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Mass Schedule

Sunday

8:00 am, 10:00 am and 12:15 pm

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

8:00 am

Tuesday, Thursday

5:30 pm

Confessions

Saturday 4:30 – 5:30 pm

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ALONG THE AVENUES:

Bishop Clark is inviting to dinner on June 10 any young men between the ages of 17 and 40 who are discerning God's plan for their lives. The dinner will be held at Saint Patrick's Parish Center in Victor at 6 PM, and will include an after-dinner talk by Father Joseph O'Connor, Vocation Director for the Diocese of Rochester, and a few remarks from Bishop Clark. Reservations are required by the end of this week. So if you are reading this and you fit the description, or you know a young man who has shown a lively faith in Christ and a happiness in serving others that you would recommend, please contact me this week, and I will arrange a reservation. Grilled steak is one the menu, although a meatless option is available. The event is being sponsored by the diocesan Office of Vocation Awareness and the Finger Lakes Chapter of the Knights of Columbus.

While I am not inviting anyone to dinner, I still want to invite family members and friends to encourage young men and women – and even not so young – to consider service of God as priests, men and women religious, deacons, and lay ministers. Those who are closest can often be the voice of God calling generous and faithful young people to dedicate their lives to the mission of Christ and the Church. And I invite all of us to pray each day that these good people and the Church will be open to God's call.

At this time of year, there are celebrations of our priests and women religious who are observing milestone anniversaries. I want to mention four who have had connections with Blessed Sacrament. The first is **Father John Morgan**, who is our oldest diocesan priest and is celebrating his 70th anniversary of ordination. Father Morgan came to the parish for his first assignment and served as assistant priest for 11 years (1940-1951). He now lives and still serves at Saint Mary Magdalen Parish, 2532 Ventura Blvd, Camarillo CA 93010. **Father John Phillips** is celebrating 55 years as a priest, and he served the parish as assistant priest for eight years (1958-1966). He resides at the Sisters of Saint Joseph Motherhouse, 150 French Road, Rochester NY 14618. And **Father William Laird**, who was a deacon intern here in 1974-1975 and was ordained at Blessed Sacrament on May 2 1975, is celebrating his thirty-fifth anniversary of ordination. Father Laird is currently pastor of the Catholic Communities of Saint Anne, Palmyra, Saint Gregory, Marion, and Saint Patrick Macdon (136 Church Street, Palmyra NY 14522).

Among the Sisters of Saint Joseph who are marking anniversaries this year is **Sister Elizabeth Snyder**, who is celebrating 50 years as a religious sister. She served as the principal of Blessed Sacrament Junior High School 1975-1990. Since the junior high closed, Sister Elizabeth has served at the Nazareth Schools on Lake Avenue, and is now the Coordinator of the Sisters of Saint Joseph Motherhouse Events and Hospitality. She still resides at our convent 247 Rutgers Street, 14607.

We send our prayers and congratulations to these good and faithful servants of the Lord, who cumulatively have offered 210 years of love and care for God's people. May the Lord continue to prosper the work of their hands!



Christ's peace to you,
Father Bob Kennedy

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

Monday, May 31, Memorial Day
Office Closed

Wednesday, June 2

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. — Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
1:00 p.m. — Sunday Scripture Sharing, Parish Office
7:00 p.m. — Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. — Contemplative Prayer, Parish Office

Thursday, June 3

6:30 - 8:00 p.m. — Bible Study at St. Mary's
7:00 p.m. — Contemporary Music Ensemble Rehearsal

Saturday, June 5

4:30 - 5:30 p.m. — Sacrament of Penance, Church

MASS SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY, May 30, The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 AM - Rae Puccini — Grandsons
10:00 AM - For the Parishioners
12:15 PM - Helen Davis — Joan Davis

MONDAY, May 31, Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM - William H. Perham, Jr., Birthday Anniversary — Perham Family

TUESDAY, June 1, St. Justin, martyr

5:30 PM - Mary Catherine Simmons — Simmons Family

WEDNESDAY, June 2, Weekday, St. Marcellinu and St. Peter, martyrs

8:00 AM - Michelle Judith Kovack and Michael A. Vecchio — Michael Tarracone Kovack

