

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York 14580

August 3, 2025 Eighteenth 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.



18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God." - Lk 12:20-21

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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.

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, August 4
St. John Vianney, Priest

8:30A Mass
 11:00A Book club

Tuesday, August 5
Weekday

8:30A Mass with anointing
 12:00P Rosary Group

Wednesday, August 6
The Transfiguration of the Lord

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

Thursday, August 7
Weekday

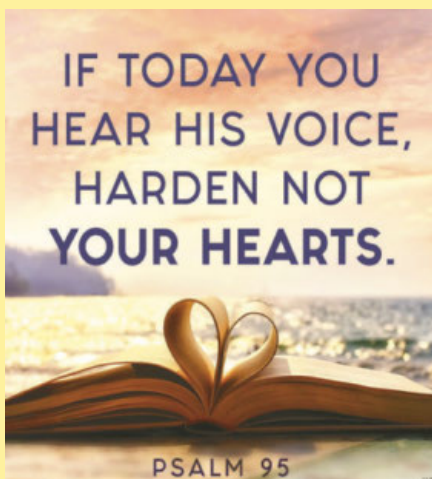
8:30A Mass

Friday, August 8
St. Dominic, Priest
 No Mass

Saturday, August 9
Weekday

Schutt's Donuts Fundraiser Sale
 2:00P Confession
 4:00P Mass

Sunday, August 10
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Schutt's Donuts Fundraiser Sale
 9:00A Mass
 11:00A Mass-Baptism during Mass



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Financial Snapshot

	June 2025	July 2024-June 2025
Collections	\$34,121	\$502,656
Donations/ other revenue	\$9,173	\$61,352
Expenses	\$52,344	\$543,897
Operating surplus/deficit	\$(9,050)	\$20,702

Let Us Pray for Those in the Military

Jason Aman	Josh Bartlett
Bryan Gross	Cydney Blong
Tom Weisenreder	Michael J. Desiato
Mason Serrano	Daniel Thomas
Andrew Zani	Robert Wright
Jay Riesenberger	



*This week the
 Sanctuary Lamp burns for
 the parishioners of
 St. Paul's*

Seeds for the Journey

Seek the Treasures of Heaven

It is very important for the Christian to develop a personal and deep relationship with God. We cannot be friends with God, while at the same time maintaining friendship with the world. The Christian cannot serve both God and wealth. This is also a core teaching found in Matthew 6:24: "No one can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon." While Christians need the necessary financial resources to live a comfortable life and to provide for their families, Christians should be vigilant that they are not led astray by the attractiveness of riches to the detriment of their relationship with God.

In today's Gospel reading from Luke, someone in the crowd said to Jesus: "Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me" (Luke 12:13). It was not uncommon for the Jews to take their unsettled disputes to respected Rabbis; but Jesus refused to involve himself with individual disputes about money. Jesus however, uses the opportunity to teach his followers, which includes us, about our attitude to material things in the Parable of the Rich Fool. The rich man, after he had stored up a lot for himself, said to himself: "rest, eat, drink and be merry!" According to the bible scholar William Barclay, two things stand out about this man: 1) he never saw beyond himself and 2) he never saw beyond this world. The rich man had much wealth; however, his attitude was antithetical to Christianity. Instead of finding happiness in giving, he sought happiness by trying to conserve his wealth. His plans were all made on the basis of this earthly life. He failed to acknowledge that he is not the author of life.

The author of the book of Ecclesiastes cautions us in today's First Reading about the futility of wealth: "vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!" The wise man Qoheleth warns that it is passing away; these things in life are only temporal. This is contrasted with God's permanence. We can say, using philosophical terms that we are in a state of becoming; while the God, the Supreme being is the unmoved mover, borrowing the language of the Greek ancient philosopher, Aristotle. Catholic theology teaches that the those here on earth belong to the pilgrim Church. Christians are on a pilgrimage to their heavenly home, the eternal Jerusalem.

Today's Liturgy cautions us against seeking independence from God. Jesus wants us to seek first the kingdom of God. Let us work for the things that last forever. It is not sinful to be wealthy. The problem is the attitude towards riches and wealth. Do we share with those in need? Do we put our trust in riches and wealth rather than trusting in God? Do we prioritize material possessions over our Christian obligations like the command to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of obligation? Let us reflect on this admonition: "If we seek the treasures of Heaven, our hearts will be fixed on Heaven; but if we seek the treasures of earth, our hearts will be bound to earth, and some day we must say good-bye to them."

