**Welcome Back!**

Whether you were gone much of this summer, or just away for the Labor Day weekend, welcome back! I don’t know about you, but for me, traveling can be a wonderful blessing, but coming home is even better. A big welcome also to all of our St. Louis School families. Glad to have you back for another year together! This year holds great promise. Our school’s STEM program is underway, providing an excellent approach to learning for our students at St. Louis School. I believe parents will be very pleased with the results. I’ll see you at our first school Mass, this Monday (September 14, 9:10 AM)

Our faith formation programs and sacramental preparation are also ready to begin, offering an opportunity for students and catechists as well. Let me take this opportunity to announce a change in the Crossroads program. For a number of years, this Middle School program met early Monday evenings. Each year, more and more families have conflicts with that time. This fall Crossroads will shift to Sunday evenings, right after the 5PM Mass. We have plenty of free space on campus at that time, and from conversations thus far, it seems families will have few conflicts. We will begin right after our first Youth Mass, September 20th. See you then!

I am very pleased with the variety of opportunities for adults: bible studies, a prayer course, something for moms, a process for those interested in coming into our Catholic faith, the Fruit of the Vine series, workshops, not to mention things planned preparing us to celebrate the Year of Mercy. If you have never experienced Frank Runyeon before, let me assure you, his performance of Acts of Mercy – Luke: Stories of Mercy and James: Works of Mercy will be spellbinding, leading us to profound new insights into the scriptures. (See page 7 inside for details.)

We Believe. We Belong. We Learn. It’s true. One of the beauties of St. Louis is the variety and quality of opportunities to keep learning and growing. That being said, is there any connection between all this and our Sunday readings this weekend? You bet! First, Jesus gives the disciples a pop quiz. “Who do people say that I am?” Then the follow up question, “But who do you say that I am?” Jesus asks us that question often throughout our life, as we make choices and decisions, choose careers, build relationships, set priorities. It is preparation for the final exam, when the answer will really count. (Hint: He says in John’s Gospel: “I am the way, the truth and the life.” If our living reflects our following The Way, we are all set.) Notice too in the Gospel, “he began to teach them.” He begins teaching us the day we come into the world, through our parent’s love. He continues to teach through Word, Sacrament, and in countless other ways (see above and inside!). The final lesson: when he leads us through the paschal mystery to eternity. “Here I am Lord, teach me.” Peace, Fr. Bob
**Mass Intentions for This Week**

**MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 14**
Nm 21:4b - 9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
9:10 am  
St. Louis School Opening Mass  
Andrew Carpentier - Family
11:00 am  
John Housel - Family
5:15 pm  
Ray Mahar - Family

**TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 15**
1 Tm 3:1-13/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
6:45 am  
James Newell - Pat Spinelli
11:00 am  
Kay Leary - Emmett & Mary Miller

**WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 16**
1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35
11:00 am  
Sr. Margaret Charles Lashomb - Sally Lashomb Family
5:15 pm  
Donald Corletta - Frank & Kay Roscia

**THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 17**
1 Tm 4:12-16/Lk 7:36-50
6:45 am  
For the People of Our Parish
11:00 am  
Peggy O’Neil Midgley

**FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 18**
1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3
11:00 am  
Walter Meyer - Family
5:15 pm  
Irene DeSantis - Eileen Kremer

**SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 19**
1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15
9:00 am  
Memorial Mass  
For Gail LeBoeuf
4:30 pm  
Mark Reichenbach - Family

**SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 20**
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16---4:3/Mk 9:30-37
7:30 am  
Mary Lou Sherry - Bob & Diane Mcclune
9:00 am  
Andrew Eilertsen - Lisa Bertittella & Eric Richard
11:00 am  
Mary Lou Sherry - Fred & Karen
5:00 pm  
Andrew Thomas - Barbara Thomas

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**SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

We invite you to have a Sanctuary Lamp lit at the Blessed Sacrament to have your very special intentions remembered for a week.

