**Remembering**

We Believe. We Belong. We Remember. Throughout the Catholic world, we, in November, remember those who have gone before us, saints and sinners. We celebrate the Saints, the communion we share with them, and the joy of the heavenly Jerusalem. We remember and pray for our deceased loved ones, assisting their journey with our love and prayer. We remember too, our own mortality.

Although the Solemnity of All Saints and the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls’ Day) always fall one after the other, leading into November and remembering the last things, it might be clearer if the order were reversed. We know that we journey from birth to death on this side of the grave, and that love and prayer are a priceless gift we give to one another on the way. Upon our death, the paschal mystery (dying and rising) is the doorway to another journey, into eternal life. So starting November with All Souls’ and concluding with All Saints might have a certain logic, even if the history of these liturgies led to a different order.

We begin the journey to the heavenly Jerusalem as one of the Faithful Departed. God’s love and mercy, plus the love and prayers of those we left behind guide us into glory, to be numbered among the Saints. Praying for those who have died is deeply embedded in the human psyche. It has been a hallowed custom from the earliest days of the church. Having Masses offered for our deceased loved ones is an expression of the love and prayer we give to those dear to us, as they journey into the eternal love of God.

We focus on these mysteries in a heightened way in November. Nature helps us. Trees lose their leaves, vegetation succumbs to frost, and the natural world enters a death-like sleep, to burst forth anew in Spring, when our focus shifts to Easter. In our instant culture, fond of instant communication, instant gratification, instant access to information, some of the essential truths of our faith can get lost. It is understandable. At funerals, it is comforting to hear that our loved one is already enjoying all that blessedness the world has to offer. But is it realistic that it takes years to journey from being an infant to being an adult, yet somehow we journey from being a forgiven sinner to a glorious saint at the very instant of death?

True, sometimes in the past the focus was too dark and somber. Yet the pendulum has swung. Now we may have gone a bit too far in the opposite direction. Lost in the process is the healing that can happen for the bereaved as they pray for those they mourn. Take the pilgrimage Santiago de Compostela. Friends pray for pilgrims making the journey, pilgrims pray for their friends. Transformation results. But not without time, not without walking the walk.

This November, let’s remember with love those on the journey, and the Saints cheering them on! Peace, Fr. Bob
Mass Intentions for This Week

MONDAY - NOVEMBER 7
Ti 1:1-9/Lk 17:1-6
11:00 am Edward Lada - Wife
5:15 pm Edwin Mench - The Family

TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 8
Election Day
Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Lk 17:7-10
6:45 am Those in Our Books of Remembrance
9:45 am Mass at Heather Heights for the People of the Parish
11:00 am John Nutley - Jo Petcoff

WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 9
Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
11:00 am Morgan Axe - Jurs Family
5:15 pm Fr. Raymond Booth - Loyola Connolly

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 10
Phlm 7-20/Lk 17:20-25
6:45 am Catherine Procopio - Donald Procopio
11:00 am Joyce Rooney - Peggy O’Neil Midgley

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 11
Veterans Day
2 Jn 4-9/Lk 17:26-37
11:00 am William Jessen - Family
5:15 pm Richard Spiegel - Family

SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 12
3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1-8
9:00 am Ann Brimmer - Family
4:30 pm Alphonse DiNoto - Family

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 13
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mal 3:19-20a/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19
7:30 am Armand & Rejane Langevin - Family
9:00 am Catherine DiPasquale - Mike & Meredith Hurley
11:15 am Marian Battle - Margaret & Stan Smith
5:00 pm Vincent & Francesca Leonardo - Daughter

Books of Remembrance are available now at all Church entrances. You are invited to enter the names of any deceased you wish to remember and for this community of faith to lift in prayer to God throughout the month of November.

