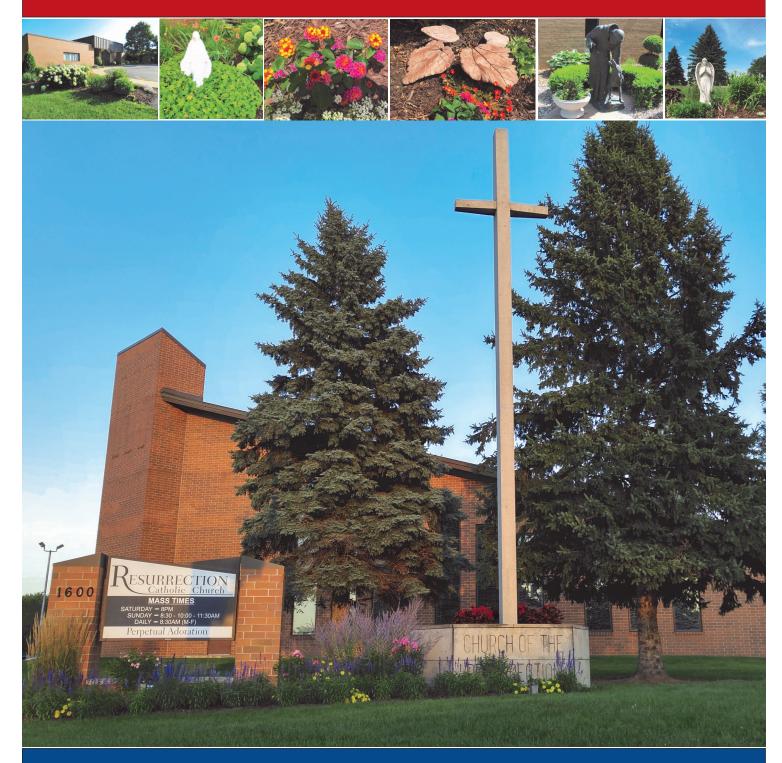
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July 30th, 2017, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Weekly Words from The Rock

Question for the Week

How do we forgive? It is the million dollar question for so many people. There are past hurts that just seem too "big" to remove from one's life. In the November 10, 2016 edition of <u>The Catholic Spirit</u>, Father Michael Van Sloun has written an article entitled "Forgive Offenses." I share it with you today.

"To forgive offenses is one of the seven spiritual works of mercy. It is also variously known as to "forgive all injuries" and to "forgive sins."

There are at least three major spiritual benefits: the one who forgives is liberated from bitterness and resentment, the one who is forgiven receives mercy and a new beginning, and the community experiences conflict resolution and the restoration of harmony.

Jesus gave the great commandment: Love God and love your neighbor. Because of our flawed human nature and our propensity to sin, everyone who offends against love and relationships is harmed or broken. The way to return to love, mend relationships and heal offenses is to forgive. Forgiveness is the flip side of the love coin.

Jesus is the best example of forgiveness. As Jesus hung in crucifixion, he forgave those who falsely testified against him, wrongly condemned him and cruelly tortured him when he prayed, "Father, forgive them" (Luke 23:34). If God is love, if nothing is outside of God's mercy, and if Jesus is the son of God, then it was a spiritual imperative for Jesus to forgive those who had offended him. To do otherwise would have been to carry anger and resentment with him to the grave which is no way to die, and it would have disproved his divinity. Jesus did what God does. He was "gracious and merciful... abounding in steadfast love and relenting in punishment" (Joel 2:13).

Jesus demonstrated forgiveness again after his Resurrection. His disciples offended him when they abandoned him at the time of his arrest, and Peter further offended him with his denials. Jesus had every reason to be hurt and angry. Yet, when Jesus appeared to them on Easter Sunday night, his first words to them were, "Peace be with you" (Luke 24:36), which amounts to "I forgive you."