Anselm

THANK YOU!

FROM THE Pastor's Desk

The spirit of St. Paul's was definitely among us at the Parish Picnic on Sunday, July 27th. I would like to thank the Pastoral Council members especially Patrice DeAngelis and Anne LaClair for planning such a fun filled day for all of us to enjoy. They did such a great job at planning, that we will let them plan next year's picnic too. 🍌

I'm grateful for the help of the Knights of Columbus, our staff, parishioners who volunteered in anyway and to all who attended the picnic. It was a great day! We enjoyed the fellowship, good food, raffles, and fun activities. **Asanteni Nyote!** Which means "Thank You All" in Swahili!

Rosary Group



The days are warmer, the schedules are filling up with fun adventures, and there's much to be grateful for. Making time for prayer and building your relationship with the Trinity and Mary should still be at the top of your schedule. Every Tuesday the Rosary group meets at 12:00 p.m. to pray as a community. The summer is a great time to introduce children to the rosary as well. We invite all those who are off during the summer months, including children of all ages, to join us in prayer. We hope that you can attend.

ST PAUL'S KIDS' FUN NIGHT

For those in Grades K-8

There'll be games, snacks, craft, movie, pizza & drinks

Date: Thursday, August 21

Time: 5:30pm - 8:00pm

Fee: \$10 per child. Cash or make check payable to St Paul's with Kids' Fun Night in Memo Line.

Registration forms are located on the bulletin board across from the parish office. **Please register by August 14th.**

Those interested should kindly contact Helen Stirpe at:
helen.stirpe@dor.org.



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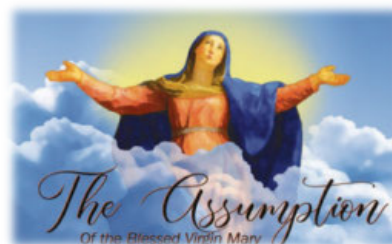
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Friday, August 22 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.
or after Mass on Saturday, August 23



Friday, August 15, 2025

Mass times:

8:30 a.m.

6:30 p.m.



To all at St. Paul's Church,

We thank you for all your donations to Webster Hope in the month of June. Your generosity over the years is much appreciated. Thank you also, for delivering the food right to our door!

**Sincerely,
The Staff at Webster Hope**

St. Paul's Question of the Week

Question: Dear Editor, if God is Good and all-powerful, why does He allow so much suffering and evil in the world?

Response: Suffering is a difficult and inevitable part of life. It can cause us to collapse into fear, rage, or despair. The psalmist wrote: "...my only friend is darkness" (Psalm 88). Unfortunately, sentiments like this do not make good sympathy cards.

When tragedy strikes, many respond by saying that God must have a good reason, that everything is within God's providence, or that He is allowing suffering to make us stronger. While all these things are true, the worlds can ring hollow for those overwhelmed by grief or loss. Suffering can indeed lead to unforeseen goods or contribute to character growth. The story of Job contains profound insight into the nature of suffering. After chapters of questioning God, Job is reduced to silence. God does not attempt to answer all of Job's questions one by one, but simply makes it clear that He is God, and Job is not (see Job 38:1-42:6). In the end, the only answer Job gets to the problem of pain is the person of God. This answer becomes ever clearer on Good Friday.

Look at the crucifix. Take a moment to pause, look and reflect. The crucifix is a brutal display. The cross is the greatest sign of love in history. It reveals that God would die not only to redeem us, but to be with us in our experiences of darkness. Through the cross and resurrection God presents us, not with a theoretical answer to the problem of evil, but with God's own transforming life. We have the promise and hope of the empty tomb on Easter Sunday. We suffer, but we suffer in hope, trusting that we have a God who never abandons us, who is with us always.

REGISTER NOW!

