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HOPE Ministry has experienced a baby boom! We are in need of baby clothing, especially infant sizes 12 months and smaller. We gratefully accept all donations during our open hours.

HOPE has volunteer opportunities. We are in need of 6-7 drivers, preferably with full size trucks, to assist once a month with food pick up. This would require just 3 hours of your time on Mondays during the day. Please call 265-6694 for more information.

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**Married Couples: Celebrate Your Sacrament for
Valentine's Day by giving a gift that lasts!**

Revitalize the love you have for each other and make your good (but imperfect) marriage even better! Put distractions aside and focus on your spouse. **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** provides an opportunity to strengthen our marriage relationships for a lifetime and make them stronger and more fulfilling! Join thousands of couples right here in the diocese of Rochester, who over the years have learned how to make and keep their marriages more loving, alive and vibrant! **Explore, Rediscover and Reconnect!** Upcoming weekend dates for this God-centered weekend in the Rochester diocese are: March 20-22 and June 19-21. For more information, please call: Arlene and Pete Weis at 872-3007.



**COMPANIONS IN GRIEF
SUPPORT GROUP**

Tuesday, February 10
7:30pm in Room 1

All who have experienced the loss of a loved one through death are invited to attend. All are welcome!

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**St Rita Society is coordinating a collection
of various items for Mercy Residential Services.**

This is a ministry of the Sisters of Mercy that works with pregnant and parenting teens, young women and their children providing housing and support services with compassion, acceptance and guidance. A box will be in the greeting area the next 2 weekends to collect items such as combs, brushes, hair items, deodorant, liquid soap, toothbrushes, tooth paste, manicure items, craft and art supplies, coloring books, crayons, story books, small toys, onesies, baby socks, baby laundry soap, Any of these items that you can contribute would be greatly appreciated.

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**Sacred Heart Cathedral Hosts
Wedding Workshop and Concert**

"When Love Is Found"

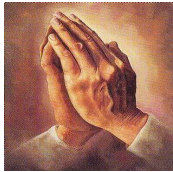
Sunday, February 15 at 2:00pm

"Festive Music for the Celebration of Marriage," will be presented at the Cathedral. Assisting couples with musical and liturgical options as they prepare for their upcoming weddings, this wedding workshop and concert is free and is open to everyone. For more information-please contact: Peggy Kelly at 254-3221 ex. 104 or pkelly@dor.org

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**Communion Ministers are urgently needed as
substitutes for a communion service once a month.**

Wednesdays at 10:30am for Ahepa and 11:30am for Quinby. These are secured independent senior care apartments. Ahepa is behind Summit Knolls in Webster and Quinby Park is on Shoecraft Road opposite Hegedorns. The time commitment is no more than one hour for each, but the reward is beyond measure! Training will be provided if necessary, contact Rosemary Gumina @ 872-5404, ninagumina@rochester.rr.com or Colleen Schantz @ 265-2124, cschantz@dor.org. Thank you.



EUCCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2009

9:15AM HERBERT FRANK – Pat & Bill Kelly

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2009

9:15AM MORNING MASS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2009

9:15AM TINA CRESPO –
Dottie DeLano & Clara Alward

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2009

7:00AM JENNIE SPERANZA – Mary Mortillaro
9:15AM MORNING PRAYER

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2009

9:15AM MORNING PRAYER

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2009

5:00PM CHRIS D'AMANDA – Wife

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2009

7:30AM MARY ALICE PAILLE – Husband, John
9:00AM ANNA MARIE GANDL – Eleanor Staszak
10:30AM KATHLEEN CONNELL - John, Sean & Kevin

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**This week the Tabernacle Light will burn
for Tina Monachino's birthday**

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As part of our *Spirit Alive!* Initiative throughout the diocese we are focusing on the Gospel of Mark

**For the week of February 8
Read the Gospel of Mark Chapter 9**

Mk 9:2-13 When was your most recent “mountaintop” experience? How do you feel when you are the mountain top? What helps you to feel close to God? How would you describe your relationship with God now?

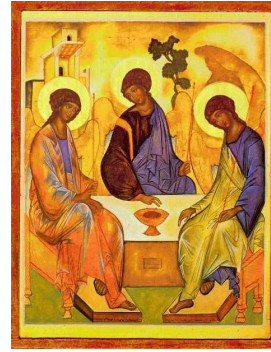
Mk 14-30 How can you live with the full reality of evil and yet with a strong awareness of God’s transforming power? In what way do you feel that tension now?

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WPCC Seniors and Others

Please join us on Wednesday, February 18 at 1:00pm at St. Paul’s Church to share good company, delicious desserts and an awesome video on life of St. Paul the Apostle. Bring your favorite dessert or free will offering. Don’t forget to bring a friend! Snow Day – March 4. For more information please contact: Rosemary Pavia, 217-9068, Felice Armignacco, 671-5177 or Marie Czerniawski, 872-6023.

Pastor’s Perspective



The Holy Trinity

One of our more challenging theology courses in the seminary was the study of “God – One and Three”. Since the Trinity is a mystery – we could only struggle with various insights (human and frail) into the profound mystery of a God who is a community of love. Since those days when we came to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Trinity each year, I’ve always been tempted to say as a homily, “It’s a mystery” and then sit down!

