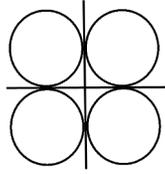


ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

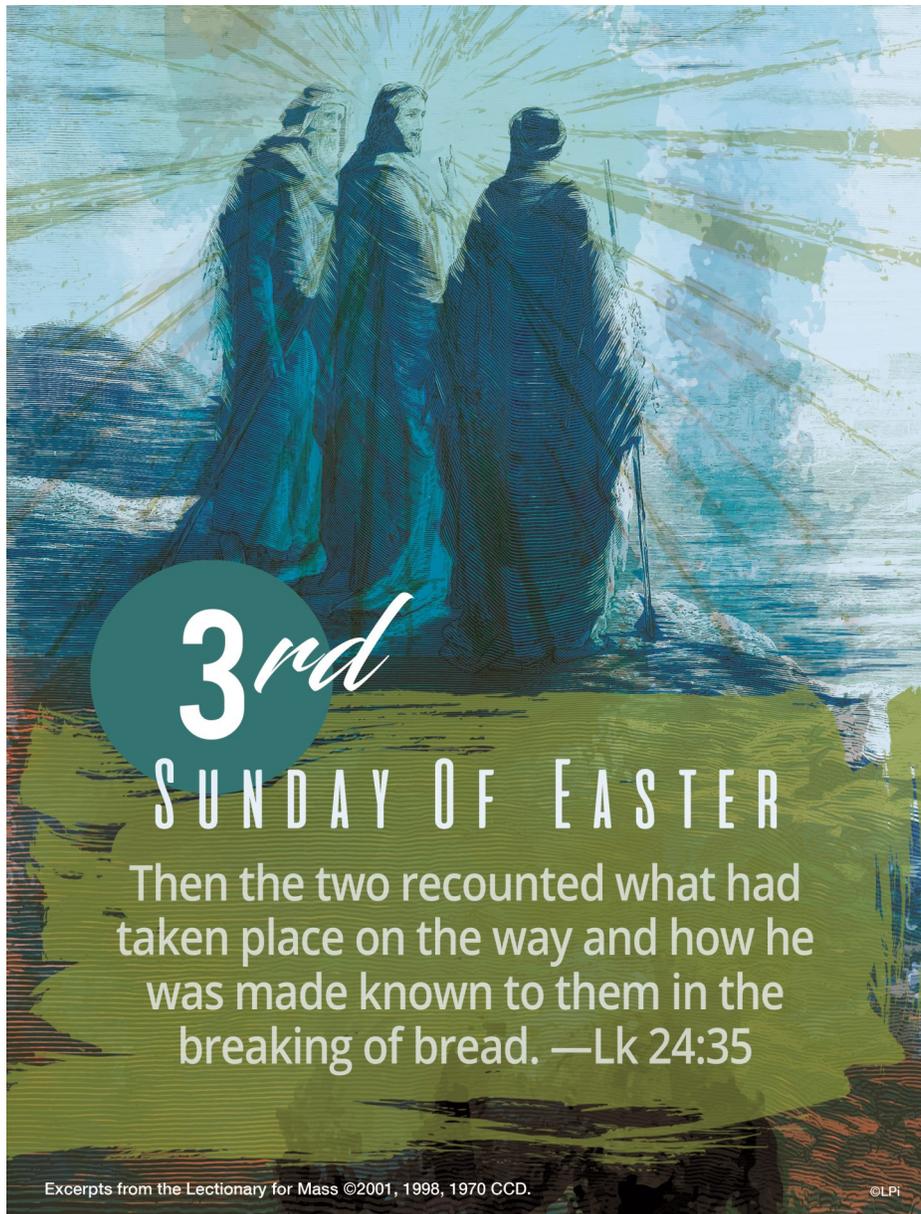


783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

April 26, 2020 Third Sunday of Easter

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.



Joke of the Day



Divine Direction

A guy named Joe found himself in dire trouble. His business had gone bust, and he was in serious financial trouble. He was so desperate that he decided to ask God for help.

He began to pray, "God, please help me. I've lost my business, and if I don't get some money, I'm going to lose my house as well. Please let me win the lotto."

Lotto night came, but somebody else won it.

Joe again prayed, "God, please let me win the lotto! I've lost my business and house, and I'm going to lose my car as well."

Lotto night came, but Joe still had no luck.

Once again, he prayed, "My God, why have you forsaken me? I've lost my business, house, and car. My wife and children are starving. I don't often ask you for help, and I've always been a good servant to you. Please just let me win the lotto this one time so I can get my life back in order."