Jesus knew the importance of forgiveness and stressed it in his teaching. He taught that we should forgive those who trespass against us (see Matthew 6:12; Luke 11:4). Once Peter asked Jesus, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him?" And almost congratulating himself, Peter added, "As many as seven times?" (Matthew 18:21). Jesus, unimpressed, replied, "Not seven times but 77 times" (Matthew 18:22), a symbolic number for as many times as necessary because forgiveness is a life-long process.

Jesus was well aware that those who have been offended can be consumed with anger, bitterness and resentment. It is natural to harbor a grudge and want to strike back, take revenge, retaliate, punish, or get even. As the saying goes, "Hurt people hurt people." It perpetuates a cycle of violence. It can be all-consuming and rob people of their happiness. It is no way to live. It does an immense amount of good to let go of our hurts and forgive those who have offended us. It gives release and freedom, and peace and joy.

Sometimes forgiveness seems unattainable, so far beyond us that it requires a superhuman effort. Whenever we face what appears to be an insurmountable spiritual challenge, it is time to turn to God in prayer and ask for help. God will provide divine assistance, as the psalmist explained long ago: "The Lord answered me when I called in my distress" (Psalm 120:1)."

Biblical Terminology

We continue our work of defining words and names from the pages of the Bible. My source for this is <u>Harper's Bible Dictionary</u>, Harper & Row Publishers, Copyright 1985.

Adultery - illicit sexual relations with someone other than one's marriage partner. In the Old Testament adultery had a precise and limited definition: sexual relations between a married (or betrothed) woman and any man other than her husband. Adultery, therefore, was committed only against a husband, never against a wife. It was considered a most grievous transgression, to be punished by death of both parties (Deuteronomy 22:22-24). There is no actual evidence that this punishment was ever carried out, but it may have been in certain instances, and the threat of execution still existed in the first century. The law was probably intended to ensure that any child born to the wife was really the husband's child, since it was

considered crucial for the husband to have offspring, so that the family name could be perpetuated. In the New Testament period, it appears that the definition of adultery was extended in its scope. For example, the teaching of Jesus was understood to mean that a husband could now be held responsible for committing adultery against his wife. Adultery was sometimes used as a symbol of the unfaithfulness of the people toward God.

Agape – the principal Greek word used for "love" in the New Testament. Of the three words for love in the Hellenistic world, it was the least common. The other two words were *eros*, which meant sexual love, and *philos*, which meant friendship, although their meanings could vary according to the context in which they appeared. Agape, because it was used so seldom and was so unspecific in meaning, could be used in the New Testament to designate the unmerited love God shows to humankind in sending his son as suffering redeemer. When used of human love, it means selfless and self-giving love.

Alms – gifts to the needy. Almsgiving is a common practice in the Bible that recognizes God's blessings and maintains proper community relations. In the Old Testament care for the poor is recommended as just behavior, required by the tithe for the poor every three years (Deuteronomy 14:28-29) and the leaving of fallen produce at harvest for the poor (Deuteronomy 24:19-22). The New Testament also recommends the traditional Jewish practice of almsgiving (Matthew 6:1-4), calling it by a word that comes from the Greek word for "mercy." The early Christian community cared for its poor (Acts 6; 2 Corinthians 8-9) and the parable of the sheep and the goats (Matthew 25:31-46) makes final judgment depend on care given to the needy.

Holy Humor



God's blessings Fr. Peter Schuster



God asks Solomon, "Ask something of me and I will give it to you." If God asked you this same request, how would you respond? Today we hear Solomon answering God with a desire for an "understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong." God smiled and Solomon grew in wisdom that was un-paralleled in human history.

I believe that this question is timeless; we would all benefit from revisiting our reply at all stages of our lives. God cares about our hopes and dreams. Solomon teaches me to take God's request seriously, to recognize the truth about myself, acknowledge my responsibilities, and ask in all humility for my deepest desire. As I

Thoughts from Cheryl

stand on the brink of traveling down the road of retirement, what am I longing for from God? What are you longing for at this time in your life? Let us not be afraid to ask.