For the past year I’ve listened as friends, priests and others, have talked about the novel: The Shack by William P. Young. It’s been on the best seller list for many months, so I picked up a copy for vacation reading. It is a powerful way to reflect on the Trinity – a deep insight into a loving God – a loving community of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. “Mack” the lead character struggles with the tragic abduction and murder of one of his children and in his struggle he comes to know God in a world filled with unspeakable pain. The imagination of the writer and the passion of a theologian make for a read you don’t want to put down.

On my vacation I carried it and stuck my airline tickets inside it – and three different folks spotted it and commented that they had read it and how moved they were by it; the first, a fellow passenger on the jet, then an airline steward and then the car rental agent. Obviously The Shack has touched a lot of lives. I was struck by the fact that it was so widely read and well received. It speaks to me of the great hunger there is among us for a deeper spirituality and a deeper relationship with God.

Give it a read – you might just be surprised . . . even moved by it.

Peace,

Fr. Chuck

PLANS FOR THE WEEK FEBRUARY 8, 2009

SUNDAY 2/8

8:30-11:00am Breakfast Club – Gym
 6:30pm Fiesta Raffle Meeting – Rm 1
 7:30pm Fiesta Planning Meeting – Rm 1

MONDAY 2/9

4:30-5:30pm Faith Formation Classes
 6:30-7:30pm Faith Formation Classes
 7:00pm Parish Pastoral Council – Rm 1

TUESDAY 2/10

9:00-11:00am MOMS Group – Rm 3
 1:00pm Recovery – Rm 3
 3:45-4:30pm Children's Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3
 4:30-5:30pm Faith Formation Classes
 7:00pm Liturgy Committee – Parish Office
 7:30pm Companions in Grief – Rm 1

WEDNESDAY 2/11

2:30-3:15pm Children's Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3
 7:00-8:30pm Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3
 7:00pm Finance Council – Parish Office
 8:30-10:30pm Men's Basketball – Gym

THURSDAY 2/11

7:00pm Bible Study – Rm 1
 7:00pm Confirmation Prayer & Rehearsal – Church

PARISH SUPPORT		
For Last Weekend January 31 / February 1		
Last Week	Weekly Goal for Jan. 2009	Variance
\$17,179	\$14,900	+ \$2,279
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$468,752	\$484,000	- \$15,248
(Our fiscal year is 7/1/08 – 6/30/09)		
Monthly Parish Center Mortgage Payment		\$2,725
Mortgage Balance as of January 1, 2009		\$188,914
Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal		\$105,051
Pledges Received to Date		\$103,860
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!		



BREAKFAST CLUB NEWS!

Join us in the parish center for a delicious breakfast on Sunday mornings! We offer a "Special" and a full traditional breakfast menu as well!

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL: Waffles with Toppings Bar with your choice of bacon or sausage and a bottomless cup of coffee for \$4.00.

Next Week's special: Delicious Eggs Benedict and a bottomless cup of coffee for \$4.50.

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



Daniel Matthew Moyer

BIBLE READINGS:

- 8 Sun **5th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Jb 7:1-4,6-7 Ps 147:1-6 1 Cor 9:16-19,22-23 Mk 1:29-39
- 9 Mon Gn 1:1-19 Ps 104:1-2,5-6,10,12,24,35 Mk 6:53-56
- 10 Tue **St. Scholastica** Gn 1:20-2:4a Ps 8:4-9 Mk 7:1-13
- 11 Wed Gn 2:4b-9,15-17 Ps 104:1-2,27-30 Mk 7:14-23
- 12 Thu Gn 2:18-25 Ps 128:1-5 Mk 7:24-30
- 13 Fri Gn 3:1-8 Ps 32:1-2,5-7 Mk 7:31-37
- 14 Sat **Sts. Cyril and Methodius** Gn 3:9-24 Ps 90:2-6,12-13 Mk 8:1-10
- 15 Sun **6th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Lv 13:1-2,44-46 Ps 32:1-2,5,11 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 Mk 1:40-45

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED

Next Weekend ~ February 14 & 15

Saturday, 5:00pm:

Neil LaVigne, Andrew Chmiel, Joseph DiRaimo

Sunday, 7:30am:

Kyle Chapman, Kayla Chapman

Sunday, 9:00am:

Tim Bruno, Jack Meisenzahl, Alex Vernetti

Sunday, 10:30am:

Kevin Connell, Jimmy Marton, Brandon Fersaci

SACRISTAN:

Week of February 8

Tom Marton

LINENS:

Week of February 15

Luann Young

From the desk of Mary Jo DiNoto, Youth Minister
 671-1100 ext. 18 or mdinoto@dor.org



Youth News

All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome in getting together with other youth who share their faith and want to have fun together. **Check our website at www.saintrita.org** for more information and events.

Sunday, February 8 from 12:00-1:00pm

Jr. High Youth Group will meet at the Youth Center. Anyone in grades 6-8 is most welcome!

Sunday, February 8 from 6:30-8:00pm

Sr. High Youth Group will meet at the Youth Center. Anyone in grades 9-12 is most welcome!