

FEBRUARY 7, 2010

**Stepping Stones to Stewardship
Special Need**

Several times in the past our parishioner Kathy Velekkakan has shared with us information about her mission work in Tanzania, Africa. St. Rita's had a sister parish in Mabughi and supported the building of their new church in Tanzania. Kathy is traveling to Africa again on February 10th and will visit this new church as well as teach in a small mission hospital. This hospital serves the poor. They have 70 beds in the wards and another 30 patients that lie on mats next to a bed when space is not available. There is one gurney for moving patients around and they wash out their surgical gloves to be used again and again.

Kathy is asking for prayer as well as anyone who might wish to make a donation. One hundred percent of any donation will be delivered to the hospital to help patient care.

If you would be interested in making a donation you can reach Kathy 671-0521. God Bless

Stewardship Live It!

From the Music Director . . .

It's a New Year! Why not join a choir or music group this year? We have a great need for men & women in the Adult Choir, and all of our music groups are excited to welcome new members. There are pamphlets in the greeting area describing each group or contact me for more information. Hope you can join us! Chris Yule 478-0778 or e-mail: yulecmeinmusic@rochester.rr.com.



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**COMPANIONS IN GRIEF
SUPPORT GROUP**

Thursday, February 11
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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Peace

Do not look forward to what might happen tomorrow;
the same everlasting Father who cares for you
today, will take care of you tomorrow, and every day.

Either he will shield you from suffering,
or He will give you unfailing strength to bear it.

Be at peace then and put aside
all anxious thoughts and imaginations.

FIRST EUCHARIST ~ KICK-OFF MEETING

*****RESCHEDULED FOR*****

Thursday, February 11 at 6:30pm in Church

Due to the low attendance because of the inclement weather on January 28, the First Eucharist Kick-off Meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, February 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the church.

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ALL Women of our Parish are Invited!

ST. RITA SOCIETY COMMUNION BREAKFAST

**Sunday, February 14
following the 9:00am Mass**

Ladies please join us in Church for Mass at 9:00 then over to **Glendoveers** on Old Browncroft Road for a wonderful breakfast.

We are delighted to have Sr. Roberta Rodenhouse, RSM as our guest speaker. Cost is \$7.00 for members and \$10 for non-members. All are welcome! Tickets will be sold after all Masses this weekend and are available at the parish office. **Deadline for reservations is Tuesday, February 9.** Questions? Please call Kathy Foster at 671-4347.

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**St. Joseph's Day Table PLANNING MEETING
Friday, February 12 at 12:00 Noon in Room 1**

For anyone who would like to help in this parish event. Bring your ideas or call Elaine King at 671-4930 for more information.

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**REGISTER FOR ~ BIBLE STUDY!
Title: Women in the New Testament**

GROUP 1	GROUP 2
Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30pm in Room 1	Thursday evenings from 7:00- 8:30 pm in Room 1
Feb. 24	Feb. 25
March 3	March 4
March 10	March 11
March 24	March 25
April 7	April 8
April 14	April 15
April 21	April 22
April 28	April 29
May 5	May 5
May 12	May 13

To Sign Up for Bible Study you may: E-Mail the parish office at wstritap@dor.org or call the Parish Office at 671-1100. If you have any questions please call Fr. Hoan at 671-1100 x 21. **Registration deadline is Monday, February 15.**



EUCCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2010

9:15AM MORNING PRAYER

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2010

9:15AM DENNIS MURTAUGH – Patty & Joe Janiak

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2010

7:00AM BARRY HEDDON – Wife Bonnie
9:15AM MORNING PRAYER

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2010

9:15AM MARY WEZELIS – The Burkhard Family

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2010

9:15AM ROBERT E. CASEY – Theresa Marrocco

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2010

5:00PM MARIGRACE PIANE –John & Mary Marasco

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2010

7:30AM CHRISTOPHER D'AMANDA (5th Anniv) -Wife
9:00AM ELLENMARIE SMITH – St. Rita Society
10:30AM OLIMPIA GILYARDI –
Diane Cundra & Demi Deleo

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

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MILITARY PHOTO PRAYER BOARD

There is a photo board of military members of St. Rita Parish located in the greeting area.

PLEASE feel free to bring a photo of your loved one serving. We offer this board to ALL active duty and reservists; soldiers here as well soldiers serving overseas. It is important to know at this time we ask all of you to please remember all military members and their families in your prayers. If you have any questions please call Chrisann Collins 671-1410. Please keep in your prayers: **John J. Collins, Jr., Nicholas Greco, Roger Herbert, Gretchen Specht-Herbert, Scott Hollander, Ryan Kohlmeier, Brandon Loveless, Jacob Perryman, Jonathan Specht, Eric Smith, Sasha Waver, and James Zaiger.**

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

Save the Dates! ~ LENTEN RETREAT

“BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD”

This Lenten presentation is a combined effort of the 4 churches in our Webster Penfield Catholic Connection.

