**A HOME FOR ALL GOD’S PEOPLE**

**October 6, 2013**

**THIS WEEKEND**

**SUNDAY:** 2:00 pm - St. Luke Mass for Finger Lakes Guild of the Catholic Medical Association, reception after Mass in PMH

2:00 pm - Habitat House Dedication, 629 Brown St., Rochester

**THIS WEEK AT ST. LOUIS**

Daily Mass schedule on p.2

**MONDAY - OCTOBER 7**

6:30 am - Men’s Spirituality Group, Manse

3:15 pm - Children’s Choir Practice, Church

6:45 pm - Crossroads Middle School Program - Youth Room

7:00 pm - Parish Council, Parish Meeting Hall

**TUESDAY - OCTOBER 8**

7:30 am - Bible Study with Fr. Bob, Manse

4:30 pm - Living Faith, PMH

**WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 9**

4:30 pm - First Penance Kickoff Parent Session, PMH

6:30 pm - First Penance Kickoff Parent Session, PMH

7:00 pm - Bell Choir, Church

7:00 pm - Stewardship Council, Ministry Center

7:30 pm - Regional Charismatic Prayer Grp, Art Room

7:30 pm - Bible Basics, Manse

**THURSDAY - OCTOBER 10**

7:00 pm - Holy Hour, Church

**SATURDAY - OCTOBER 12**

St. Louis Cub Scout Popcorn Sale

9:00 am - Living Your Strengths Workshop, PMH

3:30 pm - Confessions

4:30 pm - Mass (Sign Language Interpreted)

5:45 pm - Ultreya Pot Luck Dinner, PMH

**SUNDAY - OCTOBER 13**

St. Louis Cub Scout Popcorn Sale

7:30 am - Mass

9:00 am - Mass, No Seasons of Faith

11:00 am - Mass, No Children’s Liturgy of the Word

5:00 pm - Mass

6:15 pm - Youth Group Eat/Meet After Mass

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**Behind the Scenes**

Thank you for your past support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal! **Join us for a reception after each Mass on the weekend of October 19/20.** We will thank all who have given in the past, encourage those who have not participated recently to reconsider, AND – provide everyone an opportunity to see our newly completed Preschool & Kindergarten Learning Center! Meanwhile, I promised to let you know what your CMA contribution can accomplish:

- For years now, teens return from NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) and share with us at Mass how the experience powerfully changed their lives. Did you know your CMA contribution supports Maribeth Mancini and her staff at our diocese who do the ground work, so that teens from our diocese are among the largest, best prepared delegations at NCYC? Your contribution supports a variety of youth gatherings in our diocese as well.

- U of R, RIT, SUNY Genesseo, SUNY Brockport, Cornell, just to name a few universities. Did you know your CMA dollars help support college chaplaincies around our diocese? And also, Catholic chaplaincy services at Strong Memorial, Highland, Rochester General Hospital and many other hospitals?

- Well planned, inspiring celebrations of Confirmation – here too, behind the scenes staff from the faith formation and liturgy offices work together to provide a grace-filled experience for confirmands, parents and sponsors.

- Our Pastoral Council is taking inspiration from the book **Rebuilt**. The diocese brought the authors, and other inspiring speakers to the annual catechetical congress, to inspire and encourage catechetical leaders. Parish support ministries and Karen Rinefierd also offer local staff encouragement, inspiration, and facilitate our working together with other parishes.

- You sit at a computer. Mysterious processes take place inside the hard drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unwanted mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive. For our staff, who do we call when the processes stop working, or unordered mysteries take over the computer? None other than Tom Veeder’s drive.

- Human resource laws, health care, benefits change; who keeps on top of it all and does the behind the scenes work? Tammy Sylvester and the HR (human resource) staff your CMA dollars fund. Managing our insurance coverage, to minimize risk and handle claims? You guessed it – Jamie Ott, another CMA employee.

- Catholic Charities may be behind the scenes to many of us, but to those in need, their services are front line! Better yet, CMA dollars funding Catholic Charities services, often leverage state and other funding to assist those most in need.

