WE BELIEVE. WE BELONG. WE LEARN.

September 21, 2014

THIS WEEKEND:
2nd Collection: Campaign for Human Development
Food Collection - St. Andrew’s Food Cupboard
Pledge Table for Birthright Walk for Life (p. 3)

THIS WEEK AT ST. LOUIS
Daily Mass Schedule p.2

MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 22
6:30 am - Men’s Spirituality Group, Manse
3:15 pm - Children’s Choir Practice, Church

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 23
7:30 am - Understanding Sunday’s Scriptures, Manse
1:15 pm - Little Rock Bible Study, Women of the New Testament - Parish Meeting Hall
4:30 pm - Living Faith Kick-off & Parent Mtg, Church
6:30 pm - Grief Program Planning Group, Ministry Ctr
7:00 pm - Family Faith Kick-off, PMH
6:30 pm - Bell Choir Practice, Church
7:30 pm - Bible Basics - Manse
7:30 pm - Regional Charismatic Prayer Grp, PMH

WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 24
7:00 pm - Bell Choir Practice, Church
7:30 pm - Bible Basics - Manse
7:30 pm - Regional Charismatic Prayer Grp, PMH

THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 25
11:00 am - 2:00 pm - Saint’s Place Volunteer Picnic, Kings Bend Park, Jefferson Rd.
7:00 pm - Symbolon: Knowing the Faith - First of 5 Sessions, (repeated 9/28), PMH
7:00 pm - Holy Hour, Church

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 27
3:30 pm - Confessions
4:30 pm - Mass (Sign Language Interpreted)
5:30 pm - Fruit of the Vine Reception and 6:00 pm Spirituality of Pope Francis with Fr. Jim Schwartz, PMH

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 28
7:30 am - Mass
9:00 am - Mass/Seasons of Faith
11:00 am - Mass, Children’s Liturgy of the Word
12:15 pm - Symbolon: Knowing the Faith - First of 5 Sessions, PMH
5:00 pm - Mass
6:00 pm - Youth Group Eat & Meet, PMH

What Do I Give?

Last week, I concluded the homily singing from ‘Take Lord, Receive’, by John Foley. Based on the prayer of St. Ignatius of Loyola, it captured beautifully the teaching on self-emptying in St. Paul’s letter to the Philippians. Let’s look at verse two. ‘Take Lord, receive, all is yours now. You have given all to me, now I return it. R: Give me only your love, and your grace, that’s enough for me. Your love and your grace are enough for me.’

St. Ignatius gave his whole life to the service of God. Doing the spiritual exercises, or contemplating one’s life and vocation, the Suscipe (English: receive) is a great prayer. But it has other application as well. When we contemplate the stewardship, remembering that God has given us all we have is an excellent starting place. Realizing what we give is in return for what we have been given is also essential. The questions remaining, what do I give in return? Where am I called to give?

Starting with the big picture: I belong to a parish community. As a community, we provide for the essential ministries to parish life. I belong to a diocesan family. It provides services and ministries that would be impossible for a single parish to accomplish alone. I belong to a worldwide communion called the Catholic Church. Finally, each of us has a variety of charities particularly dear to our hearts.

In the Bible, the idea of tithing is specifically mentioned 17 times. When Jesus critiques the Pharisees for tithing, but missing the weightier matters of the law, he doesn’t dismiss tithing: “these you ought to have done, without leaving the other undone.” The figure commended in the Bible is 10%. Realizing that we give to the Lord in more than one venue, the ideal recommended today is 5% to support ministries of the church: the parish, the CMA and Peter’s Pence, with 5% going to the various other charities we value. To be concrete, an annual income of $50,000 would mean a church tithe of $2,500. Recognizing the importance of both parish and local church (diocese), this could be allocated as $2,000 to St. Louis ($40 a week) and $500 to the CMA (can be a pledge, with several reminders through the year).