Saturday & Sunday, November 12 & 13

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Sunday Communion Service - November 13
The Highlands - Pete & Gerry Shea    Heather Heights - Joe & Diane Salipante
Forged in the Crucible

II Maccabees was written in Greek sometime between 124 – 63BC. It details terrible religious persecution in Israel from 168-164 BC, under Antiochus Epiphanes. Written after rabbis considered the canon closed (they believed normative inspiration had ended with the last prophet), and written in Greek, II Maccabees is not in the Hebrew Bible, nor do Protestants include it in their Bible, though Catholics and Eastern Christians do. However, two core beliefs in Judaism and Christian find their first clear expression here: belief in life after death/resurrection, and the value of praying for those who have died (as we do in a special way through November!). Chapter 7 is particularly gruesome, but when is persecution/martyrdom easy to read? Seven sons in one family are martyred for holding on to their faith. Yet in each case, their last words are powerful testimonies to confidence in God’s ultimate justice, and life after death. The mother’s words to her youngest are especially poignant. We hear two excerpts from that chapter this weekend. If you have the stomach for it, read the entire chapter for the whole story.

Words of Encouragement

Throughout the epistles, wonderful words of hope resound, as in our passage this weekend from II Thessalonians. God has loved us, and given us everlasting encouragement and good hope. God will encourage our hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word … Paul, and those after him could say these things first hand. They had seen how God’s grace changes people’s lives. It still does. Remember the CMA video a few weeks ago? A beautiful reminder of how God continues today to encourage our hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word!

Beyond Our Grasp

As much as we would like to know just what happens after death, eternity is unfortunately beyond the grasp of our mortal minds. Yet we catch glimpses, experience intimations. For many widows and widowers, this Sunday’s Gospel can be unsettling. What did Jesus mean, those worthy of the age to come neither marry nor are given in marriage? First, remember that these words were not a detailed description of life in the next world; Jesus was responding to a foolish case generated by some Sadducees to, in their mind, prove there is no life after death. Still unsettling? Consider this analogy. In the womb, baby and mother truly are one. To be born, a child needs to undergo his or her first experience of the paschal mystery, dying to life in the womb in order to be born into the world. Does the child lose their relationship to their mother? Of course not. Will the new relationship be very different? To be sure! Being born into eternal life is the greatest paschal mystery we undergo. Do our relationships with others end? No. Are they very different? Reason would say yes. Better or worse? Go beyond the one simple text we hear from the Gospel this Sunday. Given everything in the Bible, how can the new relationships be anything but stellar?

Looking Ahead:

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Malachi 3:19-20a
The sun of justice, with healing in its rays!

2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12
Work quietly, in peace

Signs and wonders

National Vocation Awareness Week November 6-12

“I would like to ask you: have you sometimes heard the Lord’s voice, in a desire, in a worry, did he invite you to follow him more closely? Ask Jesus what he wants of you and be brave! Be brave! Ask him this!”

~ Pope Francis, St. Peter’s Square, April, 2013

Thinking about Priesthood?
www.ROCPriest.org
@priestsROC

New Date!

Are You More “Mercy Minded?”

This program is rescheduled for Tuesday, November 15 at 7 pm at St. Louis Church

Please join Fr. Jacek Mazur and Rick Paolini on Tuesday, November 15, where we will look more deeply into the significance of God’s mercy in our world and in our lives. We are called to be “mercy minded” not for just for one day or one year. Whether you are a student of The Divine Mercy Devotion as revealed to St. Maria Faustina by Jesus or not, you will not want to miss this presentation “Divine Mercy a Way of life.” For more information call 586-5675.
Many Thanks!
Our Catholic Ministries Appeal is not only out of the gate, but almost halfway around the track! A huge thank you to everyone who has thought about the importance of these ministries, the lives that are touched, and has consequently made a pledge. The challenge now is to continue running to the finish line, our goal. We would love to have 100% participation. If you didn’t see the video yet, check it out on our website, pray, and please make a pledge. Your contribution will do a wonder of good around the diocese, and here as well.

