Members of St. Louis Church talk often about vocations. Many times we speak in terms of all occupations and life situations, such as a salesperson or stay-at-home dad. For our purposes, through this column, we will define the term “vocation” as the Priesthood in the Roman Catholic Church in the Diocese of Rochester. While specific, the impact of this topic is broad and designed to give us a wake up call.

This pie chart pictured reflects the ages of all the priests serving in our diocese. If you look closely, you will see that 75% of our priests are 60 years old or older and 87% of our priests are older than 50.

Nationwide the number of priests has changed dramatically:
1930 – 27,000 priests
1970 – 59,192 priests (about a 120% increase)
2014 – 38,275 priests (about a 65% decrease!)

St. Louis Church parishioners should feel quite blessed to have three of the finest priests ever in the diocese guiding our faith community. Yet, do you know how many priests have come from the St. Louis family? Zero, nada, none. The first mention of a Roman Catholic Church in Pittsford goes back to 1874. That’s 142 years ago. It is time to identify and encourage more men to consider the priesthood. How can one of the finest and most active churches (filled with some of the most dedicated Catholic families) not have produced one Diocesan priest?

Over the next several bulletins, we will explore the priesthood and how some of our priests answered the call. Also, you will discover why, without our priests, we would have no Mass. Members of the Vocations Team hope you will find these articles interesting and inspiring. Join us in helping identify future priests from our parish.

Bless you all,
Dick Yule, Chair
St. Louis Vocations Team

“God became man so that man could become God.” ~ St. Augustine
Mass Intentions for This Week

**MONDAY - APRIL 18**
11:00 am Catherine Aquavella - Linda Lord
5:15 pm Rita Melos - John & Bernie Eilertsen

**TUESDAY - APRIL 19**
Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30
No 6:45 am Mass
11:00 am Dorothy Jay - Thomas Family

**WEDNESDAY - APRIL 20**
11:00 am Special Intention in honor of St. Ann - Ann Ricci
5:15 pm George Cowley - VFW Post 4658

**THURSDAY - APRIL 21**
No 6:45 am Mass
11:00 am Bill Bauerschmidt - Ed & Joan Lennert

**FRIDAY - APRIL 22**
Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
9:10 am St. Louis School/Earth Day Mass
11:00 am Thomas G. Hohman - Thiemes Family
5:15 pm Matt Bryce - Mom & Dad

**SATURDAY - APRIL 23**
Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14
9:00 am Marian Battle - Mattina Family
11:00 am First Eucharist Mass
4:30 pm Mass, First Eucharist
Bolick & Hedy Siergiey - Family

**SUNDAY - APRIL 24**
5th Sunday of Easter
7:30 am Anthony Foti - St. Louis Council Knights of Columbus
9:00 am Harry Voss - Cosenza Family
11:00 am Mass, First Eucharist
Andrew Eilertsen - John & Rachael
5:00 pm Wm. H. Perham III - Perham Family

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS**
We invite you to have a Sanctuary Lamp lit at the Blessed Sacrament to have your very special intentions remembered for a week.

To arrange this, please call or visit the Ministry Center. The Thursday Holy Hour Ministry will offer special prayers for your intention.

*Three lamps will burn In Memory of Eileen Cahill by the Bird Family.*

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**Saturday & Sunday, April 23 and 24**

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Sunday Communion Service - April 24
The Highlands - Jim Haefner    Heather Heights - Mary Ann Monley
Shepherding 101
Shepherding was fairly common in the hill country of Galilee. Those listening to Jesus would have understood his pastoral images. At night, sheep were brought into a sheepfold, a safe protected place. Various flocks would be brought together to a common area. But in the morning, each shepherd would call to his flock. Recognizing the voice of their own shepherd, they would separate back out, each flock heading to its particular pasture, following their own shepherd. Exposure to the same voice leads to familiarity. Following the shepherd’s voice leads to safe pasture. How does that work for us? Pick up a Bible, spend plenty of time in the Gospels, and Jesus’ voice will become familiar!
I Will