The New Testament frequently says giving is a personal decision; what we can afford, keeping in mind that we are called to stretch our generosity. I realize many factors go into making an important spiritual and financial decision: being on a fixed income, having children in college, extraordinary medical expenses. There may be times when the goal is virtually impossible; when even tithing 2 or 3% would keep a family from putting food on the table, a roof overhead, providing education or medical care. Tithing is not meant to make anyone destitute. As with many things on our journey, we look at where we are, set our eyes to the goal, and then strive to keep moving toward the goal as best we can. May God bless you and those you love, Fr. Bob
Mass Intentions for This Week

**MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 22**
Prv 3:27-34/Lk 8:16-18
11:00 am  Stephen Siegl - The Counters
5:15 pm  Richard Werner - Family

**TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 23**
St. Pius of Pietrelcina, priest
Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Lk 8:19-21
6:45 am  Adrian Lawson - The Conklin Family
11:00 am  Joan Smillie Cunningham - Ron & Mary Lou Bircher

**WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 24**
Rosh Hashanah begins at sunset
Prv 30:5-9/Lk 9:1-6
11:00 am  Teresa Huver - Cathy Danner
5:15 pm  Andrew Thomas - Barbara Thomas

**THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 25**
Eccl 1:2-11/Lk 9:7-9
6:45 am  Walter Meyer - The Sansone Family
11:00 am  Reggie Nerone - Janice Uffner

**FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 26**
Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
Eccl 3:1-11/Lk 9:18-22
11:00 am  Elsie Johnston Hogan - Mary Lou & Ron Bircher
5:15 pm  Joe Cleary, Jr. - Family

**SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 27**
St. Vincent de Paul, priest
Eccl 11:9-12:8/Lk 9:43b-45
9:00 am  Margaret O’Leary - Robert & Mary Helen Dolan
4:30 pm  Marie & Al Mahar - Son, Dick

**SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 28**
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/
Mt 21:28-32
7:30 am  Edward & Irene Shults - Mary
9:00 am  Ricardo & Ignazia LoMonaco - Amico Family
11:00 am  Elmer Fisher - Jeanette Fisher
5:00 pm  Maura Deasy - (Special Intention) - The Regan Family

**Requiem Aeternam**
Margaret Kunz Rand

**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
for a Special Intention
For Christopher Penzimer
By Family.

One Lamp Will Burn
In Memory of Vivian Ripton
By Holy Hour.

**Saturday & Sunday, September 27 and 28. Thank you, faithful servants!**

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**Sunday Communion Service - September 28**
The Highlands: Dick & Marcia Hilliard    Heather Heights: Doris Wilmot
That’s the Way!
For a picture of human ways and human thoughts, check out the news headlines just about any week. We are flooded with stories about scandals and scoundrels, while revenge and vengeance push forgiveness and mercy out of the headlines all the time. Isaiah invites us to discover the contrast between human ways, and God’s ways, human thoughts, and God’s thoughts. Mercy and forgiveness define who God is, where God is found, and the path on which the Lord invites us to journey. In less than a month, the Fall 1st Penance program will be kicking off. At the end of October (October 28th, 7PM) we’ve scheduled Reconciliation 101. When was the last time you were part of a meaningful discussion on experiencing God in the way of mercy? You are invited to this one!

Life or Death
Paul had a very deep affection for the church community in Philippi. Just read the first chapter of his letter to them; how he prays for them, how they bring joy to him over and over. This letter has a very personal quality. So do we know why Paul shared with this community that he was weighing the merits of living, and continuing the work of the Gospel, or going home to be with the Lord? Sure enough! (1) He was writing from prison, and his fate was far from certain. (2) The Philippians had sent gifts to Paul via Epaphroditus, who then became ill while he was with Paul, and nearly died. (3) Paul had plenty of time to think about such things. What a gift Paul’s faith was. Balanced with his passion to serve his beloved brothers and sisters in Philippi, was his trust in the Lord and his desire to be with Christ. Mid-October, into November, we will turn from We Believe. We Belong. We Learn. to We Believe. We Belong. We Remember. We remember those who have gone before us, our own mortality, and the teachings of our faith about the last things. Paul pondering the last things in our second reading today can lay a ground work for our own reflections in a month or so.

