We Can Do It

Yes, we can! You have most likely already received a letter from Bishop Matano and me, as well as material for this year’s Catholic Ministries Appeal. Since his arrival, Bishop Matano has joined us for a Sunday Mass, and celebrated a beautiful Mass with our school community to mark the end of the school year this past June. He joined us again during the Saint’s Place Super Sale this summer. Those are visible connections to the shepherd of our diocese. But throughout the year, behind the scenes, the diocese is present supporting, encouraging, and providing services to us in dozens of other ways.

Our Diocesan Schools office provides support for curriculum, provides workshops, assistance to principals, human resource services, and a variety of other services to our school. Every refugee family we serve comes through Catholic Family Center (CFC). The excellent working partnership Saint’s Place enjoys with CFC makes this inspiring ministry of our parish possible. How do we keep track of all the families who call St. Louis their spiritual home? Computer services supported with CMA dollars. What about the complex financial aspects of a large parish? The diocese provides training opportunities, support to business managers and finance councils, HR services, and much more. This November some of our teens will join teens from around the diocese at the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) in Indianapolis. Who organizes this massive undertaking? Linda Mehlenbacher, supported by your CMA contribution.

The Lord calls us not to just look inward, but most importantly to look outward, with care and concern for others. Through 10 regional Catholic Charities agencies, the diocese helps improve the lives of the poor, assists the troubled, the battered and the addicted, and provides counseling services for those who could not otherwise receive such help. A portion of our CMA contributions directly support the corporal works of mercy; programs too large for any one parish, such as Providence Housing. Never heard of it? Ask your CMA contribution.

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Another message from the Bible: “To whom much is given, much more will be required.” We are a blessed community, to whom much has been given. While our goal is daunting, $234,071, I know we can reach it, with everyone doing his or her share. Next week we’ll kick off our campaign in earnest. Please be generous! Peace, Fr. Bob
Mass Intentions for This Week

**MONDAY - OCTOBER 12**
Columbus Day
Rom 1:1-7/Lk 11:29-32
11:00 am Victor Merkel - Wife, Ann & Family
5:15 pm John McAlarney - Wife

**TUESDAY - OCTOBER 13**
Rom 1:16-25/Lk 11:37-41
6:45 am Cheryl Abraham - Smerbeck Family
9:45 am Mass at Heather Heights for the People of the Parish
11:00 am Al Ryan - Ann

**WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 14**
Rom 2:1-11/Lk 11:42-46
11:00 am Lina Hill - Mary Shults
5:15 pm Fr. Robert G. Smith - Judith Keihl

**THURSDAY - OCTOBER 15**
Rom 3:21-30/Lk 11:47-54
6:45 am Jim Newell - Bill Conklin
11:00 am Al Ryan - Family

**FRIDAY - OCTOBER 16**
Rom 4:1-8/Lk 12:1-7
11:00 am Deceased Members & Spouses of 70th Seton - Patsy Schroth
5:15 pm Jean Roberti - Charles & Susan Vacanti

**SATURDAY - OCTOBER 17**
Rom 4:13, 16-18/Lk 12:8-12
9:00 am Ada Oshinski - Joan & Gary Eisenhart
4:30 pm Virginia Krieg - Mary Sgabellone

**SUNDAY - OCTOBER 18**
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 53:10-11/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45
9:00 am Esilde Daniele - Matthew & Patricia O’Connor
11:00 am Mary Louise Sherry - Dick & Rose Yule
5:00 pm Robert Polito - The DiNovo 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.

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

One lamp will burn In Memory of Harold Barnes by Babette.

Two lamps will burn In Memory of Janice Maxwell by Michelle, Paul & Natalie.

