Guess What I Learned Today?

OK, parents may not hear that from their teenagers this Fall, but you can be sure many of our St. Louis School parents will hear it often from their preschool and elementary children. Learning can be exciting, and that excitement can generate not only energy, but a desire to share. We Believe. We Belong. We Learn. Our first addition to ‘We Believe. We Belong.’ is ‘We Learn.’, not just because it is back-to-school time. Pope Paul VI issued a great encyclical on evangelization. St. John Paul II constantly encouraged the ‘new evangelization’. Pope Benedict XVI continued the theme; Pope Francis speaks of it in his *Joy of the Gospel* (a great read, by the way!) But our mission to evangelize, despite the fact that it comes from Jesus, hasn’t quite set everyone in the pews on fire. Let me offer a humble thought as to why, and explain a possible remedy.

Before the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965), many Catholics had learned the Baltimore Catechism when young, could quote questions and answers word for word, and felt comfortable with their knowledge of the faith. But by the time Paul VI issued *Evangelization in the Modern World*, many things had changed, right down to what happened every Sunday morning at Mass. How could the comfort level not drop dramatically? At the same time, a new emphasis on the Bible emerged, leaving many Catholics feeling that, compared to their Protestant, Bible quoting friends, they were on shaky ground when it came to conversations about religion. How do you evangelize when you fear that, as soon as the Bible gets brought into the discussion, you are lost? Add that, with parents, religious education teachers and even sisters and clergy having to update, programs for teaching the young were not near so solid as before. The very foundations of knowing the faith were a bit shallow for a generation or more.

‘We Learn.’ is not just something we do in the Fall. It is something we continue to do throughout our life. Learning about God’s Word, the Sacraments, our faith, helps us bring God’s guidance to new situations we may have to face. It takes us beyond an adolescent faith that may be adequate, and work for a Confirmation candidate, but cannot really satisfy an adult’s deeper questions. Learning is also vital to a life-giving relationship with the Lord. What happens when a husband or wife thinks they know all there is to know about their spouse; no reason to keep learning? The other is taken for granted, and the relationship suffers. Our relationship with the Lord is no different. My main point: life-long learning can provide the energy and enthusiasm that gives the new evangelization a fighting chance.

We Believe. We Belong. We Learn. And as we learn, our desire to share can grow, and we can become not just disciples, but disciple-makers. How will you learn this Fall? See you in class, Fr. Bob
Mass Intentions for This Week

Monday - September 8
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
9:10 am St. Louis School Mass, First of School Year
11:00 am Stephen Siegl - Lucy Sicker
5:15 pm Dennis Alongi - Family

Tuesday - September 9
1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19
6:45 am For the People of Our Parish
10:00 am Mass at Heather Heights for the Residents and Staff
11:00 am Mary Anne Romano - Jerry & Margie Schmitt

Wednesday - September 10
1 Cor 7:25-31/Lk 6:20-26
11:00 am Rudy Siegl (First Anniversary) - Family
5:15 pm Joseph Lawrence Gattelaro - Wife & Family

Thursday - September 11
Patriot Day
1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38
6:45 am The Unemployed & People Under Stress
11:00 am Chuck Dispenza - Peggy O’Neil Midgley

Friday - September 12
Most Holy Name of Mary
1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42
11:00 am Noreen Amborski - Pamela Rosen
5:15 pm John McAlarney - Wife

Saturday - September 13
St. John Chrysostom
1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49
9:00 am Harold Barnes - Babette
4:30 pm Ned Cunningham - Mary Lucio, Helen Maloney, Betty Phelps

Sunday - September 14
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
7:30 am Mary Hilliard - Family
9:00 am Ronald James Davis - tenHoopen Family
11:00 am Raymond Mahar - Family
5:00 pm Mark Muench - Patrick & Gail Burke

Saturday & Sunday, September 13 and 14. Thank you, faithful servants!

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Sunday Communion Service - September 14
The Highlands: Ann Murty Heather Heights: Mary Ann Monley

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 Rudy Siegl
By His Wife.

One Lamp Will Burn
For A Special Intention
For Georgia
By Jo.

