

All Saints Church



Holy Cross Church



St. Anthony Church



August 6, 2017

THE TRANFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Rev. Daniel Ruiz-Sierra, Parochial Administrator
Mary Ann Kozak, Temp. Pastoral Administrator
Dcn. George Kozak, Parish Deacon

All Saints Parish

347 Ridge Road
Lansing, NY 14882
Ph: 607-533-7344
Fax/Parish Kitchen 607-533-8513
E-mail: lallsain@dor.org
www.allsaintslansing.org
Pastoral Staff
Andra Benson, *Faith Formation*
Julia Phillips, *Music Director*
Annette White, *Administrative Assistant*

Holy Cross Parish

375 George Road
Freeville, NY 13068
Ph: 607-844-8314
Fax: 607-844-8358
E-mail: dholycro@dor.org
www.holycrossdryden.org
Pastoral Staff
Mary Ann Kozak, *Pastoral Associate and Faith Formation*
Pat Brennan, *Youth Ministry*
RoseMarie Bobnick, *Secretary*
Jeanne Pellerin, *Organist*
Barb Ivers, *Choir Director*
Tom Stamp, *Facilities Maintenance*

St. Anthony Parish

312 Locke Road
Groton, NY 13073
Ph: 607-898-5135
Fax: 607-898-7608
E-mail: gstantho@dor.org
www.saintanthonygroton.org
Pastoral Staff
Mary Ann Kozak, *Pastoral Associate and Faith Formation*
Pam Senter, *Bus. Manager/Secretary*
Julia Phillips, *Music Director*
Danielle Miller, *Youth Ministry*
After hours emergencies, 898-4324

Sacramental Life

Baptism

Baptismal preparation is offered and required for parents of children to be baptized in our churches. Please contact the parish office for an initial interview and baptismal preparation.

Marriage

Couples must contact the parish office at least six months prior to the celebration. Marriage preparation prerequisites must be fulfilled before the celebration of marriage.

RCIA/RCIC

Those interested in becoming Catholic or wishing to complete their Christian initiation through the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist are asked to call the parish office.

Reconciliation (Confession)

1st Saturday at 10:30am at Holy Cross Church; 3rd Saturday at 3:00-3:45pm at St. Anthony Church; or by appointment at All Saints Church, Holy Cross or St. Anthony.

Sacramental Preparation

Please contact the Faith Formation office regarding preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Pastoral Care / Hospital Visitation

Please contact the parish office if you know of a parishioner who is sick, homebound, or hospitalized and who would appreciate Communion or a pastoral visit.

Liturgy Schedule and Mass Intentions

Saturday • August 5 (Lv 25:1, 8-17 Mt 14:1-12)

10:00am Mass at **Holy Cross** for Armin Wimmer by Betsy & Al Vought

4:30 pm Mass at **St. Anthony** for William Derenberger by Chuck & Eileen Rankin

Sunday • August 6 *The Transfiguration of the Lord (Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 2 Pt 1:16-19 Mt 17:1-9)*

8:30 am Mass at **Holy Cross** for Bob Luss by the Luss Family

10:00 am Mass at **St. Anthony** for Groton H.S. Alumni

10:30 am Mass at **All Saints** for Ward Adams by Ruth Adams and Family

Monday • August 7 (Nm 11:4b-15 Mt 14:13-21)

Tuesday • August 8 *St. Dominic, Priest (Nm 12:1-13 Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14)*

9:00 am Liturgical Service at **St. Anthony**

Wednesday • August 9 (Nm 13:1-2, 25- 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35 Mt 15:21-28)

9:00 am Liturgical Service at **Holy Cross**

Thursday • August 10 *St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr (2 Cor 9:6-10 Jn 12:24-26)*

9:30 am Liturgical Service at **All Saints**

Friday, August 11 *St. Clare, Virgin (Dt 4:32-40 Mt 16:24-28)*

Saturday • August 12 (Dt 6:4-13 Mt 17:14-20)

4:30 pm Mass at **St. Anthony** for Gerald Carey by Norm & Muriel Bartlett

Sunday • August 13 *Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-33)*

8:30 am Mass at **Holy Cross** for Jim Dineen by Lee McGill

10:30 am Mass at **All Saints** for Dr. Luis Munchmeyer by Cierra Anderson



A NOTE FROM DCN. GEORGE . .

