

# Saint Cecilia



CHURCH

# CONNECTION

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Week of August 31, 2008

Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

## Celebration of the Eucharist

### Weekend Masses

- Saturday evening at 5 p.m.
- Sunday at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

### Weekday Masses

- Monday - Saturday at 9 a.m.

### Holy Days

- Check *The Connection*

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### Parish Council Meetings

Are held the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in Newcomb Friendship Hall. All meetings are open to parishioners as observers. Any registered parishioner interested in addressing the Council should contact the Chairperson's, Glenn & Karen Miller one week in advance of the meeting.

### Visit our Web site

For more information, visit our Web site at [www.stceciliasonline.org](http://www.stceciliasonline.org)



## LABOR DAY

Labor day is a holiday with an important purpose: It was established (in 1882) as a day to honor workers and work, and also a time to celebrate the contributions of the American Labor Movement. For many, Labor Day has become just another day off, an unofficial end to the summer season, and a time to buy school supplies, rather than a day to honor all laboring workers.

The moral dimensions of work and workers' rights are at the center of our Catholic social tradition. On Labor Day we should remember how our nation's economy and commerce, our standard of living, and even our "time off" are hard-won gains of workers organized to bargain for decent wages, working conditions, and benefits, such as vacation time and health care coverage. We should especially be aware of such benefits as many struggling companies today want or need to cut back on their costs.

A just compensation for our labor recognizes that human dignity is a gift from God. The right to work, earn decent wages, have safe working conditions, and to have a voice in decisions vital to the labor forces, are all vital objectives of workers, and have serious impact on their families.

So as we recognize Labor Day, it is still appropriate to celebrate it as a holiday to be enjoyed, but remember to give thanks in prayer for the gains, albeit imperfect, that have benefited our families.

## 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 31, 2008

"Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect." (Romans 12:2) How do we discern God's will? We discover God's will for us - our **vocation** - through an intimate and prayerful relationship with Jesus.

**Office of Vocation Awareness** 585-461-2890/ [www.dor.org/vocations](http://www.dor.org/vocations)

## Rosary For An Increase in Vocations Scheduled

A Rosary for an increase in vocations to the ordained priesthood in the Rochester Diocese will be held **Thursday, September 18, 7:30 p.m.** at Saint Anne Church, 1600 Mt. Hope Ave. Rochester. Father William Leone, Pastoral Administrator of St. Cecilia's Church, Irondequoit, will offer reflections on the Sorrowful Mysteries. Father Dennis Bonsignore, Chaplain at Monroe Community Hospital, will preside. The Rosary is the fourth in a series sponsored by the Blessed Damien of Molokai Council of the Knights of Columbus. Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament will conclude the evening. Contact Bernie Dick 334-5338 or [tripster@rochester.rr.com](mailto:tripster@rochester.rr.com) for more information.



## PARISH PICNIC

Will be held on **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH** in Newcomb Friendship Center from **1:00 to 4:00 p.m.** Rain or Shine! We will provide **FREE** hot, hamburgers, salads, potatoes, baked beans, soda and coffee. A baked sale will be hosted by the Ladies Guild and ice cream can be purchased. Please return your raffle tickets in the collection basket, the mail, or bring them to the parish office to have an opportunity to be a **WINNER**.

Please pray for our beloved deceased:  
*Harold Tellex & Olga Colon*

**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, September 1**  
9:00 For our Parishioners  
**Tuesday, September 2**  
9:00 Rose Scarantino—  
M/M Richard A. Zona, Sr.  
**Wednesday, September 3**  
9:00 Thomas Tehan—  
Tom & Karen Carroll  
**Thursday, September 4**  
9:00 Wilfrid & Catherine  
McConnell—  
Jim & Betty  
**Friday, September 5**  
9:00 Catherine Moretti—  
Fran Ardilio  
**Saturday, September 6**  
9:00 Amedeo & Cesare Cristillo—  
Anna Cristillo  
2:00 Wedding of Jean Ferrara &  
Kevin Spindler  
5:00 Anna DiRienzo—  
Husband & Family  
**Sunday, September 7**  
8:30 Samuel Spallina—  
St. Cecilia's Ladies Guild  
11:00 Valentino Tanzi—  
Wife & Children

**Change in Office Hour Schedule**  
The Parish Office will no longer be open on **Saturday's** starting **August 30**. The hours are **Monday through Friday 8:30AM until 4:00PM**.