I Would Love To Do That!
Have any experience in grant writing? We already write for grants for St. Louis’ Place, recently applied for one for Faith Formation, and have also applied for various school grants. With a little more help, we could probably even apply for, and get additional funding for various programs here at St. Louis. Is this an area you know well? Isabel Miller, Fran Barr, Laurie Martin or Fr. Bob would love to hear from you!

Supporting Our Parish

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This Week’s Tithing Will Support
We Have Your BACKpack

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St. Joseph’s Neighborhood Center

St. Joseph’s Neighborhood Center at 417 South Avenue, Rochester is a ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph. This grassroots facility offers comprehensive medical and dental care/ alcohol, drug, legal, financial and family counseling/ GED prep/ literacy and youth programs. With no government funding, it serves 3,500 uninsured and under-insured annually. The fee for most visits is $10 to $20 per service; and counseling is provided on a sliding scale basis.

The need for financial help and for volunteers has grown with its success in helping Rochester’s needy. Executive Director, Christine Wagner, SSJ works to establish community partnerships that will benefit those most in need.

To volunteer or offer help of any kind, please contact Anne McKenna, Director of Development and Communications at 325-5260 ext. 1002 or amckenna@sjncenter.org. Learn more at www.sjncenter.org.

Support the Collection for
“The Archdiocese for the Military Services”
November 12 & 13

Serving Those Who Serve!

A Special Collection for “The Archdiocese for the Military Services USA” is held once every three years. This collection offers each of us a substantial way to “serve those who serve.” Funds raised will help the Archdiocese for the Military Services bring the Church’s full range of pastoral services to the men and women in uniform as well as their families and patients in the nation’s VA Medical Centers. They will support religious education in remote locations, priestly formation of new chaplains at a time of critical shortage, and financial planning to meet the challenges of shepherding a global archdiocese that is present wherever U.S. military personnel are stationed. Please support this cause and our troops! Make checks payable to St. Louis Church with Military Services in the memo/notes field.
Thanksgiving ~ Just Around the Corner

WHAT GOES TOGETHER BETTER THAN “Thanksgiving” AND “Pie”!

A holiday pie sale is again being conducted to raise funds for our next (8th) Habitat house project in 2019 as a member of Habitat Interfaith Partnership (HIP). Like last year, pies are prepared by Kelly’s Farm Market of Hilton. They grow the fruit, so the pies are made with the freshest ingredients. These extra deep 10” homemade fruit pies, made from scratch without preservatives, weigh approximately 4 ½ lbs., providing 8 to 10 generous, absolutely delicious servings.

The pie selections include Apple Crumb, Apple-Raspberry, Pumpkin, and Christmas Crumb (Apple, Cranberry, & Raspberry), and they will again sell for $16.00 each. An Apple Crisp with no crust sells for $12.00. These pies freeze well, so consider ordering for both Thanksgiving and Christmas!

Orders will be taken in the Narthex before and following all masses this weekend, October 29/30 & next, November 5/6. Ordered pies will be available for pick-up Tuesday afternoon, November 22, 2 days prior to Thanksgiving. This has been a popular fund raiser and profitable since we earn about 40% from each sale. Thanks to all who help fund our next Habitat house project through our pie sale. You are making a difference in the lives of many people, one family at a time. Call Bob or Rosemary Scholl (585-381-3760) with any questions regarding the pies.

St. Louis Knights of Columbus
Next Meeting, Monday, November 14
6:45 PM Parish Meeting Hall
(please note change due to Thanksgiving week)

Our meeting begins with the Rosary at 6:45 PM and a business meeting following at 7:00 PM. On the meeting agenda:

Congratulations!! to Andrew May who took his 1st and 2nd Degree and Steve Demeo who took his 2nd Degree.

The C & B Drive Church Sales on October 22nd and 23rd prove to be very helpful to our Charity drive. Thank You St Louis Parishioners. Keep selling the tickets, as the Final Drawing is on December 3rd.

