WE BELIEVE. WE BELONG. WE REJOICE IN GOD’S MERCY.

July 3, 2016

THIS WEEK AT ST. LOUIS-
Daily Mass Schedule p.2

MONDAY - JULY 4
Independence Day Holiday
Ministry Center Closed Today
One Mass Only at 9:00 am

TUESDAY - JULY 5
1:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Red Cross Blood Drive,
Parish Meeting Hall

WEDNESDAY - JULY 6
2:45 pm - Mass at the Highlands Living Center
7:30 pm - Regional Charismatic Prayer Group,
PMH

THURSDAY - JULY 7
7:00 pm - Holy Hour, Church (Use entrance at
Sacristory. Park at Rectory Driveway.)

SATURDAY - JULY 9
2nd Collection for Emerging Churches in
Central & Eastern Europe
3:30 pm - Confessions
4:30 pm - Mass (Sign Language Interpreted)
6:00 pm - Ultreya, Pot Luck Dinner 5:45 pm, PMH

SUNDAY - JULY 10
2nd Collection for Emerging Churches in
Central & Eastern Europe
7:30 am - Mass
9:00 am - Mass
11:00 am - Mass, Children’s Liturgy of the Word
5:00 pm - Mass

MINISTRY CENTER SUMMER HOURS ARE:
MONDAY - THURSDAY, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
FRIDAY, 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

July 4 ~ Independence Day
God Bless America!

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Mass Intentions for This Week

**MONDAY - JULY 4**
- Independence Day
- Only One Mass Today
- Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Mt 9:18-26
- 9:00 am Richard Knox - Family

**TUESDAY - JULY 5**
- Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Mt 9:32-38
- 6:45 am Richard Eggart - Pittsford American Legion
- 11:00 am Maryjean Herberger - Ann Murty

**WEDNESDAY - JULY 6**
- Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Mt 10:1-7
- 11:00 am Timothy Walsh - Mom & Dad
- 2:45 pm Mass at the Highlands Living Center For the People of the Parish
- 5:15 pm Philip A. Simplicio - The Family

**THURSDAY - JULY 7**
- Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9/Mt 10:7-15
- 6:45 am Stanley Banas (Anniversary) - Family
- 11:00 am Special Intention for Brian Touranjoe - Ed & Joan Lennert

**FRIDAY - JULY 8**
- Hos 14:2-10/Mt 10:16-23
- 11:00 am For Young Adults of St. Louis
- 5:15 pm Dennis Darby - Family

**SATURDAY - JULY 9**
- Is 6:1-8/Mt 10:24-33
- 9:00 am Bob Slocomb - Mrs. Helen Walters
- 4:30 pm Nelly O’Connor - Doris Schmidt

**SUNDAY - JULY 10**
- 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Dt 30:10-14/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37
- 7:30 am Edward & Lottie Connelly - Children
- 9:00 am Donald Miner - Pat Dwyer & Family
- 11:00 am Bela Mersich - Mersich Family
- 5:00 pm Johanne Fagan Weidman - Susan Murray

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**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.

One Lamp will burn
- In Memory of Stephen Siegl
  By Mother.

One Lamp will burn
- In Memory of Eugene Penzimer
  By Family.

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**Pray for**

**World Peace**

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**Saturday & Sunday, July 9 and 10**

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**Sunday Communion Service - July 10**

The Highlands - Pete & Gerry Shea       Heather Heights - Jim Haefner
Reading the Prophets

When we read some books of the Bible, like Genesis, or the historical books, starting with Joshua & Judges, I & II Samuel, I & II Kings, and continuing through Nehemiah, or the Gospels and Acts of the Apostles in the New Testament, there is a definite plot line. However, don’t expect a developed plot running through the books of the prophets. What we find instead are predominantly oracles. While the oracles of judgement might be grouped together, and likewise oracles of salvation, like our 1st reading today, each oracle is complete in itself, and not necessarily linked to what came before or what comes after. Isaiah is even more complex. Most likely we have a collection of oracles, speeches and texts from multiple authors, collected and edited across several centuries. God’s revelation comes to us in many different forms!

