



ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH

SERVICE TO HIS PEOPLE

Member of 5 Saints West Pastoral Planning Group

July 25, 2010

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



What a Week!!!

It is hard to believe that Baobab Blast first week has come to an end. We had over 95 great kids who learned the words Trust, Love, Follow, Care, and Share. Our children ranged from ages 3 – 12. Along with our students we had over 55 Youth and Adult volunteers. There are no words out there to thank our outstanding teachers, and volunteers from the Kitchen, to the classrooms, to music, games and crafts. Each day our students received the critter of the day which included; The Faye the Zebra, Amy the Red Columbus Monkey, Bud the Elephant, Sam the Meerkat and Jonathan the Giraffe. If you checked out our Parish Hall you would have found the Boabab Tree, the Tree of Life. Community was the overarching theme of the week and everyone of all ages gathered around the Baobab tree and had a Blast.

This week was a faith-filled way for our children to learn about and practice the Catholic faith. They spent the week reviewing the stories from the Old and New Testament as well as the Psalms. The children visited the Kalahari Crafts, Grassland Games, Savannah Storytelling and Madagascar Music. This was a great opportunity for our children to meet other children and our families to meet each other.

Music is such an integral and fun part of VBS, at the end of the 11:00 a.m. Mass this weekend our children will be doing one of the songs and using the rain sticks that they made during craft time. They will also be singing at the Picnic after Mass on Sunday as well performing at the Talent Show.

On Friday of VBS our students learned about sharing our faith by listening to Acts 8:26-40. Each of us can share our faith with others. We hope that all of you will learn from our children to share your faith with those who may not know God.

Karen and I want to take this opportunity to thank the staff for all of their help and patience with us during the past several months as we prepared for this program. Thank you again for all of your prayers and for all of those individuals young and old who were such a great help all week. We could not have had such a great week without each of you. As we continue this week with the Talent show on Monday and the Animal show on Wednesday we hope you will join us.

God bless. Judy and Karen

Faith Formation 2010-2011

If you haven't registered your child for Faith Formation for 2010-2011 it is not too late. We provide programs for students who are 3 years old through 8th grade. On Sunday mornings, during the 9:00 a.m. liturgy we have classes for children who are 3, 4 and 5 years old. These students learn who God is in their lives and how He is found in the trees, the flowers and all that is around. On Monday and Tuesday evenings we provide classes for students in grades 1-5 two classes times. They can attend either 4:15 – 5:15 or 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. On Wednesday evenings from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. we provide class for all students in grades 6-8. We look forward to working with your children and bring their faith alive.

Mass		July 24 For	to Aug 1 By:
Sat	4:30 PM	Vincent Gabrych	Bill & Lorraine Healy
Sun.	9:00 AM	Don Paine	Ken & Dee Milner
	11:00AM	Virgil Philson	Dick & Karen Philson
Mon.	9:00 AM	For the people	Of St. Christophers
Tues.	9:00 AM	William McCall	Karen McCall
Wed.	9:00 AM	Sharon McDonough	Karen Rhinehart
Thur	9:00 AM	Communion	and prayer service
Fri.	9:00 AM	Fathers living	and deceased
Sat.	4:30 PM	Beverly Sullivan	Florence Michaloski
Sun.	9:00 AM	Catalina Salazar	Berta Desormeau
	11:00AM	Terry & Larry Williams	Dick & Karen Philson

NEXT WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, July 25

01:30 PM - (Entire Bldg) VBS Family Picnic

Monday, July 26

04:00 PM - (Entire Bldg) Talent show. Tuesday, July 27

09:45 AM - (Hall) Golden Agers

06:00 PM - (Entire Bldg) Family Game night - building and grounds

Wednesday, July 28

05:00 PM - (Entire Bldg) Wildlife Education Program

01:00 PM - 5 SW Picnic at Churchville Park East-West Lodge

05:30 PM - Anointing after all Masses this weekend

St. Christopher's Women's Retreat Annual Retreat weekend

Sept. 10-12, 2010 @

Notre Dame Retreat House, Canandaigua, NY

"Talkin the Talk and Walkin the Walk"

In the retreat experience we are given the opportunity to take away from our busy, overly involved, constantly being needed lives to just come and be. The atmosphere both inside and out is one of peace, beauty, warmth, friendliness and caring.

Conferences are designed to give God an opportunity to work in our hearts at a time when our minds are free from obligations and responsibilities. A walk outside whether it be overlooking the lake or through the woods is a time to integrate God's gift of nature and beauty within our own spirits.

The retreat is a time to meet Jesus in others who are opening their hearts to His spirit within themselves. Listening to the stories of others we are encouraged to look for our own personal love notes from God. Our cares and worries may not change but we come away from that time with God with new insights, more perspective, refreshed and renewed.

The retreat is the time out we all need to be still and hear the voice of God. It's that same time we need to reflect on how much God loves, blesses and celebrates us.

Green Autumn Harvest Raffle Questions & Answers

After I submit my order form, when do I get my ticket?

You will not receive an actual ticket; once your order is received by St. Christopher's Church, a confirmation letter will be sent to the buyer's address via US Mail. The actual "ticket" is generated and placed in the drawing. Please hold onto your letter as proof of purchase. But if you lose it, you will still be notified if your ticket is drawn as a winner. (But it will be even more fun if you come to the parish picnic on September 26th to hear your name called!)