This summer there has been many opportunities to immerse ourselves in music. Whether you are attending: Down by the Riverside, Thursdays on First, World Music Series, Summer at the Civic, dining at restaurants, or traveling to concerts throughout Minnesota, there is wonderful music to be heard and enjoyed. We hope you will make the **"Night with Paul Todd Concert"** at Resurrection one of your must-do summer events. Paul Todd and his son will be performing a Christian Music Concert on **Friday, August 4 at 7 p.m.**

Paul plays six keyboards simultaneously, singing original, classical, popular and Broadway selections. What is unusual about this event is that the money raised will be used to help children on the Autism Spectrum receive faith formation through the proven ABA method. The goal is to help these children develop a closer relationship with God. How wonderful is that! Thank you to Judy and Larry Wagner who have worked hard with Georges to make this great event happen. This event is open to all; please invite a friend or family member to join you. Pick up your tickets in the church office or come that night. A free will offering will be taken.

Speaking of music, we will be welcoming our new Music and Choral Director, **Joy Viceroy**, very soon. Her first day at the office will be Tuesday, August 1st. Please take a moment to greet her and pray for her as she gets settled in her Rochester apartment, begins to learn your names, and discovers all of the great musical gifts and talents that are present at Resurrection.

Thank you to all of the parishioners who submitted names for Leadership Ministry open positions. All parishioners that were nominated will be receiving an invitation from Fr. Schuster to attend the **Leadership Discernment Day on Wednesday**, **August 9 at 6 p.m.** Please lift these nominees in prayer as they consider their involvement in taking on an important leadership role in the life of the parish.

Enjoy God's embrace.

Parish News

Story in the Park, Monday, July 31st. Bring the family to hear the story "Wolves & Beast Day." Come to the Zenk Hall at 6:30 pm and weather permitting, we will walk to "our park." Otherwise, we will be in Room C.

Food for Friends: It's time to start thinking "Back to School" for our Food for Friends children. The shopping ads are out and there are lots of school supplies needed! For a 2nd year our ministry will be helping with filling backpacks with school supplies. There are backpacks to pick up at the church in a black tub near the office. Inside each backpack is a school supply list for each grade level at Ben Franklin. Pick a grade of your choice, shop, and return the filled backpack to church. There is also a tag with the word "Grade" on it. Please write the grade level that you have purchased for on this tag. If you cannot complete a full grade level supply list, purchasing supplies of your choice will be greatly appreciated. Copies of the school supplies are by the Food for Friends display. The need is great. 70 backpacks were filled last year and all backpacks were claimed.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul has a need for gently used items in good working order. Items we are seeking include (but are not limited to). silverware, kitchen utensils, toasters, dishes, cookware, handheld mixers, mattresses and box springs, bed frames, pillows, mattress pads, couches, chairs, lamps, kitchen tables and chairs, shower curtains and entry rugs. Many of these items are small, but so very necessary. The smaller items (silverware, kitchen utensils, toasters, dishes, cookware, handheld mixers, pillows, mattress pads, shower curtains, entry rugs) can be placed by the cart for the SVdP food donations in the hallway. We have limited space available to house larger items, so if you have donations and can hold onto them for any length of time, please send an email to Mary Kessler mfkessler@hotmail.com) with a description of the item (s), how long you can hold onto them, contact name, phone number and email. These items will be added to the donations list used by most of the SVdP Conferences. A Vincentian will contact you as soon as we have a family in need of your item. Thank you for your support of our friends in need.



Liturgy Notes from Joann

Reflections from Cincinnati

Two weeks ago I spent the week in Cincinnati, Ohio at the Convention of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians. Members in the Association include musicians, cantors, choir members, bell ringers, children, youth, adults, priests, religious, organists, pianists, guitarists, percussionists, wind instruments, string instruments, liturgists, writers, artists, composers, editors, publishers and directors – any and all people who aspire to use their voices and talents to praise GOD in the common prayer of the Church – the *liturgy*.