Requiem Aeternam
Victor Merkel
Gloria Gauthier
(sister of Therese Lynch)
My Brother’s Keeper

Our reading from Ezekiel today tells us how Ezekiel saw his mission. Picture Jerusalem, a walled city. A watchman stands on the rampart to warn of any advancing army. There is tremendous responsibility involved. Endangering the city, a watchman who failed at his post could forfeit his life. But the watchman can only issue a timely warning. Once issued, the city’s defenders have to take over. Ezekiel’s mission was to issue a warning about moral and ethical dangers. Like the watchman, he would be accountable if he failed to deliver the message, but once he delivered it, the responsibility fell to those who had been duly warned to muster the will to reform. As it turns out, the wickedness Ezekiel warned against had political consequences. The nation would fall as a result of its failure to live the covenant, despite Ezekiel’s best efforts. We were all anointed at baptism with the words “As Christ was anointed, priest, prophet and king, so may you live ….” How is the role of prophet fitting you these days?

Deeper Into Debt

The folks in Rome who received Paul’s letter would have heard: ‘Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another’ quite differently than we do. At the heart of Roman society was a system of patronage. Those with more power, prestige and wealth all had ‘clients’, folks of lower status whom they would assist. In return for the assistance, the ‘patron’ expected complete loyalty of his clients, who were expected to respond to the patrons call whenever it came. There were layers of patronage, but almost everyone fit somewhere into the system. Paul understands Christians to be living in a different society – no patrons and clients, just folks committed to loving one another. In ancient Rome, the system was quite explicit and formalized. Our system is more subtle. Efforts and campaign financing reform reveal that Paul’s vision hasn’t quite fully taken hold.

Fraternal Correction

‘…tell him his fault between you and he alone.’ As long as we are applying the common sense approach Jesus offers here to others, it’s a piece of cake! But when we are wronged, is step one to keep it between us and the other party? Good confessional material would be to seek forgiveness for the times we have first gone to a third party, and fourth, and fifth, rehearsing our allegations and accusations, without ever even beginning the procedure Jesus commands. In our prayer this week, we might share with the Lord just how challenging this instruction is, how and when we have failed, and then ask for help. If somehow our mind takes us to times we have been hurt by others, when they went to a third party first – don’t be surprised. That is one of the ways the Holy Spirit helps us to change our hearts and change our ways.

Preparing for Next Weekend:

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

1st Reading: Numbers 21:4b-9
Moses prayed for the people

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11
He emptied himself

Gospel: John 3:13-17
For God so loved the world!

Making a Difference

Some folks feel drawn to big projects that can change the world. Others sense their calling is to likewise make a difference, but a few souls at a time. We have folks interested in becoming Catholic, and are putting together the team that will help them in their journey to the font, or to reception into communion with the Catholic Church. We are looking for good listeners, who love the faith and wish to share it, and who would be energized serving as catechists and sponsors for those inquiring about the Catholic faith. Please contact Cris Wensel at the Ministry Center, or speak with Fr. Bob.

Register Children NOW for Religious Education and Sacramental Preparation Programs (details on pages 5 & 6)
**LEARNING TO GIVE**

**AN OFFERING OF OUR TIME AND OUR TREASURE**

August 31, 2014 Attendance and Collection figures will be in the September 14 bulletin.

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!

**Life-line to the Middle East**

Responding to the urgent request of Archbishop Kurtz, president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Bishop Matano has requested that we take up a voluntary 2nd collection to help provide humanitarian relief for those suffering in the Middle East. We will take up that voluntary collection NEXT weekend, September 13-14. All proceeds will be forwarded to Catholic Relief Services and other Catholic agencies assisting with the humanitarian effort. Those donating by check should make the check out to their parish with “Middle East Relief” in the memo/notes field.

**THIS WEEK’S TITHING WILL SUPPORT NPH-USA (FORMERLY FRIENDS OF THE ORPHANS)**

**NEXT WEEK’S TITHING WILL SUPPORT MT. CARMEL HOUSE**

“Where Christ is loved and freely served by gentle hands and loving hearts.”

