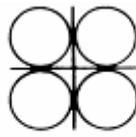


# ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

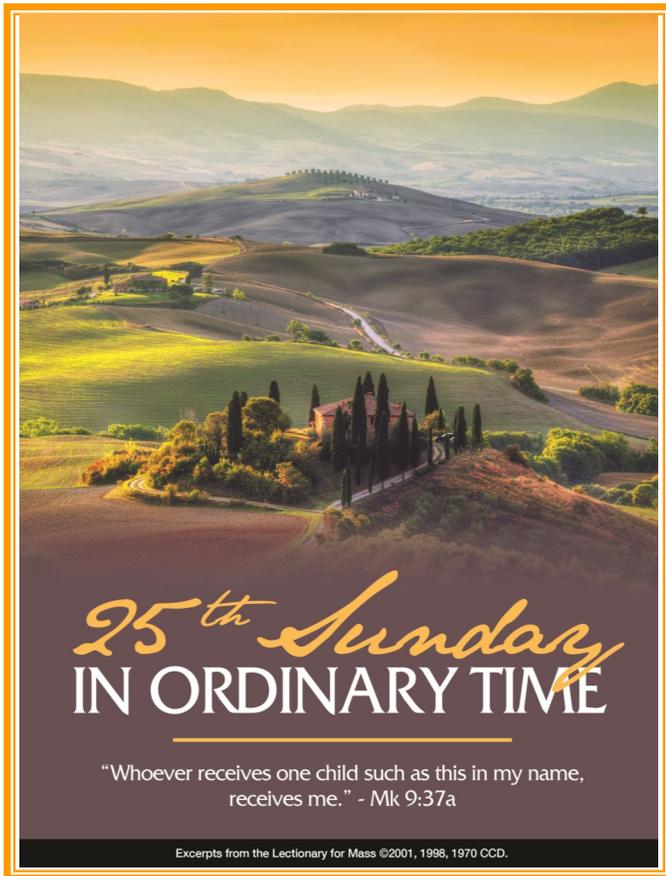


783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

**September 23, 2018 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## Mission Statement

St Paul's Parish Family exists for the purpose of witnessing and proclaiming the message of Jesus Christ, that message proclaimed in word, worship, service: love God, love your neighbor as yourself.



### SEPTEMBER 23RD TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Wisdom 2:12-17-20

Second Reading: James 3:16-4:3

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

### SEPTEMBER 30TH TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29

Second Reading: James 5:1-6

Gospel: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is a process that consists of learning about the Catholic faith/church through instruction and group faith sharing, participation in rites/blessings and reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Here at St. Paul's, we usually meet once per week from Oct-May. Are you:

- A person who has not been baptized and would like to learn more about the Catholic faith with the possibility of becoming Catholic?
- A baptized Christian of another denomination who would like to learn more about and possibly joining the Catholic Church?
- A baptized Roman Catholic who has never received Eucharist or Confirmation and would like to become a full participant in the life of the Church?

The Christian Initiation process offers an environment of support and guidance as you discover how God is working in your life. Is this process for you? Do you have a friend or neighbor who may be interested? For more information, contact:

Margaret Milner [margaretm1@aol.com](mailto:margaretm1@aol.com), or  
Deacon Mark at [mark.robbs@dor.org](mailto:mark.robbs@dor.org).

### Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

### Weekday Masses

Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.

Friday-Communion Service 8:30 a.m.

### Individual Confession

Saturday 4:00-4:30 p.m. or by appointment

# Upcoming

EVENTS

**Saturday, September 22**

**Weekday**

4:00P Individual Confession  
5:00P Mass

**Sunday, September 23**

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00A Mass  
9:00A SOAR  
9:30A Confirmation Prep Yr. 2  
10:00A SOAR  
11:00A Mass-Rite of Enrollment  
12:10P Confirmation Prep Yr. 1  
6:00P Youth Group

**Monday, September 24**

**Weekday**

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Mass  
4:30P SOAR

**Tuesday, September 25**

**Weekday**

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Mass  
9:15A Coffee & Catholicism  
11:00A Staff Mtg.  
1:15P Faith Sharing Group  
4:30P SOAR

**Wednesday, September 26**

**Weekday**

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Mass  
9:00A Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
7:00P Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, September 27**

**St. Vincent de Paul, Priest**  
No Rosary or Morning Mass due to a Memorial Mass at 10:00A

1:00P Grief Sharing Mtg.