- Sandy Grocki – the favorite person for social security eligible priests (like

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Mass Intentions for This Week

MONDAY - October 7
Our Lady of the Rosary
Jon 1:1-2: 11/Lk 10:25-37
11:00 am Memorial Mass for Sally Tapley
5:15 pm Bernie Fine - Bob & Joan Farnam

TUESDAY - October 8
Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42
6:45 am Paul Spinelli - Banfield Family
11:00 am Ned Cunningham - Birdie Proctor
11:00 am Mass at Heather Heights - For Those Who died this Past Year

WEDNESDAY - October 9
Denis, Bishop, and Companion Martyrs; John Leonard, Priest
Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4
11:00 am Paul Spinelli - Chrissy & Bill Carpenter
5:15 pm Arthur Greco, Jr. - Lucille & Gary Worth

THURSDAY - October 10
Mal 3:13-20a/Lk 11:5-13
6:45 am Harold Barnes - Daughters
11:00 am Martha Serio - Ronald Serio

FRIDAY - October 11
11:00 am James Small - Conklin Family
5:15 pm Paul Kircher - David & Gayle Leicht

SATURDAY - October 12
JL 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28
9:00 am Yolanda Gianni - Irene DeSantis
4:30 pm Marion LePage Brown - Richard & Jeanette Crowley

SUNDAY - October 13
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Kgs 5:14-17/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19
7:30 am Martha Serio - Ronald Serio
9:00 am Mary Ellen Harkness - Family
11:00 am Al Ryan - Family
5:00 pm Dorothy Sherwood - Regan Family

Eucharist This Week

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 Harold Barnes
By Family.

Two lamps will burn
In memory of
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Gaeta
By Flo & Jack.

Saturday & Sunday, October 12 and October 13. Thank you, faithful servants!

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Sunday Communion Service - October 13
The Highlands: Richard Caruso  Heather Heights: Doris Wilmot
THE WEEKEND AT ST. LOUIS

**September 29**

Attendance ............ 1,762
Collection ............ $13,665.00

Thank you for coming this weekend! Your presence is a gift, and so is whatever financial support you can give to our parish, its ministries, and our outreach. May you find peace and solace here, experience God’s love and the gifts of the Spirit, and return home, battery charged for the week ahead!

HABITAT HOUSE

**Dedication Today, October 6, 2:00 PM**

Come see the Habitat home which St. Louis Church, as part of the Habitat Interfaith Partnership (HIP), has helped to fund and construct! All are welcome to attend the Dedication Ceremony to be held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, October 6, 2013 at 629 Brown Street in Rochester. Meet the proud owners of this house along with others from HIP’s member churches, and view the final product as well. Clerics from participating churches will bless the house, followed by brief presentations. Refreshments will be served. Join us at this memorable event. Contact Louise Vanni (387-0856) for further information or questions.

BEHIND THE SCENES

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our star retirees here!) Supported by our CMA dollars, Sandy provides real security, staying in touch, helping through mazes of government paperwork, assisting with the challenges health issues can raise, assuring they get the assistance many people count on their children to provide.

So there is just a sample of why I ask you to generously support the CMA.

God bless you! Fr. Bob

THIS WEEK’S TITHING WILL SUPPORT SAINT’S PLACE

Next Week’s Tithing will support Nazareth Home for God’s Children

Sister Stan’s Children, Inc. is the fundraising arm of the Marian Sisters of Eucharistic Love (MASEL) a religious order operating in the Diocese of Yendi in N.E. Ghana. MASEL was founded in 2009 by Sister Stan Terese Mumun to serve impoverished and neglected children in the region. You may recall that Sister Stan visited our parish in the Fall of 2012 and inspired us to generously support her ministry with her moving story of taking in and caring for children with disabilities, who otherwise would have been killed because of a tribal belief that their disability was a manifestation of an “evil spirit” within them. MASEL has now acquired seven acres of land and is in the process of constructing an orphanage, Nazareth Home for God’s Children, to better serve the needs of these neglected children. Our tithing will contribute to this effort as well as support the ongoing need for funds for food, clothing, etc. For more information about Sister Stan’s ministry, visit www.sisterstanschildren.org. You may also visit www.stlouischurch.org, click on NEWS, click on PHOTO GALLERY, click on TRIP TO NAZARETH HOME FOR GOD’S CHILDREN, GHANA, AFRICA, to see pictures of Sister Stan and her children taken by parishioners who visited them earlier this year.