THURSDAY, June 3, St. Charles Lwanga, martyr and his companions, martyrs

5:30 PM - Richard F. Datz — Family

FRIDAY, June 4, Weekday

8:00 AM - Kay Lechleitner, Birthday Anniversary — John and Marilyn McCrank

SATURDAY, June 5, St. Boniface, bishop and martyr

12:00 PM - Wedding: Lindsey Barg and Luis Marquez
3:00 PM - Wedding: Anne Crane and Eric Wolfson

SUNDAY, June 6, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

8:00 AM - Edward J. Lynd — The Lynd Family
10:00 AM - For the Parishioners
12:15 PM - Kitty Carroll — John Byrne

**READINGS FOR SUNDAY,
JUNE 6, THE MOST HOLY
BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

Genesis 14: 18-20
1 Corinthians 11: 23—26
Luke 9: 11b-17



During the summer, the Stewardship Committee of the parish wants to make some suggestions for our consideration as we try to make Stewardship our way of life. Here's the first installment:

Stewardship of TIME

As we are making plans for the summer, what part of this God-given time will we give back to God in thanksgiving for all God has given us? Let's plan regular attendance at Sunday Mass wherever we might find ourselves. Spending one hour a week worshipping the God who gives us the pleasures of summer is not too much to ask.

Stewardship of TALENT

Parishioners with a passion of scripture and the ability to speak comfortably in public are perfect for the ministry of **lector and lay leader**. This liturgical ministry involves proclaiming the Sunday scripture readings and/or introducing the celebration of Sunday Mass and the Prayers of the Faithful. In addition to the qualities named, lectors must be Catholics who are fully initiated (baptized, confirmed, and made first communion). Training is provided. For more information, contact Beverly Labelle at 271-7240 or lblabelle@dor.org.

Parishioners with a sincere love for the Eucharist and a desire to share that love with others assist with the distribution of Holy Communion at Sunday liturgies. These extraordinary **ministers of Holy Communion** are Catholics who are fully initiated (baptized, confirmed and made first communion). Additional ministers are always needed at every Mass, but especially 12:15. Training is provided. For more information, contact Beverly LaBelle at 271-7240

Responsible young parishioners who are at least 9 years of age and have received their First Communion are welcomed into the ministry of **altar server**. It's a great way to see the Mass up close and to assist the congregation's prayer in a special way. For more information contact Father Kennedy at 271-7240 or fkennedy@dor.org.

Stewardship of TREASURE

Sunday collection received: May 23, 2010	\$	7,479
Budgeted weekly need	\$	7,850
Difference - (under) weekly need	\$	(371)
Received year to date	\$	349,337
Budgeted need - year to date	\$	361,105
Difference (under) budgeted year to date need	\$	(11,768)

203 envelope users gave \$6,087 and loose plate total \$1,392.

Thank you for your continued and generous support of our ministries.

Please note you can go to our web site: www.blessedsacrament-rochester.org and donate through Paypal.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Our popular Liturgy of the Word for Children program which is held during the 10am Sunday Mass will continue during the Summer months. We will not be holding sessions on Holiday weekends and on a few other Summer Sundays but primarily we will be meeting every week. Currently we are hoping that more parents of the children who regularly participate will be willing to volunteer to act as helpers and leaders of the sessions. We have wonderful people working with the program but we need a few more mothers, fathers or grandparents to help us out. Those who help lead the sessions are supplied in advance of their scheduled dates with printed sheets that provide information and suggestions for the Sunday on which they will assist. For more details about the Liturgy of the Word for Children, please contact Beverly LaBelle at 271-7240 or blabelle@dor.org.

COOP SUMMER NURSERY

Attention all families with young children: we would like to offer childcare during the 10:00 mass in the school on Sunday morning in the summer months. We would like to continue to offer this on the Sundays beginning today. If you are interested in participating, please contact Sr. Kathleen Wayne at 271-7240 or kawmercyroch@yahoo.com.