**Friday, September 28**

**Weekday**

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Communion Service

**Saturday, September 29**

**Ss. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels**  
Food Collection

4:00P Individual Confession  
5:00P Mass

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**Multi Parish Finance Director:**  
 Joan Sullivan: 671-1100 x21 joan.sullivan@dor.org

**Office Hours**

8:30-4:30 Monday-Friday (closed for the lunch hour from 12:00-1:00 p.m.)  
**Phone:** 671- 2100  
**Fax Number:** 787-8907  
**Emergency Number:** 369-9687  
**Website:** www.stpaulsrcc.org  
**Diocese of Rochester:** www.dor.org

We warmly welcome all new parishioners and visitors to St. Paul's. To register please fill out a "request for registration" form available at all church entrances. Return it to the collection box at the back of the church or to the parish office. A member of our pastoral staff will contact you to complete your registration.

Offertory Update	Actual	Target
September 15 & 16	\$9,631	
Ach & Credit Card	\$608	
Total	\$10,239	\$10,575
YTD	\$107,888	\$126,900
Attendance	532	



**Altar Flowers**

This week the flowers on the altar are in memory of Larry & Dorothy Bufano  
 From Daughter, Roberta Pilato



This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns for Richard Vitale  
 from John & Maureen Tubridy

# *Seeds for the Journey*

## **Music in Worship – the Building**

In considering the use of music in worship the problem of acoustics is of paramount importance. We can explore two considerations. (1) The first sees God as the audience, with congregation, choir, and clergy as participants. It emphasizes objectivity, group participation, natural acoustics. (2) The second sees the congregation as an audience to be convinced, taught, or moved. It emphasizes subjectivity, individuals up front, solos, choral, the word "I", and electronics. The fact is that ideal acoustic varies with the understanding of worship. In effect, most church services involve both understandings of worship, and the room should be designed for both participation and clarity.

If one thinks of an auditorium or concert hall, they have one emphasis: to project music so that the audience can hear it clearly. In a church this first emphasis is the same as for an auditorium: to project the sound produced by the choir, soloists, instruments, and priest both as celebrant and preacher. The second function, which is 90% of the time ignored, is to provide an atmosphere which encourages and supports congregational singing. In the cases of a worship space both acoustical goals must be met if the building is to be successful for worship.

Congregational singing is **the most important church music**, and the most important function of the organ, the piano, or instrumental ensemble is to lead and inspire the congregation in singing. For the congregation and instruments to do their jobs well, they must have a suitable acoustical environment.

### **The Congregation**

Individuals will always want to join in singing if they feel and hear the company of their fellow worshipers. When they can hear their fellow worshipers, they know they are not alone. Individuals will not participate if they feel conspicuous and alone. It is important, therefore, that **surfaces** near the congregation **be non-absorbent** so that individual members can hear the rest of the group singing.

What should we avoid: Padded chair (or padded pews), padded walls, drapes, carpet or other sound absorbing materials should be avoided. Aisle carpet should cover only a small portion of the surface, about 15%. Even the carpet in aisles hurts the transmission of sound from one side of a congregation to the other. Remember carpet will inhibit congregational singing. It also interferes with the congregation's hearing of the choir.

When we sing, either as a soloist, a choir or a congregation we produce aural, sonic energy. It is **counterproductive** to have that energy absorbed. To sing in an absorbent room (as we have here at St. Paul) is as frustrating as to look at pictures in a room painted black. To sing in a live room is to experience the same joy which worshippers experienced during all the previous centuries (as well as today) when the great sacred songs and hymns were written.

### **The Choir**

Believe it or not, individuals are more likely to join choirs if the room is acoustically suitable for their work. They won't sing if they can't be heard. The choir's effects as a "producer and leader of music" is greatest when its music in the room sounds best. A choir needs solid, stiff walls behind and at each side, a hard floor underneath, and a hard ceiling above. Also, a congregation can hear a choir better if the floor, walls, and ceiling between the choir and congregation are not absorbent.

### **Sermon and Preaching**

It is hard to hear a preacher whose energy is absorbed rather than radiated. It is artificial, and finally discouraging, to hear the voice **only** through loudspeakers. It feels more natural, and our response to the words is greater, if we can hear the natural voice. A preacher needs solid walls, floor, and ceiling.

If you believe singing is an integral part of your worship this is probably the most crucial consideration for outstanding congregation participation. Unfortunately, it is the last thing that is considered (if considered at all). The best place to sing at St. Paul is in the Narthex!!! The choir loves to sing there!

