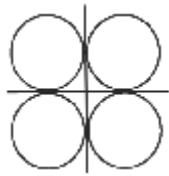


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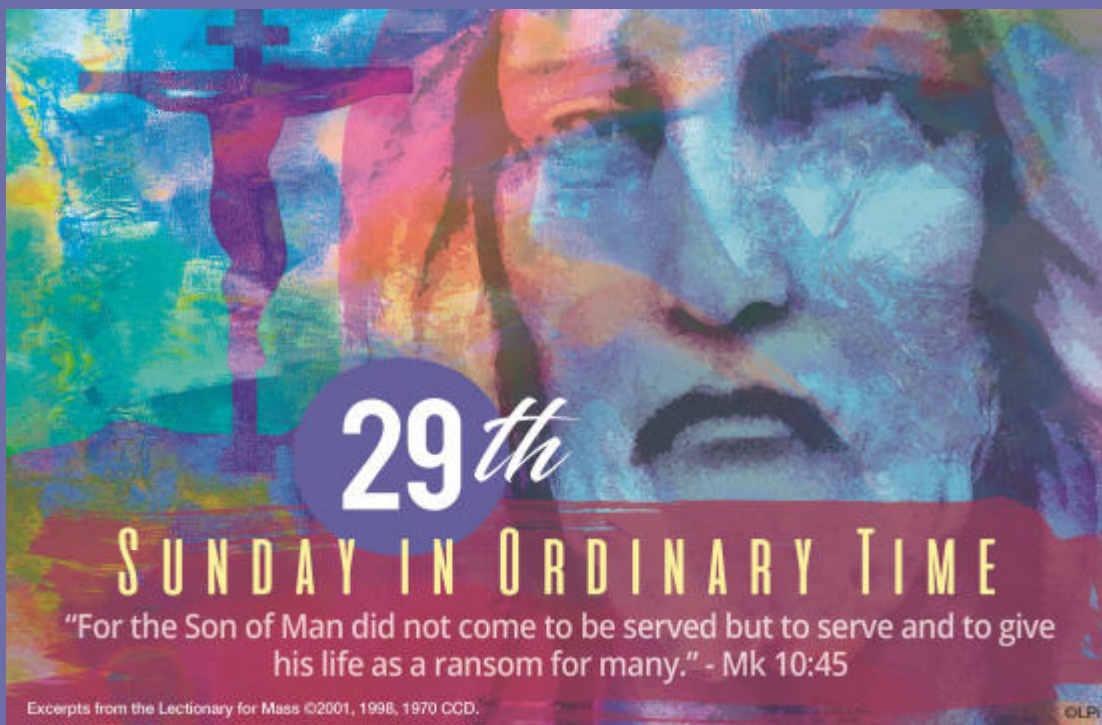


783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

October 17, 2021 Twenty-Ninth 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.



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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, October 18

St. Luke, Evangelist

8:30A Mass
10:00A Library Committee Mtg.
7:00 Parish Pastoral Council Mtg.

Tuesday, October 19

Sts. John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests, & Companions, Martyrs

8:30A Mass
9:15A Coffee & Catholicism
6:00P Confirmation Prep catch up class year 1
7:00P Confirmation Prep catch up class year 2

Wednesday, October 20

Weekday

8:30A Mass
9:00A Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, October 21

Weekday

8:30A Mass

Friday, October 22

Weekday

8:30A Mass

Saturday, October 23

Weekday

Special Collection:

World Mission Sunday

2:00P Individual Confession
4:00P Mass

Sunday, October 24

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Special Collection:

World Mission Sunday

9:00A Mass
10:00A SOR Grade 6 & 7
10:00A Confirmation Prep Yr. 2
11:00A Mass
12:05 Confirmation Prep Yr. 1

Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Paul Gitau
Deacon: Mark Robbins
Administrative Asst.: Jodie Hickey x21
Adult Faith Formation Coordinator: Katie Van Damme x24
Assistant 9:00 a.m. Organist: Maria Makula
Business Manager: Robin Martz x30
Confirmation Minister: Sue Ward x27
Coordinator of Music: Alessio Giacobone
Coordinator of SOR & Facilities Cleaning: Helen Stirpe x25 or 671-2110
Maintenance Coordinator: Ben O'Brien x28
Multi Parish Finance Director: Joan Sullivan: 671-1100 x21
Finance Council Chair: Tom Napoli
Parish Council Chair: Scott Rutan
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Financial Snapshot

	September 2021	July 2021-September 2021
Collections	\$31,145	\$103,795
Donations/ other revenue	\$7,448	\$15,396
Expenses	\$41,167	\$141,414
Operating surplus/deficit	\$(2,574)	\$(22,223)

July began a new fiscal year. Expenses include quarterly invoices paid.

