Mercy in Motion

It has been a Year of Mercy! Thank you for being a vessel of mercy during the Year of Mercy, in your family, where you live, work and/or go to school, here in our parish, and beyond. Thank you, also, to Cris and the Year of Mercy team for so effectively helping us all better understand and experience God’s mercy in our daily life.

The bulletin board in the back of church, first with so many ideas for practicing the corporal works of mercy, then for the creative suggestions to experience God’s grace performing spiritual works of mercy has been a real gift. As we prepare to wrap up this Jubilee Year of Mercy, that bulletin board has taken on one last incarnation. Now you will find fresh ideas for both corporal and spiritual works of mercy, providing us an opportunity to experience one of the mysterious gifts of God: when we do works of mercy, God’s mercy also breaks into our lives in fresh new ways. Check out the board, review the two lists, corporal and spiritual works of mercy, and take a tag or two from either side, or perhaps one or two from each.

Here is another exercise that could give yet another layer of meaning to the Year of Mercy. Think back to the powerful CMA video we saw last week. If you missed it, check it out on line (www.dor.org; select Option 1, then Watch the Video) How many of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy can you recall from the video? The point? The needs for God’s mercy in our world today are tremendous. More than any of us can accomplish alone. But together, supporting the CMA, we are sending chaplains to hospitals to visit the sick, in addition to our own visiting. We are supporting chaplains in prisons. We are welcoming the stranger, through Catholic Family Center’s efforts to find apartments for refugees, and with Saint’s Place’s vital support, getting them settled. Support for the Department of Evangelization and Catechesis at the Diocese is a huge help in counseling the doubtful. Along with our efforts to support food cupboards, through the CMA we support Catholic Charities work in feeding the hungry. Wait! I invited you to come up with the list. See what you can add.

Please do visit the bulletin board, or contemplate on your own what works of mercy may go unmet unless you step forward. Consider, too, how you can support this year’s Catholic Ministries Appeal, a powerful way to put mercy into motion. If you can increase a bit from last year, that will be great in helping us reach our fair share goal. If you were not able to give last year, or didn’t for whatever reason, please make whatever gift you can. It is not only an act of mercy, but a way to show gratitude to God.

Blessings to you and those you love, Fr. Bob
Mass Intentions for This Week

MONDAY - OCTOBER 10
Columbus Day
One Mass Today
11:00 am Martha Serio - Husband

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 11
Gal 5:1-6/Lk 11:37-41
6:45 am People Facing Serious Illness
Mass at Heather Heights
For the Residents & Staff
9:45 am Robert D’Abate - Carolyn Housel
11:00 am Mary Kahn - Carol McDonald

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 12
Gal 5:18-25/Lk 11:42-46
11:00 am Al & Marie Mahar - (Anniversary) - Son, Dick
5:15 pm Rosemary Cashell - Zimmerman Family

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 13
Eph 1:1-10/Lk 11:47-54
6:45 am For the People of Our Parish
11:00 am Al Ryan - Ann

FRIDAY - OCTOBER 14
Eph 1:11-14/Lk 12:1-7
11:00 am Deceased Members & Spouses
Of the 70th Seton - Patsy Schroth
5:15 pm Fr. Robert Smith - Judith Kiehl

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 15
Eph 1:15-23/Lk 12:8-12
9:00 am Memorial Mass for Alice Grosse
4:30 pm Marian Battle - Peggy O’Neil Midgley

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 16
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ex 17:8-13/2 Tm 3:14–4:2/Lk 18:1-8
7:30 am Raymond D. Ryan - Family
9:00 am Betty Iacona - Steve & Gloria Enes
11:15 am Michael Ferruilo - Joe & Debbie Haefner
5:00 pm Telba Olivares - Betty Troy

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 Maria Hoang Thi Phach by Ho Dinh Tran & Family.