**We Pray for all Victims of Anti-Christian Violence**

**Saturday & Sunday, October 17 & 18**

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**Sunday Communion Service - October 18**
The Highlands: Mary Ann Monley       Heather Heights: Marge Mancine
Do I Hear An Echo?
You may not be so familiar with the book of Wisdom, one of the seven Sapiential (wisdom) books of the Septuagint (Greek translation of the Old Testament). It was written about 50 years before Christ, probably in Alexandria, and while we Catholics consider it deuterocanonical (second canon) but divinely inspired, it is not in many Protestant Bibles. Regardless, the message we hear today could well sound familiar. It echoes Solomon’s prayer for wisdom when he ascends the throne, found in the book of Kings and in Chronicles. A great way to identify really important themes in the Bible – look for the ones that are repeated over and over! The take home for us? Wisdom, a gift of the Holy Spirit, is priceless, to be treasured above any material things. Today might be a great day for us to humbly pray for wisdom.

Inside and Outside
In the Old Testament, especially the prophets and the historical books, it is very clear that the Word of God has a powerful impact in the life of the nation, and in external world events; God’s will and God’s Word help shape history. Psalm 119, a fascinating acrostic wisdom psalm brings it closer to home, speaking in a variety of ways about God’s Word, the Torah, impacting the individual, shaping the life of those who meditate on the scriptures from the inside out. That same insight is the point of the brief excerpt we hear from the book of Hebrews this weekend. It is a succinct, powerful invitation for us to consider how the Bible fits into our life. It can get to the heart of the matter, so long as we listen and give it a chance.

A Dangerous Blockage
I’m sure we all know someone who has had to have surgery because of a blocking of arteries that threatened their heart. Here is a good way to pray with this weekend’s Gospel. Think of Jesus as the Divine Physician. Looking into the heart of the man who comes to him, he sees a blockage that threatens the man’s heart – his possessions. Concerned for the man’s life, particularly eternal life, he offers a prescription. Give what you have to the poor and follow me. (Go back to the second reading this weekend – envision life-saving surgery through the Word of God.) If wisdom is more precious than any possession, becoming a disciple and truly following Jesus is even more precious yet. Bringing it home, we can ask the Lord in prayer to give us a stress test, to see if we have any dangerous blockages.
The Andrews Center provides a caring home for special needs foster children with physical, medical and emotional needs. Ongoing care is also provided for children who return home to marginal situations and often times need assistance with basic items to help keep the family united. Services are provided to children and families in the form of food, clothing, basic medical items and special occasions such as birthdays, holidays and graduation.

The Andrews Center wants to continue to be a place for children and families to turn to in times of need and hardship once they have been removed from foster care. The Andrews Center would like to maintain their current Outreach Program and staff while also being able to expand the program when the need from children and families in crisis arises. The success of the Outreach Program relies heavily on the support of the community. The Andrews Center does not want to turn away a child or families due to lack of resources or lack of staffing to keep the program alive.

**Open Meal** is on Sunday, October 18 at 3:30-4:30 pm at St. Catherine of Siena’s Schnacky Center, the building attached to the church. Different kinds of soups, salad, and desserts are served. Any left over food is sent to the House of Mercy by one of their volunteers! If you know anyone in need financially, emotionally, physically, etc., who could use a free meal, please invite them. Open Meal is a free monthly community meal. If you would like to donate a dish and drop it off at our next meal, please email nicole_danna@hotmail.com. Thank you for assisting us in serving our community.

**Seven Days of Creation**
Second Day of Creation: Separation of waters, creating the sky and oceans  
Genesis 1:6-8

The second day God separated the waters of the sky and of the earth. Water is the key to life on earth, but how often do we really think about it and appreciate it? It replenishes the earth in a constant cycle, from clouds to rain and snow which waters the foods we eat and fills the lakes and rivers from which we drink. It then evaporates and the cycle starts again.

In addition to pollution, we waste thousands of gallons of water a year. The average American uses 176 gallons of water a day compared to the average African who uses 5 gallons a day. As our brothers and sisters on the US west coast and in Syria/Middle East know, water is a gift. We often take for granted and waste this precious gift daily. This week, take a look at how you use water in your house and pledge to make some changes. For some tips, visit www.wateruseitwisely.com. Pray about this. Make a pledge to do something and share that on your parish’s Facebook page!
**Blessed Are The Merciful**

*An Evening With*

**Father Jacek Mazur & Rick Paolini**

*From Catholic Radio 1460*

**How do we live out the virtue of Mercy?**

**Monday, October 26th at 7:00pm**

St. Louis Church, Pittsford
Reddington Hall

*A Year of Mercy Event*

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**Bless the Children**

Our next session for parents preparing to have their son or daughter baptized will be on Sunday, October 18, beginning with the 11:00 am Mass, and following, in Church. Call the parish office at (585) 586-5675 to register.