To arrange this, please call or visit the Ministry Center. The Thursday Holy Hour Ministry will offer special prayers for your intention.

One Lamp will burn  
In Memory of William J. Maloy  
By Maloy Children and Sheller Grandchildren.

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**Requiem Aeternam**

*Stephen Morris*

*Thomas Murray*

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**Saturday & Sunday, September 19 & 20**

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**Sunday Communion Service - September 20**

The Highlands: Darlene Huver  
Heather Heights: Dick Lenio
**Singing of Trials and Vindication**

Just as the first preachers and early church did, our Lectionary goes to the suffering songs in Isaiah to shed light on Jesus’ Passion. When first given to God’s people in exile in Babylon, Isaiah’s words offered hope: Being righteous, suffering in this world, but ultimately vindicated by God go hand in hand. Followers of Jesus, helped by the Holy Spirit, came to see that the message applied to their Messiah as well, and would also mark out the path of his faithful.

**Q & A**

The passage we hear in the Letter of James today is cast as a Q & A, with questions and answers about faith. Another feature: it contrasts two different ways of understanding “faith.” One kind of faith is notional assent. In other words, “Oh sure, I believe that. I can even profess the creed with no trouble.” The other type of faith is rather a deep, biding trust, and a relationship that leads us to allowing our life to be guided by the person we have faith in. It takes more than a simple “Oh sure, I believe that” to lead us out of selfishness, to ready us to give of ourselves to others, and ultimately to shape us as people who, by God’s grace, make this world a better place for those in need.

**Life with the Saints**

We’ve most likely heard today’s Gospel episode before. Try hearing it wearing Peter’s shoes. After being told “Get behind me Satan”, what is the most likely human response? “I’ve had enough of this guy. How dare he! I don’t need to put up with someone talking to me like that!” Peter may well have thought all of those things, but at the end of the day, he followed Jesus to the cross (his own, in Rome). Perhaps talking to Peter when we are offended by a fellow believer setting us straight might help us stay on the right path.

**Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother**

A powerful study on the Blessed Mother begins Tuesday, October 6, 1:15 PM Parish Meeting Hall

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary’s earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her Divine Son. She will become a part of your daily life and help you to become more like Christ.

Join us for Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother in the Parish Meeting Hall beginning Tuesday, October 6 at 1:15 pm. You do not need to attend every session to participate. Please RSVP no later than September 29 so that we can order material. The cost of materials is $25 per person. For more information contact Cris Wensel at cwensel@dor.org

**Preparing for next weekend: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20
Will God take care of him?

2nd Reading: James 3:16-4:3
Cultivating peace

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37
The last shall be first

**The Bible Timeline Study**

Want to know more about the Bible but aren’t sure where to begin? Come join us as we continue this fall with the Great Adventure Bible Study presented by Jeff Cavins! Learn how the Scripture narrative ties many different books of the Bible together in the single story of God’s plan. Knowing the overall framework helps connect the readings we hear at Mass and our understanding of our faith. We will be covering the last eight sessions of the 24 - session study which includes the Maccabean Revolt, The Gospel of Luke, and the Acts of the Apostles. Even if you are joining us for the first time, you can always view the videos you missed online. Come and bring a friend!

Where? St. Louis Church, Parish Meeting Hall
When? 9:30-11:15am, Saturdays, Sept. 19 - Nov. 7
Cost? $35

For registration and more information, call or email Kathryn McAlarney before the first meeting at 585-490-2745, mcalarney1@gmail.com
**Supporting Our Parish**

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Next week’s collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your help. CCHD was founded to end the cycle of poverty in the United States by funding organizations that help individuals help themselves. With the tradition of improving education, housing situations, and community economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact in communities nationwide. Your contribution will defend human dignity and reach out to those living on the margins. Please give to the CCHD collection.

**Parish Directory Phase II**

We’ve gathered wonderful photos of many folks and families who make our parish such a great place to believe and to belong. We need to take, and then lay out the photos of various parish groups, and of life in action here in our parish. Do you have skills you could share in this area? Please give Suzie Ward a call at 585-746-5676 or via email suzannerward10@gmail.com.

