

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

June 5, 2022 Pentecost Sunday

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.
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 6
The Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of the Church
 No Mass - Priest Retreat

Tuesday, June 7
Weekday
 No Mass - Priest Retreat

Wednesday, June 8
Weekday
 No Mass - Priest Retreat
 No Adoration of the Blessed
 Sacrament

Thursday, June 9
Weekday
 No Mass - Priest Retreat
 7:00P Choir Rehearsal

Friday, June 10
Weekday
Parish Officed Closed @ Noon
 No Mass

Saturday, June 11
St. Barnabas, Apostle
Special Collection: Catholic
Communications Campaign
 2:00P Individual Confession
 4:00P Mass

Sunday, June 12
The Most Holy Trinity
Special Collection: Catholic
Communications Campaign
 9:00A Mass
 10:00A Adult Faith Enrichment
 Committee Mtg.
 11:00A Mass
 12:00P Altar Server Training



Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Paul Gitau
Deacon: Mark Robbins
Administrative Asst.: Jodie Hickey x21
Adult Faith Formation Coordinator:
 Katie Van Damme x24
Assistant 9:00 a.m. Organist: TBD
Business Manager: Robin Martz x30
Confirmation Minister: Sue Ward x27
Coordinator of Music: Alessio Giacobone
Coordinator of SOR & Facilities Cleaning:
 Helen Stirpe x25 or 671-2110
Maintenance Coordinator: Ben O'Brien x28
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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
Website: www.stpaulsrcc.org
Diocese of Rochester: www.dor.org



Financial Snapshot

	April 2022	July 2021-April 2022
Collections	\$65,638	\$459,701
Donations/ other revenue	\$3,001	\$41,902
Expenses	\$71,848	\$505,472
Operating surplus/deficit	(\$3,209)	\$(3,869)

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
 Ken Heim
 from
 Wife, Betty*

Seeds for the Journey

***"Stay in Jerusalem and wait for the Holy Spirit to come upon you.
Then you will be my witnesses to the world."***

Luke records Jesus giving this command to His disciples just before He ascended to the Father. It appears at the end of Luke's Gospel and again in the beginning of The Acts of the Apostles, and the events flow in this order: the Risen Lord promises that the Spirit will come upon the disciples; the disciples wait as instructed by Him; ten days after Jesus' ascension, the Holy Spirit fulfills His promise; the disciples begin their witness to the world of the person and mission of Jesus Christ.

They were not to begin the work of building the community of believers until the Holy Spirit had given them all the gifts they would need to accomplish it. After that, they had to figure it out as they went along; the Holy Spirit did not give them a playbook, but through communion in that Spirit they could discern what to do and where to go—in real time. Throughout The Acts of the Apostles, then, we see the disciples grappling with questions like: Who should replace Judas? Where does Paul fit in the mission of Jesus? How should we regard the Gentiles, and what should we expect of them? The entire story of the early church and the Jesus movement was one of figuring it out in real time.

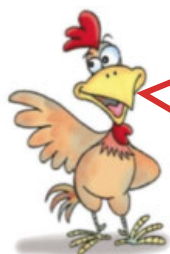
We see the same figure-it-out-as-you-go approach in Jesus' own story: Before starting His ministry, He fasted and prayed in the desert for forty days, trying to discern just exactly how He should make Himself known to God's people: Should He begin by relieving the people of their poverty? Maybe an awesome display of the miraculous? Should He lead an effort to organize and liberate them from their Roman oppressors? As we know, He rejected all these options in favor of the way of love.

Pope Francis has asked us to continue discerning, as Jesus and the disciples did, in our current Synodal efforts. Although the divine core of the church remains unchanged—*Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever* (Hebrews 13:8)—the human structures of the church can, and sometimes must, evolve through prayerful discernment. In an address he gave on May 13, Pope Francis admonished us to discern the difference between wanting to go back in time and drawing inspiration from one's roots in order to move forward with Christ. Looking back to find inspiration is good because "without roots we cannot progress," he said. "But to go in reverse is to go back in order to have a form of defense, a safety measure that saves us from the risk of going forward, the Christian risk of carrying the faith, the Christian risk of journeying with Jesus Christ." (Glatz, Carol. 13 May 2022, ncronline.org)

Jesus prayerfully discerned *how* to fulfill His mission. The disciples prayerfully discerned *how* to continue that mission. In the present moment it comes down to us:

Do we as individuals and collectively as the church have the will to prayerfully discern and the courage to risk what may be required of us to go forward in our journey with Jesus Christ?

Sue



**What a deal!
And Fr. Paul
says it's
delicious!**

**St. Paul's 7th Annual
Chicken BBQ Fundraiser**
Friday, June 17, 2021
4:00 to 6:00 PM
(or until sold out)
\$12 per dinner, cash only
Drive through only

Volunteers Bring the Splash

VBS 2022 "Make Waves"

"What you do today can change the world around you"

When: July 18-22

Time: 8:30am-12:30pm

Age: 6th graders (Sept 2022) – Adults 18+

Positions: Leaders & Leader Assistants
"Great opportunity to earn service hours"

Jobs: A) Oversee Pre-k through 5th grade participants
B) Oversee Activities
C) Help with set up & design

RSVP: Helen at helen.stirpe@dor.org to help
"MAKE WAVES" this summer!!

