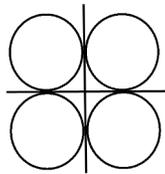


ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

June 21, 2020 Twelfth 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.

12th
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
"Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin?
Yet not one of them falls to the ground
without your Father's knowledge... So do not
be afraid; you are worth more than many
sparrows." - Mt 10:29, 31

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Stay Connected!

Lots of additional information is available on **St. Paul's web site**, stpaulsrcc.org. Below are a few important items you might want to check out:

- Watch Sunday Mass
- Sign up to attend Mass on Saturday at 4:00 p.m. or Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
- Read the weekly bulletin
- Donate online
- Contact a staff member
- Read guidelines for attending Mass



Parish Staff



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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

Financial Snapshot

	May 2020	July 2019 - May 2020
Collections	\$41,085	\$497,155
Donations/ other revenue	\$2,983	\$81,802
Expenses	\$(33,920)	\$(558,923)
Operating surplus/deficit	\$10,148	\$20,034

YTD collections include Christmas collection of \$16,938 and Easter collection \$10,797.
 St. Paul Church relies on the generous contributions of our parishioners to continue providing the programs and ministries of the parish.

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—St. André Bessette



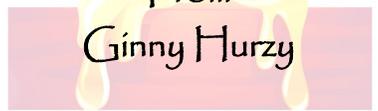
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Let Us Pray for Those in the Military



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

This week the
 Sanctuary Lamp burns
 for
 Helen Simmons
 From
 Ginny Hurzy



Seeds for the Journey

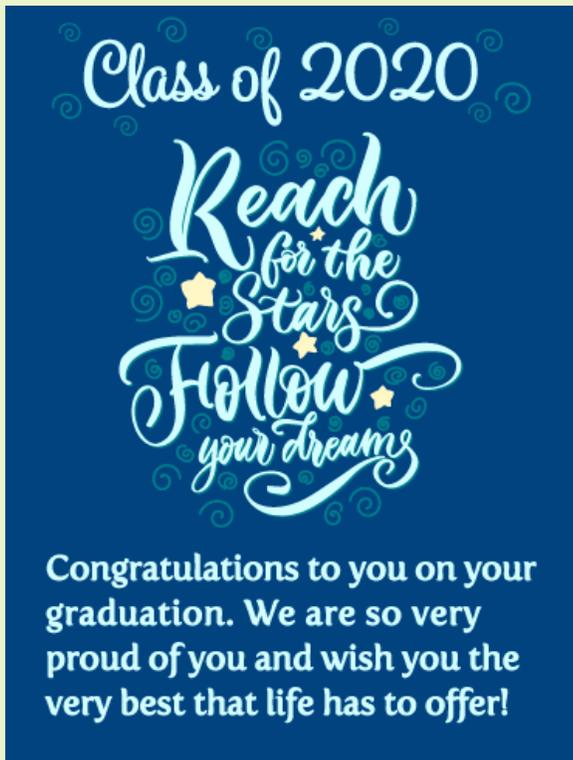
What sustains you when trials and disappointments come your way? As I was reflecting about this Sunday's readings and the fact that this is Father's Day and we are honoring our Graduates, I could not help thinking about the problems we are facing. Between the politicians, the economy, and Covid-19 plus civil rights crisis, every day there is fear and anxiety for a future we can't predict. But Jesus is telling us to fear no one and nothing but to trust in God who loves us more than the birds of the sky and the fish in the sea.

We thank God for the gift of Fathers for their love is priceless. Fathers provide wisdom, support, and love as they guide the families to grow in faith and hope. To our 2020 graduates, your graduation may look different but that does not reduce your achievement and how far you can go. Remember President Obama's words, "When sometimes I feel despair I just see what is happening with young people in the whole country and the voice, talents, and sophistication they are displaying, it makes me feel optimistic, it makes me feel this country will be better... So, I want you also to feel optimistic and hopeful."

What sustains us during crisis is Faith and Hope. Pope Benedict XVI reminded us that, "Hope is a key word in biblical faith," so much so that at times, "the words 'Faith' and 'Hope' seem interchangeable." As the Holy Father put it, "The one who has hope lives differently." St. Paul in his First Letter to Corinthians 13 has also emphasized the important of Faith, Hope and Love. Deuteronomy 6:5 says "You shall love your God..." and Leviticus 19:18, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Pope Francis, speaking about the two commandments points out that Jesus' teaching put together these two commandments. "The love for God and love for the neighbor, revealing that they are inseparable and complementary." Therefore "If anyone says, 'I love God,' but hates his brother, he is a liar; for whoever does not love a brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen." (1 John 4:20). No wonder Meghan Markle told the graduates, "You are going to lead with love and compassion and use your voice in a stronger way than you have ever been able to."

