

WHEN THERE IS A FUNERAL MASS, THERE WILL BE NO COMMUNION SERVICE OR OTHER MASS.

LITURGY FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 5th:
5:00 PM ~ FRANK PRINZI - By Doug & Lu Ann Reed

Sunday, December 6th:
9:30 AM ~ DOMINIC S. DI PASQUALE - By Wife Francis & Children

Monday, December 7th:
8:15 AM ~ COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday, December 8th:
8:15 AM ~ JOSEPHINE MENDOLA - By Richard Steen

Wednesday, December 9th:
8:15 AM ~ COMMUNION SERVICE

Thursday, December 10th:
8:15 AM ~ COMMUNION SERVICE

Friday, December 11th:
8:15 AM ~ MARTY COLE - By Family

Saturday, December 12th:
5:00 PM ~ JEAN DE FRANCO - By Guy & Mary Ann Margiotta

Sunday, December 13th:
9:30 AM ~ PETER E. HALBIN - By Wife

THIS WEEK . . .

Missal Reading - #482 Cycle C

Sunday, December 6th:
2nd Sunday of Advent

- **9:30 AM** Mass w/CLW
- **11 AM** FF Grades K-5
- **11 AM** Jr. Hi Youth
- **4 PM** NCYC Spaghetti Dinner at School

Tuesday, December 8th:
Immaculate Conception

- **8:15 AM** Mass
- **7 PM** Cursillo Secretariat Mtg.-Teen Rm
- **7 PM** Mass

Wednesday, December 9th:
Unity Advent Event

- **7 PM** Penance Service - at St. Agnes with Fr. Gross

Thursday, December 10th:

- **7:30 PM** Small Christian Community-Teen Rm

Saturday, December 12th:

- **10 AM** Penance Service
- **3-6 PM** Supper w/Santa at School
- **4 PM** Sacrament of Penance
- **5 PM** Mass

Sunday, December 13th:
3rd Sunday of Advent

- **9:30 AM** Mass w/CLW
- **11 AM** FF Grades K-5
- **11 AM** Jr. Hi Youth
- **5 PM - 8 PM** Sr. Hi. Youth

Readings for the Week of December 6, 2009

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:26-38 or 1:39-47

Next Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18



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Liturgical Ministers – December 12th & 13th

Altar Servers	Lectors	Ministers of Communion	Ministers of Hospitality	Cantor
5:00 PM: Hunter Shoemaker Erin Wolfanger Elizabeth Younger	#1 Christopher Mitschow #2 Mark Mitschow	Cup: John Liccini Mary Liccini Jamie Shoemaker John Piampiano	Tom DeFranco Joseph DiTucci Robert Feeley	David Roland
Mass Coordinator: John & Mary Liccini				
9:30 AM: Padraig Coyne Gerad Coyne Liam Coyne	#1 Joanne Hess #2 Karen Harrington	Cup: Mary Lou Marks Polly Hayes Kolleen Coyne Lucille Brown	Maureen Kingston Thomas Mairs John Gibson	
Mass Coordinator: Dr. Bob & Polly Hayes				

A Note from Sr. Karen . . .

I happened to be heading to our Motherhouse the other day, and took the route along East Avenue from St. John Fisher toward Pittsford. This particular path took me past our former Motherhouse, which is now part of Nazareth College. It is called the Gollisano Academic Center and our former chapel is used both for worship as well as musical performances. When we, the Sisters of St. Joseph left that house, I was devastated. That is where I spent my Novitiate time, where I professed my first vows and where I grew to really know the community to which I now belong.

As I drove past, remembering lots of days and happenings in that house and on that property, I thought of the parishes of St. Agnes, St. Paul of the Cross and St. Rose and this time of transition. I thought of all the spoken and unspoken anxieties and fears, as we talk about a revised schedule of Masses, perhaps attending different churches and wondering who our next Pastoral Leader will be.

In reflecting on the move (6 years ago) of the SSJ's from East Ave. to our new home on French Rd., I remember one sister in particular. I was having lunch with her about 2 weeks before the move and she told me that the move was going to kill her. She was convinced that hers would be the first funeral in our new Chapel. I am happy to say that she has adapted to her new home with great ease and this year celebrated her 70th anniversary as a Sister of St. Joseph.

As we move through these days and weeks of transition and as decisions are made around us, let us keep in mind that we might all be being called to a certain flexibility and change. And in moments of change, God is found and more importantly, God is faithful. Please continue your prayers for the work of the Transition Team and for all God's people in Avon, Lima and Honeoye Falls.