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME GLEE CLUB PERFORMANCE

**At St. Louis Church, October 24, 7:30 PM**

For the first time in over a decade, the internationally renowned Notre Dame Glee Club returns to Rochester for one performance. Don't miss this 65 member, all male, a cappella group fresh off their pilgrimage to El Camino de Compostela. The concert begins at 7:30 pm and will include sacred music, folk songs, barbershop, spirituals, college songs and the Notre Dame Victory March! The concert will benefit the St. Louis School Capital Fund.

Tickets are $15 Adults, $10 Student/Seniors, and $35 Families. Advance sale tickets are available for a 20% discount by going to bit.ly/ndgeroc and using the code NDGC20. In addition, tickets will be available at the Ministry Center. Email: gleeclubinrochester@gmail.com for questions or visit the Facebook event page: Notre Dame Glee Club in Rochester!

St. Louis' World Hunger- Haiti Task Force Annual Information Meeting, Wednesday, October 23, at 7:00 PM, Youth Room, (below PMH)

Please, come see how you can be part of our parish's oldest Social Ministry Committee. (almost 50 years of actively making a difference in the world efficiently and effectively with generally only 1 meeting per year). Presently, our main focus is helping Haiti by supporting the huge and varied efforts of parish friend, Fr. Rick Frechette, Passionist priest and physician. Any questions: call: Marcia Mendola 381-6872 or email: marciaandnick@yahoo.com. For info about Our Little Brothers and Sisters in Haiti, visit: www.nphusa.org/haiti. To better address Fr. Rick's efforts, the name NPH- (the abbreviation of Our Little Brothers in Spanish and French) will replace Friends of the Orphans as the name of that organization receiving our donations. NPH will maintain the same 4 Star Navigator Charity status.
More Faith

Here is that word again in the Gospel. Sure enough, the point is not believing an idea, it is about a firm commitment and trust in a person, God. Notice how Jesus goes on to speak of doing one’s duty, living out God’s will in action? What do you imagine yourself to be asking if you pray “Lord, increase my faith?”

Understanding Bible Study

Bible study can take many forms, but no matter how it is structured, or how it is led, some things are reliable. Bible study provides a place to discover how other people hear and process information than absorbing tons of facts. Bible study is about learning how to understand and gain insight, and be inspired by the community. Bible study is a place the community can share with one another what they hear, how it engages the heart and mind, gain insight, and be inspired by one another.

A liberal arts education is more about learning how to think, analyze, and process information than absorbing the facts. Bible study is about learning how to hear God speaking to us through the Bible. Over time, one begins to also get the context of various passages, how the history of salvation unfolded, how the Bible is a library, not a book. Got Bible Study? We sure do!

27TH SUNDAY IN ordinary time

1st Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
Steadfast loyalty leads to life

2nd Reading: II Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
Stir into flame the gift of God

Gospel Luke: 17:5-10
Increase our faith

'emunah

Sometimes knowing the background of a word makes a huge difference! The Hebrew word ’emunah is expressed in Greek ‘pistis’, and in English believe/belief. But in the Hellenistic world, with its focus on ideas, concepts and the abstract, it primarily meant to assent to a factual statement, and we can hear it that way too. The Hebrew term is much more – it is a working, living, active trust in God. It includes the notions of steadfastness or persistence. And for a picture: the Hebrew root means firm, something that is supported or secure … the word is used in Isaiah 22:23 for a nail that is fastened to a ‘secure’ place. Translating ’emunah as ‘faith’ makes us think about knowing, not nearly a strong enough translation. To have faith in God is not knowing God exists or knowing God will act, it is that the person who has ’emunah will act with firmness toward God’s will. So in our first reading: “the just one, because of his ’acting with firmness toward the will of God’ shall live” True enough!

