

JUNE 14, 2009

Stepping Stones to Stewardship

**The Stewardship Board this month
will feature Graduates!**

Included will be the graduating 6th graders from St. Rita School and also our Seniors from the class of 2009. Please stop by and check it out and also keep all of our graduates in your prayers as they go forth to continue their journey in faith.

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Attention: St. Rita Society Members

**ANNUAL PLANNING MEETING
Tuesday, June 16 at 4:00pm in Room 1**

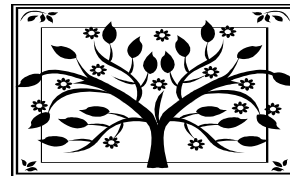
We will be meeting to plan our schedule of events and activities for next year. Bring your ideas and a dessert to share! Drinks will be provided. Many Thanks to all who baked, worked, or contributed in any way to make our St. Rita Society Fiesta Bake Sale such a great success!

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We wish God Speed to all of our graduating seniors in the Class of 2009 and a special wish to the former members of Youth Group: **Daniela Albano, Kristina Boccardo, Mark Butto, Laura Casper, Michelle DiRaimo, Lizzy Kirchoff, Drew Pawluk, Meg Samuelson, Melissa Stadler, Megan Tait, Chris Topping, Frank Torchia** – it has been my privilege to spend time with all of you. Mary Jo, Youth Minister

**St. Rita School invites all parishioners to our
God Speed Ceremony and Reception
on Wednesday, June 17 at 7:00pm in Church.
Thank you all for your support of our school!**

ST. RITA PRE-SCHOOL NEWS!



**Children are the living messages
we send to a time we will not see.**

John W. Whitehead, *The Stealing of America*, 1983

St. Rita School has a few openings in the PK program for 2009-2010. Our little God Drops are growing everywhere. Learn more about our program:

- Sunday, June 14 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 and once again on
- Monday, June 15 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The PK room will be open for visits on both days and our PK teacher will be there to answer all your questions. You are also invited to visit during the regular school day. Please call 671-3132 for an appointment.

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STRAWBERRY SOCIAL TIME ~ SENIORS!

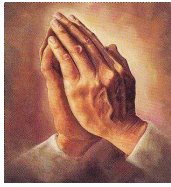


**You are cordially invited to our
20th annual Strawberry Social
Wednesday, July 1 at 2:00pm**

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.

**GOD SPEED TO ST. RITA SCHOOL
CLASS OF 2009**

Best Wishes to ~ Alana Alaimo, Joseph Aldridge, Krista Barbeau, Alex Bednar, Sonya Bucierka, Erin Buckley, Katherine Burns, Gina Capone, Grace Clark, Isabelle Clemens, Gina Commisso, Nathan Connor, Laura Craft, Corina Cruz, Blair Darcy, Michael Denimarck, Reagan Dillon, Madeline Donowsky, Ian Fike, Erin Flaherty, Eleni Gogos, Monique Hanna, Rose Marie Hefferon, Erin Loftus, Nathaniel Lyons, William Marshall, Ruairi McHugh, Jocelyn Mendez, Jessica Mendicino, Kristen Messineo, Megan Miller, Ryan Miller, Travis Moran, Rebecca Munro, Maura Nicholson, Baltazar Ortiz, Kelly Palamar, Adam Patterson, Meghan Paulus, Noah Ritzel, Martin Ryan, Luke Scorsone, Matthew Skrypka, Meghan Skrypka, Dominic Soldi, Angelina Spampinato, Joshua Stanhope, Peter Swovick, Fallon Turek, Jeffrey Weber.



EUCCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2009

9:15AM MARY JANE ROBINSON – Chris & Brenda Allison

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2009

7:00AM LARRY CONTOIS – The McHugh Family
9:15AM JOHN KOLASSA – Family & Friends

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2009

9:15AM LINA MARASCO – Husband Joseph
7:00PM ST. RITA SCHOOL GOD SPEED CEREMONY

THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2009

7:00AM FRED SOWLE – The Broccolo Family
9:15AM TERRY COLE – Peter & Angelina Rubino

FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2009

9:15AM JOSEPH JANIAC, SR. – Patty & Joe Janiak

SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2009

5:00PM MARILYN & DICK DI MARIA – Dick DiMaria

SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2009

7:30AM OTTO REISCH – Family
9:00AM FRANK NICASTRO & JOHN CLARK – Gary & Virginia Nicastro
10:30AM THERESA COLE – Peter & Angelina Rubino

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This week the Tabernacle Light will burn for Fr. Chuck and Fr. Hoan's birthdays

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Welcome to the residents of Maplewood Nursing Home who attended our 10:30am Mass this weekend. We were happy to have you with us!

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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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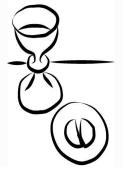
PRESENTING THE GIFTS AT MASS

If you are attending a Mass being celebrated for a loved one, please tell the ushers before Mass so that you may carry the gifts at the offertory. You and your family may also offer to do this at other times when you are present. Your assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated by the ushers.

Pastor's Perspective

Today we celebrate the solemn Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ ~ the central mystery of our faith. Indeed we are most "Church" when we gather around the altar each week to celebrate the Eucharist. At Jesus' mandate to "Do this in Memory of Me" we gather at his table to do what he did and to be joined together as the Body of Christ.

