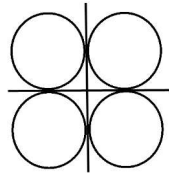


ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York 14580

June 28, 2026 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.



13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever does not
take up his cross and
follow after me is not
worthy of me.”
- Mt 10:37-38

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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, June 29
Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles
 No Mass

Tuesday, June 30
Weekday
 No Mass
 12:00P Rosary Group

Wednesday, July 1
Weekday
 No Mass
 No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, July 2
Weekday
 No Mass
 6:00P Bible Study

Friday, July 3
St. Thomas, Apostle
 Parish Office Closed
 No Mass

Saturday, July 4
Weekday
 Independence Day
 2nd Collection: Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe
 Birthday Blessing during Mass
 2:00P Confession
 4:00P Mass

Sunday, July 5
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 2nd Collection: Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe
 Birthday Blessing during Masses
 9:00A Mass
 11:00A Mass



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Financial Snapshot

	May 2026	July-May 2026
Collections	\$27,248	\$469,572
Donations/ other revenue	\$2,606	\$62,258
Expenses	\$27,845	\$551,909
Operating surplus/deficit	\$2,009	(\$20,073)

Let Us Pray for Those in the Military

Jason Aman	Josh Bartlett
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Andrew Zani	Robert Wright
Jay Riesenberger	Angelina Price
Christina Vozzo	



This week the
 Sanctuary Lamp burns
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 Rosemary Straube
 from
 Family

Seeds for the Journey

What's Your Favorite Comfort "Food"?

I love June: its promise of summer, its explosion of colorful blossoms, its spectacular thunderstorms, and its beautiful sunsets. Yet recent events have stirred in my feelings of anxiety, worry, and apprehension.

To begin with, I rehomed a dog. Lonely for the companionship of a furry friend after losing my longtime pet last year, I adopted a five-year-old Shih Tzu whose loving owner could no longer care for him. My happiness and excitement were short-lived when it became clear that this little creature was suffering from severe anxiety.

Stormy, ironically and appropriately named, has become my shadow, following me wherever I go. He never lets me out of his sight, and when I need to step outside even for a moment, he screeches, howls, and barks. It is heartbreaking.

As I sit with him in my favorite recliner, I notice that only a few things seem to calm his fears: the pillow he brought with him and his favorite bacon treats. I wonder if I will ever be able to win the heart of this anxious little pup.

I experienced a similar distress when storms blew through Webster, causing severe damage, toppling trees and wires, and leaving me without power or internet service. I had prepared for the possibility of darkness by gathering candles and matches, but as evening turned to night, my phone needed charging. So Stormy and I took a ride in the car until it had enough power.

When we returned home to a dark, quiet house, I lit candles and settled into the recliner with Stormy. Unable to read in the darkness, I began to consider what an extended power outage might mean. As my anxiety rose, I felt an unexpected connection with my new pet.

My own "comfort food" that night was a cup of calming tea and a few delicious chocolate chip cookies given to me by a friend. As Stormy and I sat in the stillness, I realized that we all seek comfort when we are afraid, unsure of the future, or anxious. When circumstances are beyond our control, we long for a safe, calming presence that assures us all will be well.

The knowledge that God loves us—even down to the hairs on our heads—should reassure us that there is nothing to fear and no reason to worry. Heidi Busse, editor of [Give Us This Day](#), quoted the teaching of psychologist Elisabeth Kübler-Ross: "There are only two primary emotions, love and fear. But it's more accurate to say that there is only love or fear, for we cannot feel these two emotions together, at exactly the same time. They're opposites. If we're in fear, we are not in a place of love. When we're in a place of love, we cannot be in a place of fear."

I believe the love of God is our true "comfort food". Knowing that love—and mirroring it throughout our lives—is key. That night in the darkness, I resolved to mirror God's love with Stormy. It may take time and patience, but I am hopeful. I'll keep you posted.

Bonnie

THANK YOU Fr. Samuel

We extend our deepest gratitude to Fr. Samuel Makua for celebrating our parish Masses while Fr. Paul was away. We are truly blessed by your presence, your inspiring homilies, and your generous service to our community. Thank you for stepping in to shepherd our flock and for sharing the Holy Eucharist with us. Please know that you remain in the prayers of our entire parish family!