ACTS SUMMERTIME ACTIVITIES

During the warm months ahead, several enjoyable activities for the 50+ crowd are on the agenda. Among them are the following: a seniors picnic sponsored by St. Boniface Twilights on June 21 at the Brighton Park Lodge, Matinee and Garden Party on July 12 at the Eastman House, a theater daytrip to Auburn to see "Meet Me in St. Louis" which includes lunch at the lovely Aurora Inn and a 4 day trip to Lancaster PA which includes two theatrical presentations, sightseeing, shopping and wonderful food. For further details on all of the above events, please see the individual flyers that are available in the side entrance of the Church or contact Beverly LaBelle at 271-7240 or blabelle@dor.org.

HELP NEEDED TO CELEBRATE ROSE DAY

To celebrate Rose Day (which is on June 10) I am looking for a few families to help deliver silk roses to the Blossom South Nursing Home on Sunday June 13 after the 10:00 Mass. Please contact Sue Howard if you are interested- 271-7240. Others may participate in this outreach by decorating the roses with ribbons and a message. Stop by the table by the side exit after Church on Sunday the 6th to be part of this mission of love.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE:

Please pray for the following couple getting married:

Jennifer Grassel and David Houle
 Jessica Payne and Ralph Cropo
 Elizabeth Jackson and Brian Bacon
 Teresa Kinsky and Brian O'Dell

SPIRIT ALIVE CONCLUSION

On Pentecost some representatives from the Monroe-Clinton Planning Group participated in a special diocesan Mass to celebrate the end of the three year Spirit Alive renewal initiatives. In our parishes the most visible sign of this effort was the institution of a tri-parish Bible Study series and Spirit Alive Discussion Groups. That Sunday night at Sacred Heart Cathedral Bishop Clark commissioned the representatives from our Bible Study Groups to continue our ongoing work of Discipleship. Now we pass that Commission on to all of you for your work as disciples to spread the Good News of salvation. The charge to go and make disciples belongs to all of us as baptized people. Throughout our spiritual renewal, we have explored ways to grow in knowledge and love of the Lord so that we can invite others to join us as a community who celebrate the Good News that Jesus is our Lord and Savior. We will continue to offer many Bible Study options and faith sharing groups next fall so that we can keep our Spirit Alive!! We hope that you will join us.

HELP FOR OUR SENIOR FRIENDS

Our Senior Friends at 1600 East Ave. are having their shuttle service come to an end. These folks have been coming here for years and now face the problem of getting a ride. We need three or four drivers to make a pick up at their building for the 10:00 Mass. There are also a few people who need a ride to the 12:15 Mass. (This does not have to be a weekly commitment.) Can you help? Please consider this a mission of our Church and a way to reach out to our community. Call Sue Howard to sign up.

BUSY PERSONS RETREAT June 6 through 11th

This is an opportunity for busy working people to experience a personal guided retreat at a time and place that is convenient for you. You will learn simple techniques for fruitful prayer using scripture, a prayer guide, and silence. Meet with the prayer guides on Sunday, June 6th after the 12:15 Mass (We can make other arrangements if necessary). You will be given a handout with the prayers and decide on a time and place to meet with your guide about 3 or 4 days during the week (days and evenings). We will conclude with a Picnic Supper on June 11th at 5:30 PM. Please express your interest to Sue Howard, Pastoral Associate 271-7240.

JOURNEYS' JUNE 2010 EVENTS

June 4: Dance at Green Lantern Inn (1 E church St. Fairport) 8PM. Cost \$7. Call Becky (451-6503).

June 6: Monthly meeting at 1PM. Place to be determined. Call Noreen or Tom (469-5281).

June 10: Monthly dinner at Rohrbach Brewing Co (3859 Buffalo Rd.). Price is cost of meal. Meet at 6:30PM Call Noreen to RSVP.

Please Pray for our Parishioners

*Ruth Zukoski
 Daniel Smith
 Mary Bellows*



YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Youth Group Ministry Events

NCYC – Hats Off Party! – Sunday June 6th 5:30-8:30 pm at St Mary's Commons Room Families invited – bring a dish to pass! We're starting our Pilgrimage to Indianapolis so we're decorating hats to wear at our fund-raisers and other gatherings! Please RSVP to Barb by June 3rd.

Guys Night Out/Girls Night Inn! - last event for the school year!