Mt. Carmel House originated with several members of the Rochester Lay Carmelites to provide a home for the dying - those beyond medical treatment except that of palliative care. Inspired by the selfless example of Mother Teresa, this hospice like two-bed facility provides a familiar and warm atmosphere where the terminally ill may find comfort in the love of those who serve them. The care offered is personal, pastoral and medical, providing lodging, food, physical care, and spiritual solace to the terminally ill, free of all charges. Founded by Rose and Raoul Grossi, the first house opened on Lorimer Street in northwest Rochester on the Feast Day of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, July 16, 1984. Rose dedicated herself to care for the dying. Mount Carmel House moved in 1987 to the empty convent at Most Precious Blood Parish, located at 4 Planet St., Rochester, NY 14606. Mount Carmel House was the first home for the dying in Rochester and New York state and has been in continuous operation since 1984. Mount Carmel House is a tax exempt, non-profit organization that relies on volunteer services and material contributions. For more information, call 585-739-2016 or visit their website: www.mtcarmelhouse.com.

**THIS WEEKEND – SAT./SUN., SEPTEMBER 6 & 7**

**ST. LOUIS’ 43RD CORN SALE (AFTER ALL MASSES)**

To benefit St. Damien Pediatric Hospital in Tabarre, Haiti, Fr./Dr. Rick Frechette, NPH Director

For 43 years, the a-m-a-i-z-i-n-g-l-y generous Powers Farm Market Family on Marsh Rd., Pittsford, has planted a field of delicious corn to lessen World Hunger. Totally pro bono, they also harvest the crop and bring it to St. Louis fresh just before each Mass. Funds raised support St. Damien Pediatric Hospital - Haiti’s only hospital that offers oncology services and free medical care to the indigent, a huge effort of our parish friend Fr. Rick Frechette. Find info about St. Damien’s at: www.NPH.org/haiti.

The donation is $5 for 8 ears and $3 for 4 ears. Last year, we sent the hospital $3,225 from the Corn Sale. We hope to exceed that amount this year! Please stop by Powers Farm Market on Marsh Rd. this fall to thank the Powers family for planting, harvesting and bringing the fresh picked corn to St. Louis before every Mass this weekend. For 43 years they have performed this labor of love totally gratis for the well being of the poorest in the world.

**HELP WANTED**

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
REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMS!!

Please register NOW for Seasons of Faith, Living Faith, Family Faith and Crossroads for the 2014 - 2015 school year, also, please register NOW for the sacraments of First Penance, First Communion and Confirmation.

You can register on line, but please send in your payment as soon as possible so we can complete the registration. You can also pick up registration forms at the Ministry Center, 64 South Main St., or at the Faith Formation bulletin board in the hallway of the Narthex at the back of church. Please include your payment with the completed form.

Please read all information very carefully so your child’s registration is not delayed because of incomplete requirements, especially for the sacrament preparation programs with our new guidelines.

Specific information about our programs can be found on our web site: www.stlouischurch.org

Here are some guidelines and requirements:

- Families need to be registered parishioners of St. Louis Church.
- Public school children, Kindergarten through eighth grade, are required to be in a religious education program every year.
- Sacramental preparation programs of First Penance, Confirmation and First Communion are separate programs in addition to children receiving their religious education through one of St. Louis’ programs or Catholic school.
- For a child to prepare to receive a sacrament, they ideally should be in a religious education program or Catholic school for at least one year prior to the preparation program.
- Parents are asked to actively participate and help in our programs.

If you are new to our parish or have children who will be coming of age to enroll into one of our programs, please call Sue Payne at the Ministry Center, 586-5675 or email spayne@dor.org for details of what you need to do to register.

It is imperative that you register NOW for these programs.
We need to adequately prepare for these programs so we need your registrations ASAP!

WOMEN IN THE NEW TESTAMENT ~ ~ ~
A LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY

The New Testament is neither a biography nor a history of the life of Jesus. It is much more. It is about how the interaction between Jesus and the men and women of his times changed them and challenges us. This scripture study focuses on the women of the New Testament, who they were, what they did, and how we can be inspired and challenged because of them.

This 7 week study will explore the lives of these women through the reading of scripture, completing a workbook of reflection questions and sharing our own faith together over a cup of tea. Please join us beginning on Tuesday, September 23 at 1:15 pm in the Parish Meeting Hall. Materials will be provided at a cost of $12.00. If you have questions, please contact Cris Wensel at the Ministry Center, 586-5675, ext. 224 or ewensel@dor.org.

