

February 17, 2013 First Sunday of Lent

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Pray..... Fast.....Give Alms

WE TEACH

Faith Formation Schedule

K-6 Feb. 17 No Gathering, Feb. 24 Special Project
Regular Sessions Mar 3, 10 & 17
7-12 will meet next on March 10, 4:30 to 7PM

WE GATHER

GOINGS ON....

Saturday 4:30 Eucharist (4PM Confessions)
 Sunday 10AM Eucharist
 11AM Conversation : Major Church Issues
 2PM Father Roy Bougeous:
 Albany- Reformed Church on New Scotland Ave
 Tuesday 10AM Liturgy of Wd/Communion—Adult Hm.
 8 PM AA Jaracz Hall
 Wednesday “State of Moral Theology” Peter Avvento
 at Our Lady of Annunciation, 7-9P
 Thursday 12N AA Jaracz Hall
 7-8P Bible Study..... Church
 Friday 9AM Eucharist
 6P / 7P Holy Cross Church Soup/ Stations
 Saturday 3P Guatemalan Mission Meeting—Convent
 4:30P Eucharist (4PM Confession)
Father Rich Broderick
 Next Sunday 10AM Eucharist
 11 AM Special Project K-6/
 First Reconciliation Retreat
 11A “Conversation:” Sin / Confession
 1:45-5PM Annual Lenten Reflection
 Vision of Vatican II: Being Church in a New Way

PLANNING AHEAD

February 27 and March 6, 13, & 20 Peter Avvento: Morality
 March 3 First Reconciliation 11AM... All Welcome
 “Wing Off “to benefit 2013 Youth Mission Trip
 March 8 Stations of the Cross—(Clown Ministry)
 March 17 2PM Courtly Music/ Recorder Band
 Celtic Concert and Dance at St. C’s
 \$10 donation for North Country Ministry

Next Sunday.....

Regional Lenten Gathering

Sunday, February 24, 1:45P to 5P
 at Our Lady of Annunciation (Exit 19, turn left)
Join with North Country Catholics....

Sponsored by NC C CAFE

(North Country Continuing Adult Faith Enrichment)



Presenters:

Sister Katie Eiffe csj and Sister Kate Arseneau csj

The Vision of Vatican II: Being Church in a New Way

What a great opportunity to give this some thought! This is the 50th Anniversary of Vatican II, and soon the beginning of the “reign” of a new pope. Let us learn and let us pray!!!!

Please pre-register with Gail DeMarsh at
 Northcountrycafe@gmail.com or 744-9241.
 Walk-ins welcome.. Pre-registration helpful..
 Free Will Offering



Wednesdays in Lent ... Peter Avvento

7-9PM At Our Lady of Annunciation

Exit 19, turn left, 1/4 mi. on left.... EASY!

➔ This Wednesday: 2/20

“The State of Moral Theology” - from the Moral Manuals to the Challenge of the Gospel

Next Wednesday: 2/27 “The Magisterium:” What is the teaching role and Responsibility of the Church?

WE WORSHIP

Mass Intentions

Saturday.. 2/16 4:30PM **Thomas Havens** Req. Renate Elber
 First Sunday of Lent 2/17 10AM **May and Robert Lamb**
 Req. by daughter, Margaret Carroll
 Friday ..2/22 9AM _____ Available
 Saturday 2/23 4:30PM **Peggy Phelps**
 Req. sister, Alice Damp
 Sunday 2/24 10AM _____ Available

Available Masses in the Future (Mass Donation is \$10)

Saturdays March 2, 16, April 6, 13, 20, 27
 Sundays February 24, March 10, 24, April 14, 21
 Fridays, all of them!

*Next Saturday, for
 Reconciliation and 4:30PM Eucharist,
 we welcome Father Richard Broderick
 as our presider and homilist.*

Father Rich was the guide and chaplain for the group of parish adults who recently traveled to Guatemala.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Sacred Heart Church

Every Wednesday, 8:30am – 9pm
 Chapel of Divine Mercy - Wednesdays 3pm.

Prayer Chain: Contact Alice Damp
 623-3618 or edaldamp@yahoo.com



The Tabernacle Candle burns in February
 In memory of **Thomas Havens**
 at the request of **Renate Elber.**

April 2013 Tabernacle Candle Intentions available

News from Neighbors

North Country Ministry 623-2829

3933 Main Street Clothing Center & Baby's Place
 9-12 Monday/ 9-12 Tuesday/ 1-4 Wed, Thursday, Friday

The Priory in Chestertown (www.prioryretreathouse.org)

Go to the web page for details or call 494-3733.

Transform Your Spiritual Life: March 2, May 11, June 29, 10A-3P.....Are you interested in how you can be an agent of healing and compassion in today's world? Join our popular book group and author Judy Cannato will show you how. Using her book, *Field of Compassion*, we will share our thoughts, questions, and concerns. This book, written with prophetic honesty, urges us toward global as well as personal change that is so needed today. We cover 4 chapters each session. *Connie Messitt, CSJ* Donaiton: \$45-55/session or \$125-135 for all 3 sessions.