*Tom*

## Liturgical Corner

### Eucharistic Prayer

#### General Overview/Historical factors:

The Synoptics Mt 26:20-30, Mk 14:17-26, Lk 22:14-38 and St. Paul 1 Cor 11:23-26 say it was: the Johannine Gospel chapter 6 Jesus' famous "Bread of Life" discourse, and 12:44-17:26 contains Jesus' most explicit teaching of his real presence in Eucharist – the food and drink of the Last Supper. Various attempts have been made to reconcile the two accounts. At any rate, the Last Supper had strong Passover connotations for the early Christians. But what is especially significant is that Jesus, while using the traditional meal *berakoth*, gave them a new dimension with his words "This is My Body" and "This is My Blood." The memorial interpolation within the third section of the prayer over the cup might have been the occasion of Christ to explain his command "Do this in Memory of Me." The apostles continued to gather for table fellowship after Christ's Resurrection and Ascension. When they gathered to break bread, they did so "in memory" of the Lord. The traditional Jewish prayer forms over the bread and cup were used, although they were understood and perhaps somewhat altered in light of the primitive community's experience of the Lord. But already in apostolic times a process of simplification and unification occurred, perhaps in conjunction with the separation of the Eucharist from the regular meal. Since the prayer over the bread was so brief, the more lengthy and theologically developed blessing over the cup was used as the basis for prayer of praise and thanksgiving said over the bread and the wine together. It is from this prototype that the Eucharistic prayer evolved. There were no liturgical books: the presiding minister merely provided over *Beraka's* structure with its themes of praise, thanksgiving and supplication. A more explicit Christological coloring and expansion were eventually given these motifs, and secondary elements were added or elaborated at different points in the common basic structure. It was only in the fourth century that extemporariness gave way to fixed forms which differed according to geographic regions.

## THE OPIOID CRISIS Affects Us All

If you, a loved one or a friend is struggling with addiction, or if you simply want to learn more, please join us on Monday October 1<sup>st</sup>, 7-9 p.m. in rooms 7 & 8, for an educational seminar and informative discussion. Representatives from *Catholic Family Center* and *Gates to Recovery* will be present to offer wisdom and support. **Learn** medical and social details of opioid addiction from professionals. **Listen** to personal testimonies from those directly affected. **Understand** the difficulties and the pathways to recovery. For more information contact Deacon Mark at [mark.robbs@dor.org](mailto:mark.robbs@dor.org).

## St. Paul's Annual Men's Retreat October 26th-28th

Our Retreat is a balanced program of conferences, group discussions, spiritual exercises and meditation time. Private talks with Redemptorist priests can be arranged. Every hour adds treasures of benefits. Good meals, snacks, casual atmosphere, beautiful surroundings, and opportunity to mingle with men from all walks of life add to the enjoyment. You must experience this process to realize how it will uplift your spiritual and physical life. This year's theme is:



***Faith, Hope and Love... Come strengthen your roots so you might grow and bloom in your walk with Christ and others.***

Suggested donation of \$150 covers it all. Driving directions will be given and carpooling can be formed. Let us answer your questions and make your reservations now. Contact your parish Men's Retreat Coordinator, Dan Milner at 208-6631 or visit [notredameretreat.org](http://notredameretreat.org)



**Our new website is now live!** It is a substantial change from the old one. Check it out!

The new site is more organized and will have additional options available such as our wedding guidelines and funeral planning information. The online calendar is working and easy to use.

Please keep in mind that it is still a work in progress and being updated daily. Your patience is appreciated as we work on this. However if you have any questions or concerns please contact either Robin at: [robin.martz@dor.org](mailto:robin.martz@dor.org) or Jodie at [Jodie.hickey@dor.org](mailto:Jodie.hickey@dor.org)

Have You Read...

**Rohr, Richard**

**The Good News According to Luke**  
**(Spiritual Reflections)**

Father Rohr gets angry with people manipulating the Bible for personal or political purposes. He sometimes wonders why God didn't give us a Bible that was always clear and orderly and not subject to different interpretations. He feels it is wise to ask a basic question about faith and revelation: What is God trying to do in the world through sacred Scriptures? The Bible is not a lecture or treatise on God; it is the story of the experience of God. The story of God revealing Himself to the people; it is not a text that always provides easy answers. When Luke started putting together his gospel story, almost fifty years had passed since the death and resurrection of Jesus so he relied on many sources to gather information. Father Rohr shares his understanding of Luke's message with today's reader, shedding light on its main themes. (Call No. 226.407)