You may be aware of the motion picture, “Dunkirk,” which is playing in theaters all over the country this week. It tells the true story of the events in May of 1940 when German forces invaded France and trapped 350,000 British (including soldiers from India), French, Polish and Belgian troops on the beaches of Dunkirk, France. It was obvious that the Germans were going to wipe out the Allied forces. If that happened, England would have been unable to defend itself and would quickly fall to Nazi Germany. A British Naval Officer was able to telegraph a brief three word phrase to London: “But if not.”

The phrase may not mean much these days, but those who received the message knew immediately what it meant. The phrase is from the Bible. It comes from my favorite passage in the Bible, which is the story of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego from the Book of Daniel.

The Book of Daniel tells the story of Daniel and other Jewish men and women, who were captives of the Babylonian Empire from 605-539 BC. In one story, King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon orders everyone to bow down and worship his statue. Three Jewish youths (Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego), who are serving in his court, refuse to do so. The King tells them that if they do not obey, he will throw them into a fiery furnace. In response, the three reply: “Our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. *But if not*, let it be known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up. (Daniel 3:17-18)”

I have always loved this quote because it really represents what faith is. The three men have faith in God and believe that He will save them, but even if He doesn’t, they will remain true to their beliefs.

The soldiers at Dunkirk were making the exact same profession of faith. They believed that they would be rescued, *but if not*, they would not give in. In response, a flotilla of fishing boats, sail boats, and merchant marine ships came and rescued the majority of the soldiers. A calm sea and a high mist, that interfered with German planes, added to the “Miracle of Dunkirk.”

When things look hopeless and when troubles plague you, don’t lose hope. God is there for you, and if things don’t turn out the way you wish, remember the lesson of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego (and the soldiers at Dunkirk) to remain faithful and never give up.

God Bless,

Deacon George



GOOD NEWS

Our walk with Jesus is full of contrasts: human and divine, grace and nature, sin and mercy.

The Transfiguration by Raphael Sanzio, like the Scripture that inspires it, is also full of contrasts. The composition is in two registers. Up above we have the heavenly glory of Christ enveloped in a fantastic aura of divine light symbolizing his divine Sonship. The power of the experience leaves the disciples prostrate while the two Old Testament figures of Moses and Elijah float in suspended adoration. Down below, we have the other apostles, dealing ineffectively with a possessed boy. There is obvious chaos, with fingers pointing everywhere and faces turning in all directions. There is the serenity of heavenly white against the diabolic and earthly darkness. This contrast is present in our own lives. We feel a call to the beauty of God’s life, we want it wholeheartedly, and we resolve to make that beauty a reality. But we also know that when we come down the mountain and into our daily lives, we struggle with confusion, temptation, and earthly concerns. It is easy in Christ’s glorious presence, but when we get into traffic, our offices, or the trials of raising toddlers or teenagers, it isn’t so simple. Here is where we need the power of God’s mercy and love. Peter wanted to stay in Christ’s presence and enjoy it, soak it up, remain, and never go down the mountain again. He heard the Father’s voice, knew he should listen to the Son, and was resolved to do so! Although he wants to stay, listen, and learn, Christ touches him and tells him to not fear, get up, and get going. We need to go down the mountain and into our lives. That is where the faith and love we learn from Jesus in prayer is needed. He lets us see his glory so we can go down and bring that glory into a needy world.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

ask Padre

Now that I’m retired and my kids are grown I’m feeling directionless. Even my faith life doesn’t feel like it used to. How can I recapture a feeling of purposefulness in my faith?

People may long for liberation from their job and for an “empty nest” at home; yet, when some find it, they lose a clear sense of identity, purpose, or fulfillment. This loss can lead to depression, but many people are unable to name it or cope with these life-changing realities. Is getting through the day more exhausting than a full day’s work before your retirement? Do you prefer to live in the past? Are you burdened with lingering feelings of guilt or regret that need healing? Do you feel like a burden? What are your reasons for living? Faith and spirituality are connected to the physical, mental, and emotional dimensions of our life. It is often easier to recapture vitality in faith when we recapture a purpose in other dimensions of life. Volunteer for a worthy cause. Balance your active outreach with introspection. Go on a retreat and reflect on what you’re grateful for. Your relationship with the Lord in prayer may be affected by your lack of direction and purpose, but even a persistent emptiness in prayer can be an opportunity to have God fill the void—by focusing more on God than on what’s presently lacking in your life.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