Second Collection: Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe



Next weekend, July 4 & 5 is the collection to help support the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in over 25 countries that are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation.

To support this collection, please make your check payable to St. Paul's, adding "Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe" in the memo. Thank you for your support.

PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED

The parish office will be closed on Friday, July 3rd in observance of Independence Day.



PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, July 26, 2026

12:00 PM – 3:00 PM

rain or shine

Tickets go on sale July 11/12 & 18/19
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Ticket Info:

Individual Ticket: \$8

**Family (5+) Tickets:
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L-Q Snacks
R-Z Desserts**

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Please Sign Up

Artisan Table

Sign up on bulletin board

Volunteers needed to: sell tickets, picnic day check-in, set up, 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 Anne: Alamay7@hotmail.com



Birthday Blessing Weekend

Join us for a special blessing during Masses next weekend, July 4 & 5 as we celebrate July birthdays.

Everyday Stewardship:

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

God Is Love

I was recently at a Catholic conference and had a conversation with someone living in the thick of Hollywood culture. He was Catholic and spoke of how hard it was to live out his faith amid tremendous temptation and negativity toward religion. He spoke about how going to daily Mass helped to keep him centered and stay strong in his faith. He was a great witness to living out one's faith in the face of disbelief.

One thing that he told me stood out above all the rest. He spoke of his engagement to his fiancé and how important it was to him that God was a major part of their relationship and their lives as individuals as well. He told me he said something to her like, "If you don't love Jesus more than you love me, this is never going to work." What an amazing and truly moving witness!

Songs and books are written about the intense longing one human being can have for another. We can describe another as meaning everything to us. We speak of wanting to offer our complete selves to our beloved. However, true love is about more than wanting to be with that person. It is about wanting that person to know a love even greater than theirs: the love of God. No love can last without God. My Hollywood friend knew this to be the case. He showed his true love for his wife-to-be by sharing more than himself — he shared the very One who created love.

~Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS©LPi



Registration is now open for the OCIA here at St Paul's. The OCIA is sacramental preparation journey for unbaptized adults preparing to enter the Roman Catholic Church through the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion. It is also meant for baptized Christians wishing to enter the Roman Catholic Church or baptized adult Catholics seeking to complete their initiation with the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion. Interested persons or those who need more information about the process, should contact Anselm, the Director of Faith Formation via email at anslem.mesue@dor.org.

“Let all that you do be done in love.”

1 Corinthians 16:14

Register Today!

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 \$75 per child, \$150 for 2 children and \$185 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. Registration forms are on the bulletin board next to the music room. For more information, kindly contact Helen or Anselm:

helen.stirpe@dor.org
anslem.mesue@dor.org

Ministry Schedule for July 4 & 5, 2026

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	Kaiden Copie Volunteer Needed	Chris Yuskiw Katie Yuskiw
Cantors	TBD	TBD	TBD
EMHC	Ellen Oinen Don Oinen	Margaret Milner Jack Black	Cindy Ottina Ruth Prinzivalli
Greeters	Patrice DeAngelis Diana Kemp	Lucille Friscano DA Hutnick	Jean Van Apeldoorn Anne LaClair
Lectors	Dan Bower	Josephine Cozzo	Melanie Mancuso
Linens	No linen pick up this week		
Sacristans	Christine Grant	Pat Rotundo & Mary Fitch	Sandy Happ
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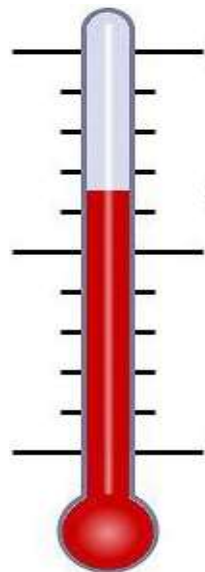
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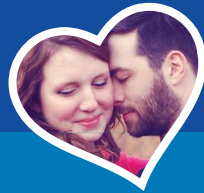
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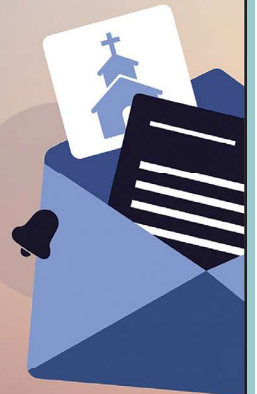


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