

Notes from
Fr. Dean



Dear Parishioners:

This past week on the feast of the Archangels Michael, Raphael and Gabriel (the Protection, Remedy, and Strength of God) I had the privilege of welcoming Ray Roland into the fullness of our Catholic communion. Ray made his profession of faith, and was confirmed and shared Holy Communion as a patient at Memorial Hospital in Springfield. We continue our prayers with him and for his recovery in health. Ray is the husband of Mary Beth Roland of our parish family.

THE RITES OF ACCEPTANCE and WELCOME will be celebrated at the 8 am Mass next Sunday October 11. Five adults have begun the process of entering into the Catholic faith through baptism and/or reception into Full Communion of the Catholic Church. The Instructional period will be held 9:15 – 10:15 am in the parish office in my office.

A JOINT PARISHES SESSION OF THE RCIA: The Significance of the Mass presentation by Fr. Chris House will be held this Wednesday at 7 pm at Christ the King Church in Springfield. We will join several other parishes in bringing our inquirers to this presentation. Please meet at St. Jude Church at 6:15 pm (departing at 6:30 pm) for carpooling; or meet at Christ the King Church 1930 Barberry Drive, Springfield, IL...

PLANNING FOR OUR FUTURE

Today is the last day to turn in your survey. If you received a letter and survey from the parish last week, please take the time to complete this survey and return it to the parish office today. Our Kirby-Smith consultant will provide us with the results of this Feasibility Study in early November.

SHINE CATHOLIC WORKCAMP: San Antonio, Texas. The PLANNING MEETING is this **7 pm Wednesday, Oct. 7** in the parish hall. Approximately 25 people have already registered for the **2010 Youth and Adults Mission Trip. July 18-25, 2010**, are the dates for the inspirational and fun experience of worship, service to the poor and socialization with other people from across the U.S.A. The workcamp is open to anyone presently in the 8th grade and older. **Registration forms are available in the Church and the parish office.**

A Pre-Jordan (Baptismal Preparation Class) will be held 6:30 pm Tuesday, October 13 in the parish center. If you have a child to be baptized, please register for the Pre-Jordan Session by calling the parish office 498-9197. The Pre-Jordan session is required before the Baptism is scheduled. You need not wait till the child is born, prepare for the child's coming into the world by learning what is expected of Catholic Christian parents and what is necessary for someone to be the Sponsor/Godparent.

HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK

Daily Monday through Friday

7:30 a Rosary (excluding Monday at 5 pm)

8:30 a Morning Prayer

Sunday – October 4

9:10 a PSR Classes
Feasibility Interviews

Monday – October 5

9:00 a Team #4 – Benson, Egizio
5:00 p Rosary
7:00 p Pastoral Council Mtg
Evening Feasibility Interviews

Wednesday – October 7

5:30 p Children's Choir Practice
6:30 p PSR Classes
6:30 p Adult Education
7:00 p RCIA at Christ the King
7:00 p Mission Trip Meeting

Thursday – October 8

7:00 p Adult Choir Practice
7:00 p Building Committee Mtg.

Sunday – October 11

8:00 a Rites of Acceptance/Welcome
9:10 a PSR Classes
9:15 a RCIA Inquiry
6:30 p HS Electives

DAILY READINGS

October 4 - 11

- Sun** – Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Hb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-26
- Mon** – Jon 1:1 – 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
- Tue** – Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1-4, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
- Wed** – Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
- Thu** – Mal 3:13-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13
- Fri** – Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26
- Sat** – Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28
- Sun** – Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30



The Adult Faith Formation group starts and ends with prayer. We have a 20 minute Presentation on a different topic each week

to help us think about God and our lives. To help us learn and grow stronger in our faith. The presentation leads the group to discussion, sharing, encouragement to each other and asking questions. Topics are always about God and faith, but also dealing with life experiences, emotions, challenges, hopes and dreams. If you would be interested in joining our group, just show up on any **Wednesday night at 6:30pm**. It will last about 55 minutes. This week's topic will be explaining the **Whys and What's of the Mass**. Hope to see you there!

LITURGISTS FOR NEXT WEEKEND – October 10-11

	Saturday 5:30pm	Sunday 8:00am	Sunday 10:30 am
Eucharistic Ministers	McMinn/Settles/Tomashavich	Palumbo/Rayhill/Wuellner	Hostetler/Hanke/Deacon Tom
Lector	Auxier/Ashbaugh	DeGroot/Helling	Deimel/Garcia
Hospitality	J & P Jones	Otten Family	Decker Family
Servers	E&C McMinn/Settles	C&Jas Merriman/Leach	M, D & N Lindstrom
Minister of Care		Lenna DeGroot	
Mass Coordinator	Monica Lower	Conni & Wayne Hutchinson	Emma VanDyke
RCIA Minister of Dismissal		Deacon Tom Walker	