CALENDAR

PASTORAL ADMINISTRATOR OFFICE HOURS

Mondays at Holy Cross 9:00am—12:00pm

Mondays at All Saints 1:00—3:00pm

Tuesdays at St. Anthony 9:30am—3:00pm

Wednesdays at Holy Cross 9:30am—3:00pm

Thursdays at All Saints 9:00am—12:30pm

Thursdays at St. Anthony 1:00pm—3:00pm

E-mail: MaryAnn.Kozak@dor.org

ALL SAINTS PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon. 1:00-4:00pm Tues./Thurs. 9:00am-1:00pm

HOLY CROSS PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon./Wed. 8:00am-12noon Fri. 1:00-5:00pm

ST. ANTHONY PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon.—Thurs. 8:00am—2:00pm

DEACON OFFICE HOURS

by appointment

E-mail: George.Kozak@dor.org

Sat., Aug. 5 Rosary 5:30am @ **St.A.**
Sun., Aug. 6 The Transfiguration of the Lord
 Donut Day 9:30am @ **H.C.**
 Groton H.S. Alumni Mass 10:00am @ **St.A.** (& reception)
Mon., Aug. 7 BINGO 7:00pm @ **A.S.**
Tues., Aug. 8 Liturgical Service 9:00am @ **St.A.**
 Adoration 7:00pm @ **H.C.**
Wed., Aug. 9 Liturgical Service 9:00am @ **H.C.**
Thurs., Aug. 10 Liturgical Service 9:30am @ **A.S.**
Sat., Aug. 12 Knots of Love 10:00am @ **A.S. Parish Center**
Sun., Aug. 13 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A LOOK AHEAD:

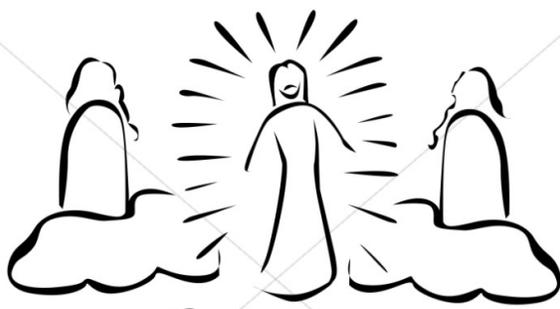
Aug. 14 Holy Day Vigil Mass 6:00pm @ **H.C.**
Aug. 15 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary — Holy Day
 Mass 9:00am @ **St.A.**
 Mass 5:00pm @ **A.S.**
Aug. 26 **St.A.** Pie Sale on Groton Old Home Days @ Am. Legion
Sept. 8-10 **St.A.** A 12th Annual Combo Fundraiser

PASTORAL CARE PHONE NUMBER

⇒ **New!** 607-342-7969 (Mary Ann's direct line)

PASTORAL COUNCIL E-MAIL

ashcsacouncil@gmail.com



Transfiguration of the Lord

REMEMBER THE CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

Our will should reflect
who we are
and who we love.

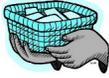
Is God in your will?

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR: August 12 & 13, 2017

Mass Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Altar Servers	Greeters / Ushers	Gift Bearers	Sacristans
4:30 pm Saturday ST. ANTHONY	Ed Neuhauser Bill Rohde	Irene Gutchess Ed Neuhauser Nursing Home MaryAnn Beno	Wyatt Miller Alexa Miller	Julie Martin Mark Robinson	Perkins Family	Dcn. George
8:30 am Sunday HOLY CROSS	Lisa Schug Alexandria Gonzalez	(C) Pat Brennan (C) Dcn. George (H) Kathy Muller	Ben Maza Armando Gonzalez	Barney Schug George Muller		Oak Hill Marshall Dineen
10:30 am Sunday ALL SAINTS	Ann Mares Tom Watts	(C) Christine Hass (C) Ed Pasto (C) <i>Choir:</i> Deacon George (C) <i>Choir:</i> Anne Drake	(Cross) Louis Mauleon (Altar) Monique Mauleon Carter Watts	Julie Berens Charlie Watts Connor Watts Carter Watts	Nursery No Nursery	

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

July 30, 2017 (Week 5)		
All Saints Church Attendance (Adults): 93 (Children): 31	\$ 3,009.00	
Holy Cross Church Attendance (Adults): 80 (Children): 10	\$ 1,555.00	
St. Anthony Church Attendance (Adults): 62 (Children): 8	\$ 1,708.50	

Church bills don't take a summer vacation. Thank you for making up your back envelopes !



STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, and in today's Gospel reading we hear it proclaimed that on Mount Tabor, Peter, James, and John caught a glimpse of Jesus' divinity strong enough to strike fear into their hearts. The event took place shortly after Peter's confession of faith that Jesus was, indeed, the Messiah. In today's second reading from Peter, we hear his personal testimony. This comes from a man who spent more than three years with Jesus. Peter witnessed his humanity. He saw Jesus hungry, tired, and finally, rejected and crucified. But he also saw Jesus feed the 5,000, walk on water, heal the sick, and raise the dead. He saw Jesus in his glory when he was transfigured. He saw Jesus risen from the dead and ascend into heaven with the promise that he is coming again in power and glory. How strong is the stewardship of our own faith? Do we accept Peter's apostolic witness to Jesus as Christ? Does this testimony help us acknowledge and trust Christ Jesus as our Lord and savior?

DIocese OF ROCHESTER — FINANCIAL FRAUD HOTLINE

Any concerns related to financial fraud can be reported anonymously to the **Financial Fraud Hotline: 1-800-388-7177 x1266.**

Reports may also be made in writing to: Internal Audit Dept., Diocese of Rochester, 1150 Buffalo Rd., Rochester, NY 14624

ELECTRONIC DONATIONS

Did you know that the simplest way to make sure your donations are received whether or not you are in town is to sign up for your bank's Web Bill Pay? This is a free service at **most** banks, and they will mail a check to your parish office on a schedule you choose for the amount you set. Use your parishioner number (on your envelopes) for your "account number."

Use your envelopes to teach your children the importance of giving to support the church; ask them to put a percentage of their allowance (even if just a dime!) in the envelope and drop it in the basket.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR OUR SICK & SHUT-INS



Fr. Daniel Ruiz-Sierra, Angelo Alaimo, Elaine Apgar, Jane Baldwin, Pamela Barnes, Ginny Bradshaw, Ron Bradshaw, Chrissy Bravo-Cullen, Karen Brown, Phyllis Campbell, Ian Charles, Donna Cocca, Richard Compton, Paul Conklin, Robert Deely, Jerica Duso, Lois Fahey, Pat Fairbank, Mary Falise, Gordon Gladden, Amy Grosser, Charlene Haskell, Kirsten Hess, Nimr Ibrahim, Autum Kenyon, T.J. Keegan, Diane Kimmich, Steve Kletjian, Dorothy Kubinski, Tudy Leitch Tate MacDowell, Marcus Martinez, Leah Mayor, Emma Mazingo, Joe McCarey, Betty McCarey, Chris Montreuil, Sara Morse, Barb O'Sullivan, Jim Oswald, Don Palmer, Karen Randolph, Geraldine Rankin, Hank Roberts, Beth Schwab, Emilee Searle, Diane Senecal-Shields, Eleanor Sorbello, Lucy Steger, Ethel Thomas, Melanie Toolan, Vicky Toro, Maria Unterreiner, Ellen VanSlyke Batzer, Sharon Vincent, Gary Vrabel, Richard Weiss, Jocelyn Woods, and several Special Intentions.

ALL SAINTS BOOK OF INTENTIONS



Our prayers from our Book of Intentions during the Mass on July 30 were: For the safety of all travelers / For the repose of the soul of B.J. Schnock, who died / For my daughters / For all those struggling with the addiction and their families / For the recovery of my friend Abby from a stroke / For the repose of the souls of my cousins Rita and Judy / For my special friend / For several people with cancer (especially Michelle) and their medical teams and families / For all those seasonally ill and for those away from God to come back / For our granddaughter / For my parents / For the healing of Betty Fedorka, Carl Nedrow and Chuck Benson .

