

MARCH 14, 2010

HANDS OF CHRIST AWARD



Each year many seniors within our Diocese have the opportunity to be nominated for the Hands of Christ award. The senior nominated has to consistently demonstrate a Christian attitude by word and example, actively participate in their parish, school and/or community, be a positive role model to their peers and be a practicing Roman Catholic. On Wednesday, March 10, at St. John's of Rochester in Fairport, I had the privilege of celebrating, this prestigious honor with 15 seniors from our parish and their families. We congratulate the following seniors for their outstanding efforts:

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| Margaret Bates | Timothy Bruno |
| Natalie Brennan | Molly Clemens |
| Kelly Hasso | Christopher Mauro |
| Meghan McLellan | Katie O'Connor |
| Christian Rieger | Alexander Schum |
| Megan Squilla | Philip Sutera |
| Kyle Swovick | Marisa Vargas |
| Lauren Wynne | |

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**ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE in the Parish Center
Saturday, March 20
after the 5:00pm Mass in Church**

Donations of food may be delivered on Saturday, March 20 after 12:00 Noon to the kitchen in the parish center. St. Joseph's Table will be blessed by Father following the 5:00pm Mass in Church. Suggestions for food donations are: Vegetable Lasagna, Stuffed mushrooms, Celery or Cardone fritters, Meatless frittata, fried Eggplant or Zucchini, Greens & Beans, Artichoke French or Casserole, Spinach Casserole, Pasta with vegetables e.g. broccoli, bread crumbs, Vegetarian pizza, Pasta of honey toasted bread crumbs, Baked Ziti with meatless sauce, Pasta with white or red clam sauce. Desserts: Cookies (any kind), Cream puffs, Cannoli, Sfingi, Honey Balls, Pizzelles, and Fruit. If you are able to help in any way with food, set up, clean up, or for information please contact Felice at 671-5177.

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**YOUTH FAMILY MASS at St. Rita Church
Sunday, March 21 at 5:00pm**

Hosted by the Catholic Webster Youth Committee (CWYC). Following the mass will be a "pot-luck" dinner and some community sharing. We are asking everyone to bring a dish to pass.

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**PARISH
EASTER EGG HUNT**

**Sunday, March 28
from 1:00-3:00
in the Parish Center Gym**



The Youth Group is hosting the annual Easter Egg Hunt for all children of the parish ages 1-11. Please pick up a registration form in the back of church. The "entrance fee" is 12 small plastic eggs and one (1) small bag of candy along with your registration form. **Please return your form and "fee" to the parish office no later than Tuesday, March 23.**

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EASTER CANDY SALE

The St. Rita Society is holding their annual candy sale in the greeting area after all Masses until they're sold out! **Solid Milk Chocolate bunnies are \$4.00 each and Mint-Melt-Aways are \$2.00 per box.** Proceeds will be used for St. Rita Society Outreach Projects.

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LENTEN FISH DINNERS

**Served every Friday during Lent
5:00-7:00pm in the Parish Center**

Fried or Baked Haddock are available as well as **Cheese Pizza!** Fish dinners include coleslaw, french fries and a roll ~ \$9 for adults and \$8 for Seniors. Children's portions are available for \$5 - as well as Soft Drinks, Milk, Coffee & Tea. Eat in or take out!

**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, March 14 from 12:00-1:00pm
Jr. High Youth Group will meet at the Youth Center. Anyone in grades 6-8 is most welcome!

Sunday, March 14 from 1:30-3:00pm
Sr. High Youth Group will meet at the Youth Center. Anyone in grades 9-12 is most welcome!

WELCOMING COMMITTEE

**Are you looking for a way to share your talents?
Do you like meeting new people?**

The Welcoming Committee is looking for dynamic, outgoing leader and people to welcome new parishioners after mass on the weekends. Please contact Betsy McDermott at emcdermott@sjfc.edu for more information.

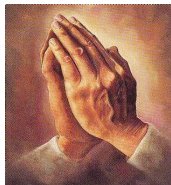
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**COMPANIONS IN GRIEF
SUPPORT GROUP**

Thursday, March 18
7:30pm in Room 1



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



EUCCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2010

7:00AM JANE POSLUSNY – Peg & Ambrose Ryan
9:15AM BRETT FARROW – Aunt Sandy

TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2010

9:15AM ESTER BENSON – Family

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2010

7:00AM BERNADINE GRISWOLD – Jane McCoy
9:00AM JEFF TRENKLER – Bob & Roslyn Patti

THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 2010

7:00AM FRANCIS O'CONNOR – Diane & Family
9:15AM INEZ RONAN – Erin & Tim Hanson

FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 2010

9:15AM JOSEPH PILATO – Wife Josephine & Family

SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 2010

5:00PM JERRY LEBLANC – Bev and Louie Schnorr

SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 2010

7:30AM WILLIAM MORGANTI – Len & Rosemarie Davies
9:00AM DAVE NIER – Noreen
10:30AM RAY ZIMMER – Thelma Benwitz

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This week the Tabernacle Light will burn in loving memory of Ed Geier



WPCC SENIORS AND OTHERS Movie presentation!

Join us on Friday, March 19, as we watch the first feature film based on St. Joseph; "Joseph of Nazareth: Man Closest to Christ". This film will be shown at 1:00 pm, at Holy Trinity Church, downstairs in the Peace and Unity Room, (park and enter from the back of church). Bring your favorite dessert or a free-will offering **and don't forget to bring a friend!** For more information contact: Felice at 671-5177.