Suddenly, there was a blinding flash of light as the heavens opened. Joe was confronted by the voice of God himself. "Joe, meet me halfway on this. Buy a ticket!"

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The staff is working remotely when possible. The best way to get a hold of us is via our email addresses above. If you cannot send an email and would prefer to call the office please do so and leave a message for Jodie x21 and she will forward the message along to the staff member you are trying to reach.

Phone: 671- 2100
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Diocese of Rochester: www.dor.org

Financial Snapshot

	March 2020	July 2019 - March 2020
Collections	35,039	409,380
Donations/ other revenue	3,519	52,272
Expenses	52,046	478,620
Operating surplus/deficit	-13,488	-16,968

March collections include three weekends of Masses.
 YTD collections include Christmas collections of \$16,938.
 St. Paul Church relies on the generous contributions of our parishioners to continue providing the programs and ministries of the parish.

Let Us Pray for Those in the Military



Jason Aman
Zach Bartlett
Bryan Gross
Tom Weisenreder
Mason Serrano
Andrew Zani
Jay Riesenberger

Josh Bartlett
Sean Black
Andrew O'Brien
Cydney Blong
Michael J. Desiato
Daniel Thomas

This week the
 Sanctuary Lamp burns
 for
Steve Schulz
 From
Mary Ann & family

Seeds for the Journey

April 2020 Office Update

Even though we are not working from the office, much has been going on behind the scenes. We are doing our best to keep things running remotely. Fr. Paul has mastered the skill of video streaming which he perfected during Holy Week. He is streaming Sunday 9:00 AM masses on Facebook. You do not have to have a Facebook account to view it. There is a link on our website that will take you to it.

Jodie has moved her desk to her kitchen table without missing a beat. She is not as readily available though as her working hours are from 9:00 to noon, Monday through Friday. Sue and Bonnie are continuing their sacramental and youth programs remotely, with reduced hours as well. Ben and Helen are still maintaining the buildings and grounds and rectory. I have relocated a large part of my office to my dining room thanks to the diocesan IT department. We are all making it work although I have to admit when I stop in to the office to get the mail I want to hug my desk and calculator; it's like seeing old friends.

A few updates on what is planned (or postponed) for the summer:

We have postponed our Volunteer Appreciations Dinner AKA "The Night of 1,000 Pizzas" (we had a lot of leftovers last year). We will choose a new date when we have a better idea of when we will be back.

Confirmation has been postponed. Updates on rescheduling will be posted as soon as we have any information.

The 6th Annual Chicken BBQ has also been postponed. The chicken is speechless.

VBS 2020 has been cancelled. July may seem far away but the preparation needed to begin now. Next year's will be better than ever!

The Parish Picnic (also in July) is still scheduled but that may change. We would love to get back to normal events and programs but must do what is in the best interest for everyone's health. We will keep you updated.

Speaking of updating, please check out our website for any current St. Paul's news. During this time of distancing, it is the best way we have, along with the bulletin and Facebook, of keeping everyone informed. If you know of someone without computer access who would like to be on our "current news" phone list, contact Jodie and leave her a message with the name and contact info. We will try to keep them in the loop.

Stay home and stay healthy!

Robin

A Challenge

We are very aware of the financial hardship you may be suffering during this difficult time. Please know that you are in our prayers and St. Paul's is here to help in any way that we are able. At the same time, please remember that our parish is funded solely through your contributions, which we rely on to pay our bills and continue our ministries.

We are very excited to tell you about a generous couple who have offered to match, dollar for dollar, whatever parishioners donate from Easter through the end of May, up to \$25,000. Donations to be matched include Offertory and Easter. We are grateful to them for encouraging and reminding us that through the help of the whole parish, we can get through this.

If you are able, we ask you to please consider helping us meet this wonderful challenge by mailing your donation to the parish, making your gift online through our web site or your bank, using the GivePlus mobile app, or by texting your gift. Details of giving options are below. Thank you!

We pray that you all remain healthy and safe and that soon we can emerge from this unsettling time and gather to worship our Lord together again!

Ways to Meet the Challenge

Go to our website (stpaulsrcc.org) and click on the DONATE link.

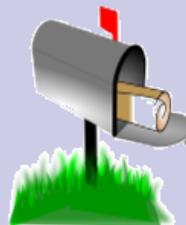
Or give through your bank's online bill pay feature.



