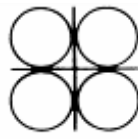


# ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

## August 18, 2019 Twentieth 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.



### AUGUST 18TH TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

### AUGUST 25TH TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

### *Open Hands*

Loving God, Your hand is open wide  
to satisfy the needs  
of every living creature.

Fill our hearts with a compassion like  
Your own that we may faithfully serve  
You by responding to the needs of those  
whom it would be easy for us to forget.  
In this and every land, break down the  
barriers of ignorance, indifference, and  
greed, that the multitudes that hunger may  
share Your bounty.

Amen.

~Education for Justice

### 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

**Saturday, August 17****Weekday**

9:30-11:30A Prayer Shawl  
4:00P Confession  
5:00P Mass

**Sunday, August 18****Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00A Mass  
11:00A Mass

**Monday, August 19****Weekday**

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Mass

**Tuesday, August 20****St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church**

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Mass  
6:30-8:00P Confirmation Prep  
Reunion

**Wednesday, August 21****St. Pius X, Pope**

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Mass  
9:00A Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
1:15P Library Workday

**Thursday, August 22****The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Mass

**Friday, August 23****Weekday****Parish Office Closed at Noon**

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Communion Service

**Saturday, August 24****St. Bartholomew, Apostle****Food Collection**

4:00P Confession  
5:00P Mass

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 Joan Sullivan: 671-1100 x21 joan.sullivan@dor.org

**Summer Office Hours**

8:00-4:30 Monday-Friday (closed for the lunch hour from 12:00-12:45 p.m.)  
 Office is closed at Noon on Friday  
**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 donations slot 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
August 10 & 11	\$6,139	
Ach & Credit Card	\$2,209	
Total	\$8,348	\$10,575
YTD	\$57,838	\$74,025
Attendance	434	

**Let us Pray for Those in the Military**

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform in our time of need. Amen.

Jason Aman Josh Bartlett  
 Zach Bartlett Sean Black  
 Bryan Gross Shawn Reidy  
 Alec Konrad Tom Weisenreder  
 Mason Serrano Andrew O'Brien  
 Andrew Zani Cydney Blong  
 Jay Riesenberger Michael J. Desiato  
 Daniel Thomas



This week the  
 Sanctuary Lamp burns for  
 Alan Tanghe  
 From  
 The Hurzy Family

# *Seeds for the Journey*



A few weeks ago I saw a heartwarming story on Spectrum News about an anonymous man who bought ice cream for complete strangers at Abbotts on Empire Blvd. During the interview a mom who brought her small child for ice cream after a swim lesson, was talking about her experience and how joyful the atmosphere was because of this act of kindness. As the crowd enjoyed their ice cream, the man sat and observed from his car. As the recipients of this act of kindness said "Thank You" the man had replied "You're Welcome and God Bless."

In this divided world that we live in, all of us are so cautious with being politically correct that you don't often hear "God Bless" outside of your place of worship. For me, that was one of the most touching points of the story. By choosing to say "God Bless" he wanted everyone to know that the root of his kindness came from his faith. I'm sure he didn't want to offend anyone by his comment but he wasn't afraid to mention God in his reply. The anonymous man is like the prophet Jeremiah who we heard about in today's First Reading. Jeremiah chose to follow God at no cost and be a true prophet who shared with those he encountered how to trust in God. Despite the ridicule and the dangers that he faced he still was moved to encourage others to follow God and the Commandments in the way he did.

The anonymous man has inspired me to be more Christ like and give more of myself to those around me. Not to just give to others in a monetary way but to stay centered in my faith by showing kindness, reflection and praying more to let others see Christ in me.

***"Lord Jesus, may your love consume me and transform my life that I may truly desire nothing more than life with you. Make me strong in love and fidelity that nothing may hinder me from doing your will." Amen.***

*Jodie*

## Health Ministry

Part of our mission statement here at St. Paul's directs us to love our neighbor as our self. I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone about an important way in which all of us can put this mission statement into action... getting vaccines.

An internet search about vaccines can bombard the reader with an enormous amount of information, some true and some not true. I would like those of you reading this article to remember three important points.