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**William H. Shannon Chair in Catholic Studies at Nazareth College Presents:**

**Tina Beattie**

**Mothering and Mercy: A Theological Reflection on Marian Art and Pope Francis’s Theology**

**Thursday, October 22, 7:00 p.m., Linehan Chapel, Golisano Academic Center**

**Bringing Women’s Gifts to the Table**

**Friday, October 23, 1:30 p.m., Linehan Chapel, Golisano Academic Center**

Tina Beattie is Professor of Catholic Studies and Director of the Digby Stuart Research Centre for Religion, Society, and Human Flourishing at the University of Roehampton in London. Her research interests are wide-ranging, but the theological significance of gender is central to all of these. She has written on a host of topics including Marian theology and devotion; theology, art, and mysticism; theology and gender theory; embodiment and sacramentality. Her current research focuses on issues of development, religion, and maternal well-being, as well as her continuing interest in the power of visual images to communicate theological ideas. A frequent contributor to BBC Radio 4 as well as to a number of other television and radio networks, she writes for the weekly Catholic journal, *The Tablet*, and *The Guardian* online. She works widely with parish groups, chaplaincies, and religious and lay communities, and she has been involved in interfaith dialogue for many years.

Among her recent publications are "The Theological Study of Gender" in *The Oxford Handbook of the Study of Theology, Sexuality and Gender* (2014); *Theology after Postmodernity: Divining the Void—A Lacanian Reading of Thomas Aquinas* (2013); and *The New Atheists: The Twilight of Reason and the War on Religion* (2007).

**FREE and open to the public.**

Questions? Please contact:
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**Pope Francis Visit:** Pope Francis touched many hearts when he visited the U.S. three weeks ago. The text of Pope Francis’ speeches and homilies may be accessed at


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**St. Louis Church, Pittsford, NY**

**October 11, 2015**
IT IS TIME TO ORDER (OR RENEW) YOUR GIVE US THIS DAY SUBSCRIPTION.
This monthly book has daily morning and evening prayers, scripture for Mass, reflections about the spiritual wisdom of the Gospel, and Blessed Among Us stories about Saints and saintly people whose courage and values can be inspirational in our own lives and faith journey.

If our group subscription continues to exceed 50, our individual cost will be $19.95 for 12 issues in 2016. A large-print version is also available for $29.95, an additional $10.

Checks should be made out to St. Louis Church with “Give Us This Day 2016” in the memo field, and in the amount of $19.95 for each individual subscription (or $29.95 for each large print subscription). Please mail or bring this form to the Ministry Center, or put in the collection basket by Monday, November 2. Thank you, Barbara Thomas, bthomas@dor.org or 586-5675 ext. 236.

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MINI SALE 2015
Furniture, Jewelry, Christmas decorations, House decorations, New toys and other fun items
Saturday, October 24 & Sunday, October 25 9AM — 2PM
St. John of Rochester, Parish Center 8 Wickford Way, Fairport
Great deals, our warehouse is full. We need to move some items! ($25 delivery fee in local area.)

St. Louis Council Knights of Columbus
Next Meeting, Monday, October 19 in the Parish Meeting Hall.

We begin with the Rosary at 6:45 PM and a business meeting following at 7:00 PM. Our agenda includes our Charity and Benevolence (C & B) drive after all Masses on Saturday Oct 24 and Sunday Oct 25.

Please stop by and help our Council drive for Charity. Raffle tickets are $1.00 each or a book for $10.00. The proceeds from the Charity drive go to the State Council K of C which in turn directs the net proceeds to each Diocese in New York state after the winning tickets are drawn. This drive also helps Vocations in New York as well. This is another way the Council is giving back not only to our Church, but also to the Diocese.

