

APRIL 25, 2010

Stepping Stones to Stewardship

Stewardship should not be viewed as an obligation or a requirement. Stewardship is a lifestyle we choose to live to show our deepest gratitude to God for all we have been given.

Stewardship . . . Live It!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Registration for this year's Vacation Bible School is now open. The program, The Fruits of the Spirit, will be held **July 19-23 from 9:00am to Noon** each day and is limited to 200

participants entering Pre-K through Grade 6. For more information or to sign up a student, visit the on-line form at <http://www.saintrita.org/committ/faith/VBS.shtm> or pick up a form in the back of church. If you would like to volunteer, you may fill out the form online at <http://www.saintrita.org/committ/faith/VBSvolunteer.shtm>. If you have any questions, please email saintritavbs@yahoo.com or call Elizabeth Kwiatkowski at 671-1997.

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OUR PICTORAL DIRECTORIES HAVE ARRIVED!

If you were unable to pick up your directory at Mass, you may pick up your copy at the parish office. Extra books are available to purchase for \$5.00.

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51st Annual St. Rita Society

EVENING WITH MARY
Tuesday, May 18

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 French or Prime Rib ~ \$15 for members and \$24 for non-members. Reservations are needed by Wednesday, May 12. Tickets will be sold after Mass next weekend and are available at the parish office. Any questions please call Ann at 671-2039.

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FOOD COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

On the first Sunday of each month, parishioners are asked to bring in food for the needy in our area. Food may be left in the greeting area of Church. Please remember to bring your nonperishable foods to church with you next weekend. Your Social Action Ministry Committee thanks you!

CALLING ALL CURRENT AND POTENTIAL LECTORS, LEADERS AND COMMUNION MINISTERS!

**“Called to Serve: An Evening of Prayer,
Conversation, and Recommitment”**

Either Tuesday, April 27

OR Thursday, May 6, at 7:00 pm in Church

All current and new liturgical ministers are expected to attend. Significant changes will be discussed. Spend an evening of prayer, sharing and updating as well as training for new ministers. RSVP – ASAP! with the session you will attend to Teri at 671-0388 or e-mail to: tbucks@rochester.rr.com

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WPC Health Ministry Presentation

“HEALTHY FOR LIFE”
Sunday, April 25

at St. Paul’s Church from 2:00-4:00pm

This spring health program can help you get in shape! Come to the **Healthy Eating, Healthy Living** program and learn how to shape up naturally. Susan Calcagno, Nutritionist, will be speaking on Healthy Choices for Good Nutrition, and Bev Geier, Fitness Instructor, will share Exercises to Keep You Moving! Don’t wait, summer’s coming! *All are welcome!*

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Saint Rita School Announces

BLUE AND GOLD BALL

Friday, May 7 at 6:30pm
Glendoveers on Old Browncroft Rd.

Come and paint the town “blue and gold” at St. Rita’s new annual spring gala. The Blue and Gold Ball pays tribute not only to the school’s colors, but to St. Rita’s beloved annual “Blue and Gold Day” end of school tradition.

The Blue and Gold Ball promises to be a great night of dining, dancing and celebrating the mission of elementary Catholic education. The highlight of the night will be a silent auction, which organizers hope will raise significant money. We ask for your support to contribute an item or service for this auction.

Tickets are \$40 per person or \$75 per couple. This includes a wine and beer tasting, grazing food stations and musical entertainment. Parents, parishioners and anyone interested in raising a glass to support Catholic education are welcome to attend.

For more information about the event, to make a donation, or to purchase tickets please visit <http://schools.dor.org/strita>, and click on Blue and Gold Ball. Corporate sponsorships are also available. Questions? Call 671-3132.



EUCHARIST INTENTIONS

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

MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2010

9:15AM ELIZABETH PETERS – Diane Langen

TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2010

9:15AM FRANCESCA LAURIA – Daughter

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 2010

9:15AM MORNING PRAYER
11:00AM MASS AT BAYWINDE (Sage Harbor)

THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 2010

7:00AM TERESA SEIPENBUSCH – Don & Helen Kelly
9:15AM VINCENZO & ELENA DI GIORGIO – Family

FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 2010

9:15AM THOMAS DUNN – Joe & Patty Janiak

SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2010

9:00AM FIRST EUCHARIST
5:00PM PAT SPINOSA – Sal & Lu Ignatti

SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2010

7:30AM NORM MAGIN – Family
9:00AM First Eucharist Candidates' Intentions
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This week the Tabernacle Light will burn in loving memory of Bob, Sue and Kevin Cook

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St. Rita's has a special blessing for expectant parents held on the first Sunday of each month. Our next **Expectant Parent Blessing** will take place during all of the Masses the weekend of May 1 & 2.