Visit our website under faith formation tab and watch bulletin for more details.

Are You Thinking About the Catholic Faith?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process that consists of learning about the Catholic Faith/Church through instruction and group faith sharing, participation in rites/blessings and reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Here at St Paul's, we usually meet once per week from Oct-May.

Are you:

- ♦ A person who has not been baptized and would like to learn more about the Catholic faith with the possibility of becoming Catholic?
- ♦ A baptized Christian of another denomination who would like to learn more about and possibly join the Catholic Church?
- ♦ A baptized Roman Catholic who has never received Eucharist or Confirmation and would like to become a full participant in the life of the Church?

The Christian Initiation process offers an environment of support and guidance as you discover how God is working in your life. Is this process for you? Do you have a friend or neighbor who may be interested? For more information, contact Katie in the parish office call the office @ 671-2100 x24 or katie.vandamme@dor.org.



There is no 8:30 a.m. Mass the week of **Monday, June 6th through Friday, June 10th** due to Fr. Paul attending a priest retreat. Also, no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday, June 8th.

Together in Grief

Together in Grief will be holding their last meeting of the season on June 16th at 11:00 AM in rooms 7 & 8. If you have experienced the loss of a loved one and are looking for suggestions on how to deal with the summer months, we encourage you to join us as we discuss *Summer Plans*. Pizza will be provided. Desserts and side dishes are welcome. Please contact Katie at katie.vandamme@dor.org by June 9th if you will be attending to ensure enough pizza is ordered.

Giving Options

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



Go to our website (stpaulsrcc.org) and click on the GIVING tab

Send us a check through your own Bank's BILL PAY feature.



Mail your envelope to:
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Questions?
Call Robin in the office
at 671-2100 X30

Thank you!



Have you ever questioned the real presence of Christ in the Eucharistic? You're not alone. Peter of Prague, a priest in Lanciano, Italy had the same doubts and questions about transubstantiation. He struggling with this for some time, but that changed when the host he was holding during the words of consecration began to bleed. This host has not disintegrated and is still visible today at the Church of San Francesco in Lanciano.

From the John Walsh Library

Berry, Thomas

Selected Writings on the Earth Community

Formerly a professor of history of religions at Fordham University, Berry became aware of a variety of environmental problems earlier than most--from pollution to unbridled consumption to biodiversity loss. He also realized the religious character of the crisis. As early as the 70's, he challenged the world religions to respond to the growing disaster. He wondered why religions have been blind to the fate of the earth; the universe is the supreme manifestation of the sacred. What we do now, or don't do now, is going to have enormous consequences for the immediate future of our own children and the future of all generations that come after us. "Within the universe, the planet Earth with all its wonder is the place for the meeting of the divine and the human." (Call No. 211.23-BER)

Father's Day Flowers



We invite you to make a donation towards the purchase of plants and flowers to decorate the church, in memory or honor of your loved ones, for Father's Day.

Please make your check payable to "St. Paul's Church" and mark your donation "Father's Day Flowers" and include **who the donation is in memory of**; we will list them in the bulletin on Father's Day. Please have your requests to the office **by Monday June 13**.

You can also request a Father's Day flower memorial on our website! Use the "Donate" link. There will be a text box to enter who you wish the flowers to be in memory / honor of. Please note there is a 50 character limit, if you can't fit everyone in please call or email us and we can adjust.

Questions please contact Jodie or Robin at
671-2100 or Jodie.hickey@dor.org or
robin.martz@dor.org Thanks!

Ministry Schedule for June 11 & 12, 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
Cantors	TBD	TBD	TBD
Greeters	Diana Kemp Bill Galbraith	D.A. Hutnick Jack Black	Jean Van Apeldoorn Barb Rehberg
Lectors	Dan Bower	Leo Van Damme	Melanie Mancuso
Stream Team	TBD	TBD	TBD
Ushers	Alice Bower Sue Dettman	Linda Fiske Herb Gauch	Nancy Carson Charlie Carson
EMHC	Christine Grant Trisha DeBacco	Margaret Milner Josephine Cozzo	Karen Napoli Fred Compertore
Sacristans	Volunteer Needed	Turner Family	Volunteer Needed



Registration is Open! Vacation Bible School (VBS)

July 18-22 9:15am-12:15pm

Grades PreK-5 (Sept. 2022)

\$45/Child with \$100 family max til June 20
(after June 20: \$55/child \$120 family max)



Five days of games, crafts,
music, missions,
bible stories and snacks.
Day 5 concludes with an
outdoor lunch.

Registration forms are available on the
bulletin board or visit St. Paul's
website to register online today!





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