Requiem Aeternam
Alice Grosse

Saturday & Sunday, October 15 & 16

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Sunday Communion Service - October 16
The Highlands - Richard Caruso    Heather Heights - Jim Haefner
It Took Convincing
Our first reading begins with Naaman plunging in the Jordan. But he had to be convinced to take the plunge. Proud of the rivers in his own country, and upset that Elisha didn’t do what he expected, Naaman was planning to go home and give up on his leprosy being cured. Here is how it all began. First, he contracted the dread disease, leprosy. Next, a band from his army conducted a raid in Israel, taking captive, among others, a young girl. This young Israelite girl became a servant to Naaman’s wife. She told his wife about Elisha, a man of God in Israel who could heal. The kings of Aram and Israel get involved. Finally, Elisha is drawn into the story. Does Elisha wave a hand over Naaman to cure him? No. He sends a messenger instructing Naaman to dip seven times in the Jordan. Well! Naaman thinks he knows how Elisha would cure him, and gets angry when Elisha doesn’t even meet him, but sends a messenger with his instructions. Once again it is the servants to the rescue, convincing Naaman to follow Elisha’s modest instructions. That is where we pick up the story today. Keep reading chapter 5 in Second Kings – more human frailty plays out. The Old Testament is filled with very human stories! What is the take home for us? Many possibilities. Just a few: (1) the path to healing can take time, and often requires our getting past how we think it should happen. (2) Wisdom can come from those the world may consider nobodies: the servant girl, and Naaman’s other servants. (3) Once we get beyond obstacles we place before God’s will for us to be healed, and God acts in our life, deep gratitude opens up. (4) The best return to God: faithfulness, and offering our sacrifices to the Lord, and not to idols. (Yes, we still have idols today. They are not necessarily statues, and our worship and sacrifices to them can take many forms.) What else does the Spirit lead you to find in this scripture?

No Chaining the Word
In Second Corinthians, St. Paul lists the many hardships he endured. It would be enough to make many a soul say ‘Enough of this. How can Jesus’ message be Good News, if this is what happens when you start to proclaim it to others?’ But not St. Paul! For him, suffering for the sake of the Gospel brought him closer to Christ. Today in our second reading we hear that Paul is in chains for the Gospel. But Paul knew, and experienced, there is no chaining the Word of God! Want a powerful musical meditation, to lead you deeper into Paul’s conviction that there is no chaining the Word? Go online and search Bernstein’s Mass, Epistle. (The reference in the song to the young man being in prison? Bernstein composed Mass during the Vietnam War; the reference is to those put in prison for protesting the war.)

Working the Percentages
Our Gospel today tells us of Jesus’ power over even the most feared disease in his day, leprosy. Look closely. Not unlike the healing in the first reading, Jesus doesn’t say the word, and heal the 10 lepers immediately. Luke tells us they were cleansed ‘as they were going’. Once again, healing is a process. What about the statistics? Do you think it is accurate that generally speaking, one out of ten folks take time to give thanks to God for life, for health, for blessing, for healing? If so, that is sad. But notice again, while Jesus asks the question about the other nine, he doesn’t take back their healing. Is there something to reflect on here in this Year of Mercy? Also, how do we show our gratitude? Good things to pray about!
SUPPORTING OUR PARISH

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THIS WEEK’S TITHING WILL SUPPORT
ROCHESTER AREA INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK (RAIHN)

NEXT WEEK’S TITHING WILL SUPPORT
PITTSFORD FOOD CUPBOARD
(SEE PAGE 6)

Health Update
In light of his recent health challenges, Fr. Ray has moved to the priest wing at the Sisters of Saint Joseph mother house. Please keep him in your prayers.

Fall Cleanup Help Needed
The garden beds on the St. Louis grounds need to be trimmed and otherwise “tucked in” for the winter. Leaves will need to be raked. We are looking for volunteers on Saturday, October 29 and Saturday, November 12 from 9:00 am – 12 noon. Come for the morning or come for an hour. Anything will be a big help. If any high school student needs service hours, we are happy to provide the documentation. Bring your favorite rakes, blowers and gloves. Refreshments will be provided. Call Sally @ 586-5675, ext. 235 or email sschrecker@dor.org.
MINI SALE 2016
Furniture, Clothing, Purses, Shoes,
Halloween Costumes, Christmas Decorations,
Holiday Jewelry, Toys and other fun items

Saturday  October 22   9AM—4PM
Sunday    October 23   9AM—1PM

Saint John of Rochester Parish Center
8 Wickford Way, Fairport New York
$25 delivery fee
FEEDING THE HUNGRY

JOB POSTING FOR
CLIENT SERVICES COORDINATOR
OF THE PITTSFORD FOOD CUPBOARD

The Client Services Coordinator position is a part time position, reporting to the Executive Director, and manages the PFC volunteers as well as assisting with operations as needed.

- Duties and Responsibilities include:
  ◦ Scheduling volunteers
  ◦ Assignment of duties
  ◦ Recruiting and training
  ◦ Tracks, manages, and repackages donations
  ◦ Liaison for donor response and pickups

- Skills
  ◦ Must be proficient in MSN Office Suite
  ◦ Excellent interpersonal skills
  ◦ Ability to work well in a very busy environment

Interested applicants should email their resume to Suzy Ward, Executive Director.
Suzannerward10@gmail.com

ALL ABOUT THE PITTSFORD FOOD CUPBOARD

The Pittsford Food Cupboard is a food pantry serving more than 4,000 households in Monroe County “Feeding Hope One Family at a Time”. Suzy Ward, a St. Louis Parishioner, is the current Executive Director. The Pittsford Food Cupboard’s mission is to help alleviate hunger for families in need who live in a six zip code area between the City of Rochester, Pittsford, Brighton and East Rochester by supplementing 10 days of food supplies, ultimately contributing towards clients’ independence. Clients come from all walks of life, many just needing a little help to get through a period of unemployment or illness. Others need assistance because of inadequate fixed incomes, a disability or uninsured medical bills, single parenthood or an increase in household size.