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PARISH VISITATION

Do you have a loved one at home, in a nursing home, or hospital that is in need of a visit? Our pastoral staff is here for you. Please call Rose Leisenring at 671-1100 ext. 17 or Drew Desmarais at 671-1100 ext. 15.

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HOSPITAL RULES HAVE CHANGED!

Please have someone let the parish office know if you are admitted to the hospital.

We would like to visit them but depend on you to let us know when a parishioner or relative is in the hospital. Please let us know by calling the Parish Office at 671-1100.

Pastor's Perspective

One of the earliest images of Christ seen frequently in the early Church was that of the "Good Shepherd". Jesus himself spoke as shepherd of the flock. In today's Gospel we hear him say, "My sheep, hear my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish . . ."



In the Psalm response we pray: "We are his people, the sheep of his flock."

One of the most loved Psalms, Ps 23 is called "The Good Shepherd". I share it here for your prayer and reflection:

Yahweh is my shepherd,
I lack nothing.

In meadows of green grass he lets me lie.
To the waters of repose he leads me;
there he revives my soul.

He guides me by paths of virtue
for the sake of his name.

Though I pass through a gloomy valley,
I fear no harm;
beside me your rod and your staff
are there, to hearten me.

You prepare a table before me
under the eyes of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil,
my cup brims over.

Ah how goodness and kindness pursue me,
every day of my life;
my home, the house of Yahweh,
as long as I live!

(Ps 23 – Jerusalem Bible)

Easter 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

APRIL 25, 2010

SUNDAY 4/25

8:30-11:00am Breakfast Club – Gym

MONDAY 4/26

6:30-7:30pm 1st Eucharist Rehearsal Group 1 – Church
7:00-8:30pm Parish Pastoral Council – Rm 1

TUESDAY 4/27

9:00am MOMS Group – Rm 3
1:00pm Recovery – Rm 3
7:00pm Liturgical Ministers' Workshop – Church

WEDNESDAY 4/28

2:30-3:15pm Children's Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3
7:00-8:30pm Choir Rehearsal – Rm 3
7:00-9:00pm Scripture Study – Rm 1
9:00-10:30pm Men's Basketball – Gym

THURSDAY 4/29

7:00-9:00pm Scripture Study – Rm 1
8:30-10:30pm Men's Basketball – Gym

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

Johnathan Nguyen
McKenna Catherine Loncao
Justin Roland Plizga



BIBLE READINGS:

25 Sun **4th Sunday of Easter** Acts 13:14,43-52 Ps 100:1-3,5 Rv 7:9,14b-17 Jn 10:27-30
26 Mon Acts 11:1-18 Ps 42:2-3;43:3-4 Jn 10:1-10
27 Tue Acts 11:19-26 Ps 87:1-7 Jn 10:22-30
28 Wed Acts 12:24-13:5a Ps 67:2-3,5-6,8 Jn 12:44-50
29 Thu **St. Catherine of Siena** Acts 13:13-25 Ps 89:2-3,21-22,25,27 Jn 13:16-20
30 Fri Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2:6-11 Jn 14:1-6
1 Sat Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 14:7-14
2 Sun **5th Sunday of Easter** Acts 14:21-27 Ps 145:8-13 Rv 21:1-5a Jn 13:31-33a,34-35

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULED
Next Weekend ~ **MAY 1 & 2**

Saturday, 5:00pm:
Nick Wynne, Mary Martellotta, Kayla Gateson
Sunday, 7:30am:
Kyle Chapman
Sunday, 9:00am:
Zach Barbeau, Krista Barbeau, Gabrielle Mara
Sunday, 10:30am:
Caprie Romano, Megan Hildenbrand, Julia Klimek

SACRISTAN: Week of April 25 Shirl Mintz
LINENS: Week of May 2 Martine Cianciotto

CROP WALK

(Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty)
Sunday, May 2 at 1:30pm

Starting at the Webster Baptist Church on South Ave.
Walk so they can have clean water, medicine and schools. And also help the needy in our area! The CROP Walk is sponsored by the Webster Council of Churches. For sponsor forms or to sponsor a walker please call Carol Van Atta at 671-7832.