Knights, please bring canned goods and non-perishable food to the council meeting as Past Grand Knight, Rick Whelehan, will be collecting food for Thanksgiving Baskets for St. Michael's Parish.

Watch for our New Mini Membership Drive coming in October and November.

Men of the Parish interested in becoming a Member of St. Louis Council or who have any questions, please contact the Membership Director, Joseph DiPrima at drdiprima@gmail.com, or Grand Knight Dick Hilliard, cell: 585-943-1106 or e-mail: bwgolf@hotmail.com.

Thank you, and God Bless,
Dick Hilliard, Grand Knight

HABITAT 2016 HOLIDAY PIE SALE ORDER FORM
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In lieu of, or in addition to pies, I'm making a donation to Habitat of: __________

If paying by check, please note “Pies” & make checks out to: St. Louis Catholic Church

GRAND TOTAL $ __________

St. Louis Knights of Columbus

The St. Louis Council Knights of Columbus is collecting Toilet Articles and Cleaning Supplies for Saint’s Place during October, November and December. **Items needed are New Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Deodorants, Soaps, Men's Razors, Shaving cream, Shampoos, Body wash, etc.; and Cleaning Supplies, Dish Soap, Laundry Soap, etc.** Please put any of the above in the Drawers marked "Saint’s Place" in the cabinet inside the North (Bell Tower) Entrance.

Thank You for helping us help Saint’s Place!
Members of St. Louis Council Knights of Columbus
A Higher Standard of Learning

St. Louis School has a long history of providing academic excellence and individual attention in a faith-based learning environment. Year after year, we consistently meet and exceed proficiency standards in Math and English (ELA). We are proud of our students’ achievements as they continue to lead the way in New York State test scores, both locally and regionally. Here’s how we stack up:

JOIN US FOR OUR OPEN HOUSE
Tuesday, November 8 from 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
To learn more, call us at 585-586-5200 or visit SLSPittsford.org.
Dear Patron Saint:

We take so many things for granted in our country. We have homes with running water, homes with electricity, homes with food and furniture and clean beds to sleep in at night. Many of our legal refugees who come to Rochester arrive with the shirts on their backs and nothing more. They come, however, with hope in their hearts for a better future for themselves and their children. They have been victims of unimaginable suffering in their home countries and lived in overcrowded and dangerous refugee camps for years. They want to feel safe, have a better life and the knowledge that they do not have to live in fear.

Since its inception, Saint's Place has always "Welcomed the stranger." This past fiscal year, Saint's Place has assisted a record number of 950 refugees! We provided them with clothing against our bitter Rochester winters and furnished over 300 apartments with household items, new beds and furniture. We tutored over 100 refugees every week to learn English and enable the children to excel in their school assignments. All of this happened because of your generosity and concern for the refugees.

This year, I need your help with a very specific request. Our truck, which helped more than 5,000 people in the past eleven years, is in rapid decline. We must replace the truck with a new vehicle. The cost of a new truck is $35,000. The truck, as you know, is the heart of our Ministry delivering furniture, household goods, beds and mattresses to the refugees in addition to picking up hundreds of furniture donations from the generous community of Rochester. We have heard from the refugees and their neighbors that when the white truck with the big logo of Saint's Place arrives in front of the apartment, it is a symbol of hope for all. The content on our truck guarantees that a dark apartment will soon be converted into a warm welcoming home. It means so much to them.

Please help us with this very important purchase. May God bless you for your kindness and know the deep gratitude the refugees and Saint's Place have for your Patron Saint Gift.

Sincerely, Isabel Miller, Executive Director

Yes – I want to be a Patron Saint!

I would like to contribute:

☐ $50 toward the purchase of a new delivery truck
☐ $100 toward the purchase of a new delivery truck
☐ $200 toward the purchase of a new delivery truck
☐ Other

Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Please make checks payable to Saint’s Place.