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GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY MASS

As we celebrate all Girl Scouts and their Leaders this weekend we also congratulate the following Girl Scouts who received Religious Awards this year:

Family of God: Jessica Aughenbaugh, Samantha Caverly, Catherine Collins, Tia D'Amico, Juliann Fullone, Kiera Higgins, Taylor Loiacono, Emiliana Martinez-Nobrega, Madelyn McCormack, Mercedes McGonigle, Sabriya Mustafa, Julia Spagnola, Hannah Stuewe, Hannah Tette.

Pastor's Perspective



The Hallmark of Jesus is his forgiveness. It puzzled his disciples ~ Remember Peter's question? "How many times do I forgive my brother, 7?" "No", said Jesus, "77 times!"

Lent calls us to experience the profound gift of God's mercy – the overwhelming mercy shown to the Prodigal Son.

We are not in this alone. Our goodness, or lack of goodness, is not simply a matter of certain words and actions. It is a function of our relationships – all of them.

Our relationship with God: This is primary, of course. It is Christ who justifies us, who takes away the sins of the penitent. We must always strive to know God's will and to follow it as closely as possible.

Our relationship with the church: We will make mistakes, both in judgment and action, and the church exists to guide us in our choices, to encourage us in our faith, and to extend forgiveness when we have fallen. The community of other Christians is essential to our life in Christ.

Our relationships with one another: The prodigal son needed the forgiveness of his father, but also the acceptance of his brother. Likewise, the elder brother could not truly please his father until he welcomed his errant sibling home. We must extend the forgiveness we receive to all those who need it of us.

As John Paul II wrote: "The forgiven penitent is reconciled with himself in his inmost being, where he regains his innermost truth. He is reconciled with his brethren whom he has in some way offended and wounded. He is reconciled with the Church. He is reconciled with all creation" (in CCC, 1469) (Kathleen M. Carroll)

Happy Lent – may we all experience the Joy of the Prodigal Son's return and the Father's embrace.

Peace,

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES	
SATURDAY, MARCH 20	9:30 am
TUESDAY, MARCH 23	7:00 pm

SUNG EVENING PRAYER for Palm / Passion Sunday

Sunday, March 28 at 4:00pm in Church

Join together in Church for this wonderful opportunity to reflect on music and readings for Passion (Palm) Sunday, led by an a capella vocal ensemble.

PLANS FOR THE WEEK MARCH 14, 2010

SUNDAY 3/14

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 3/15

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

TUESDAY 3/16

9:00am MOMS Group – Rm 3
 1:00pm Recovery – Rm 3
 4:30-5:30pm Faith Formation Classes – School
 7:00pm First Reconciliation – Church

WEDNESDAY 3/17

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 3/18

7:30pm Companions in Grief Group– Rm 1

FRIDAY 3/19

5:00-7:00pm FISH FRY – Gym

SATURDAY 3/20

9:30am Communal Penance Service – Church
 6:00pm ST. JOSEPH’S TABLE – Gym

SUNDAY, 3/21

5:00pm Youth Mass – Church (All are welcome!)

BIBLE READINGS:

14 Sun **4th Sunday of Lent** Jos 5:9a,10-12 Ps 34:2-7 2 Cor 5:17-21 Lk 15:1-3,11-32
 15 Mon Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2,4-6,11-13 Jn 4:43-54
 16 Tue Ez 47:1-9,12 Ps 46:2-3,5-6,8-9 Jn 5:1-16
 17 Wed **St. Patrick** Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9,13-14,17-18 Jn 5:17-30
 18 Thu Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-23 Jn 5:31-47
 19 Fri **St. Joseph** 2 Sm 7:4-5,12-14,16 Ps 89:2-5,27,29 Rom 4:13,16-18,22 Mt 1:16,18-21,24
 20 Sat Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3,9-12 Jn 7:40-53
 21 Sun **5th Sunday of Lent** Is 43:16-21 Ps 126:1-6 Phil 3:8-14 Jn 8:1-11

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

Saturday, 5:00pm: Jarred Simmons, Connor McKenna, Neil LaVigne
Sunday, 7:30am: Nick Rieger and Jack Samuelson
Sunday, 9:00am: Tim Bruno, Mike Sullivan, Tyler Kohrt
Sunday, 10:30am: Steven Fantigrossi, Phil DeMarco, John Lammers

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SACRISTAN: Week of March 14 Jane Casper

LINENS: Week of March 21 Cindy Wahl

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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. We ask all of you to please remember all military members and their families in your prayers. If you have any questions or you need support please call Chrisann Collins at 671-1410.

Please keep in your prayers: John J. Collins, Jr., Nicholas Greco, Roger Herbert, Gretchen Specht-Herbert, Scott Hollander, Ryan Kohlmeier, Sean Leavy, Brandon Loveless, Jacob Perryman, Jonathan Specht, Eric Smith, Sasha Waver, Andy Zaiger, James Zaiger.

SPECIAL NEED: One of our youth is working on her Senior Project and is collecting items to send to those serving in our military.

If you are able to donate any of the following items there is a box for donations located below the Military Prayer Board in the greeting area in church or at the parish office: **Items needed are:** toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, magazines or newspapers, hard candy, gum, eye drops, lip balm, dental floss, sunscreen, single serve coffee, nuts, beef jerky, boot socks, paper, shoe laces, contact lens cleaner (small packets are best). Thanks for your help!

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

Last Week	Weekly Goal For Feb. 2010	Variance
\$16,307	\$14,800	+ \$1,507
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$541,793	\$547,100	- \$5,307

(Our fiscal year is 7/1/09 – 6/30/10)

Monthly Parish Center Mortgage Payment	\$2,725
Mortgage Balance as of March, 2010	\$162,446
Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal	\$112,502
Pledges Received to Date	\$106,416

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!

Next Week’s Special: Corned Beef Hash served with warm buttered toast and coffee for \$4.50.

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