Men's Retreat

Come away for a quiet weekend with other men from the Diocese of Rochester. Experience 40 inspirational hours in the relaxed atmosphere at Notre Dame Retreat House located on Canandaigua Lade. The retreat begins on Friday, September 17th at 7:00 PM and ends on Sunday at noon on September 19th. For additional information or to make reservations, call James Robinson at 594-5694

Golden Agers

The Golden Agers meeting for July will be Tuesday, July 27th following the 9:00 AM Mass. After the meeting we will be going to the St. Padre Pio Chapel on Manitou Road. After the visit we will have brunch at Perkins' (we will order off the menu). Please let Chris know if you plan to attend as she needs to let Perkins' know the number that will be coming to brunch (breakfast or lunch). Also let Chris know if you cannot attend at 293-9248.

Aug. 3 Pastoral Musicians Picnic

The Diocese of Rochester, Diocesan Music Committee and the Rochester Chapter of the National Assoc. of Pastoral Musicians is sponsoring a "Pastoral Musicians Family Picnic" on Tues. Aug. 3 at Christ the King Church (behind the school). Tickets are \$5 per person (\$10 per family) with a dish to pass. For more information or to make a reservation for the picnic please contact: Diana Collins, Parish Support Ministries at 328-3210 ex. 1328



White Water Rafting Trip For Young Adults

Saturday, **July 31st**, - Black River near Watertown, NY!
Grab a friend and **SIGN UP NOW!**, this is one ADVENTURE you wont want to miss!!!! Cost is \$60 - covers rafting, lunch & snacks on the river as well as a BBQ dinner after the trip! RSVP & 50% deposit needed ASAP! Please contact Maranda for info! Depending on group interest, one night of camping after rafting is a possibility! 643-5555 or marandaskolen@hotmail.com

Youth Updates...

August 7-8 is the Diocesan Youth Convention! HUNDREDS of teens from all over Rochester will join together at RIT Inn and Convention Center for fun, dance, game, and worship time! Registration forms are on the tables at BOTH church entrances. They are due soon, so grab one today!

Youth Retreat

August 27-29 we will be having a youth retreat at Kamp Koinonia, which is a beautiful camp out in Italy Valley, NY (about an hour and a half away). If you're looking for a great time with a perfect balance of fun, energy, reflection, chill-time, prayer, and crazy great times, this is for YOU! The camp has an awesome indoor chapel, beautiful outdoor chapel, craft lodge, main lodge with ping pong and many other games, and also a huge amount of outdoor field space! We will be doing some fun unexpected wild activities, along with some quiet activities such as star-gazing and the ZILCH! This retreat will be available to anyone who just finished grades 6-12! The registration forms will be out soon! This is an event you don't want to miss!! We hope you will join us! If you are interested in chaperoning this event, please contact Kim and Dave! We are looking for volunteers to help out as small group leaders and also helping as the cooks/kitchen staff! Thank you in advance for your love and guidance!

Family Bike Ride

Saturday July 24th at 9:00am Kim and Dave will be holding another St. C's family bike ride!!! This is open to ALL ages We did our 1st bike ride in the fall, and we went 15 miles on the canal with about 21 bike riders and 5 walkers! This time we will be meeting at Schoen Place in Pittsford! We will be biking to Genesee Valley Park and back, which totals about 16 miles. If you would like to come as a family and do more or less mileage, that is totally fine!! We want to make this a fun event that is perfect for EVERYONE! If you have any questions, please email Kim and Dave! WATER WATER WATER...don't forget it...hydration is a must!

Banns of Marriage

Adam Pienio and Beth Heberger

St. Pius Church Summer Celebration

August 5, 6 & 7

We Would Like to Welcome Our Neighboring Parishes For a Fun Weekend For The Whole Family

Thursday: Adult Night (21 & Over) 6 – 11 PM

Live Band – Everheart Beer/Wine Tent – Black Jack –
Light Refreshments — Flea Market

Friday: 6:00 to 11:00 PM

Outdoor Movie –
Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs (9:00)

5K Race, Kiddieland, Food, Beer/Wine Tent, Flea Market

Saturday: 5:00 to 11:00 PM

Chicken BBQ, All Sorts of Food, Games For the Kids
Inflatable Rides, Beer/Wine Tent, Reptile Guy (6:00)
Annual Raffle: Grand Prize \$6,000 Vacation or \$5,000
iPad, Xbox, iPods. Tickets \$1.00 each

The Joy of Stewardship

Parish Financial Stewardship Summary

LAST WEEK	YEAR TO DATE
\$6,325.95	\$ 174,438.95

By financially supporting the parish, we are all visiting the parish sick; we all teach religious education programs; we all share in the administering of the sacraments; we all counsel the bereaved; we all celebrate the joy of return of prodigal sons and daughters. Through our financial support, we participate indirectly by making it possible for our priests, the parish staff and lay ministers to carry out these important ministries and apostolates.

Stewardship ... Live It!

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SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS:

<i>Sunday Eucharist</i>	Saturday	4:30 PM
	Sunday	9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
<i>Weekday Eucharist</i>	9:00 AM Mass or Communion Svc	