Many thanks! We are able to bless so many lives because of you!

Isabel Miller, Executive Director

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A Fond Farewell!

It is with a heavy heart that I share with you my decision to move on from my position as Faith Formation Administrator at St. Louis Church. Making this choice did not come easily to me, particularly because I am so devoted to my home parish. I will most certainly continue to worship here, and it is comforting to know that I will still have the opportunity to see many of you on a regular basis. My last day was October 26th.

It is hard to believe that nine years have gone by since I crossed the bridge from volunteering my time here, to begin the Family Faith program. Its success and the families from the program whom I grew to know and love over the years continue to bring me great joy and always will.

I have the fondest memories of the Advent, Lenten and family gatherings that took place in the gym, watching your children learn and grow in their love of God. I will remember always the tiniest angels and little shepherds from our Nativity Pageant, and our prayerful walk through the snowy woods together at Powers Farm Market every December.

For the past several years, it has been an honor to guide your children in the celebration of the sacraments of First Penance and First Eucharist. I also enjoyed spending time getting to know your teens during our Confirmation retreats. All of these experiences have shaped my heart and soul as I watched your children experience God in newer and deeper ways. I thank you for this opportunity!

I'm excited to begin my next chapter, and am comforted in knowing that our Faith Formation team of Michelle Andrews-Smith and Don Smith are so devoted to your children’s continued spiritual journey.

Remember, the most important times in a family's life are the times of "sacred play" - times when you pause, even momentarily, to remember there is more going on in the kitchen, the playing field, the backyard or the school classroom, than what meets the eye. At such times, remind your children of the presence of God, the friend they have in Jesus, and the beauty and joy of living a Christ centered life!

~ Peggy Lynge
The Pastoral Care Committee will meet on Thursday, November 17 at 9:30 am in the Parish Meeting Hall to plan upcoming activities for Advent including sending cards to the homebound and delivering poinsettias. In addition, we will review the All Souls’ Day Mass and reception, the ongoing Bereavement Ministry, Year of Mercy events, and other topics as needed. Our meetings are brief, usually about an hour in length. All are welcome. For additional information, please contact Fr. Peter Mottola at 586-5675 ext. 237 or fmottola@dor.org or Peggy O’Neil Midgley, at 383-8879 or pomidgley@yahoo.com.

St. Louis Parish
35th Annual Ornament Sale
to ease the humanitarian crisis in Haiti

supporting the efforts of parish friend
Fr. Rick Frechette, Passionist Priest and physician
at St. Damien Pediatric Hospital - Haiti's only children's hospital free to the indigent.

Begin your CHRISTMAS SHOPPING NOW! This year – “Rustic chic” all newly designed wood angels and hearts made by Rochester's young people of the St. Michaels Woodshop and gift packaged at Holy Childhood.

First available at:

Complete list on parish website:
www.StLouisChurch.org/ornaments

Ornaments are stocked by the shops pro bono.
The donation is $7 each (no tax).
Cash or, please write checks to: St. Louis Hunger
For large orders or information on becoming a participating merchant, please call: Marcia Mendola 381-6872

Young Adults, Don’t Miss Out

Theology on Tap
Monday Nights at 7:00 pm

Beale New Orleans Grille & Bar
689 South Ave., Rochester 14620
Rochester, NY 14620

November 7 - Mercy, Martyrs & the Middle East
With Peter Jesserer Smith
National Catholic Register

Theology on Tap is an opportunity for young adults to gather to discuss and reflect on issues of faith. Sponsored by the Diocese of Rochester Department of Evangelization.

Remembering New York State Fallen Military

As we celebrate Veteran’s Day, let us remember the New York State military that have died in the Iraq and Afghanistan wars. Unfortunately we can not provide histories of all the 300+ New York State service persons who sacrificed their lives for our freedom. You can honor them by adding the name of any deceased service person in our Book of Remembrance in the sanctuary.
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