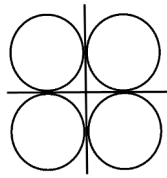


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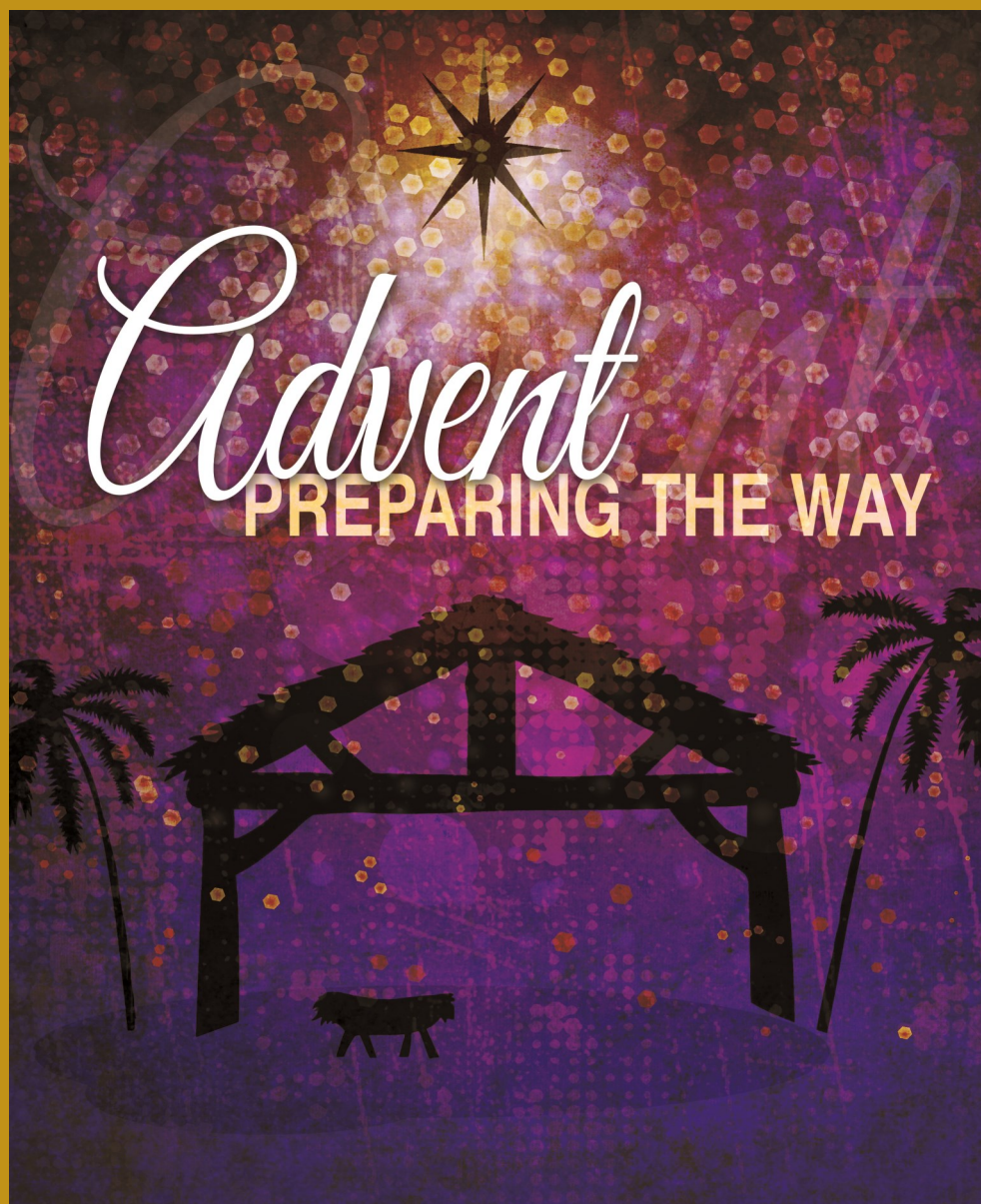


783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

December 13, 2020 Third Sunday of Advent

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.





Mass Times

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 10:00 a.m.

Confession

Saturday 2:00-3:00 p.m.

or by appointment

Weekday Masses

Tuesday, Wednesday &

Thursday at 8:30 a.m.

Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament

Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

Parish Staff



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Parish Council Chair: Scott Rutan

Parish Trustees: Deb Urtz-Gleason & Dave Galeazzo

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

Office Contact Info

The parish office is still closed to visitors, however we are in the office to answer phone calls on Monday-Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Thursday & Friday from 8:30 a.m. to Noon.

Phone: 671- 2100

Emergency Number: 369-9687

Website: www.stpaulsrcc.org

Diocese of Rochester: www.dor.org

Upcoming Events



Tuesday, December 15

Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, December 16

Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mass

9:00 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, December 17

Late Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mass

Saturday, December 19

Late Advent Weekday

2:00-3:00 p.m. Individual confession

4:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, December 20

Fourth Sunday of Advent

10:00 a.m. Mass

Financial Snapshot

	November 2020	July 2020-November 2020
Collections	\$35,473	\$176,870
Donations/ other revenue	\$3,838	\$20,144
Expenses	\$25,648	\$231,073
Operating surplus/deficit	\$13,663	\$(34,059)

Expenses include quarterly invoices paid in July & October.

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
Louis Spina
From
Wife, children,
grandchildren & great
grandchildren

Seeds for the Journey



As of the writing of this article, 195 of families have contributed to the CMA. St. Paul's has received pledges of \$37,191 which represents 34% of our \$109,477 goal. I thank those who have given generously and ask all who have not yet given to prayerfully consider doing so.

We need your **HELP** to meet our goal. In the past three years we have not met our goal and the shortfall was paid out of parish savings. Please keep in mind that you can pledge now and pay over time with the final payment due May 31, 2021. The CMA helps our Church and our parish in so many ways. Please consider all the ways that God has blessed you and your family and think how the Church has brought goodness into your lives.

10 REASONS TO MAKE A GIFT TO THE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

When you give to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, your gift is joined with thousands of others to enable our diocesan community of faith to:

1. Fund ministries that nurture the young in our precious Catholic faith and teaches values they will carry into adulthood
2. Help pay for the education of our seminarians on the road to priestly ordination
3. Ensure we can help families find their way through economic crisis and back to stability
4. Prepare engaged couples for God-centered marriages rooted in the Catholic Church
5. Educate and prepare those who wish to become Catholic for the fullness of life in the Church
6. Enable us to promote Catholic values about the sanctity of all life and make our voice heard
7. Fund programs that give young adults on college campuses a connection to the Church
8. Provide important services to your parish that it would find difficult to afford on its own
9. Be the hands and heart of Christ to the aged, the sick, the poor, and the imprisoned
10. Help fund the crucial work of Catholic Charities, serving more than 250,000 people annually

Please help St. Paul Parish and the ministries of our Diocese.
In this Season of Joy, let us be beacons of Christ, Our Light!

To make your gift or for more information, visit www.dor.org/cma or mail in the CMA envelope you received in the mail or contact the parish office to obtain a pledge form.

Joan

Masses For Christmas 2020

Christmas Eve Mass:

Thursday, December 24

3:00 p.m. Mass

5:30 p.m. Mass

Christmas Day Mass:

Friday, December 25

10:00 a.m.

Reservations are required to attend Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Mass in person. Visit St. Paul's website: stpaulsrcc.org to make your reservation today, because seats are limited! Masses will be streamed live if you cannot attend in person.

Automatic Christmas Donations

A reminder that if you are signed up for automatic donations and chose the option for an annual Christmas donation, it will be processed on December 20th. If you have any questions please contact Robin in the office at robin.martz@dor.org or 671-2100 ext. 30. Thank you very much!

Bethany House Wish List for December

Food for Christmas Baskets:

