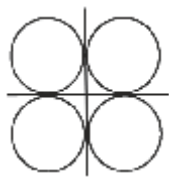


# ST. PAUL'S CHURCH




783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

**July 18, 2021 Sixteenth 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.



*16<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

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He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place. - Mk 6:31b-32

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**Mass Times**

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 9:00 a.m. &amp; 11:00 a.m.

**Confession**Saturday 2:00-3:00 p.m.  
or by appointment**Weekday Masses**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday &  
Thursday at 8:30 a.m.**Adoration of the Blessed****Sacrament**

Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

**Live Stream Mass via YouTube**

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 11:00 a.m.

**Parish Staff****Pastor:** Fr. Paul Gitau

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**Finance Council Chair:** Tom Napoli**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**Summer Office Hours**8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday (closed for the lunch hour  
from 12:00-12:45 p.m.) Friday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Open for visitors daily 8:00 a.m. to Noon

**Phone:** 671- 2100**Emergency Number:** 369-9687**Website:** www.stpaulsrcc.org**Diocese of Rochester:** www.dor.org**Monday, July 19****Weekday**

8:30A Mass

**Tuesday, July 20****Weekday**

8:30A Mass

**Wednesday, July 21****Weekday**

8:30A Mass

9:00A Adoration of the Blessed  
Sacrament**Thursday, July 22****St. Mary Magdalene**

8:30A Mass

**Friday, July 23****Weekday****Parish Office Closed at Noon**  
No Mass or events**Saturday, July 24****Weekday****Sister of Christ the Light Mission**  
**Appeal**

2:00P Individual Confession

4:00P Mass

**Sunday, July 25****17th Sunday in Ordinary Time****World Day for Grandparents &**  
**Elderly****Sister of Christ the Light Mission**  
**Appeal**

9:00A Mass

11:00A Mass

**Financial Snapshot**

	June 2021	July 2020-June 2021
Collections	\$31,179	\$522,007
Donations/ other revenue	\$2,928	\$42,776
Expenses	\$38,702	\$536,703
Operating surplus/deficit	\$(4,595)	\$28,080

\*“Expenses” include quarterly invoices paid.

\*“Donations/other revenue” does not include CMA shortage donations of \$41,025  
from challengers and donors.**Let Us Pray for Those in the  
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Jay Riesenberger

The word of God  
is a light to the mind  
and a fire to the will.

—St. Lawrence of Brindisi

# *Seeds for the Journey*



Our 2020-2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal ended on May 31. Thank you to all who helped us during this campaign:

- ♦ Donors who contributed from the start
- ♦ Donors who stepped up when our progress slowed and challenged everyone to contribute to our shortage campaign
- ♦ Donors who answered the challenge

We are so grateful to all of you!

Additionally, when calculating our final bill, the diocese issued us a CMA Grant of \$2,333. This grant was made possible by the Diocese through one-half of the overage achieved by parishes that surpassed their CMA goals, and the generous individuals who choose to assist struggling parishes.

Thank you for your continued efforts in support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal, especially during this challenging time!

Please note for next year's campaign:

We will be offering something new. St. Paul's, in collaboration with the Diocese, is piloting a program to budget and pay for the CMA over the nine months of the campaign. A letter will be going out shortly with the details. Thanks again for your support!

*Robin*



## Are you Thinking About the Catholic Faith?

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 October to 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 join 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, call the office @ 671-2100 or contact Deacon Mark via email, mark.robbyns@dor.org.

### Bethany House Wish List for July



- ◆ Size 4 diapers
- ◆ Newborn diapers
- ◆ Pull ups
- ◆ Canned fruit
- ◆ Canned vegetables
- ◆ Pasta
- ◆ Cereal
- ◆ Canned chili with beans
- ◆ Jelly
- ◆ Pasta sauce



Please place your donations (in a paper bag) in the collection box in the Narthex during Mass. The Good Sam Outreach Committee will deliver our donations to Bethany House at the end of the month.

## Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments The Steward's Work Is Never Done

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock! When you hear these strong words from the Old Testament, you're probably thinking, thank goodness I don't have any sheep — dodged that bullet. Nobody misled here! No flock scattered on my watch! However, we are all shepherds of a kind, called to tend our own sheep: our families, our parishes, our communities.

But it's exhausting. Don't we all sometimes just want to take a break from being a steward? The excuses are so familiar: we're tired, we've done enough, we've given all we can, what more does the parish (or my spouse, or my kids, or my boss, or my friends, or my community) want? We give ourselves permission to be selfish. So, what if the flock scatters just a little?

Jesus gets that. We can just imagine him weary with exhaustion, can't we? We see him on his boat, attempting to sneak away for a quick break — maybe just a chance to eat a bite of food in peace. He is God, but he was still human, after all. Even the most dedicated shepherds need to sleep. But people couldn't leave him alone. They were hungry for him. They needed what he could offer, and they needed it now.