In 2015, the cupboard served 9,476 people through the tireless work of over 100 volunteers. The cupboard has a variety of flexible volunteer programs that make it easy for members of the community, adults or students, to get involved and volunteer at group or individual levels. Besides collecting food, assisting clients, helping with office work, stocking shelves or picking up food, volunteers can “Adopt-A-Shelf”, hold can and bottle drives, or be a sponsor and coordinate food drives at their organization. This is a great opportunity for our scouts to assist and they have done an outstanding job in providing resources.

For details, visit www.pittsfordfoodcupboard.net or contact Suzy Ward directly at 585-746-5676, Thank you for your prayers, your food donations, and your critical financial support.

CHRISTIAN LOVE: FEEDING THE HUNGRY

* ITEMS URGENTLY NEEDED MARKED WITH ASTERISK

FOOD AND OTHER ITEMS FOR PITTSFORD FOOD CUPBOARD, NEXT WEEKEND! OCTOBER 15 & 16

☐ Cereals, Rice
☐ Canned/boxed *cream soups
☐ Canned meats (tuna, chicken, Spam)
☐ Canned pastas (Spaghetti-O’s, etc)
☐ Pasta & Spaghetti & *tomato sauce
☐ Salad dressings, Salt & Pepper, Sugar, Flour
☐ *Canned meals (mac & cheese, beef stew, chili, etc.)
☐ Peanut Butter, Jam & Jelly
☐ Gravies (canned or boxed mixes)
☐ *Jello and *Pudding
☐ Canned fruits (*fruit cocktail, peaches, pears, etc.)
☐ Canned vegetables (corn, peas, *tomatoes)
☐ Canned Beans (pinto, kidney, etc.)
☐ *Mashed Potatoes - dry
☐ Diapers
☐ *Toiletries for Women
☐ Toiletries: Shampoo, soap, toothpaste, deodorants
☐ Paper Goods: *towels, toilet paper, napkins, tissues

Save the Date
All New Bistro Buffet
Delicious Food
Served Buffet Style
$15 per person~~ BYOB
Parish Meeting Hall
RSVP to 586-5675

October 15th @ 5:45pm
Autumn Salad w/Apples, Cheddar & Bacon
Maple Glazed Pork Tenderloin
Mashed Potatoes
Pumpkin Spice Cake
RSVP by 10/12

Recycle bags are always welcome & appreciated!
**Mass of Healing for Miscarriage and Infant Loss**

**Saturday, October 15, 2016**

**11:00 am**

**Christ Our Light Mausoleum**

**Holy Sepulchre Cemetery**

**2461 Lake Ave., Rochester, 14612**

Celebrant: Rev John Loncle

Light refreshments immediately following.

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

For further information please contact:

Janene Loughran: 329-1974 or Molly Hickey: ElizabethministryROC@gmail.com

Sponsored by Elizabeth Ministry of the Life Issues Office of the Diocese of Rochester and Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

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**WITH SINCERE GRATITUDE**

In 2009 I was given the opportunity to serve the community at St. Louis. Sister Judy welcomed me with kindness and grace. She also taught me the ropes!! I soon found out that she had developed a “well-oiled machine” at St. Louis that only needed someone to watch over it. It was an honor to follow in her footsteps.

Just as Jesus called her home to Him, He has been calling to me over the past several months. The Holy Spirit kept nudging me…time to go, you are needed somewhere else…are you listening? I ignored those signs for awhile, but they kept coming up in different ways. So I began to listen and discern what the Spirit’s plan was for me. Finally where the Spirit was leading me presented itself quite clearly. I have accepted a position as Pastoral Associate at St. Matthew in Livonia and St. Mary in Honeoye. I am looking forward to continuing the ministry of pastoral care and adult education with many new people of God.

My time at St. Louis was a blessing. You, the people of St. Louis are amazing. I have never had such dedicated, selfless and loving people to work with. I am so grateful for all of the pastoral care ministries and how that team has worked together and within the parish to serve God’s people. All of the ministries under the Pastoral Care Team work collaboratively to make good things come about for those we serve. For example: working with St. Louis School to bring together the Sunshine Luncheon; Elizabeth Ministry working with Saints’ Place to support new moms and babies; delivering Thanksgiving Baskets donated by Family Faith; musically praying at funerals with Stephanie and the Resurrection Choir; and our very special Year of Mercy Team has demonstrated the power of working together to get things done in service of Our Lord. I am blessed to have been a small part of that, thank you!

