

MAY 10, 2009

MOTHERS DAY PRAYER

Stepping Stones to Stewardship

St. Rita's 55th Annual Fiesta
Friday, May 29th and Saturday, May 30th.

We provide family entertainment in a safe environment and we have one of the longest running church festivals in the Diocese of Rochester!

Proceeds from our Fiesta will be tithed to the Hope Ministry, an outreach program that provides food, clothing, and financial assistance to those going through difficult times.

You can offer your Stewardship of Time and Talent by volunteering at this great event! You may go online to our website at www.saintrita.org

Stewardship . . . . Live It!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEWS!

July 13 - 17 from 9:00am to 12:00pm

For children entering Pre-K through Grade 5

There are still spaces left in this year's Vacation Bible School for those entering Pre-K through Grade 5. Pick up a registration form in the back of church or register online at http://www.saintrita.org/commit/faith/VBS.

WE NEED YOUR HELP AT VBS! Teens and adults are needed to make this year's Vacation Bible School a success. We are looking for a music leader in particular. If you would like to help or have any questions, please email us at saintrita/vbsvolunteers@yahoo.com or call Kim Avery at 872-9368.

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Special Presentation ~ All Are Welcome!!

"But What Does it Mean?
Biblical Study for Beginners"

Thursday, May 21 from 7:00-9:00pm in Church

Presented by: Fr. George Heyman,
Director of Community Education
at St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry

Fr. George will offer an enlightening presentation on different aspects of Bible Study along with an interactive exercise on a passage from the Gospel of Mark. He will also present a reflection of Lectio-Divina - praying with scripture. Please Bring Your Bible!

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LECTORS, LEADERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Please give your summer availability (June-August) to Teri by Monday, May 18.

Loving God,

Thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us, whose love is so precious that it can never be measured, whose patience seems to have no end. May we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them. We know you are their source of endless love, time and patience. We ask you to bless them with your love. Amen.

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CREATING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT

In accordance with Diocesan Policy if you are over the age of 18 and will be volunteering in our Parish and/or School in working with children, teens, and/or vulnerable adults you will need to attend a CASE workshop and have a criminal background check. In addition, if you will be driving children, teens and/or vulnerable adults you will need to complete a Volunteer Driver Information Form. Note to drivers: If you have attended the workshop in the past you do not need to attend again, however, a new Volunteer Driver Information Form is required at the beginning of each new school year.

The Next Workshop will be held:

Tuesday, May 19 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 1

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HOME COMMUNION VISITS: Just a reminder to those taking Communion to the homebound or loved ones. Please place your pyx (Communion holder) on the altar before Mass. The priest will fill it for you and call you up to receive it after Communion. If you need more than one host, please place a note on your pyx with the number of hosts you need. If you've borrowed a pyx and are no longer using it, please return it so others may use it. Thanks for all you do in bringing Jesus to those who are not able to join us for Sunday Mass.

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ST. RITA'S EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

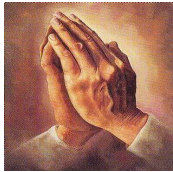
Saturday, May 16 at 6:30pm (sharp)

All adults are invited to a Euchre Tournament. Singles and couples are welcome. Come for food, fun and prizes! Proceeds from this social event will benefit our Parish & School Community projects. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Registration forms are available on the table in back of Church or in the Parish Office. For more information call Dave or Marti Mauro at 671-2383.

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Thank You . . .

We would like to thank parishioner Dave Bardusch, owner of Taylor Rental in Webster, for his generous donation of the use of equipment. This will be a great asset to us as we begin the project of upgrading our electrical capacity on the parish grounds.



# EUCCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

## MONDAY, MAY 11, 2009

7:00AM JOSEPH RINK – Joe & Jackie Eblacker  
9:15AM MIRIAM TRIPI – Jim & Ann Scott

## TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2009

9:15AM JOHN & LUCILLE ODENBACH – Family

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2009

7:00AM In Honor of EILEEN SCOTT POLLOT – Richard Engel  
9:15AM DONALD GALLO – Wife

## THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2009

7:00AM SYLVIO CESARIO – Charles & Nancy Carson  
9:15AM JENNIFER MATHIASON – Dick Habes

## FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2009

9:15AM EDWARD GEIER – The Hickey Family

## SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009

9:00AM FIRST EUCCHARIST CELEBRATION (Group 3)  
5:00PM ROBERT COOK – Louis & Beverly Schnorr

## SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2009

7:30AM MR. & MRS. OSCAR LAWLESS – Chuck & Adele Rasbach  
9:00AM DONALD BAYER – Grandchildren  
10:30AM EUGENE POWERS – By Family

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**This week the Tabernacle Light will burn in loving memory of Charles & Josephine Ange**

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### COMPANIONS IN GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Wednesday, May 13  
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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### 50<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Rita Society

**EVENING WITH MARY**  
Tuesday, May 19

**Mass in Church at 6:00pm**  
**Dinner at Glendoveers at 7:15pm**  
(Old Browncroft Blvd.)

All women of the parish are most welcome to attend. Choice of Chicken Marsala, Stuffed Tilapia or Prime Rib \$16 for members and \$21 for non-members. Reservations are needed by Sunday, May 17. Tickets will be on sale after all Masses this weekend and next, or at the parish office. Need transportation? Call Carol at 671-7832.

# From the Desk of Bishop Clark . . .

My dear friends,

It was forty-five years ago that the Diocese of Rochester sent the first sisters to work in the missions.

Today, I am happy to proclaim the weekend of May 16 & 17 as our annual Diocesan Mission Sunday.

