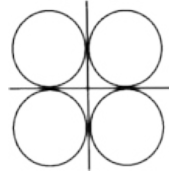


ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York 14580

September 1, 2024 Twenty-Second 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.



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile."
- Mk 7:15

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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.



Monday, September 2

Weekday

Labor Day

Parish Office Closed

8:30A Mass



Tuesday, September 3

St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

8:30A Mass with Anointing

12:00P Rosary Group

Wednesday, September 4

Weekday

8:30A Mass

9:00A Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, September 5

Weekday

8:30A Mass

Friday, September 6

Weekday

No Mass

8:30A Vac Pac

Saturday, September 7

Weekday

10:00A Prayer Shawl

2:00P Confession

4:00P Mass

Sunday, September 8

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00A Mass

11:00A Mass



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Emergency Number: 369-9687

Website: www.stpaulsrcc.org

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Financial Snapshot

	July2024	
Collections	\$37,000	
Donations/ other revenue	\$4,450	
Expenses	\$53,000	
Operating surplus/deficit	\$-11,500	

**Let Us Pray
for Those in the Military**

Jason Aman

Josh Bartlett

Bryan Gross

Cydney Blong

Tom Weisenreder

Michael J. Desiato

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Daniel Thomas

Andrew Zani

Robert Wright

Jay Riesenberger



*This week the
Sanctuary Lamp burns for
Jean Hogan
From
Sons*

Recently, Catholic Relief Services released their annual report for fiscal 2023. As many of you are supporters of CRS via Rice Bowl, the Bishop's fund, and private donations, I thought you might be interested in hearing from CRS president and CEO Sean Callahan and reviewing some of the data.

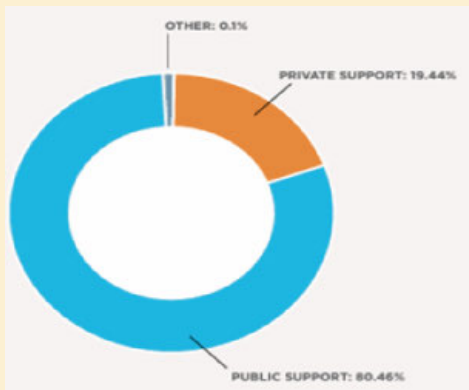
As our world neighbors continue to face extraordinary challenges, we remain steadfast in CRS' faith-filled commitment to alleviate suffering, build resilience and foster change. Through our Gospel-led commitment to action, we move confidently ahead to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those who face great difficulties.

Your continuous support and devotion to our mission brought incredible results and lifesaving change in 2023, and I extend my profound thanks for the essential role you played in support of our humanitarian relief efforts. I am also grateful for American taxpayers and the U.S. government funding that supports our work to create a more inclusive and just world.

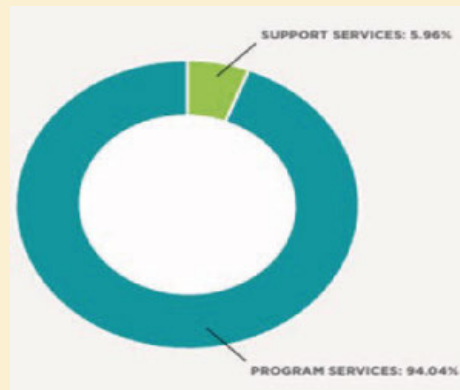
In 2023, CRS reached 210 million people with services, and our five-year Go FAR capital campaign approached its conclusion having exceeded fundraising goals. CRS received the second highest amount of private revenue from U.S. private donors in our 80-year history. Thank you for joining us as we work to uphold the dignity of our sisters and brothers around the world. Sean L. Callahan President & CEO | 2017 to present.

Worth noting in the graphs below is that 1) the U.S. government is a primary source of revenue for CRS via the 0.5% of the federal budget allocated for foreign humanitarian assistance, and 2) Ninety-four percent of all revenue goes directly to support the needs of people around the world.