Registration for School of Religion classes here at St Paul's is currently going on for grades K to 7. Registration is also currently going on for First Communion and Penance preparation. The registration fee for School of Religion is \$70 per child, \$140 for 2 children and \$175 for three or more children in the program. The registration fee for the sacraments prep is \$65 per child, and this includes two books. Kindly spread the word. For more information, kindly contact Helen or Anselm at:

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From the John Walsh Library

Poust, Mary DeTurris

Walking Together: Discovering the Catholic Tradition of Spiritual Friendship

In today's social media, the idea of "friend" has been somewhat trivialized. On the other hand, spiritual friends strive to know one another fully. When friends are connected spiritually, then God is present, and the potential in grace and service expands. A spiritual friend's deepest desire for the other is full union with God; a spiritual friend's deepest joy is to share the journey. The author examines rich and nurturing examples of spiritual friendships from well-known saints, writers, and modern religious leaders. These examples show us how to cultivate meaningful relationships in a world where people feel increasingly isolated despite the myriad gadgets designed to keep them connected. (Call No. 241.67)

Webster Hope August Wish List

**Cooking oil, body wash, shampoo,
conditioner, deodorant, canned beets, canned pineapple,
coffee, tea, salad dressing, mayonnaise, mustard,
ketchup, BBQ sauce, laundry detergent, dish soap, hand
soap, pasta sauce, toilet paper (high need), feminine
products and
diapers (adult & child sizes)**

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Ministry Schedule for August 9 & 10, 2025

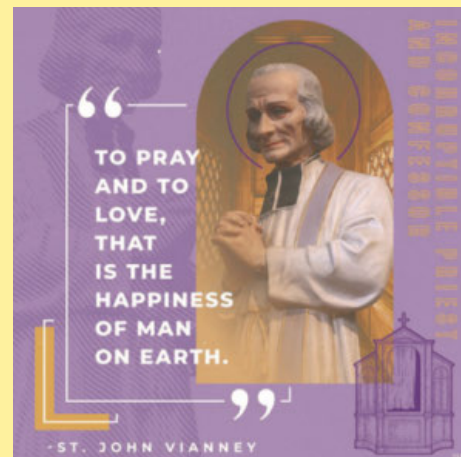
Due to the bulletin being sent to press early, some ministry schedules have not been completed yet. If **TBD** or **Volunteer Needed** is listed, please contact the ministry coordinator to let them know your availability.

	4:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Acolytes	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Luca Picca Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed
Cantors	TBD	TBD	TBD
EMHC	Sue Dettman Trisha DeBacco	Margaret Milner Jack Black	Gina McNamara Ruth Prinzivalli
Greeters	Ellen Oinen Don Oinen	Linda D'Antonio Jerry Healey	Anne LaClair Jean Van Apeldoorn
Lectors	Margie Richardson	Jack Black	Gina & Larry McNamara
Linens	Barb Mongiovi (no specific time for pick up)		
Sacristans	Olbrich family	Jane Adams	Connie Gurske
Stream Team	Rod Campbell	Jerry Healey	Chris Yuskiw
Ushers	Sue Dettman Alice Bower	Blake Cusse Paul Fetter	Charlie & Nancy Carson Fred Compertore



Prayer for Open Hands

Lord, I do not know what any
day holds,
I cannot take for granted any of the
gifts You have given.
Help me to use them, then, as You
would have me.
Help me to live according to
Your invitations.
Amen.



Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus warns us that at any moment we can be called before God to face judgment. When we are, our life will be measured not in dollars or accomplishments, but in what matters to God. What do we have to show for our time spent on earth?



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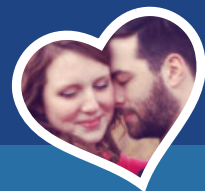
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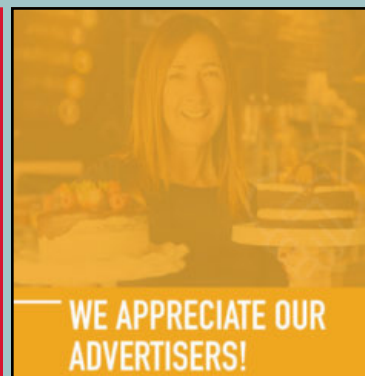
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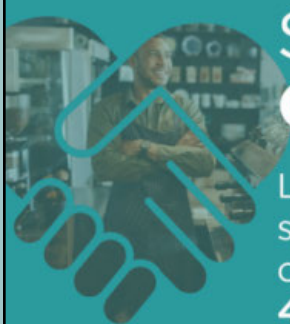
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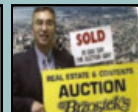


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