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: Pancakes ~ choose your topping from their toppings bar, served with sausage or bacon, warm buttered toast and a bottomless cup of coffee for \$4.00.

PARISH SUPPORT
For Last Weekend April 17 & 18

Last Week	Weekly Goal	Variance
\$14,547	For April 2010 \$14,500	+ \$47
Year to Date	Year to Date Goal	Variance
\$628,913	\$635,000	- \$6,087

(Our fiscal year is 7/1/09 – 6/30/10)

Monthly Parish Center Mortgage Payment	\$2,725
Mortgage Balance as of April 1, 2010	\$160,565
Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal	\$112,502
Pledges Received to Date	\$ 106,691

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.

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.

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. 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.

FAITH FORMATION and SACRAMENTS
Registration 2010-2011

Registration forms for all currently registered students have been mailed home. Registration forms for new students are available in the following locations.

- 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. The registration deadline is June 22, 2010. Questions may be directed to Anita Wagner, at 671-2079 or AWagner@dor.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

Annual Moving Up Ceremony
Sunday, May 3 from 5:00 to 8:30pm

We will begin with Mass in Church then move to the gym for dinner. 5th Graders interested in being part of Youth Group next year and their families are welcome!

All Youth in grades 6-12 are welcome to attend. Families are invited to join us as we recognize our current 8th graders moving into Sr. High Youth Group; our 11th graders starting their final year of Youth Group and for our 12th graders who are graduating. 5th graders interested in finding out more about Youth Group are welcome! Please RSVP to Mary Jo if you are attending no later than Tuesday, May 4.

SONGS FOR THE CENTER

A Musical Fundraiser for the Mercy Prayer Center

An Afternoon of Jazz, Musical Theatre, and Song
Featuring vocalist Marc Webster, Graduate of
Eastman School of Music and Juilliard
Saturday, May 1, 2010

University of Rochester Interfaith Chapel
Musical Program 1:00-2:30pm

Suggested Donation: \$20.00 - *Children 13 and under free*. Proceeds will benefit the Mercy Prayer Center located at 65 Highland Avenue in the City of Rochester. Administered by the Sisters of Mercy, the Mercy Prayer Center is a tranquil center for the exploration of one's spirituality and welcomes people of all faiths. The open doors of the Mercy Prayer Center seek to provide warmth, hospitality, and a supportive environment of solitude for all who come. *Reception to immediately follow the program.* **For tickets or information contact Mary Jo Bender @ 585-787-9216.**

BREAKFAST CLUB Served Sundays 8:30-11:00am
MAY SPECIALS

Our 39th season is coming to an end! Breakfast Club will be open for three weeks in May. Thank you for your patronage and hope in some small way we made your Sundays joyful and left you with a full stomach and a smile on your face!

May 3 Dick Sorce will offer **Pancakes ~ choose your topping from the toppings bar**, served with sausage or bacon, warm buttered toast and a bottomless cup of coffee for \$4.00.

May 10 Happy Mother's Day! Be sure to take a free plant as our gift to all you beautiful ladies! The O'Connor team will feature **Ham and Cheese Breakfast Casserole** served with warm buttered toast and a bottomless cup of coffee for \$4.00.

Today is the 40th Anniversary of the beginning of Breakfast Club! It started with coffee and doughnuts after Sunday Mass in the barn (the present Pre-K building), with a few tables and chairs. As the crowd grew we decided to cook an egg or two. Then it took off! Folks loved to gather after Mass on Sunday morning for a great meal and conversation. We originally were open 12 months of the year but now we are open September to the 3rd weekend in May. We stop mid-May to give the Fiesta Crew time to get everything ordered and set up for the Fiesta. In September we will celebrate our 40th Anniversary with fun for all, prizes and give-aways!

May 17 Our last weekend! Team 3 will have no special but will be cooking everything that is left in the fridge – eggs any style, pancakes, whatever you want off the menu!

Thank you for your support this season. We enjoyed another successful season and were able to pay for service calls on appliances and purchase a few needed items for the kitchen.