The theme of the convention this year was "Formed as One: Union of Voices, Unity of Heart". *Dr. Tim O'Malley*, the director of the Notre Dame Center for Liturgy, presented the first plenum address. Mistrust, unbelief and apathy are prevalent in our Church today – also present is a deep longing for



traditions. In our "throw-away society," traditions provide a sense of security and identity. These traditions must be accompanied with real catechesis about the presence of GOD, who loves us and want us to live in love. Our faith is built on the strong foundation of love. We gather together, week after week, not for ourselves, but to give thanks to GOD who saves us through love. All our work must be grounded in evangelization – sharing the Good News of GOD'S great love. He ended his talk by reminding us that *all* of life is transfigured in love.

The second plenum address was given by *Kelly Adamson*, a Benedictine Oblate who serves as the assistant director of campus ministry at the University of Dayton. She affirmed that praying and singing together unifies the Body of Christ and that there is great value in praying and singing together *outside* the celebration of the Eucharist. The Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer, Night Prayer) and devotions (i.e., The Rosary, Benediction, Stations of the Cross) provide opportunities for the community to pray and sing together through the Church's rich tradition of prayer.

My favorite plenum address was given by *Tony Alonso*, a composer and theologian from Austin, Minnesota whose work responds to the diverse needs of the contemporary Church. He is currently a doctoral candidate in religion at Emory University. He reminded us that music is physical (we use our senses to experience it) and thus has a profound influence in our lives. It can be deeply emotional and has the potential to cause great unity and great division. Our individual preferences and tastes were formed even before we were born. These preferences should lead to conversation - not division. There is no "one size" that fits all. We all have our biases, but in our common prayer we need to be open to the many languages, styles and tastes that make up who we are - the Body of Christ.

Psalm Refrain for August 6 – The Transfiguration of the Lord (Psalm 97:1,9)

The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth.

Liturgical Ministries

NOTE: Please remember to find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled. Thank you. Aug 5th/6th

Altar Servers

8:00 pm	Reilyn Schoenfelder, Cassie Schoenfelder			
8:30 am	Joe Copeland, Chris Simonson			
10:00 am	Will Creighton, Ryan Neppl			
11:30 am	Callan Plumlee, Cameron Vareberg			
Fucharistic Ministors				

Eucharistic Ministers 8:00 pm Sophia Hyke, Judith Pelowski, Theresa Root, Patricia Schoenfelder, Elizabeth Teuteberg, Need 3 substitutes 8:30 am Nancy Hass, Suzanne Holt, George Klann, Mary & Michael Lose, Christiane Lund, Deb Rowekamp, Beverly Sanders, Patrice Steier, Kevin Sutter, Donna Weber 10:00 am Esther Connelly, Robert Degnan, Gloria Flicek, Lynn Gaber, Daniel Galkowski, Julie Galkowski, Aida & Joseph Kostick, Mary Stettler, Gary & Brenda Tschann 11:30 am Marianne Aksamit, Tim Fague, Janet Helgren, Jackie O'Connell, Carrie Plumlee, Karen Reopelle, Catherine Tiegs, Rebecca Woodcock Lectors Kim Shimak-Hansen 8:00 pm 8:30 am Martin Cormack, Denise Koster 10:00 am Regina Boehmke, Robert Taylor 11:30 am Lynette Lenoch Greeters 8:00 pm Kirt & Diane Grantner. Need Substitute 8:30 am Merlin & Gloria Paulson, Jacob, Mark & Renee Kobilarcsik 10:00 am Renee Kreter, Elizabeth Boxrud 11:30 am Anne Wright, Need Substitute **Ushers** 8:00 pm Greg Hansen, Braeden Schoenfelder, John Schoenfelder 8:30 am Eric Ladin, Clara Radloff, Chuck Radloff, Albert Weber 10:00 am Jacob Maronde, Jim Sinn, Bob Voss, Brandon Weick 11:30 am Kilian Schotzko, McKaid Schotzko, Gavan Schotzko **Rosary** 7:30 pm Saturday

About the Parish

Phone 288-5528 Fax 252-0763 Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday 9:00 am- 5:00pm

Mass Schedule

Saturday 8:00 pm **Sunday** 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am **Daily Mass** 8:30 am Monday - Friday

Rosary, Prayer and Devotions

Rosary: 8:10 am Monday-Friday Saturday: 7:30 pm (starting January) Adoration Chapel:24 hours, 7 days

Parish Registration

We warmly welcome new parishioners and request that they register by calling the parish office.