Revenue Sources



Expenses



Working in 120 countries CRS served the needs of over 210 million people in 2023 via the programming below:

 AGRICULTURE 9M PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS 129 PROJECTS 43 COUNTRIES	 CAPACITY STRENGTHENING 2M PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS 237 PROJECTS 61 COUNTRIES	 EDUCATION 8M PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS 84 PROJECTS 44 COUNTRIES	 EMERGENCY 32M PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS 255 PROJECTS 68 COUNTRIES
 HEALTH 136M PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS 103 PROJECTS 41 COUNTRIES	 JUSTICE & PEACEBUILDING 10M PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS 58 PROJECTS 42 COUNTRIES	 MICROFINANCE 4M PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS 90 PROJECTS 40 COUNTRIES	 WATER & SANITATION 9M PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS 100 PROJECTS 43 COUNTRIES

As a Global Fellow with CRS, I want to personally thank you for your ongoing support. Please see the bulletin board for a summary of the annual report or go to <https://annualreport.crs.org/> to see the report in full.

Deacon Mark



Second Collection

On the weekend of September 14 & 15 there will be a second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. CCHD addresses the root causes of poverty in America by supporting community-controlled, self-help organizations of low-income people. Here in our Diocese, four life-changing community organizations are being funded with major CCHD national grants! They include a farmworker organization, a workers' center, a land trust of low-income people becoming homeowners in inner city Rochester, and a refugee organization.

In support of this collection, please make your check payable to St. Paul's, adding "Catholic Campaign for Human Development" in the memo. Thank you for your support.

Calling All Men of St. Paul's



Join us for St. Paul's Annual Men's Retreat Weekend, September 20-22 at Notre Dame Retreat House located at 5151 Foster Rd. in Canandaigua, NY.

This year's theme: **"Just As You Are" - Encountering God's Mercy in the Sacred Heart of Jesus.**

To register or to receive more information, please contact Dan Milner at 208-6631.

Prayer for Students & Teachers

Lord our God, in Your wisdom and love You surround us with the mysteries of the universe. In times long past You sent us Your prophets to teach Your laws and to bear witness to Your undying love. You sent us Your Son to teach us by word and example that true wisdom comes from You alone.

Send Your Spirit upon students and teachers and fill them with Your wisdom and blessings. Grant that during this academic year they may devote themselves to their studies and share what they have learned from others.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen!



The St. Paul's Church Choir provides support for congregational singing as well as music for meditation. Our repertoire ranges from Latin chant to contemporary styles of music. The Choir sings at the weekend Masses on a rotating basis, i.e., the 4:00 Saturday Mass one week, the Mass at 9:00 a.m. the following Sunday and the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass the week after that. The Choir also sings at a Christmas Eve Mass and at Holy Week Liturgies.

The "Choir Season" runs from September through June. Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m., as well as 30 minutes prior to whatever liturgies at which it is singing. While there are no auditions, members have to sing on pitch in the group and follow directions. While some of our singers have prior musical training, some do not. The Coordinator of Music is happy to provide additional resources (recordings) to help singers learn their choir pieces. Singers in the 9th grade and older are welcome to join the Choir.

Our first rehearsal of the season will be on Wed., September 11 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the Music Room.

St. Paul's Choir has a long tradition of excellence and is always seeking additional singers. We welcome new members for a short or long term commitment. Please contact our Coordinator of Music John Gaspar for more information. Email: john.gaspar@dor.org

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Word

On November 28, 1981, Alphonsine Mumureke was in the dining room at her high school in Kibeho, a small village in southwestern Rwanda. She heard a voice. It was a woman, veiled and beautiful. Alphonsine asked her who she was. "I am the Mother of the Word," answered the woman.

It was the first appearance of Our Lady of Kibeho, who would return to visit Alphonsine and two of her school-mates over the course of the next eight years. She left with them an urgent call for repentance, along with a prophecy of the Rwandan genocide that would come to fruition in the next decade.

I have always found it compelling that Our Lady chose to identify herself in this way at Kibeho. *The Mother of the Word*. A title so simple and so concise, but so heavy with meaning.

"In the beginning was the Word..." says the Gospel of John in its opening lines.

But what is the Word? Is it spoken, or is it felt? Is it seen, written, heard? Is it shouted or whispered? Is it scribbled across pages that will one day dry and disappear? Is it carved into stone tablets, or on the nameplate above a cross? Is it poured over our foreheads? Is it set ablaze in a bush? Is it etched into our hearts?

It is all of these things, yes, but it is more, still. The Word is not something that is merely spoken. It is not merely written. The Word is something that is done. It is something that we must choose to do.

Our Lady of Kibeho lamented that this world "has neither love nor peace." "If you do not convert and heal your hearts, you will all fall into an abyss," she warned.