Blessings, Sr. Karen



POINTS TO PONDER . . .

December 6th – Second Sunday of Advent

- What do you find yourself complaining about? What saddens you?
- What does the Baptizer invite you to learn about speaking out?
- In what areas of your life do you need God's forgiveness right now?

Daily Prayers for Lighting the Advent Wreath



Second Week

O King of all nations, Jesus Christ,
only joy of every heart,
come and save your people.

Tuesday is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Masses for the Holy Day will be at 8:15 AM and 7 PM. A sign-up sheet for ministers is in the back of Church. *Thank you!*



Unity Penance Service at St. Agnes

This week we will hold our Advent Penance Services. This Tuesday evening at 7 PM will be the first service, presided by Fr. Gross. The second service will be Saturday morning, December 12th at 10 AM.



We Welcome in Baptism

On November 21st, 2009 we welcomed Lilian Marie Ryan, infant daughter of Steven & Crystal Ryan.

On November 22nd, 2009 we welcomed Carter Allan Jeske, infant son of Brian & Sheila Jeske.

On November 28th, 2009 we welcomed Colton Clement Davin, son of Brian & Jennifer Davin and Joshua Glenn Polland, son of Michael and Elizabeth Polland.

On November 29th, 2009 we welcomed Maxmillian Richard Smiley, infant son of Todd Eugene & Elizabeth Smiley.

We welcome these children as new members of our Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism. May God bless them with his gifts of *Faith, Hope and Love*.

Project Rachel ~ A Ministry of the Diocese

We will have baskets at the doors of the Church this weekend to receive donations to support *Project Rachel*. This ministry is brought forward by the Knights of Columbus. Project Rachel began in the Rochester Diocese in May of 1996 by bringing the National Office of Post-Abortion Reconciliation and Healing Team to train and organize clergy, therapists, pastoral leaders, and volunteers into a Project Rachel Team for ministry within the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester. The message of Project Rachel is one of welcome, hope, and forgiveness toward women and men who have had an abortion. This comes from a church she or he might perceive as unwelcoming because of its strong pro-life teaching. The individuals are given a safe, loving environment so they may be able to feel the hurt and mourn the loss, which they have not been given permission to do. They are given a compassionate process that allows them to be reconnected with the life that she has been disconnected from by abortion. They now can be reunited with their faith community and move on with their lives. Women (and men) who go through the healing experience of Project Rachel can become the most powerful speakers against the tragedy and evil of abortion because they speak from experience. Check it out at (<http://www.youtube.com/user/prorachelroc>).

Building Faithful Citizenship

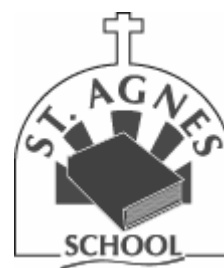
“Don’t worry, be happy”, was a catchy phrase from a delightful tune that was popular a few years ago. Those words sum up beautifully the essence of today’s Scripture readings. They invite us to shout for joy because God’s love is very close at hand; ready to be born among us in Jesus. The readings encourage us to let go of our fears, our negative attitudes, all that weighs us down and rejoice in God’s all encompassing love. The joy of God’s love relationship with each person calls us to be more than who we are at this moment. **Reflection:** Who do I leave out of my circle of justice and love...some relatives, co-workers, immigrants, Muslims, my neighbors...?

Vocation Awareness

John the Baptist proclaimed a baptism of repentance, calling the people to prepare the way for the Lord. Every baptized Christian is now called to be a witness for Jesus in our daily lives, encouraging others to live their lives according to the Gospel message. The ordained priesthood provides an opportunity to devote one’s entire life to doing that very thing. If you think God may be asking you to spend your life as an ordained priest, talk it over with someone. Contact the **Office of Vocation Awareness** at 585-461-2890 or vocations@dor.org or visit our website at www.dor.org/vocations

“Keeping the Spirit Alive”

The active phase of our parish CMA campaign continues. Thank you to the 173 households who have responded with a gift or pledge totaling \$22,093. If you have not yet responded, please give consideration to your financial participation. During this week, another letter and pledge form will be mailed to everyone who has not yet responded. The Catholic Ministries Appeal provides funding for important programs, services and ministries that strengthen our whole Church. We need your financial support to reach our potential. Thank you and please pray for the success of our efforts.



What’s New Around School

This is truly an exciting and magical time of year. We look forward to the many blessings God provides us at school and at home. The children are preparing for their Annual Christmas Pageant, Wednesday, December 16. The Pageant includes a play with musical arrangements. We will have 2 performances at 10 AM and 7 PM. Please join us for this special event.