What is an oracle of salvation? Reread our 1st reading and it should be clear. Read it several times, in fact, till the infectious confidence and joy infects you!

Deal With It Head-on

There is no question that for the disciples of Jesus, the cross was a scandal. How do you reconcile that the Son of God, the glorious one, the Savior of all, who many hoped would restore the kingship in Israel, was rejected by the religious leaders of his people, tried, found guilty, condemned and executed by the Romans in the most shameful way possible. It appears a story of failure, not glory. The first to write about the cross, St. Paul addressed the scandal of the cross head-on. Instead of writing the crucifixion out of the story, he makes it the heart of the story. It is not about failure, it is about humble, obedient, self-giving love and sacrifice. Mark follows Paul’s lead, and likewise makes the passion narrative central, as do each of the subsequent evangelists. So in our reading today, the cross is not something to hide from, it is something to boast in! It is the way to becoming a new creation, when our old sinful self is crucified with Christ, and we rise to new life, living in Christ. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you see the truth of the second reading, as you spend time meditating on it.

Spread the Word

In our Gospel, Jesus sent the 72 ahead of him, to prepare folks to receive him. He gives specific suggestions for missionaries, yet even those not headed to the missions can find words of life here. Even in our daily life, living our baptism means sharing the Good News. First thing: say, “Peace to this household.” Sharing a prayer and blessing for peace with others is the Gospel way of opening doors of faith. How can we do that this week? Ask the Holy Spirit to help us find a way to live this Gospel, think about where the Good News is needed, and how best to start with a greeting of peace!

Looking Ahead:
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14
It is not too mysterious or remote for you!

2nd Reading: Colossians 1:15-20
Making peace through the blood of his cross

Who is my neighbor?

Ever want to read Dante’s Divine Comedy?

During this Year of Mercy (December 8, 2015-November 20, 2016) Pope Francis has asked us to use Dante’s Divine Comedy as a “spiritual guide.” Knowing how intimidating this project sounds, the Department of Evangelization and Catechesis of the Diocese of Rochester has put together a reading plan along with a group of theologians, literary scholars, and other lovers of Dante’s work to help us all mine the riches from one whom Pope Benedict XV called “the most eloquent singer of the Christian idea.”

Information on the home page at http://dante.ec.dor.org explains the concept (100 cantos in the Divine Comedy, 33 for each book [Inferno, Purgatorio, Paradiso] with an introductory canto in Inferno), 2 entries posted weekly. Also cited are several translations of the Divine Comedy, some available for free, even a free audio version of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow’s translation! Each entry posted since December 8, 2015 has been archived and is easily available. Great reading for summer!

Our own Father Peter Mottola, a scholar of Medieval Studies, authored the article for Canto 14 (Inferno 14): The Greatness of Good and Evil.
**BEING GOOD STEWARDS**

**Supporting our Parish**

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**On-line Collection**

| Month-to-Date | $55,060.20 |

**This Week’s Tithing Will Support Mercy Bridges**

**Next Week’s Tithing Will Support Sojourner House at Pathstone**

Sojourner House offers services for women, with and without children, who have experienced a multitude of life crises, such as homelessness, drug and or alcohol abuse, domestic violence, sexual abuse, family/child separation and mental illness. Sojourner House services include transitional housing with intensive case management and support, supportive housing with family service case management and outreach for families living in the community. For over 28 years, Sojourner House has helped women overcome their challenges and rebuild their lives to achieve their full potential. Many women who arrive at Sojourner House think they don’t have a future.

Sojourner House addresses the needs of over 65 families a year by providing safe shelter, a structured environment, educational and enrichment programs and intensive counseling and case management. Women learn life skills on such topics as parenting, money management, job readiness, cooking and nutrition. Sixteen years ago, the Dreamseeds program was established to provide tutoring, homework help, arts and cultural opportunities for the children of Sojourner House women. Children currently in this program, showed a 78% academic improvement rate compared with previous year report cards. Two years ago, a new program, Seedlings, was launched to provide engaging, enriching activities for kids of all ages during out-of-school times.