Where’s the Rewards program?
Jesus’ critics where quite troubled that he spent too much time with the wrong people. Why all the fuss over the poor and the outcast? What about the good and holy Pharisees, or the diligent Scribes, or the Sadducees who gave themselves to governing, administering and keeping order? So Jesus rolled out this parable. All are equal in the reign of God. The parable can poke at us too, living as we do in a world where there are reward cards for everything, and where everything is ranked, from children in school to colleges, companies, everything imaginable. Apparently in the reign of God, there aren’t 1st class, business class and economy sections. Think about it. How could there be more eternal bliss for some than for others? What would that even mean? Brings us full circle to the 1st reading, God telling us “My ways are not your ways.”
**AN OFFERING OF OUR TIME AND OUR TREASURE**

**September 14**

Attendance .......... 1,524  
Collection ............. $13,105.38  

Thank you for joining us to worship the Lord, and for supporting St. Louis through your Sunday offering. Your presence is a gift we welcome with joy. Your voice raised in prayer is yet another gift (don’t you love hearing all our voices blend as one as we pray the Our Father?) Your Sunday contribution supports all that we do here at St. Louis. Your prayers, joined with those of all of us who consider this our spiritual home, open up untold doors of blessing. What you offer of yourself as we begin the Eucharistic prayer enriches the communion we all share. What you carry out to the world as we are sent on our way at the end of Mass sends ripples of grace through the world. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Thank you to all who donated to the collection for Middle East Humanitarian Relief last weekend, September 13&14. Your response and generosity to this urgent request of Archbishop Kurtz, president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and by Bishop Matano is very much appreciated.

**TEACHER’S NEEDED**

Crossroads, the 6-8th grade religious education program is in need of teachers. We meet Monday nights, 6:45-8:00 pm, from September 29 to April 27. Teachers work in teams of two with about 12 students per group. Lessons are prepared for you. You do not need to be an expert in the faith, you just need to have a willingness to learn and an interest in working with kids. Please contact me if you are interested or have any questions (walimu@hotmail.com). Thanks, Robin Hill

**THIS WEEK’S TITHING WILL SUPPORT ST. ANDREW’S FOOD CUPBOARD**

**NEXT WEEK’S TITHING WILL SUPPORT CATHOLIC FAMILY CENTER (CFC)**

Catholic Family Center (CFC) is Greater Rochester’s largest provider of comprehensive family services. Each year CFC assists thousands of our neighbors, relatives and friends as they work to remain or become healthy, productive, participating members of our community. CFC serves all people – regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, age, ability or gender. Their programs work together to address the many issues of human need across all stages of life.

**Facts About Catholic Family Center:**

- CFC is a regional office of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester. This work is rooted in the values of Catholic Social Teaching.
- CFC offers a broad array of services with a special focus in the areas of Families, Behavioral Health and Housing.
- In 2013, CFC touched the lives of more than 33,000 people. Sixty-seven percent of its direct service clients come from households with annual incomes of less than $15,000. Eighty-eight percent of the clients come from households with incomes of less than $25,000.

**The Difference Catholic Family Center Makes:**

- Preventive Services provided home based preventive counseling to 219 families, touching the lives of 531 children, to help strengthen families, and prevent out of home placement of children. In 2013, out of home placement was prevented in 97% of the families receiving services. Comparison of the Average Annual Costs Per Child of Preventive Services vs. Foster Care:
  - Average cost per child of CFC’s Preventive Services: $1,563.00
  - Average cost per child of foster care through Monroe County: $22,639.00
  - CFC saves taxpayers’ dollars by providing services that keep elders independent in their own homes. It is over 12 times more expensive to provide services in an institution than it is to maintain an elder at home!

**How Can You Help? There are numerous acts of kindness that can change lives for the better.**

- Help resettle refugees to our community.
- Advocate for laws that strengthen families.
- Offer your time to volunteer in programs that help families move toward stability and independence. Call Claudia Gill at 585-262-7044 for information about volunteer opportunities at CFC.
- Donate whatever amount of money you can afford to agencies like Catholic Family Center who need your support!