**Miraculous Medal Novena**  
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Family Novena will begin at Christ the King Church on **Tuesday, September 2nd** and continues for nine consecutive **Tuesday evenings at 7pm**. The Novena includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Novena Prayers, Veneration of the Relic of St. Catherine Laboure, Scripture Reading followed by a brief homily and Benediction with Deacon Bill Schmitz presiding. Please join us for this special devotion to our Blessed Mother.

 **BINGO**  
**Every Friday Night**  
Doors open 5:00 PM  
Games begin 7:30 PM  
Handicap Accessible

**Memorial Fund**  
We are grateful for donations in Memory of: **Harold Tellex** from St. Cecilia's Ladies Guild, Lou & Sally Lanzi, Gary & Lucy Gaston, George & Eleanor Nientimp, Ms. Virginia Wendelgass, June Habes, Betty Maher, Frank & Evelyn DePeters, Joan Stiegler and Peter & Anne Kelderhouse

**Faith Formation Basket Raffle**  
Once again the Faith Formation Committee will be holding its annual fundraising "themed" basket raffle to help us purchase enrichment materials for the religious education for parishioners of all ages. These beautiful baskets will be raffled at the parish picnic on **Sunday, September 7**. If you would like to donate a "special" basket to include in our raffle to help increase our potential profits, please call Ann at 467-4286 x105.

**Faith Formation Class Registration**  
To aid in accurately planning for teachers, classroom space, textbooks and supplies purchasing, please register your children for classes pre-school (age 4) through grade eight right away. Your help with this will be greatly appreciated. Forms are available in the Parish Office.

**Sunday Offering**  
  
Envelope User..... \$ 6,073.50  
Non-Envelope Users .....\$ 656.00  
Children.....\$ 12.00  
**TOTAL.....\$ 6,741.50**  
**Thank you for Your Generous Support!**

**Banns of Marriage**  
**I Laurie Beebe and William Kiley III**  
**II Kristi Noto and Aaron Mindel**  
**III Jean Marie Ferrara and Kevin Michael Spindler**

**LADIES GUILD INSTALLATION DINNER**  
All ladies of the parish are invited to the Ladies Guild dinner on **Thursday, September 11 at 6:00 P.M.** in Newcomb Friendship Center. Buffet dinner will include Lemon Chicken Primavera, Pulled Pork w/BBQ sauce, Pasta w/Broccoli, eggplant rollups, potatoes, salad, dessert and much more. Cost is only \$8.00. **RESERVATIONS NECESSARY**. Call Joan at 467-4622 or Carol at 482-6299 by **Saturday, September 6**.

DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY
Sun., 8/31		
Mon., 9/1		<b>OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY</b>
Tues., 9/2	8:30 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	MCR MCR Church Room 109 Room 111 Newcomb Center
Wed., 9/3	9:30 am 4:30 pm	MCR MCR
Thur., 9/4	12:00 noon 7:00 pm	Newcomb Center Room 109
Fri., 9/5	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Youth Room Newcomb Center
Sat., 9/6	7:00 pm	Newcomb Center
Sun., 9/7	1:00 pm till 4:00 PM	Newcomb Center

Collection Counting Team D— J. Sheridan  
Men's Club Executive Board Meeting  
Devotions to Mary  
Alanon Meeting  
AA Meeting  
Stewardship Committee Meeting

Bible Study Group  
Executive Board Committee Meeting

55+ Young at Heart Meeting  
The August Group

Youth Group  
**BINGO**

Euchre Tournament  
Donations for Food Cupboard

**PARISH PICNIC**  
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Dear Parishioners,



The Fourth Joyful Mystery of the Rosary, The Presentation, reminds us of two things. One, Joseph and Mary were poor, as the offering they made were two little birds, worth about a penny. And secondly, Simeon, that "upright man of careful observance", predicted that Jesus was "destined to bring about the fall of many and the rise of many in Israel". (Luke 2:34) With this prophecy, we learn that the Good News of the Gospel contains some unpopular guidance for the followers of Jesus. For example, we can see this in today's world when the Church upholds the sanctity of life from the moment of conception to natural death. The Church is not alone in its teaching, as many of our Jewish and Muslim brothers and sisters stand for the same values.

The difficult parts of the Gospel (turning the other cheek; loving our enemies, etc.) are somehow part of God's standards, as Jesus reminded Peter in today's gospel, and as Jeremiah discovered in today's first reading. In the end God's love, never really absent, will be recognized in victory. The Gospel story is really "Good News".