Companions in Memory and Hope: Kateri Tekawitha and Marianne Cope Saturday, March 9, 10A-noon. Did you know that in October, 2012, these vital women from New York State were canonized as saints in Rome, Italy? Learn why remembering Marianne and Kateri can provide hope for today's world. This presentation will provide a reflection on their lives, their contribution to their world, and how they can continue to be an influence today. *Joanne St. Hilaire, CSJ* Donaiton: \$5-15.

“Come Away... And Rest Awhile.” Mark 6:31 (Seasonal Quiet Days) Fridays March 15 and June 21, 10A-3P.... Every busy person needs time away from his or her routine to rest and recharge. Are you one of those busy persons? Then, come to The Priory for a day to renew..... *Connie Messitt, CSJ* \$45-55.

Overnight Retreat for Young Women (College Age +), Come Away and Pray for a While, Friday February 22 (7PM) to Saturday, February 23 (4PM) Experience new ways to pray! Deepen some traditional forms of prayer! \$30 registration fee. Contact Sister Jeanne Marie Gocha at 518-783-3605; jgocha@csjalbany.org

WE SERVE

**ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR CHURCHES
 SERVING OUR NATIVE AMERICAN, BLACK,
 AND LATINO BROTHERS AND SISTERS
 WILL BE HELD THIS WEEKEND. THANKS!**

SHARING TIME AND TALENT

Thank you to **OJ Vonderhiede** for giving the parish car a jump start and for changing the terminal “things “ on the battery. Thank you to **Ed Gaiotti** for continuing his electrical updates in the church and for hanging the fire extinguishers to make the inspector pleased. Did you see the two wonderful articles in the Evangelist this past week? **Leigh Cain** wrote a super article about St. C's, and Angela Cave from the staff wrote a good article about the Guatemalan Trip. Many thanks to **Jim Hickson and Sean Cunniffe** for painting Sister Catherine's room, to **Barb and Clark Orton** for painting Sister Mary's room, and to **Bobby Jones (Steam America)** for stripping the floors. Thank you to the women of the parish who met to re-activate the “Ministers of Care” at St. C's: **Barb Orton, Irene Harrison, Vicki Sheldon, Pat Leonard, Sue Shepler.** Interested by unable to be present are **Marilyn Hayes, Alice Damp, Gail Lawson, and Renee Baker.**

SHARING TREASURE

Church Support = \$1912; Make-Up \$198
 Gifts \$177. Fuel = \$270;
 Youth Mission Trip = \$5; North Country Ministry \$55

Thank You

GUATEMALA

Through Barb Orton's Eyes....

I think what touched my heart the most were the children, their beautiful dark eyes, skin, and smiling faces. Despite the daily struggle of providing basic needs for their families, the Guatemalan people possess a true spirituality evidenced by daily prayer, song, and true celebration of God and the earth. I think they derive this strength from their close-knit families, the church, and from within the Mayan culture.

Over a period of many years, the Catholic Church has initiated several projects (schools, clinics, coffee, and reforestation) in an effort to reduce the suffering of our neighbors. These projects for the most part are now being taken over by the Guatemalan people themselves.

Our Central American friends don't want a “hand out”, but rather wish us to “walk and work” with them. How can we stand by and do nothing?

About Our Lenten Alms

The choice is yours.

Our beneficiaries will be:

RICE BOWL is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services which is the international ministry of the church equivalent to what we know locally as Catholic Charities.

And / Or

MITO HOPE AND HELP is the organization founded by our very own Cathy LaFond Evans. Mitochondrial disease affects her family, is little known or understood by doctors, and has few advocates. After Mass this weekend, Cathy will give us updates about progress since last Lent.

CICILIA is one of Mary Beth Gallagher's kids in Windhoek, Namibia. Our alms will enable Cicilia to go to school, have books, a uniform, shoes, and support all along the way. (You may want to sponsor a child on your own. The donation is \$150. Speak to SLH)

SAN LUCAS MISSION in Guatemala helps the people by running/supporting the parish, the school, farm, reforestation, a women's center, and welcoming persons like us so that we could learn how the rest of the world lives! They do mission work and education. **STOVES** for poor families in San Lucas. This is not what you are picturing in your mind. Right now, the poor cook over a small open fire inside their poorly constructed home. After a while, the inner roof and walls are covered in creosol, high inflammable. Solar stoves don't get hot enough for the tortillas. ☺

“Catholics at the Capitol” You are invited to join with other Catholics and the NYS Bishops on Wednesday, March 20, to advocate on behalf of the poor and vulnerable people of our communities. We will hear from experts on legislations, visit legislators, and stand together in solidarity. Before February 22, register online at www.nyscatholic.org. **Advocacy Issues:** #1 **Oppose the radical abortion bill which expands abortion and threatens religious liberty** #2 Preserve Catholic schools and provide equitable resources for all school children. #3 Ensure that Medicaid redesign provides benefit to consumers and does not diminish quality care #4 Develop affordable housing for low income and vulnerable populations #5 Support humane treatment for incarcerated individuals. Go to the website for details.& read bulletin inserts. .