

FROM FATHER BILL: **HAPPY VALENTINE'S WEEKEND to EVERYONE:** We hear it over and over again, "Love One Another as I Have Loved You." May our hearts, full of Christ's LOVE, reach out to all people. Congratulations and Best Wishes to all who are renewing their Marriage Vows at St. Peter's today. God bless you specially. *Enjoy the President's Day Holiday on Monday!*

MOVIE NIGHT: On Friday, February 20 at St. Augustine's at 7 pm, the movie: "Contending for the Faith, the exciting, amazing and transforming story of the Apostle, Saint Paul." Bring your family and friends. Don't miss this opportunity to gather for fellowship, entertainment, refreshments and to be inspired by the incredible life of the Apostle St. Paul, especially in this year declared by Pope Benedict XVI, the Year of St. Paul. Admission is free.

Knights of Columbus  
St. Patrick's Council 12157  
3027 Sixth Avenue  
Troy, New York 12180

The St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus would like to congratulate the brothers and sisters of St. Peter's as you celebrate your 185th anniversary and to thank you for allowing us to be part of the celebration brunch.

Yours in faith,  
Grand Knight John Dziamba

A LENTEN REFLECTION

Fast from self-concern & discontent and feast on love for other, trust and gratitude. Rediscover what living your sacrament in today's world really means on a Marriage Encounter Weekend. Email: MEalbany@juno.com or call Ed and Rhonda Staats @ 518-279-3243.

WHAT is FOCA!!...FREEDOM OF CHOICE ACT

Pro-abortion groups have been trying to pass this Act since 1989. This Act would eliminate all current laws limiting or restricting current abortion practices (including freedom of conscience laws and parental involvement laws). If this Act is passed by Congress and signed by President Obama, for the first time, abortion would become an entitlement the government must fund and promote. Our Catholic Bishops and all Catholics oppose this Act, I hope.

CHOOSE LIFE

Science has determined that at conception, a new individual comes into being, possessing a unique genetic code that has already determined that individual's sex, fingerprints, hair and eye color, facial features, etc. It truly is a human life; THEREFORE WE MUST END ABORTION.

DOMINICAN RETREAT & CONFERENCE CENTER, 1945 Union St., Niskayuna, NY 12309 is offering the following programs. For information/reservations, please call the Center, Mon.-Fri., 8M-4:30 PM at 518 393-4169, or e-mail [dslenv.org@nycap.rr.com](mailto:dslenv.org@nycap.rr.com) or visit [www.dslenv.org](http://www.dslenv.org):

February 19, 10:00 AM – 12 Noon and  
February 20, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM, *Abraham Lincoln Presentation*  
February 20-22, 2009, *Woman to Woman Retreat*

"And know that I am with you always..." (Matt: 28:20)!

LOOKING AHEAD!

Ash Wednesday MASSES, February 25, 2009  
St. Paul – 8:00 am and 7:00 pm  
St. Peter – Noon (English) and 6:30 pm (Latin)  
Please bring an envelope for taking ashes to the homebound and ill.

*There will be no flowers on our Altars during the Season of Lent.*

*Our Parishes Offices will be closed this Monday in observance of PRESIDENT'S DAY.*

*St. Peter's Church continues to celebrate its' 185<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a Parish.*

The Serenity Prayer

God grant me the serenity  
to accept the things I cannot change;  
courage to change the things I can;  
and wisdom to know the difference.

PRAYER of ST. FRANCIS

*Lord, make me a channel of your peace;  
that where there is hatred, I may bring love;  
that where there is wrong, I may bring the spirit of forgiveness;  
that where there is discord, I may bring harmony;  
that where there is error, I may bring truth;  
that where there is doubt, I may bring faith;  
that where there is despair, I may bring hope;  
that where there are shadows, I may bring light;  
that where there is sadness, I may bring joy.*  
*Lord, grant that I may seek rather to comfort than to be comforted;  
to understand, than to be understood;  
to love, than to be loved.*  
*For it is by self-forgetting that one finds.  
It is by forgiving that one is forgiven.  
It is by dying that one awakens to eternal life.*  
*Amen.*

Catholic Information: 1-800-MY FAITH  
Pro-Life Pregnancy Hotline: 1-800-848-LOVE

CATCHING UP WITH YOUR SACRAMENTS! Any adult (high-school graduate and up) who wishes to make their First Communion or Confirmation at the Easter Vigil Mass at St. Paul's on Holy Saturday, April 11, 2009 should contact Father Bill by March 1, 2009. Infant, Adult, or people of any age, Baptisms are also celebrated at the Easter Vigil Mass. Any Adult who wishes to convert to or enter into FULL Communion with the Catholic Church/Faith should also contact Father Bill.

THE CHAPEL and CULTURAL CENTER  
2125 Burdett Avenue, Troy, New York, 12180  
518-274-7793, [www.christsunofjustice.org](http://www.christsunofjustice.org)

"Celebrating 2000 Years of Paul"

Wednesday, 4 March, 2009 at 7:00 pm

Dr. Mary Ann Getty-Sullivan  
Scholar and Author

"Paul – The Man and His Words"

Wednesday, 11 March, 2009 at 7:00 pm

Rev. Lawrence Boadt, CSP

"Paul and the World of Evangelization Today"

Everyone is invited. Admission is Free.

PRAY for PEACE.

PRAY for our leaders to be instruments of PEACE.

PRAY for our troops fighting overseas for PEACE.

PRAY for respect for all HUMAN LIFE.

PRAY for CHRISTIAN UNITY.

EVANGELIZATION: The Days of Alleluia..... "Los dias del Aleluia."