

SEPTEMBER 13, 2009

Stepping Stones to Stewardship

Everyone has a different capacity to give. But we shouldn't concern ourselves with comparing our stewardship effort to those of others. Instead, measure your gift by the sacrifice you are making.

StewardshipLive It!

ST. RITA SOCIETY POT LUCK SUPPER & AUCTION

Tuesday, September 16 at 6:00pm in the Parish Center



This is a fun night you won't want to miss. Please bring your own place setting and a dish to pass:

A-F	Appetizer	G-L	Salad
M-T	Casseroles	U-Z	Dessert

This year we will be doing a Chinese Auction. Make a small basket with 3-5 items in it. We will sell tickets for \$5 a strip that can be used to win these baskets. Come be with old friends and to meet new ones. Proceeds from the auction go to the Sisters at the convent for their food cupboard. Hope to see you there! Any questions call Elaine at 671-4930.

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WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE HOLY LAND?

Tuesday, September 29 at 7:00pm in Room 1

Deacon John McDermott traveled to Israel and the West Bank with Catholic Relief Services this past June. Join him on Tuesday evening September 29 at 7:00pm in Room 1 to see pictures and learn more about his trip as he covers these topics:

- The state of the Christian community in the Holy Land
- The current conflict and security situation
- The work of CRS for peace and development

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FAITH FORMATION AND SACRAMENT REGISTRATION

Registration forms are available in:

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

Parish registration is required prior to registering for Faith Formation and Sacrament Preparation Programs. Please send in your registration as soon as possible. Questions may be directed to Anita Wagner, at 671-2079 or AWagner@dor.org.

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE THIS WEEKEND September 12 & 13 after All masses!



The school will be open before and after all liturgies this weekend. All are invited to tour the school and barn that weekend. Come and see our beautiful new landscaping by the west wing – a gift from the class of 2009, new lockers and carpeting. For over 50 years our parish has supported a wonderful educational facility that we all can be proud of. Please stop in and reminisce about your school days. **Our whole school community thanks you for your support of our educational ministry.**

Confirmation 2009 - 2010

THE KICK-OFF MEETING WILL BE:

Sunday, September 13, 2009 at 6:30pm in Church

Registration forms are available in the Faith Formation Office, Parish Office, the table in the Narthex, and online at www.saintrita.org. Please send in your registration form as soon as possible. Questions may be directed to Anita Wagner at 671-2079 or AWagner@dor.org.

The date we have been assigned for Confirmation for the 2009-2010 school year is:

Tuesday, October 27 at Sacred Heart Cathedral

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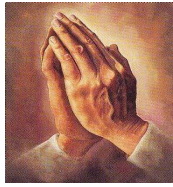
INTERESTED IN JUSTFAITH?

JustFaith follows a national program of exploration of Catholic Social Teaching that is rooted in the local situation in which we find ourselves. This will be a cooperative venture between the Webster-Penfield Catholic Community of churches and The Cathedral Community as part of our new partnership. The group will meet every Thursday night for 30 weeks starting September 17 at 7:00 pm at the Cathedral. We will study both Catholic Social Teaching and our local social and political situation in the Rochester community. Through this program we hope to better understand the needs of our community and opportunities to assist it. For more information, please contact Deacon John McDermott at 264-1608 or jmcdermott104@gmail.com.

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BE A CHILDREN'S LITURGY CATECHIST !

The simple truth is you just need to like kids and enjoy spreading the Good News! You don't have to be a teacher or a religious educator or have any formal training in theology. Remember the family is where children first learn about God. Feel free to go out with the children when they are excused to Room 1 and observe. Adults are always welcome! Don't miss this opportunity to grow spiritually along with our children. We would like to have new catechists ready to begin in the fall. Questions? Contact Melanie Marshall at 576-5107 or Teri Bucks at 671-0388.



EUCCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

7:00AM LEO FOX – Mom
9:15AM BERNADINE GRISWOLD - Patty & Joe Janiak

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2009

9:15AM ROBERT E. CASEY – Clara Alward

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2009

7:00AM ELIZABETH & EDGAR FESS – Family
9:15AM SCHOOL LITURGY – All are welcome!
BLESSINGS FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2009

9:15AM CAROLINE MAYER – Jo & Chet Krol

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2009

9:15AM ROCCO PROVENZALE – Mario Provenazale

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2009

5:00PM GENEVIEVE KLOSSA – Family & Friends

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2009

7:30AM ROBERT NOLAN – Wife, Virginia
9:00AM FRITZ MUELLER – Kathleen
10:30AM JAMES KELLER -Daughter, Joyce Hollander

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**This week the Tabernacle Light will burn
in loving memory of Jeanette Warren**

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THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

RCIA is an invitation to encounter God's love within the community of St. Rita Parish. Anyone who has not been baptized or has been baptized in another faith but has not received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation is welcomed to explore the process of becoming a Full member in the Catholic Church through a faith instruction group. Please contact Drew at 671-1100 ext.15 if you desire to be a part of this journey. The group will begin meeting in October with the goal of full initiation at the Easter Vigil in April. If you know someone who might be interested in RCIA, invite them to encounter God's love in St. Rita Parish.

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CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER GIRL and BOY SCOUT RETREAT

"Footprints of St. Paul"

Saturday, September 26 at St. Theodore's Church

You asked and we responded! One day of prayer, Catholic emblem activities, crafts and fun! Details, please contact Helena Kessler at 381-5561 or by e-mail to hcmkessler@yahoo.com.

A Student's Prayer

Dear Lord,

Help me to be the best student I can be.
Help me to study well, especially when I don't feel like studying at all.
Help me to be honest when I'm tempted to cheat.
Help me to listen to my teachers and my coaches.
Help me to play fair and to play safely.
Help me to be kind to everyone at school and especially to those whom others treat unkindly.
Help me to treat others as I would like them to treat me.
Help me to be a good friend to others.
Help me to use all the gifts you have given me.
Help me to love and respect my parents.
Help me to trust in you, Lord, and in your love for me.

Amen.

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HEALTH CARE REFORM

This article outlines some of the concerns of the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops regarding health care reform. The information relates only to actual bills and amendments that were before Congress prior to the summer break. You are encouraged to reflect upon them and to discuss your opinions with your US Congressman & Senators.

Conscience Protection & Health Care Reform

The Catholic Health Association (CHA) represents the largest group of private health care providers, Catholic institutions. The CHA is very aware of the promise and problems of health care reform. CHA strongly advocates for conscience protection in health care reform.

Amendments protecting the individual and institutional rights to exercise conscience and refrain from participating in morally objectionable procedures **were rejected** in both the Senate and the House of Representatives.

The CHA insists that "The values guiding our advocacy flow from the Church's teachings about the dignity of the human person and the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. We support measures that maintain our Catholic identity and promote social justice, including conscience clause protections and other measures to allow the ministry to provide services consistent with our faith."

Please contact your elected representatives and share your desires for comprehensive health care reform that provides universal access.

The United States Catholic Conference of Bishops announced the creation of a special web page dedicated to providing clarity on the US Bishops' position on health care reform it is www.usccb.org/healthcare/ and select videos are available at youtube.com/usccb

PLANS FOR THE WEEK SEPTEMBER 13, 2009

SUNDAY 9/13

8:30-11:00am Breakfast Club Begins – Gym
 11:30am Stewardship Mtg. for Ministry Leaders – Rm 1
 5:30-7:30pm Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group – Gym
6:30pm Confirmation Kick-Off Mtg. – Church

MONDAY 9/14

7:00-8:30pm Parish Council – Rm 1
 7:00-8:30pm Finance Council – Parish Office

TUESDAY 9/15

9:00-11:00am MOMS Group – Rms 1 & 3
 1:00pm Recovery – Rm 3
 6:00pm St. Rita Society Pot Luck Dinner – Gym
 7:00-8:30pm Liturgy Committee – Parish Office

WEDNESDAY 9/16

7:00-9:00pm Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3

THURSDAY 9/17

7:00pm St. Rita School Curriculum Night – School

PARISH SUPPORT		
For Last Weekend September 5 & 6		
Last Week	Weekly Goal	Variance
\$17,411	for Aug. 2009 \$14,900	+\$2,511
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$142,909	\$145,400	-\$2,491
(Our fiscal year is 7/1/09 – 6/30/10)		
Monthly Parish Center Mortgage Payment		\$2,725
Mortgage Balance as of September 1, 2009		\$173,038
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!		
ACT Now ~ Automatic Contribution Transfer		
It is easy to make your financial contribution to Saint Rita Church by automatic withdrawal directly from your bank account – with no charge to you! Sign-up sheets are available in the back of Church or for more information please call Lisa or Sharon at the parish office at 671-1100 x 12.		