Thy Holy Flame Bestowing

The opening of our 2nd reading, ‘stir into flame the gift of God that you received through the imposition of hands’, is encouragement to Timothy to stir up the fire of faith from his ordination. However, confirmation includes the imposition of hands over all the candidates, so this encouragement can apply to us all. A favorite hymn based on a 14th cen. text of Bianco of Siena puts the idea as a prayer, and goes well with the 2nd reading today:

Come down, O love divine, seek Thou this soul of mine, And visit it with Thine own ardor glowing. O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, And kindle it, Thy holy flame bestowing. O let it freely burn, til earthly passions turn To dust and ashes in its heat consuming; And let Thy glorious light shine ever on my sight, And clothe me round, the while my path illumining. Let holy charity mine outward vesture be, And lowliness become mine inner clothing; True lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part, And o’er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing. And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, Shall far outpass the power of human telling; For none can guess its grace, till he become the place Wherein the Holy Spirit makes His dwelling.

Here Is An Answer

It is a blessing! Young families continue to register here, finding St. Louis to be a welcoming parish family. We have children in the pews at every Mass. But occasionally, that blessing can mean a bit of distraction; our mind can be taken off the scripture reading just long enough to miss what the Lord is saying to us. In just two weeks, we will begin making available At Home with the Word for the coming liturgical year, which begins with the 1st Sunday of Advent, December 1st. With your own copy at home, you can look over the readings before coming to Mass, and go back to check out what you heard afterward. A little distraction won’t keep you from getting everything the Lord has in store for you through the Word.

Looking Ahead: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: II Kings 5:14-17
Accept a gift from your servant

2nd Reading: II Timothy 2:8-13
He remains faithful

The thankful Samaritan
A Simple, Personal Example to Others

As noted in this column a few weeks ago, our overall goal in this Year of Faith has been to strengthen our own faith, while drawing the world to faith by our personal example, an example that can spread the Gospel message to others, even through seemingly minor actions. Remember also that everything we do in life is noticed by someone.

This week’s suggestion: displaying your Catholic Christian identity around the home. If someone stops by to visit, even briefly—a friend or relative, a delivery person, even a cleaning service—what would they see around the different rooms? What would someone notice at the door or in the entryway, the living areas, the kitchen? (Consider especially that favorite and popular message board, the refrigerator door!) What books would someone find on your bookshelf, or on the coffee table? Are there any visible indications of your religious identity?

How can this be an effective way to help evangelize? Here are at least three reasons. Most obviously, others will notice how you feel about your own faith—your faith is important enough to you that you are incorporating it as part of your home by displaying it. Similarly, this opens the door for anyone and everyone to ask about your faith or maybe even talk about their own religious identity. And third, less obvious but equally important (especially for those times when visitors may be infrequent), we know that our minds tend to focus on things we see often and the visible indicators become reminders for our own faith enrichment.

Next week—some simple suggestions will be provided. Meanwhile, if you would like further information on the Year of Faith, or any other topic, please see me after Mass sometime, or (as always) contact me at Idea-condave@gmail.com.

God bless,
Deacon Dave

Lighthouse Media
Yes, the CD rack in the Narthex has been refilled, with lots of great titles. Check it out!

IT’S TIME FOR THE LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY, THE BOOK OF REVELATION

Little Rock Scripture Study lights the way to understanding the message of the Bible, developing a more personal relationship with God and a deeper relationship with others here at St. Louis Church.

The faith sharing format followed in this scripture study series allows a welcoming place to learn more about our Sacred Scripture especially if you are a novice at scripture study. Join us for a cup of tea and the joy of building new friendships while we learn together what the Word of God can teach us and guide us as we grow closer to our brother Jesus.

We will be studying the Book of Revelation during this 8 week series. You will be provided with a study guide and commentary on the book. The cost of materials is $10 per person. Join us on Tuesdays beginning October 15 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Hall. Bring your Bible and your tea cup! For more information contact Cris Wensel at cwensel@dor.org or call the parish office at 586-5675.

TIME TO ORDER (OR RENEW) YOUR GIVE US THIS DAY SUBSCRIPTION!

Many people in the parish subscribe to Give Us This Day a daily prayer book for each month that in addition to psalms, scripture readings, morning and evening prayers, includes 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. It is time to renew and take new orders. (current subscribers are paid through the December 2013 issue.) If our group subscription continues to exceed 50, our individual cost will be $19.95 for 12 issues in 2014. (The single order price is $39.95, so this is a substantial savings!). A large-print version is also available for $29.95, an additional $10.