This annual observance continues to be our way of supporting and encouraging our own Sisters of St. Joseph in Brazil and Sisters of Mercy in Chile.

The mission given the Church by Christ to share the Good News must remain a point of concern for every Christian. A community that fails to care for the world at large loses its Christian energy. Indeed, sharing is a word that must be etched into the very heart of every member of God's community.

"I give you a new commandment; Love one another. Such as my love has been for you, so must your love be for each other." John 13:34

The Sunday's Gospel challenges us to put our love into action. Our love is our prayer and financial gift in support of our diocesan missionaries.

There is so much love in all of us, but we are often too shy to express our love and we keep it bottled up inside ourselves.

We must always be a channel of love. We must not be afraid to reach out and help our brothers and sisters.

*On the street I saw a small girl, cold and shivering in a thin dress, with little hope of a decent meal. I became angry and said to God: "Why did you permit this? Why don't you do something about it?" For a while God said nothing. That night he replied quite suddenly: "I certainly did something about it. - I made you."*

May each one of you accept the challenge and do what you can and be a witness to the Gospel as we hear the words "Christ needs you to help".

With sincere gratitude and blessings, I am

Your brother in Christ,

+Matthew H. Clark  
Bishop of Rochester

**PLANS FOR THE WEEK** **MAY 10, 2009**

**SUNDAY 5/10**

8:30-11:00am Breakfast Club – Gym

**MONDAY 5/11**

6:30-7:30pm 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist Rehearsal Group 3 – Church

**TUESDAY 5/12**

9:00am MOMS Group – Rm 3  
 1:00pm Recovery – Rm 3  
 3:45-4:30pm Children's Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3  
 7:00-9:00pm Liturgy Committee– Parish Office  
 7:30-9:00pm Lite Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3

**WEDNESDAY 5/13**

2:30-3:15pm Children's Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3  
 7:00-8:30pm Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3  
 7:00-9:00pm Companions in Grief Support Grp – Rm 1  
 9:00-10:30pm Men's Basketball – Gym

**THURSDAY 5/14**

7:00-9:00pm Scripture Study Group 2 – Rm 1

**SATURDAY 5/16**

6:30pm Euchre Tournament – Gym

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

*Aiden Gerald Rowland  
 Donald Robert Silveri  
 Skyler Morgan Stasik  
 Eva Madelyn Pothos*



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**BIBLE READINGS:**

- 10 Sun **Fifth Sunday of Easter** Acts 9:26-31 Ps 22:26-28,30-32 1 Jn 3:18-24 Jn 15:1-8
- 11 Mon Acts 14:5-18 Ps 115:1-4,15-16 Jn 14:21-26
- 12 Tue Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-13,21 Jn 14:27-31a
- 13 Wed Acts 15:1-6 Ps 122:1-5 Jn 15:1-8
- 14 Thu **St. Mathias** Acts 1:15-17,20-26 Ps 113:1-8 Jn 15:9-17
- 15 Fri Acts 15:22-31 Ps 57:8-10,12 Jn 15:12-17
- 16 Sat Acts 16:1-10 Ps 100:1-3,5 Jn 15:18-21
- 17 Sun **Sixth Sunday of Easter** Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44,48 Ps 98:1-4 1 Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17

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**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS!**

Each year we select two (2) women and two (2) men to serve a three year term, and two (2) youth to serve a one year term. Every three years we select (1) young adult 18-25 years of age to serve a three year term.

**We are asking the Parish at large to submit names of parishioners they feel would serve well on the Council.** This is not a commitment for anyone. They will merely be invited to participate. Please incorporate the following criteria when submitting names:

1. **SPIRITUAL GROWTH** -- We are not looking for perfect people, but those who are willing to make a commitment to their personal spirituality.
2. **COMMITMENT** -- someone who is willing to commit to one meeting per month for three years, and be a liaison to one standing committee.
3. **SKILLS & TALENT** - the ability to work well with others.
4. **MOTIVATION** -- a call to ministry to serve your fellow parishioners.
5. **TRAINING** -- one day leadership conference.

**You may call the parish office at 671-1100 OR send an email to [wstritap@dor.org](mailto:wstritap@dor.org) with the names of qualified parishioners by next weekend May 16 & 17.**

*Everyone has Talents and Gifts to Share!*

Sincerely,  
 Parish Pastoral Council Selection Committee

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**DAILY MASS PARTICIPANTS**

Please call the parish office at 671-1100 x 22 anytime for the most up to date daily Mass schedule.

**PARISH SUPPORT  
 For Last Weekend May 2 & 3**

Last Week	Weekly Goal for Apr. 2009	Variance
\$18,711	\$14,000	+ \$4,711
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$659,081	\$673,200	- \$14,119

(Our fiscal year is 7/1/08 – 6/30/09)

Monthly Parish Center Mortgage Payment	\$2,725
Mortgage Balance as of May 1, 2009	\$183,866

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**



**NEXT WEEKEND IS THE LAST  
 BREAKFAST CLUB OF THE SEASON!**

Join us in the parish center after the 7:30 or 9:00am Mass for a delicious breakfast. Order from our full breakfast menu!

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**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED  
 Next Weekend ~ MAY 16 & 17**

- Saturday, 5:00pm:**  
Neil LaVigne, Joseph DiRaimo, Andrew Chmiel
- Sunday, 7:30am:**  
Kyle Chapman and Kayla Chapman
- Sunday, 9:00am:**  
Vicky Ritzel, Noah Ritzel, Tyler Kohrt
- Sunday, 10:30am:**  
Sabrina Rotolo, Marisa Rotolo, Jessica Belt

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**SACRISTAN:** Week of May 10 Tom Marton

**LINENS:** Week of May 17 Maureen Morehouse