Eucharist



We gather, recall the story of Jesus, and share the friendship meal of bread broken and wine poured out. We believe that when we do this, Jesus is with us now, in our gathering, in the Word of God we proclaim and hear, and in the broken bread and blest cup.

In celebrating the Eucharist, more passes between us than food and drink.

- Our faith assures us that what we share is the body and Blood of Christ himself.
- But the miracle of the Eucharist is much more. We also share who we are for one another. The bread and the wine which become the Body and Blood of the Lord are also tokens of our flesh and blood. They not only embody Jesus present as spiritual nourishment, but reveal how we are food and drink for one another, how we are sustenance and support for one another.

Sharing the Eucharist does not, however, "make" us a faith community. Becoming truly Christian and not just "Sunday Catholics" takes place in the exchange of mutual service, not just sliding into a pew together.

We become a Christian community by:

- Welcoming others
- Reaching out beyond ourselves
- Standing in solidarity with the least of our sisters and brothers
- Encouraging diversity within our catholicity

Just as the Body and the Blood of the Lord are our sustenance, so we are to one another.

Peace,

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Did You Know? Our bulletin is available each week on-line at www.saintrita.org – check it out!

PLANS FOR THE WEEK

JUNE 14, 2009

SUNDAY 6/14

8:30-11:00am **PANCAKE BREAKFAST – Gym**

MONDAY 6/15

7:00pm Parish Pastoral Council – Rm 1

TUESDAY 6/16

9:00am MOMS Group – Rm 3
1:00pm Recovery – Rm 3
4:00pm St. Rita Society Planning Mt. – Rm 1
7:00pm Finance Council – Parish Office

WEDNESDAY 6/17

7:00pm School God Speed Ceremony & Reception – Church and Gym (All are Welcome!)

FRIDAY 6/19

Blue / Gold Day – Last Day of School

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

*Gianna Valentina Demino
Benjamin Thomas Demus
Daniel Robert Colombo
Aydin Antonio East*



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BIBLE READINGS:

- 14 Sun **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**
Ex 24:3-8 Ps 116:12-13,15-18 Heb 9:11-15
Mk 14:12-16,22-26
- 15 Mon 2 Cor 6:1-10 Ps 98:1-4 Mt 5:38-42
- 16 Tue 2 Cor 8:1-9 Ps 146:2,5-9 Mt 5:43-48
- 17 Wed 2 Cor 9:6-11 Ps 112:1-4,9 Mt 6:1-6,16-18
- 18 Thu 2 Cor 11:1-11 Ps 111:1-4,7-8 Mt 6:7-15
- 19 Fri **The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus** Hos
11:1,3-4,8-9 Is 12:2-6 Eph 3:8-12,14-19 Jn
19:31-37
- 20 Sat **The Immaculate Heart of Mary** 2 Cor 12:1-
10 Ps 34:8-13 Lk 2:41-51
- 21 Sun **12th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Jb 38:1,8-11
Ps 107:23-26,28-31 2 Cor 5:14-17 Mk 4:35-41

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**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED
Next Weekend ~ JUNE 20 & 21**

- Saturday, 5:00pm:**
Christina Smith, Mary Martellotta, Lauren Navarro
- Sunday, 7:30am:**
Kyle and Kayla Chapman
- Sunday, 9:00am:**
Lauren Tatanus, Vicky Gammons, Brianna Gammons
- Sunday, 10:30am:**
Sabrina Rotolo, Marisa Rotolo, Jamie Farris

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SACRISTAN:

Week of June 14 Dan & Miriam Kennelly

LINENS:

Week of June 21 Ruth Wensley

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**WELCOME VISITORS
TO ST. RITA PARISH COMMUNITY!**

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us and hope that your time with us will be prayerful. Here at St. Rita we encourage everyone to participate as fully as possible in our Liturgical celebrations as well as in the ministries of our parish. If you would like more information about St. Rita Church please go to our website at www.saintrita.org. If you would like to register with us please pick up a Welcome Packet (colored folder) located in the Church Library adjacent to the front doors of church. Feel free to call the parish office 671-1100 at any time if you have questions. We are happy to have you with us!

**PARISH SUPPORT
For Last Weekend June 6 & 7**

Last Week	Weekly Goal for June 2009	Variance
\$16,744	\$14,000	+\$2,744
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$729,585	\$743,200	-\$13,615

(Our fiscal year is 7/1/08 – 6/30/09)

Monthly Parish Center Mortgage Payment \$2,725
Mortgage Balance as of June 1, 2009 \$182,165

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. Cards are available in the back of Church or please call the parish office at 671-1100 x 12 for more information.

If Jesus were on earth today, how would he spread his message? **The Catholic Communication Campaign** (CCC) believes Jesus would use every means available, so it makes use of media outlets to evangelize and promote gospel values. The USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) provides movie reviews, radio program links, educational and inspirational television links and much more – go to usccb.org. To learn more about CCC's national communications projects, please visit www.CatholicCommunicationCampaign.org

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CAN YOU HELP?

Prepare and serve **SUNDAY SUPPER**
June 28 at 2:00pm at Holy Trinity Church
Please call Carol at 671-7832 to volunteer.