**This week’s Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your help.** The Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) provides funding for groups that help bring lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD grants improve education, support economic development, and help communities provide housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and aid those living on the margins of society. Please give to the CCHD Collection.
A Quick Journey Through the Bible

Want to know more about the Bible but aren’t sure where to begin? Come join us as we set out this fall on the Great Adventure Bible Study with 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 to connect the readings we hear at Mass and to understand our faith. Our 1st eight-session study takes us from the beginning in Genesis through the Exodus from Egypt and the desert wanderings of the Israelites — a time period that is essential to understand the fulfillment in Christ. Come and bring a friend!

Where? St. Louis Church, Parish Meeting Hall
When? 9:30-11:15 am, Saturdays, October 4 – November 22
Cost? $45 suggested donation for materials, $35 if you already have materials from A Quick Journey through the Bible

To register or for more information call Kathryn McAlarney at 585-490-2745, or email mcalarney1@gmail.com

As Christians, we are called to help build a civilization of life and of love, in which seriously ill persons and their families are never abandoned, but are supported with services, friendship, and love.”
~ Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities: A Campaign in Support of Life, p. 23, (USCCB)

HELPING OTHERS AFTER A TIME OF LOSS

St. Louis often has the honor and privilege of celebrating funeral liturgies. It is usually a very busy time for families from the time of death until the celebration of the funeral Mass. Arrangements have to made, guests welcomed, and the energy it takes just to get through the next day can be overwhelming. But what happens after the funeral can be just as overwhelming. All the work of the funeral is complete, the guests have returned home and family is left to carry on. The time after the funeral is probably one of the loneliest times for individuals and families who have lost a loved one. St. Louis wants to assist them through this most difficult time.

On Tuesday, September 23 @ 6:30 pm in the Ministry Center there will be a gathering for those who may be interested in this type of ministry. Theo Munson from Lifetime Care will be with us and will share with us the services that are offered by that organization. We will also discuss “next steps” for this new ministry. Hope you can come! Cris Wensel

Living Above and Beyond Chronic Pain

This Monday, September 22, from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the GATHERING ROOM at Saint John of Rochester, St. John of Rochester's Health Ministry will sponsor an informative workshop on Living Above and Beyond Chronic Pain. Presenters include Dr. Michael Kuttner, PhD. who works with people living with chronic pain; Rita-Marie Geary, Facilitator, Rochester Chapter of the Chronic Pain Association, as well as a physical therapist, message therapist, and others who use alternative therapies to successfully treat chronic pain. If you need transportation to this event, please call Julie @ 585-223-8963.
Our Speakers

The Reverend Mark G. Reamer, OFM, is pastor of The Catholic Community of St. Francis of Assisi in Raleigh, NC, the recipient of the International Catholic Stewardship Council’s prestigious Murphy Award, presented to a parish annually for its outstanding work in Christian stewardship formation. An alum of Siena College, he has also served at St. Bonaventure University and has a great love for upstate New York. His pastoral interests include police chaplaincy, prison ministry and Catholic education/formation.

Sue Mathys works with Father Reamer as Coordinator of Stewardship at The Catholic Community of St. Francis of Assisi in Raleigh, a vibrant, growing community of over 5,000 families that exhibits a welcoming spirit and significant charism for social justice and outreach. After serving in many ministries and on Pastoral Council, she joined the parish’s staff in 2006. Sue is a past participant of the International Catholic Stewardship Conference.

Deacon John McDermott is Executive Director of Providence Housing Development Corp., a diocesan affiliate whose mission is to provide quality, affordable housing to those most in need. John brings to Providence Housing more than 25 years of executive leadership and management experience with multiple industries. John also has been active in promoting Stewardship through his diaconal assignments at Holy Apostles and St Rita parishes.

John Cunneen has served as president of Cunneen – A Cathedral Solution, a firm specializing in assisting Catholic organizations with fundraising, since 2000. He authored A Practical Guide to Stewardship in Today’s Catholic Church, used in hundreds of Catholic parishes across the country, as well as a seminar series on Stewardship in today’s Catholic parish and presented to several hundred religious communities in the U.S.

