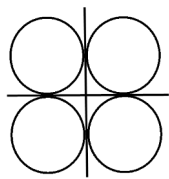


ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

February 25, 2024 Second Sunday of Lent

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.



2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

And he was transfigured
before them, and his clothes
became dazzling white,
such as no fuller on earth
could bleach them.
- Mk 9:2-3

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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, February 26****Lenten Weekday**

8:30A Mass

Tuesday, February 27**Lenten Weekday**

8:30A Mass with anointing

11:00A Staff mtg.

12:00P Rosary Group

Wednesday, February 28**Lenten Weekday**

8:30A Mass

9:00A Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00P Choir rehearsal

Thursday, February 29**Lenten Weekday**

8:30A Mass

5:30P Lenten Soup Supper:

Trivia Night

Friday, March 1**Lenten Weekday****World Day of Prayer**

No Mass

8:30A Vac Pac

Saturday, March 2**Lenten Weekday****March Birthday Blessing during Mass**

10:00A Prayer Shawl

2:00P Confession

4:00P Mass

Sunday, March 3**3rd Sunday of Lent****March Birthday blessing during Masses****No Confirmation Prep classes**

9:00A Mass

10:00A SOR classes

10:00A Coffee & Donuts

11:00A Mass

12:00P Coffee & Donuts

**Parish Staff****Pastor:** Fr. Paul Gitau**Deacon:** Mark Robbins**Administrative Asst.:** Jodie Hickey x21**Adult Faith Formation Coordinator:****Business Manager:** Kasey Baker x30**Director of Faith Formation:** Anselm Mesue x27**Coordinator of Music:** John Gaspar**Faith Formation & Liturgy Assistant:** Helen Stirpe x26**Facilities Manager:** Ben O'Brien x28**Multi Parish Finance Director:** Joan Sullivan: 671-1100 x107**Finance Council Chair:** Tom Napoli**Parish Council Chair:** Linda D'Antonio**Parish Trustees:** Forest Shick & George Hanley

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8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Friday

(closed for the lunch hour from 12:00-1:00 p.m.)

Phone: 671- 2100**Emergency Number:** 369-9687**Website:** www.stpaulsrcc.org**Diocese of Rochester:** www.dor.org**Financial Snapshot**

	January 2024	July-January 2024
Collections	\$66,432	\$310,114
Donations/ other revenue	\$6,452	\$38,737
Expenses	\$67,710	\$322,864
Operating surplus/deficit	\$5,175	\$25,987

**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

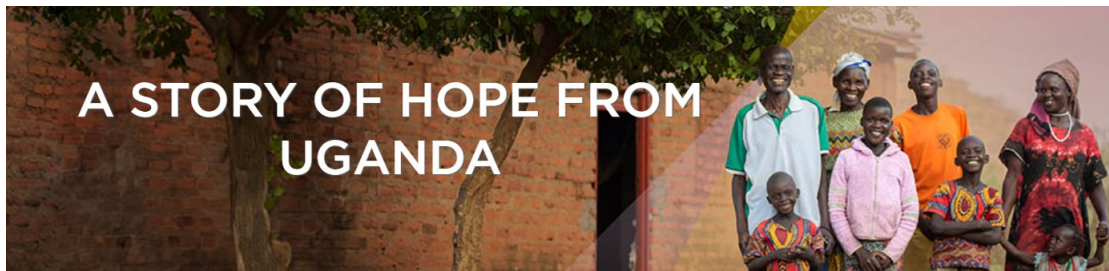
Jay Riesenberger



*This week the
Sanctuary Lamp burns for
Dolores Kistner
From
Joe Rieger & family*

Overcoming Hunger

In Akwangagwel, Uganda, the climate is very hot and dry. Farmers in this region depend heavily on the rainy season for a successful harvest. But lately—due to the changing climate—the rain has been coming later than it used to and is more inconsistent. Sometimes, when it does rain, it causes flooding and ruins the crops. Learn how Adolf and Florence have taken the matter into their own hands, implementing new farming techniques they learned from a Catholic Relief Services program to improve their farm and fight against hunger in their community. Visit crsricebowl.org to read more Stories of Hope.



Adolf and his wife, Florence, are farmers in Akwangagwel, Uganda. The couple is dedicated to fighting hunger so that their family and others in their community can build thriving lives. They do this by farming, which helps their family to eat three nutritious meals a day, and by assisting others in their community to grow successful crops. Each member of their household has an important role, like gardening, cleaning, preparing meals and caring for the animals. In the evenings, they enjoy spending time together as a family. Adolf is thankful for the free time to sit and relax with his children.

In the area where they live, the climate is very dry. Lately, the rainy season has been coming later than it used to. And sometimes, it rains too much all at once and causes flooding.

"It rains so heavily and destroys things," Adolf says. "So, the goodness of rain is taken away."

In addition, people come through their community and steal their food or tools. It makes it difficult to farm with these challenges—and that means food is harder to come by.

To overcome these obstacles, Adolf and Florence joined a Catholic Relief Services program where they learned new farming methods that help them grow crops even when it is hot and dry. They planted seeds that grow quickly, so that they can still have vegetables to harvest, even if there isn't much rain. This provides enough food to eat and to sell at the market for extra income.



"I have seen my children are happy because they are well fed," Adolf says.

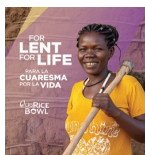
Because of the successful life that he and Florence have built, they are sharing the knowledge they learned with their neighbors. As a leader in his community, Adolf works with others to increase their harvests, improve the land and build a safe and thriving community.