Pastor

Fr. Peter Schuster pastor@rescathroch.org

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Director of Ministries

Cheryl Kieffer dirministries@rescathroch.org

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Bookkeeper Julie Taylor bookkeeper@rescathroch.org

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Weekly Calendar

Monday, July 31st Story in the Park 6:30 pm Heart of Trinity Prayer Group 6:30 pm Tuesday, Aug 1st Holy Hour 7pm, Social Hour 8pm Weekly Bulletin deadline is Monday before noon. General Email: communications@rescathroch.org; General Office Email: officemgr@rescathroch.org

Director Gr. 11-12; Young Adult Ministry

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Communion for Shut-ins

Each First Friday and upon request. Call the office for assistance.

Hospital Visitation

Please notify the parish office if any parishioner is confined to a hospital and would like a visit from a priest.

Calvary Cemetery Joseph Vroman 288-1770 www.calvarycemeteryrochester.org

Rochester Catholic Schools RCS Office 507-424-1817

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) For those considering becoming Catholic contact Joann Reier: 288-5528.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday from 6:45 - 7:45 pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism preparation is held the second Tuesday of each month. Consult the Parish Office for the Pre-Jordan class and to schedule a baptism.

First Communion

First Communion/Reconciliation is usually in second grade.

Confirmation

Confirmation is a two year program starting in ninth grade with Confirmation being at the end of the tenth grade.

Marriage

Please make arrangements with the parish at least six months prior.

Thursday, Aug 3rd Building & Grounds Committee Meeting 7:00 pm Friday, Aug 4th Serran's 11:30 am Paul Todd Concert 7:00 pm Saturday, Aug 5th Society of Divine Mercy Monastery Prayer Group 6:30 am Carmelites 8:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:45pm Rosary 7:30 pm; Mass 8:00 pm **Sunday, Aug 6th** Teen Fire 6:30 pm Bonfire 8:00 pm

Catholic School News

Preschool & Childcare Openings at Rochester Catholic Schools Beginning in the fall of the 2017-2018 school year, Rochester Catholic Schools will offer expanded child care opportunities for children ages 3, 4, and 5 year olds. Families can choose from a menu of options to design a program that meets their needs. With these flexible, affordable care options, parents can feel comfortable knowing their young children are in a safe, loving, Christ-like learning environment throughout the day including before and after school. Rochester Catholic Schools still has available preschool openings. To learn more or to take a tour, email admissions@rcsmn.org! We would love to meet you!

Community News

Francis & Clare, a new musical about the lives and teachings of two extraordinary people who lived 800 years ago will premiere at Page Theatre on the campus of St. Mary's University in Winona, Minnesota, August 4-6, 2017. The story is about Saint Francis and Saint Clare of Assisi, Italy and their struggles and triumphs to envision a new world, a world where people treat each other with greater mutual respect and live in peace and harmony – ideals that still inspire us today. Box office hours, Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:00 pm. Adults, \$18; Students, \$10. Website pagetheatre.smumn.edu

In gratitude for your appreciation of Community Clothesline, an Open House for Sr. Chrishell's 60th Jubilee Anniversary will be held at Calvary Chapel, 814 11th Ave NE, (former site of Community Clothesline) on Saturday, August 5th from 11am-5:00 pm. Refreshments served.

Peace Lantern Floating Ceremony, Thursday, August 10th, 7:00 pm East Picnic Shelter at Silver Lake Park. Come to hear speakers, make a lantern and listen to music. For more information, see our bulletin boards. For information and suggested actions, watch a video, <u>Humanitarian Consequences</u> on the website <u>www/psr.org/nuclear-weapons</u>.