Church Dusters for the week of October 5: Lynn Alewelt & Michelle Bertrand
Art & Environment for next weekend: Marilyn Merkley
Children's Liturgy of the Word for next weekend: Pete Gegen & Frances Tomashavich
Recycling Volunteers for October: Jan Pietras
St. Martin's Food Volunteers for October: Debra & Steven Decker

MASS INTENTIONS

Oct 03 Sat	5:30 p	Rose Beeve †
Oct 04 Sun	8:00 a	Lorraine Blasko †
	10:30 a	Our Parish Family
Oct 05 Mon	5:30 p	Jack Downey†
Oct 06 Tue	6:45 a}	Intentions of Mother Ingeborg
Oct 07 Wed	8:00 a}	on the occasion
Oct 08 Thu	6:45 a}	of her Diamond Jubilee
Oct 09 Fri	8:00 a	Sullan Special Intentions
Oct 10 Sat	5:30 p	Gene & JoAnn Thomas †
Oct 11 Sun	8:00 a	Mary Anne & Margo Nelson †
	10:30 a	Our Parish Family

The cross reflects those who have died; non-cross reflects special intention for those still living.



With heartfelt sympathy we pray for the repose of the soul of Emilio Perez, father of Emelda Garcia.

October 17 & 18

As you pack up your summer clothing and pull out your fall clothing, please think of St. Martin de Porres. We will be collecting gently used clothing, bedding, coats, and small household items from 8:00am to noon on Saturday, October 17th. You may also drop off items after any of the Masses that weekend in the Parish Center. If you can help with this clothing drive please call the Fr. Dean Probst 498-7133



OUR GIFT TO GOD Fiscal Year 7/1/09 – 6/30/10

	Year to Date	Last Sunday
Collection	\$ 61,790.12	\$ 5,261.98
Electronic Funds	\$ 14,074.64	\$ 1,938.44
Bldg. Dev. Fund	\$ 4,458.14	\$ 218.00
EFT – Dev. Fund	\$ 1,578.00	\$ 218.00
Poor Fund	\$ 239.49	\$ 28.00

Stewardship Message

The phrase in today's Psalm, "May you see your children's children," is really a prayer for a long life. The good steward knows that every day is a gift from God, to be lived with joy and thanksgiving. "May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives!"

Advertiser of the Week

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Christmas Friends

It is time to plan for the St. Jude Christmas Friends Program! This year we will be helping provide Christmas Gifts for the children from St. Patrick Grade School, residents at Springfield Terrace Nursing Home, and the Children from Sojourn Women and Children's Shelter. There is a sign up form in the entrance to the church. Thank you so much for your help with this wonderful program. Brenda Will - 498-6766

Blessing of Pets



Blessing of Pets - 4 pm Today, Sunday, October 4th

in front of the parish center. Bring your pets as we honor The God of All Creation on the memorial of St. Francis of Assisi. Treats will be available for the pets!



Please pray for the sick

Maude & John Kenworth (Parishioners)
Mary Beth Vetter (sister of Teri Dambacher)
Frank Beeve (parishioner)
Ray Roland (husband of Mary Beth Roland)

(Note: Names will remain on the active prayer list for three weeks unless a request is made to extend it for an additional three weeks.)



Area Happenings:

Rochester First Baptist **Fall Festival** today, Oct. 4th 3:30 to 6pm. Everyone welcome, everything free.

Food, Bounce houses, golf cart rides, video games, much more! Music by Youth Band "Three For One".

Rochester Boy Scout Troop #40 will be at the Fall Festival to collect non-perishable food for the local Food Bank.

Central Illinois Community Blood Center will be at St. Jude Parish Center from 3-6 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 19th. Register at 753-1530, ext. 118. Walk ins welcome.

Heritage Day, Old Stone House, Rochester Historical Village, West Main St., Rochester, Sunday, October 4, 11a.m. to 5p.m.

Mostaccioli Dinner, 11am to 1:30 pm, 121 E. Main St., Rochester, October 4 hosted by Rochester Masonic Lodge #635

SHG 15th Annual Mega-Raffle tickets are now on sale. Call 787-9732



SHG Shop-a-palooza –

October 11, 2009 from 12:00 - 5:00, at SHG West Campus, 1601 W. Washington Street, Springfield. This is a shopping event you won't want to miss. Items for sale will be purses, clothing, books, jewelry, floral

arrangements, hand-painted furniture, picture frames, household items, hand-painted stones, cleaning products, and much, much more. Bring the whole family for lunch - we will have a full concession, including: Italian beef sandwiches and hot dogs.

And stop by our bakery for some delicious home-baked desserts to take home to your family!

While you shop we will have free games and activities for the kids. Come out and enjoy the day---

Everyone is welcome!!!

INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON MEDICARE

Get all of your questions about Medicare, Medicare Supplements and Medicare Part D answered at a Medicare presentation on October 24, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. in Blessed Sacrament School Gymnasium by Bryan Padgett, and Beth Monnat, Professional with the State of Illinois, Department of Insurance Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP).



Please join us on **October 4** for the **national Life Chain Prayer Witness** from **2:30 to 3:30 p.m.** on the streets of Springfield from MacArthur Blvd. to Wabash Ave. at White Oaks Mall, both sides of these streets. **Life Chain** is a call to the Church of all denominations to come out and pray to end abortion, praying silently, while holding signs testifying to the truths that "Abortion Kills Children", "Adoption the Loving Option", "Jesus Forgives and Heals".

ASSISTANCE NEEDED!



Love to assist people in their quest for their genealogy? Have a few spare hours a few days a week? Calvary Cemetery needs your help. Someone is needed to assist visitors at the counter with locating the graves of their ancestors and answering general questions. If interested in a unique volunteer experience, please contact

Linda at the cemetery office in person or by phone 523-3726 Mon - Fri, 7:30am-3:30pm.

A Day of Quiet

Need some space to be? Want to enjoy the change of season? Looking for some prayer time? Come to Chiara Center in Springfield on Saturday October 17 from 9 AM - 3 PM and walk the grounds, read, listen to the Spirit, clear your mind. A noon meal is served - all for just \$20. For an additional fee massage therapy is available. Reservations are required. Call 217-523-0901 for this special opportunity.

Melissa Renfro - Chiara Center - 217-523-0901

mrenfro@hsosf-usa.org



CENTERING PRAYER

Looking for another way to pray? Consider Centering Prayer. For many centuries, contemplative prayer was the goal of Christian spirituality. This was a prayer of silence. The means for achieving Contemplative Prayer is Centering Prayer. In the 1970s, Fr. Thomas Keating (Open Mind, Open Heart), Fr. Basil Pennington, OP and Fr. William Meninger introduced the method of Centering Prayer as a means to foster a deeper relationship with God by simply resting in His presence. Today, Contemplative Outreach, Ltd (www.contemplativeoutreach.org) is a national organization that promotes and supports those who practice centering prayer. There are regional chapters as well. For information and retreats, in central Illinois, email Florrie Dammers at fadammers@mac.com to be placed on the mailing list for activities and retreats.

The Rochester IL Centering Prayer Group will be sponsoring another Introduction to Centering Prayer Workshop at the Chiara Center in Springfield on Monday, November 30th from 9:00 until 2:00. Rev. Jack Swank of Rochester UMC will be leading the workshop. Rev. Swank is a commissioned presenter with Contemplative Outreach. The cost of the workshop is \$25.00 and includes lunch. For a copy of the brochure, contact Carole Strick at Rochester UMC (217-498-7179) or download a copy at www.chiaracenter.org. Overnight accommodations for November 29th can be made by contacting the Chiara Center directly at 217-523-0901.

CHURCH OF ST. JUDE
PARISH INFORMATION
633 S. Walnut, Rochester, IL 62563
217-498-9197

Pastor: Fr. R. Dean Probst
 Deacon: Rev. Tom Walker
 Business Manager: Sue Bozarth
 Director of Christian Formation: Dan Frachey
 Director of Music and Liturgy: Mike Spainhour
 Christian Formation Assistant: Frances Tomashavich
 Custodian: Langdon Willis

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Vicki Walker	498-8651	

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Assistant: Frances Tomashavich	498-9197
Commission Chairperson	
Steve Decker	585-8471

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers:		
Seth Warren	529-4707	
Choirs (Adult, Youth and Children)		
Mike Spainhour	498-9197	
Eucharistic Ministers:		
Mary Ann Egizio	529-0089	
Hospitality:		
Vicki Walker	498-8651	
Lectors:		
Nancy Calvert	498-9400	
Liturgical Environment:		
Rita Williams	744-9059	
Bread Bakers:		
Barb Scheufele	498-8378	
Baptismal Gowns		
Ruth Helling	529-4259	
Church Laundry		
Donna Spurlock		
RCIA Ministry		
Fr. Dean Probst	498-7133	
Deacon Tom Walker	498-8651	
CLOW (Liturgy of Word with Children)	498-9197	
Mike Spainhour/Frances Tomashavich		
Mass Coordinators:		
5:30 p Kathy Blasko	498-8465	
Monica Lower	498-0343	
Carmel Settles	498-8140	
Frances Tomashavich	529-1943	
8:00 a Conni & Wayne Hutchinson	529-4198	
Carlo & Jan Catalano	585-0555	
Brenda & Brian Will	498-6766	
Beth & Richard Yong	498-8864	
10:30 a Emma VanDyke	498-8386	
Vicki Walker	498-8651	
Jeannette Waters	529-7280	
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