If you are interested in renewing your subscription or signing up for the first time, please contact Barbara Thomas at bthomas@dor.org or 586-5675 ext. 236. Checks should be made out to St. Louis Church with “Give Us this Day 2014” in the memo field, in the amount of $19.95 for each individual subscription, and mailed or brought to the Ministry Center by Wednesday, October 16. Please address envelope to Barbara Thomas, St. Louis Church, 64 South Main Street, Pittsford, NY 14534. Thank you!
Thank you for all the donations we received from our wish list. Our call for help was heard and we are beginning to replenish several areas where we were experiencing shortages. We still have a great need for men’s boots, coats, hats and warm gloves.

**September saw us break another record!**
At our Clothing Closet, we helped 126 refugees. Several of the refugees went away with no winter coat, gloves, hats or boots. We are hopeful that our shelves will soon be restocked and that the refugees can come back for a second chance to shop for needed winter items. Many Saint’s Place volunteers searched the second hand stores and Wal-Mart for warm coats and boots, but they were not very successful. We are hopeful that our plea for warm winter coats and boots will continue to be answered.

**Beds for refugees!**
In September, we ordered 250 twin mattresses and box springs, and 40 double beds and box springs. This should last until the middle of February 2014. We order bed frames one hundred at a time.

Since January 2013, Saint’s Place has given away 445 beds and 14 new cribs. We have assisted 592 refugees. Thank you, Lord for continuing to bless us with such wonderful and generous donors.

**CHANGES … mean success and growth!**
Saint’s Place is in the process of moving our sorting room from 46 South Main Street to our clothing Closet at St. John of Rochester. We were again “out of space”, so the decision to rent a larger warehouse was realized. Furniture is being moved from one of the classrooms at St. John of Rochester to the new warehouse on Exchange Street. We will use the room at St. John’s for a sorting room. This move is long overdue and should help us to sort and organize clothing more efficiently. The end result is that we will be better able to serve the needs of the refugees.

**Where to bring donations . . .**
Donations should still be dropped at 46 South Main Street, not at St. John of Rochester.

**Tutoring program increase . . .**
Saint’s Place tutoring programs at the old St. Boniface School and at the Greek Orthodox Church of the Holy Spirit are off to a great start. There has been a significant increase in new refugees in both programs. For instance, the Thursday evening program had 3 Iraqi refugees last year and this year they are starting with 19 Iraqi, all educated. Some of the refugees are learning English and others are preparing for their citizenship test and practicing their communication skills. At the present time we have enough tutors, but if you are interested in tutoring, please let us know.

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**Saint’s Place, 46 S. Main St., Pittsford, NY 14534. Colleen Knauf, Executive Director.**

**Saint’s Place Ministry Hours:** 46 S. Main St.: Mon. through Thurs.: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. Closed Fridays.  
St. John of Rochester: Mon., Tues., Thurs.: 9:15 am until 12 noon; Wed.: 9:15 am to 2:30 pm.; Closed Fridays.  

**Phone:** 585-385-6860. Fax: 585-385-3963 or saintlady@saintsplace.org, or [www.saintsplace.org](http://www.saintsplace.org)
First Penance Preparation Program

Our First Penance preparation program begins Wednesday October 9 with our parent kick-off meeting. If you feel your child is ready to receive this sacrament, we recommend a child being in fourth grade or higher, please register them now. The deadline for registration in this program is **Monday October 7 at 5:00 p.m.** We cannot accept registrations once the program has begun. You can register your child by using a hard copy registration form found in church on the counter in the Narthex, or at the Ministry Center. You can also register on-line and mail your payment to the Ministry Center.

A few guidelines:
- Your child needs to be in Catholic School or a religious education program here at St. Louis.
- Your family should be registered members of St. Louis Parish.
- The First Penance program is a separate program from your child’s religious education program.