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

This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns for Rosemary Sommers from Husband, Raymond



Seeds for the Journey

"Mom, Christine is asleep" said the young Katie to her mom about her two year old sister.

"Just let her be", replies mom.

"Okay, but dad's asleep too."

Perhaps this is why we were last pew sitters? This is my first memory of church. No matter how tired my parents were, they always ensured we attended mass every Sunday and on holy days. There were days we were pulling into the parking lot on two wheels, but we always made it before the first reading, to our designated spot, the last row.

I remember the ushers asking my parents, on almost a weekly basis, if they would like to bring up the gifts. My parents always graciously turned down the invitation. They preferred to be silent participants within the mass, and that was okay. We each have our own role within the church, and we each participate to one's capabilities and comfort level. The most important take away is that my parents, and each of you, do participate. Just being present, participating in the mass to whatever level is possible for you, and sharing in God's infinite love and charity in the Eucharist is an affirmation of our faith and love in God and His Church.

My family and I, on the other hand, are active participants. I have been married to the most amazing (and good looking) man for 19 years. Leo is my best friend, my soul mate in every sense of the word. He and I teach Pre-Cana classes and do our best to use our marriage as an example of love and ministry to the church. We have two daughters, Avery (15) and Annika (14) who attend Our Lady of Mercy High School, and they were both altar servers prior to COVID. In addition, Avery and Leo serve on their parish council and Annika will be making her Confirmation this year. We also have a nine-year-old son, Vaughn, who is in forth grade at St. Rita's School. He hasn't had many opportunities to altar serve yet, but he does enjoy being a greeter when given the opportunity. These three beautiful souls are my world. I am so proud of them each and every day and of the lives they lead.

Since moving to Rochester permanently in 1998, I have grown in my faith and love of the church. I was a Youth Ministry Co-Ordinator in the 19th Ward for four years which really intensified my faith experience. Currently I am taking classes at St. Bernard's to better serve you and my knowledge of the church, and to be honest, it's a little selfish in nature because I love it! I look forward to working with the St. Paul's community and to help the light of Christ to burn even brighter within your hearts. Thank you for allowing me to walk this path of faith with you.

*My mother did allow me to wake my father up.

*This write-up was approved by my mother, my first educator in the Church.

Katie

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next weekend, October 23 and 24 we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support the mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities.

If you wish to support this collection, please make your check payable to St. Paul's, adding "World Mission Sunday" in the memo. Please drop your check in the collection box or slot with your regular offertory donation. Thank you for your support.

Coffee and Catholicism

Do you know someone who has fallen away from the Church? Are you struggling to understand their decision? Many of us have loved ones that have gone astray and seek support. Please join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, October 19th at 9:15 a.m. in the worship area to discuss *Healing the Heart When Someone We Love Falls Away from the Church*.

A microphone and speaker will be used to ensure that everyone can participate in the discussion.

Mass on Friday, October 22nd

Join Fr. Paul on Friday, October 22nd at 8:30 am. as he celebrates a special Mass honoring the birthday of his friend Werner Schenk from Germany.

Back in September Werner invited Fr. Paul to Germany to help him celebrate his 60th birthday. Due to COVID and Fr. Paul's post-surgery effects he was unable to travel to Germany, so Fr. Paul decided that he would celebrate a live streaming Mass in Werner's honor. Fr. Paul will wear the Marian chasuble that Werner gave to him when he visited Kenya for Fr. Paul's 25th anniversary. All are welcome to attend.



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



This weekend we launch the 2021-2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA). The purpose and necessity for the CMA is unchanged after 40 years. We are responsible for continuing the Church's mission through good times and bad – through prosperous times and lean times. People are still poor, hungry, in need of pastoral care, education and employment. The faithful are in need of ministry and a vibrant parish life. Our youth and young adults are yearning to learn and grow in their relationship with Christ. The Church and our Diocese are in need of trained and educated seminarians, deacons, and pastoral leaders to lead our Church into the future.