Canned green beans, canned corn, mac & cheese, boxed mashed potatoes & rice

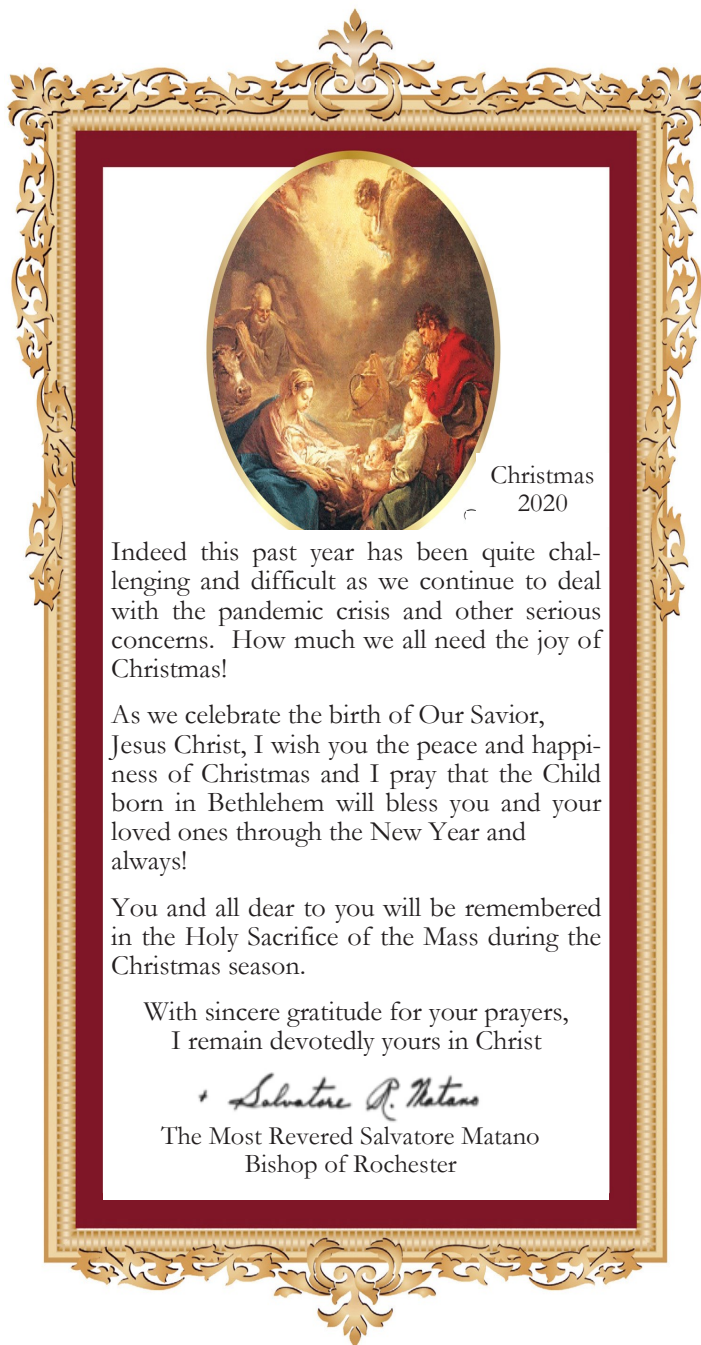
Stocking Stuffers:

Small bottles of hand sanitizer, hand lotions, chapstick, candy/mints & fuzzy socks

Please place your donations (in a paper bag) in the collection box in the Narthex during Mass. **(Enter the narthex via the door on the left and remember to wear your mask and to social distance!!!)** The Good Sam Outreach Committee will deliver our donations to Bethany House at the end of the month. Thank you!

First Communion

We would like to congratulate **Madi McDonnell** who celebrated the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. May Christ's life and love fill you every time you receive Him in Holy Communion.



Christmas
2020

Indeed this past year has been quite challenging and difficult as we continue to deal with the pandemic crisis and other serious concerns. How much we all need the joy of Christmas!

As we celebrate the birth of Our Savior, Jesus Christ, I wish you the peace and happiness of Christmas and I pray that the Child born in Bethlehem will bless you and your loved ones through the New Year and always!

You and all dear to you will be remembered in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass during the Christmas season.

With sincere gratitude for your prayers,
I remain devotedly yours in Christ

Salvatore R. Matano

The Most Revered Salvatore Matano
Bishop of Rochester

CMA Update As of December 7, 2020

Your CMA gift supports ministries that affect every Catholic in our Diocese. Thank you for supporting St. Paul's in this year's campaign.

**44.55%
of our goal**



THANK YOU

Thank You to St. Paul parishioners who donated to the K of C "Coats for Kids" ministry. Once again Trinity Council #4618, raised more than the last year, or any previous year since we started this program 9 years ago. Your donations helped enable our council to purchase a record, **34** dozen, **408** NEW children's winter coats! We have come a long way since 2012 when we distributed just 72 coats.