St. Paul's Lenten Soup Suppers

Pray
Fast
Learn
Give



February 29
March 7
March 21



5:30-6:15 p.m. in the church hall

Bring the whole family and your favorite soup, bread or macaroni and cheese to share! Sign up today!

Adult Faith Formation Programs During & Following the Soup Suppers

Feb. 29 @ 5:30 p.m.:

Trivia about the Catholic Faith & St. Paul's Parish **during** the Soup Supper

March 7 @ 6:15 p.m.:

Praying & Reflections on Stations of the Cross

March 21 @ 6:15 p.m.:

Eucharistic Adoration, Reflection on Jesus' Last Words concluding with Benediction



**Good Sam
Outreach
Lenten Food
Drive
Week 2**

Eastern Service Workers

ESW is an organization of low-income workers in areas such as health care, food service, and home aid who struggle to meet their basic needs. One of their many services is a volunteer-run food pantry and they are in need of the following items:

Canned stew, chili & hearty soups
Canned meat (tuna, chicken & ham)
Cereal
Coffee, tea & shelf stable milk
Peanut butter & jelly
Rice

Please place your bagged donations in the collection box in the Narthex. Donation lists are published weekly in the bulletin and are available on our website.



Birthday Blessing Weekend

Were you born in the month of March? If so we have a birthday present for you! Join us at Mass next weekend, March 2 & 3 as we celebrate February birthdays. Fr. Paul will give a special blessing followed by our congregation singing Happy Birthday. You don't want to miss it!

Coffee & Donut Hour

Sunday, March 3 after Masses
10:00 a.m.
12:00 p.m.



Everyday Stewardship



I have had the honor of coaching all three of my kids in soccer. When you are a coach of a team of little ones, along with the fundamentals of the game and good sportsmanship, you want to teach the value of teamwork. If they can learn about how a team functions and why working together matters, that lesson can benefit them for many years to come.

The Body of Christ is a type of team. We are all called upon to use our talents and gifts in such a way that they complement those of others. We are stronger and capable of so much more together than when we are apart.

Our stewardship isn't just about our personal call of God to cultivate our gifts and give them back with increase to Him. It is about how our stewardship way of life builds up the Body of Christ. The Body cannot function as God intended it to if parts of it are not fully giving of themselves. In community, we have the power to change the world around us because we bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to those who need to hear it and witness it by our actions.

This Lent, consider how you fit into the Body of Christ. How can your gifts and talents make the Church stronger? You just might be the missing component of a team that really needs help to make the greatest impact for Jesus.

~Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS @ LPI

Sing With Our Choir

The St. Paul's Choir is preparing for upcoming liturgies and is seeking more members. Singers need to be 15 years or older and have choral (or instrumental) experience. Our Choir sings one Mass each weekend on a rotating schedule (Sat. at 4:00, Sun. at 9:00 or 11:00). We are now practicing music for Holy Week and beyond. Commit for a few weeks or months. Rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Please contact John Gaspar, Music Coordinator at john.gaspar@dor.org.

From the John Walsh Library



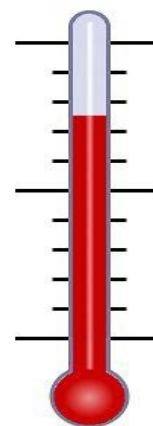
Karaban, Roslyn A.

Responding to God's Call

Dr. Karaban is a retired Professor of Pastoral Care and Counseling at St. Bernard's School of Theology in Rochester, N.Y. The concept of being "called" is often associated with ordained or professional ministry, but we are *all* called in baptism to be part of God's vision. How we are called to live out the Gospel will differ from person to person because God calls each one of us in different ways. We need to discern our particular call. To do so we need to learn the larger story of God's revelation and the smaller story of our own personal history. We need to reflect and share that story. Dr. Karaban believes there are logical steps to take in that discernment, and she shares her own, sometimes painful, path to responding to God's call. (Call No. 248.8-KAR)

2023-2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Go Forth With Christ



Goal
\$102,000

Pledged
81,149.57

79.56%
of our goal

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

Ministry Schedule for March 2 & 3, 2023

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	TBD TBD	TBD TBD	TBD TBD
Cantors	TBD	TBD	TBD
EMHC	Sue Dettman Mary Beth Speicher	Trisha DeBacco TBD	TBD TBD
Greeters	Diana Kemp Bill Galbraith	Pat Amedeo Jack Black	Jean Van Apeldoorn Anne Hauber
Lectors	Linda Pratt	Crissy Picca	Tim Thomas
Linens	No linen pick up this week		
Sacristans	Christine Grant	Pat Rotundo & Mary Fitch	Sharyn LiPari
Stream Team	John Kosel	Sue Muto	Tom Napoli
Ushers	Sue Dettman Alice Bower	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed



Easter Flowers Memorials

An Easter Flower envelope has been included in the March/April envelope packet. The flower memorials will be included in the Easter bulletin.

We will use the parishioner info from the front of the envelope to note who the memorial is from, so if you want something different listed, please write that as well.

Please make checks payable to "St. Paul's". You may send it in any time, with a deadline of **Monday, March 18** to be included in the bulletin. If you have any questions please call Kasey or Jodie at 671-2100 or via email kasey.baker@dor.org or jodie.hickey@dor.org.



Heavenly Father, Lord of the harvest, call forth vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life from our parishes. Inspire men to imitate Jesus Christ the Eternal High Priest in sacrificial service to Your Church. Move the hearts of men and women to offer themselves wholly to You in poverty, chastity, and obedience. Send them as labors for Your harvest. Inspire the faithful to support them with prayer and sacrifice. Raise up holy families who foster openness to Your call. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Mary Immaculate, pray for us.
St. John Fisher, pray for us.
St. John Vianney, pray for us.