In years past, lawyers or financial advisors assisting someone with their will would have almost automatically asked "Do you plan on leaving anything to support your church (or synagogue)?" As a result, including the church in one's will was quite common. Many a retired priest can tell of a time when the roof was leaking, a boiler needed to be replaced, or some other emergency arose, and miraculously, the money appeared just in time through a bequest. Have you considered including a bequest to St. Louis Church, our school, or Saint's Place in your will? Have you suggested to family that, in your obituary, you would like to encourage friends or family to make a contribution to St. Louis? In this Easter season, pray about

A COLD DAY FOR SPRING CLEAN-UP!

Chris Lynge, Parish Council member and liaison for St. Louis Grounds & Facilities Team, thanks the brave volunteers who faced a chilly, but thankfully sunny day to dig in, dig up and clean-up our church and school grounds on April 2nd!

The crew members were:
Jim Napier, Paul & Andrew Cunningham, Rob Rahbari and his son Audi, and Brian Fox!

Thanks guys! Your effort was very generous, and your talent with a rake – outstanding!

Annual Information Meeting:
St. Louis Church Haiti Task Force Team
Please come to learn about our 45 year old parish team which efficiently accomplishes so much. “Many hands make light work” as it is said. Could you with your friends give a helping hand with Fr. Rick Frechette’s “Meet and Greet” reception in August, or maybe the September Corn Sale, or the Fall Ornament Sale? We will unveil the "rustic chic" 2016 heart ornaments (so appropriate for this Holy Year of Mercy). New members are always welcome to join this parish team.

Date: Tuesday, April 26, 7PM until 8PM
Location – Meeting Room below the Parish Mtg Hall
Follow direction signs at Narthex door.
Any questions, please call: Marcia Mendola 381-6872.

This Week’s Tithing Will Support Pittsford Food Cupboard
Next Week’s Tithing Will Support Notre Dame Learning Center

Notre Dame Learning Center (NDLC) located at 71 Parkway, Rochester 14608 resides in the Charles Settlement Building. This ministry of the School Sisters of Notre Dame was established in 2004 to address the needs of Rochester children having difficulty in school. Many city children have poor study habits, and lack basic reading and math skills, and need help outside the regular classroom setting. No matter how dedicated their school teachers are, some children fall through the cracks. Students come from the Rochester City School District as well as public, Catholic, charter and private schools. Some parents or guardians are reluctant or unable to help with homework because of their own educational background, or lack of it. Some children have no one who is really interested in them or who can give them one-on-one attention.

At the Notre Dame Learning Center, children are tutored on an individual basis. Each student works on an academic area of Reading/English Language Arts and Mathematics, suggested by the parent, teacher, or as a result of diagnostic testing. Their volunteer tutors are kept up-to-date on the common core curriculum. Tutors not only help the children in their academic year of need, but also help them gain self-confidence and inspire them to be the best they can be. Parents say the bond formed between student and tutor is as beneficial as the academic help. NDLC serves over 40 school children each semester. Tutoring is free; however, there is a $10 per child per class registration fee for those who can afford it. There is now a High School Equivalency preparation program that meets Monday - Thursday mornings with volunteers who teach Mathematics, Social Studies, English and Science. Visit us at www.ndlcenter.org. To volunteer as a tutor, for other volunteer opportunities, to give a gift from our wish list, or for more information, please call Sr. Evelyn Breslin at 254-5110 or by email at ndlc@frontiernet.net. Prayers are always welcome. Education renders a huge strike at the causes of poverty.

**Our Parish Family’s Stewardship**

### Supporting Our Parish

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St. Louis Youth Group Fundraiser
Benefitting our Steubenville Retreat Weekend

Rose Sale for
Mother’s Day

$20.00 per dozen

Pre-Pay Orders will be taken after
All masses on April 16 & 17, 23 & 24.
We accept cash or checks made payable
to St. Louis Church.

Pick-up:
Saturday, May 7 10:30am – 2:00pm
in the Narthex.

