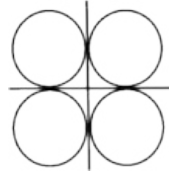


# ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York 14580

**February 2, 2025 The Presentation of the Lord**

## 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.



## THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

"Behold, this child is  
destined for the fall and  
rise of many in Israel."  
- Lk 2:34

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### Mass Times

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

### Daily Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday &  
Thursday at 8:30 a.m.

### Confession

Saturday at 2:00-3:00 p.m.  
or by appointment

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

### Live Stream Mass via YouTube

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.



**Monday, February 3**  
*Weekday*  
**St. Blaise, Bishop & Martyr;**  
**St. Ansgar, Bishop**  
 8:30A Mass

**Tuesday, February 4**  
*Weekday*  
 8:30A Mass with anointing  
 12:00P Rosary Group  
 7:00P Hands of Christ Ceremony  
 @ Sacred Heart Cathedral

**Wednesday, February 5**  
**St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr**  
 8:30A Mass  
 9:00A Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
 7:00P Choir rehearsal  
 7:00P Hands of Christ Ceremony  
 @ Sacred Heart Cathedral

**Thursday, February 6**  
**St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs**  
 8:30A Mass

**Friday, February 7**  
*Weekday*  
 No Mass

**Saturday, February 8**  
*Weekday*  
 2:00P Confession  
 4:00P Mass-Hands of Christ blessing during Mass  
 4:00P Vow Renewal during Mass  
 4:00P Choir sings during Mass  
 5:00P St. Paul's 2nd Annual Pasta Dinner

**Sunday, February 9**  
**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 9:00A Mass-Hands of Christ Blessing during Mass  
 10:00A SOR classes  
 11:00A Mass

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**Parish Office Hours**

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Monday-Friday

**Phone:** 671- 2100  
**Emergency Number:** 369-9687  
**Website:** www.stpaulsrcc.org  
**Diocese of Rochester:** www.dor.org



**Financial Snapshot**

	December 2024	July-December 2024
Collections	\$63,462	\$250,879
Donations/ other revenue	\$2,978	\$21,248
Expenses	\$29,658	\$261,214
Operating surplus/deficit	\$36,782	\$13,919

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

Jason Aman	Josh Bartlett
Bryan Gross	Cydney Blong
Tom Weisenreder	Michael J. Desiato
Mason Serrano	Daniel Thomas
Andrew Zani	Robert Wright
Jay Riesenberger	



*This week the  
 Sanctuary Lamp burns for  
 Judy Cornell  
 From,  
 The Dugan family*

# Seeds for the Journey

## The Nunc Dimittis

On February 2 each year, our Holy mother, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This occurs exactly forty days after Christmas. Following the law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, where he was consecrated, and his parents offered a sacrifice of a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons. Overtime, the practice developed where Christians bring candles to be blessed at this Mass.

Today's feast invites us to reflect on how we prepare ourselves to receive Jesus Christ in our participation at the Eucharist. The Holy Family made their preparations and purifications before entering the temple to present the Lord. How can we prepare and purify ourselves so that we can receive the Lord in our own temples? What are those areas in our lives where tarnish has built up: the tarnish of pride, selfishness, unkind acts, broken relationships, prejudice, injustice?

Today's feast also invites us to reflect on the ever presence of Christ who brings light to the world. Christ who frees us from the darkness of sin. Present in the Temple during the Presentation were the righteous man Simeon and the prophetess Anna. Both Simeon and Anna were advanced in age and were awaiting the birth of the messiah who will bring about the redemption of Jerusalem.

During the Presentation, Simeon said the following prayer, which we now refer to in Latin as the *Nunc Dimittis*. This prayer is recited at night by priests, deacons, religious, seminarians and all those who pray the Compline. I also invite you to recite this prayer before going to bed:

### The *Nunc Dimittis* Prayer

*Save us Lord while we are awake. Protect us while we sleep. That we may keep watch with Christ and rest with him in peace.*

*Lord, Let your servant go in peace, according to your promise. For my eyes, have seen your salvation, which you have prepared for all the world to see. The Light of revelation for the Gentiles and the Glory of your people Israel.*

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end Amen.*

Save us Lord while we are awake. Protect us while we sleep. That we may keep watch with Christ and rest with him in peace.

*Anselm*



# St. Paul's Pasta Dinner Fundraiser

Proceeds benefit St. Paul's Confirmation Program

## Saturday, February 8 at 5:00 p.m.



**Dinner includes:  
Pasta, meatballs,  
garlic bread &  
Salad**



**Dine in or Take  
out!!!**

**Tickets:**  
\$12 for adults  
\$6 for kids  
10 & under

### St. Paul's Memorials

Did you know that St. Paul's offers a few different ways to honor/remember your loved ones?

**Votive Candles:** As you say a prayer to our Mother Mary, you may light one of our votive candles that twinkle in the corner of the worship area. Candles can be lit at any time. Once a candle is lit it will automatically stay luminated for five days. Envelopes for your free will donation are located on the tower shelf close to the kneeler.

**Sanctuary Lamp:** Our sanctuary lamp in the worship area can be booked in honor/memory of your loved one a week at a time. The lamp is currently being booked for 2025 and there are quite a few weeks available. The donation for the lamp is \$15 and the name of your loved one is published in the bulletin.