Dr. Joe Kelly will lead the churches of our region in our Lenten reflection. Dr. Kelly is a Professor of Religion and teaches the Scriptures, ethics, Roman Catholic history and theology and Jewish-Catholic relations at Nazareth College.

MARCH 1, Monday “Be Still”

10:00-11:30am at Holy Trinity Church
7:00-8:30pm at Holy Trinity Church

MARCH 2, Tuesday “And Know”

10:00-11:30am at St. Paul's Church
7:00-8:30pm at St. Paul's Church

MARCH 3, Wednesday “That I am God”

10:00-11:30am at Holy Spirit Church
7:00-8:30pm at St. Rita Church

“Be still and know that I am God”

This line from Psalm 46 is surrounded by confidence that God is with us, and that God makes all things new.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL UPDATE

Thank you to over 869 households who have already responded with a gift or pledge (35% participation). The Appeal helps our Church and our parish in so many ways. Please consider all the ways that God has blessed you and yours, and then think how the Church has brought goodness into your lives. Join our appeal and give back what you can so that we can remain strong and able to do God's great work! St. Rita's share of the CMA goal for 2009-2010 is \$112,502. **Any shortfall is the responsibility of the parish. Every gift is needed and important!** You can make your gift at www.dor.org. Extra forms are in the back of church and may be placed in the collection or mailed directly to the Diocese. We thank you for your generosity!

GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY MASS



All Girl Scouts in St. Rita Parish are invited to attend the

10:30am Mass on Sunday, March 14

Please meet in Room 1 by 10:10am wearing your Girl Scout uniform. Scouts will be seated together as a group. A reception for Scouts and their families will be held after Mass. Scouts in the parish who have completed the requirements for their religious emblem are asked to notify Pat Vargas (671-0434) by February 20 to be recognized during the Scout Mass. Scouts who have earned religious medals this year will be honored in a ceremony with Bishop Clark on Saturday, March 6th at 12 noon at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

PLANS FOR THE WEEK FEBRUARY 7, 2010

SUNDAY 2/7

8:30-11:00am Breakfast Club – Gym
 12:00-1:00pm Jr. High Youth Group – Youth Center
 1:30-3:00pm Sr. High Youth Group – Youth Center

MONDAY 2/8

4:30-5:30pm Faith Formation Classes – School
 6:30-7:30pm Faith Formation Classes – School
 7:00-8:30pm Parish Pastoral Council – Rm 1

TUESDAY 2/9

9:00am MOMS Group – Rm 3
 10:00-Noon Stephen Ministry – Rm 1
 1:00pm Recovery – Rm 3
 4:30-5:30pm Faith Formation Classes – School
 7:15-8:30pm Stewardship Committee – Parish Office

WEDNESDAY 2/10

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

THURSDAY 2/11

6:30pm **First Eucharist Kick-Off – Church**
 7:30pm Companions in Grief Group – Rm 1

FRIDAY 2/12

12:00 Noon St. Joseph Table Planning Mtg. – Rm 1

BIBLE READINGS:

7 Sun **5th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Is 6:1-2a,3-8
 Ps 138:1-5,7-8 1 Cor 15:1-11 Lk 5:1-11
 8 Mon 1 Kgs 8:1-7,9-13 Ps 132:6-10 Mk 6:53-56
 9 Tue 1 Kgs 8:22-23,27-30 Ps 84:3-5,10-11 Mk
 7:1-13
 10 Wed **St. Scholastica** 1 Kgs 10:1-10 Ps 37:5-
 6,30-31,39-40 Mk 7:14-23
 11 Thu 1 Kgs 11:4-13 Ps 106:3-4,35-37,40 Mk
 7:24-30
 12 Fri 1 Kgs 11:29-32;12-19 Ps 81:10-15 Mk 7:31-
 37
 13 Sat 1 Kgs 12:26-32;13:33-34 Ps 106:6-7,19-22
 Mk 8:1-10
 14 Sun **6th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Jer 17:5-8 Ps
 1:1-4,6 1 Cor 15:12,16-20 Lk 6:17,20-26

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**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED
 Next Weekend ~ FEBRUARY 13 & 14**

Saturday, 5:00pm:
 Ryan Meisenzahl, Jack Meisenzahl, Jarred Simmons
Sunday, 7:30am: Kayla Chapman
Sunday, 9:00am:
 Juliana Cruz, Corina Cruz, Rachael Connor
Sunday, 10:30am:
 Jimmy Marton, Austin Korol, Griffin Virgil

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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!

Next Week's Special: Waffles with a Toppings Bar.
 served with your choice of bacon or sausage and a
 bottomless cup of coffee for \$4.00.

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SACRISTAN:
 Week of February 7 Dick & Jane Casper

LINENS:
 Week of February 14 Frances Montagne

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**KATE'S GIFT SHOP
 at the Sisters of Mercy Motherhouse
 1437 Blossom Road - Rochester**

Kate's gift shop has a variety of inexpensive gifts
 including items for Baptism, Confirmation and First
 Communion. Alongside these are greeting cards, bibles
 spirituality books, hand-made baby blankets, the Willow
 Tree angel series, and beautiful candles made from
 recycled wax by two Sisters of Mercy. All proceeds
 benefit the ministries of the Sisters of Mercy. Come visit
 and see for yourself!