The schedule for the First Penance preparation program is:

- **Wednesday October 9** – Parent meeting and kick-off, at 4:30 or 6:30 p.m.
- **Tuesday October 15** – Adult Session 7:30 – 8:30 pm in church
- **Wednesday October 23** – Parent and child session at 4:30 or 6:30 p.m.
- **Monday October 28** – Parent and child session at 4:30 or 6:30 p.m.
- **Wednesday November 6** – Parent and child session at 4:30 or 6:30 p.m.
- **First Penance Celebration** – Saturday November 9 at 10:30 a.m. OR Saturday November 23 at 10:30 a.m.

Any questions or concerns please contact Sue Payne at 586-5675 or email spayne@dor.org

HELP WANTED:
OPERATIONS/Maintenance Staff Opening

St. Louis is in need of a general Operations/Maintenance Worker to fill an opening on the staff.

The Operations Worker position is year-round, 5 days/week and occasional weekends. The responsibilities include setting up for events, trash/recycling collection, moving boxes and furniture, vacuuming and mopping in Church and Gym, and seasonal outside work, such as snow shoveling, raking, pruning, weeding. Applicant must have reliable work record and skills for sudden changes, prioritizing, communicating and working with others.

Please inquire or apply with Sally Schrecker at the Ministry Center, 586-5675, ext. 235.
Faith, Like a Mustard Seed!

In today’s Gospel we hear Jesus teach about faith and service to God. The context is a continuing dialogue between Jesus and his followers about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Jesus has just finished an instruction on sin and forgiveness. There are two related teachings that Jesus offers to his disciples when they cry out for an increase in faith. The first is the familiar reminder that faith, even just a little, will enable the followers of Jesus to do wondrous things. But this uplifting and inspiring teaching is quickly followed by the second teaching, a caution about knowing one’s place in God’s plans.

The disciples of Jesus are to understand themselves as servants to God and his plans. Even when God works wonders through us, with our mustard seed-sized faith, we must not seek praise. Our participation in God’s plans is God’s grace to us – nothing more, nothing less. When we are graced enough to cooperate with God, the work we do is nothing more than our obligation to God as faithful stewards. Even when God works wonders through us, we must not seek praise. Our participation in God’s plans is God’s grace to us – nothing more, nothing less. When we are graced enough to cooperate with God, the work we do is nothing more than our obligation to God as faithful stewards.

There is much in today's Gospel that resonates in family life. In our daily attempts as parents to live up to the confidence and trust that our children place in us, we come to know the wonders that God can do with just a little faith. In family life we also learn about obligations that are their own rewards. The daily tasks that family members do for one another and for the household are simply the manifestations of our responsibilities to one another. Identify some of the little things that each family member does that make a big difference in your family life. How is each person called upon by God to believe that God can work miracles in our lives, that God can use us to make a difference in our world?

PRAYER FOR GENEROSITY
St. Ignatius of Loyola

Eternal Word, only begotten Son of God,
Teach me true generosity.
Teach me to serve you as you deserve.
To give without counting the cost,
To fight heedless of wounds,
To labor without seeking rest,
To sacrifice myself without thought of any reward
Save the knowledge that I have done your will.
Amen.

HI EVERYONE,

Please contact me to get yourself or a friend on our mailing list. You can reach me at stlouisyouthgroup@rochester.rr.com or call at 261-2266 with any questions.

You are always welcome to join us. Feel free to bring a friend.

All the best, Mr. McBride

UPCOMING YOUTH GROUP EVENTS ~ PLEASE JOIN US!

Sunday, October 6, 5:00-7:30 pm, Teen Mass, Dinner & Mtg. We will need cooks!
Sunday, October 13, 5:00-7:30 pm, Mass & Meeting.
Sunday, October 20, 5:00-7:30 pm, Mass & Meeting.
Sunday, October 27, 5:00-7:30 pm, Mass & Meeting.
Sunday, November 3, 5:00-7:30 pm, Teen Mass, Dinner, Mtg.
Sunday, November 10, 5:00-7:30 pm, Mass & Meeting.
November 20 - 23, National Catholic Youth Conference.

ARE YOU READY FOR SOME BASKETBALL?

