



CONNECTION

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Week of November 16, 2008

Thirty Third 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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"Breakfast With Santa"

Mark your calendars and make your reservations because Santa is coming to St. Cecilia's for our fifth annual Breakfast With Santa on **Sunday, December 7** (9:30 – 11:00 a.m.) in the Newcomb Friendship Center.

Sixty children age ten and under are invited to share their "wish list" with Santa while moms, dads, grandparents, friends and neighbors join in the holiday spirit. Santa's elves will present each of these children a special pre-Christmas surprise and candy canes will be the treat of the morning. Digital photography will be available for a nominal fee.

Your breakfast tickets automatically qualify you a chance to win one of a number of door prizes that will be raffled. Additional raffle tickets will be available if you want to improve your odds of winning.

Advance reservations are needed to assure that the Committee has a plentiful supply of French toast, sausages, milk, juice and coffee for everyone. Pink reservation sheets are available at the entrances of the church, as a flyer in "*The Connection*" or in the Parish Ministry Office. These forms and payment need to be returned to Ann Kubiak by **Monday, December 1**. No tickets will be sold at the door. Any profit from this event will be used by the Committee to purchase enrichment educational materials for parishioners of all ages.

So, please join us for a delicious breakfast, some festive Christmas music and experience the joy of the season that only the smiling faces of children can provide. We also invite you to complete the morning by attending the very special Children's Advent Liturgy that will take place at 11:00 a.m., immediately following "Breakfast With Santa."



GIVING TREE

**PLEASE RETURN ON
NOVEMBER 22ND/23RD:
CANNED VEGETABLES AND FRUIT OR ANY OF THE
PREVIOUS REQUESTED ITEMS**

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.

Please pray for our beloved deceased:
Anthony Cardone & Libby Caceci

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 17
9:00 For our Parishioners
Tuesday, November 18
9:00 Mimma Pucci—
 M/M/ Joseph Cavallaro
1:15 Legacy @ Cranberry
Helen Rahn—
 Joseph Borzilleri
Wednesday, November 19
9:00 Robert Hoffman—
 Wife, Audrey
Thursday, November 20
9:00 Joseph DiSalvo—
 Tony & Jackie Grammatico
Friday, November 21
9:00 Tom & Virginia Marshall—
 Regina
Saturday, November 22
9:00 Betty Kelly—
 Daughter, Kath
5:00 Rosa Adorno—
 Ms. Teresa Gianvecchio
Sunday, November 23
8:30 Mastro Simone Family & Michael—
 M/M Salvatore Mastro Simone
11:00 Palermo, Marroco & Rosina DiSalvo—
 Maria Palermo & Family



Cathedral Community
"Spirit Alive"
Book and Gift Sale

There will be items for sale in Newcomb Friendship Center after each of our weekend Masses.

Parish Council Members

Members are asked to pick up their folders after Mass in the Sacristy for their meeting on Tuesday November 18, at 7 p.m. in Newcomb Friendship Center.



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 **Anthony Cardone** from *Marge & Duke Ryan*

Bible Blessing

As part of the spiritual renewal efforts in our diocese, we will have a Bible blessing at all Masses on the First Sunday of Advent, the beginning of the new church year. Please bring your Bible to the 5:00 Mass on **November 29** or to the 8:30 or 11:00 Mass on **November 30**.

If you do not have a Bible, or you would like a new one, we recommend the New American Bible, the translation used in the Catholic Church in the U. S. Also recommended are the following Bibles for young people: The Beginner's Bible (for ages 2-6); The Bible for Today's Family (for ages 7-13); and the Teen Study Bible –New International Version. These Bibles can be purchased from Amazon.com. Also, after each Mass this weekend (November 15/16) Bibles will be available for sale in Newcomb Friendship Center after each Mass.

Sunday Offering



Envelope User..... \$ 8,019.00
 Non-Envelope Users \$ 697.12
 Children's..... \$ 13.00

TOTAL..... \$ 8,729.12

Thank you for Your Generous Support



Baptism
November 16

We welcome
Michael James Martell,

son of Michael and Michele Martell to our faith community

St Ann's Community

Please join Us for a Card and Game Party. Play cards, dominos, or board games. Hosted by **St. Ann's Angels** All proceeds to benefit Annie's Angel Fund. The date is **Wednesday, November 19, 10:30am – 3:30 pm Penfield Country Club 1784 Jackson Rd. Penfield, NY** \$30 per person includes lunch and one raffle ticket. For more info call Chris at 461-1166 or Barbara 697-6523.

DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY
Sun., 11/16	9:00 am till 1:00 pm	Newcomb Center Pancake Breakfast
	9:30 am	Room 111 Faith Formation Jr. High
	11:00 am	Room 105 Faith Formation Pre K & Kdgn.
	12:00 noon	Room 109 R.C.I.A.
Mon., 11/17	8:30	MCR Collection Counting Team B M. Ferreri
	12:00 pm	Newcomb Center AARP Safe Driving
	6:15 pm	All Rooms Faith Formation Grades 1—6
Tues., 11/18	7:00 pm	Church Devotions to Mary & Benediction
	7:00 pm	Room 109 Alanon Meeting
	7:00 pm	Room 111 AA Meeting
Wed., 11/19	9:30 am	MCR Bible Study
	12:00 pm	Newcomb Center AARP Safe Driving
Thur., 11/20	2:00 pm	Newcomb Center Outreach Committee Meeting
	7:00 pm	Room 109 The August Group
Fri., 11/21	3:30 pm	Newcomb Center Drumming with Fr. Peter
	7:00 pm	Youth Room Youth Group
	7:30 pm	Newcomb Center BINGO
Sat., 11/22		
Sun., 11/23	9:30 am	Newcomb Center Coffee Hour hosted by Parish Council
	9:30 am	Room 111 Faith Formation Jr. High
	9:30 am	Room 109 Faith Formation Committee Meeting



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Sunset House Volunteers Needed

Sunset House is looking for caring and compassionate people to share some of their time as a volunteer. The shifts are available in 4-hour segments, or as much time as you are able to give.

Sunset House provides comfort care for residents through their last three months of a terminal illness. Since opening our doors in 1990, we have cared for nearly 400 people in our home-like setting with privacy and dignity. Our nursing staff and trained volunteers are caring individuals who help both residents and family members accept and adjust to the end of life with peace and serenity.

Our volunteers are our strength and our heart and we cannot offer this service without them. Please consider giving Sunset House a try. Call us at 467-3524 or check our [web site at www.sunsethouse.info](http://www.sunsethouse.info). There will be an **Open House** on **November 23, 2008** from **1-4PM** for anyone interested in touring our comfort care home. Thank you for your support over the years and we look forward to hearing from you.

MINISTRY & GREETER SCHEDULE: November 22 & 23

	5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Lector	P. Mura	D. Morgan	S. Flynn
Commentator	E. Petronio	C. Milligan	D. Flynn
Eucharistic Ministers	M. Lylak C. Warren C. DiNieri D. Pero D. Warren	B. Kraemer S.Morgan G. Gaston L. Gaston A. Kelderhouse	J. Staffieri V. Magin B. Bloss G. George K. Bloss
Alter Servers	Nicole Kalpin Allison Farnung	Brandon Mackey Dillon Mackey	Anna Marshall Gerry Caso
Greeters	Joan Stiegler Sister Mariella Carol DiNieri Jean Doud Dorothy Vinci	Evelyn DePeters Rose Mulley Anne Zemel Noreen Van W Yoldanda Ingrassia	Angie Mancuso Mary Alice Meyers Bill Gambacurta Pat Gambacurta Ida Brockman

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.

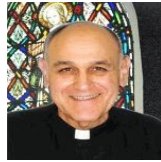
Irondequoit Senior Ministries:
697-6322

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*.

Dear Parishioners,



The election of 2008 is finally over! With the election of a pro-abortion President, we as Catholic Christians have grave concerns over the "Life Issues", especially abortion. I would like to share with you words of counsel from Cardinal Sean O'Malley of Boston, MA. The Cardinal says: "One of the challenges facing us as Catholics is how we communicate—to our own people and to the larger community—that the question of abortion and the immorality of abortion is not simply a matter of the Church trying to impose Church Doctrine on other people in a pluralistic society. Rather it is our firm conviction that abortion, like murder or racism, is a crime against humanity and a violation of the Natural Law that flows from who we are as human beings and that can be identified through reason. That is why the Church feels very comfortable advocating for the Gospel of Life. We are not insisting that they embrace the Catholic faith, but we are insisting that they defend human rights." And so we must pray for our new President Barack Obama. True, he has a record of supporting abortion. But God can use his election to the Presidency to change his mind. Also, God can use President Obama's support of abortion to motivate and mobilize forces in the country that could rid the U.S.A. of this evil. God's ways are not our ways! Remember that it was the obstinacy of the Egyptian Pharaoh that God used to liberate the Hebrews from slavery. (Exodus: Chapters 7-14) This lesson is worth meditating on again. Nothing will frustrate the "Saving Will" of God for humanity. It may take a long time! But do not despair. Keep up your prayers and the witness of your life to what is good and right. Have hope, pray and work.

Remember, because a law makes it legal to jump off tall buildings, you do not have to do so!

The power to end abortion is within the grasp of each of us. Offer love and support to any woman who has conceived a child. Offer comfort and guidance to any woman who has had an abortion, so that she might find peace and healing in her life.

**God Bless you all,
Father Leone**

Quote for the week: "Christ's work was done by being left Undone".

Gerard Manley Hopkins

**Building Faithful
Citizenship for
November 16, 2008**

National Public Radio recently aired a story about California neighbors who came together to watch the presidential debates. The variety of political viewpoints present, coupled with the desire to remain neighborly led to interesting but very respectful dialogue - each person had to resist the urge to make unflattering comments about opposing candidates. One neighbor said that she had never felt as patriotic as she did after participating in these gatherings.

Reflection: In today's second reading, St. Paul describes us as "children of the light and children of the day." As followers of Jesus, how can each of us work to bring healing to a divided country? Can we let go of labels, "Democrat" or "Republican", and become Americans working to build a nation governed with compassion and justice?