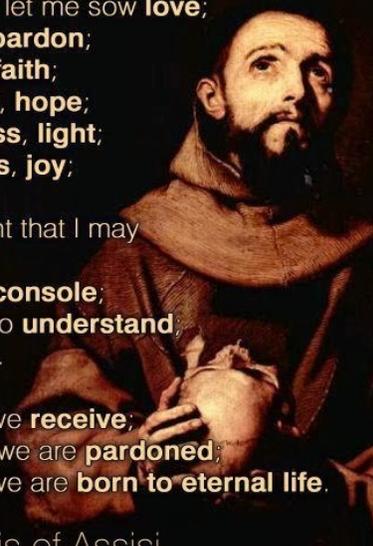
Try the **GIVEPLUS⁺** MOBILE APP



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send your
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to 833-931-1892



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Lord, make me an instrument of your **peace**,
 Where there is **hatred**, let me sow **love**;
 where there is **injury**, **pardon**;
 where there is **doubt**, **faith**;
 where there is **despair**, **hope**;
 where there is **darkness**, **light**;
 where there is **sadness**, **joy**;

O Divine Master, grant that I may
 not so much seek
 to be **consoled** as to **console**;
 to be **understood** as to **understand**;
 to be **loved** as to **love**.

For it is in **giving** that we **receive**;
 it is in **pardoning** that we are **pardoned**;
 and it is in **dying** that we are **born to eternal life**.

Prayer of St Francis of Assisi



Mother's Day Memorials/Flowers
 Thank you to all who donated towards Easter flowers/memorials for their loved ones. We are continuing our tradition of offering Mother's Day flower memorials this year. We will print the names in the bulletin and also online on our website. Envelopes went out in the May/June packets, or you may donate through our web site. Additionally, you may email Robin robin.martz@dor.org or Jodie Jodie.hickey@dor.org with the info. Please include who the memorial is for as well as who it is from. Even though we can't be together for Mother's Day, we will be joined by our prayers!

Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester
 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 x1555
 Toll-free: 1-800-388-7177 x 1555
 Or by email, victimsassistance@dor.org

Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester
 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

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
In re Diocese of Rochester Case No. 19-20905

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On September 12, 2019, the Diocese of Rochester ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Bankruptcy Court has established August 13, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the "Bar Date"). If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any persons connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date. Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/rochesterdiocese> or call (855) 347-3773 for more information on how to file your proof of claim. **IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS MADE TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEBTOR'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.**

Get Moving!
 Here are some active ideas while taking care of yourself during this difficult time at home.

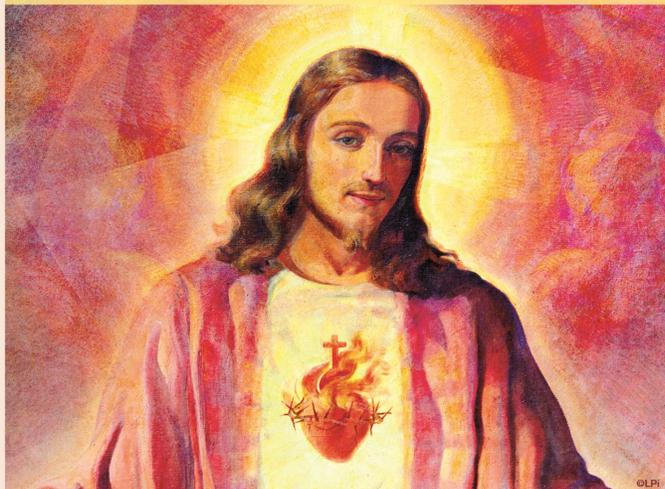
- Start bringing movement into tiny moments and think creatively (dance around the house)
- Improvise for tools; they are all around you.....think soup cans and milk jugs!
- Get your heart rate up multiple times a day by jogging in place, doing calisthenics or other faster exercises
- Get out and walk; even for just a little bit. Stretch it out for at least 30 seconds a position or consider a whole yoga session.

These ideas came from a NY Times article which can be found at [nytimes.com/2020/03/20/selfcare/isolation-exercise-meditation-coronavirus.html](https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/20/selfcare/isolation-exercise-meditation-coronavirus.html)



Remember in Your Prayers

**ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD**



*Compassionate and Loving Father,
In the face of confusion and concern
impart to us the calm of Your presence.
In You allow us to find hope and healing.
Be with those who serve the sick and
give them Your caring hands.
Be with those who lead and give them
Your spirit of wisdom.
Be with those who have fallen ill and
give them Your comforting heart.
Wrap Your arms around our world
and hold us in Your love.
Allow us at this time of trial to then
serve as instruments of that love
to all we meet.
We ask this in Your Name.
Amen.*

*They set out at once and
returned to Jerusalem
where they found
gathered together the
eleven and those with
them who were saying,
“The Lord has truly been
raised and has appeared
to Simon!” Then the two
recounted what had taken
place on the way and how
he was made known to
them in the breaking of
bread. - Lk 24:33-35*

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