Saturday, October 18
Church of the Assumption, Fairport

8:00 a.m. Mass celebrated by Bishop Matano
8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Registration & Program

SCHEDULE FOR STEWARDSHIP DAY
Presented by the Stewardship & Communications Office
8:00 a.m. Mass with Bishop Matano
8:30 a.m. Registration, Continental Breakfast and Networking
9:15 a.m. Keynote, Part 1 (Fr. Mark Reamer) The inspirational talk will reflect Matthew 10:8 and the bishops’ definition of stewardship: “We receive God’s gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.” Fr. Mark will inspire us to live the vision of stewardship (not just pay the bills!) while challenging us to bring forth the gifts of the baptized.
10:00 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. Workshops
- Workshop A (Dcn. John McDermott) “How do we know Stewardship is working?”
- Workshop B (John Cunneen) “Parishioner engagement & parish communication”
11:00 a.m. Break
11:15 a.m. Keynote, Part II (Fr. Reamer and Sue Mathys) The Stewardship Cycle throughout the liturgical year – practical (and easy) steps to encourage a year round focus on stewardship. This talk will encourage participants to dream big while taking small steps to form their parish community in the spirituality (and science) of stewardship.
12:00 p.m. Closing Prayer

HOW TO REGISTER

$10 per person (includes Continental Breakfast) / Registration deadline is Oct. 10

Payment Options:
1. Online with credit card only at: www.stbernards.edu
   Click on “Course Offerings” and then “Continuing Education & Special Events”
2. OR mail this completed form & check made payable to St. Bernard’s to
   Registrar, St. Bernard’s School of Theology & Ministry
   120 French Road, Rochester, NY 14618
   Please use one form for each participant.

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Registration forms are available at St. Louis Church entrances and at the Ministry Center, or register online at www.stbernards.edu (see above)
Hi Everybody,

We had a great turn out for our first youth group meeting last week. It was nice to welcome some new teens and to see some familiar faces. We meet every week at the 5:00pm Mass and sit together in the first row on the right side. After Mass we move to the Parish Meeting Hall for dinner, a lesson, some games and then closing prayer back in church. We have a variety of social events, service projects and retreats during the year as we grow in our faith, deepen our friendships, have fun and reach out to others. Please join us and bring a friend.

On Sunday, September 21, join us at 12:00 noon at Camp Arrowhead in Powder Mills Park. Get ready to meet some great teens and share an afternoon of adventure on their ropes/obstacle course. We have a blast!

Where: Camp Arrowhead, 20 Arrowhead Rd. Pittsford,
When: This Sunday, September 21, we meet at Camp Arrowhead at 12:00 pm and leave at 4:30 pm to be back for 5:00 pm Mass.
Who: All members of the Youth Group (grades 9-12) who have signed up for the program and completed their Ropes Waiver form.
How much: we are asking each participant to contribute $10.00 which includes pizza for lunch. Lunch will be served at 2:00 pm so feel free to bring snacks if you want something before that.
Why: For a great experience with some outstanding young people who want to take on the challenge of growing in their faith, friendships and life experiences.

If you have not yet received a Youth Group e-mail, and to get on our mailing list, please contact me at stlouisyouthgroup@rochester.rr.com. You can also call me at 261-2266 if you have any questions.

We are looking for adults to help with our Youth Group. If you are a college student, parent or just someone who would like to share their faith and talents with our teens please let me know. Thanks. Hope to see you on Sunday night.

All the best, Mr. McBride

UPCOMING EVENTS:
Sunday, September 21, 12 - 4:30 pm Camp Arrowhead.
5:00 pm Mass. 6:00 - 7:30 pm Regular Youth Group Meeting
Sunday, September 28, 6:00 - 7:30 pm Regular Youth Group Mtg.
Sunday, October 5, 6:00 - 7:30 pm Regular Youth Group Meeting
Sunday, October 19, 6:00 - 7:30 pm Regular Youth Group Meeting
Sunday, October 26, 6:00 - 7:30 pm Regular Youth Group Meeting

RED MASS FOR ALL IN THE LEGAL PROFESSION

The rich tradition of the Red Mass was begun by the Catholic Church in the thirteenth century. Bishop Matano will celebrate this year’s Red Mass, for all in the legal profession, on Friday, October 10 at 12:10 PM, at its former downtown location at Our Lady of Victory/ St. Joseph Church, 210 Pleasant St., Rochester.