**33rd Sunday in Ordinary
Time –
November 16, 2008**

"Well done, my good and faithful servant." Those are the words we all hope to hear when our earthly journey has ended, aren't they? How is your vocation journey going? Are you maintaining a prayerful conversation with God to help you discern how to best use your gifts? Would you like to talk with someone about a possible Church vocation?

Call the **Office of Vocation Awareness** 585-461-2890/
www.dor.org/vocations

St. Cecilia's School **Third Annual Alumni Mass and Reception** will be held on **Saturday, November 29, 2008**. Alumni Mass at 5:00 p.m. Reception at 6:00 p.m. in Newcomb Friendship Center. Refreshments will be served.

Friendships and memories to be shared for the Classes of 1952 to 1992. For more information contact Dorothy at 585-342-0587.

National Collection for The Catholic University of America

The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to 6,000 students every year. Next week is the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Every dollar given directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country, including ours. Please be generous.

**SAVE THE DATE
APRIL 25, 2009**

**St. Ann's
Adult Day Centers**

St. Ann's Community, Rochester's premier provider of Senior Services, invites you to visit their three Adult Day Centers in Penfield, Irondequoit, and Rochester that benefit older adults with memory problems, decreased functioning, chronic illness, depression, or social isolation. Family caregivers also receive much needed rest. To learn more about the Home Connection in Irondequoit, Home & Heart at the Cathedral, and Home & Heart of Penfield and to register for a complimentary day call 697-6361 or visit www.stannscommunity.com

December 6th

A special breakfast with guest speaker **Marangely Gonzalez**

Sponsored by Magnificat Rochester, A ministry to Catholic women, at the RIT Inn and Conference Center 5257 West Henrietta Road
9:30 a.m. till noon
Tickets: \$15; students \$10; Clergy and Religious are free.
For more information or reservations, call Kathy Murty @436-1284



**Creative
Beginnings Child
Care, Inc.**

Creative Beginnings Child Care, Inc. is located in the St. Cecilia's school building. We are a non-profit child care, offering services for families with children ages 6 weeks to 12 years. Currently we have openings in all age groups. We would love for you to check us out! We provide quality child care with loving dedicated staff. Enroll and receive after two weeks attendance:

- A refunded registration fee
- A 10% weekly fee discount until January 1st, 2009!
- Currently a CBCC family? Refer a family and receive a \$20.00 Wegmans Gift card.

Visit us today or call for an appointment 323-2650



**Holiday Night
Out For Ladies!**

Christ the King School invites all ladies to join us on **Tuesday, November 18 from 6:00 – 10:00** for some holiday shopping. Tickets for this event are \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. Over 30 vendors will be present to purchase from: items include jewelry, purses, toys, hair accessories, Tupperware and many other goods that make great Christmas gifts. Come out and enjoy some hors d'oeuvres and wine while you shop. And maybe even win a door prize!

**National Memory
Screening Day 2008**

In recognition of National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month, we will be offering free confidential memory screenings to the public on **Tuesday, November 18**, at St. John the Evangelist Church on Humboldt Street from **9:00 am until 3:00pm**. For more information call 288-5000.



Kate's Gift Shop

Kate's Gift Shop at the Sisters of Mercy Motherhouse, 1437 Blossom Road, has lovely, inexpensive gifts you may not find elsewhere. The shop has many items of a religious nature including gifts for Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion. Alongside these are greeting cards, bibles, spirituality books, handmade baby gifts, the Willow Tree angel series, and beautiful candles made from recycled wax by two Sisters of Mercy. All proceeds benefit the ministries of the Sisters of Mercy. Come visit and see for yourself!

Bring this Bulletin Along for 20% off one item.

Hours Tuesday—Friday 11:00am till 4:30pm phone# 288-2710 ex 119



MITTEN CLUB

St. Cecilia's Mitten Club is in need of anyone interested in knitting scarves and mittens to be given as gifts for our Giving Tree. We will furnish the yarn if you need it. For more information, call Dorothy at 342-0587.

***This Christmas,
Give a Gift of Enlightenment***

Offer someone you love an opportunity to explore the Catholic faith in an enriching program at St. Bernard's.

Gift certificates now available!

Call 585-271-3657 x289 or go to <http://www.stbernards.edu/form/giftcertif.asp>
Gift certificates can be purchased in any amount starting at \$25 and can be applied to the cost of any Spring or Summer 2009 course or program sponsored by St. Bernard's.
Lecture \$10— \$25 ~ Workshop \$25— \$60 Certificate course \$100 ~ Graduate course \$1,400

Men's Club

20/20 Tickets are now available from the Men's Club. If you forgot your ticket supplier, call Ray Stone @ 266-2524 or Sam Tripani @ 342-8560

When You Care Enough...to love the very best in your marriage, treat yourselves to a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend, **December 5-7, Holiday Inn, Batavia. John & Belinda Brasley, 585-719-9848, johnandbel@aol.com**

Updating Records

Please notify Parish Office if you have a change of address, change of telephone number, or any other information related to your current records on file. Call 467-4286x100.