





783 Hard Road, Webster, New York 14580

#### June 15, 2025 The Most Holy Trinity

#### **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.

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.

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#### St. Paul's Church, Webster, New York

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Monday, June 16 Weekday 8:30A Mass

Tuesday, June 17 Weekday 8:30A Mass with anointing 12:00P Rosary Group 6:00P Parish Pastoral Council Mtg. 7:00P Good Sam Outreach Mtg.

<u>Wednesday, June 18</u> <u>Weekday</u> 8:30A Mass 9:00A Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, June 19 Weekday Juneteenth Day Parish Office Closed 8:30A Mass 11:00A Together in Grief Mtg.

Friday, June 20 Weekday No Mass

Saturday, June 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious 9:30A Men's Group Mtg. 10:00A Prayer Shawl Mtg. 2:00P Confession 4:00P Mass

Sunday, May June 22 The Most Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) 9:00A Mass 11:00A Mass-Choir sings



Parish Staff

Pastor:Fr. Paul GitauDeacon:Mark RobbinsAdministrative Asst.:Jodie Hickey x21Adult Faith Formation Coordinator:Director of Faith Formation: Anselm Mesue x27Coordinator of Music:John GasparFaith Formation & Liturgy Assistant:Helen Stirpe x26Funeral Planning:Bonnie SerioFacilities Manager:Ben O'Brien x28Finance Office:Finance Council Chair:Jack BlackbParish Council Chair:Patrice DeAngelisParish Trustees:Forest Shick & George Hanley

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#### **Financial Snapshot**

	April 2025	July 2024-May 2025		
Collections	\$35,427	\$468,580		
Donations/ other revenue	\$2,373	\$52,320		
Expenses	\$23,600	\$489,000		
Operating surplus/deficit	\$14,200	\$31,840		

#### 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	
Jav Riesenberger	1000000	



This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns for Jeff McSweeney From Brenda Sudore

# Seeds for the Journey

# **Most Ancient of all Mysteries**

Dear God's people, today, our Holy Mother the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity otherwise known as Trinity Sunday. The Catechism of the Catholic Church in paragraph 234 teaches that "the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is a mystery of God in himself. It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of faith, the light that enlightens them. It is the most fundamental and essential teaching in the hierarchy of the truths of faith." When we hear the word 'mystery,' the first thing that usually comes to mind is 'that which we cannot understand.' However, I do not want us to focus on that understanding. I would like us to take the Pauline approach. In his letters, St. Paul, the Patron Saint of our parish, uses the word mystery to describe 'truths previously hidden but now revealed by God' (Cf. Eph. 3:3-6).

At the heart of our Christian faith is our belief in the Triune God – One God, three persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Father is not greater than the Son; the Son is not greater than the Holy Spirit. The Father begets, the Son is begotten, and the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father and the Son. The Father is purely a giver and sender. The Father is the origin of divine love and has no origin himself, a pure source, a pure origin. The Son receives life, glory and power from the Father; but He does not receive it in order to keep it for Himself, to possess it, and to take full enjoyment of it for Himself; rather, He receives it in order to empty Himself of it (Cf. Phil. 2:6f) and to pass it on. The Son is therefore the mediator; He is pure mediation, a pure passing-on. Finally, in the Spirit the faithful receive the gift of the Father through the Son, so that they may share this gift.

As a mystery, the Trinity is not something that repels or drives us away. Rather it is inviting and captivating to our human minds and faculties. It is also an invitation to humility in that it makes us realize that we are incapable of all the knowledge that there is. It is in this situation that the human mind accepts that God can reveal to us what we do not know.

Today's Solemnity gives us the opportunity to understand that God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit live in a communion of love and it calls us to live in love towards everyone. The Triune God is at the center of our liturgical celebrations and this feast reminds us of the marvelous plan of salvation that finds its origin in the love of the Father who sent his Son and the Holy Spirit. Father, Son and Holy Spirit invite us to join them in a life of communion and solidarity with others, until all people of the world are gathered together as the new Family of God, which is the Church.

I want us to meditate on verses 1, 5 and 6 of this great hymn by F.W. Faber, *Most Ancient of All Mysteries*. I encourage you to listen to the Hymn on YouTube:

- 1. Most Ancient of all Mysteries, before Thy throne we lie; Have mercy now, most merciful, Most Holy Trinity.
- 5. O listen then, most pitiful, to Thy Creature's heart: It blesses Thee that Thou art God, That Thou art what Thou art.
- 6. Most ancient of all mysteries, Still at thy throne we lie; Have mercy now, most merciful, Most Holy Trinity.