Our love for God must be carried out in loving actions toward the neighbor. An American journalist, the servant of God Dorothy Day, whom God used to touch others every day, lived in New York City between 1897-1980. She led a reform within American Catholic church, to reach out to the poor and homeless. She was a crusader for social justice. And all she did was love God and love neighbor and lived the way a Christian should live. We live in a world that is hostile to the Gospel that calls us to love God and everyone, but God's grace is enough to give us strength and guide us out of the darkness of fear and anxiety. Let Faith, Hope and Love sustain us during crisis. Wishing everyone a Happy Father's Day and to our graduates, congratulations!

Fr. Paul



Blessing of Graduates

Gracious and Loving God,
 We ask, now, for your almighty hand to be upon our graduates as they and their families celebrate this grand milestone.

May they find comfort from our community's continued embrace and support as they journey through life. Bless their lives from this day on with goodness and success.

Enable them to stay true to their dreams for your greater glory, to discern what is right, good and just, and to use their gifts wisely and in service to others.

Empower them to walk into the future with faith, hope, and great love guided by your light so that they may use their talents to, in the words of St. Ignatius Loyola, "Go forth and set the world on fire."
 Grace be to them, grace be to us all.
 Amen.

The lovely flowers adorning the altar for Father's Day have been donated in loving memory/honor of the following. Many thanks for your generosity!

<u>In Memory/Honor Of</u>	<u>From</u>
Joseph Hurzy	Ginny & family
Chuck Dettman	Sue Dettman
Norb Keller	Sue Dettman
Bill Dettman	Sue Dettman
Robert Bruderly	Robin Martz
Mike Heinick	Robin Martz
Peter DeAngelis	Patrice DeAngelis
Wilfred Elliott	Cheryl & Len Quinn
Leo Quinn	Cheryl & Len Quinn
Cataldo Gallina	Maria Stein
Joseph L. Barone	Rosanne Barone
Robert Politica	Sue & Gerald Muto
John Muto	Sue & Gerald Muto

<u>In Memory/Honor Of</u>	<u>From</u>
Carl Mongiovi	John & Barb Mongiovi
Dick Datz	John & Barb Mongiovi
Hank Mannella	Ann Mannella & Family
Don Murphy	Ann Mannella & Family
Angelo Mannella	Ann Mannella & Family
Glenn Hickey	the family
Lou Piccarreto	Emma & Luke



Staffing Update

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic we have had to eliminate the Pastoral Associate position. We take this opportunity to thank Katherine most sincerely for the years that she has worked for us. Hopefully after the COVID crisis we can have a reception for her.

If you have any questions regarding Adult Faith Formation, School of Religion or Youth Group, please contact Sue Ward, Faith Formation & Youth Coordinator. Sue can be reached via email at susan.ward@dor.org or by calling 671-2110.

Votive Candles



The next time you are here for Mass please check out our new votive candles in the southeast corner of the church! And soon a new statue of Mary!

We have had many requests for votives, and we realized they would be a

great addition to our popular sanctuary lamp memorials. For years we've been hoping to find a set that is electric (no fire hazard and no maintenance) and gently used (to save money since the electric ones are expensive.)

The week of the shutdown in March, we were notified of a set of two was available. They were delivered and have been sitting here since!

We have also ordered a statue of Mary to display in the same corner, so when you light a candle you can say a prayer to her. People were very positive about the small Mary statue that Fr Paul brought in from his office for May (the month of Mary). And as he says, without Mary, there is no Jesus, so we are blessed to be able to have Her here to grace our worship space.

The statue is coming from Peru and has been delayed due to the shutdown there as well. But they have reopened and we are hoping it will be completed and delivered soon!

Every Friday the candles will be turned off so they may be lit again for the new week over the weekend. If you wish to make a votive prayer donation there are envelopes near the votives; please put the envelope in the Donations slot in the wall or one of the offertory boxes by the doors.

If you have any questions please contact Robin in the office at 671-2100 Ext. 30.

.....A PRAYER FOR.....
Father's DAY

Gracious God,
 bless fathers and all father figures with such love and faithfulness that children flourish and grow in uprightness and joy. Bless those who long to be fathers and those for whom this day is difficult.
 Amen.



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

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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 person 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.**

Becoming Anti-Racist

This chart is for your reflection and prayer as we consider our attitudes concerning racism in our culture, society and most importantly in our own spirit as a Christian.

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