We will also discuss our involvement with Saint’s Place, Parish Recruitment in the fall, and the Parish Retreat in October which is sponsored by St Louis Council with Our Worthy Grand Knight Rick Whelehan, the Chairman. Look for the Family I CON and Pray Service in the near future which you no doubt saw when Pope Francis was in NY and PA. St. Louis Council will also sponsor a poster contest with the St. Louis School Children. Watch for great things the children come up with to KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS. Members, please come and join us on the 19th. Questions? Please contact Grand Knight Rick Whelehan at 585-442-6257. Please remember in prayer Patrick O’Connor, PGK and Tony Foti, our two brother Knights who passed away.

CHRISTIAN LOVE: FEEDING THE HUNGRY
FOOD AND OTHER ITEMS FOR PITTSFORD FOOD CUPBOARD, NEXT WEEKEND! OCTOBER 17 & 18
- Cereals, Rice
- Canned/meats (tuna, chicken, Spam)
- Canned pastas (Spaghetti-O’s, etc)
- Pasta & Spaghetti sauce
- Salad dressings, Salt & Pepper, Sugar, Flour
- Prepared meals (mac & cheese, etc)
- Peanut Butter, Jam & Jelly
- Gravies (canned or boxed mixes)
- Canned fruits (peaches, pears, etc.)
- Canned vegetables (corn, peas, tomatoes)
- Canned Beans (pinto, kidney, etc.)
- Feminine products
- Diapers
- Toiletries: Shampoo, soap, toothpaste, deodorants
- Paper Goods: toilet paper, napkins, tissues, towels

Recycle bags are always welcome & appreciated!
“When you name your pain (or hunger or struggle), it begins to lose some of its power. It’s a mystery why we don’t do this more often. What are we waiting for?”

2015 Fruit of the Vine Conversation Series

The Anxious Life: Attending to Our Spiritual Hungers

Father Bob Werth

Tuesday, October 20
St. Louis Church, Pittsford
Parish Meeting Hall

7:00pm: Wine and Cheese Reception
7:30pm: Presentation

Father Werth has been a priest for 36 years and currently serves as one of the pastors at St. Francis Xavier Cabrini Parish in Rochester. He is also a licensed master social worker.

“FAITH UNDER FIRE”

Notre Dame Retreat House
Theme for 2015

Come spend some time away on retreat and deepen your faith and your relationship with God. This year’s theme will focus on keeping the Faith in a secular world. Our Catholic faith is constantly being challenged . . . Come and learn how you can be a light in the world today!

OUR MEN’S WEEKEND IS OCTOBER 16 - 18

SUGGESTED DONATION:
$130 FOR A SINGLE ROOM; $100 FOR A SHARED DOUBLE;
$195 FOR DOUBLE ALONE
(Retreat, meals, room with linens and towels all included in pricing.)

To register for this retreat or to receive more information, feel free to contact Rick Whelehan at 797-4638.

October Rosary Table

“This prayer is perfect because of the praise it offers, because of the lessons it imparts, because of the graces it obtains, and because of the triumphs it achieves.” Pope Benedict XVI

This weekend, October 11/12, a Rosary Table will be set up in the Church Narthex with complimentary rosaries and other religious items. Please stop by and feel free to take whatever you may need. If you would be interested in learning how to make rosaries, please contact Barb Snyder for additional information at twosnyders@gmail.com. All materials will be supplied and the rewards are “heavenly.”

Save the Date! Our next “Bistro” will be on Saturday, November 7 at 5:45 pm. Watch the bulletin for details.
WISH YOU WERE HERE!

Thinking About Preschool Next Year?

You’ll love St. Louis School! But don’t take our word for it—come see for yourself. You’ll discover that our preschool programs are based on the principles of respect, responsibility, and community through hands-on exploration and discovery. We offer the following:

- Safe and Nurturing Environment
- Enriching Curriculum
- Small Teacher-to-Student Ratio
- Flexible Scheduling

JOIN US AT OUR OPEN HOUSE

October 14, 2015
9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

To learn more, call us at 585-586-5200 or visit SLSpittsford.org.
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