Kate's is open Tuesday – Friday from 11:00am to
 4:00pm. For information call 288-2710 x 119.

PARISH SUPPORT		
For Last Weekend January 30 & 31		
Last Week	Weekly Goal	Variance
	<small>For Jan. 2010</small>	
\$16,243	\$14,800	+ \$1,443
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$465,083	\$473,100	- \$8,017
(Our fiscal year is 7/1/09 – 6/30/10)		
Monthly Parish Center Mortgage Payment		\$2,725
Mortgage Balance as of January 1, 2010		\$165,997
Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal		\$112,502
Pledges Received to Date		\$105,505
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!		
ACT Now ~ Automatic Contribution Transfer		
It is easy to make your financial contribution to St. 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 at the parish office at 671-1100 x 12.		
Please know that you can initiate "Direct Bill Payment" through your own electronic banking account by directing your bank to mail your monthly/weekly contribution to St. Rita Church at 1008 Maple Dr., Webster, NY 14580.		

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 out our website at www.saintrita.org for more information and upcoming events.

Sunday, February 7 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 7 from 1:30-3:00pm **

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

“SAVE AROUND ROCHESTER” DISCOUNT COUPON BOOKS

Are still available! The cost is \$20.00 and may be purchased at the parish office or call Mary Jo at 671-1100 x18. They are filled with great discounts on many restaurants and entertainment. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used toward youth programs!

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ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH? WELCOME 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!

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Married Couples: Give a gift that lasts!

Great marriages are blessed by God in Heaven, but they are made here on Earth. There is a wonderful opportunity to make your good marriage even better, to reignite your relationship, and to place God fully in your marriage. Come to the next **Marriage Encounter Weekend** held on February 12-14 at the Notre Dame Retreat House. To sign up for this weekend or to see the schedule of upcoming weekends, please call 1-877-697-9633 or visit the website at www.wwme-wny.org.

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

WPCC Health Ministry ADVANCE CARE PLANNING PROCESS

The Advance Care Planning Process involves the following:

- Becoming educated about the topic.
- Exploring, clarifying, and documenting your values, beliefs and goals.
- Choosing a Spokesperson and an Alternate to work with doctors on your behalf in the event you are unable to speak for yourself.
- Reviewing your wishes with your Spokesperson, Alternate and those important to you.
- Completing the NYS Health Care Proxy and Living Will forms that identify your Spokesperson and Alternate and specify your wishes.
- Reviewing and updating these forms periodically and after major life-altering events.
- Conducting ongoing discussions about updates with your Spokesperson and Alternates

Advance Care Planning permits peace of mind for you and your family by reducing uncertainty and helping to avoid confusion and conflict over your care should you become unable to speak for yourself.

Information on Advance Care Planning and Health Care Proxy forms will be available once a month during our Blood Pressure Screenings on the 4th weekend of each month in Room 1.

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HAITI'S REALITY

CRS has worked in Haiti for over 50 years. Even before the devastating 7.0 magnitude earthquake, Haiti was a country in need. The nation is the poorest in the Western Hemisphere with 80 percent of the population falling below the poverty line. Estimates are 150,000 people were killed and 800,000 were left homeless.

Latest News from CRS/Caritas Haiti

"It may look to many in the rest of the world that those in need are not receiving any aid, but actually thousands here in Port-au-Prince are getting help," said Karel Zelenka, the CRS country representative in Haiti. To date, CRS has:

- Provided food to 74,458 people, and non-food items to 15,692 people, distributing an average of 62 metric tons of food per day.
- Sent in medical teams that are treating 300 people per day.
- Supported 2,500 people at Missionaries of Charity centers.
- For up-to-date information visit www.crs.org or crs-blog.org.

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DO YOU HAVE BOOTS YOU NO LONGER WEAR?

Mary's Place is in dire need of adult-sized men's and women's winter boots. Could you help us in collecting these boots and deliver them to Mary's Place or to Sacred Heart Cathedral's Narthex? Contact us at marysplace@frontier.com or call 278-0835.

WEBSTER PENFIELD CATHOLIC CONNECTION
FAITH FORMATION EVENT

STAR WARS MOVIE NIGHT

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 3-6

We will be showing the original
Star Wars Movie (*A New Hope*)

Friday, February 19, 2010
6:30 – 9:30 p.m.
Holy Trinity Church – Gym

Come dressed as your favorite
Star Wars character. Droids
and Jedi Warriors are welcome
but leave your light sabers
and weapons at home.

After the movie
Fr. Brian Carpenter
(Diocesan Jedi Master)
will be joining us to explain the
symbolism and faith connection
to the young citizens of our
WPCC Empire.

Jedi juices and Planetary Popcorn will be free for all.

Please contact Mrs. Wagner in the Faith Formation Office for registration
information. (671-2079 or AWagner@dor.org)