Knowing the Faith

Sunday, 9/28 – 10/26
12:15 pm

OR

Thursday, 9/25 – 10/23  7:00 pm
Parish Meeting Hall

Whether you are looking to grow in your faith or learn about the Catholic Church for the first time, Symbolon will take you through a journey into the timeless beauty and truths of the Catholic faith and reveal God’s incredible love for us — the story of our salvation!

*We will cover the first 5 sessions in the fall and the second 5 sessions beginning in January 2015.
The following is our schedule of sacramental preparation programs for this year. Each program will be discussed in detail at the individual Parent kick-off meetings. Please mark your calendars now with these important dates.

**FIRST PENANCE 2014 (OLDER CHILDREN)**
- **Tuesday Oct. 14th**, 7:00 p.m. Kick-off for Parents in church
- **Tuesday Oct 28th**, 7:00 p.m. Reconciliation Adult Education in church
- **Wednesday Nov. 5th**, 4:30 or 6:30 p.m. First Penance Session PMH
- **Wednesday Nov. 12th**, 4:30 or 6:30 p.m. First Penance Session PMH
- **Wednesday Nov. 19th**, 4:30 or 6:30 p.m. First Penance Session PMH
- **Tuesday Dec. 2nd**, 7:00 p.m. Penitential Service in church

Children will be invited to celebrate their First Reconciliation on any of the first three Saturdays in December at an extended regular 3:30 p.m. time in church or at the regular time the following Saturdays.

**FIRST PENANCE PREPARATION FOR THOSE WHO WILL BE PREPARING FOR FIRST EUCHARIST**
- **Wednesday Jan. 7th**, 7:00 p.m. Kick-off for Parents in church
- **Tuesday Jan. 13th**, 7:00 p.m. Reconciliation Adult Education in church
- **Wednesday Jan. 14th**, 4:00 or 6:00 p.m. First Penance session in PMH
- **Thursday Jan. 22nd**, 4:00 or 6:00 p.m. First Penance session in PMH
- **Saturday Jan. 31st**, 10:30 p.m. Penitential Service in Church

Children will be invited to celebrate their First Reconciliation on any Saturday at 3:30 p.m. in church.

**FIRST EUCHARIST 2015**
- **Tuesday Feb. 24th**, 7:00 p.m. Parent Kick-off in church
- **Tuesday Mar. 10th**, 7:00 p.m. First Eucharist Adult Education in church
- **Saturday Mar. 14th** at 4:30 p.m. Mass or **Sunday Mar. 15th** at 9:00 a.m. Mass Enrollment Blessing
- **Wednesday Mar. 18th**, 4:00 or 6:00 p.m. FHC session PMH
- **Wednesday Mar. 25th**, 4:00 or 6:00 p.m. FHC session PMH
- **Wednesday April 8th**, 4:00 or 6:00 p.m. FHC session PMH
- **Saturday April 25th** at the 11:00 a.m. or 4:30 p.m. Mass FHC celebrations
- **Sunday April 26th** at the 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 p.m. Mass FHC celebrations

**CONFIRMATION 2015**
- **Tuesday Jan. 27th**, 7:00 p.m. Parent Confirmation Kick-off
- **Saturday Jan. 31st**, 3:00 p.m. Candidate Confirmation Kick-off and 4:30 p.m. Mass Enrollment Blessing

Group Meetings and Service Opportunities – Feb. through April TBD
- **Wednesday Feb. 25th** or **Thursday Feb. 26th**, 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Session PMH
- **Tuesday Mar. 3rd**, 7:00 p.m. Sr. Karlien Bach in church
- **Saturday Mar. 14th** or **Mar. 21st**, Confirmation Retreat Time and Place TBD
- **Tuesday April 28th** or **Wednesday April 29th**, 7:00 p.m. Review session PMH
- **Sunday May 3rd**, Rite of Sending 5:00 p.m. Mass
- **Tuesday May 6th**, 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal at St. Louis Church
- **Tuesday May 12th**, Confirmation Liturgy at Sacred Heart Cathedral

**Seasons of Faith**
Seasons of Faith begins Sunday September 21st at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. All registered families should have received a parent letter through email about the beginning of our program. Your child will need their name tag before the program begins. The name tags will be available for pick-up starting this weekend, Sept. 6th and 7th on the counter in the back of church in the Narthex area. If you have any questions please contact Sue Payne, 586-5675 or email, spayne@dor.org.
Knights of Columbus Pilgrimage

This Sunday September 7, 2014, the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus will hold their Annual Pilgrimage to the Father Pierre Millet Cross and celebrate Mass at Old Fort Niagara in Youngstown, N.Y. All Knights and Families are invited to attend. Members of St Louis Council will be in attendance for the Mass.