**Sanctuary Flowers:** We are currently booking Sanctuary Flowers for 2025. Flowers are on display in the sanctuary on any available weekend of your choice. The minimum donation for flowers is \$50. Your loved ones name will also be published in the bulletin.

**Memorial Donations:** You may make a Memorial Donation in honor/memory of someone at any time throughout the year. If you would like an acknowledgment to be sent please include the name and address of the next kin.

To reserve flowers and lamps, or for more information regarding the memorial options, please contact Jodie in the parish office at 671-2100 x21 or via email [Jodie.hickey@dor.org](mailto:Jodie.hickey@dor.org)

## Visit St. Paul's Website



Wondering what time Mass is? Looking for info on our next program, or how we are doing on the CMA? That and much more can be found on our website at [stpaulsrcc.org](http://stpaulsrcc.org).

The most current events stream across the front page and below that are Mass times, office hours and streaming links. There are permanent tabs with links for Faith Formation, Sacraments, Ministries, Social Justice, & Giving. Also our calendar so you can see at a glance when that next event or meeting will be. Check it out!



Pope Francis teaches..... "in a special way during this Holy (Jubilee) Year we are called to be tangible signs of hope for our brothers and sisters who experience hardships of any kind". The Jubilee *indulgence* is linked to works of mercy and penance. Following the example and mandate of Christ, we are encouraged to carry out works of charity or mercy more frequently, especially in service to those who are burdened by various needs. We are called to rediscover the corporal works of mercy: feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, heal the sick, visit the imprisoned, bury the dead.

### Rosary Group



St. Paul's Rosary group meets every Tuesday to recite the rosary at 12:00 p.m. in the worship area. Many people who have never said the rosary have joined this group and enjoy praying it in a group setting. We welcome all levels and people from outside parishes as well. Please join us.

## From the John Walsh Library



### Green, S.J., Thomas H. Experiencing God

Father Green reminds us that prayer is, above all, a relationship with God and the deepening of our experience with God. As a spiritual director, Father Green spent years teaching fellow Christians to pray. This slim volume is drawn from his lectures; it is a treasury of his best insights, now in print for the first time. He discusses the three stages of growth: knowing God; experiencing God; and finally, being transformed by God. Sometimes growth is painful. Although God loves our growth, some people are threatened by it. But once we begin to value being loving, more than being holy, we can say we've begun the experience of a real relationship-- one of giving God Joy rather than getting something for ourselves. (Call No 242-GRE).

### Webster Hope February Wish List



Ground coffee, tea, hot chocolate	Canned peas, beets, pineapple
Flour, sugar, cooking oil	Boxed pasta please no whole wheat
Laundry soap	Jarred pasta sauce
Dish Soap	Canned chili, beef stew, hearty soups

Please place your donations in the collection box in the Narthex before or after Mass. The Good Sam Outreach Committee will deliver our donations on a regular basis. Thank you so much for your generosity!

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## Ministry Schedule for February 8 & 9, 2025

If **TBD** or **Volunteer Needed** is listed, please contact the ministry coordinator to see if that position still needs to be filled. Thank you for all you do for St. Paul's!

	4:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
<b>Acolytes</b>	Luca Picca <b>Volunteer Needed</b>	<b>Volunteer Needed</b> <b>Volunteer Needed</b>	Lucy Rynkiewicz <b>Volunteer Needed</b>
<b>Cantors</b>	Cindy Rutan	Bob Slon	Elizabeth Randisi
<b>EMHC</b>	Mary Beth Speicher <b>Volunteer Needed</b>	Margaret Milner <b>Volunteer Needed</b>	Ruth Prinzivalli <b>Volunteer Needed</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	Ellen Oinen Don Oinen	Lucille Friscano Pat Amedeo	Anne Hauber Ellen Santora
<b>Lectors</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>Linens</b>	Karen Napoli No specific time for pick up		
<b>Sacristans</b>	Sue Dettman	Turner family	Sharyn LiPari
<b>Stream Team</b>	John Kosel	Lou Rotundo	George Hanley
<b>Ushers</b>	Sue Dettman Alice Bower	Paul Fetter Herb Gauch	Charlie & Nancy Carson Fred Compertore

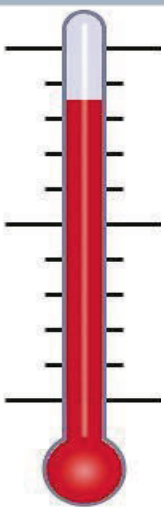


**Totals as of:**  
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**Goal**  
\$100,000

**Pledged**  
\$83,785

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**of our goal**



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Thank you to everyone who has responded with a gift or pledge. If you have not yet responded, please prayerfully consider a gift. The CMA provides funding for important programs, services and ministries that strengthen our whole Church. Every gift to the CMA helps those in need, supports the mission of the Church, and comes back to help our parish. Let us continue to pray for the success of our efforts.

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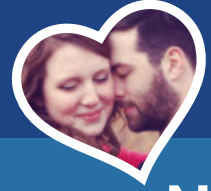
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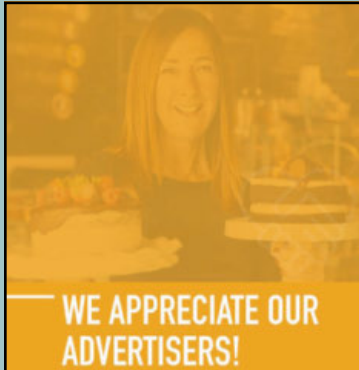


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