The relocation to downtown this year was made for the convenience of police officers, fire personnel, judges, lawyers, and court employees who work in the downtown area. The St. Thomas More Lawyers Guild will host a reception following the Mass.

“It is my privilege to cordially extend to you and to all those in the legal community an invitation to be present at this year’s annual Red Mass as we pray for God’s guidance of those in the administration of Justice. Following the Mass, there will be a light reception where I hope to greet you and personally express my appreciation for your dedicated service.” Bishop Salvatore Matano.

UPCOMING “WHITE MASS” FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS - OCTOBER 19

The Finger Lakes Guild of the Catholic Medical Association in the Diocese of Rochester is hosting a "WHITE MASS FOR PHYSICIANS AND HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS" on Sunday, October 19, at 2pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 296 Flower City Park, Rochester, NY.

Bishop Salvatore Matano will be the Celebrant at the White Mass - the first such Mass for health professionals in the Diocese of Rochester under the recently formed Finger Lakes Guild of the Catholic Medical Association. Physicians, nurses, dentists, chaplains, and all other allied health professionals, involved in any aspect of health care provision, are cordially invited to attend. A social reception will follow in the Cathedral’s narthex. Family members are welcome to attend.

The White Mass is so named due to the fact that health professionals frequently wear white lab coats when caring for patients. So come and worship with fellow health care providers and hear more about how the Finger Lakes Guild can serve you in your personal and professional life!

For more information, visit the Finger Lakes Guild website at: www.fingerlakescma.org

St. Louis CYO BASKETBALL IS RECRUITING COACHES

St. Louis Church with its CYO basketball Program is committed to providing a ministry that helps bring youth to their full human potential. The Catholic Youth Organization provides opportunities for young people to develop strong moral character, self-esteem, and leadership qualities through activities of a social, educational, recreational and athletic nature.

Over the past 10 years, St. Louis CYO basketball has enabled over 1,000 3rd through 12th graders to participate in the CYO basketball program. The continued success of this program depends on volunteer coaches. Last year there were 17 teams.

We are in need of coaches to continue the accomplishment of the program. Please consider coaching! The program begins early 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 or visit our website: http://www.stlouiscyobasketball.org/
"YOU" Can Make a Difference!!!

As the summer begins to fade away and our thoughts turn to fall, school and other activities, please consider sharing your time and talents with Saint’s Place. For over 16 years, Saint’s Place has been assisting newly arrived refugees in the Rochester area. As our ministry continues to grow and thrive, we need more volunteers to help us achieve our many goals.

Male volunteers are needed to help with deliveries and picking up donations. You must be able to lift. A four hour commitment once a week or once every two weeks would be a great help!

Volunteers are also needed at our Saint John of Rochester location in Fairport where we sort and organize clothing, help refugees one-on-one to select appropriate seasonal clothing or arrange household items for home set-ups. We are open Mondays through Thursdays, 9AM – noon, closed Fridays. The hours are flexible; you can volunteer once a week, twice a month, 2 or 3 hours each time. Just give it a chance…it is totally rewarding!

At our St. Louis Ministry House (46 South Main Street) there are opportunities to sort donations and fold tons of linens! Consider answering the phone, filing and assisting with special projects. Same hours.

Please call 385-6860 for more information about volunteering opportunities. Stop by any morning at either location, St. Louis – 46 South Main Street or St John of Rochester, 8 Wickford Way, Fairport to see the operation. All are welcome!

Saint’s Place needs more volunteers, you could be that volunteer.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS

Tuesday Sept. 30th 7:00-8:30
Chapel at Mercy Center
1437 Blossom Rd. Rochester, NY 14610

Sponsored by:
Sisters and Associates of Mercy,
Sisters of St. Joseph, Catholic Family Center

Awareness is the First Step in engaging people to Do SOMETHING.

