

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

June 26, 2022 Thirteenth 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.

KINGDOM



"No one who sets a hand to the plow
and looks to what was left behind is
fit for the kingdom of God."

LUKE 9:62

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Mass Times

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

Upcoming Events



Monday, June 27

Weekday

No Mass

Tuesday, June 28

St. Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr

No Mass

12:00P Rosary Group

Wednesday, June 29

Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

No Mass

No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, June 30

Weekday

No Mass

Friday, July 1

Weekday

Parish Officed Closed

No Mass

Saturday, July 2

Weekday

2:00P Individual Confession

4:00P Mass

Sunday, July 3

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00A Mass

11:00A Mass

**Growing
Together
in Faith**

Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Paul Gitau

Deacon: Mark Robbins

Administrative Asst.: Jodie Hickey x21

Adult Faith Formation Coordinator:

Katie Van Damme x24

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Summer Office Hours

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday (closed for the lunch hour

from 12:00-12:45 p.m.) Friday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Open for visitors daily 8:00 a.m. to Noon

Phone: 671- 2100

Emergency Number: 369-9687

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Financial Snapshot

	May 2022	July 2021-May 2022
Collections	\$34,953	\$494,654
Donations/ other revenue	\$2,284	\$44,287
Expenses	\$35,322	\$541,148
Operating surplus/deficit	\$1,915	\$(2,207)

Expenses include quarterly invoices paid.

Let Us Pray for Those in the Military

Jason Aman

Josh Bartlett

Zach Bartlett

Andrew O'Brien

Bryan Gross

Cydney Blong

Tom Weisenreder

Michael J. Desiato

Mason Serrano

Daniel Thomas

Andrew Zani

Jay Riesenberger



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

Seeds for the Journey

Hello Summer! I love letting the stresses of the year float away as I immerse myself in a good book, lively music, and a nice glass of a little red or white, (I'm not too picky). Early morning walks watching the deer graze and wander through my neighborhood with a sense of peace before the day begins. These are just some of the pleasures I, and many others I'm sure, live for over the summer. It's a release of all that strains us during the year.

Okay, now it's time for a true confession. (I do not write this to be judged; yet, as an example of where serenity seeking activities can take us. For I am human and imperfect. "Let the first one without sin cast the first stone" John 8:7). Since my classes at St. Bernard's have paused for the summer, I have begun to engage in some of these activities. A daily walk, diving into my books and listening to audio books, catching up on programs and movies that I have missed, listening to more lively music, and enjoying a glass of a little something at the end of the day. Sounds harmless and pretty nice, right? Well, herein lies my confession. In letting go of my stressors and enjoying these luxuries, I have found that I've moved away from that which keeps me spiritually fed. My daily walks have consisted of audio books that require headphones due to their more shocking nature. Then these books become addictive, and the headphones stay in as I make dinner, do laundry, even vacuuming my house. I've foregone listening to K-Love and the Station of the Cross as well, due to my new addiction to audiobooks. The programs and movies I've engrossed myself with as of late, have definitely been more violent, and somewhat more scandalous in nature, with a great deal of colorful language. My glass of red or white has turned pink in a fancy martini glass. And my music choices...well that's out of my control. Ever since Harry Styles came out with a new album my younger daughter has set his station on a permanent repeat.

Why am I telling you all this? Well, one, because I drew a blank when trying to come up with a subject, but mainly because I've come to realize that I've started to take a bit of a spiritual vacation. How often do we do this; let go of the good to be just a little bit more carefree, a little more relaxed? Do we relax with what we are feeding our mind, our body, and our souls? Do we vacation from our Sunday obligation? Do we allow societal pleasures to become our greatest pleasure? Where do we draw a line? What are we teaching our children, our families, and friends? What is the message that we are sending?