**Appointment with a Good Book**

Our committee exploring how to create a parish library will be meeting on September 22, at 7PM in the Manse. Interested? Not too late to be a part of the team!

**Christian Love: Feeding the Hungry**

**Food and Other Items for St. Andrew’s Food Cupboard, Next Weekend! September 19 & 20**

- Cereals, Rice
- Canned/boxed soups
- 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

**This Week’s Tithing Will Support**

ST. DAMIEN PEDIATRIC HOSPITAL - HAITI

(Fr./Dr. Rick Frechette, Director)

**Next Week’s Tithing Will Support**

COMPASS CARE

Compass Care is a Christ-centered organization dedicated to erasing the need for abortion by transforming women’s fear into confidence. Everything Compass Care does is geared towards reaching and serving women at-risk for abortion, in such a way that they go on to have their babies. Nearly 95% of Compass Care’s patients are at risk for abortion. Compass Care is reaching the right women at the right time. Ninety-nine babies were saved in 2013. Compass Care is based in Rochester, N.Y. on White Spruce Blvd. and can be reached at (585) 232-3894 for more information.

**Parish Picnic**

Sunday, October 4, 12:15pm

On Campus by Basketball Court

We invite you to join the revelry & help work on our Parish Picnic!

Please contact Mike Moore at (585) 721-0011 or at mikemoore@ieee.org; or Suzy Ward at suzannerward10@gmail.com.

**Volunteers Needed**

sign up today!
Welcome Back
St. Louis Students & Families!

St. Louis School Mass
Monday, September 14, 9:10 am in Church
All are welcome to attend.

Know How to Pray?
OREMUS,
A Guide to Catholic Prayer
Do you find it easy to pray? For most of us, prayer becomes a source of frustration as we struggle to calm our minds and to find even a few minutes to pray. In our busy lives, prayer is seen as a luxury, when in reality it is at the foundation of a healthy spiritual life. The good news is that you can overcome your difficulties with prayer, and it is easier than you might think. Over the course of eight weeks the Oremus study program teaches you the essentials of an effective and fruitful prayer life. Come join us! Come even if you can’t make each session, and bring a friend!

If you can’t join us at church, this study can be done online, too!

When: Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Dates: Sept. 14 - Nov. 2
Where: The Manse Cost: $15
Facilitator: Kathryn McAlarney, call 585-490-2745 or email mcalarney1@gmail.com to register.

“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

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Expectant Parents! God Bless You!

On Saturday, September 19 at the 4:30pm Mass, we will include a special blessing for all expectant parents. Allow us to share your anticipation and joy, and to offer our blessing as your child grows in the womb. If you know of any who are expecting, please invite them. What better way to celebrate the gift of life, the caring of a community, and how our lives are knit together, from the moment we are conceived. A thought: read psalm 139 in its entirety for preparation! Excerpts:

13 For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother’s womb.
15 When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the depths of the earth;
16 Your eyes have seen my unformed substance; And in Your book were all written
The days that were ordained for me, When as yet there was not one of them.

Saint’s Place received 111 refugees in August from all corners of the globe and are already at 114 newly arrived refugees for September with many more expected as the weeks go by. With colder weather coming, both warm men’s and women’s winter gloves, and men’s boots in sizes 7, 8, and 9 are needed.

School supplies: backpacks, loose leaf paper, calculators, rulers, folders, pencil sharpeners, composition notebooks, spiral notebooks, scissors, crayons, pens, pencils, glue sticks and erasers would also be very appreciated with the increased demand.

Adults in our tutoring classes also use pens, pencils, loose leaf note paper and smaller notebooks to make reference notes for themselves – directions to a particular place, the spelling of words like milk, bread, rice, tea, cottage cheese. Assimilation is a challenging process for adults especially when they also need to learn how to read and write English.
The Year of Mercy—We Prepare!

Mark Your Calendars Now!
You Won’t Want to Miss These Events!