**A joke for the week:** Adam's phone number is Eden 281; Eve's phone number is Adam 812.

God bless you,  
Fr. Leone

**Building a Faithful Citizenship**

Today's Gospel calls us to *think as God does*. Jesus' life of selflessness, sacrifice for others, and unconditional love, gives us insight into how God thinks! Our U.S. Catholic Bishops help us understand this call in their pastoral, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*: "The Church equips its members to address political and social questions by helping them develop a well-formed conscience. Catholics have a serious and lifelong obligation to form their consciences in accord with human reason and teaching of the Church. *Conscience is the voice of God* resounding in the human heart and revealing the truth to us – calling us to do what is good while shunning what is evil."

**Reflection:** How can we prepare for the November elections? Are we willing to examine the facts about political and social questions of our day, study Sacred Scripture and the Catechism of the Church, pray to discern the voice of God?

**For Catholic and friends in their 20s and 30s: Theology on Tap**

"Jesus and Sexual Morality," how does our relationship with Jesus change how we look at issues of sexual morality? What is this idea called Theology of the Body? Sr. Karen Dietz, SSI, will lead our discussion! Join us for our last TOT of the year at Johnny's Irish Pub, 1382 Culver Rd on Wednesday, **September 3rd at 7:00 p.m.**

**MINISTRY & GREETER SCHEDULE: September 6 & 7**

	5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
<b>Lector</b>	P. Mura	K. Miller	C. O'Kane
<b>Commentator</b>	E. Petronio	G. Miller	W. George
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	C. DiNieri, M. Lylak, D. Pero, D&D. Schuler	G. & L. Gaston, J. Vidal, J. Crosby, K. Morgan	V. Magin, E. Byrnes, A. Colangelo, D. Thomas, J. Gugino
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Adam Smith Danielle Smith	Timothy Jordain Nichole Tumminelli	Taylor Michels David Michels
<b>Greeters</b>	Ken Walker Sr. Mariella Joan Cowan Jean Doud Margaret Lambert	Jo White Vera Gramlich Ann Zemel Suzanne Becker Noreen Van W	Lee Garcia Marie Campanella Jim Campanella Dave Yockel Rose Tanzi

**New Parishioners**—Welcome to St. Cecilia's! Please stop in at the Parish office to introduce yourself and register. We look forward to meeting you and your family.

**Celebration of Baptism**—The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on pre-arranged Sundays. Parents are required to have an interview with the Faith Formation Coordinator, Ann Kubiak at 467-4286 ext. 105.

**Celebration of Penance/Reconciliation** Saturdays at **4 p.m.** and at other times by appointment by calling the Parish office.

**Celebration of Matrimony**—Couples planning to marry should contact the priest at the Parish office six months prior to their wedding date. Pre-Cana is required. Weddings will be scheduled only on Saturdays at 10 a.m., 12 noon and 2 p.m.

**Ministry to the Sick**—The Sacraments are available to those in need. Please call Mary Ann Noto.

**R.C.I.A.**—Interested in becoming a Catholic? Please contact Ann Kubiak at 467-4286 ext. 105.

**Pastoral or Liturgical Volunteer Opportunities**—Call Mary Ann Noto at 467-4286 ext. 106.

**Bequests**—In making out your will, kindly remember your Church. Our legal title is St. Cecilia's Church of Rochester, NY.

**Irondequoit Senior Ministries: 697-6322**  
**Good Samaritan Transportation: 336-1777**

**PLEASE NOTE:** All articles for the Connection need to be submitted to the Parish Office by the end of business on Monday's in order to appear in the following week's *Connection*.

**Jr. High Adventure Day**

**Who:** Grades 6—8  
**Where:** Camp Stella Maris  
**Date:** September 14  
**Time:** 10:00 AM until 3:00PM  
**Cost:** \$25.00 if pre-registered by **Sept 8** \$30.00 after **Sept 8th**. **Call Sara for more information at 467-4286 x 104 .**

**Super Saturdays**

**Mini Bible Stories for Children**

**Place:** St. Cecilia's Parish  
**Date:** Sept. 20 11:00AM—2:00PM  
**Ages:** 5-10 **Cost—Free**  
**Call Sara for more info at 467-4286 x 104**



**Autumn Wine Tasting**

**Saturday October 25th** featuring visit and wine tasting at Anthony Road Wine Company, lunch at Miller's Essenhaus Restaurant, visit and wine tasting at Dr. Frank' Winery and visit and wine tasting at Bully Hill cost \$70.00. Call Marlene Ferreri for more information and reservations @342-3928