This past year, 488 clients (246 women and 242 children) were helped with transitional housing, supportive housing and outreach services. Since 1982, Sojourner House has assisted over 2500 women and their families in reaching their goals for education, employment, family stability, sobriety, and financial independence.

The Sojourner House operates 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Located at 30 Millbank St., Rochester, they can be reached at 585-436-7100. (Find their history at www.sojournerhouse.org/about/history/)

**Recycling the Bulletin**

Did you know that the parish bulletin could serve as an invitation? Once you’ve read it, consider giving the bulletin to a friend, along with an invite. ‘We would love to have you join us at St. Louis one of these weekends. Here is a bulletin, for a flavor of the place, and with the various Mass times. Seriously, I think you would be surprised at what you experience if you join us some Saturday evening or Sunday.’ Giving someone a bulletin could be a humble way of saying “Peace to your household.”!

**Emerging Churches**

Next week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports Catholic organizations that provide affordable shelter and training for seminarians in a region that still struggles from the effects of Soviet rule. By providing pastoral care, catechesis, and funding for building renovations, your donations help restore the Church and build the future in the region. Please give generously to the collection next week. Visit www.usccb.org/ceee.
Backgrounder on a Mercy and Peacebuilding Approach to Gun Violence
by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, January 2016

The USCCB will remain engaged in the public debate on gun violence prevention. We call on Catholics and all people of good will to urge their Senators and Representatives to support policy and legislative measures that:

a) promote mercy and peace building in our communities by implementing reasonable regulations on fire-arms such as: Require universal background checks for all gun purchases; Limit civilian access to high-capacity weapons and ammunition magazines; Make gun trafficking a federal crime, and;

b) improve access to mental health care for those who may be prone to violence,

c) promote restorative justice by passing legislation to support important re-entry programs that help people avoid re-offending.

d) improve access to health care and treatment for those with addiction and mental health needs.

SAINT’S PLACE is in dire need of male volunteers to drive the van and truck to pick-up and deliver furniture to the refugee apartments.

Please call Isabel Miller at 585-385-6860.

Elderberry Express Needs Additional Volunteer Drivers. Can You Help?
Drivers are needed to transport seniors to and from medical appointments, banking activities, visits to friends, prescription pickup, hairdressers, grocery shopping, etc. Drivers would make themselves available two or three times a month. This would be a great service to the Pittsford community. Contact Gil Landry at 248-6237.

St. Louis School COLLECTS BOX TOPS!!!

Please save your BOX TOPS for St. Louis School! Look for the collection basket labeled with the BOX TOP logo in the front lobby of St. Louis School near the office.

Each label equals 10 cents ~ and the money is sent directly to our school!

This year’s Labels for Education program comes to an end July 31, 2016. Now is a great time to turn in any labels before the program expires.

We greatly appreciate your help!
SAINT’S PLACE

ANNUAL SUPER SALE 2016
BARGAINS GALORE!

~PREVIEW EVENING~
Tuesday July 12th  5:00 – 8PM
Shop and browse without the crowds
$25 donation per person - pay at the door

Wed. July 13th  9AM - 6PM
Thur. July 14th  9AM - 4PM
Fri. July 15th  9AM - 4PM  ½ Price ALL Day
Sat. July 16th  9AM - 11AM  Bag sale: 1 bag $7  2 bags $10
                              3 bags $13

NEW THIS YEAR
A Furniture Room!

Super Sale Location: St. Louis Church – Reddington Hall
64 South Main Street, Pittsford, N.Y.
World Youth Day USA
Rochester Youth Celebration

Thursday, July 29, 2016
5:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Come play, learn and celebrate our Catholic faith.

Be a part of the WYD celebrations right here in Rochester.

Registration: http://conta.cc/1pCmfwC

Event Highlights
Opening Ceremony Video Footage From Krakow, Poland
Holy Mass with Bishop Salvatore Matano
Candlelight Eucharistic Procession
Polish Festival & Games
Meet & Greet the Saints

A Child’s Prayer for Independence Day

God of Freedom,
You made us free – free to love you, ourselves and others. What a gift!
I celebrate today the rights of all people to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.
Throughout the earth, let freedom ring.