“I am convinced that the whole Church – which has much need to receive mercy, because we are sinners – will find in this Jubilee, the Year of Mercy, the joy to rediscover and render fruitful the mercy of God, with which we are all called to give consolation to every man and woman of our time.”

~~ Pope Francis

You are invited to join us for two outstanding “Year of Mercy” kick-off” events at St. Louis Church, Pittsford

Watch for More Details!!!!!
ST. LOUIS K OF C COUNCIL MEETING

Our next Knights of Columbus Council Meeting is Monday, September 21 in the Parish Meeting Hall. We will begin with the Rosary at 6:45 PM and a business meeting at 7:00 PM. On the meeting agenda will be our involvement with Saint’s Place, Parish Recruitment in the Fall, and the Parish Retreat in October which is being sponsored by St Louis Council. Our Worthy Grand Knight Rick Whelehan is Chairman of the Parish Retreat.

Over three months ago the Council took on another Charity, the Pittsford Food Cupboard under the direction of our Warden Walt McCanna. We now have a shelf which the members of the council donate to every month keeping it stocked for families less fortunate than us. This is another way the Knights help and give back to the Community.

This Sunday, September 13, the 4th Degree of the Knights of Columbus will have a Pilgrimage to Fort Niagara in Lewiston, N.Y. There will be an outdoor Mass (weather permitting) and the Pass-in-Review of the Flags and Color Corp. There are picnic grounds and many things to see at Fort Niagara. Knights, Families, and Friends of the Knights are admitted FREE that day. Mass is at 11:00 AM and seating is available. It is about a 2 hour drive to Fort Niagara, and you will enjoy a beautiful time.

On Saturday and Sunday, September 26 and 27, the St Louis K of C Council will be selling C & B (Charity and Benevolent) tickets at all the Masses. Tickets are $1.00 each or $10.00 for a book. Proceeds from the Charity and Benevolent go to the Knights of Columbus State Council. Proceeds after the winning tickets are drawn, are directed to each Diocese in New York State; proceed also help Vocations in New York State, as well. This is another way the Council is giving back not only to our Church, but also to our Diocese.

Members, please come and join us. Please direct any questions to the Grand Knight Rick Whelehan at 585-442-6257.

St Louis Council Knights of Columbus Charity and Benevolent Drive September 26 & 27 after All Masses Raffle Tickets: $1.00 a ticket/$10.00 a book.

Sponsored by the New York State Council of The Knights of Columbus Charitable & Benevolent Program Raffle with a Grand Prize of $25,000, 2nd Prize of $10,000, 3rd Prize of $5,000 PLUS ten $1,000 Prizes. The Charities supported are numerous and include Catholic Education, Catholic High School Scholarships and Grants, Children with Special Needs, Special Olympics, Disaster Relief, Bishops of NY Diocesan Programs, Religious Vocations, Coats for Kids, and Food For Families.

HAVE YOU BEEN THINKING OF BECOMING CATHOLIC? JOIN US SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 AFTER THE 11:00AM MASS IN THE PARISH MEETING HALL

Every year, thousands of people are received into the Catholic Church. People come with all different reasons to begin this journey. Perhaps your spouse, fiancée, or children are Catholic and you want to share the same faith. You may have even been coming to Mass for years. Maybe you see something you are looking for in a Catholic neighbor or friend. You may have experienced an inner yearning or nudging to become Catholic for a long time and now you want to really check it out. Whatever the reason you may be thinking about becoming Catholic, know that the Holy Spirit who is moving within you will guide you and be with you along the way.

Join us on Sunday, September 20 after the 11:00am Mass to learn more about the process of becoming Catholic, have your questions answered, and meet with Father Bob and other staff and volunteers who will be assisting you on this journey. It is only takes one step to start a journey, let this day be the one where you take that first step.

Magnificat – A Ministry to Women

Gather with other Catholic women, hear a moving testimony, and enjoy a buffet breakfast, with great company. This month, Patty Schneier, author, speaker, wife and mother of three will speak: Prove it, God! … and He did!