Contact Beth Woodward at 739-9938/cjkkew@aol.com with any questions.
(Special accommodations available upon request.)
Fruit of the Vine Conversation Series

Islam and Catholicism: Our Shared Journey of Mercy with Dr. Mohammed Rumi

Dr. Rumi will share with us the uniquely shared positions of Muslims and Catholics on:
- Mary and the virgin birth of Jesus
- Love of God and love of neighbor
- Unique miracles of Jesus mentioned in the Quran not in the Bible
- Understand and support of all on global scale for world peace

Dr. Rumi is a pioneering active member of the Islamic Center of Rochester and has served in leadership roles for over 32 years. He has been speaking on Islam at numerous events in the greater Rochester area and in Washington D.C. He has also participated in international Interfaith Conferences. He is currently a board member of the Commission on Christian-Muslim Relations and Muslim-Catholic Alliance of Rochester. Dr. Rumi, MD is an Internist and Pulmonologist in Batavia.

A LEGACY OF
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE and FAITH

St. Louis School

Legacy Walkway

Parents, grandparents, alumni, friends and supporters of the St. Louis School family can now be a permanent part of St. Louis School. If you have a current student in the school, a family member that you would like to remember, are interested in honoring a teacher, past alum or just want to leave a footprint on SLS, consider ordering a commemorative brick.

With a brick in the SLS Legacy Walkway, your personal inscription will live forever at the school that shapes the lives of thousands of children. For additional information, please contact Dawn Schnell at dschnell@rochester.rr.com.
Tutors Needed!
Monday & Thursday Evenings

Our Monday tutoring program which meets from 4:45-6:00 pm at Guardian Angels School at 2016 East Henrietta Road needs tutors for Iraqi women.

Our Thursday program which meets from 4:45-6:00 pm at the Greek Orthodox Church of the Holy Spirit at 835 South Ave. near Highland hospital is also in need of tutors. Right now we need someone for two 5 year old girls, two boys 7 and 8 years old, and a Bhutanese woman who has passed her citizenship test and wants to work on conversation.

As of May 5, we will lose some of our Nazareth tutors and will need tutors for an 8 year old girl, a 10 year old girl, and an Iraqi young man who is attending Monroe Community College and needs help with his school work. Our tutors are high school students, college students, and adults. We hope you can join us and make a difference in someone’s life while enriching yours.

If you can help, contact Geri Dolan at 278-8244 or gdola45@rochester.rr.com

Why on Earth am I here?
A boat without a rudder usually ends up in the weeds. That’s not where God wants you! God has a purpose for your life…to bring Christ to the world with your hands and your voice. It’s your VOCATION.

Today, we celebrate World Day of Prayer for Vocations and pray for all Christian vocations – married, single, ordained, and consecrated religious.

May Mary, Mother and guide of Jesus, intercede for our faith community, so that, made fruitful by the Holy Spirit, it may be a source of true vocations for the service of the holy People of God. Amen

from Message of His Holiness Pope Francis on the Occasion of the 53rd World Day of Prayer for Vocations, April 17, 2016

If you would like to talk with someone about a possible vocation to priesthood, please contact the Diocesan Office of Priesthood Vocation Awareness at 585-328-3210, ext. 1373 or visit www.ROCpriest.org for more information.
Join Us!

It’s Time for the Sunshine Luncheon

Have you always wanted to volunteer, but just didn’t have a lot of time? This is the perfect opportunity for you!

We need your help to provide a meal for the residents of nursing facilities and our elderly parishioners.

Would you be willing to:
- Prepare a casserole (recipe provided)
- Prepare an easy-to-serve appetizer (cheese & crackers; deviled eggs; cream cheese stuffed olives; tuna, ham, egg-salad, cucumber finger sandwiches)
- Prepare a dessert that can be cut and plated

If this is something you can help with, please call Birdie at 586-5676 or bproctor@dor.org
OR
Shannon at 586-5675 or stoot@dor.org

The Sunshine Luncheon is May 19. Drop-off your food from 8:00 to 10:00 am that day.