Community Events – Open to All!

SAVE THE DATE:

Saturday, December 12th. Supper with Santa. Come enjoy dinner with Santa, a baked goods sale, holiday shops and a treat from Santa. A \$5.00 donation includes: pasta, meatball, salad, roll, drinks and dessert. Doors open at 3:00 PM. All proceeds benefit St. Agnes School, 226-8500. Tickets are available at St. Agnes School.

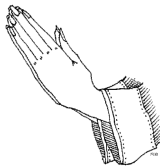
**To learn more about St. Agnes School, visit us on the web at schools.dor.org/Stagnes
Visit our NEW school blog at: <http://saintagnesavon.wordpress.com>**



deceased priests, sisters, and laity of our community

especially Betty Neubeck.

Pray also for Mary Aikens, Debbie Arca, Barry Balonek, Pat Barsz, Anne Biondolillo, Mike Brooks, Robert Brooks, Kathy Cadek, Tim Cochrane, Tom Cochrane, George Collins, Charlie Cook, Garry Crysler, Margaret Eckl, Father Frank Erb, Shirley Federico, Karen Flick, Rose Fusco, Michael Gillen, Gordon C. Gladden, Sharon Driscoll Glose, Rose Gross, Brennan Haglund, Elizabeth Hally, Steve Hanzlik, Brian Harrington, Leslie Heath, Sandy Hope, Bella Horrocks, Nora Hynes, Betty Kelishian, Tom King, Dan Kingston, Kay Lathron, Inez Law, Ruth Ann Lochner, Steve Mack, Ann Mancuso, Ignatius Mattie, Linda McMahon, Elaine Miller, Ruth Miller, Bob Mineo, Kathleen Mueller, Sadie Nau, Carl Olsen, Patricia O'Meara, Ray Patnode, Sam Peri, Sandra Piampiano, Josephine "Pep" Pusateri, Genevieve Reibson, Rose Reis, Steve Restivo, George Suhr, Ethel Thomas, Joe Tuchrello, Evelyn Tybor, Ann Marie Van Gelder, Brian Welch, Jane Welch, Kenneth Wilfeard, Zach Wilson, Betty Witherow, Jim Zito & Bessie Zulia.



Please continue to pray for all men and women in our armed forces who are serving throughout the world especially Navy Commander Joseph L. Smith and PFC Thomas Kane.

Have we missed you or a loved one? Please call the parish office. Please help keep our list updated - call the office if you or your loved one no longer wish to be included on this list.

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NCYC Spaghetti Dinner

Welcome Back Pilgrims!!!

You are invited to share in the memories and witnessing of the 22 Pilgrims that attended NCYC. There will be a spaghetti dinner in their honor on **Sunday, December 6th at 4 PM** at St. Agnes School.

Cost: \$5 Adult, \$3 Seniors and children over 5 yrs. Children under 5 yrs. Free.



OUR FINANCIAL REVIEW

Offertory Receipts -

Weekend of November 27th & 28th, 2009

Envelopes	= \$ 4,070.00
Loose	= \$ 506.00
TOTAL	= \$ 4,576.00
Offertory needed to balance budget	= \$ 5,958.00
Shortfall this week	= \$ (1,382.00)
Tithe 3 percent	= \$ 137.28
Attendance	= 427
Offertory Year-to-Date	= \$115,017.00
Budgeted Offertory YTD	= \$131,076.00
Shortfall Year To Date	= \$ (16,059.00)

*Your generosity to our parish is greatly appreciated!
Many thanks to those who have made up their envelopes for those times they have been away.*

Save the Date:

Tuesday, Dec. 15th ~ 9:00 AM

Advent, Remember, Repent, Rehearse!

Presented by: Fr. Mike Sergi, C.Ss.R.

Give yourself a day during Advent to listen, reflect and unwind in the midst of the secular busyness.

At: Notre Dame Retreat House
5151 Foster Rd.

Canandaigua, NY 14424

Reserve a spot by calling 585-394-5700

There is a \$15.00 fee.



A Ministry to Catholic Women

Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic women, is celebrating our 10th Anniversary in the Diocese of Rochester on Saturday, December 12, 2009!

Magnificat is not an organization to join, but an opportunity to come together to share a meal, hear another woman's witness, and grow in holiness. All women are welcome.

Please come and join us on Saturday morning, Dec. 12th at 9:15 AM at the RIT Inn and Conference Center. Betsy MacKinnon is the guest speaker. Reservations \$15.00, student \$10.00, clergy and religious free. For more information or reservations, please call Kathy Murty at 436-1284.