As tough as it is, that's the example we are tasked with imitating. Everyday Stewardship demands accountability. It demands our showing up even when we are tired. It demands that we look at our lives, our time, our energies, our talents, our hearts, our bank accounts and think: where do I still have more to give?

~Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

## New Members Needed for St. Paul's Pastoral Council

We are currently looking for two adult and one youth representative on the Parish Pastoral Council. The term is for 3 years and the Council meets every third Monday of the month. Please consider serving to help guide the parish and Fr. Paul as we go forward as a faith community.

To nominate yourself or someone else who would be a good representative of our parish community, please call or email Jodie at 671-2100 or Jodie.hickey@dor.org.

Nominations must be in no later than **Monday Aug 9th**. Contact the parish office with any questions or if you want to learn more about the PPC commitment.

## Sisters of Christ the Light Mission Appeal July 24 & 25



Next weekend we welcome Srs. Kavitha Jaku and Lyssa Mathew from "Sister of Christ the Light".

The mission of the Sisters of Christ the Light was founded by late Most Rev. S.A. Aruliah,

the first Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Cuddapah, Andhra Pradesh, India. They are a diocesan congregation under the patronage of the Bishop of Cuddapah. They follow the Benedictine spirituality. The Charism of the congregation is to radiate the light of Christ in loving service through a life of contemplation and action in the spirit of St. Benedict, their patron.

The sisters are involved in different apostolic activities like providing education for the poor children, and run boarding and rehabilitation homes for the disadvantaged children who are disabled/mentally challenged orphans and also support women through the different empowerment program.

Their social concern is for the Asha Nilayam Speech & Hearing Impaired School & Rehabilitation Center which was founded in 2009. The school runs classes from 1st grade though 10th grade. Currently there are 250 students registered and they lodge in the rehab center to receive therapy. Children are given food, uniforms, education and basic medical care in addition to speech therapy. All of these services are provided free of charge.

The sisters invite St. Paul's to become a channel of blessings to their speech and hearing impaired children. With our goodness and generosity it will help give children hearing aids, food, clothes, education, speech therapy and medication for a year.



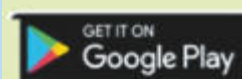
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### Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester

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 House**

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



## SUNDAY'S READINGS

### FIRST READING:

I myself will gather the remnant of my flock  
from all the lands to which I have driven them  
and bring them back to their meadow;  
there they shall increase and multiply. (Jer 23:3)

### PSALM:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.  
(Ps 23)

### SECOND READING:

In Christ Jesus you who once were far off  
have become near by the blood of Christ. (Eph 2:13)

### GOSPEL:

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd,  
his heart was moved with pity for them,  
for they were like sheep without a shepherd;  
and he began to teach them many things. (Mk 6:34)

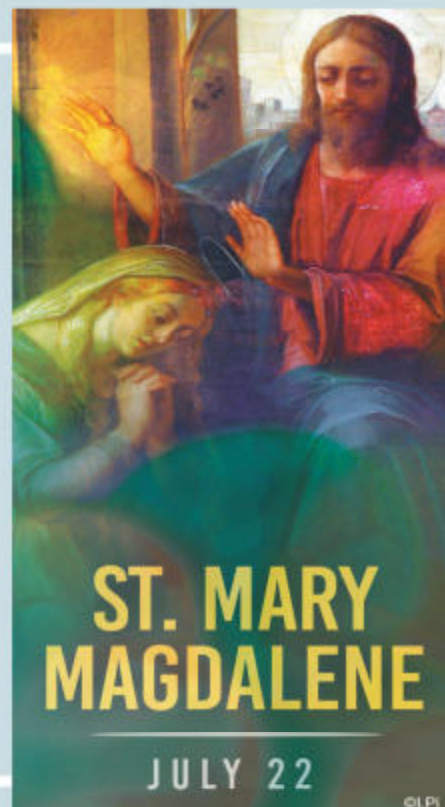
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### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 18, 2021

Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Tuesday: St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr  
Wednesday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest  
and Doctor of the Church  
Thursday: St. Mary Magdalene  
Friday: St. Bridget, Religious  
Saturday: St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest; BVM  
Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



**LOVE**  
*your neighbor*



**ST. MARY  
MAGDALENE**

JULY 22

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## REFLECT

### FIRST READING

The prophet Jeremiah spoke of God's negative reaction to "the shepherds" (false rulers) who neglected and mislead his "sheep" (the people of Israel and Judah). What characteristics make for an ideal leader?

### SECOND READING

Paul taught the Ephesians that through his cross and resurrection, Jesus established unity and peace for all believers. When have you experienced harmony in your faith community?

### GOSPEL READING

Jesus encouraged the apostles to retreat and rest after their successful missionary work, but the crowds made that difficult. What gets in your way from resting and retreating?

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