Happy Father's Day



#### St. Bernard's School of Theology

St Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry is offering the opportunity of auditing one summer course for free. This is thanks to the generous support of the Knights of Columbus Finger Lakes Chapter. The course being offered for free is "Lord, Teach Us To Pray: An Introduction to Prayer and Discernment. "This course attempts to answer the following questions by drawing on classical texts from scripture and Tradition: What is prayer? How does one pray? What is discernment? Is it possible to discover God's will and respond to it? What does it mean to make spiritual progress? The emphasis throughout the course will be on both theology and practice, as students bring their own lived experience into dialogue with the witness of Jesus, Mary and the saints.

This course can either be taken in person in Rochester or online. St Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry online courses can be accessed synchronously. This course will be taught by Lisa Lickona, STL. The application can be accessed on their website or you can use the following link https://www.stbernards.edu/freesummer-audit-application.

Dates and Time: Mondays, 6pm to 9pm EST, June 30th, July 7th, July 14th, July 21st, August 4th, August 11th.

#### **Father's Day Blessing**

Gracious God and Father, our first father, You are the One who has brought us to life in this world you created. You created us and everything around us. We turned away from you and only after disappointing you did we return your love.

Look with favor on our earthly fathers. They helped create us in your image. We have disappointed them, but have come to realize just how important they are to us.

Bless all our fathers, living and deceased, with comfort and health. We bring all their needs to you and ask for strength so they may live worthy lives.

> We ask all this in the name of your Son, our model of what it means to reverence our fathers. In Christ's name. Amen.

# **St. Paul's Parish Picnic**



**SAVE THE DATE!!!** Sunday, July 27, 2025 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM \*rain or shine\*

Tickets go on sale July 12/13 & 19/20 (exact cash or check accepted)



Individual Ticket: \$7 Family (5+) Tickets: \$30 (max per family)

#### **Activities:**

Lawn games, candy bingo, artisan table, music, open mic, activities for kids & door prizes

#### \*Sign up required\*

Open Mic & Artisan Table Sign up on bulletin board



#### **Volunteers Needed:**

We need your help to: sell advance tickets, picnic day check-in, picnic day set up and clean up, food table helpers. Do you have a canopy tent for us to borrow? To sign up to volunteer or for questions email Patrice: pdeangelis1105@gmail.com or Ann: Alamay7@hotmail.com St Paul's Church, Webster, New York

### Keep St. Paul's in Mind During Your Summer Travels

Have fun on your summer vacations! We know you'll be out of town for a few Sundays this summer, but that doesn't mean you can't participate through your regular tithes. With Online Giving you can contribute from wherever you are...you can even set up payments in advance if you like! And when you give online, it helps us make our budget, even when attendance is low. Visit stpaulsrcc.org and click on the "Donate link" on our home page.



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 at helen.stirpe@dor.org or Anselm at anselm.mesue@dor.org



# From the John Walsh Library



### Hall, Phoebe The Peace Keeper

Miss Hall believes heaven will be populated by souls of all the colors of the rainbow. She is proud of her own mixed heritage. Her great-great grandmother was a daughter of Sitting Bull. <u>The Peacekeeper</u> is her first work of fiction. It centers around two people living in the mid -1850s who struggle with unconventional crossculture relationships. The story begins when the mysterious Warrior, a Native American, leaves a sick newborn infant, whose mother died in childbirth, in the care of Rachel, a white woman. Rachel named the baby Sarah; she would be her only daughter. Love, Native Americans, gold, disease, death, war, drought, and divine intervention are intertwined with the legend of the peacekeeper, who is caught between his father's God and the Indian legend he lives. (Call No. F-HAL)



# St Paul's Kids' Fun Night

#### For those in Grades K-8

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

#### Date: Thursday June 26th

**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. Those interested should kindly contact Helen Stirpe at helen.stirpe@dor.org **by June 19th.** 

# Ministry Schedule for June 21 & 22, 2025

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	Luca Picca <b>Volunteer Needed</b>	Lucy Rynkiewicz <b>Volunteer Needed</b>
Cantors	Bob Slon	Cindy Rutan	Elizabeth Randisi
EMHC	Sue Dettman Ellen Oinen	Mary Beth Speicher Trisha DeBacco	Gina McNamara Ruth Prinzivalli
Greeters	Theresa Augsbury Patrice DeAngelis	Lucille Frisicano Jeanne Leo	Jean Van Apeldoorn Anne Hauber
Lectors	Toni Lynn Swinson	Marcia Kusse	Melanie Mancuso
Linens	No linen pick up this week		
Sacristans	Sue Dettman	Eileen Turner	Laure Barr
Stream Team	John Kosel	Jerry Healey	George Hanley
Ushers	Sue Dettman Alice Bower	Don Black Jack Black	Fred Compertore Volunteer Needed

# Happy 31st Anniversary of Priestly Ordination Fr. Paul June 18, 1994–2025







Fr. Paul celebrating his first Mass in 1994









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