

783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

#### November 3, 2019 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. PAUL'S

CHURCH

**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.



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Saturday, November 2 All Souls' Day

9:30A Marthas Reception

9:30-11:30A Prayer Shawl

8:30A Mass of Remembrance

#### St. Paul's Church, Webster, New York

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# Parish Staff

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#### Office Hours

8:30-4:30 Monday-Friday (closed for the lunch hour from 12:00-1:00 p.m.) 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
October 26 & 27	\$5,014	
Ach & Credit Card	\$809	
Total	\$5,823	\$10,575
YTD	\$144,527	\$190,350
Attendance	500	



This week the flowers in the sanctuary are in memory of Rose & Frank LaManna, Carmella & Henry Majka & Francine Majka From Frank & Barbara LaManna & Family



This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns for Leonie Nycz From Daughter, Mary & Family

3:00P Individual Confession 4:00P Mass Sunday, November 3 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00A Mass-Dedicated to the deceased members of the Knights of Columbus 9:00A CLOW Coffee & Donuts 9:30-10:50A Confirmation Prep Yr. 1 10:00A SOAR 11:00A Mass-Baptism of Gia Rose LeCesse 11:00A CLOW Coffee & Donuts 12:10-1:30P Confirmation Prep Yr. 2 6:00-7:15P Youth Group Monday, November 4 St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop 8:00A Rosary 8:30A Mass 4:30P SOAR

Tuesday, November 5 Weekday 6:00A-9:00P St. Paul's Polling Station: General Election

8:00A Rosary 8:30A Mass 1:15P Faith Sharing Group <u>Wednesday, November 6</u> Weekday 8:00A Rosary

8:30A Mass 9:00A Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7:00P Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, November 7

Weekday 8:00A Rosary 8:30A Mass 9:00A Vac Pac 1:30P Grief Sharing Group Friday, November 8 Weekdav 8:00A Rósary 8:30A Communion Service <u>Saturday, November 9</u> Dedication of Lateran Basilica 2nd Collection: Archdiocese for **Military Services** 3:00P Individual Confession 4:00P Mass 5:00-7:00P Wine Tasting "FunRaiser"

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# Seeds for the Journey

# Zacchaeus and Receiving Jesus with Joy

The Gospel of Luke presents Jesus as the one who seeks and finds the lost. I'm sure you can recall the three consecutive stories of the lost sheep, the coin and the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:4-32). Each time, after finding what was lost, there is great joy and celebration.

In today's gospel, Jesus proclaims he "has come to seek and to save what was lost" (Luke 19:10). Jesus passing through a town spots Zacchaeus perched up in a tree and invites himself to stay at his house. Jesus loves and accepts Zacchaeus, the chief tax collector, just as he finds him. However, to the astonished grumbling crowd, Jesus had just invited himself into the home of a sinner. Zacchaeus without hesitation comes down and receives Jesus with joy.

Conversion follows Zacchaeus' encounter with Jesus. His response was to turn to his neighbors, the poor and those he had wronged. He freely repents, pledging to give lavishly to care for the needy and make amends to those he has extorted. We too are capable of repent-ance and reconciliation. Yet first and foremost, this story shows us what can happen when we know ourselves as unconditionally loved. A relationship with Jesus *will* make a difference in our actions. Even though we are unworthy, Jesus will seek us out and come to stay with us. He invites us to see ourselves anew, the way God sees us - with mercy and love.

We may encounter Jesus in many ways, but most certainly we receive Jesus in the Eucharist. As we receive communion today we welcome Jesus into our hearts. We freely accept his invitation to abide with us no matter what "grumbling" is going on within or around us. "Lord, I am not worthy, but I am beloved. I am yours."

So go out on a limb to encounter Jesus. Experience the gaze of Jesus looking with love and acceptance upon you. Then like Zacchaeus you will respond to Jesus with joy.

"You looked with love upon me and deep within your eyes imprinted grace; this mercy set me free, held in your love's embrace, to lift my eyes adoring to your face."

(Stanza 32 of The Spiritual Canticle by Saint John of the Cross)



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#### Prayer for Vocations National Vocation Awareness Week

Loving and Generous God, it is You who calls us by name and asks us to follow You. Help us to grow in the love and service of our Church as we experience it today. Give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit to shape its future

Grant us faith-filled leaders who will embrace Christ's Mission of love and justice.

Bless the Church of St. Paul's by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve Your people as sisters, priests, brothers, deacons and lay ministers.

Inspire us to know You better and open our hearts to hear Your call.

We ask this through our Lord. Amen.



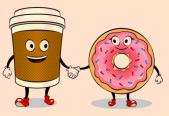
# Calling All St. Paul's Young Parishioners!

# Do you like to color? Do you like winning prizes?

If you answered yes then we have a contest for you. The Catholic Courier is presenting a coloring contest for children ages 3 to 12. There will be five age categories: 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10 & 11-12. Children are asked to do their best coloring of the nativity scene selected by the Catholic Courier. Then all you have to do is submit your finished work. The Courier will then invite visitors to the website to vote for the best-colored photo in each age category. The young artist to receive the most votes in each age category will win prizes. Please visit the "Kids Corner" table in the main hallway for a copy of the contest details along with the nativity scene coloring sheet. Good luck to all!