**Jambo Java Cafe**

Coffee and Donuts is scheduled to begin on September 30, but we can't do it without your help. Please sign up to help keep the coffee brewing at the Jambo Java Café. We encourage families to sign up. It's a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board outside the office. **Please sign up!**

**Diocesan Respect Life Mass**

Please join Bishop Matano and the faithful from around the Diocese to celebrate the Vigil Mass for Respect Life Sunday, sharing, through our presence, our respect for all human life. Saturday, October 6 at 4:30 p.m. at Church of the Holy Spirit. Reception to follow. Questions? Contact Suzanne Stack, Life Issues Coordinator, at 328-3210 x1304 or [suzanne.stack@dor.org](mailto:suzanne.stack@dor.org).

**FOOD COLLECTION**

Next weekend is our monthly Parish food collection for Bethany House, a shelter for women and children in Rochester. Donations of any non-perishable food items as well as paper products are greatly appreciated.

For the Children

**Tavares, Matt**  
**Oliver's Game**

Oliver Hall loves baseball. He loves listening to his grandfather's many stories about the game, especially as they worked side by side in Grandpa's baseball memorabilia shop. One day, Oliver discovers something in an old wooden box which prompts Grandpa Hall to share a very special story with Oliver bringing them closer than ever. For all baseball fans and for those who simply enjoy a good story. E TAV Ages 7 and up

**Huther Doyle**

**"Where Hope Lives On and Recovery Starts Today!"**

Huther Doyle helps individuals and families seeking recovery from substance use disorder and addiction by offering rapid access to evaluation and research-based, individually focused recovery and wellness programs. Huther Doyle is located at 360 East Avenue in Rochester. For more information call 325-5100.



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Victims of sexual abuse should always report to the civil authorities.

To receive help and guidance from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester, contact our Victim Assistance Coordinator:

**Deborah Housel**

585-328-3228, ext. 1555

Toll-free: 1-800-388-7177, ext. 1555

or by e-mail to [victimassistance@dor.org](mailto:victimassistance@dor.org).



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Any concerns related to financial fraud can be reported anonymously:

**Financial Fraud Hotline**

**1-800-388-7177 x1266**

Reports may also be made in writing to:

Internal Audit Department • Diocese of Rochester  
1150 Buffalo Road • Rochester, NY 14624

Ministry Schedule for September 29 & 30, 2018

	5:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
<b>Acolytes</b>	Patrick Mason Hannah Brodt	Catherine Rogers Ava Parulski	Gina Fullone Lucy Rynkiewicz
<b>Ushers</b>	Arnie Read Joe Rizzo Chris Strait	Dan Milner Katie Milner Paul Fetter	Fred Compertore Marilyn Merrigan
<b>Sacristans</b>	Nancy Dillon	Pellittieri Family	Barr Family
<b>Lectors Commentators</b>	Karen O'Toole Dan Bower	Michael Lyons Tom Mitchell	Gina McNamara Larry McNamara
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Fran Spina Nancy Dillon Ellen Oinen Don Oinen Lena Cardone John Cardone	George Lejniaks Pat Amedeo Julie Shick Forest Shick Sandy Doehler Mike Fredericks	Fred Compertore George Hanley Gina McNamara Larry McNamara Ellen Santora JoAnn Green
<b>Greeters</b>	Janet Trippe Kathryn Strait	Forest & Julie Shick Bill Galbraith	Pat Weisenreder Ellen Santora
<b>Linens</b>	Clare Smith		
<b>CLOW</b>		Cristina Picca	Jann Armantrout

**Do You Pick-Up a Bulletin When You Come In?**

Great news – one more reason to pick it up at the beginning of Mass. Beginning today at all of the Choir Masses we invite you to join them in the singing of the refrain of the Communion Psalm. Yes, there is a Psalm for every Sunday Mass. In the bulletin is printed the refrain of the Communion Psalm for the day and we invite (nee, encourage) you to join in the singing of this refrain (while you can do as you walk).

**Music for September 29 & 30  
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

In Christ There Is No East Or West...*(McKee)*.....No. 832  
 Send Down The Fire.....*(Haugen 1989)*.....No. 557  
 Lord Of All Nations Grant Me Grace.....*(Tallis Canon)*...  
 No. 703  
 The Kingdom Of God.....*(Laudate Dominum)*.....No. 736  
 Readings: No. 1168  
 Psalm: 19...Lord, You Have The Words: No. 1168

Communion Antiphon - 25th Sunday of Cycle "B"