The Knights of Columbus have been doing this Pilgrimage annually since they had the Copper Cross erected in 1926. The cross commemorates the French Soldiers in Fort Niagara in the ill-fated winter of 1687-88 which brought disease and starvation to this frontier post. Only 12 of the 100 garrisoned men survived. The Knights also to this day give a donation every year for the upkeep of the Cross which is outside by the lake and for the Chapel which is located in the Castle.

The Knights will process into the Fort, and then to the Cross where Mass will be held at 11:00AM (outside).

Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting

On Monday September 15, 2014 the St Louis Council Knights of Columbus will hold their Monthly Meeting in the Parish Meeting Hall. Our meeting starts with the Rosary at 6:45 PM, followed by the business meeting at 7:00 PM. All Knights with a 1st Degree or higher are encouraged to attend. The topic of this meeting will be new events. Please contact the Grand Knight Richard Whelehan at 585-797-4638 or at-wheels282@rochester.rr.com.

Pastoral Care Committee Meeting: The Pastoral Care Committee is gearing up for the new 2014-2015 year with its first meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 18 at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Meeting Hall. Our meetings are brief - about an hour in length. We will be planning the All Souls’ Day Mass and reception, cards for the homebound, poinsettia distribution during Advent, and a number of other activities. All are welcome. 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.
Children and Family Choir 2014-2015
at St. Louis Church

My name is Elizabeth Gowman, and I am excited to take over leadership of the Children and Family Choir at St. Louis Church.

I began piano lessons at the Eastman School of Music at age 5, and have studied flute, harp, guitar, and many other instruments in the years since. I received my Baccalaureate degree in Music Education from the University of Michigan in 1997, and my Master’s degree in Music Therapy from Immaculata College in 2001.

My family lives in Victor in a three-generation household. I am mother to three wonderful children — Gabe (9th Grade), Kieran (6th Grade), and Isabella (3rd Grade). I am beginning my 8th year as the vocal, instrumental and general music teacher at St. Louis School for PreK - 6th grades.

I am happy to bring these experiences and my varied interests to the choir program. I will model the active, participatory nature of music by myself being active as a director and performer. I look forward to meeting you before or after the 9 o’clock Masses this year!

Elizabeth Gowman
If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Email is the best way to reach me, so please write to me at egowman@dordcs.org.

Membership

Children beginning Grades 2 and up are invited to join the choir! I believe strongly in life-long participation in music making. I would encourage older siblings, parents and other family members to let me know about your musical talents! It is wonderful to have older and more experienced singers join us to part sing and show our younger members how important the music ministry is to vital participation in worship!

I will welcome instrumentalists to join us as is seasonally appropriate. I will be glad to work with 5th graders through adults who play traditional band or orchestra instruments, or guitar to incorporate these gifts for the benefit of all.

I will be inviting all members of the choir who regularly attend rehearsals and participate in a positive way to enhance our songs with percussion instruments, as appropriate.

Rehearsals

Day: Monday
Time: 3:15 to 4:15 p.m.
Frequency: Every week, beginning September 8, 2014

It is important for your child and your family to commit to this hour-long rehearsal each week. Routine and repetition will allow our group to be successful music ministers.

Our choir is a ministry, and your family’s commitment to sharing your time and talents is very appreciated! If your child and your family’s schedule changes mid-year, I am willing to have child as part of the group from September – December, and then from January – May. It would be helpful for planning purposes to know this up front.

Mass Leadership

Children and family choir will lead the music ministry at the 9 a.m. Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month from September 28, 2014 through the end of May. I plan to rotate cantor and song-leading responsibilities, often pairing more experienced singers with those who are newer to the group. We will plan this together, as the group meets for the first time.