FR. DANIEL'S ADDRESS

Fr. Daniel is recovering from his surgery at the Mother House of the Sisters of Saint Joseph in Pittsford. If you would like to send a Get Well card, the address is:

Rev. Daniel Ruiz-Sierra
 Sisters of Saint Joseph of Rochester Motherhouse
 150 French Rd.
 Rochester, NY 14618



FR. ELOO'S ADDRESS

Rev. Malachy Nwosu
 St. Marianne Cope Parish
 3318 E. Henrietta Rd.
 Henrietta, NY 14467





The people of All Saints, Saint Anthony's, and Holy Cross are a Roman Catholic Community that joyfully embraces our baptismal call to worship God, to preach the Good News of Christ, to teach through Word and sacrament, to build the community of faith and hope in the Holy Spirit, and to serve those who are our neighbors, especially those in need. As pilgrims nourished by the Eucharist for our journey of faith, we are commissioned by the Lord Jesus Christ to reach out together and work with all who seek harmony within the human family to advance the reign of God.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & MINISTRY

SUMMER HELP FOR LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES

Summer is here and food insecurity becomes a very real problem for some families. Food pantries can be stressed by the extra demand. Please consider helping out your local food pantry. Monetary donations go farthest, but donations of non-perishable items are welcome. If you have fresh produce, check with the organizers.

- ⇒ **Dryden Kitchen Cupboard:** Dryden Presbyterian Church, 6 North St. Dryden 13053
- ⇒ **Freeville Pantry:** Freeville United Methodist Church, 37 Main St. Freeville 13068
- ⇒ **Groton Food Providers:** Joyce Crouch Benevolence Building, 101 McKinley Ave. Groton 13073
- ⇒ **Lansing Food Pantry:** Lansing Food Pantry, P.O. Box 21, Lansing 14882. Food distribution is out of The Rink, 1767 East Shore Drive.

NOTICES

PARISH TABLES AND CHAIRS

Out of concern for liability, our parishes are no longer able to lend out tables and chairs.

ELECTRONIC BULLETINS

If you are interested in having the bulletin emailed on a weekly basis, please contact your parish office:

- A.S.** Annette White at 533-7344 or Annette.white@dor.org
- H.C.** RoseMarie Bobnick at 844-8314 or dholycro@dor.org
- St.A.** Pam Senter at 898-5135 or gstantho@dor.org

You can also view the bulletin on our website at <http://www.holycrossdryden.org/bulletin>. Thank you for helping us to conserve our environmental and financial resources!

ST. ANTHONY'S CEMETERY

Effective October 1, 2017, the cost of cemetery plots in St. Anthony's Cemetery will be \$700 each (currently, they are \$600 each).

FUNDRAISERS

BINGO MONDAY NIGHTS AT ALL SAINTS!!!

Kitchen opens at 6:00pm;
games begin promptly at 7:00pm.
Come Join the Fun!!



SAVE YOUR STUFF !!

St. Anthony's will be holding its annual Combo Fundraiser this fall: September 8th & 9th. Please save your good, usable, clean "stuff" for our rummage sale (no junk!). And please mark your calendars so that you can set aside a few days that week to help set up for this big event. !!

Save your bottles and cans, too !!



ST. A. PIE SALE

During Groton Old Home Days, St. Anthony's will be holding a Pie Sale at the American Legion. This will take place on Saturday, August 26. All you pie-makers: please save the date!!

(WEB) Weekend Backpack Program

Holy Cross Church is collecting **Tuna Fish** during the month of August. Look for the collection basket at the back of church.

MIGRANT FARM WORKER SERVICE PROJECT

The King Ferry Food Pantry invites you to join in our service project of hospitality and outreach to our seasonal neighbors. There are a variety of opportunities to welcome, appreciate and help the migrant farm workers. Donations of new or gently used items are welcome!
Household: any size bed sheets, blenders, large cooking pots and pans; Clothing: baseball caps or hats, adult sweatshirts sizes L-XXL; Entertainment: radios, video or DVD movies; Personal Care Items: bar soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, hand/body lotion. Look for the collection basket in your parish.

ELDERCARE NEWSLETTER

The summer issue of *In Support of Caregivers* is now available free of charge to those caring for parents, spouses or other adults who have long term care needs. View it on the website of the Tompkins County Office for the Aging at www.tompkinscountyny.gov/cofa/newsletters or call the Office for the Aging (607) 274-5482 and ask to be receive the newsletter by regular mail.

