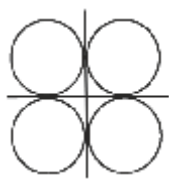


ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

October 3, 2021 Twenty-Seventh 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.



27th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"From the beginning of creation, God made them male and female."
- Mk 10:6

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Mass Times

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

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Upcoming Events

Monday, October 4**St. Francis of Assisi**

8:30A Mass

Tuesday, October 5**Weekday**

8:30A Mass

9:15A Coffee & Catholicism

Wednesday, October 6**Weekday**

8:30A Mass

9:00A Adoration of the Blessed
 Sacrament

Thursday, October 7**Our Lady of the Rosary**

8:30A Mass

11:00A Healing Souls Mtg.

Friday, October 8**Weekday**

No Mass

Saturday, October 9**Weekday**

2:00P Individual Confession

4:00P Mass

Sunday, October 10**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

No SOR

No Confirmation Prep

9:00A Mass

11:00A Mass

Financial Snapshot

	August 2021	July 2021-August 2021
Collections	\$25,583	\$62,134
Donations/ other revenue	\$4,411	\$6,760
Expenses	\$36,811	\$99,339
Operating surplus/deficit	\$(6,817)	\$(30,445)

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

*This week the flowers in the
 sanctuary are in honor of
 the First Communion of
 Madisyn McDonnell
 from
 her godmother, Helen*

*This week the
 Sanctuary Lamp burns for
 Marie Salamone
 From
 Ginny Hurzy &
 granddaughter Justine*



Seeds for the Journey

Every year in October, the Catholic Church in the United States observes Respect Life Month, and this first weekend is designated as Respect Life Sunday. The church gives us a chance to understand and value the gift of all human life. She helps us build a culture that cherishes and protects life in all stages. This year we highlight the witness of St. Joseph as a defender of life. The Holy Father Pope Francis invites us to reflect more deeply on how St. Joseph loved Jesus with a father's heart. He faithfully followed God's will in accepting and lovingly protecting the child Jesus and Blessed Mother Mary.

In the Scriptures, we read about the angel appeared to St. Joseph in a dream and told him to accept Mary even though she was pregnant. He guided and provided for Mary on the road to Bethlehem. He welcomed the baby Jesus as his own son in a humble stable and loved Him. When the life of baby Jesus was threatened by King Herod, Joseph took the infant Jesus and Mary and fled to Egypt to protect Him. St. Joseph taught Jesus a lot of things, not only making wooden stuff as a carpenter but also religious values, love and respect of human beings.

During this Respect Life Month, we can follow St. Joseph example of respecting and protecting the sacred dignity of every single human being in all circumstances. We are challenged to bear witness to our own call as Christians to safeguard God's gift of human life. Today's first reading from the book of Genesis tell us something very import about our Creator. God created the first human being Adam from the dust of the earth but then He sensed Adam loneliness that was "not good." So, God created for Adam a life partner called Eve and blessed them to multiply. God's actions in creation come from the Creator's love for the human being.

As we contemplate Respect Life Sunday, we realize there is a moral obligation for the care of every living thing in "our common home" and to respect human life in all stages from conception to natural death. We are to reject threats to human life and dignity such as abortion, homicide, euthanasia, doctor assisted suicide, capital punishment, unjust war, economic injustice, racism and the environmental crisis. When pregnant women or parenting mothers are in difficult circumstances, when some people are afraid that they might be a burden or feel like their lives don't matter, may we faithfully respond with care and love like St. Joseph. And we ask St. Joseph the defender of life to pray for us.

October beside being Respect Life is the month of the Holy Rosary dedicated to Blessed Virgin Mary. *Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen!*

Fr. Paul

The Healing Souls

Are you grieving? Have you suffered a loss and looking to connect with others that are going through a similar experience? We invite you to join **The Healing Souls**. The first Thursday of every month we will meet and share our experiences, our healing process, and how to find peace in the midst of sorrow. Please join us on Thursday, October 7th in the Worship area at 11:00 am as we work together in friendship and charity to help one another heal and grieve.

Please contact Katie Van Damme at katie.vandamme@dor.org or 671-2100 x24 with any questions you may have.

Who Does That????

Ever wonder who collects and delivers all the donations for Bethany House?

Organized Undie Sundays for Hope House?

Decorates, collects and delivers our Giving Tree gifts?

Sponsors Lenten Soup Suppers?

Runs the Lenten Food Drive?

If you answered "Good Sam Outreach" to all of the above you are correct!!!! We are great group and we could surely use new members! Interested? Contact D.A. Hutnick at dhutnick@aol.com or call 347-4806.

Mass to Celebrate the Convocation of the Synodal Path

On October 10th at 11:15 a.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Bishop Matano, in union with our Holy Father, will celebrate the convocation of the synodal path in preparation for the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. As previously noted in Bishop Matano's letter, dated September 17, 2021, the "diocesan synodal phase," will begin with Mass, and we join all dioceses throughout the world in this process, under the theme: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission." All are welcome as we pray as a Diocesan family.

Important News

Rochester Refugee Resettlement

Many of you may be aware that Rochester has been designated as one of the 25 cities that will receive Afghan refugees. Catholic Family Center (CFC) is already working with some of these families and preparing for those who will be coming to our area.

On **Wednesday, October 13 at 6:30 pm** representatives from CFC will conduct a presentation in our worship area to discuss their work and to let explain how we can help by donating our time, talent and treasure both individually and as a community. Our hope is that our parish could even sponsor a family and assist in their relocation. But this would require full parish support since many hands would be needed!!

We are called as faithful Catholics to do our part to help those who have suffered great loss as a result of their support of our country and desire for freedom in their homeland.

We look forward to seeing you on the 13th!