Please don't misjudge what I'm saying. It's not bad to watch these movies or series occasionally (Marvels, Obi-Wan Kenobi, Downton Abby...). In fact, none of these activities are bad. But if this is all we are filling our minds and hearts with, what is that doing to our souls? Does binge-watching (or binge-audio booking) make your life or the lives of your family members better; or are we simply breaking down our souls piece by piece? That is not for me to judge, just as I have asked that of you when I made my confession. This can only be determined by taking a deeper look at your own life and determining where your nourishment is coming from.

Katie

The Transforming Power of Christ

*You are cordially invited to attend
A week of Reflection and Transformation*

July 25 through July 29, 2022

*Sponsored by St. Paul's Adult Faith Formation
Program*

**Cost is \$10 which will go towards supplies*

**Must be 18 or older to attend*

RSVP by June 30

- ♦ ***Monday:** Field Trip to St. Michael's Church. Meet at St. Michael's at 10:00AM for tour. *Transportation not provided.**
- ♦ ***Tuesday:** "Father Stu" movie at 10:00 AM Rated "R" for Violence and Strong Language*
- ♦ ***Wednesday:** Cook and Serve Dinner at Bethany House Time approximately 4-7PM. Space is limited. First come basis. *Transportation not provided.**
- ♦ ***Thursday:** Morning of Reflection 10:00 - 12:00 Retreat with guest speaker Mary Van Houten, Theology Teacher at Our Lady of Mercy HS.*
- ♦ ***Friday:** Reflection and Fellowship Luncheon 10:00 - 12:00 rain or shine.*

*Please contact Katie in the parish office with
questions at 671-2100 ext. 24 or via email at
Katie.vandamme@dor.org*

*Registration forms are available on the website
or on the bulletin board outside the music room.*



This weekend we extend a warm
St. Paul's welcome to Fr. Tom Slon S.J.

Help Wanted:

Youth & Confirmation Minister, part time (15 -20 hours/week)

We are seeking a Youth & Confirmation Minister to coordinate and implement the Diocesan/Parish Confirmation Prep program as well as provide leadership in ministry to our parish youth.

Applicant should (minimally) be certified as a Catechetical Leader (or be enrolled in the Diocesan Certification program), but preferably have a Bachelor's or Master's Degree in Theology, Pastoral Ministry, and/or Religious Education.

For a detailed job description please visit our web site or the diocesan web site. Interested candidates please send resumes to robin.martz@dor.org

Rosary Group

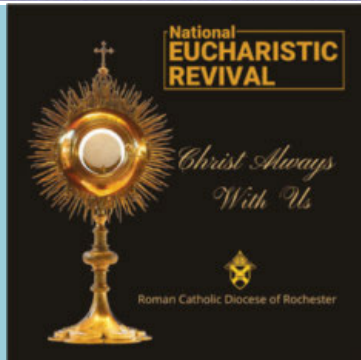


This summer St. Paul's Rosary Group will continue to meet for prayer and fellowship. June 28th, July 5, July 19, August 9, and August 23rd we invite all in our parish community to join us as we recite the Rosary at 12:00 noon in the worship space. You do not need to know how to pray the rosary to be part of this group. Currently we have almost 15 members and the beauty of joining our hearts and prayers as one is extremely peaceful and meaningful. We remember all in our Parish Prayer log and additional intentions are always welcome. If you have any questions about this group please contact Katie Van Damme in the parish office.

Basilian Fathers Mission Appeal

The Basilian Fathers are grateful to Bishop Matano, the Propagation of the Faith office, Father Paul Gitau and the parishioners of St. Paul's for hosting Rev. Norman Tanck CSB on Saturday, July 2nd and Sunday July 3rd, 2022. Join us at Mass next weekend to hear Father Tanck's appeal in support of the Basilian Fathers' work in Mexico and Colombia! Your contribution helps to deliver the Sacraments and the Gospel, along with food, clothing, and medical services to the impoverished people of San Lorenzo in Tehuacán, Mexico, as well as Bogotá and Medellín in Colombia.