The Church of St. Paul Council of Catholic Women (CCW) will hold their 25th Annual Salad Luncheon which will be held on Wednesday, August 16, 2017 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Church of St. Paul, Zumbrota. There will be delicious assorted salads, meat and cheese trays, deviled eggs, French bread and beverages. Adults, \$8; children 6-12, \$4; 5 and under, free. Take-outs are available, please call 732-5347. We hope to see you there!

Readings for the Week of July 30, 2017 Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130/ Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46 Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-23/Mt 13:31-35 Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-13/ Mt 13:36-43 Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5-7, 9/Mt 13:44-46 Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11/ Mt 13:47-53 Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58 Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12 ©Liturgical Publications Inc

Mass Intentions

Mon., July	, 31st	8:30 am †Raymond Shimak, Sr.		
Tues., Aug	., 1st	8:30 am	†Thomas O'Neill	
Wed., Aug	, 2nd	8:30 am	†Einer Hanson	
Thurs., Aug., 3rd		8:30 am	Raymond & Dixie Shimak (wedding anniversary)	
Fri., Aug	., 4th	8:30 am	Priests in Parish & Diocese	
Sat., Aug	., 5th	8:00 pm	Special Intention	
Sun., Aug	., 6th	8:30 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	†Francis Linder Vince Kelly For the Parish	

Financial Blessings Sunday, July 30th, 2017

\$9,119
\$215
\$51.40
\$13,074
\$1,898

Dedication Candles July 29th-August 5th

1. †Don Davis

2. †Mary Koziolek



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Hours of Need

Life changes when we spend time with Jesus face to face. Prayerfully consider committing to one hour a

week before Him in Eucharistic Adoration. **Could you not spend one hour with Me?**" Matthew 26:40

Call Tim Fague at 507-288-6578 to sign up. Any hour is welcomed.

* We are looking for a second adorer in these hours.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 am	11 am*	1 am	12 am	12 pm	3 am*	12 am
		3 am*	11 am*	1 pm	10 am	5 am*
		4 am			1 pm	8 am*
		9 am*			2 pm	1 pm
					4 pm*	2 pm
					5 pm	9 pm
						10 pm

Faith Formation



News from Sheila, Sunday School *dresscm@rescathroch.org* or 288-5528 x101

Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Matthew 5:16 heavenly Father.

Save the Date for Nursery and Sunday School: All Faith Formation Registration will take place on Monday, August 21st in Fr. Zenk Hall. Bring the entire family to enjoy ice cream treats between 5:00pm and 7:30pm. We will be showing "Moana" in Room C.



Monday.

July 31st

6:30pm

Beasts

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Wolves &



News from Stacey, Grades 1-5 dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x108 Story in the Park: Monday. July 31st is our last time this summer. Plan to join us at 6:30pm in Fr. Zenk Hall.

Bring a beach towel or a blanket to sit on at the park. Our theme

is "Wolves & Beasts Day" and St. Patrick is our story time saint. We will return to Fr. Zenk Hall at 7:30pm. All families are welcome!

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News from Rosemary, Grades 6-10 dre6to10ym@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x104 I am away on vacation until Aug.7th, and then will be chaperoning at Camp Summit Aug. 7-10. Faith Formation Registration for grades 6-10 and Confirmation preparation registration will be on Monday, Aug. 21st (see Stacey's column.) Please remember that second year Confirmation candidates still have to register for the second year!

Pictures from the Steubenville Rochester Youth Conference:





News from Georges, Grades 11-12, Young Adult *dre11to12yam@rescathroch.org* or 288-5528 x116 Young Adults Social Squared: Reaching out to those in need through the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Contact Miranda (mchimzar01@hamline.edu) to stay updated on service opportunities for the homebound. Contact Georges (georgesm@rescathroch.org) to work with teens at Next Chapter Ministries (www.nextchapterrochester.org).

Young Adults: Fusion: If you would like to present at Fusion next school year (Sept. 2017-June 2018), please send me an email (georgesm@rescathroch.org).