The new coats were distributed over the first week of December to 20 charitable organizations and school districts, who helped identify children as having a true need for a warm coat. Those receiving coats for distribution are: Hope House (24), Villa of Hope (16), Sister Regis Food Cupboard (24), Sisters of Mercy Andrews Center (24), Focus Pregnancy Center (24), St. Michael's Church (24), Jennifer House (16), St. Peter's Kitchen (30), Mary's Place (24), Willow Domestic Violence Center (18), Cameron Community Ministries (20), Bivona Child Advocacy Center (20), Coldwater House (18), Blessed Trinity Ministries, Wolcott (24), St. Rita School (6), Wayne Central Schools (10), Webster Central School District (24), Fairport Police Dept/Fairport Schools (24), Penfield Schools (30), & Williamson Central School (8).

Thanks again, Merry Christmas & God Bless
The Knight of Columbus
J. Stewart Coon, Chairman, "Coats for Kids"

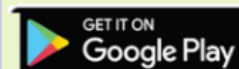
Giving Options

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

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



Try the
GIVEPLUS⁺
MOBILE APP



To donate by text,
send your
contribution amount
to 833-931-1892



Mail your check:
St. Paul Church
783 Hard Road
Webster, NY 14580

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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 x1555

Toll-free: 1-800-388-7177 x 1555

Or by email, 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

Giving Tree

We have all trudged through the most amazing 10 months—global pandemic, economic upheaval, social distancing, disrupted schedules, not to mention Zoom classrooms! Well, here's yet another time-honored tradition to bite the dust. But take heart! The mechanics of our Giving Tree have changed but we are still able to provide needy children with some Christmas joy.

There will no longer be tags on our Tree; instead we have compiled a list of gift items that can be purchased and will be delivered as usual to the children of Our Lady of the Americas parish.

Below you will find a list of suggested items. **Any of these gifts may be for a boy or girl, any size, infant to 16.** Purchase what you can, bring the items, unwrapped, to St Paul's and put them in the box in the narthex closet next to the library no later than **December 20.**

Included in the gift options for this year's Giving Tree is the gift of fuel money which provides heating funds for needy parishioners of Our Lady of the Americas. Please make your check payable to St. Paul's Church and include "fuel money" in the memo line. Fuel checks can be put in the donation box or slots in church.

Thank you for being flexible and understanding. If you have questions please call Cathy Fetes at 747-6534. The need this year is greater than ever.... Thank you for your continued generosity! May God bless you all during this holiday season. Please stay safe and healthy!

**PANTS or JEANS
PAJAMAS,
MITTENS, GLOVES, HATS,
SHIRTS or TOPS,
UNDERWEAR, SOCKS
TOYS or BOOKS**

Winter Clothing Appeal

*"It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving."
~Mother Teresa*

Ministries supported by St. Paul's have indicated their need for warm outerwear for this season. Donations of coats, jackets, boots, scarves, hats, mittens and gloves are now being accepted.

Please bring your donations to St. Paul's and place them in the chest outside the front doors. Members of the Good Sam Outreach Committee will take them to Hope House, Saints Place, the Come-Unity Center, and other ministries for distribution to those in need.

Christmas Flowers

The proceeds from this collection are used for the flowers and greenery adorning the church and altar throughout the Christmas season.

If you wish to make a donation in memory or honor of a loved one, please note the name(s) on the envelope. The memorials will be listed in the Christmas bulletin. We use the parishioner info on the front of the envelope to note who the donation is from, so if you want something different, please note that as well.

If you don't receive envelopes and wish to donate for Christmas flowers, just send Robin a note or an email with the information. Or you can make the donation online on the donation page on our website. There is a text box to note who the donation is in memory of.

Please make checks payable to "St. Paul's Church". You may send it in any time, with a deadline of **December 16** to make it into the bulletin. We will also list the memorials on our web site. If you have any questions please contact Robin at 671-2100 ext. 30 or robin.martz@dor.org

Our Live Stream

Has Moved to YouTube

When the pandemic hit and we closed, there was a scramble to offer Mass online. We considered the different streaming options and the simplest one for us to get working was via Facebook with Fr Paul's cell phone and a tripod. The quality of the broadcast was not outstanding but it was a temporary solution.

We have now moved to YouTube for our streaming. The audio is directly through the microphone so it is much clearer. And the camera video is better than through a cellphone.

The St. Paul's Mass YouTube links are on our web site. There is one for the live streaming which will be active for Sunday 10:00 AM Mass. There is also a link to recordings of previous Masses. This is St. Paul's YouTube page. If you subscribe to our page you will receive notifications of upcoming broadcasts.

We hope the links and stream are all set but as we have discovered, things don't always work as planned. If you have any problems accessing the stream please call the office and leave us a message. Thank you for your patience and understanding!