I will miss being at St. Louis and with her faithful people. I will be praying for all of you daily and hope you will do the same for me. I am always available through the same email, cwenzel@dor.org, or calling St. Matthews at 585-346-3815. Thank you for this extraordinary adventure!

Peace, Cris Wensel

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**Bible Study on the Gospel of Matthew**

*Matthew: The King and His Kingdom* is an exciting study that explores the life and mission of Jesus as recorded in the Gospel. Matthew demonstrates how the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament are fulfilled in Christ as the awaited Messiah who relives the life and struggles of Israel to become the faithful and victorious King. Set in the rich context of Jesus’ Jewish culture, this study will help participants understand who Jesus is and what his life and teachings mean for us today.

This video study is also available online, making it convenient to watch missed sessions. Or, you can choose to study at your own pace and complete the course independently online. **Join us this fall as we explore sessions 9-15 of this study. The first 8 sessions can be viewed online if you weren’t with us in the spring. Whether you catch up on the missed videos or jump right in with us at session 9, I’m sure you will enjoy the benefits of this Bible study.**

Where? St. Louis Church, Parish Meeting Hall

When? 9:30-11:15am, Saturdays. Meeting dates are: October 8, 15, 22, 29 and November 5, 12, 19.

Cost? $35 if you did not register in the spring.

Contact Kathryn McAlarney at 585-490-2745, mcalarney1@gmail.com, to register or for more information.
2017 First Penance Preparation Calendar

As a reminder, attendance at all sessions is expected.

Monday, January 9th       Kick-Off – Parents Only      6:30pm-7:30pm, Church
Monday, January 23rd      Family Session                   6:30pm-8:00pm, Church
Monday, January 30th      Family Session                   6:30pm-8:00pm, Church
Monday, February 6th      Family Session                   6:30pm-8:00pm, Church

Penitential Rite
Saturday, February 11th @ 2:00pm

Sign-up for individual confession time for parent and child will take place at the last session, scheduled over 3-4 Saturdays before regular church confession time.

2017 First Eucharist Preparation Calendar

As a reminder, attendance at all sessions is expected.
Parent and child attend Family Sessions.
Parent only @ Kick-Off.

Monday, March 20th       Kick-Off                     6:30pm-7:30pm, Church
Monday, March 27th       Family Session                6:30pm-8:00pm, Church
Monday, April 10th       Family Session                6:30pm-8:00pm, Church
Monday, April 24th       Family Session                6:30pm-8:00pm, Church

First Eucharist celebrations will be either:
Saturday, April 29th @ 11:15am & 4:30pm
or
Sunday, April 30th @ 11:15am
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 2017. A large-print version is also available for $29.95, an additional $10.

Checks should be made payable to St. Louis Church with “Give Us This Day” 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, bring to the Ministry Center, or put this form in the collection basket. WE MUST RECEIVE YOUR PAYMENT BY MONDAY, OCTOBER 31 FOR YOUR SUBSCRIPTION TO START WITH THE JANUARY 2017 ISSUE. Thank you, Barbara Thomas, bthomas@dor.org or 586-5675 ext. 236.

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St. Louis Knights of Columbus
Next Meeting, Monday, October 17
6:45 PM Parish Meeting Hall

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 Bill Conklin, Stan Hessey, Joe Salipante, and Chuck Noce who took their Knighthood Degree in Hornell, N.Y. on Saturday, September 24th! This is the next to the highest Degree in the Knights of Columbus.

The C & B Drive sales was kicked off at our June meeting and all Members are asked to help this worthy cause. Please return any sold books to Michael DeCocq at this meeting. Keep selling them as the Final Drawing is on December 3rd. We will have our Church sales Drive on Saturday and Sunday, October 22 & 23 after all Masses. Please help us in turn, help the Parish.

The St. Louis Knights Council will have a drive for the next 3 months to help Saint’s Place collect toilet items such as NEW Soap, Men’s Shaving gear, Deodorants, tooth brushes, tooth paste, and Cleaning Supplies, etc. Watch for a bin in which to place these donated items. HELP is needed by everyone, not just Knights.

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, GK

Attention Business Owners & Generous Parishioners!

Kirsten Redfield will be working on setting up the advertising sponsorships for our bulletin the week of October 17th. Please consider advertising in our bulletin.

Advertisements can be purchased for a business, family, or a sponsor ad can be purchased supporting community service organizations, like emergency pregnancy counseling or the battered women’s shelter, etc. We need and appreciate your help. If you are interested or would like more information, please call Kirsten directly at (800) 477-4574, Ext. 6506. Thank you in advance for your generous support, and please patronize our advertisers!

The St. Louis Council Knights of Columbus will be collecting Toilet Articles and Cleaning Supplies for Saint’s Place during October and November. 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
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