Amen!

For Grades 6 - 12
Catechists and Parents Welcome
Cost $20 per person
St. Jude Catholic Church
4100 Lyell Road
Rochester, NY 14606
Time flies! Save the Date and Register now!
A ticket to the Diocese of Rochester Men’s Conference is a great compliment to any man’s faith!

“STRENGTHEN Your Brothers”
Luke 22:32

Diocese of Rochester
Catholic Men’s Conference
Saturday, October 1, 2016
St. Jude the Apostle Parish
4300 Lyell Road, Rochester

Registration details at
www.exultrochester.org

Doors open at 7 am
8 am Mass with Bishop Matano

Father Mitch Pacwa, S.J.
Founder & President Ignatius Productions, Scripture Scholar, Author, EWTN Host.

Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers
The “Dynamic Deacon”
International Speaker, Author

Patrick Coffin
Host of Catholic Answers Live

For more information, contact
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Dick Hilliard (bwgolf@hotmail.com or 585-943-1106), OR

Co-Captains:
Bill Conklin (wconklin1@gmail.com),
Kevin Parker (kevinparker@rochester.edu)

Early Bird Tickets $45, includes lunch
$50 after September 1st
$25 Youth under 25

“We are all in the same boat and headed to the same port! Let us ask for the grace to rejoice in the gifts of each which belong to all.”

~ Joy of the Gospel (99) Pope Francis

If you’ve been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic or are interested in becoming fully initiated into Catholic faith by receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith. Come meet some faithful Catholics who love the Lord and would consider it a privilege to get to know you. Father Bob, Father Peter, Cris Wensel, and our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) team invite you to join them for an inquiry gathering this summer, to answer your questions and explore the truths of the Catholic faith. Learn what Catholics believe in an open and welcoming environment. Ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church. Watch the bulletin next week for date and time, or contact Birdie (bproctor@dor.org) or Shannon (stoot@dor.org) or call at 586-5675 to let us know you are interested.

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~ Joy of the Gospel (99) Pope Francis
The Last Word

Q&A WITH:

FATHER RICK FRECHETTE, CP, DO
Director of NPH Haiti, Opus Prize Winner and
Hollywood Film Festival Humanitarian Award Winner

Saturday, August 27, 2016 @ 7:00PM
St. Louis Church, Pittsford

If you would like to remember your loved ones with the celebration of the Eucharist, stop by the Ministry Center and schedule a Mass time that is convenient for you. You may wish to have a Mass offered on the anniversary of death, a person's birthday or a significant date in the person's and your life. You can also arrange this by calling Birdie at 586-5675.

Changes of Phone, Addresses, Etc.

Do you have a new phone number?

Do you have a new address?

Do you have a new email address?

It is imperative to let the parish office know!

Since it is very important that we keep our records up-to-date, we rely on you to include us in any notification of such changes.

Call us at (585) 586-5675 or email us at bproctor@dor.org.

Thank you!

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE OF ROCHESTER (BE)
will be sponsoring a 10-week hope and healing program for the widowed, separated and divorced. Weekly sessions will be held from 7-9 p.m. in Pittsford, NY beginning July 19th. The course will follow the book, "Rebuilding When Your Relationship Ends" by Dr. Bruce Fisher. For more information or to register please call BE at 585-987-1750, or send an email to beofrochester@gmail.com, or visit the BE website at www.beginningexperiencerochesterny.org.

Now I Can Hear!

Do you have a hearing aid?

We have a hearing assistance loop in the main body of the church. Give it a try! Simply use the 'T' switch, or telecoil setting on your hearing aid and find the spot in the church that is perfect for your personal hearing level (the two side chapels are not looped, as microphones in the sanctuary would interfere there). Many thanks to the benefactors who made the system possible!
**Parish Staff Directory**

**Parish Offices** - Ministry Center  
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(585) 586-5675; Fax 387-9888

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