SACRISTAN: Week of Sept. 13 Jane & Dick Casper

LINENS: Week of September 20 Diana Larson

BULLETIN ADVERTISING ~ If you would like to advertise in our bulletin please call Dick at Greenwood Art & Typo at 671-2951 for more information.

This year, the Youth Group is selling a new coupon book called **“SAVE AROUND ROCHESTER 2010”** presented by Enjoy the City. The cost of the book is \$20.00 and they are available in the Parish office or from a Youth Group member. Please help support our Youth Group with the purchase of a book.

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



Sophia Maria Selvaggio

BIBLE READINGS:

- 13 Sun **24th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Is 50:4-9a
Ps 116:1-6,8-9 Jas 2:14-18 Mk 8:27-35
- 14 Mon **Exaltation of the Holy Cross** Nm 21:4b-9
Ps 78:1-2,34-38 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17
- 15 Tue **Our Lady of Sorrows** 1 Tm 3:1-13 Ps 101:1-3,5-6 Jn 19:25-27
- 16 Wed **Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian** 1 Tm 3:14-16
Ps 111:1-6 Lk 7:31-35
- 17 Thu 1 Tm 4:12-16 Ps 111:7-10 Lk 7:36-50
- 18 Fri 1 Tm 6:2c-12 Ps 49:6-10,17-20 Lk 8:1-3
- 19 Sat 1 Tm 6:13-16 Ps 100:1-5 Lk 8:4-15
- 20 Sun **25th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Wis 2:12,17-20 Ps 54:3-8 Jas 3:16-4:3 Mk 9:30-37

BREAKFAST CLUB NEWS!



Join us in the parish center every Sunday morning from 8:30-11:00am. We offer full service with a complete breakfast menu and a special of the day!

Next Week's Special: Eggs Benedict served with a bottomless cup of coffee for of \$4.25.

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED

Next Weekend ~ **SEPTEMBER 19 & 20**

Saturday, 5:00pm:

Jack Meisenzahl, Ryan Meisenzahl, Joseph DiRaimo

Sunday, 7:30am:

Sandy Loeb, Ashley Coumou, Olivia Zucaro

Sunday, 9:00am:

Mike Sullivan, Joseph Hayes, Matt Skryпка

Sunday, 10:30am:

Jimmy Marton, Brandon Fersaci, Griffin Virgil

ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT

September 25-27

It is time to make plans for the Annual Men's Retreat Weekend. The men of Saint Rita's parish are scheduled to make the retreat on the weekend of September 25 – 27 at Notre Dame Retreat House on Canandaigua Lake. The theme of this year's retreat is "BE ALL YOU CAN BE: HOLY!"

For more information or to make a reservation call Jim Lajoie (St. Rita's parish leader) at HP 248-9543 or WP 350-2232 and/or Nancy Lynch (Office Manager at the Notre Dame Retreat House) at 394-5700 or email: pdlynch@rochester.rr.com or visit Notre Dame Retreat House website at www.ndretreat.org.

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! Check our website at www.saintrita.org for more info. and events.

Sunday, September 13 from 5:30 until 7:30pm
Our First Youth Group Gathering of the season for grades 6-12. Meet in the Parish Center Gym.

Eagle Ridge Sports in Williamson is hosting its annual Church Youth Night. This event will take place on Friday, September 18 from 6:00 to 9:00pm. The cost is \$12 per person and includes 3 hours of unlimited go-kart rides, games of miniature golf, and buckets of balls on the driving range. Pizza is available for \$1 per slice. The rain date will be Saturday, September 19. If you are interested in attending, please contact Mary Jo.

**Make a friend - Be a friend
Bring a friend to Jesus!**

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MOMS GROUP

**Our FIRST MEETING is
September 15 at 9:00am in Room 1**

Attention all Moms with young and older children. We have had a Moms Group at St. Rita Parish for over ten years now. We meet every Tuesday that school is in session from 9-11am in Room 1. Come and check it out! If you would like more information please call Eileen Hasso at 671-5735 or Pat Kaufman at 671-5373. We share prayer, spiritual insights and have open discussions. If childcare will be needed, please call Pat.

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NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY WE NEED YOU!



Olan Mills photographers will take your picture in Room 1. You will come to church only once to have your picture taken and select your portrait all at the same time! **There is no charge to be**

photographed. You will receive a FREE 8x10 and a FREE Directory just for participating. Available dates left are October 9/10 and 16/17.