September 26 at 9:30am-Noon, Holiday Inn Rochester Airport, 911 Brooks Avenue (Confession available from 8:00 - 9:20am & at Noon)

For information: MagnificatRochester@frontier.com or www.magnificatrochester.org. Early Registration: $18.00; postmarked after 9/21: $20.00; Students: $10.00. Preregistration required

PASTORAL CARE COMMITTEE

The Pastoral Care Committee is gearing up for the new year with its first meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 17 at 9:30 am in the Parish Meeting Hall. Our meetings are brief, fun and usually last only one hour. We will be planning the All Souls’ Day Mass and reception scheduled for Monday, November 2, and activities during Advent including cards for the homebound and poinsettia delivery. We will be discussing our new bereavement ministry and also the need for additional extraordinary communion ministers at our assisted living facilities.

Please consider joining our committee and offering your service to this very important ministry. Please contact Cris Wensel, Pastoral Associate at cwensel@dor.org or 586-5675 ext. 224, or Peggy O’Neil Midgley at pomidgley@yahoo.com or 383-8879.
The Last Things

Funeral Planning
On Sunday, September 27 following the 11:00am Mass, we will help you discover how funeral planning works, and how you can give your family a great gift. Meeting with the funeral director, contacting the cemetery, making arrangements for out of town guests, planning the liturgy – it can be overwhelming, especially if no discussion has taken place in advance, and our family, in their grief, is guessing at what we would want. Fr. Bob will give an overview of the funeral rites and liturgy, and how faith can be a tremendous resource when celebrated well. Marian Brust from Holy Sepulchre Cemetery and Ascension Gardens will share with us information about burial, cremation, and options available at both locations. Come to see how you can plan in advance, whether for yourself, or a dear loved one. We’ll be meeting in the Parish Meeting Hall.

Wakes and Funerals
Why have a wake, or calling hours? It is truly the celebration of the person’s life, and a powerful opportunity for comfort, consolation, and peace. Photo boards and important reminders of the person’s achievements, friends from various times and aspects of their life, together with family gathering to share memories and stories – it can be a truly comforting, healing opportunity. That lays the groundwork for the funeral, when the focus moves to the consolation of prayer and God’s grace, the paschal mystery, and celebrating death as the doorway to eternal life. Celebrating a life – the wake. Celebrating God’s love, and eternal life – the funeral.

Women’s Bereavement Group
Mourning the loss of someone we love is never easy. Friends and fellow grievers can ease the sting. We offer a women’s support group for women who have experienced the death of someone they love. The group will:
- Begin September 26 at 11:45am to 1:00pm and continue for 6 weeks
- Meet in the Parish Meeting Hall
- Offer a safe place to share your grief with others
- Provide love and support to help in the healing process
Be uplifted knowing that the Lord blesses those who mourn. This group is for those who have not participated in the previous group. We hope you will consider joining us as we walk this journey together. For more information, please contact Cris at 586-5675 or at cwensel@dor.org.

You Can Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you stopped talking to each other? Does talking only make it worse? Retrouvaille, (pronounced retro-vi, long i as in like) meaning rediscovery, helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. So many couples struggle alone with their difficulties. Retrouvaille offers those in troubled and painful marriages the chance to rediscover a loving relationship in their marriage. You are NOT alone. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the Fall program beginning with a weekend at Notre Dame Retreat House on October 9-11, 2015, please call 585-293-1552 or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.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 16-18. For more information contact Beginning Experience at (585) 987-1750 or visit www.beginningexperiencerochesterny.org.

End of Life Issues
Religious Beliefs, Traditions & Myths Surrounding Death, Dying and Grief

September 16: Christian Wake, Funeral Mass and Burial
The Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano
Bishop of the Diocese of Rochester
6:30 p.m. at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery
2461 Lake Avenue, Rochester, 14612
(458-4110)

The lectures are all free and open to the public, however pre-registration is required. Register on-line at www.stbernards.edu or by calling (585) 271-3657.
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