

Notes from
Fr. Dean



This week we are called to action regarding the dignity and respect for life in prayer, financial assistance and correspondence with legislators. See the three immediate items:

SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY for the People in Haiti.

We will be taking up a special (second) collection this weekend to provide assistance to the people of Haiti through Catholic Relief Services of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Please be generous as we provide compassionate aid to those victims of the recent earthquake in Haiti.

URGENT REQUEST: Health Care Reform

Please read the insert and respond to our Bishops' request regarding the Healthcare Legislation. It is important that you contact your legislators this week.

RIGHT TO LIFE SIGNATURE CAMPAIGN and PRAYER VIGIL

The Springfield Area Right to Life will again sponsor a **signature campaign in the State Journal-Register**, to be published on January 25, 2010. If you would like your name included, please enclose a \$5.00 donation per entry (individual, or family or group), and sign the form on the bulletin board in church. Please participate and make a powerful statement affirming the Gospel of Life!

A **Prayer Vigil will be held January 22, 2010**, from **9:45 am – 4:45 pm**, outside Planned Parenthood, located at 1000 E. Washington Street, to pray for an end to abortion. Give 30 minutes of prayer to this cause. A sign up sheet is also available in the Church on the bulletin board.

BAPTISM: We welcome into our faith community, Katie Elizabeth Riedle, infant daughter of David & Tess Riedle and sister of Jamie, Lindsey, and Abby. Katie was baptized at the 5:30pm Mass Saturday, January 9, 2010.

WELCOME to our Parish: Gael & Liana Kent, 224 Twin Oaks Dr., Rochester, Illinois. Both are retired and moved to Rochester from Bradley, Illinois to be closer to family.

NOTICE OF VACANCY: Langdon Willis has given notice of his acceptance of a job with the State of Illinois and terminating his job as custodian with our parish. If you are interested in this part-time position, contact me or Sue Bozarth by 5 pm Tuesday, January 19. Also, the rectory housecleaner is no longer providing this service. If you are interested in cleaning the rectory (approx. 2-3 hours biweekly), contact Sue Bozarth.

2010 Mission Trip

Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

8:00 – Noon, Sunday, January 24
Adults \$5.00 Children \$3.00



HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK

Sunday – January 17

9:10 a PSR Classes
9:15 a RCIA Catechesis

Monday – January 18

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

5:00 p Rosary

Tuesday – January 19

9:00 a Counting Team #3: Foster, Spurlock, Ginter
7:15 a Rosary
8:30 a Morning Prayer
7:00 p K of C Meeting

Wednesday – January 20

7:30 a Rosary
8:30 a Morning Prayer
5:30 p Children's Choir Practice
6:30 p PSR Classes

Adult Faith Formation Class

7:30 p Adult Choir Practice

Thursday – January 21

7:15 a Rosary
8:30 a Morning Prayer

Friday – January 22

7:30 a Rosary
8:30 a Morning Prayer

Sunday – January 24

8:30 a - Noon Mission Trip **Pancake/Sausage Breakfast**
9:10 a PSR Classes
9:15 a RCIA Catechesis
6:30 p HS Electives

Ministers of Hospitality and Mass Coordinators

Does your family desire to be ministers of hospitality? Do you want to assist Father Dean and Deacon Tom as a mass coordinator? If so, Vicki Walker will be available to train you, after each of the three masses next weekend, January 23 – 24. If you are currently ministers of hospitality or mass coordinators and need clarification on procedures, Vicki can answer those questions at the same time. If you are unable to attend the training but still wish to serve the parish in one of these ministries, please contact Vicki at vwalker@rochesterstjude.com or 498-8651.

The Adult Faith formation group will meet this Wednesday, Jan 20th at 6:30 pm. This week we will be taking time to praying a healing rosary for our nation, the Catholic Church, our parishioner at St Jude and for the children of the parish. There is always room for more and there is always a need for prayer. Our gatherings are in Fathers' office. Everyone is invited to come join in; you don't have to have children in PSR to come. However we know how busy parents are so we have made this convenient for you, while you are waiting for PSR to get over come in and join us.

CATHOLIC TIMES – The special envelope in your monthly packet helps the parish to pay the parish invoice for the Diocesan *Catholic Times*. Your \$15 contribution helps our parish pay the invoice of **\$6,219.00** for this year. The *Catholic Times* keeps us informed on the vital issues that affect our faith as Catholics. Please help your parish by using your *Catholic Times* envelope!