**TO ARRANGE A SITTING TIME
PLEASE CALL OLAN MILLS DIRECTLY AT
1-800-866-2263**

Please Note: You may submit a photo of your own (a 4x6 is best) to the parish office with everyone's name on it and how you would like it listed in the directory. We look forward to seeing everyone in the directory!



*From the Desk of
Chrisanne Yule*

St. Rita Music Director

MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES at ST. RITA CHURCH

Please consider joining a music group at St. Rita's this year. Music is a wonderful way to contribute to the life of the church, as well as providing inspiration, enjoyment, and fellowship to those who participate.

**Below is information on each group.
Please call Chris Yule, Director of Music
at 478-0778 for more information.**

THE CONTEMPORARY MUSIC GROUP

Provides music for the 5:00pm Saturday Liturgies.

For: All who enjoy singing for the Lord! You don't have to read music to be a member of this group. We use instruments (guitar, keyboard, percussion, bass and melody instruments) so instrumentalists and singers are welcome. Rehearsals are at 4:00pm on Saturdays before Mass.

THE ADULT CHOIR

Provides music for the 10:30am Sunday Liturgies and sings for special services and events. Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30pm.

For: Adults with some choral ensemble experience, and a desire to learn and sing SATB (mixed voice) literature from all music styles – renaissance to contemporary.

THE "LITE" CHOIR

Provides music for the 9:00am Liturgy on one Sunday each month. Rehearsals are held on one Tuesday per month, from 7:30-9:00pm in Room 3.

For: Women who love to sing but want less of a time commitment and "lighter" music than the regular choir.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Provides music once a month at the 9:00am Sunday Liturgies and at special seasonal services. Rehearsals are Tuesdays OR Wednesdays to accommodate different after school times. Pick the one that is best for you; Tuesdays from 3:45-4:30 or Wednesdays from 2:30-3:15.

For: All children in grades 2-6 or who have reading skills are most welcome!

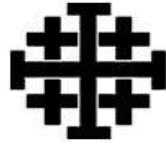
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DID YOU KNOW?

Our bulletin along with parish information is available each week on-line at www.saintrita.org – check it out!

PASTA DINNER

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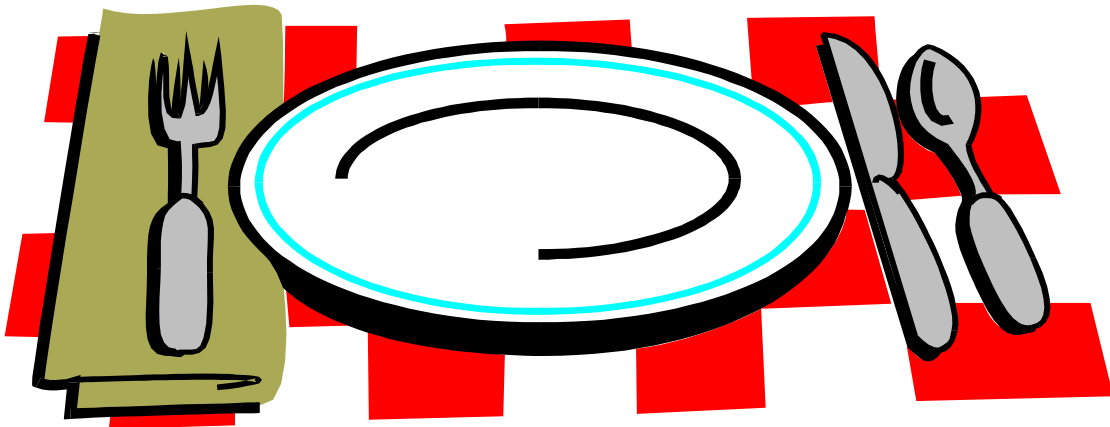


ST. RITA YOUTH GROUP

Date: Saturday, September 26, 2009

Time: 4:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Where: St. Rita's Parish Center
1008 Maple Drive



Adults - \$7.00 8 and Younger - \$4.00

Price includes dinner, salad/jello, bread,
beverage and dessert.

**Tickets will be sold after masses on
Sept. 12 & 13 and Sept. 19 & 20
as well as at the Parish Office AND at the door.
Proceeds will be used for our Youth Group Retreats and Activities**