Thank you so much those who have already supported St. Paul's CMA. We ask those who have not yet donated to prayerfully consider giving to this year's campaign.

Giving Options

Drop your offering in the donation box or slot as you leave church.



Go to our website (stpaulsrcc.org) and click on the GIVING tab

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Questions?
Call Robin in the office
at 671-2100 X30

Thank you!

Bethany House Wish List for October

- ◆ Cereal
- ◆ Pasta
- ◆ Mac & cheese
- ◆ Canned fruit
- ◆ Jelly
- ◆ Deodorant
- ◆ Hand/body lotion
- ◆ Detergent

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.

RESPECT LIFE

November Remembrance

During November we remember those who have gone before us and are now in the Communion of Saints. This remembrance begins with the Feast of All Saints on November 1 and continues until the Solemnity of Christ the King on November 24. Due to COVID we will not have the Novembring Niche this year that displays photographs of our loved ones who have gone before us.

Mass of Remembrance

Everyone is invited to attend our annual Mass of Remembrance on All Souls' Day, Tuesday, November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. We especially remember all whose funeral liturgies were celebrated at St. Paul's during the past year.

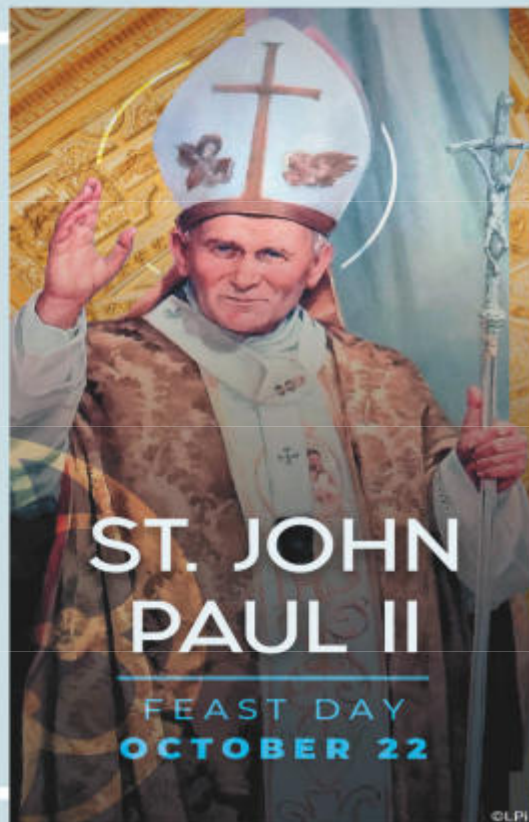


Good news! The John Walsh library at St. Paul's is re-opening on October 23-24. Library committee members will be available after all Masses to re-introduce you to the process of borrowing books and magazines and to highlight some of the many wonderful books available for adults and children. (You'll also be able to return materials that were borrowed before Covid!) Masks are required and capacity is limited to 2 persons at a time. After the "grand re-opening" we hope to have the library open routinely before and after weekend Masses. Plan to take advantage of this great parish resource!



Finance Council Members Needed

St Paul's Finance Council is looking for two new members who have knowledge and expertise in the areas of accounting, business, administration, law, and financial management. Could this be you? If you are interested please talk to Tom Napoli, our Finance Chairperson or contact Robin in the office at 671-2100 ext. 30 or email robin.martz@dor.org.



Saint of the Week

St. John Paul II was born Karol Wojtyla in the small Polish town of Wadowice. During World War II, when the Nazis invaded Poland, Karol secretly studied for the priesthood in an underground seminary. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1946, appointed Archbishop of Krakow in 1964, and three years later he was made a cardinal. In 1978, he was elected the 264th pope, where he took the name John Paul II.

St. John Paul II made evangelization a key part of his papacy and made pastoral visits to all parts of the world. In 1981, he was shot twice in an assassination attempt. Following Jesus' example of compassion, he later met with his would-be assassin in his prison cell, where he forgave him for what he had done.

St. John Paul II was well-known to be an active sportsman throughout his life, hiking and skiing well into his 60s. In 1992, his health began to decline, and it was later discovered that he suffered from Parkinson's disease, a degenerative disorder of the central nervous system.

Near the end of his papacy, it became difficult for him to speak, and his poor health and physical suffering made public appearances difficult. Still, he continued his pastoral work. He died April 2, 2005, and he was declared blessed on May 1, 2011. He became a saint on April 27, 2014.

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