

Notes from  
Fr. Dean



**SCRIPTURE:** The reading from the book of Nehemiah today is used frequently in the dedication of a church. As Ezra read from the Book of the Law, he instructed the people that "Today is holy to the Lord your

God. Do not be saddened this day for rejoicing in the Lord must be your strength." We rejoice for the Gospel of Luke tells us that the Spirit of the Lord is upon Jesus who announced the Year of Favor, and the Scripture of Isaiah being fulfilled in their hearing. When we hear the Word of the Lord, we can rejoice for the favor the Lord is upon us.

### Maintenance person: John Fox

This week I hired John Fox for the part-time position as maintenance person for the parish. He will take on the custodial and light maintenance duties for the parish. Since Don Werner left the parish several years ago, we have not had someone taking on the light maintenance duties. With the departure of Langdon Willis for a job with the state, it is opportune to have the custodial duties and maintenance duties are being combined under the direction of John Fox.

### Pastoral Council Selection

Three parishioners will be selected to serve on the Parish Council at the Monday evening Mass. Those who have indicated their willingness to serve on the Pastoral Council will have their names placed in a bowl and following the liturgy of the word the names of three people will be selected. The Pastoral Council meets on the first Monday of the month to offer recommendations and evaluations concerning the parish life and mission. The first meeting of the new Council is February 1, 2009. I am grateful to Teri Dambacher, Aaron Toliver, and Therese Vinson for their past year(s) of service on the Council.

### SPECIAL COLLECTION for the Haiti.

Last weekend we took up the collection for Catholic Relief Services to provide assistance to the people of Haiti, suffering from the devastating earthquake and aftershocks. If you missed the collection and/or want to do more, you can place an envelope in the collection, simply mark it Haiti Collection. I am grateful to the many people who generously responded to this appeal. The parish will be making a check of \$6,000 to this appeal.

### URGENT REQUEST: Health Care Reform

Congress continues to debate health care reform. Last weekend you received a flyer in the bulletin asking you to please contact your congressional representatives immediately asking them to oppose abortion funding and improve conscience protection, affordability for the poor and vulnerable, & access to health care for immigrants. The bishops have asked for our swift action and our prayers. Thank you for your help.

## 2010 Mission Trip



### Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

**TODAY in the Parish Hall.**  
**8:00 – Noon, Sunday, January 24**  
**Adults \$5.00 Children \$3.00**

## HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK

### Monday – January 25

8:30 a Morning Prayer  
9:00 a Counting Team #3: Foster, Spurlock, Ginter  
12:30-3:30 pm **Parish Office Closed for Staff Meeting.**  
5:00 p Rosary  
6:30 p Liturgy Committee Mtg.

### Tuesday – January 26

7:15 a Rosary  
8:30 a Morning Prayer

### Wednesday – January 27

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 28

7:15 a Rosary  
8:30 a Morning Prayer

### Friday – January 29

7:30 a Rosary  
8:30 a Morning Prayer

### Sunday – January 31

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 this 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](mailto:vwalker@rochesterstjude.com) or 498-8651.

**The Adult Faith formation group** will meet this Wednesday night Jan 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the Pastor's Office. We will pray for all the lives affected by the devastation from the earthquake and what we can do to help in some small way. Please come join us. Our prayers are needed for so many. As we learn and share, we can give by praying for others.

## LITURGISTS FOR NEXT WEEKEND – January 30-31

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
**Lector**  
**Hospitality**  
**Servers**  
**Minister of Care**  
**Mass Coordinator**

**Saturday 5:30pm**  
 Scheufele/Stefano/Tomashavich  
 Auxier/Ashbaugh  
 A & D Urbanckas  
 Freveletti/E&C McMinn  
  
 Kathy Blasko

**Sunday 8:00am**  
 Palumbo/Rayhill/Roland  
 J & N Calvert  
 Smith/Brandis/K&L Feraris  
 M&A Lafferty/Leach  
 Lenna DeGroot  
 Richard & Beth Yong

**Sunday 10:30 am**  
 J&C Biesiada/Deacon Tom  
 Garcia/Garland  
 Gadert/Houser/Walker  
 A&G Henson/D Lindstrom  
  
 Vicki Walker

**Church Dusters for the week of January 25:** Sue & Victoria Arnish and Carla Houser  
**Hospitality – Donuts – Next Weekend:** Roger & Mary Beth McClintock  
**Art & Environment for next weekend:** Rita Williams  
**Children’s Liturgy of the Word for next weekend:** Jeff Garland and Kim Garland  
**Recycling Volunteers for January:** Gleason Family  
**St. Martin’s Food Volunteers for January:** Carlo Catalano

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Jan 23 Sat** 5:30 p John Blasko †  
**Jan 24 Sun** 8:00 a Our Parish Family  
 10:30 a Jerome Hovey † (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)  
**Jan 25 Mon** 5:30 p Kay Johnston †  
**Jan 26 Tue** 6:45 a Leroy Santarelli †  
**Jan 27 Wed** 8:00 a Michael Catteau, Jr. †  
**Jan 28 Thu** 6:45 a Rose Cardoni †  
**Jan 29 Fri** 8:00 a Tony Antonacci †  
**Jan 30 Sat** 5:30 p Bill Sinkus †  
**Jan 31 Sun** 8:00 a Ken Feraris, Sr. †  
 10:30 a Our Parish Family

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

### Daily Readings – January 17 – 24

**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  
**Mon** - Acts 22:3-16; 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18  
**Tue** - 2 Tm 1:1-8; 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 1; Mk 3:31-35;  
**Wed** - 2 Sm 7:4-17; 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30; Mk 4:1-20  
**Thu** - 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; 132:1-5, 11-14; Mk 4:21-25  
**Fri** - 2 Sm 11:1-10, 13-17; 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34  
**Sat** - 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41  
**Sun** - Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15-17;  
 1 Cor 12:31–13:13 ; Lk 4:21-30

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

	Year to Date	Last Week
Collection	\$157,044.41	\$ 5,228.25
Electronic Funds	\$ 31,155.72	\$ 2,816.44
Bldg. Dev. Fund	\$ 11,292.14	\$ 116.00
EFT – Dev. Fund	\$ 3,444.00	\$ 308.00
Poor Fund	\$ 572.47	\$ 5.00
<b>Catholic Times</b>	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 345.00
<b>Haiti Collection</b>		<b>\$ 5,696.57</b>

**Children’s Stewardship:** Collection \$ 4.75

Among the deeds: take out the trash; gave my cousin a toy, comforted my cousin who was scared; helped make bed all week; gave up my bedroom for my aunt

**Stewardship Message**  
*“For your heart will always be  
 where your riches are.”* (Matthew 6:21)

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



### 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)  
**Mason Houser** - Parishioner

**Shelli Crifasi** – (daughter of Harold & Helen Morrow)

**David King** – brother & son of Deb, Mary Beth & Mary King

**Karen Redenbaugh** – niece of Sue & Leroy Bozarth

**Joe Hittler** – brother-in-law of Sarah Clare

**Bob Cooney** - parishioner & father of Jan Heissingner

(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.)

### Recommitment to Life

This Sunday afternoon at 2 pm, Mark Harrington, Midwest Region Director of the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform will make a presentation at the Illinois State Capital Rotunda. A reception will follow at the Howlett Building.

**RECYCLING FUNDRAISER:** Proceeds to Benefit the St. Jude Youth Mission Group. We are collecting unused cell phones, old digital cameras, laptop computers, radar detectors, inkjet cartridges, handheld game systems, etc.

### Advertiser of the Week

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