#### Jambo Java Café Update



Coffee has been brewing for 7 weeks now. 77 dozen donuts (900 donuts) and 7 dozen bagels (84 bagels) have been delivered to St. Paul's. There is fellowship offered after both the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Hopefully you've had an opportunity to come downstairs and enjoy a delicious Hegedorn's bagel or donut along with a cup of coffee, tea, hot chocolate, lemonade or water.

**THANK YOU**, to **ALL** who have volunteered their time and talent in this social ministry. Families and individuals have spent a minimal amount of their Sunday serving and cleaning up. Please consider signing up for one of the dates that are still open. Helen Stirpe is always on hand every Sunday to assist. Sign up sheets are located on the bulletin board downstairs in the Jambo Java Café. If you have any questions, please email Helen at: helen.stirpe@dor.org.

# From the John Walsh Library..

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# Have You Read...

# Martin, S.J., James The Jesuit Guide to (Almost) Everything

The Ignatian philosophy of finding God in all things and all persons means that every aspect of our lives can lead us to God. With his typical warmth and humor, Father Martin translates this insight for a modern audience: how we can find God—and God can find us—in the real world of work, love, suffering, decisions, prayer, and friendship. This book is not a guide to understanding everything about everything. Rather it is a guide to understanding how God can be found in every dimension of our lives. The spiritual life is a constant journey toward becoming contemplatives in action, toward seeing God Incarnate in the world, toward freedom and detachment, taking comfort in the reminder of St. Ignatius that God meets people where they are. Reminder: Father Martin will speak at Nazareth College on November 7 at 7:00 p.m.

(Call No. 248.4-MAR)

# Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services

There will be a second collection on the weekend of November 9 & 10 for the Archdiocese for the Military Services. This collection will support pastoral care and ministry to Catholic families stationed worldwide in the U.S. Military, and Catholic patients in Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Centers throughout the country and in Guam and Puerto Rico. Thank you for your generosity.

### November Remembrance Novembering Niche

Once again, photographs you provide of your loved ones will be displayed in the church. (Label your photographs and pick them up after 11/24.) This display includes a book of remembrance for you to record the names of your departed loved ones.

# For the Children

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# Forest, Jim Silent as a Stone: Mother Maria of Paris and the Trash Can Rescue

It is Paris during World War II. Mother Maria notes that many people are being taken away by the German soldiers occupying France. What is happening to them? Mother Maria continually prays for help and strength. When Jeremy, a little Jewish boy, shows up explaining that the soldiers took his family, Mother Maria takes him in. Soon after, Mother Maria hears that the missing people are detained at the bicycle stadium. While ministering to those held there, she is asked by parents to help their children to safety. Seeing her friend 🕺 the trash collector, Mother Maria's plans with him to use his trash cans to save the little ones. This story of courage and bravery is based on true accounts of Mother Maria, now a saint in the Orthodox Christian Church.

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# Help SOAR Make A Difference

The School of Awesome Religion Thanksgiving Service Project is off to a good start! Thank you to all who have donated so far. We are still collecting much needed nonperishable food items and toiletries for **Hope House**.

A basket for donations is located in School of Awesome Religion hallway. The collection will end next weekend, **November 9th & 10th**. Thank you for all your support and making a difference for those in need this Thanksgiving!

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#### Ministry Schedule for November 9 & 10, 2019

	4:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Acolytes	Patrick Mason <b>TBD</b>	Nicola Bleier Margaret Milner	Bella Pumputis Evan Pumputis
Ushers	Arnie Read Chris Strait	Tim Thomas Bernie Schimmel Bill Issac	Charlie & Nancy Carson
Sacristans	Olbrich Family	Turner Family	Barr Family
Lectors Commentators	Linda Pratt Dan Bower	Michael Lyons Karen Heller	Kay Vargo Scott Rutan
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Kathy Olbrich Dennis Olbrich Ellen Oinen Don Oinen Bob Frank Pat Thomas	George Lejnieks Al Granville Mike Fredericks Rachel Falcone Josephine Cozzo Craig Lippolis	Gina McNamara Larry McNamara George Hanley Christopher Koppen Ellen Santora Fred Compertore
Greeters	Linda Pratt Kathryn Strait <b>Volunteer Needed</b>	Jack Black Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Nancy Willard Rose Riefer <b>Volunteer Needed</b>
Linens	Judy Bruinsma		

#### Music for November 2 & 3 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time



Somebody's Knockin' At Your Door (*Somebody's Knockin'*) .....No. 470 Come To The Water (*Foley-1978*).....No. 584 I Have Loved You (*Joncas-1979*).....No. 588 How Great Thou Art (*How Great Thou Art*)....No. 578 Readings: No. 1184

Psalm: 145 I Will Praise Your Name......No. 1184

#### **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, victimsassistance@dor.org

Today, I will ...

Let go of what I can't control
Pray more than I worry
Be a blessing
Let my words heal, not wound
Encourage someone

#### **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