- 1.) Vaccines are safe, and they are effective at preventing diseases.
- 2.) Diseases like Measles, Mumps, and Whooping Cough were almost non-existent in this country, until recently. Now, these diseases are "making a comeback" because more and more people are refusing to vaccinate themselves and their children.
- 3.) There is a small portion of the population that has medical conditions which prevent them from being able to receive vaccines. These medical conditions also usually weaken the person's immune system. Therefore, if these people with weakened immune systems are exposed to diseases like Measles, they are at risk for catching the disease and suffering complications that could claim their lives.

Jesus tells us that whatever we do to the least of his people, we do unto him. My husband and I, along with our children, are fully vaccinated. I respectfully urge everyone who is able to receive vaccines to do so. By getting vaccinated, you will help to protect those most vulnerable among us, and you will be putting the words of our parish mission statement into action.

**May God bless you,  
Tracy L. Maier, D.O.**

## Youth Group 2019-2020

We are excited to announce that we will be continuing our Youth Group for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders on Sunday evenings, 6:00 PM – 7:15 PM, beginning September 15<sup>th</sup>! Together we will take a deeper look at some of the teachings and mysteries of our Catholic faith—and form friendships we want to keep!

You can register online or take a registration form from the bulletin board. For more information contact Sue Ward at:

**susan.ward@dor.org or 585-671-2110.**

See you soon!

## Registration for Confirmation Preparation for 2019-2020 has begun! Sign up today!

- Classes are at St. Paul's on Sunday mornings, from September to May.  
**Year 1:** 9:30-10:50 a.m. (with the exception of guest speakers/retreats/group service)  
**Year 2:** 12:10-1:30 p.m. (with the exception of guest speakers/retreats/group service)
- Cost: \$50 per year (fee includes materials, speaker fees, retreat cost)
- \$20 for First Penance Preparation if child has not received First Penance

Registration forms are available on the south bulletin board and on the parish website at [stpaulsrcc.org](http://stpaulsrcc.org). Registration forms are **due by August 31st**. A \$10 late fee will apply after the due date. For questions or more information please contact Bonnie by calling 671-2100 x27 or via email at [bonnie.serio@dor.org](mailto:bonnie.serio@dor.org)

## Just a Few Weeks Away! St. Paul's School of Awesome Religion



SOAR classes begin on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> and Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> for the 2019-2020 school year. **There will not be classes held on Tuesday night this year.** Things to know:

- Children who attended last year in grades 1-4 will automatically be re-registered for the next grade, same day and time (**except all Sunday classes are at 10:00 a.m.**) You will be receiving a billing statement in the mail.
- **Children who attended Tuesday night will be moved to Monday night.** If this does not work for your family, please call Sue (671-2110) to discuss other options. You will also be receiving a billing statement in the mail.
- Children entering Pre-K, Kindergarten, and first grade will need to be registered for the first time. Please go to our website [stpaulsrcc.org](http://stpaulsrcc.org) to register and pay online. Just click the **Faith Formation** tab, followed by the SOAR tab.
- You must be a registered parishioner to attend SOAR classes. To register, please call the parish office at 671-2100.

**We look forward to seeing you again soon!**



## Have You Read...

### Langford, James, and Leroy S. Rouner, eds. Walking with God in a Fragile World

The editors approached "some of the wisest people and most respected spiritual writers in our land" and asked them to reflect on the theme of walking with God in a world that is fragile and in pain. Father Theodore Hesburgh, former president of the University of Notre Dame, reveals how central daily prayer is in his life, while Elie Wiesel reflects on solitude, especially the solitude forced on Jewish people throughout the centuries. Karen Armstrong draws on insights from Jewish, Muslim, Christian, and Hindu thought to conclude that it is deeper and wider compassion that will lead us to an encounter with God. Wendy Doniger uses popular culture to explore the need for comedy as an essential way of confronting terror. These are just a few of the many voices of wisdom featured in this book. (Call No, 291.4-LAN)

### St. Paul's Annual Men's Retreat September 20-22, 2019



Share in the journey this year at Notre Dame Retreat House. Hear the stories from scripture which offer word of encouragement along our personal journeys. **Walk...Pray...and Talk** with Jesus as you journey through the retreat weekend. To register or for more information, please call Dan Milner 671-4391.

