

FROM FATHER BILL: JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY AND SO ARE WE!

Our Beautiful Savior fills our hearts with Easter JOY, PEACE and HOPE. I pray that this **EASTER DAY** be an especially wonderful, grace filled day for all of you and yours. Know that I am proud to be your Parish Priest – my fourth Easter at St. Paul and St. Peter. We just can't sing those beautiful words enough, "**ALLELUIA, HE is RISEN and WE HAVE BEEN SAVED**"! We have been moved, by **HIS RESURRECTION, from DEATH to LIFE, from DARKNESS to LIGHT and from SLAVERY to FREEDOM.** God bless you on this **HOLIEST DAY of THE YEAR. ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!!! HAPPY EASTER to ALL!**

PLEASE PRAY for those people named on our Easter **MEMORIAL FLOWER LIST** found in today's **EASTER BULLETIN.**

THANK YOU to all who worked so hard to help us to help each other to celebrate HOLY WEEK and EASTER: our Church cleaners and Decorators; our Organists, Choir Directors and Choirs; our Soloists; our Altar Servers, Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and money counters.. Thank you to Cristina, Denise, Mike and Jerry, and our special Decorators and cleaners, the St. Peter's Ladies Group; Helen Lettko and her St. Paul's Ladies Group; to Jim Gray and Rich Carley who provided our Easter Balloons; to Helen Lettko and Maureen Noonan who laundered our server's albs and surplices at St. Peter's and St. Paul's. **SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL** of our parishioners who came to our **LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE; PALM SATURDAY, PALM SUNDAY and HOLY WEEK and EASTER LITURGIES** and who contributed so generously to our **RICE BOWL, HOLY LAND and FLOWER COLLECTIONS.** **THANK YOU TO** all who participated in Our HOLY Thursday Mass and brought food for our wonderful **POT LUCK HOLY THURSDAY SUPPER.**

CONGRATULATIONS to those who celebrated and received **SACRAMENTS** at the Easter Vigil Mass. And now **THAT HE IS RISEN** we can begin **TO LOOKWARD FORWARD TO SPRING.** *Even Nature hails the Risen Savior and begins to come to life at Easter.*

***** THIS EASTER WEEK, MORNING DAILY MASSES at St. Paul's will be celebrated in the UPPER CHURCH.**

FATHER DAVID JONES M.M. AND THE PARISHIONERS of St. Patrick's Parish, Troy invite all of our parishioners from St. Peter and St. Paul Parishes to a breakfast/brunch at St. Patrick's Hall on Saturday, April 5th at 11:00 am. Everyone is invited **FREE OF CHARGE.**

OUR ST. PETER'S CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE LUNCH AND SUPPER (March 13) was a smashing success! Best meal and largest crowd ever!! Special thanks to Tricia Gabriel and her many helpers for producing this Annual Feast.

FROM ELIZABETH SIMCOE, Chancellor for Pastoral Services: "The next Diocesan Bulk Mailing will include information on some upcoming regional gatherings for discernment which will allow people to explore the possibility of a vocation as a "LAY MINISTER". These gatherings will be free of charge and have been developed as the collective effort of seven diocesan departments. **WE PRAY THAT LAY PEOPLE MIGHT GO FURTHER IN FULFILLING THEIR BAPTISMAL CALL TO SERVICE THROUGH MINISTRY IN THE CHURCH.** For any who would like to explore an interest in the ministries you may contact me (Elizabeth Simcoe) at 518-453-6670 or email carole.romanini@rcda.org."

CLUSTER MEETING: THIS Tuesday, March 25th, 7:00 pm at St. Augustine's.

CITY WIDE DEANERY MEETING: THIS Wednesday, March 26, 1:00 pm at St. Anthony's.

Saturday. April 5th, 11am: Breakfast/Brunch for all at St. Patrick's Church Hall, Troy.

WEEKEND of April 19th and 20th – Father Bill speaks about the BISHOP'S APPEAL DRIVE 2008 at the 4 pm, 9 am and 10:30 am Masses.

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH PROVINCIAL HOUSE, Latham, NY, ANNUAL ZITI DINNER:, Saturday, April 5, 2008, serving at 1:30 pm; 3:00 pm; and 4:30 pm. Tickets – Adults- \$8.00; Children (6-12)-\$4.00; under 6 – Free! To purchase either Dinner and/or Raffle tickets, call 783-3614.

EVANGELIZATION: HAPPY EASTER!.....FELICES PASCUAS!