If you wish to support this collection, please make your check payable to St. Paul's, adding "Basilian Fathers Mission Appeal" in the memo. Please drop your check in the collection box or slot with your regular offertory donation. Thank you for your support.



You Are What You Eat

Most of us remember from our childhood using this phrase in fun. However, this expression describes well our experience of Holy Communion. When we consume earthly food, it is absorbed into our system, digested, converted into energy or waste; our food becomes part of us. Yet when we receive Holy Communion, we become united with Jesus Christ so much that we truly become what we receive. Jesus became human so that we might become divine, and in the Eucharist, we truly gain a share in God's own life.

RCIA

Do you know anyone who is interested in the Catholic Faith? Perhaps you are looking into the faith and would like to join the Catholic Church? RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is a program designed to educate adults who are interested in joining the Catholic Church. Programs will begin in October; yet, it's never too early to begin your journey of faith. If you would like to learn more, or know someone who is interested, please contact Katie in the parish office. We look forward to traveling with you on this faith journey.

From the John Walsh Library

Chittister, Joan

Happiness

Everyone wants to be happy. But happiness is not a random accident of existence; it is a positive state that we can acquire. Society, culture, and advertising all play a part in defining happiness. It is so easy to concentrate on what we do not have and lose consciousness of what we do have. In this book, Joan Chittister explores what she calls an "archeology of happiness," digging through the archives of life's major fields of study—sociology, biology, neurology, psychology, philosophy, and religion—to determine how happiness has been defined throughout the ages. She hopes her readers will reflect on all these ideas and form a kind of philosophy of happiness for themselves. They can then root out whatever is seeking to undermine their moments of happiness and learn to keep their focus on happiness rather than simply on pleasure. (Call No. 152.4-CHI)



Chicken BBQ Fundraiser Wrap Up

A huge thank you to everyone for helping to make our 7th Annual Chicken BBQ Fundraiser a success! We've received multiple rave reviews about the dinners. We specifically use this caterer because his rotisserie cooked chicken is delicious!

We had our first sell out - thanks in part to an outstanding parishioner who purchased the last 9 dinners. A lot of folks said "keep the change" which was also much appreciated.

This year we continued to do a drive thru only. We enjoyed seeing everyone's smiling faces as they picked up their dinners. Hopefully next year we can go back to offering an eat-in option.

Our working crew this year was great which made the event a lot of fun. We had several new faces to supplement our regulars as some of our veterans were unable to attend. Hopefully they will all want to return next year!

Many thanks to everyone, from our BBQ workers to those who spread the word to friends and neighbors, and also all who came and enjoyed a dinner (or two). See you next year at our 8th Annual Chicken BBQ!

Ministry Schedule for July 2 & 3, 2022

Due to this bulletin being sent to press early, we are still in the process of finding volunteers. Please contact the ministry coordinator if you are available to assist. Thank you!

	4:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Acolytes	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Annika Van Damme Maggy Milner	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed
Cantors	TBD	TBD	TBD
EMHC	Sue Dettman Christine Grant	Jack Black Don Fisher	Fred Compertore Volunteer Needed
Greeters	Bill Galbraith Diana Kemp	D.A. Hutnick Jack Black	Ellen Santora Nancy Willard
Lectors	Anya or Claudia Swinson	Leo Van Damme	Gene Mancuso
Linens	Pat Rotundo No specific time for pick up		
Sacristans	Christine Grant	Jane Adams	Laure Barr
Stream Team	John Kosel	Tom Napoli	George Hanley
Ushers	Alice Bower Sue Dettman	Linda Fiske Herb Gauch	Fred Compertore Charlie Carson

Giving Options

Drop your offering in the donation box or slot as you leave church.

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(stpaulsrcc.org) and click
on the GIVING tab**

Questions?
Call Robin in the office
at 671-2100 X30

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