### Food Collection

Next weekend is our monthly Parish food collection for Bethany House, a shelter for women and children in Rochester. Place donations of any non-perishable food items as well as paper products in the large wood bin in the Narthex. Please put your donations in a reusable plastic bag or box to make it easier for our parishioners who are loading and delivering the items each month. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation!

## For the Children

### McAllister, Margaret Women of the Bible

Did you ever think what it was like to be on Noah's Ark? It could be terrifying with all the wild animals. Mother Noah was so close to lions and tigers; she was very brave. Or, think about how it must have been for Miriam when her mother had to give up Miriam's brother because the Pharaoh had decreed that ALL Hebrew baby boys were to be killed? Her mother and Miriam managed to save him. They were true to the love of their baby. Read more about these two special women and others like Rachel, Ruth, Mary of Nazareth, and Mary of Magdala – all wonderful women from whom we can learn life lessons. J 220.9 MCA Ages 8 and up.

### Calling all Confirmed (2018 and 2019) and Confirmands (Class of 2020)



### Let's get together before school starts!

#### Pizza Party at St. Paul's.

Tuesday, August 20 - 6:30-8:00pm

Relax – Reconnect -Refresh

RSVP by email to Bonnie at

[bonnie.serio@dor.org](mailto:bonnie.serio@dor.org) or call the parish office

671-2100x27 by 8/19/19

### Attention Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Copies of the summer schedule are now available on the Liturgy Board outside of the Music Room. If you have any questions or problems with the schedule, please mail Fred Compertore at [blue600100@gmail.com](mailto:blue600100@gmail.com). Thank you.

### Mass time change:

Effective September 7, 2019,  
Saturday mass will be at 4:00 PM

Confessions from 3:00 PM to  
3:30PM, or by appt.

## Ministry Schedule for August 24 &amp; 25, 2019

	5:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
<b>Acolytes</b>	T.J. Swinson Hannah Brodt	Brayden Piwko Margaret Milner	Bella Pumputis Lucy Rynkiewicz
<b>Ushers</b>	Alice Bower Kevin Nuwer	Tim Thomas Bernie Schimmel Bill Issac	Bill Green Tim Runyan
<b>Sacristans</b>	Olbrich Family	Pellittieri Family	Marge Gascon Sharyn LiPari
<b>Lectors Commentators</b>	David Oakes Karen O'Toole	Jack Black Maureen Keegan	Jean Benedetto Scott Rutan
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Liz Kmiecinski Keven Nuwer Nancy Dillon Audrey Pavone Janet Trippe Fran Spina	Marianne Ferrara Allan Schichtel Jack Black Pat Amedeo Peter Pellittieri Mary Catherine Zona	Anne LaClair Rose Riefer Janet Slusar Bill Green Michele Cheeseman Sandra Happ
<b>Greeters</b>	Don & Ellen Oinen <b>Volunteer Needed</b>	Rose Riefer Forest & Julie Shick	Mike Fredericks Ellen Santora <b>Volunteer Needed</b>
<b>Linens</b>	Rose Schichtel		

### Music for August 17 & 18 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Come, You Thankful People, Come (*St. George's Windsor*).....No. 634

How Can I Keep From Singing? (*How Can I Keep From Singing*).....No. 685

We Shall Rise Again (*Resurrection*).....No. 871

Sing A New Song (*Schutte-1972*).....No. 607

Readings: No. 1154

Psalm: 117 Go Out To All The World.....No. 1154

### Holy Land Pilgrimage

#### with Deacon Mark & Barbara Robbins



There is still plenty of time to sign up for our ten day Holy Land pilgrimage beginning Feb 12th, 2020. For more information check out our website and even register for the trip at <http://www.eo.travelwithus.com>: click on the Catholic Tours tab, then Know Your Tour Information? and type in the following information:

**Tour: HL20, Date: 021220, Code: C, ID#: 52085**

If you have questions feel free to contact us at [mbjimps132@aol.com](mailto:mbjimps132@aol.com)

### 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, [victimassistance@dor.org](mailto:victimassistance@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