Have a safe and wonderful Summer!
Love, Jane

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PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Next meeting - Tuesday, May 4 from 10:00am to Noon in the Youth Center. Bring your knitting needles, crochet hook, acrylic yarn and join us. Prayer shawls are given to anyone we hear of who is in need. This includes those facing serious illness, major surgery, or extended treatments. It can be someone who has suffered a significant loss in their lives or those who are just going through a hard time. There is a prayer for each person included with the shawl as a reminder of God's love for them. It provides comfort and reassurance that all of us here at St. Rita's are holding them in prayer. It serves as a connection with us even though they're not able to be with us physically. If you or someone you know is in need of a prayer shawl contact Rose at 671-1653, or Drew at 671-1100 x 15.

ST. RITA'S SPECTACULAR RAFFLE!

WIN A NEW CAR !



Grand Prize is a New Car - see reverse side for details!

2nd prize of a Getaway Package

five 3rd prizes of \$100 Wegmans gift cards

\$20 per entry / \$50 for 3 entries / \$100 for 7 entries (includes free oil change from Vision Automotive Group)

This Raffle is our ONE major fundraiser for the year. Monies raised are used to support our 50+ ministries and parish needs. If you are unable to buy a ticket, please ask your family, neighbors or co-workers – you would be surprised to see how many people want to win a new car! **Our tithe recipient this year is St. Mary's Hospital Brain Injury Unit.** Unity at St. Mary's Hospital is among the nation's premier providers of community health care services and programs for the needy. Their Brain Injury Unit is a nationally recognized program for patients suffering from traumatic brain injuries and where some of our own parishioners have personally benefited from their care.

Download additional entry forms at www.saintrita.org or pick up at the Parish office.

Platinum SponsorS:

Isaac Heating & Air Conditioning, Q Dental Group and Vision Automotive Group present:



St. Rita's 56th Annual Fiesta ~ Under the Big Top!

Friday, June 4th - 5:00 to 10:00pm

Saturday, June 5th - 3:00 to 11:00pm

St. Rita's Fiesta is the longest running festival in the Diocese! This family-oriented event is a wonderful way to celebrate together as a parish and community! Once again all the fun will be under cover - rain or shine! This enormous tent will make it comfortable for everyone by having the food and entertainment covered with plenty of room to eat, dance, relax and enjoy the festivities!!

Free nightly entertainment with the hottest local bands:

"The Skycoasters" NY State's #1 party band performs on Friday night from 6:00-10:00 pm.

"Ruby Shooz" will perform your favorite Oldies from the 50's and 60's on Saturday night from 7:00-11:00 pm.

In addition to great entertainment, we have **Delicious Food ~ Kids' Attractions ~ Rock Climbing Wall & Inflatables ~ Carnival Games ~ Games of Chance Booths & Casino Games.**

SIGN-UP ONLINE to VOLUNTEER at the Fiesta!

Go to the link on our parish website at www.saintrita.org and click on the Fiesta Volunteer Link! Or you can call the Parish Office at 671-1100. There are a wide variety of areas and time slots for you to help out. This is a great opportunity for you and your family to meet new people, share your time and talent, and have a fun time!

Consider some of these other areas we need your help: Baked Food Sale ~ Book Sale ~ Casino Games ~ Cleanup (includes Sunday) ~ Floaters (Workers to cover breaks in all areas) ~ Food Booth ~ Game Booth ~ Nevada Ticket Booth ~ Parking / Security / EMTs ~ Pizza Booth ~ Plant Sale ~ Raffle Booth ~ Setup / Takedown ~ Silent Auction ~ Sweets Booth

BOOK SALE: A collection box will be in the greeting area for your donations of used books, videos, DVD's and CD's. Please no condensed Reader's Digests or encyclopedias. Any questions please call Don and Mary Brown at 671-2722.

PLANT SALE: Consider dividing your plants and shrubs for the sale. Please call Carol Van Atta at 671-7832 if you need help digging and dividing your plants and call Joyce Hollander at 267-9019 to volunteer at the plant sale booth. We can use extra pots of all sizes if you have any.

FIESTA DONATIONS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Looking for gently used McDonalds Toys, Beanie Babies, and other small toys from non-smoking households, to be used as prizes in the Children's Tent. We are also looking for next-to-new larger stuffed animals. There will be a collection box located in the foyer and also at St. Rita School for donations. We are in great need of volunteers to help with the Game Booths Friday and Saturday. Please contact Tara Broccolo if you are able to volunteer at 265-0832 or tbroccolo@frontiernet.net Thank you!

Visit our website at www.saintrita.org for more Fiesta information!