But how do we convert our hearts? What snatches us back from the brink?

It is the Word, spoken. It is the Word, carried out. Not just one, and not just the other, but both.

"Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls."

James 1:21

From the John Walsh Library

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"Love the Lord your God with all your mind."



Winter, Miriam Therese

The Singer and the Song

(An Autobiography of the Spirit)

Alone in her grandmother's garden, the author entered into a world of her imagination and wrote poetry and prayed. In love with language and music, she felt she was "ordained by the Spirit of God to celebrate the liturgy of life." Later in her life, she became a Medical Mission Sister, serving communities in Ethiopia, Cambodia, India, and at home, always marveling at the Spirit in her life. She reflects on her varied experiences, sometimes hopeful, sometimes frightening, always enlightening. With a poet's eyes she shares her view of the world we all share and her devotion to God who created it. "You spoke a word and stirred a silent spring. You touched my heart, and I began to sing, to free the music deep in everything." (Call No 92-WIN)

Rochester Hope September Wish List



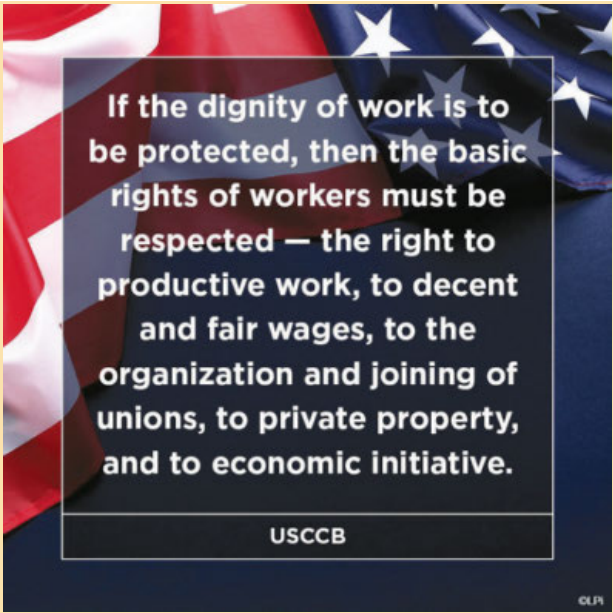
Pampers	Household cleaning supplies
Baby food	Toothpaste
Hand & body soap	Toothbrush
Paper products	Socks

Please place your donations in the collection box in the Narthex before or after Mass. The Good Sam Outreach Committee will deliver our donations on a regular basis. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Ministry Schedule for September 7 & 8, 2024

If **TBD** or **Volunteer Needed** is listed, please contact the ministry coordinator to see if that position still needs to be filled. Thank you for all you do for St. Paul's!

	4:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Acolytes	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Maggie Milner Volunteer Needed	Lucy Rynkiewicz Volunteer Needed
Cantors	Bonnie Serio	Tom Napoli	Bonnie Serio
EMHC	Dennis Olbrich Kathy Olbrich	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Ellen Santora Gina McNamara
Greeters	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Ebertz family	Jean Van Apeldoorn Nancy Willard
Lectors	Dan Bower	Jack Black	Marcia Kusse
Linens	Karen Napoli (no specific time for pick up)		
Sacristans	Sue Dettman	Jane Adams	Laure Barr
Stream Team	John Kosel	Lou Rotundo	George Hanley
Ushers	Sue Dettman Alice Bower	Don Black Volunteer Needed	Fred Compertore Helen Stirpe



Prayer for Labor Day

Dear Lord,

Bless and protect the men and women whose hard work provides food and shelter to them and their families, services to our communities, and care to our world. Be with them as they work, but also as they rest and recreate in Your care. Amen!



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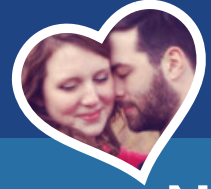
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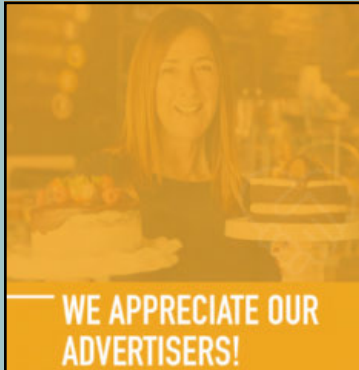


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