We are so grateful to all!

St. Louis Knights of Columbus
Next Meeting, Monday, April 18
Parish Meeting Hall

Hope everyone had a Happy, Holy Easter!

Our meeting begins with the Rosary at 6:45 PM and a business meeting following at 7:00 PM. Our meeting agenda includes discussing the Membership Drive for April 16 & 17 at all the Masses.

At our March meeting, Mark Abbott was nominated for Recorder. (All offices are for one year, nominations are not closed until the election at the May Meeting, every office can be contested except the Financial Secretary who is appointed by the Supreme Council.)

Officers to be Elected at the May meeting are:
- Grand Knight: Dick Hilliard
- Deputy Grand Knight: Michael DeCocq
- Chancellor: Dan Dwyer
- Treasurer: Joseph DiPrima
- Warden: Joseph Salipante
- Recorder: Mark Abbott
- Guard: Ron Serio
- Trustee 3 Years: Rick Whelehan

Men of the Parish interested in becoming a Member of St. Louis Council can pick up one of the applications in the hallway by the Narthex or contact one of our members. Any Questions please contact the Grand Knight Rick Whelehan at 585-442-6257 or e-mail: wheels282@frontier.com

St. Louis Women’s Bereavement Group
Begins April 30!

Mourning the loss of someone you love is never easy, but there is hope. St. Louis Women’s Bereavement Group is a support group for women who have experienced the death of someone they love.

- Begins Saturday, April 30 and will run for 6 weeks
- Meets on the St. Louis Church campus
- Sessions meet from 9:45 to 11:00am
- Offers a safe place to share your grief with others
- Provides love and support to help in the healing process

Be uplifted knowing the Lord blesses those who mourn.

Come and make new friends who are facing similar losses.

Let’s walk this journey together. For more information contact Cris Wensel at cwensel@dor.org.

Men of St. Louis Parish
This weekend, April 16 and 17, we are having a Membership Drive after all the Masses. Why not stop by and talk to one of our Brother Knights and ask about Joining?

Have you ever been asked to become a Knight of Columbus? Would you like to belong to the Largest Catholic Men's Organization in the World? Are you 18 years of age? Are you a practicing Catholic? If you answered YES to these questions, YOU are a perfect Candidate to become a Knight of Columbus!

Thank You for your time, and God Bless you in all you do.

Contact: Joseph DiPrima, 943-3668, e-mail: drdiprima@gmail.com OR
Rick Whelehan, 797-4638, e-mail: wheels282@frontier.com
A CALL TO CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME
(In the words of Pope Francis)

Inspired by the teaching of Pope Francis, along with the needs of our planet, its people and all living creatures, the “Women of the Well” have created and are presenting this program in story, song, prayer, and liturgical dance. They will be assisted by Amy Voll and musicians from St. John of Rochester Church. Come and see, come and hear creation’s story in the beginning and over the years. Come and hear the story of Nobel peace prize winner Wangari Maathai, a Kenyan advocate for the greening of our world. Come, be inspired to “care for our common home”.

When? Tuesday evening, April 26th, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Where? St. John of Rochester, 8 Wickford Way, Fairport
Cost? Free will donations kindly accepted.
Questions? Email Gloria Ulterino at glorialbf@aol.com. Materials are available for further education and action.

Mass of Healing for Miscarriage and Infant Loss

Saturday, May 7, 2016
9:00 am

Church of St. Jerome, East Rochester
Celebrant: Rev. William Leone

Light refreshments in the Church Hall immediately following.

The Church provides a means for mourning and support through the Liturgy of the Mass. Parents and siblings, grandparents, family members and friends are all welcome to attend this Mass in remembrance of their child(ren).

If you cannot attend but would like to be included in a support group specific to Catholic miscarriage and infant loss or for further information please contact: Janene Loughran 329-1974 or janene_loughran@yahoo.com
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