That’s right it’s that time again! St. Louis CYO basketball 2013-2014 season registration is open. The St. Louis CYO basketball program is a successful basketball program that not only teaches your child how to play basketball, but also teaches your child how to become a better person. Our program teaches faith, sportsmanship, friendship, respect and many other attributes that mold children into young adults. To register or learn more about our program please visit: http://www.stlouisycobasketball.org

DON’T DELAY BECAUSE REGISTRATION ENDS OCTOBER 13, 2013!!!

The program begins in October and ends the first or second week in March. Typically practices can be scheduled on a set schedule to accommodate the coaches and players. Practices are once or twice during the week and games are on Saturdays and/or Sundays. The CYO schedule consists of 12 games. For more information, please e-mail our CYO athletic director at thomasinfantino@hotmail.com.
Beginning Experience is a peer support group for separated, divorced and widowed adults. The weekend program helps deal with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity, through God, for dealing with the pain and loss and moving into the future with renewed hope. Our next weekend will be at Camp Stella Maris on Conesus Lake, October 25-27, 2013. For more information, contact Beginning Experience at (585) 987-1750 or visit www.beginningexperiencerochesterny.org.

="Remain steadfast in the journey of faith. 
Listen carefully, young people, swim against the tide; 
it's good for the heart, but it takes courage." ~Pope Francis

Swim against the tide and look to something new 
for your courageous journey of faith...

Mini Workshops: An introduction to The Sisters of St. Joseph…
A Life Consecrated to God and God’s people
this Opportunity is available for women 17 to 35 years old!

These five 90 minute introductory workshops will be led by Sister Marilyn Pray SSJ.
Each workshop will offer:
❖ Background on religious life and how we live as Sisters
❖ Time for quiet and communal prayer
❖ Time for questions
❖ If desired, an individual conversation with a Sister

When:
Oct. 19, 2013 6:00 – 7:30pm
Dec. 14, 2013 10:00 – 11:30am

Feb. 1, 2014 10:00 – 11:30 am
Apr. 26, 2014 6:00 – 7:30pm
June 14, 2014 6:00 – 7:30pm

Where: St. Boniface Convent, 314 Gregory Street, in Rochester’s South Wedge

Please register by contacting: Sister Marilyn at 585-756-9178 
or e-mail: mpray@ssjrochester.org

Follow up opportunities are available for both men and women
for prayer, retreat, spiritual direction, discernment, service opportunities,
and getting to know Sisters in new ways!

For MORE info…
Contact: Sr. Donna Del Santo at 585-733-4422 or e-mail
ddelsanto@ssjrochester.org

40 DAYS FOR LIFE AT ST. LOUIS
SEPTEMBER 25 - NOVEMBER 3, 2013

Please join our St. Louis parishioners and Consistent Life Ethic Team in a 40 Days for Life effort! A national and international campaign since 2007, people of faith have mobilized across the world to stand up for life.

At St. Louis we have a multi-pronged effort of prayer, education, and fasting each week of the six-week campaign.

THIS WEEK’S EFFORT FOR 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6: Respect Life Rosary after 11:00 AM Mass

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7:
5:15 pm Mass w/ Life Intention

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8:
9:50 AM ~ Rosary for Life w/ McQuaid Jesuit HS students
(1800 Clinton Ave. S., Rochester)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9:
12:00 noon ~ Rosary with St. Louis School Children in church.
3:00 PM ~ Tour of Focus Pregnancy Center (86 University Ave., Rochester. Meet there

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10:
9:50 AM ~ Rosary for Life w/ McQuaid Jesuit HS students
(1800 Clinton Ave. S., Rochester)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11:
Fasting for Life ~ forego a meal and offer it up as a form of prayer for life*

*PRAYER AND FASTING GO HAND IN HAND . . .
Christ told us some demons can only be driven out by prayer and fasting. Prayer keeps us rooted in our desire to carry out God’s will. Fasting is a sacrifice that helps us reach beyond our own limitations with God’s help, and is a physical form of prayer that helps us stay connected to God.

Questions on the St. Louis effort? Please contact Kathleen Anderson at kanderson51@rochester.rr.com or 585-385-7601. For more info and statistics on the national effort: www.40DaysforLife.com.
For info on the local effort: www.40DaysforLife.com/Rochester which offers other activities in the Rochester area.
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