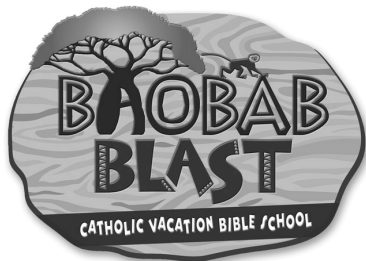
Friday June 4th, 7:30 pm till Saturday, June 5th at 8:30 AM. What a great night of fun with your friends!! Girls will be staying IN at St Mary's Commons Room – hanging with friends, watching chick flicks, games & being together! Guys will go to Rock Ventures for 2 hours of climbing & pizza then back to St Mary's for a movie & bed! Grades 6-12 welcome!! Cost \$20 Guys; \$10 Girls. *Sign up by June 1st*

Afternoons of Service Week – All high schoolers and middle schoolers are invited to help out with Vacation Bible Camp (July 26-30 - and *then stay for afternoons of service* in our parishes! On Monday we'll be at St Mary's, Tuesday: St Boniface, Wednesday: Blessed Sacrament, Thursday: the Supper Program at Blessed Sacrament and then we'll stay overnight! On Friday anyone who has participated more than 2 days is invited to join us at *Seabreeze!* Cost \$25 per person. Sign up soon!

Diocesan Youth Convention – August 7 -8, 2010

Is a three-day experience of prayer, learning and community for Catholic teenagers and their adult Chaperones and Youth Ministry Leaders. Includes keynote speakers, general sessions, prayer, liturgy with Bishop Clark, Fun For All, smaller breakout sessions and workshops.

For information on any of the events above or to register call Barb Legere at 465-2665 or email blegere@dor.org



God's Great Get-together

CALLING ALL KIDS

Age 4 to entering Grade 5 (Fall 2010) Vacation Bible Camp is coming! Baobab Blast: God's Great Get-Together July 26-30 from 9:00-Noon at Blessed Sacrament. To register download the form from the parish website or contact Sister Kathleen at 271-7240 or kawmercyrch@yahoo.com

Weekend Masses at our Partner Parishes

St. Mary's - Sat. 4PM, Sun. 9:00 and 11:00 AM

St. Boniface-Sat. 5PM, Sun. 8:30 and 10:30AM

OLVictory/St.Joseph-Sat. 4:30PM, Sun.10AM & 7:30PM

TRI-PARISH PICNIC

Save the date of August 15th for the Annual Tri-Parish Picnic at Ellison Park. This year we will have a new and improved location within the park--stay tuned for directions. The Picnic Planning Committee is requesting help from as many people as possible to make this a successful and enjoyable event. There is a sign-up sheet in the side entrance of the church or contact Beverly LaBelle at 271-7240 or blabelle@dor.org to volunteer your services for this fun day in the sun.



VACATION BIBLE CAMP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Vacation Bible Camp is coming! Baobab Blast: God's Great Get-Together. Would you like to help us out July 26-30 from 9:00-Noon at Blessed Sacrament? Teens welcome. If you are interested, please contact Sister Kathleen Wayne at 271-7240 or kawmercyrch@yahoo.com

SUMMER EVENT DATES TO SAVE:

Busy Persons Retreat Begins- June 6th

Red Wings Game - July 16th with RPO and Fireworks

Tri-Parish Picnic at Ellison Park- August 15th

Nine Hole Golf Tournament - TBA

JustNews

Did you know that the average grocery store's produce travels nearly 1,500 miles between the farm where it was grown and your refrigerator? But you have an alternative. **The Monroe Village Farmers' Market re-opens in the church parking lot on Wednesday, June 16, from 4 to 7 pm. offering fresh affordable fruits, vegetables, baked goods, meat, eggs and more.** Everything sold at the market is grown or prepared within 100 miles of Rochester. Eating locally produced foods is better for you, better for farmers, and better for the planet! And we now accept EBT food stamp tokens, too.

Each week the market also features live music, a local artist or two, and the chance to find out about the work of an area community group. Come meet the farmers who grow your food, say hello to your favorite vendors, buy something delicious, meet our neighbors, and visit with friends.

The Market is entirely organized and operated by volunteers from Blessed Sacrament and the Monroe Village neighborhood. If you'd like to find out more, or if you'd like to join us, go to MonroeVillageFarmersMarket.org or contact Holly Rockwell at hrock@rochester.rr.com or 473-1990. We'd love to have you.