ALL SAINTS KNOTS OF LOVE

Knots of Love is a group that knits/crochets shawls and blankets, which are given to parents with new babies or people who are sick or suffering. Prayers of love, comfort and hope are entwined in every piece that is given. There is a basket for donated yarn in the parish center foyer. **The group will meet on Saturday, Aug. 12, at 10:00am in the Parish Center.**

REGIONAL NEWS

EUCCHARISTIC LIVING — presented by Deacon Dan Callan (St. Charles Borromeo Parish)

Join us on Tuesday, September 5, for a Day Retreat at Notre Dame Retreat House (5151 Foster Rd., Canandaigua, NY 14424). The Day schedules is: 9am registration along with coffee and pastries; 9:30 conference begins; lunch at noon; reconciliation and Mass; day ends at 3pm. For more details on the presentation and what the day offers, please visit our website: notredameretreat.org

Please call 585-394-5700 to register. A fee of \$25 payable at registration.

Inspired by Bishop Matano's letter: "The Year of Eucharist," Deacon Dan will relate the letter to social teachings of the church, as well as share his own experience of linking suburban parishioners to the needs within the inner city of Rochester.

NOTRE DAME RETREAT HOUSE ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

September 25, 2017

at

Midvale Country Club, 2382 Baird Rd., Penfield, NY

Join us for a wonderful day of golf or if not a golfer, sign up for dinner! \$150.00 per individual golfer and \$600.00 per foursome. Dinner only guests are \$50.00 per person. This is our annual fundraiser. All proceeds from this event assist in maintaining our facility and grounds.

Notre Dame Retreat House serves the Diocese of Rochester by facilitating men and women retreat weekends and it also offers a place for parish staffs, ministries and parish schools to host retreats.

The Redemptorists order of Priests and Brothers own and operate the retreat house.

Registration form is downloadable from website: www.notredameretreat.org

Any questions, please contact Notre Dame Retreat House 585-394-5700 or ndretreat@rochester.rr.com.

(Notre Dame Retreat House is a Catholic Retreat House run by the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer Redemptorists, who have been serving the Diocese of Rochester since the 1930's. Our large facility overlooking Canandaigua Lake has been ministering to the spiritual needs of the faithful since 1967. This annual Golf Tournament provides the funds to preserve and update our facilities so All will find a comfortable, clean and well equipped environment to experience retreat, meetings, training sessions and more!)

LANSING YOUTH MISSION BOTTLE/CAN COLLECTION:

The Lansing Youth Mission is continuing to collect bottles and cans **every third Sunday of the month**. You can leave them in the church parking lot by Myers Road or bring them to the new Lansing Bottle Return Shop on N. Tripphammer Road, and tell them it is a donation for the Youth Mission. Thank you.

INDOOR SOCCER AT CHAMPIONS FOR LIFE SPORTS CENTER

Champions for Life Sports Center, located at 453 Grant Avenue in Auburn, will be hosting another year of indoor soccer leagues throughout the fall and winter of 2017-18.

Age groups include the "Learn to Play" program (ages 4-6), competitive U8, U10, U12 leagues, and a traveling U14 team.

Fall registration opens on August 7 and closes September 22. To register or find out more information, please call CFLSC at (315) 252-9305 or visit ChampionsforLife.org.

Due to expansion, the league will need additional coaches. Please contact the sports center if interested in volunteering. The mission of Champions for Life, Inc. is to promote Christian virtues and character through sports, recreational programs, and activities that foster a love of God, the dignity of the human person, family unity, and respect for others.

ELIZABETH MINISTRY FOR MISCARRIAGE AND INFANT LOSS is forming to serve the Diocese of Rochester!

A Catholic Support Network for Miscarriage, Stillbirth and Infant Loss

As local Catholic women throughout the Diocese of Rochester who have experienced the loss of a child, our goal is to offer support through our shared experiences and Catholic faith to women and families suffering through the loss of a child.

We offer emotional, spiritual, and practical support to women and families; distribute prayer shawls, comfort kits, provide resources, and can help make logistical arrangements. Elizabeth Ministry also organizes two annual Masses of Remembrance for the loss of children each year. If you (or a loved one) are seeking support or are interested in getting on our group's mailing list, please contact us! Molly Hickey ElizabethMinistryROC@gmail.com Janene Loughran 585-329-1974.