LITURGISTS FOR NEXT WEEKEND – January 23-24

Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday 5:30pm	Sunday 8:00am	Sunday 10:30 am
Lector	McMinn / Settles / Deacon Tom	G&C Leach / Nelson	Walker / Hanke / Deacon Tom
Hospitality	McMinn / Merkley	Atkinson / Crawford	Bertrand / Deimel
Servers	Doherty Family	Palumbo / Parnell / Roland	Decker Family
Minister of Care	D&M Western / Settles	A&G Otten / Marx	Cornett / Foster / Decker
Mass Coordinator	Frances Tomashovich	Nancy Calvert	Joe Kohlrus
		Brian & Brenda Will	

Church Dusters for the week of January 18: Suzann Segatto and Mary & John Fox
Hospitality – Donuts – Next Weekend: No Donuts – Youth Mission Trip **PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST**
Art & Environment for next weekend: Rita Williams
Children’s Liturgy of the Word for next weekend: NO CLOW
Recycling Volunteers for January: Gleason Family
St. Martin’s Food Volunteers for January: Carlo Catalano

MASS INTENTIONS

Jan 16 Sat	5:30 p	John & Lorraine Blasko †
Jan 17 Sun	8:00 a	Anna Marie Bozarth †
	10:30 a	Our Parish Family
Jan 18 Mon	5:30 p	John & Lorraine Blasko †
Jan 19 Tue	6:45 a	Brian Probst (4 th birthday)
Jan 20 Wed	8:00 a	All Souls †
Jan 21 Thu	6:45 a	Helen Peifer Family †
Jan 22 Fri	8:00 a	Victims of Abortion
Jan 23 Sat	5:30 p	John Blasko †
Jan 24 Sun	8:00 a	Our Parish Family
	10:30 a	Jerome Hovey † (1 st Anniv.)

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

Daily Readings – January 17 – 24

Sun – Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 8-10; Acts 10:34-38; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
Mon -1 Sm 15:16-23; 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mk 2:18-22
Tue –1 Sm 16:1-13; 89:20, 21-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
Wed- 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6
Thu –1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12
Fri – 1 Sm 24:3-21; 57:2, 3-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19
Sat – 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21
Sun - Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21



Please pray for the sick

Maude & John Kenworth (Parishioners)
Ray Roland (parishioner)
Beverly Zimmerman (sister of Tom Bowen)
Mary Beth Vetter (sister of Teri Dambacher)
Barbara Barnett (niece of Joan Mavis)
Barbara Williams (mother of Doug Williams)

Shelli Crifasi – (daughter of Harold & Helen Morrow)
David King – brother & son of Deb, Mary Beth & Mary King
Mason Houser - Parishioner
Karen Redenbaugh – niece of Sue & Leroy Bozarth
 (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.)

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

	Year to Date	Last Week
Collection	\$151,916.16	\$ 4,456.00
Electronic Funds	\$ 28,339.28	\$
Bldg. Dev. Fund	\$ 11,176.14	\$ 752.00
EFT – Dev. Fund	\$ 3,136.00	\$
Poor Fund	\$ 567.47	\$ 19.00
Catholic Times	\$ 1,205.00	\$ 915.00

Children’s Stewardship: Collection \$ 18.13
 Among the deeds: made guests feel welcome; helped Grandma clean her house; helped Nona with shopping

Stewardship Message

“Everyone must give according to what he has inwardly decided; not sadly, not grudgingly, for God loves a cheerful giver.” (II Corinthians 9:7)

Annual Catholic Services appeal: Goal: \$35,000.00
 As of 12/22/09: 101 Contributors Pledged: \$15,964.00

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS were mailed last week. If you have any questions please call the parish office with your inquiries. Thanks to all who generously give of their time, talent and treasure to the mission of St. Jude Church. The 2009 contributions are:

376 of 501 households contributed.	
4: \$6,000-10,000	88: \$500-999
18: \$3,000-5,999	104: \$100-499
26: \$2,000-2,999	63: \$1-99
73: \$1,000-1,999	125: \$0

PASTORAL COUNCIL POSITIONS

Each year three persons are selected to serve on the Parish Pastoral Council for a three year term. The Pastoral Council which meets 7 PM on the first Monday of the month, offers counsel and/or recommendations to the Pastor regarding the pastoral activity of the parish.

If you are interested in serving or wish to nominate someone to serve on the Pastoral Council, contact Gary Helling or Fr. Dean Probst Monday, **January 25**. The names of those willing to serve on the Council will be placed in a bowl and three names will be drawn during the 5:30 pm Mass, Monday, **January 25**. The first meeting of the new Council will be February 8, 2009.

Advertiser of the Week

WILSON PARK FUNERAL HOME
 Rochester and Edinburg Phone: 498-7161

The St. Aloysius Spaghetti Dinner is Noon - 6:30 pm today, **Sunday, January 17**. The dinner includes spaghetti, meatballs, salad, breadsticks, dessert & drink for \$8 adults, \$6 seniors; \$5 for 5th-8th grade and under 5th grade, free).