Every hour 34 children in the United States are forced into the horrific world of child sex trafficking. Human trafficking is growing exponentially in the United States, in New York, and right here in Rochester. Through awareness we strive to prevent children from becoming victims.

Join us for a presentation of the video “Chosen”, which tells the true stories of two “All-American” teen girls, both lured into sex trafficking. Both were exploited. Both were manipulated. Both were CHOSEN.

Learn more about how human trafficking is going on in our own backyard, and how YOU can make a difference. Greater awareness of this important issue will help us to keep our children and other high-risk children safe.

Human trafficking in America is spinning out of control. Educate yourself. Learn what you can do to make a difference!

Please register at amaloney@rochester.rr.com or 585-288-2710, ext.136

Saint’s Place, 46 S. Main St., Pittsford, NY 14534. Isabel Miller Executive Director.
Saint’s Place Ministry Hours: 46 S. Main St.: Mon. through Thurs.: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. Closed Fridays.
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The Call to Ministry - St. Bernard’s is offering a four session Orientation to Ministry. Ministry is the public activity of the baptized follower of Jesus on behalf of a specific Christian community to witness, serve and realize the Kingdom. Instructor, Barbara Swiecki will help students explore the origins and development of Christian ministry as it impacts the Church today. Classes held on Wednesdays, October 1, 8, 15, and 29 from 3:00-5:30 PM. Videoconferencing is available to Apalachi, Hornell and Watkins Glen. Cost is $100. Register at www.stbernards.edu or call 585-271-3657, ext. 289 for more information.

Foundation in Catholic Bioethics - This course will identify themes in Catholic Moral Theology relevant to bioethics and the major principles of Catholic medical ethics. We will find and utilize church documents that have shaped the development of Catholic bioethics. We will utilize resources pertinent to bioethical decisions made in accordance with Church teaching and identify and discuss bioethical issues pertinent to the beginning and ending of human life, as well as emerging bioethical issues. Co-Sponsored by the Life Issues Office, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester and the Finger Lakes Guild of the Catholic Medical Association.

**Dates:** October 6, 20; November 3, 17; December 1  
**Location:** St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry, 120 French Rd., Rochester 14618  
**Time:** 7:00 - 9:30 PM  
**Fee:** $50

Register at http://stbernards.edu/coursebrofferings/ or send payment with contact information to St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry  
Attn: Ellen Morningstar, Registrar  
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**BEGINNING EXPERIENCE OFFERS WEEKEND RETREAT NOVEMBER 7-9**

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 of loss and moving into the future with renewed hope. Our next retreat will be at Camp Stella Maris on Conesus Lake November 7-9, 2014. For more information contact Beginning Experience at (585) 987-1750 or visit www.beginningexperiencerochesterny.org

St. Louis Parish

**BISTRO NIGHT!**

As the days of Autumn get cooler, let the warmth of dinner with parish friends sustain you!

Join us for a seasonal Fall dinner, prepared by a local chef and parishioner! Featuring Rustic Chicken Pot Pie, Harvest Salad, delicious dessert & coffee. BYOB!

WHERE: Parish Meeting Hall  
WHEN: Saturday, October 4 @ 5:45 pm  
COST: $12 per person, payable at the door. Adults only.

**RSVP REQUIRED!**  
Call Birdie at the Ministry Center or Sign-up in church!  
Eat, drink, mix & mingle!

Do You Have a Child with Special Needs?

Families often don’t understand the unique life care planning issues that come with supporting a family member with a disability or other special need. Important questions include:

- What will happen to my loved one after I am gone?  
- What benefits and services are available and how do I maximize them?  
- What will my loved one do for supplemental income?  
- What legal steps are needed to protect my loved one and my family?

Understanding the challenge of planning for the future of a family member with special needs can extend into many areas: education, housing, employment, support services, legal, financial and other personal needs. We will discuss several key issues including life care planning, special needs trusts, individualized supports/services and government benefits.

If you are a parent, sibling, grandparent or guardian of a person with a developmental disability, mental illness or traumatic brain injury we invite you to an educational presentation on October 1, 7:00-8:00 at St. Catherine of Siena. Questions: Please call Leslie Hulbert at 399-8341.
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