Good Sam Outreach & Adult Faith Formation

Experiencing the Eucharist



Did you know that approximately two-thirds of Catholics do not believe in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist? On Tuesday, October 5th at 9:15 join Coffee and Catholicism to discuss the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist. We'll study past and present findings and the church's teachings on transubstantiation. We hope to see you there.

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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through your own
Bank's BILL PAY
feature.



Mail your envelope to:
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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.



Once again K of C Trinity Council #4618 has kicked off our 10th Annual Fund Drive, during the months of September and October, to support "Coats for Kids". Since 2012 Webster Knights of Columbus has been able to purchase 1,896 NEW winter coats for distribution through many charitable organizations, schools, & churches, to children of need throughout Monroe & Wayne Counties.

Each coat is purchased new, at a cost of \$23.50. If you would like to help, Trinity Council is asking for your most generous donation, by making a check payable to Knights of Columbus #4618 and sending it to:

"Coats for Kids"
C/O J.S. Coon, Chairman
230 Champion Ave.
Webster, NY 14580

Thank you and may God bless you for your support.



Congratulations
and prayers on your
First Communion



Congratulations to:
Madisyn McDonnell
who is celebrating the
Sacrament of First Holy
Communion this weekend.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

That is why a man leaves his father and mother
and clings to his wife,
and the two of them become one flesh. (Gn 2:24)

PSALM:

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives. (Ps 128)

SECOND READING:

He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated
all have one origin. (Heb 2:11)

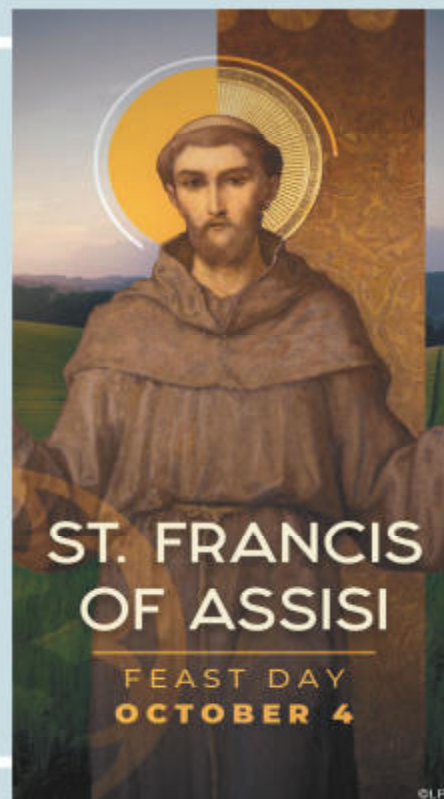
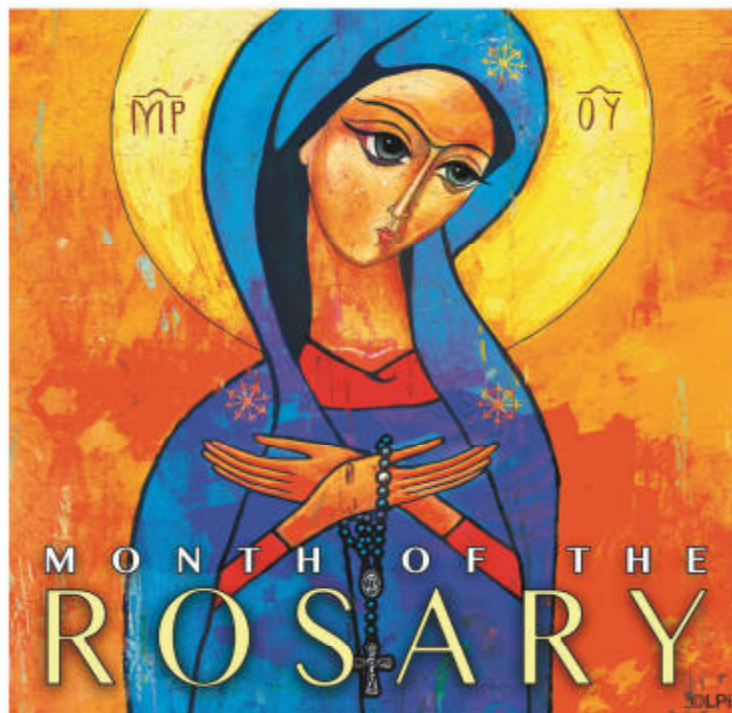
GOSPEL:

"Therefore what God has joined together, no human
being must separate." (Mk 10:9)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 3, 2021

Sunday: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
Monday: St. Francis of Assisi
Tuesday: Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest
Wednesday: St. Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin
Thursday: Our Lady of the Rosary
Saturday: St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs;
St. John Leonardi, Priest
Next Sunday: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the Week

St. Francis of Assisi (1181 – 1226) left a life of luxury for a life devoted to Christianity after reportedly hearing the voice of God, who commanded him to rebuild the Christian church and live in poverty. He founded the men's Order of Friars Minor, the women's Order of St. Clare, the Third Order of St. Francis and the Custody of the Holy Land.

Born in 1181 in Italy, St. Francis of Assisi was renowned for drinking and partying as a youth. During a military expedition/battle between Assisi and Perugia, he was captured and imprisoned for ransom. He spent nearly a year in prison and began receiving visions from God. After his release from prison, St. Francis of Assisi claimed to have heard the voice of Christ, who told him to restore the Christian Church and live a life of poverty. As a result, St. Francis of Assisi abandoned his life of luxury and became a devotee of the Catholic faith.

Today, St. Francis of Assisi, known for his deep love of nature and animals, is the patron saint of the environment and animals. Each October, many animals are blessed on his feast day.

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