For older and more experienced members of the Children’s and Family Choir, Stephanie Honz and I would like you to consider signing up to lead the music ministry for the 9 a.m. Masses on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. Please express an interest in this to Mrs. Gowman, so that she can work with you to create a schedule of cantors. Rehearsal for these responsibilities will follow our choir’s rehearsal, from 4:15 – 4:30 p.m. on Mondays with Stephanie Honz.
Dear Parishioners

Finally, I’m at St, Mary’s Seminary in Baltimore. I’m doing well, the life here is good and I’m learning about Seminary life. We are 23 new seminarians from different dioceses. During the week we have been taking different talks and orientation program.

The seminary life consists of four pillars:

- Human: “The priest, who is called to be a "living image" of Jesus Christ, head and shepherd of the Church, should seek to reflect in himself, as far as possible, the human perfection which shines forth in the incarnate Son of God and which is reflected with particular liveliness in his attitudes toward others as we see narrated in the Gospels.” (PDV 43)
- Spiritual: “Those who are to take on the likeness of Christ the priest by sacred ordination should form the habit of drawing close to him as friends in every detail of their lives.” (PDV 45)
- Intellectual: “The very situation of the Church today demands increasingly that teachers be truly able to face the complexity of the times and that they be in a position to face competently, with clarity and deep reasoning, the questions about meaning which are put by the people of today, questions which can only receive full and definitive reply in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.” (PDV 56)
- Pastoral: The whole formation imparted to candidates for the priesthood aims at preparing them to enter into communion with the charity of Christ the Good Shepherd.

Please, keep me in your prayers. If you want to contact me or send me a card here is my information. Address: 5400 Roland Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21210. Email: victor13_64@hotmail.com or cell phone: 585-315-0733.

Victor Sanchez, Seminarian, Diocese of Rochester

Pittsford Positively Cares

This year, our parish Haiti Task Force ministry will share a booth with Saint’s Place at Pittsford’s annual Positively Pittsford event on Saturday, September 13 from noon to 9PM. Positively Pittsford has games, rides, food from local restaurants, music, and more. At 9PM there will be fireworks over the canal. This fun event is held in the municipal parking lot behind Pittsford Community Library.

The Haiti Task Force will debut their new 33rd edition Ornament made and gift packaged by Holy Childhood. (Ornaments will not be sold at this event.) If you would like more info or would like to help us at this event, please leave a message with Marcia Mendola 381-6872 or email www.marciaandnick@yahoo.com.

If you would like to help handing out brochures and answering questions about Saint’s Place, please call Saint’s Place at 385-6860 or email michele@saintsplace.org.

LIFE! in Focus

Did you Know? The late John Cardinal O’Connor became a leading voice for life after visiting the Dachau Concentration Camp during the time he was a Bishop. In one of his weekly newspaper columns, he placed an ‘ad’ hoping to found a new community of sisters. It read: “Help wanted: Sisters of Life.” Eight women entered the newly formed community on Foundation Day, June 1, 1991. Their mission: to protect and enhance the sacredness of all human life. www.sistersoflife.org.

Consider: Learn more about the Sisters of Life and John Cardinal O’Connor by visiting the Sisters’ website. You will also find their Newsletters quite interesting.

Rochester’s Catholic Radio recently celebrated its 10th Anniversary in Rochester, “Proclaiming the fullness of Truth with Clarity and Charity.” The programming is varied and 24/7 - something for everyone! Tune into 1460 AM or 92.9 FM or listen live at http://www.thestationofthecross.com/. Find us on Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/TheStationofTheCross.

Family Fun Fest Celebrating Catholic Courier’s 125th Anniversary

Sunday, September 14
St. John of Rochester Church,
8 Wickford Way, Perinton

Rain or Shine!
Free & open to the public!

1:00 p.m. Mass Concelebrated by Bishop Salvatore R. Matano and Bishop Emeritus Matthew H. Clark

Family fun from 2:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Music and dance on two stages!
Wegman’s Zoo Mobile
Bounce houses, face painting, games & crafts for the kids; food trucks; birthday cake-off, vendors & exhibits.

Performances by Izzy Hunzek, Borinquen Dance Theatre, Boland School of Dance, The Dady Brothers (5:30 – 6:30 p.m.)
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